



13 November 2017,  
Nashik

To  
Pradeep Gawade  
Amrutvahini College of Engineering,

**Dear Pradeep**

Congratulations! It gives me immense pleasure to share that you have been selected to join Digital Impact Square (DISQ), a TCS Foundation Initiative as an innovator. You are amongst less than 7% of those who applied from over 70 colleges from across India.

DISQ provides a unique opportunity:

- to innovate in multi-disciplinary teams and solve complex societal challenges
- for experiential learning of essential 21st century skills viz. creativity, critical thinking, curiosity, collaboration, social and cultural awareness and empathy
- to learn and apply design thinking and agile development framework
- to become an entrepreneur

During the period from January to June 2018 you will work on a curated challenge, derived through engagement with diverse stakeholders including citizens, industry, academia and the local administration. Through this time you will be at DISQ at Nashik, and develop a working prototype of your Minimum Viable Product (MVP) which will address the challenge assigned to you. On successful validation of the prototype through experiments/pilots and by an external jury, you will be given an opportunity to spend another six months in converting your MVP prototype into a marketable product. Through this time you will receive mentorship from both TCS and external organizations.

Your association with DISQ would be for a period from January to June 2018. You will receive a stipend of upto Rs **90,000** which will be split into a monthly and milestone based component. If your innovation is selected to progress into Grow Phase, you will receive additional amount of upto Rs **1,50,000** over next six months with monthly and milestone based components.

I'm sure you will find this opportunity extremely fulfilling through learning of new skills and opportunity to enhance lives of billions. I wish you the best and exhort you to make the best use of this unique opportunity. We look forward to your acceptance of this offer and completion of the enclosed details by 15 Nov 2017.

Regards,

Hasit Kaji,  
VP, Head of Special Initiatives

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