

The night is darkest at dawn

Having been born in the Gadgil family or as some might like to put it as with the 'golden spoon'; gold flows along with blood in my veins.

The PNG brand, one of the gold pioneers in the city, aroused my business acumen since I was young. I always had a distinct vision for my family name; taking it from a local retail store to an international chain was only a matter of time, which of course arrived only with an incredible amount of struggle and more downs than upswings through the journey. The moment I embarked upon my professional life; it's been a daily endeavor to one up myself, which comes with a certain amount of turbulence, disappointments and falls that one must learn to spring back from; success is the final product, much later.

Now, with an established PNG trade-mark under my belt, I could have been satisfied with just expanding these gold territories which is quite a task in itself, but I yearned to do my bit for society as well as allot a certain business eye for my passions.

Education is an aspect close to my heart and Pune being christened as the Oxford of the East, draws students from around the country. My decision to establish Seamless Education was to provide an avenue for those students with a desire to study away from the mainstream, which our city lacked. Breaking mental barriers for certain career options such as Radio Jockey, Animation

and Sound Engineering, was a battle; but seeing these young students' careers shaping in front of my eyes, kept me going. Today, receiving Hollywood production offers for our animation studio, Tool Box is proof of that determination.

My penchant for software is not very widely-known, but I believe e-technology is not just the present, it is the absolute future and I certainly wanted a finger in that pie. So, DuxSoft came into existence, which came with its own set of demons; daily challenges in technology. But trials actually manage to act as an impetus for me rather than bog me down; I see it simply an opportunity to learn more.

My passion for food translated into Post 91; a concept related to multi-cuisine restaurants.

Daji Kaka Developer Pvt Ltd resulted as my foray into real estate; and Daji Kaka's magic worked its charm. Pune's expanding borders had me yearning to

put my name on part of this land history.

Founding my conglomerate, SVG Worldwide, under whose roof all my other companies operate, was a brave move. I initiated steps into arenas that were not my comfort zone, but simply because I believed in them. Its not always easy; pitfalls outnumber the triumphs and hurdles overtake the joys, but at the end of the day the fact that I know I'm partly responsible for the growth of this city is enough to make me keep striving towards my goal.

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