## K.C. Mahindra Scholarship for Post Graduate Studies Abroad awards scholarships to 62 students

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July 16, 2019 - Mumbai: The K.C. Mahindra Education Trust (KCMET) today announced that 62 candidates out of the 1331 applicants are being awarded the K. C. Mahindra Scholarship for Post Graduate Studies Abroad. The top 3 scholars will get a scholarship of INR 8 lacs each and the rest will receive a scholarship of INR 4 lacs each. Aimed at enabling higher education for the brightest and best students in India, the total value of the scholarship awarded this year is Rs. 2.6 crores. The shortlisted candidates included 28 graduates from the IITs, and the balance are alumni of other premier educational institutes including BITS Pilani, the National Law Schools, Lady Shri Ram College, St. Xavier's College, St. Stephens and Sir JJ College of Architecture. The candidates had secured admission to the highest-ranking universities overseas including Harvard, Stanford, Columbia, Carnegie Mellon, Michigan, UC Berkeley, Georgia Tech, Pennsylvania, London Business School, LSE, Oxford & Cambridge. The scholars will be pursuing their post-graduation in subjects ranging from Computer Science, Engineering, MBA, Law, Public Policy and Economics.

The selection committee comprised of eminent leaders such as Anand Mahindra, Chairman, Mahindra Group; Bharat Doshi, Chairman, Mahindra Intertrade Ltd.; Ulhas Yargop, Chairman, Bristlecone; Dr. (Mrs.) Indu Shahani, President and Chair - Indian School of Design & Innovation and Indian School of Management & Entrepreneurship; Ranjan Pant, CEO Advisor, Global Strategy Management Consultant & Change Management Expert; and Aishwarya Ramakrishnan, EA to the Chairman, Mahindra Group who interviewed the shortlisted candidates over a period of two days.

Commenting on the scholarship program and discussion with the candidates, **Anand Mahindra, Chairman, Mahindra Group** said, "The Mahindra Group strongly believes in the transformative power of education, both in the lives of individuals and of the country at large. The calibre of young talent from across India never ceases to amaze me and this year was no different, with some truly outstanding candidates being chosen to receive the K C Mahindra scholarships. I hope that each of them uses this opportunity to drive positive change in their lives and in their communities at large."

The tables turned at an evening reception where the candidates got an opportunity to ask the esteemed panellists questions as well as to network with each other. The Townhall session at this Reception was an enthusiastic and interactive one with candidates discussing the need of the hour being Skills Development (Technical, Digital, Liberal Arts Skills, as emphasized on by Anand Mahindra himself) and R&D for the youth to develop futuristic Technology to preserve, conserve and grow at the same time by using renewable, recyclable and alternative resources of energy. What was noticeable was the energy and zeal of the evening after a long day of interviews, where the brightest minds shared their vision and ideas for the future of the country with the esteemed panel.

This year at the Townhall, we were also joined by Anuradha Mahindra – Trustee K.C. Mahindra Education Trust and Publisher and Editor of Verve Magazine.

This was the very first scholarship program set up at the Trust by the founder, Mr. K C Mahindra, and it continues to offer bright Indian students the possibility of pursuing their higher education at reputed universities abroad.

# For further details on the K.C. Mahindra Scholarships please visit: www.kcmet.org

### About K C Mahindra Education Trust (KCMET)

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