## Suhaani Singh

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#### **EDUCATION**

The Shri Ram School Moulsari, Gurgaon, India	2018 – present
IB (GRADES 11-12)	2023 – present
IGCSE (GRADES 9-10)	2021 - 2023
<b>SAT:</b> 1510 (Math –760; Reading & Writing – 750)	Jun 2024
ACADEMIC AWARDS	
R.A. Butler Politics Prize awarded commendation	2024
Aryabhatta Award, The Shri Ram School, Moulsari for excellence in mathematics in Grade 11	2024
Pragati Award, The Shri Ram School, Moulsari for grade improvement in 3 or more subjects	2024
John Locke Politics Essay Competition awarded commendation and shortlisted for final round	2023
<b>Cambridge ICE Distinction</b> for achieving 5 A* in the IGCSE board examinations in Grade 10	2023
Academic Excellence Award, The Shri Ram School, Moulsari for scoring the highest grade in Business Studies, English L	iterature, English
Language, Economics, and Global Perspectives in Grade 10 IGCSE exams	2023
POLITICAL SCIENCE ENGAGEMENTS	

#### **JOURNALISM**

**Desi Democracy,** a portal showcasing my perspective on the Indian political landscape – Curator & Anchor

Dec 2023 – present

- Filmed video segments capturing the nation's mood in run-up to the 2024 Indian elections; captured niche insights shared by women voters on the importance of facilitating a more gender-balanced democratic electoral process
- Interviewed female elected representative on challenges faced by women in politics (<u>Desi Democracy</u>)

Unfinished Business: Confronting Gender-Based Violence in Mexico – Author (Unfinished Business)

Jul 2024

• Explored dichotomy of election of Mexico's first female president and increasing gender-based violence; article published in 'The Print,' an online news portal

Women and the Vote – *Author* ( Woman and the Vote )

Mar 2024

- Article commenting on women's integral role in Indian politics published in the subscription-based premium edition of The Hindu, a national newspaper in India; received financial remuneration
- Praised by leading Indian educationists and psephologists, including Amitabh Mattoo (Dean of School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University) and Prannoy Roy, journalist

#### <u>INTERNSHIPS</u>

# Office of Minister for Skill Development and Education, Delhi - Intern

Jul 2024

Partnered with NSDC, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to empowering India's youth through comprehensive skill development

- Shadowed Minister and worked with Head of NSDC's strategy department over a three month long internship; understood initiatives taken to improve employability and employment rate by upskilling workforce from lower socioeconomic strata
- Authored paper on global best practices to promote transferable skills essential for seamless integration into the labor market and their applicability in India

Office of Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA), Padrauna, Uttar Pradesh – Intern / Volunteer

May 2023 – Jun 2024

- Through this in-person and offline engagement conducted fieldwork in eight villages; gathered women voters' views on key issues in the upcoming elections; gained insight into how grassroots political efforts translate to the national level
- Engaged with the "rat-eating" Musahar community and prepared a report on their lack of engagement with government schemes Women in Indian Democracy – Research Assistant Summer 2024
- Supported University of Cambridge affiliated lecturer, Dr. Nitya Khemka in conducting archival research, fact-checking, and cataloging
- Enhanced understanding of historical methodologies and the influence of women's subjugation on a nation's political trajectory **TGELF V20**, Delhi *Intern*Summer 2023
- Assigned to the ideation formation group in the V20 event taking place alongside the G20 conclave
- Learned importance of global cooperation in addressing complex international issues

### **COMPETITIONS**

Trinity College, Cambridge's Butler Essay Competition – Awarded Commendation

Jun 2024

- Researched successes and failures of political leaders to analyze whether "good governments require strong leaders?"
- Opined that while strong leaders can enhance governance, their essentialness is debatable and disputable

### John Locke Politics Essay Competition – Awarded Commendation

Jun 2023

• Examined prevalent political corruption and its underlying causes in India and its neighboring country; concluded that the main factors are lack of transparency, weak governance in institutional structures, and nexus between politicians and bureaucrats

#### RESEARCH PAPERS

### Unveiling Progress: Gender Rights in Saudi Arabia – Guided Research

May-Sep 2024

- Analyzed women's evolution in Saudi Arabia; critically evaluated sources for their purpose, opportunities, and costs
- Developed an informed perspective and skill of assessing credibility of online materials to safeguard against misinformation

#### Women Voting Patterns in Rural and Urban India – Independent Research

Dec 2023 – Apr 2024

- Investigated factors influencing women's electoral behavior and gathered primary data through a self-designed multiple-choice questionnaire from 800 female college students in rural Uttar Pradesh and Delhi; adopted random sampling data approach to enhance accuracy of comparison
- Analysis highlighted stereotypical generalization and disparities in urban and rural women's priorities in electoral decision-making which were rooted in varied socio-economic realities, community dynamics, and developmental aspirations
- Paper submitted to Member of Legislative Assembly in Padraun

#### LEADERSHIP

# Social Initiatives Head, Student Council, The Shri Ram School, Moulsari

2024 - present

Elected from a batch of 141 students through a rigorous selection process to the 14-member senior student council

- Led different initiatives to promote sensitivity in the student body such as Old Age Home visits; organized Labor Day festivities where school staff were shown appreciation through a filmed documentary of staff-student interactions and gifted care packages
- Brought up issues faced by 'scholar' (students from weaker economic backgrounds) kids in council meeting which led to members interacting with grade 9 on promoting inclusivity

Ek Saath – Founder

June 2023 – present

- Advocated for the 150 people in Padrauna's Musahar community, identifying their primary concerns through direct interaction
- Addressed engagement with government development schemes; enrolled over 60 eligible children in schools through door-to-door outreach and administrative support
- Recognized by MLA for achieving a significant improvement in the community's living standards after 2 years of consistent effort with facilitating building of 30+ houses and toilets and providing 40+ gas cylinders

Bridging the Divide Conclave, The Shri Ram School Moulsari – Organizer & Lead Facilitator

Oct 2024

- Conceptualized an inter-school event with schools from across India to debate challenges faced by educational disparities faced by students in rural locations
- Delegates proposed policy measures addressing the urban-rural divide to government representatives and educationalists

  Hero Hearts Organizer & Lead Facilitator

  Jun 2021
- Led 30+ volunteers in designing 250+ thank you cards sent to frontline healthcare workers at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences to express appreciation; featured by major news outlets including <u>Hindustan Times</u>, <u>NDTV</u>

## COVID-19 Helpline – Lead Volunteer

Feb 2020

 Assisted in a hotline handling/talking to more than 100 migrant workers, providing critical aid including ration, temporary shelter, and transportation to ensure their safe return to their villages

## SCHOOL-BASED EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

# Festival of Hope – Ambassador

2024

- Appointed as one of six ambassadors from school for this IBO program which had representation from 50+ schools globally
- Responsibilities include executing activities encouraging youth-led discussion on philosophical issues

Shri Shodh, The Shri Ram School Moulsari – Participant

Aug 2023 - Feb 2024

- One of six students selected out of a batch of 141 for this selective research mentorship program
- Learned and applied skills such as hypothesis formulation, literature review, experimentation, data analysis

# Indo-Israel Cultural Exchange Program, The Shri Ram School (India) & Sharet (Israel) – Student Head

2022

- Selected to lead a group of twelve Shri Ram School students for this exchange program
- Chosen as the lead speaker from the Indian contingent; initiated and moderated discussions on literary pieces

#### **Pamphlet for Women Empowerment** – Designer & Author

2022

- Led a group of four to create cartoon pamphlets with inspirational stories of girls thriving in various disciplines
- Distributed these pamphlets to NGOs to promote women empowerment in socio-economically weak backgrounds

# Cambridge Assessment International Education Newsletter, The Shri Ram School Moulsari – Head

2020 - 2021

- Invited to spearhead the publication for two consecutive years; developed a six-section newsletter covering school events
- Coordinated with four groups, with 2-4 students each to brainstorm content; edited submitted articles and managed timelines **SPORTS**

#### TSRS Girls Football Team, The Shri Ram School Moulsari - Captain / Defender

2017 – present

- Participated in 5+ tournaments at the district and national level including the Pre-Subroto Cup and ISSO
- Awarded certificate of excellence for participating at a national level

2022 - 2023

# DANCE

# Natya Tarangini, Delhi – Dancer

2013 – present

- Trained under the guidance of Raja and Radha Reddy, doyens of Indian classical dance
- Performed alongside fellow dancers for World Dance Day; participated in 20+ group and solo dance performances

#### **Udaan** – Organizer and Lead Facilitator

2023 – present

- Conducted weekly sessions employing dance's therapeutic benefits to empower three disadvantaged groups women, orphans, and those with special needs, providing an outlet to heal while sharing personal stories
- Inculcated an appreciation of this art form amongst the youth, encouraging them to embrace India's deep-rooted culture

### **SKILLS & INTERESTS**