

Hello my fellow proud Zealians! I am Sudhir Chougale and I have completed my Mechanical Engineering Bachelors from Zeal College of Engineering and Research. I am fortunate to have studied under the guidance of teachers who were mentors to us and helped us get to the depth of every topic taught while also making us understand the practical applications of each topic studies. They have been extremely approachable and were always available to resolve our doubts. This exemplifies the student-centric learning environment that I got to experience at Zeal during the 4 years of my education.

At Zeal, apart from academics, we were always pushed to explore multiple facets of our personality and the college had all the requisite avenues for them as well in the form of numerous extra-curricular activities, events and the like. A number of co-curricular events were also held so that our technical concepts get cemented and reinforced. The various guest lectures held through the year also ensured that our career got set on a definitive path while strengthening our practical exposure. I was personally involved in organizing many of these events which helped me get hands-on experience in skills required in the corporate world while making me a better manager all the same. The skills that I imbibed into my personality during these 4 years are sure to stay with me for a lifetime no doubt, but currently they are of immense help in managing my business, A K Polythene which manufactures polythene bags. Furthermore, our BE project Domestic Bio-Mechanical Composter", which we completed under the guidance of Ashish Gandigude Sir, won many accolades. Through this we learnt the key essentials to be a good professional: communication, presentation, documentation, and most importantly for a manager, team work. During the initial days of my business, when we weren't getting many orders, it is these very skills that I learnt at Zeal which helped me sail through the tough times and emerge even tougher.

My parting words to the future generation of engineers from Zeal would be that never stop learning and always remain abreast of the latest goings-on in one's area of study. Happy learning!