

"UPDA Society"

[A sector of nationalist soldiers in the Rajnagar
division of Ghaziabad]



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Metro-Developed Capital Of UP *

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Introduction

The UPDA (Uttar Pradesh Development Authority) Society was instituted by an act of the Government of India in 1997 establishing this residential scheme in the Sector 26 of Ghaziabad under the Ghaziabad District Authority with 800 plots of area 500 sq. mts. each opened up for sale at the base price of Rs. 10 lakhs. The area & tariff of the exhibition were set up with the intention of enabling middle-class people to purchase it & the building types expected to be constructed were kothis. Most of these purchasers could be senior or retired government officers with high salary, as they have the capacity to purchase such a construction. The society was a large compound spread over 60 acres & had multiple community facilities like playground, skating ring, club, auditorium, movie play, DJs, office room, conference hall, shops & gym. The plan was conceptualised with the motive of allowing an elite standard of life for the educated class & was implemented craftfully by the Ghaziabad district authority with designed draft for the house takers.

This society was perfectly tailored for what my father visualised for me when we decided to buy a big house in 2005 after getting an SMC. I had clarified to him that I will opt for some economical rate between 5 crs. & 10 crs. in some collective society of Ghaziabad with subsidised range & convenient group housing. I wanted to go slow at my expenditure of luxury purchasing. My father was happy at my attitude & appreciated my idea & came up with this vision that we could seek a house in some kothi-level society with a bungalow constructed on some adjacent double plot by which we could have a large house of bungalow style & still at an economical pay. His spirit was this that a residence in a middle-class society would facilitate life of modesty & values. He envisioned this living for me & said that he will search such plans for me behind me when I go for the Australia tour & pin some accommodations for me to shortlist from. Then I could choose some one & the best one from the ones I have on

the platter. This is what happened & this is how we reached on the listdown of Mr. M.K. Dhariwal's campus in this apartment after a hunt of a few months. The house fitted my requirements perfectly with special beautiful features like terrace, balcony, servant room & open front & back space & Dad sent me snaps of the quarter in the period to meet my interests & consider my decisions. The deal we struck in Apr 2004 with my scanning of the project in Feb in between the Australia & Pakistan tours & signing the contract after the 2003-04 cricket season & paying the money & taking possession by May. The shifting we did gradually over a phase of furnishing works & the thing we were happiest about was that we had got the kind of structure we were looking for both design wise & spirit wise & we were heading in it towards a life of cultured & moral proliferation.

My dad said the middle-class values were important also in celeb life & we should have been propagating it this way only in any condition & age.

So this is how I got my dream house of the UPDA Society, & I will elaborate upon different aspects of it in detail in respective chapters

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#1 >> Institution

The foundation of the UPDA Society & its plan for the economical segment section was in match with the ideology & culture of India & it represented the soul & intelligence of India with people of all regions combining in the residential collectivity of the colony & the unity & spirited fraternity of the cooperation. The government of India & the district administration of Ghaziabad worked well to prepare the blueprint of this idea & the right people were found in its evolution to set up an ethical & harmonious living.

UP is my native state & I have lived in my place of birth Ghaziabad since the beginning & this society found all plot buyers immediately on exhibition in Sept 1997. The dimensions of the plot were 50 m x 100 m. & The boundary wall of the township was secured with glass hurdles & the personal boundaries people had set up in different ways like hedge, concertena wire & grills. The common facilities were set up in the centre of the campus with buildings constructed around them in 4-5 lines.

The size of the society was also like a mini-township & it populated the residential core of Ghaziabad with dense demography. The owners of the society houses were mostly people of Delhi / NCR originated from different parts of India but based in the capital in different organisations of PSUs. They were workers of varied professions spanned across central government & served in the union power of the country with commitment & dedication. My father was a C.A. placed in a central bank since his beginning & had been positioned in Ghaziabad throughout. The other people in that society were of different engineering companies & service sectors. Some

residing since the beginning were retired employees & some nearing employment at that time. Hence, in the flock of the living since the beginning there were many superannuated people living life of fun & enjoyment after that & due to which there was an atmosphere of joy in the society since the start.

Due to being servicemen of central stage, people in this society were natives of states pan India & rooted from diverse communities, cultures & languages. This was also among the educated cream sect of the nation with its academia in varied disciplines & branches. The owners of the plots were compulsorised to construct building over at least one-fourth area of the land within four years of the purchase. The seller we purchased our residence from, he had completed his construction by 2001. By that year, 84 houses had been constructed & twelve people had started living in them including owners & tenants. The occupation graph reached 266 by 2005, 590 by 2010, 710 by 2014 & full by 2018. The residents were 100 tenants & all occupied by that time. Most buildings had front & back space & two storey. & Had a compound boundary enclosing the fence.

As is in most services of the country, that UP has maximum representation, our society also had most citizens from UP. UP is not an elite state of India culturewise, but also educationwise. It produces the maximum IAS & IPS officers every year. & I am proud to be a citizen of this state. My initial years in this society passed with peaceful cooperation from co-members & people treated me like their own children. The society had just one house built over double plot, that was ours. Some buildings were of 3 or 4 storeys, & the buildings were of varied colours & beauty. The designs displayed the skill & imagination of our architects & we had to get the map passed in the beginning before the starting of the construction.

I learnt a few things about civil engineering through this work like the columns of a construction are fixed through storeys & all the storeys can be built only on same design. Our house might probably have been the costliest house of the society & it costed me Rs. 5.30 crores. The setup of the society was quite elite if not luxurious, & it evidenced the progress the middle-class has made in our country in the senior ladders. With all these anecdotes & details I complete the chapter on the institution of our society & switch to the story of how I spent the initial years in this society after shifting to it & also some points of the purchase story. If my father

hadn't helped me in the hunting & purchase of this house, I mightn't have been able to find such a good & beautiful house.

#2 >> Initial years

This chapter will deal with the purchase & initial years story of my house in this society & I will tell in detail here how I went through the process of selecting & buying it & how my house looked like. It was a very beautiful structure with frontyard, backyard, terrare-balcony etc. spaces & special features like pooja room, servant room & store room. The price of the deal with Mr. Dhariwal was decided at Rs. 5 crores with tax, stamp duty & property dealer's commission being respectively Rs. 27.50 lakhs, Rs. 50000 & Rs. 2 lakhs taking the full price to 5.30 crores. When I had signed the deal in May 2004 & made the payment, the shifting we had decided to go slow on & we started the process after BGT 2004. I told mom & dad that I have off of four months and they said this is the right time to get the mechanical works like polishing of surface, pest control, distemper & earthing get done. They started this work in November & went there getting the work done over the next two months. In February they told me the job is done & we can start purchasing the new furniture for the new house & set it there. Over this month, they kept shopping goods for the house & setting them in & I was only seated at my room in a corner on my laptop browsing world wide web whole day waiting to meet them in the evening. It was here in the third week of this month, that I struck this idea of getting a website made for myself. Faint thoughts of getting a website made had passed through my mind earlier also which developed into this concrete plan now.

It was when I had booked a subdomain for my project in college that I had thought once that I can attain a domain for my site also sometime. Then when I had attained personalised mails in

June 2003, I had thought once that I can sometime get a website constructed on this domain. & Finally once, when I had started taking laptop on tours in 2004 I had got this idea that I can get a site made for myself sometime. After twenty days of this month of furniture works, I found this innovation of site in my mind. & I immediately struck a rush of ideas regarding what kind of site I will make & what all things I will include in this. I had much to tell in this platform & very beautiful design & contents to put up. Within a few minutes, I had a layout ready in my mind with plan of 30-40 pages present in my visualisation to comprise my site. & By the next ten days, I had concrete plan ready in front of me, what kind of site I will make & I was impatient to return from Pakistan tour & start the coding. The main module I could have coded myself ever, & for the specialised features like mail & cloud, I would have always needed expert help. It took me two months to develop the core application & I worked on the seventeen projects plugged in through the next three months streamlining them. These seventeen projects I had built in college separately, now I had included them under a common module to provide one id system for my users. This was the end of August by now & I called Wipro immediately after returning from Zimbabwe tour to order my SRS.

When we used to visit this society for deal purposes in Apr-May 2004, people had started noticing that I come here. It was on one of those days only that small children of this society had spotted me & were excited to know why I was here. The security guards on the gate were also staring at me in amusement. After I departed after signing off the contract, these people surrounded my manager & quized him how I was here. He told I am purchasing a house here & I will be living here now & that he is my manager. They were all thrilled to know the news & told that they will be waiting desperately to see me.

Then while shifting with goods, we shifted in three trips & they all saw me tripping in trucks with the goods. They were happy that the day has finally arrived. In the night, I stepped out & announced to them that I have come here & will be settling here after two more truck shifts. On the shifting completing here, I told Mom-Dad immediately that I have found one new passion, that of developing a website for myself, & I will be involved in coding it over the next two months. They were happy that I keep finding some or the other new passion always. This site is my most creative extra-cricket expression till now. & I have nurtured it with much

passion & dedication. People had started assembling near our house now to acknowledge their appreciation for me & happiness over my coming here. Mom-Dad & I told them that we are here for ever now & I will be seeing them after getting done with the settingup tasks soon. It was then that my Dad told many of them once when he met them in the social gatherings, that he may want to meet them in the community gatherings & events. In one of such meetings in December that year, people came up with the idea of forming an RWA & governing body in the society & enquired Dad would he want to be part of that. Dad told that he mayn't want to participate in the political & governing activities, but he may want to participate actively in the RWA meetings & affairs. With the plan of these people & their leadership the RWA & governing body were formed by the end of the year. Children now waited for whole day outside my house that I may step out sometime & they will meet me. I told them after a few initial meetings that I will come to play regularly with them when I have off whenever I feel like & I will also give them tips of batting & video manuals. I got much time for this after the 2007 world cup & I did this in the break then.

By this time, our society had got famous for my being here in our surrounding areas. My house was in the first row of the society facing the opening. As a result, anyone saw my house first when he entered here. The central park was circular (Right for cricket) & there were sporting equipments for other sports as well. There was a skating instructor hired for the skating teaching also & a guide for the gym.

It had got famous in our sector that I reside in this sector. All places I went - Petrol pumps, malls, markets, people told me they were happy I am here. I had started recognising the people petrol pump staff, vegetable vendors & mall liftmen whom I came across. I have a penchant for connecting well with common people more than celebs always. I am like that on social media also & in my neighbourhood life also. I follow local talent with good artistry & modest presentation more on social media also than celebs & I appreciated my relationship with these common men also more in real life than the VIPs.

This way I lived a life of adulation, adoration & accolades in my society for many years since then since when things started advancing in our social life towards higher developments after a few years by which we progressed into a further community life. That

started around 2015 but we were still a much collective bunch till then & I enjoyed warmth, applause & welcome here althrough. Switch to chapter 3.

#3 >> My search, requirement & finding

When people had approached my father to connect to form the RWA & governing body, they did a few meetings, planned the constitution & drafted the system the way they would want it to be. It was decided that the RWA will include all the members, while the governing body will comprise five people - One president, one secretary, one treasurer & two general members. The election of the governing body will take place once every year & the general meetings will occur once every month or not need arising. All rules were set as per idealness like no member can be elected more than once & the period of office of any member can't be extended.

Daddy has remained active in RWA affairs since then. RWA comprises the owners of the society houses, not just the residents. When dad had enquired me about what kind of bungalow I want to take, I had told it should have terraces, balconies etc. in addition to outyard spaces. But it provided me additional facilities like staff room & prayer room also. The prayer room was a favourite of my grandpa as he found peace & convenience to worship there. The staff room offered me facility to provide my manager a place in my house. I equipped it with facilities like Wifi & AC as also on the guard post. I provided my staff newspapers to read, CD player to watch & refrigerator for cold storage.

I had connected the staff room & guard room with intercoms & equipped all my staff with separate mobile phones. I had four staffs & dad used to give them all calendar & diary got from his bank every year. I had uniformed my guard with a compulsory jersey also. I had appointed a separate guard for myself to open the gate in addition to

the watchmen of the society. The guard had 12 hours duty & he could relax at times in the staff room to chat or spend time with the other staffs.

My dad had searched many property dealers & scanned properties in scores before pinning down on this one. The satisfaction I will get from this selection, will be 100%, he was confident on this since seeing the structure for the first time & he was most excited about this fact that we were getting it at such a low price.

#4 >> Purchase & shifting

The purchase was finalised in two-three meetings. I saw the bungalow in February, signed the deal in April, made the payment & took the possession in May 2004. For shifting we had hired a packing & shifting agency in Rs. 2500. Our manager had played pivotal role in the setting up of our new house infrastructure. He accompanied Dad for purchase of heaving equipments like AC, fridge etc. from market. He was an expert of electrical works & did all instalations, wirings etc. himself. Dad completed all services / connections works like Wifi, PNG, phone, washing machine etc. in February only & inverter we didn't need. We had a large diesel generator in the society. All this reminded me of the struggling days we had in my childhood in our rented apartment. We were setting up all those facilities here also anew. The system of generator in our society was that the bill of diesel that came in the month on the basis of its consumption was divided among all the residents equally.

During the shifting process, Dad & Mom said to me that we will have to shift in three trips. I should go with the first dock & settle there, & they will follow with two more visits completing the task. I realised that I have been a bit selfish in these days, being shrunk to my work & leaving all on Mom-Dad. & Even in April-May when they were doing the connections work, I was occupied in my website work. The packing & shifting workers these days do the work in very professional way, numbering all the packets & making list of them. They loaded & unloaded all the docks carefully taking care of that no good got damaged.

In our backyard, there was soily ground with big trees there. I got them all cut & the surface grassed & we got an entrance constructed in the back wall of the backyard enabling entry of cars from there. After that we parked three cars there & one in the garage. I had eight cars in my lifetime, six of them got in MOTS. I drove only Skoda throughout, my Dad liked to test all of them & drove all on different days. I had habit of driving mostly myself & rarely took the driver along.

I enjoyed the housing process fully spreading it to quarter to two years & tasting every phase of it to full delicacy. In this house, people often assembled at the gate on my occasions like birthdays etc. or when I returned from some very successful tour, expecting me to wave hand from the balcony & I stepped down to meet them or shake hands with them. The frontyard's largeness allowed me to have space for press conferences etc. at my residence. There were some areas near my new location - Rampur, Soorajpur, Tugalpur, Kasna, Dadri, Dankaur etc. There is a Knowledge Park also here in Greater Noida with scores of colleges & spanned in 4-5 phases. Greater Noida has less population but it is expected to be Asia's most cosmopolitan city in a few years.

Greater Noida has been an interesting area in our vicinity with charming features like Auto Expo, F1 Circuit & Honda SEZ to attract the attentions. Taj Expressway also connects the city with Agra very well. The coming up of Zhevar Airport in the vicinity also is a big plus.

We had a team trip from my house in 2019 to Agra when we 14-15 players had gone there in my cars together to visit the Taj Mahal & explore the famous Taj Expressway. We had stayed there till mid night & basked in the beauty of Taj in moonlight. The highway is really starry & it has attractive stalls setup all way. The population in Greater Noida is still developing & it has a disadvantage in being far from Delhi.

The F1 Circuit is in Jaypee Greens & the Expo Mart is organised every year attracting thousands of viewers. The Yamuna authority of Greater Noida has worked really well to develop the city as a metro suburb of the NCR in the recent years. Even the metro train has reached here. My office of honorary position SSP in UP Police is also situated here. The people based here didn't lose patience in the evolution stage & they stuck with their locality

option & the persistence is now bearing fruit. The expressway from Noida also has got surrounded with industries in the SEZ populating densely.

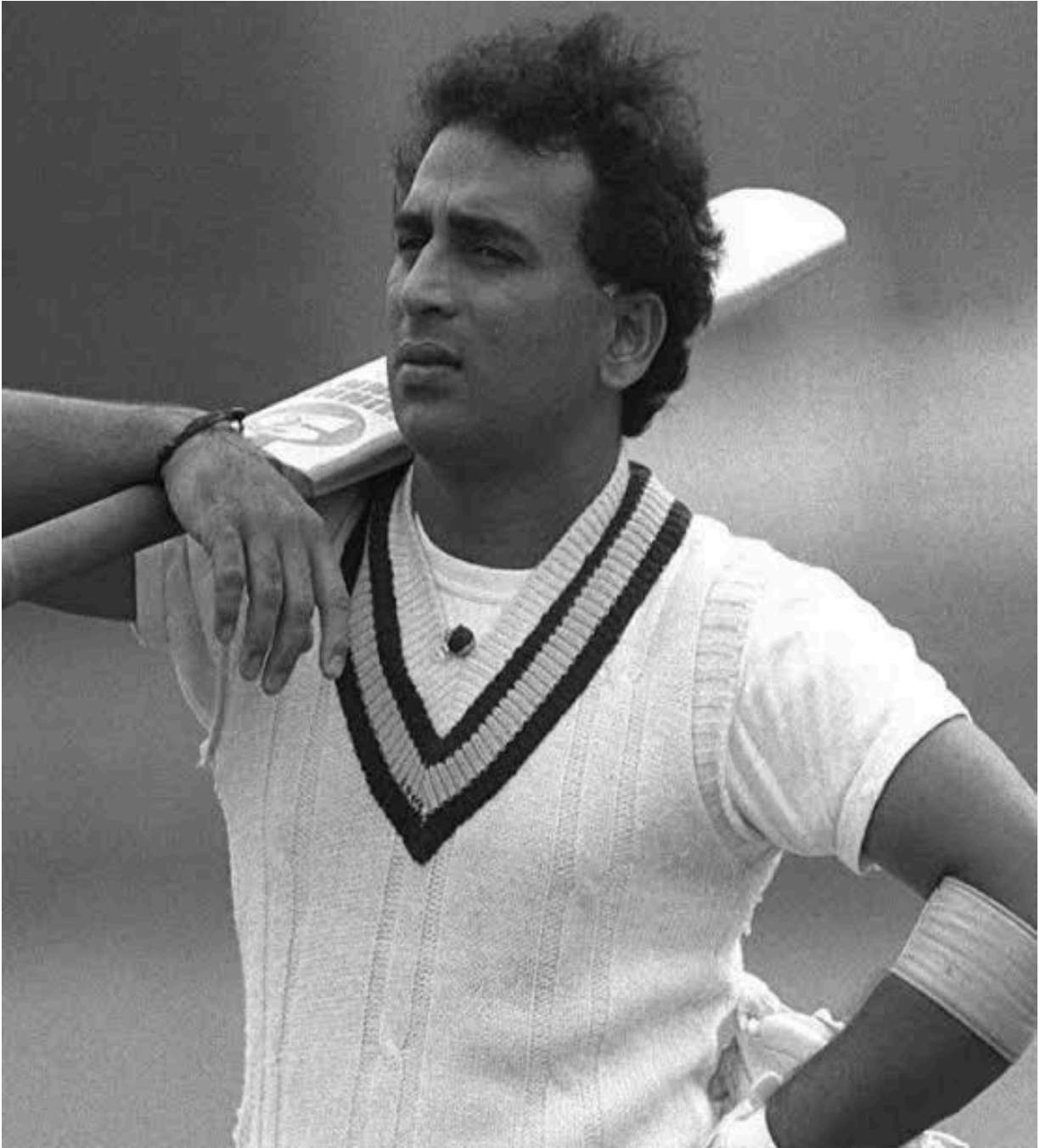
#5 >> Initial works

The first few works that came up after the purchase of this house were taking of electricity connection, water connection & transfer of ration card headship to myself as also change of address in it in these months. The other basic civics being cable, telephone, mobile, wifi & gas. I have always enjoyed getting legal or documents works done by government departments. There is a feeling of strictness & principles in it. It happened with me like that while opening the bank account, getting driving lisense made, PAN Card, Voter I Card & now the Ration Card. I was officially the head of the house now. The internet connection we first used by datacard & there was a landline phone. After setting up all the services & amenities, I started decorating the house with creative productions. I got some ideas for home decor & room decor with which I beautified my bedroom & house. These ideas started after I completed the construction of my website & was appointed the vicecaptain of the team. In November 2005, after the announcement of the SA tour, when I was looking at my drawing room wall & thinking whether all the decorations have been complete, I got this idea that I can put up a Family album there with photos of my teammates & projected as my family & decorated well with captions & subtitles. I planned I will do this when I return from the SA tour & will put up really good photos & titles for them. The photos I had selected alternately one in white jersey & one in blue. The total had been planned to be sixteen with eight in each row. The players in the beginning were some seniors with whom I had played only for few years in the beginning. With time, as new players came I changed the older photos & appended new. The stack in the end reached 18 as I couldn't shed any of them. This was the first of the series of personal creativities & I planned 2-3 more by the end of that year.

The first three in the sequence I had thought were a slogan at the entrance gate 'Eat cricket sleep cricket drink only cricket', a wallpaper of Sunny Sir on the aisle wall & a wallpaper of Vishy Sit on the guestroom wall. Sunny Sir & Vishy Sir were my two biggest idols in cricket & I had put up their posters at the places that came the first in view on entering the house. I had liking of putting up captions for postings anywhere always in my systems & I did here also labeling Sunny Sir as The GAAAARD Of Cricket & Vishy Sir as The Highest Event Of Grace.

The snaps of these first three creativities I am putting up here:

"AISLE WALLPAPER"



"GUESTROOM WALLPAPER"



"FAMILY ALBUM"



#6 >> Website - The first work in the house

The website was the first work I did myself in the house. In the months of April & May I coded the main module & plugged in 17 PHP-MySQL projects in three months from then on. From 25 August to 05 September we had a series in Zimbabwe after which I scraped the SRS of the site to Wipro on 06 September. The Wipro team was very cooperative & showed warmth & excitement on my project.

I had called Wipro office first of all to enquire. They exhibited enthusiasm on knowing that I am the cricketer Saurabh Choudhary. I told them my requirement in brief & mailed the SRS on their positive response initially. They were happy to know that I have seen their office & want to visit them once before signing the order. The Wipro office I had seen once while jogging in the morning. I had landed at a ground at the other end of which I could see the Wipro building, by which came it know that it is here. So when I decided to order a site construction, I remembered that I had seen this office here & after search of a few vendors near my surrounding, I let the task to it. While plugging in the projects, I had to work minutely keeping in mind small things like the session variables shouldn't conflict among themselves & the users of all projects had to be brought under one roof. All these things took me three months to streamline all the projects although they were all mostly done since before. I had practised my PHP programing projects a few months even after my DOEACC program. I enjoyed doing this very much & hence in the early months of my post-course period, I did this at home. It was during these months that I developed many of these projects. I had done it till 2003 & it came good when I needed them to plug in my site. In DOEACC, we had studied programing for the first time in II

semester. We had studied three languages C, PHP & ASP in that. I liked PHP much in that & picked it up for my specialisation. I had decided in IV semester that I will make my exam project in PHP & selected University Management System for that as I got some very new ideas of modules for that like digital library, financial accounts, payment of subsequent fees after admission also online, timetable compilation, datesheet creation & seating plan computation in addition to the regular four modules which made it very large & extensive. The requirement of the exam project was to make one very large & complex to justify as a DOEACC project & it should have been a real-world project. So I did that very well. I had imagined in that a university on the pattern of Delhi University - One of undergraduate courses with multiple colleges & degree courses & setup systems of all its automations online on its site that could be done. The whole platform of students, administrators & concerns was built there. I got attracted to this project because I thought the examiners would be impressed seeing thousands of records being generated. We had studied in all seven languages in DOEACC apart from other software departments like DBMSs & O/Ss. The exam project I had made after the IV semester during the vacation. I had consulted our counselors widely for that & pupiled an instructor of my study center only for guide. PHP seems like a natural medium to me because it connects to my favourite discipline of database operations very conveniently. The few topics I had studied in my academia in school were flowcharting, Lotus 123, PC architecture, Cobol & Basic. Even after the cricket career, I am desiring to pursue MCA & wishing to have some more experience in VB. Our DOEACC program gave us touch in all streams like Office, Console, Multimedia, CASE, Computer organisation, Intranet administration & System analysis. My site was a very natural construction for me combining my cricketing life, computing skill & artistic spirit. The one trade of projects development that I have learnt in the last few years through my selfstudy is **E-commerce**. My relation with my passionate software studies goes as back as my X standard when I had installed Basic on my PC & mastered the MS-Office fully. I had set up all systems that would be important in any case on my home PC when Dad had purchased it in 1993. & Then the processes of research & development enhanced my knowledge & expertise & coloured my dreams & aspirations of the computing world with rainbow paints & empowered my intellect. The website I had coded on my laptop on localhost with Apache PHP server & backend in MySQL after planning the requirement & SDLC very well. I used MS-Paint to design logos of many of my projects in image. In the site I had first got idea to develop only the CMS & user-admin

interface. Then I got idea of advanced sections like webmail, cloud, appointments diary & manager panel. When I came to the projects section, I thought how many projects I should put there. I couldn't stop at any number naturally. Hence I decided to place as many after adding more even one to which it will make feel it has got too much. The coding of the site work I had got done at home by Wipro team from my study table in room. He took twentytwo days to complete & gave me a 3-day UAT then. I tested the app at personal level after that & uploaded some initial data, launched the site & made the payment. We had a small party on the last day of the work to celebrate the big magna we had done. The Wipro team processed the site work with me very well in phased manner & inked the SRS & deal contract with me in a few meetings at my residence & their office after my giving them access to my CPanel. Its project manager had come to my house to fix the deal & issue the invoice. I hadn't told people about the site till many years & it got accidentally discovered by someone in 2008. I got developed its mobile version when this technology came in 2009. I had put initial data in all sections of the site before launch & I presented it with some preliminary dataset to begin. Database operations was my most prominent branch of my work & this branch had been used very well in this website. I used technologies of PHP, MySQL, HTML, Javascript, VBscript, SQL Builder, MS-Paint, Paraben & CSS in its development. The Wipro developers had carried out every phase of SDLC in the project development & had filed me the documentation of all these before the development. The work had costed me a total of Rs. 704000 in which they had given break-up of all parts built & had included a consultancy fee of Rs. 19000 for serving some legal documents. The database of the site had summed up 386 tables due to projects. & There were some bulky tables like District Master & Zip Codes with millions of records (1.5 lakhs & 1.5 million respectively in this case). I had listed the developers team exclusively what things they have to do on their own & which they have to just examine my code in. The personnel manager was so impressed with my ideas that she guessed it herself that I would like the coder to work from my site. I had developed very close relations with these workers in this period & they became my personal friends. So personal that I could call Rohit (The coder) directly after fifteen years in 2016 when I wanted to get developed the app. I had got a few more works in the site done in later years - Those of E-books & advanced pages in the footer in two phases. This year also, I got a panel developed for uploading E-books in the admin which was static earlier & the changing of two pages - E-books & Projects from the type one passage to multiple posts. A music station also I had

got developed for showcasing my taste of music & provide a forum of good music.

#7 >> Other new tasks

Another new thing that happened in this house was building of new friendships & relationships. When we had won the 2007 WC, MD of Sprite had sent us a full crate of Sprite with congratulatory note for our success (To each player) & I had written a reply note to him through the carrier. The first thing I did after family album in creativity field was customised calendar in 2007. Idea of customised calendar I had from my father when he had brought a calendar based on theme of constructions in 2006. It was so magnificent that it prompted me to get printed a set of my teammates. I did it in 2007. Then in later years I got printed themes of models, computing screens, world leaders & artists. Some of my friends were impressed to see their calendar when they visited my house in that year. Then came the no. of photo album. I.e. the photographs I had got printed & compiled into albums after 2011 WC. They were around 450 in number & came in 12 files. They were photos of teamgatherings & team time. Then the next one was cabinet of drawingroom with 9 trophies & a slab in my store room slabbing all my MOTMs & MOTSs. This was also the time when my fame was growing leaps & bounds. I had to go in multitis of programs on TV & media for interview & at those programs I was often honoured with soveigners & mementos. I secured them all in the store room.

We had got houses in two more societies in Delhi / NCR after the Amby Valley. DLF apartment in Gurgaon after the 2007 WC & MGR apartment in Delhi after the 2011 WC. So I had total 5 houses in my name - One more being my childhood house that I purchased from its owner. Among the big gifts from corporates that we got for WCs one was a piece of Mercedes each from Mercedes India for the 2007 WC.

Managing all this property was interesting & proudening & boosted the honour for which we played cricket.

#8 >> Decoration & my new life

This topic I have discussed in my e-book [My personal creativities](#). I am repeating it here because it is concerned with my this society house. This is about the decor works I did in my house & room & beautified them with my intelligence & talent. The wallpapers I had put up at some places, ideas of them came from the new pages I had added in my site in 2020 & '21. Before that the Record book, Match library, India in the newspapers & The league of extraordinary batsmen I had filed. Then The league of perfect batsmen came in between. This was very dear to me as I had pinned them straight in front of my eyes on the wall in my bedroom. It was in direct sight from the bed, hence it was always in front of my eyes, due to which it was especially dear to me.

The website pages were Fav cars, Fav apps & Artists. These wallpapers I had walled respectively on the garage, upper bathroom & balcony. All this decoration had inflated my interest aspirations much & had shone my skillful armoury. One more thing in home decor outside my room was the pooja room for which I had selected the pictures of gods to place. This pleased my Grandpa much & he appreciated my decoration much. In room decor it was my study table which I had equipped with scores of advanced instruments & supplemented by my synthesiser & drawing canvas. The synthesiser was a Roland one gifted to me on doing ad of a musical store & the canvas drawing I had tried for a few days as an interest of creativity.

I had eight cars & place to keep four in my parking. As a result of which I had to hire parking slot for four cars in a

community parking tower near our house. The facility was economical, charging just Rs. 60 / car / month & convenient, hence it suited me.

All this had startled my new life in my new house & I had started living a settled life of cooperative residencing in this society.

#9 >> Showpieces

This is in regard to the nine trophies I had decorated in my cabinet in the drawing room. I had a showcase with 3-4 racks, on which I had placed up nine of most prestigious trophies. They were Player of the decade 2010-19, Golden bat 2019, Sports person of the year 2018, Dhyanchand award, Orange cap, UP Ratna, Police Honourary Position, UPDA Society Legend & PHP Merit Certificate. These were the nine most coveted awards I had got. They were of different forms - Shield, Trophy, Medal, Certificate, Cap, Card, Statue & Cup. These cups occupied one rack of my showcase & starred brighter than stars. The photo album also I kept in an underdrawer of the cabinet. Most of these awards were of different fields & covered my diverse multitudininess. The Family album at the drawing room wall spoke about my outlook towards life & cricket & threw light on this that I look at my team & teammates as the most important parts of my life. UP Ratna was a special award conferred on me by UP government in recognition to my glory brought to UP & Merit Certificate was awarded to me for bringing 100% marks in this subject (PHP) in the DOEACC program; it was awarded to any student for bringing 100% marks in any subject in the program.

PHP is a fourth generation language & one compiled by interpreter. It had been invented sometime around 1997-99. It is an open source language & it connects with DB easily & smoothly. It had been added to syllabus the same year I took admission in DOEACC. I had got a gold medal also for it (In co-award of the same award).

The SSP I card I had got framed in a glass pane fixed on the slab so that it remains safe & no one is able to unlayer it from

there. All these showpieces I proudly enchest at my residence & wardrobe taking millions of salutes from them.

#10 >> Society life & friends' parties

With all these decors & friendships, my society life was running sweetly until 2015 Diwali when the boys of our society had asked me what can be done to elevate the social life of society. I thought for a few seconds, then two ideas struck my mind. One, a website can be constructed for the internal chatting of the society which will also have other modules like My gate, Maintenance, Payments & Financial accounts. & The other, a society awards can be started on a regular basis to honour the people of society in different fields. Both these ideas hit them very well & they reacted I have devised something special. Many of those boys were of college level & they were students of IT & they took the responsibility to develop the site on their own & the job was started in summer 2016. & Was completed in summer 2016 only. The site was <https://www.updasociety.com>. The app version of it was also developed later. The site could be seen by people other than inmates also. But the login was by house no. It was (The messenger) a kind of WhatsApp group where all could communicate at one place. The awards were instituted from next year & the date was fixed for every year at 31 January. The first awards were given for 2016. The jury used to be some teachers etc. people of the society & nine categories were marked out in addition to a lifetime achievement award. These categories were - Professional of the year, Student of the year, Technologist of the year, Artist of the year, Businessperson of the year, Sports person of the year, ITian of the year, Woman of the Year & Person of the year. The lifetime achievement was named UPDA Society legend & I was given this award in the first year. Gradually, some other plans were also developed like an annual day for the society, a sports day, a society magazine & one thing we had done for fun was the alias naming of the society as

Artists' Cantt. The name Artists' Cantt. Was given to stress that we in this society were artlovers (Lovers of arts like music etc.) & it was due to this that we had named our society Artists' Cantt. It was to emphasise how much we loved art & it was much in particular about music.

The last section of this book, I am inking about some parties I had with my friends in this society in 2019. It was after the WC 2019 in July that we teammates had assembled in my house to party. They had planned to celebrate the WC here & were especially joyed for me as I could retire in a few months. They stayed with me for 3-4 days, we partied day-night & visited even Taj Mahal to see the Taj Expressway.

This way life has been much fun in the UPDA Society & I am joyed to be a resident of it & a celebrated one.

"THE END"