

### ASHRAE MAIT Chapter Alumni Meet - 25th August

On August 25th, the ASHRAE MAIT Chapter proudly hosted an Alumni Meet featuring two esteemed alumni: Mr. Akshat Goel, a 2021 graduate currently pursuing his Master's in Aerospace Engineering in Germany, and Mr. Saquib Khan, a 2024 graduate who has embarked on a successful career in the HVAC industry. The event was a significant opportunity for current students to gain insights into the vast array of benefits and programs offered by ASHRAE, as well as to hear firsthand experiences from accomplished professionals.

#### **Mr. Akshat Goel's Perspective:**

Mr. Akshat Goel shared his academic journey and how his involvement with ASHRAE has played a pivotal role in his growth. He emphasized the educational resources that ASHRAE offers to its members, including monthly journals, specialized study courses, and opportunities to participate in various competitions. Mr. Goel particularly highlighted the student competitions and conferences at both the RAL and India Chapter levels as excellent platforms for showcasing talent and gaining recognition. Furthermore, he underscored the importance of networking within ASHRAE, allowing students to connect with leading professionals in Automation and HVAC&R, thereby broadening their career prospects.

#### **Mr. Saquib Khan's Contributions:**

Mr. Saquib Khan, with his practical experience in the HVAC field, provided invaluable insights into the industry. He spoke about the opportunities that ASHRAE membership opens up, including internships, industrial visits, workshops, and webinars. Mr. Khan also shared his experience attending the prestigious ASHRAE Annual Winter Conference in 2024, held in Chicago, USA, where he benefited from extensive networking and knowledge exchange. He mentioned that travel grants are available to support students in attending such significant events, making them accessible to a wider audience. Additionally, he encouraged students to engage in extracurricular activities like cricket and football, which provide informal settings for networking with industry experts.

**Recognition of Achievements:**

The event also celebrated the achievements of Dr. Vaibhav Jain, who was honored with the SBA Award and project recognition. This recognition serves as a testament to the high standards of excellence upheld by members of the ASHRAE MAIT Chapter.

The Alumni Meet concluded with an invitation to all students to become part of ASHRAE, highlighting the journey of excitement, opportunity, and hard work that awaits them. For a modest annual membership fee of just \$15, students can access a wealth of educational resources, participate in various competitions, and enjoy numerous professional and extracurricular opportunities. This membership is an investment in their future, offering the tools and connections necessary for success in their careers.

We encourage all students to join ASHRAE and actively participate in its programs, ensuring that they make the most of their college years and lay a strong foundation for their professional lives.

saquib khan (Presenting)

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# Opportunities for Engineering Students

- To work on real core engineering projects → Projects to add on resumes, Job interviews, etc
  - Around \$10k funding for each project by ASHRAE, USA
  - Till now we have received approx \$1,00,000.
- Student Competitions
  - 2025 Design Competition
  - 2025 Applied Engineering Challenge
  - 2025 Building EQ (Building Energy Quotient) Competition
  - 2025 ASHRAE High School Student Competition

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