# MANAS ASIJA

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#### **EDUCATION**

University of Michigan Ann Arbor, MI

Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Aug 2024- May 2026

GPA: 4.0/4.0 Coursework: Auto Body Structure Design, Principles of Li-ion Battery, Battery System & Control,

Design for Six Sigma, Probability Theory, Smart Manufacturing, Project Management

### Thapar Institute of Engineering and Technology

Patiala, India

Bachelor of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering (ABET Accredited Program)

Jul 2016- May 2020

GPA: 9.44/10 (Top 3% of branch) or 3.98/4 GPA Scholaro

Awarded a full-tuition scholarship for all four years due to academic excellence

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

TVS Motors Hisar, India

Territory Manager

Jun 2023- Jul 2024

- Led NPD efforts for TVS Raider, monitoring performance post-launch. Used IDDOV principles to analyze market response and enhance service processes.
- Conducted battery analysis using electro-chemical techniques to identify performance degradation and failure modes in vehicle battery systems.
- Reduced customer dissatisfaction cases from 150 CC/10K to 30 CC/10K by conducting targeted training sessions for dealer manpower
  on Service Information Bulletins (SIBs) and implementing first-time right (FTR) repair strategies to enhance service quality.
- Led warranty analysis using Field Failure Reports and Pareto analysis, identifying high throttle body failures in BS 6 vehicles. Designed a TPS D-clamp, cutting replacement costs by 94% and saving ~\$6,000/month in Haryana.

Bajaj Auto Ltd. Ranchi, India

Area Manager

Jan 2021- Apr 2023

- Doubled territory revenue in three years by optimizing LPV, PPV, OPV, and ADR through the MP-CP strategy, improving service efficiency, increasing workshop productivity, and enhancing customer retention.
- Ranked #1 out of 109 territories in India for highest NPS growth by improving callback rate, root cause identification, and implementing inner loop resolutions to prevent recurring customer dissatisfaction.
- Expanded market reach by establishing two new dealerships and 12 sub-dealerships in untapped areas, enhancing accessibility while ensuring adherence to Corporate Identity (CI) standards.

Tata Motors Ltd.

Pantnagar, India

Intern

Jan 2019- Jun 2019

• Analyzed 275 leakage cases by conducting detailed process assessments and implemented targeted action plans, which resulted in the identification of key issues that strengthened operational efficiency across three assembly lines.

• Implemented Process Failure Mode and Effects Analysis (PFMEA) and WIS for 2 powertrain assembly lines, each with about 40 workstations, enhancing quality control and operational efficiency.

#### **ACADEMIC and PROFESSIONAL PROJECTS**

#### Thapar Institute of Engineering and Technology (Mechanical Society of Engineers)

2017-2018

- Redesigned the Mangonel (Catapult) arm length and holder configuration, increasing projectile range by an impressive 30% through targeted engineering techniques and material optimizations that improved overall performance.
- Developed a sophisticated line-follower using Arduino technology, achieving precise path tracking that reduced navigational errors during trials from 15% to less than 5%, improving overall project efficiency.

Bajaj Auto Ltd. 2021- 2023

- Customer Satisfaction Metric Shift: Led the transition from Customer Satisfaction Index (CSI) to Net Promoter Score (NPS), leveraging L1 and L2 drivers for deeper insights and effective identification of improvement areas.
- **TPM Certification Pilot**: Led Total Productive Maintenance (TPM) certification for East Region dealerships, achieving certification for 6 out of 8 by improving 37 Key Performance Indicators (KPIs).
- Power BI Dashboard Development: Spearheaded the migration of service performance dashboards from QlikView to Power BI, enhancing user navigation and interactivity that facilitated data-driven decisions across 3 key dashboards in less than three months.

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Thapar Institute of Engineering and Technology (Material Science Lab)

Patiala, India

Undergraduate Research Assistant

2020

Conducted in-depth analysis of weld velocity, tool tip depth, diameter, identifying critical thresholds that boosted material performance by 25% while ensuring maximum efficiency for forward steel welding processes involving brass.

## **SKILLS**

- Data & Analytics: SQL, Power BI, Minitab, Advanced Excel
- Engineering Tools: AutoCAD, PTC Creo, MATLAB & Simulink
- Methodologies & Certifications: DFSS Black Belt trained, Total Productive Maintenance (TPM) Certified, Certified Service Manager (CSM), Failure Mode and Effects Analysis (FMEA) Certification