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Entrepreneurship is not just about breaking free from the 9 to 5 humdrum, not about being your own boss, and definitely not glorious. The entrepreneur shuns the comfort of a cushy corporate job and a seven-figure salary to set sail on uncharted waters with a single-minded zeal and only an idea as an anchor. But it is this idea and passion that makes all the difference and catapults him into a world of infinite possibilities.

The Game Changers brings to you 20 success stories of IITians who went on to live the big dream. These include: Suhas Patil, Vijay Kumar, Vinod Gupta, Sam Dalal, Sridhar Mitta, Arjun Malhotra, Kiran Seth, Prabhakant Sinha, Ranbir Singh Gupta, Bikram Dasgupta, Praful Kulkarni, Sunil Gaitonde, Anand Deshpande, Arvind Kejriwal, Harish Hande, Anuradha Acharya, Venkata Subramanian, Bikash Barai, Vikram Kumar, and Krishna Mehra.

With a Foreword by Dr Duvvuri Subbarao, Governor of the Reserve Bank of India, and an Introduction by Dr Damodar Acharya, Director, IIT Kharagpur, this book marks sixty golden years of India's finest institute. Come, be a part of their journey, get inspired to dream, and make your own story.

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### **Saifuddin Shaik says**

A enlightening read. The success stories are truly inspirational. Many of them are from the Software sector though. The writer has covered all the areas of the Alumni. I would recommend it.

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### **Amar Naik says**

A good read on how Indian trained people from iit karagpur have succeeded by overcoming hurdles

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### **Ayush Garg says**

Well I would have given it 3.5 to be precise but unfortunately there is no option like that here. It was a decent book with some really inspirational stories . However towards the end of the book you start feeling a little bored as all the stories seem alike. Also the book is a bit more into technical stuff than required. And the stories are not detailed to a great extent.Only the achievements have been focused on with very less emphasis given to how they achieved it. But overall, a decent read and a good read for budding entrepreneurs. Lastly, My favourite story :- Arvind kejriwal- The agent of Change :)

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### **Abhijit Shintre says**

very gud motivational book

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### **Radhika says**

Its a good and inspirational book. Entrepreneurs must read this!

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### **Casidye says**

As the title says it, They really changed the game. Arvind Kejriwal and Suhas Patil stories inspired me a lot. How a most powerful Act changed whole India to get any information about public service.

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## **Ashwini Kumar Sharma says**

Inspiring tales of great people from IIT Kgp, motivating for everyone and a must read for entrepreneurs.

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## **Mohit says**

Story of compassionate people done extraordinary things.

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## **Nitin Vadher says**

This book is given by my wife on my birthday, I don't know why she has chosen this book for me, and I think I have changed her life after marriage so she has given me as this game changer, ha ha ha ha.

After Rashmi Bhansal's connect the dots and many other series of entrepreneurship books, many authors have taken a less risky genre for writing the book, as this types of books sells like a hot chocolate cakes publishers are also eager to publish this types of books.

Entrepreneur books are always my first preference, as you will know how that particular person has came out of struggle and made his own path for success. Generally, people looks on the success side of any person but how he/she has reached that goal is not taken into consideration, but by reading these types of books it gives lots of inspiration to the readers.

Now about this book Game changer, to be frank I didn't like the book that much, I didn't got what I have expected. This book is some what monotonous and boring many times. Although there are many inspiring stories like that of Dr Harish Hande, Anuradha Acharya, Venkata Subramanian, Arvind Kejriwal etc. they all have done some unique things. Other stories are like technical stuffs, as

I am not from IIT i didn't got with the headings also where RK hall, RP hall etc, so if authors have given some background then it would be good for the readers.

I am giving 2.5\* for the book, those who are from IT field will like it. Go for the book any how you will get inspiration from 20 such stories.

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## **Shalaka says**

Motivational. Inspiring. Lessons learnt for life:

Great ideas are churned out from chaos!

One should not be married to an idea as it can prove to be highly dangerous. Becoming dispassionate with the idea is necessary as it gives a different vantage point.

Lastly, there are no rules to entrepreneurship!

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## Darshan says

Covered by stories of successful indian entrepreneurs. How they build their empire.  
Good if one wants to get inspired but not so useful, the 20 stories one can read from Wikipedia pages too.  
The book does not deliver something different.

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## Pavan Reddy says

Frankly speaking I'm not into this inspirational books yet I commenced it due to one of my seniors advice so i took it and after reading 4 chapter I was simply frustrated because it was so boring to me at least. In every chapter they had concluded each chapter very early so it was really disappointing as I thought we should have learned something from their life's ups and downs. Words were really good but I don't know why it was drag for me. If you think I had no right for reviewing this please discern this review as a atypical comment.

Thank you & Be happy

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## Santhosh says

After the wave of campus novels, we now have the era of the famous-alumni bios. The authors of this book about 20 of IIT Kharagpur's more illustrious alumni have very recent connections with their alma mater, with two of them in fact still in their 4th year. Perhaps, that's the reason why there's an undertone of the fanboy throughout the book. There are also generous doses, as stated by the various subjects of the book, of stuff you'd prepare for a hypothetical "why IIT Kharagpur" question: the best college in the country, the most stimulating environment, the smartest peers, learn from the best, etc.

It's a decent attempt and the authors have done their best to standardise the format which makes it easy to read, structure and compare. The selection of subjects is excellent and covers a good range of fields and accomplishments. The trouble with the book, though, is that for most of these bios, with a few notable exceptions, there is not much original or incisive research on the subject's inside story, the 360 degree perspective from associates and peers, the context, the background, the struggle, the lessons, and above all, the subject's thought process. The biographies are thus extremely sketchy with *"It was very challenging, but being young, they didn't take the general scepticism too seriously, and took risks and decisions without much worry"* and *"Suhas got married and in no time his first child was ready for school."* The subjects were all *"highly motivated"*, *"worked round the clock"* with *"utmost dedication"*, and *"achieved their dreams"*. I wonder what the editors were doing.

I personally see three reasons behind this new wave of alumni bios:

- 1) quick fix to become a published writer
- 2) a bit of chest-thumping pride in their alma mater
- 3) if the campus novels were meant for entertainment, then these could be for inspiration.

Now, for me to be inspired though, or at the least made curious, I'd want to read the thought, intent and context behind a particular decision, and not just the decision as a statement of fact. Reading just that World

War II happened is completely different from also reading about why and how WWII took place. I wonder if any constraints on the number of pages (dictated by price?) played a part in the rushed, sketchy outline of a biographies book this (and others in the genre) turns out to be; because, duh, you cannot skip the basics in a biography, and damn!, you're out of pages.

During my third year in Engineering, to commemorate some now-forgotten event, a bunch of us from the Lit club made a scrapbook of sorts - "Mad About Madurai" - with bios of the most illustrious in Madurai's history, and presented it to our correspondent and mayor. I think it's time I dug it out from my old desktop.

2 stars because the attempt's still better than Rashmi Bansal's "desi style" mix of motivational one-liners, verbatim quotes from the subject in the vernacular, and a steady dosage of random idioms and phrases.

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### **Pranay says**

Nice book. Not very well written but worth a read!

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### **Rohit Joshi says**

This is a very nice book about IIT Kharagpur pass outs who have made a great success in their respective fields. It's written by 3 people, out of which 2 are undergraduate 4th year students of IIT Kharagpur. The book is divided into small chapters each one dedicated to one successful pass out of the IIT Kharagpur. So it's perfectly possible to read this book in parts as and when you get time.

I would like to recommend the stories of Suhas Patil founder of Cirrus Logic, Arvind Kejriwal, Prabhakant Sinha of ZS Associates, Vinod Gupta and Anand Patil of Persistent systems.

After going through this book, I also got to know that most of the entrepreneurs are actually highly educated, either MS or Ph.D. holders from the US, so IIT has been just the entry point of their professional careers, and their experience abroad has played a significant part in their success.

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