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Department of Telecommunications Officials Visit ITI Limited



Shri Ravi Kant, Member (Services) and Shri R K Kaushik, Director (PSU-II) from Department of Telecommunications visited corporate office, ITI Limited, Bangalore on November 16, 2018. A meeting was organized to discuss the progress of ongoing projects of the company and review the status of implementation of revival plan across plants/units.

ITI Limited Observes Vigilance Awareness Week 2018



ITI Limited observed Vigilance Awareness Week 2018 across ITI Units/Plants with Central Vigilance theme 'Eradicate Corruption - Build a New India' from October 29 to November 3, 2018. To prevent and combat corruption, an

Integrity Pledge was administered by Shri R M Agarwal, Director (Marketing) at ITI corporate office to all the employees. Various competitions like essay writing, poster making and slogan writing were also organized as a part of the celebrations.



Corporate Vigilance department organized a talk on 'Integrity and Good Governance in PSU' by Hon'ble Justice

Shri N Santosh Hegde, Former Judge, Supreme Court of India & Former Lokayukta, Karnataka at ITI Bangalore Plant on October 29, 2018. Addressing the gathering, Shri Hegde highlighted how corruption had grown to enormous levels over the years and how the participation of citizens can play a major role in controlling the menace. He urged employees to join the fight against corruption.



Shri N Santhosh Hegde delivering a talk on corruption in the presence of Shri R M Agarwal, Director (Marketing), Shri A Gnanasekaran, CVO, Shri Shashi Prakash Gupta, Director (HR) and Shri Y Muralidhar, GM-BG & R&D, senior officers and employees.

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raise about awareness corruption school among children and general public, Shri A Gnanasekaran, Chief Vigilance Officer, ITI Limited administered Integrity Pledge to the school children and employees. Addressing the media and school children, Shri Gnanasekaran stressed on the need of creating awareness about integrity, ethics and human values at personal

level. He further added that the need of the hour is to remain vigilant about this awareness and after it gets ingrained, it is automatically reflected in our day to day life thereby bringing improvement in the society. Corporate Vigilance department also organized a rally 'VIGITHON 2018' at ITI Central and ITI Vidya Mandir School. Shri A Gnanasekaran flagged off the rally. Around 200 school children participated in the rally displaying placards, banners and raising slogans on the theme 'Eradicate Corruption - Build a New India'.

Shri K Alagesan, CMD, ITI Limited presided over the valedictory function in the presence of Shri R M Agarwal, Director (Marketing), Shri A Gnanasekaran, Chief Vigilance Officer, Shri Y Muralidhar, GM-BG & R&D, Bangalore Plant and Shri A K Bajoria, GM-NSU, NS Unit on November 3, 2018 at ITI Bangalore Plant.

Delivering the key note address Shri K Alagesan said, "Corruption is the biggest threat for the society. The reason for corruption is greed and we should practice preventive vigilance in all the routine work and day today activities to remove corruption from its roots. To combat it we should follow integrity,

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transparency and accountability in all spheres of life and contribute to build a New India".

Addressing the gathering on the occasion, Shri R M Agarwal said, "We need to be free from corruption. Fighting corruption is not one time affair as we need to inculcate it in our day to day activities. We should combat corruption throughout the year and contribute to build a New India". On the occasion prizes were distributed to the winners of various competitions.

At Naini Plant Shri Sanjay Satyapriya, AGM-N, Unit Head administered Integrity pledge to senior officers and employees. Banners and posters on the CVC theme were displayed in Hindi and English at prime locations and in the factory premises. During the observation of Vigilance Awareness Week 2018, Naini Vigilance department organized essay writing, slogan writing and quiz competitions on the CVC theme for the employees. Smt Sunita Atulker, Chief Manager (Vigilance), Naini Plant administered Integrity Pledge to school children and teachers of Purva Madhaymik Primary School, Chaka, Naini, Allahabad. A slogan writing competition was organized for school children. At the valedictory function, emphasizing on eradication of corruption Shri Satyapriya, AGM-N said "Each one should follow the rules and derail corruption at every level and curb it from the society to make our country corruption free". On the occasion Shri Satyapriya felicitated the prize winners.





Ms. Aruna Sundararajan, Chairman (Digital Communications Commission) & Secretary DoT Meets ITI Palakkad Management



Ms. Aruna Sundararajan, Chairman (Digital Communications Commission) & Secretary DoT held discussions with Shri D Venkateswarlu, GM-PKD, Unit Head, ITI Palakkad Plant, Shri Sasidharan K, AGM-PCS and Shri Jimmy J Nalappat, DGM-HR during her visit to Ernakulam on November 8, 2018. She reviewed the status of on going projects and assured to provide support to ITI Limited.

ITI Limited Wins Indywood Excellence Award 2018

ITI Limited won Indywood Excellence Award 2018. The Certificate of Excellence was presented to ITI Limited in the category of Public Sector - Telecommunications at Indywood Film Carnival 2018 organized at Hitex, Convention Center, Hyderabad on December 4, 2018. Shri Mohammed Ibrahim Al Qahtani, senior advisor to Saudi Aramco, Saudi Arabia presented the award to Shri K Alagesan, CMD, ITI Limited.



ITI Limited Contributes to ISRO's Space Mission



ITI Palakkad Plant collaborated with Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC), the lead centre for Launch Vehicles Development for ISRO's Space Missions. ITI Palakkad Plant contributed for manufacturing of 2 numbers of Data Processing Units (V3L) and 21 numbers of Remote Mount Safe Arm (RMSA). Fabricated and tested at Palakkad Plant, the electronic packages were used in ISRO's Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle (GSLV) Mk III-D2 rocket, the second developmental flight of GSLV Mk III for the successful launch of GSAT-29, a High Throughput Satellite (HTS) into Geostationary Transfer Orbit (GTO) on November 14, 2018 from Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota. GSAT-29 is a multiband. multi-beam communication satellite which will

provide communication and internet services to the remote corners of India.

ITI Palakkad Plant also contributed for manufacturing of critical Radio Frequency (RF) packages of PSBT & SCB. Thirty electronic packages were fabricated and tested at Palakkad Plant. These packages were used in ISRO's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV-C43) for the successful launch of Hyper Spectral Imaging Satellite (HySIS) and 30 satellites on November 29, 2018 from Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota. HySIS is an earth observation satellite that provides hyper spectral imaging services for a wide range of applications in agriculture, forestry and in the assessment of geography such as coastal zones, inland waterways and defence forces in India.

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ITI Limited Organizes Swachhta Pakhwada from November 16 to 30, 2018

To commemorate 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, ITI Limited organized Swachhta Pakhwada to create awareness of cleanliness and hygiene for the employees at corporate office and across its plants/units as per the guidelines of Department of Public Enterprises (DPE) from November 16 to 30, 2018.



Shri K Alagesan, CMD, ITI Limited and Shri Shashi Prakash Gupta, Director (HR) administered Swachhta Pledge to the employees on November 16, 2018 at corporate office. Activities organized



by ITI corporate office included a talk on 'Health and hygiene' for women employees by Dr Padma Alagesan and Dr Shashikala; cleaning of office premises and disposal of scrap; telecast of Swachhta documentary on Digital Board and broadcast of audio on Swachhta. A 'Special Cleanliness' drive was also organized at ITI Township, B area on November 29, 2018. Speaking on the

occasion, Shri Shashi Prakash Gupta, Director (HR) said, "It is our utmost duty to keep our homes clean, maintain cleanliness in the premises and contribute to clean and green environment. We are commemorating 150th birth

anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi and to fulfill the dream of 'Father of the Nation' each one has to contribute to Swachh Bharat Mission and make India clean. We look forward for support from citizens for maintaining cleanliness in ITI Township and contribute to 'Clean India' mission of Government of India." The cleanliness drive was spearheaded by Shri Shashi Prakash Gupta to spread the message of cleanliness among the employees and residents at ITI Township. Senior officers and employees actively participated in the cleanliness drive.



At ITI Palakkad Plant, Shri D Venkateswarlu, GM-PKD, Unit Head administered Swachhta pledge to the employees on November 16, 2018 as a part of Swachhta Pakhwada from November 16 to 30, 2018. Activities on Swachhta Pakhwada included cleanliness drive at transport department and medical center; a talk on 'Gandhian thoughts and their relevance in contemporary context' by Advocate Premnath, Public Prosecutor; cleanliness drive at canteen premises and surroundings and an awareness talk for staff of maintenance and



service department. A talk on 'Swachhta and Environment' by Shri K M Ramesan Unny, HR (PR) & Nodal officer, Swachhta Action Plan (SAP) was also organized for the students of Government Technical High School, Kuttipuram at HRD Hall, Palakkad Plant on November 24, 2018. A video on Swachh Bharat Mission was also played for school children. Various competitions like slogan and essay writing were organized on the topic 'How can we keep our country clean'





on November 26, 2018. Shri D Venkateswarlu, GM-PKD, Unit Head felicitated the winners of competitions during the valedictory function on November 30, 2018.

ITI Bangalore Plant organized a talk on 'Swachhta and Gandhian thought' by Shri Yallappa Reddy, IFS, renowned Environmentalist and a Gandhian on November 28, 2018 at R&D Seminar Hall, Bangalore Plant. Shri Reddy shared his experiences on swachhta and urged everyone to maintain cleanliness and protect environment to make India clean and green. Bangalore Plant also organized slogan and essay writing competitions for the employees.

ITI Mankapur Plant organized cleanliness drive at factory premises, township area and school grounds as a part of Swachhta Pakhwada from November 16 to 30, 2018. Shri Rajiv Seth, GM-MKP, Unit Head, Mankapur Plant administered swachhta pledge to all the employees. A talk on Swachhta by Shri Dharmveer Arya, a Gandhian, Gonda District was organized for employees and school children on November 26, 2018. Inaugurating the program, Shri Dharmveer Arya delivered a lecture on Mahatma Gandhi's life & philosophy and emphasized on environmental cleanliness in the presence of Shri



Rajiv Seth, GM-MKP, Gandhians, Smt Anita Srivastava, President, Mahila Samaj, Smt Swati Srivastava, Member, Mahila Samaj, Gonda District, senior officers, employees and school children. He urged everyone to take swachhta as a challenge and contribute to make India green and clean. On the occasion prizes were distributed to the winners of Swachhta questionnaire, poster, painting and slogan writing competitions.



Valedictory function of Swachhta Pakhwada at Naini Plant, Shri S Satyapriya, AGM-N, Unit Head highlighted the importance of cleanliness and urged all to clean their homes and office on daily basis for a healthy living and contribute for green environment. On the occasion a documentary on Swachhta was telecasted in the conference hall. Shri Satyapriya appreciated the volunteers for maintaining cleanliness in the office & surroundings and felicitated them.

ITI Palakkad Plant Organizes Assessment of PCMM and PMMM Certification

ITI Palakkad Plant organized a programme on assessment of PCMM (People Capability Maturity Model) and PMMM (Project Management Maturity Model) Certification on November 2, 2018. Shri D Venkateswarlu, GM-PKD, Unit Head, Palakkad Plant inaugurated the programme. Shri Shailendra Diwan, CEO and Shri Mohan Ramanujam, Business Process Consultant from M/s Radiant Consulting Solutions, Bengaluru conducted the assessment for the compliance of PCMM & PMMM certification. Senior officers and employees participated in the programme. Assessment of PCMM is a tool which supports, enables and encourages organization's







commitment for improving its ability to attract, develop, motivate, organize and retain the talent required to steadily improve the organizational capability. Assessment of PMMM is a tool to measure the maturity in project management of an organization. Once the initial level of maturity and the areas for improvement have been identified, PMMM provides a roadmap and defines necessary measures to be taken towards maturity in project management to systematically and efficiently develop project management capabilities.

ITI Limited Participates in IETE International Conference India (IICI-2018)

ITI Limited participated in IETE International Conference India (IICI-2018) on Advances and Applications of IoT, Big Data Analytics and 5G organized by Institution of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers (IETE) from December 13 to 15, 2018 held at U R Rao Satellite Centre, Old Airport Road, Bengaluru. The conference aimed to string together three very highly topical technologies, which are creating waves in technology domains of Internet of Things, Industrial IoT and Machine to Machine Communications, Data Analytics & Big Data which includes the large data generated by the advent of IoT and taking advantage of it using Data Analytics and finally, the "in the making" new wireless standard 5G, which will have special architecture for IoT. The conference also



Dr. K Sivan, Chairman ISRO & Secretary, DOS, Shri Shashi Prakash Gupta, Director (HR), ITI Limited, Shri P Kunhikrishnan, Director, URSC and Professor (Dr) K T V Reddy, President IETE at the exhibition

provided excellent opportunity for the industries to showcase their existing product line technological strength to support high end missions in the domain of space research, advancing communication and information technology. ITI Limited showcased its products and services like Component Screening Lab, PLB HDPE Pipe Plant, IP Encryptor, NGN BEU, TESD, Smaash Mini PC, Smart Post KIOSK, Smart Energy Meter, IoT Solutions in the event.

ITI Limited Observes Quami Ekta Week

ITI Limited observed Quami Ekta (National Integration) Week to foster and reinforce the strength of public harmony and national integration across its plants/units from November 19 to 25, 2018. National integration pledge was administered to all employees by Plant/Unit Heads to preserve and strengthen liberty, honesty and to maintain communal harmony at their respective plants/units. Banners and posters depicting themes on secularism, anti-communalism and non-violence were displayed at Naini, Palakkad and Mankapur Plants.



Shri S Satyapriya, AGM-N, Unit Head addressing the senior officers and employees at Naini Plant

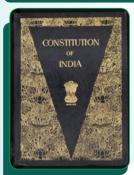


Shri D Venkateswarlu, GM-PKD, Unit Head & Shri Jimmy J Nalappat, DGM-HR addressing the senior officers and employees at Palakkad Plant





ITI Limited Observes Constitution Day of India



ITI Limited observed Constitution Day (National Law Day) or Samvidhan Divas to commemorate the adoption of Constitution of India at ITI corporate office, plants/units and regional offices on November 26, 2018. The day was marked by paying tribute to Dr B R Ambedkar for his pivotal role in drafting and framing the constitution of India as the Chairman of the Drafting Committee of Constituent Assembly. On this day in 1949, the Constituent Assembly of India adopted the Constitution of India and it came into effect on January 26, 1950 marking the beginning of a new era in the history of India.



Shri Shashi Prakash Gupta, Director (HR), Shri B S Bhat, GM-P and Shri Subhasis Som, AGM-V read out the 'Preamble to the Constitution of India' along with senior officers and employees at corporate office.



Shri Rajiv Seth, GM-MKP, Unit Head reading out the 'Preamble to the Constitution of India' along with senior officers and employees at Mankapur Plant

ITI Limited Observes National Energy Conservation Day

ITI Mankapur Plant observed National Energy Conservation Day at Employee Development Center (EDC) Auditorium organized by Electrical department on December 14, 2018. National energy conservation campaign is a national awareness initiative launched by the Ministry of Power to facilitate the process of energy conservation in India. The day is observed to create awareness among people about the importance of energy as well as to save and conserve more energy by using energy efficiently by them. To mark the celebration, various competitions





like questionnaire, essay writing were organized for employees and school children. Shri Rajiv Seth, GM-MKP, Unit Head inaugurated the programme in the presence of senior officers, employees, representatives of karmchari sangh, officers association, students and teachers of St Michael's Convent School.

Highlighting the importance of energy conservation day Shri Rajiv Seth said "We



should conserve energy by avoiding unnecessary use of it. Using energy



efficiently is essential to save it for future use and every individual should plan to conserve it". He appreciated the role of senior officers and employees of Mankapur Plant in conserving energy in the plant & township and winning National Energy Awards in the years 2004, 2007, 2009 and State Energy Awards (Uttar Pradesh) in 2017. On the occasion Shri Rajiv Seth also felicitated the winners of various competitions.

ITI Limited Celebrates 63rd Karnataka Rajyotsava

ITI Limited celebrated 63rd Karnataka Rajyotsava with great zeal and fervor on December 2, 2018 at ITI Bangalore plant. To mark the celebration of 'Foundation Day of Karnataka State', tributes were paid to the state founders for their contributions to the formation of the state and conserving the distinct art and culture, diverse linguistic and religious ethnicity. Shri Y Muralidhar, GM-BG & R&D, Unit Head extended his warm wishes on the occasion.

Chief Guest, Shri K Alagesan, CMD, ITI Limited appreciated the contributions of ITI and its employees to the diverse art and culture of Karnataka in the presence of Shri Shashi Prakash Gupta, Director (HR), Shri A Gnanasekaran, CVO, Shri Y Muralidhar, GM-BG & R&D, Shri A K Bajoria, GM-NSU, Shri D Venkateswarlu, GM-PKD, senior officers, employees, representatives of ITI employees' union and officers association. Shri Alagesan urged employees to work hard to meet the challenges and achieve the set targets for the year 2018-19. On the occasion the dignitaries



were felicitated with 'Mysore Peta' by representatives of employees' union and officers association. The event was supported by various cultural programmes.

ITI Palakkad Plant Receives BIS Certification for Manufacture of Smart Energy Meter



A team of officials from Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), Kochi visited ITI Palakkad Plant on November 16, 2018. During the visit, the team conducted the audit of infrastructure, manufacturing line, process and testing of Smart Energy Meter (Sciknow Single Phase) as a part of the process of BIS certification. The team ascertained the compliance with national standards of safety, accuracy and communications protocol of Smart Energy Meter. BIS issued the license to ITI Palakkad Plant for the manufacture of Smart Energy Meter on November 29, 2018.







Smt Meenakshi Ganesan, Scientist-F & Head, BIS Kochi/Coimbatore and Shri Gowtham, Scientist-B, BIS, Kochi visited Palakkad Plant on December 13, 2018. Smt Meenakshi Ganesan presented BIS Certificate to Shri D Venkateswarlu, GM-PKD, Unit Head, Palakkad Plant. On the occasion Shri Gowtham made a presentation on "BIS activities and Consumer Protection" to senior officers and employees of Smart Energy Meter project.

ITI Palakkad Plant Celebrates Quality Month



ITI Palakkad Plant celebrated Quality Month on the theme 'Quality: A Question of Trust' in the month of November 2018. Banners and posters depicting 'Quality' were displayed in the plant premises. Quality Month Celebration is a public awareness campaign that encourages business, industry and government to focus on the strategic importance of quality and continuous improvement. ITI Palakkad Plant also celebrated World Quality Day on November 8, 2018. To mark the quality month celebrations, various competitions such as quiz, poster making and slogan writing were organized to create awareness on

quality as well as ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 14001:2015 standards. Speaking on the valedictory function,

Shri D Venkateswarlu, GM-PKD, Unit Head emphasized on the importance of quality and the role of quality in industry for its sustainable growth as well as daily life. Senior officers, employees, representatives of employees' union and officers association were present on the occasion. Smt Rajalakshmi V, DGM-QA addressed the gathering stating that every individual in an organization has an important role to control & monitor quality and build and maintain the trust of stakeholders. Shri D Venkateswarlu felicitated the winners of competitions.



ITI Limited Receives Mastercard Certification



ITI Limited has received Certificate of Compliance for Mastercard production at Palakkad Plant from Mastercard Certification Body, New York. The certificate provides

evidence that the security configuration of Palakkad Plant has been assessed and complies with the Payment Card Industry

(PCI) Card Production and provisioning security requirements to perform card production: card manufacturing, chip embedding, card personalization and chip personalization. ITI Limited has now become the first Public Sector Unit in the country certified for RuPay and Mastercard production and is the 'Certified Vendor' under the Mastercard Global Vendor Certification Program.







ISO 9001:2015 Re-Certification Audit at ITI Mankapur Plant



ITI Mankapur Plant organized ISO 9001:2015 Re-Certification Audit to reassess the organization's quality management system and to evaluate the requirements of the relevant management system standard. Shri Rajiv Seth, GM-MKP, Unit Head welcomed the Auditors from NVT Quality Certification Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore. Shri D C Bansal, Lead Auditor and Shri V P Oka, Auditor conducted ISO 9001:2015 Audit at Mankapur Plant from November 19 to 22,

2018. Lead Auditor, Shri D C Bansal observed no non-conformities and recommended re-certification ISO14001:2015 for Mankapur Plant. Shri Shailendra Kumar Sharma, Lead Auditor conducted First Surveillance Audit of ISO 14001:2015 at Mankapur Plant from November 20 to 22, 2018.



अजनबी मुसाफिर की कहानी

वो ट्रेन के रिजर्वेशन के डब्बे में बाथरूम के तरफ वाली एक्स्ट्रा सीट पर बैठी थी,..... उसके चेहरे से पता चल रहा था कि थोड़ी सी घबराहट है उसके दिल में कि कहीं टी.सी. ने आकर पकड़ लिया तो । कुछ देर तक तो पीछे पलट-पलट कर टी.सी. के आने का इंतज़ार करती रही । शायद सोच रही थी कि थोड़े बहुत पैसे देकर कुछ निपटारा कर लेगी। देखकर यही लग रहा था कि जनरल डब्बे में चढ़ नहीं पाई इसलिए इसमें आकर बैठ गयी, शायद ज्यादा लम्बा सफर भी नहीं करना होगा। सामान के नाम पर उसकी गोद में रखा एक छोटा सा बैग दिख रहा था। मैं बहुत देर तक कोशिश करता रहा पीछे से उसे देखने की कि शायद उसका चेहरा सही से दिख पाए..... लेकिन हर बार असफल ही रहा। फिर थोड़ी देर बाद वो भी खिड़की पर हाथ टिकाकर सो गयी और मैं भी वापस से अपनी किताब पढ़ने में मशगूल हो गया।

लगभग 1 घंटे के बाद टी.सी. आया और उसे हिलाकर उठाया । ''कहाँ जाना है बेटा'' ''अंकल अहमदनगर तक जाना है'' ''टिकट है ?'' ''नहीं अंकल जनरल का है लेकिन वहाँ चढ़ नहीं पाई इसिलए इसमें बैठ गई'' ''अच्छा 300 रूपये का पेनाल्टी बनेगा'' ''ओह..... अंकल मेरे पास तो लेकिन 100 रूपये ही हैं'' ''ये तो गलत बात है बेटा..... पेनाल्टी तो भरनी पड़ेगी'' ''सॉरी अंकल मैं अगले स्टेशन पर जनरल में चली जाऊँगी.....मेरे पास सच में पैसे नहीं हैं....कुछ परेशानी आ गई, इसिलए जल्दबाजी में घर से निकल आई.... और ज्यादा पैसे रखना भूल गई....'' बोलते-बोलते वो लड़की रोने लगी। टी.सी. उसे माफ़ किया और 100 रूपये में उसे अहमदनगर तक उस डब्बे में बैठने की परिमशन दे दी। टी.सी. के जाते ही उसने अपने आँसू पोंछे और इधर-उधर देखा की कहीं कोई उसकी ओर देखकर हंस तो नहीं रहा था।





थोड़ी देर बाद उसने किसी को फ़ोन लगाया और कहा कि उसके पास बिलकुल भी पैसे नहीं बचे हैं, अहमदनगर स्टेशन पर कोई जुगाड़ कराके उसके लिए पैसे भिजा दे, वरना वो समय पर गाँव नहीं पहुँच पाएगी। मेरे मन में उथल-पुथल सी हो रही थी, न जाने क्यूँ उसकी मासूमियत देखकर उसकी तरफ खिंचाव सा महसूस कर रहा था, दिल कर रहा था कि उसे पैसे दे दूँ और कहूँ कि तुम परेशान मत हो और रो मत..... लेकिन एक अजनबी के लिए इस तरह की बात सोचना थोड़ा अजीब था। उसकी शक्ल से लग रहा था कि उसने कुछ खाया-पिया भी नहीं है शायद सुबह से....और अब तो उसके पास पैसे भी नहीं थे।

बहुत देर तक उसे इस परेशानी में देखने के बाद मैं कुछ उपाय सोचने लगा जिससे मैं उसकी कुछ मदद कर सकूँ और फ़्लर्ट भी ना कहलाऊँ। फिर मैंने एक पेपर पर नोट लिखा, ''बहुत देर से तुम्हें परेशान होते हुए देख रहा हूँ, जानता हूँ कि एक अजनबी हम उम्र लड़के का इस तरह तुम्हें नोट भेजना अजीब भी होगा और शायद तुम्हारी नज़र में गलत भी, लेकिन तुम्हे इस तरह परेशान देखकर मुझे बेचैनी हो रही है इसलिए यह 500 रूपये दे रहा हूँ, तुम्हे कोई अहसान न लगे इसलिए मेरा पता भी लिख रहा हूँ ... जब तुम्हें सही लगे मेरे एड्रेस पर पैसे वापस भेज सकती हो..... वैसे मैं नहीं चाहूँगा कि तुम वापस करो....अजनबी हमसफ़र''।

मैंने एक चाय वाले के हाथों उसे वो नोट देने को कहा, और चाय वाले को मना किया कि उसे ना बताए कि वो नोट मैंने उसे भेजा है। नोट मिलते ही उसने दो-तीन बार पीछे पलटकर देखा कि कोई उसकी तरफ देखता हुआ नज़र आए तो उसे पता लग जाएगा कि यह नोट किसने भेजा है। लेकिन मैं तो नोट भेजने के बाद ही मुँह पर चादर डालकर लेट गया था। थोड़ी देर बाद चादर का कोना हटाकर देखा तो उसके चेहरे पर मुस्कुराहट महसूस की। लगा जैसे कई सालों से इसे इस मुस्कुराहट का इंतज़ार था।

उसकी आखों की चमक ने मेरा दिल उसके हाथों में जाकर थमा दिया.... फिर चादर का कोना हटा-हटा कर हर थोड़ी देर में उसे देखकर जैसे सांस ले रहा था मैं। पता ही नहीं चला कब आँख लग गई। जब आँख खुली तो वो वहाँ नहीं थी.... ट्रेन अहमदनगर स्टेशन पर ही रूकी थी। और उस सीट पर एक छोटा सा नोट रखा था....मैं झटपट मेरी सीट से उतरकर उसे उठा लिया....और उस पर लिखा था..... Thank You मेरे अजनबी हमसफ़र ... आपका यह अहसान मैं जिन्दगी भर नहीं भूलूँगी....मेरी माँ आज मुझे छोड़कर चली गई है ... घर में मेरे अलावा और कोई नहीं है इसलिए आनन-फानन में घर जा रही हूँ। आज आपके इन पैसों से मैं अपनी माँ को शमशान जाने से पहले एक बार देख पाऊँगी... उनकी बीमारी की वजह से उनकी मौत के बाद उन्हें ज्यादा देर घर में नहीं रखा जा सकता। आज से मैं आपकी कर्ज़दार हूँ.... जल्द ही आपके पैसे लौटा दूँगी।

उस दिन से उसकी वो आँखें और वो मुस्कुराहट जैसे मेरे जीने की वजह थी.... हर रोज मैं पोस्टमैन से पूछता था शायद.....।

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