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Message from the President

Dear Modernite,

I am deeply honoured and excited to have been elected as the new president of the Modern School Old Students Association (MSOSA).

As I take on this responsibility, I am filled with gratitude for the opportunity provided to me and my team to serve such an extraordinary community of individuals who share a common bond – the time spent at MSBK.



Our alumni network is one of our greatest strengths. Together, we can make a lasting impact by staying connected, supporting one another, and giving back to the institution that shaped us.

Our vision for MSOSA is to enhance engagement, foster stronger relationships, and create opportunities for all alumni to participate and be part of this large community—whether through mentoring, networking, or shared events.

In line with our manifesto, we're committed to making MSOSA events more accessible, affordable and democratizing excellence.

We've revolutionized the Modernites Excellence Awards selection process, giving every Modernite a voice in recognizing outstanding achievements through nominations. This inclusive approach ensures deserving individuals are acknowledged and celebrated.

Further, true to our commitment of making MSOSA events more accessible for all, we have lowered the rates of the contributory passes. We are focused on ensuring that MSOSA events witness larger participation and we are able to foster a lasting connect between all Modernites.

I look forward to working with the newly constituted executive committee and, most importantly, each one of you towards making a brighter future for all of us. Your insights, experiences, and passion for our alma mater are invaluable, and I am eager to listen to your ideas and suggestions on how we can take this association to new heights.

Together, let's continue to build a vibrant and inclusive alumni community that reflects the excellence of MSBK. Thank you for your support, and I am excited about what we will accomplish together.

Warm regards,

Dr Vivek Nangia
President MSOSA
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MSOSA Elections

The Modern School Old Students Association (MSOSA) made history with its first contested election in 14 years, held on September 22, 2024.

This milestone event saw two teams vying for leadership, each with comprehensive manifestos outlining their vision for the association's future.

The Contesting Teams

- *Dr. Vivek Nangia's Team*: Led by Dr. Vivek Nangia, a distinguished alumnus and renowned pulmonologist, alongside notable alumni Alpana Kirpal Poddar, Rishabh Gulati, Arunima Malik and others. Dr. Nangia's team shared his commitment to revitalizing the Modernite community, focusing on transparent governance, alumni career development, and stronger connections among alumni.

- *Daksha Jaidka's Team*: Led by Daksha Jaidka alongside Rajiv Batish, Sadhna Bhasin, Gaurav Dalal, and others, who brought their vision and energy to the table.

Election Highlights

Both teams interacted with members through meet-and-greet events, culminating in an unprecedented turnout of over 2,000 Modernites casting their votes on Election Day. The election's outcome and the newly elected leadership team's plans for MSOSA are expected to bring fresh momentum to the organization. With the association's renewed focus on community engagement and growth, Modernites can look forward to exciting developments in the coming years.

The election process was designed to ensure that voters chose individual candidates based on merit, rather than team affiliations. Each alumnus had up to 15 votes, with specific voting categories for different positions.

The Principal of Modern School, Dr Vijay Datta served as the Returning Officer, overseeing the election process.

Dr. Vijay Datta, and his team deserve special praise for conducting the election process with utmost efficiency and professionalism. Their dedication to ensuring a fair and transparent election is truly commendable.

Dr. Datta's leadership and expertise were instrumental in making this election a milestone event in the history of MSOSA. His team's hard work and commitment to excellence are a testament to the high standards of Modern School.

Please find below the results of the election.

4212 ##FORM B
BALLOT PAPER FOR ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF MODERN SCHOOL OLD STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR 2024

PRESIDENT	MARK (X) AGAINST ONLY ONE CANDIDATE
1 Dr. Vivek Nangia	1363
2 Daksha Jaidka	681
VICE PRESIDENT	MARK (X) AGAINST ONLY ONE CANDIDATE
1 Alpana Kirpal Poddar	1219
2 Wg Cdr Rajiv Battish	792
SECRETARY	MARK (X) AGAINST ONLY ONE CANDIDATE
1 Rishabh Gulati	1369
2 Sadhana Walia Bhasin	640
JOINT SECRETARY	MARK (X) AGAINST ONLY ONE CANDIDATE
1 Arunima Malik	1374
2 Gaurav Dalal	621

Seal and signature of Returning Officer: *[Signature]* Declared Elected
Date: 22.09.2024
22-9-24

No. 4212 For Returning Officer to declare the result. Counterfoil of the Ballot Paper
Name of Voter: *[Signature]*
Batch Year of the Voter: *[Signature]* 23/24 (Signature, with date)

4212 ##FORM C
BALLOT PAPER FOR ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF MODERN SCHOOL OLD STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR 2024

CANDIDATES WHO HAVE BEEN MODERNITES FOR AT LEAST 40 YEARS	MARK (X) AGAINST ONLY TWO CANDIDATE
1 Rajkamal Sharma	1177
2 Revi Shankar Taneja	1186
3 Suneeta Trivedi	631
4 Col Gagan Deep Singh Randhawa	637
CANDIDATES WHO HAVE BEEN MODERNITES FOR 30 YEARS BUT NOT MORE THAN 40 YEARS	MARK (X) AGAINST ONLY TWO CANDIDATE
1 Indu Basu	1139
2 Anand Roopak Kathpalia	1149
3 Geetanjali J. Singh	680
4 Vishal Uppal	650
CANDIDATES WHO HAVE BEEN MODERNITES FOR 20 YEARS BUT NOT MORE THAN 30 YEARS	MARK (X) AGAINST ONLY TWO CANDIDATE
1 Pratima Jain Mittal	1223
2 Ashish Goel	1144
3 Gaurav Bhatia	670
4 Divya Gupta Kotawala	608
CANDIDATES WHO HAVE BEEN MODERNITES FOR 10 YEARS BUT NOT MORE THAN 20 YEARS	MARK (X) AGAINST ONLY TWO CANDIDATE
1 Ishaan Verma	1227
2 Anshruta Jain	1136
3 Shashwat Gupta	600
4 Jahvi Sharma	625
CANDIDATES WHO HAVE BEEN MODERNITES FOR 1 YEAR BUT NOT MORE THAN 10 YEARS	MARK (X) AGAINST ONLY TWO CANDIDATE
1 Twinkle Jain	1223
2 Asiswari Jindal	1155
3 Dhruv Tuli	715
4 Pranav Behal	519
CANDIDATES FROM THE LAST TWO BATCHES THAT PASSED OUT FROM MODERN-SCHOOL	MARK (X) AGAINST ONLY ONE CANDIDATE
1 Aarav Bajaj	1212
2 Ojasvini Goel	687

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A Proud Moment for Modernites

MSOSA



Dear Modernite Friends,

The Modern School Old Students' Association (MSOSA) takes immense pride in congratulating Hon'ble Justice Sanjiv Khanna on his momentous elevation to the position of Chief Justice of India. Justice Khanna's journey has been one of integrity, wisdom, and relentless dedication, shining as a beacon for fairness and justice in our society.

Throughout his career, he has exemplified the values we hold dear — truth, resilience, and a commitment to equity. His achievements remind us of the power of dedication and the importance of service to society, serving as a source of inspiration for Modernites and the nation as a whole.

We extend our warmest wishes to Justice Khanna as he assumes this esteemed role. We are confident that his tenure will mark another chapter of distinguished service, inspiring future generations to follow the path of justice and ethical responsibility.

Warm Regards

Dr. Vivek Nangia
President, MSOSA



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MSOSA Team Felicitates Hon'ble Justice Manmohan

In a gesture of goodwill and appreciation, a team from MSOSA visited Hon'ble Justice Manmohan on October 13, 2024, to felicitate him on his elevation as the Chief Justice of the High Court of Delhi.

The MSOSA team, comprising President Dr. Vivek Nangia, Secretary Mr. Rishabh Gulati, and former Vice President Mr. Vikas Mishra, congratulated Justice Manmohan on this significant milestone in his illustrious career.

Justice Manmohan (Class of 1981), has had a distinguished career in law, serving as Acting Chief Justice of the Delhi High Court before his elevation as Chief Justice. His achievements are a testament to the values of excellence and service that Modern School embodies.





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1966 batch got together to celebrate birthdays of more than 20 batchmates. The small reunion had many of them travel from across India and even abroad. The heartwarming afternoon was filled with school anecdotes, childhood memories and even the life lessons all of them had learnt through the years.





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Dr. Vivek Nangia, President of MSOSA, graced the launch of Project Ogaan as Chief Guest—a philanthropic drive led by Aneesha Narain, a Class 12 student of Modern School and daughter of alumna Radhika Backliwal Narain (Batch of 1991).

Conceptualized by Aneesha, Project Ogaan aims to distribute high-quality woollens to 7,000 people in need, providing essential warmth to underserved communities, including children, street vendors, and rickshaw pullers.



Aneesha, a young leader spearheading the Rotary Interact Movement across 250 schools in Delhi NCR, has made a powerful mark in community service. Addressing the gathering at Jain Ashram, Defence Colony, Dr. Nangia praised Aneesha & her team for their commitment to impactful change. The event was further supported by notable guests such as Rotary District Governor Mahesh Trikha, Incoming Governor Ravi Gugnani, & prominent community figures, all united in backing this meaningful initiative.





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Upcoming Events

Modernites Excellence Awards
December 1, 2024, 5 PM Onwards

Modernites Sports Day
December 8, 2024, 8.30 AM - 12.30 PM

Modernites Winter Carnival
December 8, 2024, 10.30 AM - 5 PM

Modernites Winter Reunion Dinner
December 21, 2024, 7.30 PM Onwards

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Modernite Achievers

1. **Hon'ble Justice Sanjiv Khanna (1977)** - Elevated to the pinnacle in judiciary as the 51st Chief Justice of India.
2. **Hon'ble Justice Manmohan (1981)** - Elevated to become the Chief Justice of High Court of Delhi.
3. **Professor Meeta Narain (1976)** - Conferred upon the prestigious Pushkin Medal, the highest honour given to an Indian scholar by the Russian Government, and for releasing her new book titled "Roerich's World in Poetry"
4. **Dr. Vivek Nangia (1987)** - Promoted to Vice Chairman, Institute of Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Disorders at Max Healthcare
5. **Amit Kansal (1982)** - Received the prestigious Award for Best Supply Chain & Distribution Company in India at the Assocham Annual Pharma Summit in Delhi
6. **Mr. Ayush Badoni (2018) and Mr. Hrithik Shokeen (2019)** - Selected in the Men's T20 Emerging Teams Asia Cup 2024 India 'A' squad
7. **Ms. Priti Dhariwal (1991)** - Won an election to become Councilwoman for River Edge, New Jersey
8. **Mr. Sachin Kakkar (1999)** – Won four gold medals in individual swimming events (for age groups 40-44) at the 20th National Masters Championship 2023-24 in Bhopal



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- Mr. Deepak Singh (1957) – 25th August, 2024
- Mr. Salil Kapur (1970) - 3rd September, 2024
- Mr. Sanjay Bharadwaj (1977) – 2nd October, 2024
- Vice Admiral Kailash Kumar Kohli (Retd), PVSM, AVSM (1956) – 14th October, 2024
- Mr. Vivek Rastogi (1986) – 20th October, 2024
- Mr. Mainak Trivedi (1972) – 31st October, 2024
- Mr. Kapil Gupta (1980) – 5th November, 2024
- Mr. Robindra Gupta (1951) – 19th November, 2024



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MSOSA Executive Committee 2024 - 2026

Name	Batch	Designation
Dr. Vivek Nangia	1987	President
Alpana Kripal Poddar	1985	Vice President
Rishabh Gulati	2003	Secretary
Arunima Malik	2010	Joint Secretary
Piyush Jain	1984	Treasurer

Elected Members

Name	Batch
Rajkamal Sharma	1974
Ravi Shankar Taneja	1980
Indu Basu	1989
Anand Roopak Kathpalia	1990
Pratima Jain Mittal	1995
Ashish Goel	1997
Ishaan Verma	2010
Anshruta Jain	2012
Twinkle Jain	2015
Asawari Jindal	2018
Aarav Bajaj	2014

Ex Officio

Name	Batch
Dr. Vijay Datta	Principal MSBKR
Ms. Nalni Singh Rajput	Headmistress RSJMS
Rohit Jain	1987
Ashish Jain	2001

Co-Opted Members

Name	Batch
Dr. Neena (Malik) Moitra	1979
Brig. Ashok Abbey	1979
Vikas Mishra	1980
Rahul Krishna	1980

Permanent Invitees

Name	Batch
Lt. Gen. Shankar Prasad	1959
Brig. (Hony) Dr. Arvind Lal	1965
Pradeep Jain	1970
Rashmi (Saini) Vaidialingar	1974
Ajay Verma	1979
Praveen Garg, IAS (R)	1979
Ashwajit Singh	1980
Chander Mohan Lall	1983
Ravinder Taneja	1983
Vidur Puri	1985
Vineet S Sarin	1987

Special Invitees (2024-2025)

Name	Batch
Nawal Kant Sethi	1966
Jaishree Anand	1970
Sanjiv Sachar	1975
Deepa (Kashyap) Khanna	1976
Bhuvanesh Khanna	1977
Sujata Kashyap	1979
Atul Marwah	1980
Deepali (Saini) Narula	1981
Vivek Chandra	1982
Manu Narang	1985
Puneet Raman	1985

Special Invitees (2024-2025)

Name	Batch
Pawan Kumar	1986
Kumud (Berry) Singh	1987
Neeraj Chaudhari	1989
Nandni Sharma	1989
Vikrant Badhwar	1989
Amit Bhasin	1991
Mohit Aggarwal	1993
Deepak Mehndiratta	1993
Kabir Uppal	2007
Aarti Ahuja	2009
Karan Khurana	2009

Name	Batch
Mansi Aggarwal	2009
Samyak Jaggi	2010
Devika Chopra	2014
Anoushka Kapoor	2015
Harshvardhan Tomar	2018
Tavishi Nangia	2018
Dhananjay Arora	2019
Aviraj M Anand	2020
Ayush Nambiar	2021
Ritwik Joshi	2021
Ritvik Jain	2024



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Dear Modernite,
Greetings !

MSOSA would love to celebrate your personal achievements/milestones. Send us details of your special professional & personal achievements or information on marriage of Modernites, birth of children of Modernites and we shall try to feature them in the upcoming newsletters (subject to editorial discretion).

Also please share information, in case of passing away of any Modernite or Modern School teacher.

For all information please send name, batch and date of the event. Write to us at : modernites@msosa.com

MSOSA Office Bearers 2024-2026

Dr. Vivek Nangia
(President)
(1987)

Alpana Poddar
(Vice President)
(1985)

Rishabh Gulati
(Secretary)
(2003)

Arunima Malik
(Jt. Secretary)
(2010)

Piyush Jain
(Treasurer)
(1984)



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