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I was part of the 4th batch of AIT to pass out, in the year 2001. I still reminisce about the wonderful times I had at AIT, and the wonderful people and relationships built over those years. I am still in touch with many of my batchmates, seniors, and juniors, all of whom are doing really well in life.

Over the last 15 years, I have worked in Persistent Systems, IBM Software Labs, Performix and currently with ThoughtWorks since the past 5 years. My years in AIT were instrumental in many ways to help shape me where I am today. Being part of the Army fraternity teaches you discipline, professionalism and gives you a lot of exposure to various areas in life. AIT itself encouraged a balanced outlook to growth, from studies to extra-curricular, and the college environment fostered friends for life.

ThoughtWorks has an intense and some what unique recruitment process, which many people find challenging. Quite a few of my colleagues have been AITians, a fact I am proud of. Last three visits of mine to AIT have all been to recruit candidates from AIT, and I always come back pleasantly surprised, and impressed by improvements made in the college infrastructure, and the quality of the students. One thing I can definitely say: AITians always come across as smart, great communicators, creative and ambitious to make a mark in the world. This quality helps them in quickly climbing the ladder of success in whichever field they so choose to do so. Its helped me!

Currently, in ThoughtWorks, I am Lead Consultant and Community Manager for a free and open source Hospital Management System, called Bahmni. Bahmni, named after a very remote village in Chhattisgarh, is designed for hospitals and organizations for low resource setting, and has already been deployed in parts of rural India, Bangladesh, Nepal and Sierra Leone. My passion for combining technology with usability, impact, and high quality helps me do better in this role. Read more about Bahmni and me here: http://life-lessons.in.

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Thank you AIT.