Neil Pahuja

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PPE student at the University of Manchester, interested in politics, public policy and democratic institutions. Experience in two Indian legislators' offices, financial research at Grant Thornton Bharat, and elected leadership of a 40-member student council representing 1,300+ students.

EDUCATION

University of Manchester — BA (Hons) Politics, Philosophy and Economics 2026 – 2029
Modules: Advanced Mathematics, Micro and Macroeconomics, Issues in PPE, Studying Philosophy

Nirmal Bhartia School, New Delhi — CBSE Class XII (AISSCE) 2013 – 2026
89.4%: A1 in English, Political Science, Economics and Business Studies; A2 in Mathematics · IELTS Academic 8.5

EXPERIENCE

Grant Thornton Bharat — Research Analyst Intern, Global Research Centre June 2025

- Sourced and compiled company financial data on VCC Edge, tracing P&L statements through third-party sources for companies missing from the database.
- Compiled concise briefs on senior individuals and their firms to support executive briefings for senior stakeholders.
- Applied PESTEL analysis to assess external business environments; daily mentorship on economics, Excel and research methodology.

Office of Shri Jarnail Singh, MLA (Tilak Nagar, Delhi) — Youth Governance Fellow Until 2027

- Selected for the Youth Governance Fellowship.

Office of Shri Mukesh Sharma, MLA (Gurgaon, Haryana) — Volunteer 2025 – 2026

- Coordinated public meetings and administrative logistics, gaining exposure to stakeholder engagement and government processes.

The Bajaj Foundation — Intern June 2024

- Consolidated fragmented state-level government data into a nationwide directory of government-licensed e-waste recycling centres.

Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti — Volunteer Oct 2024 – present

- Helped organise medical camps, peace education events and awareness campaigns, including street plays on drug abuse, and the inauguration of the World Peace Centre.

LEADERSHIP

Nirmal Bhartia School — Elected Head Boy Jan 2025 – Jan 2026

- Led a 40-member council representing 1,300+ students; formalised school and council procedures and led community drives and governance reforms.

NiBS x The DAIS MUN'24 — Head of Finance and Operations 2024

- Oversaw finance, logistics and event operations for a conference of 160+ delegates.

The NiB'25, annual school publication — Chief English Editor 2025

- Led a 200-page edition, introduced a Featured Articles section and the first student design team; first Head Boy to also serve as Chief Editor.

Interact Club of Nirmal Bhartia School (Rotary) — Secretary and Founding Member 2024 – 2026

- Coordinated health camps, workshops, clean-ups and fundraising; the club was named “Emerging Club of the District” by Rotary District 3011.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- **SRCC Economics Society Writing Mentorship:** selected among the top 100 of 2,500 applicants.
- **Environmental Campaign:** core team member on the Indian Pollution Control Association's Trashband Anthem initiative.
- **Digital Heritage Project:** created a virtual tour and microsite for Dwarka Baoli with Delhi's Directorate of Education.

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Analytical: financial research, VCC Edge, PESTEL analysis, Microsoft Excel, Orange Data Miner
Communication: editorial writing, public speaking, campaign coordination, Photoshop, video editing
Courses: Yale – Financial Markets (Honors); Duke – Behavioural Finance; Yale – Narrative Economics; IIT Madras – Data Science & AI
Languages: English, Hindi · **Interests:** HYROX and a 40 kg weight loss; piano (Trinity Grade 6 in progress); Vipassana meditation

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