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### WinVinaya Academy

The WinVinaya Academy, is India's 1st Digital Learning Platform for Persons With Disability (PWD) with courses in English Medium and Indian Sign Language Medium. 100s of PWD candidates across 12 states in India have learnt English, Software Coding, Soft Skills, Core Banking courses and more for free.

### WinVinaya Academy

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### WinVinaya's Edu-Connect program

As per the last census, less than 10% of Persons with Disabilities are graduates and 70% come from rural background. Their foundational skills in English, Basic Coding are poor which makes it very difficult for them to get a job. Through EduConnect Program, WinVinaya is partnering with Inclusive Schools and Colleges to prepare the students for a bright future.



Edu-Connect Program. winvinayafoundation.org/ourprograms



## Blog

We share our thoughts, updates and important information through our blogs. In the month of Jan, we published 3 blogs -How the Year 2020 transformed WinVinaya, An Interview on UDID its benefits & current challenges and a wonderful Poem by an intern. Blogs winvinayafoundation.org/blog/

# **CANDIDATES TALK**





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### Ankit Deb

PERSON WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENT, COMPLETED SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

"I was part of the Software Development training at WinVinaya Foundation. Through this program I got a chance to brush up the fundamentals of Java and SQL. I also had a dedicated soft skills session, which improved my communicating, listening, presenting skills and much more. Now I know how to make my presentation more inclusive so that trainees with different types of disabilities can easily access it.." Success Stories winvinayafoundation.org/ success-stories/

#### **Ram Kumar**

PERSON WITH HEARING AND SPEECH IMPAIRMENT, UNDERGOING BUSINESS PROCESS AUTOMATION TRAINING

"I am happy to be part of WinVinaya foundation training. It is worth attending because the sessions are well organized and the trainers use the time efficiently and put in a lot of effort to help the candidates. Assignments are systematically assigned to help us improve and to help the deaf candidates understand the concepts better, it is either taught in sign language or interpreted into sign language. The commitment, care and concern of the trainers make the candidates feel at home"

### Radha Kumari

PERSON WITH CEREBRAL PALSY, UNDERGOING SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

"It is an awesome platform to learn new skills and grow our career. We have meetings on a daily basis during which we discuss and clarify our doubts. Solving new subject related problems on the WinVinaya Academy has helped me deepen my knowledge in Java, MySQL and other subjects."

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# She chose not to place 'Dis' in her ability...



Introducing to you Ms. Anmol Pal. Hailing from Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh, currently pursuing her M. Com. Anmol is a 100% hearing impaired person, and a trained professional Bharatanatyam dancer. She is breaking all odds, dancing, performing in competitions and concerts, she aims to reach for the skies.

When asked about how she does it, she said, she cannot understand music at all, but follows the instructions of her teacher and dances. She learns the steps by keeping count of her moves to keep time with the other dancers. She's also pursuing a degree in dance. Anmol aspires to be a choreographer and pursue a career in dance in the future. What dancing means to her: she feels proud of how far she has come. She says she feels alive when she dances.

When she performs with the other hearing performers, people watching don't realize that she is hearing impaired. The reaction of the audience when they notice is a mixture of awe and encouragement, and she feels extremely proud of her achievements.

Anmol's life is a story of grit and determination, an inspiration to many.

To know more about her, head out to our blog page: <u>https://winvinayafoundation.org/reach-the-stars/</u>

She feels proud of what she has achieved and it boosts her confidence to dream bigger...

