

My Journey in Indian Idol

It was my longtime dream to participate in Indian idol. I was guided by my guru pt. Sanjeev keerti to take part in preliminary auditions which was held in Bangalore. There were more than 300 contestants contesting for the mega event and there was fair chance of my selection. Auditions went on till late night and the number of contestants came down to top 30. I was lucky to be 1 amongst them. Auditions were held in other states as well as in Dubai and Muskat.



The next level of selection was in Mumbai. The top 30 participants were further eliminated in the mega auditions. The elimination continued and from morning 4 to the next day, we had to go through eliminations. I had never dreamt of going to Mumbai and sing in before the great artists like Vishal dadlani, shalmali, and Salim Merchant. People viewed this programme from all around the globe and the heartsick part of the competition was to follow the right accent of Hindi.

By God's grace, and the support of my parents and guru I reached to the top 13 which was a prestigious platform in India. The real challenge was the 'gala round' with huge studio sets, hundreds of lights and the best musical bands in India. I faced 50 cameras, top judges and millions of viewers. This encouraged me to work hard as the Hindi language proved to be a little difficult but this didn't deter me from moving further.

I was also very lucky to meet great celebrities like Salman khan, VirenderSehwag, Vishal sir, Salim sir, Varun Dhawan, Shraddakapoor, Adnan Sami and Sukhwinder Singh, Aditi paul, Neethimohan, Denny Dayal, badshah, sachinjigar, aditisinghsharma and others

I stayed in Mumbai for almost 2 months with my mom and also took guidance from my brother Siddhartha through phone and skype. He stood by me all the time through this entire journey. I would like to express my gratitude to my school and whoever supported this musical journey. My special thanks goes to our late beloved mother Mrs. Meenakshi Balakrishnan and my Head Mistress Mrs. Pramila Ma'am for her constant support.

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