

## Positively Moving Ahead: Hina Khan

An actor, influencer and now one of the most desired fashionista's in the Indian entertainment industry, actress Hina Khan is successfully donning many hats. After achieving the numero uno position on Indian television with iconic shows and roles to her credit like Yeh Rishta Kya Kehlata Hai, Bigg Boss, Khatron Ke Khiladi, Kausauti Zindagi Ki, Naagin 5 and many more, Hina also took over the OTT space by storm, with successful projects like Damaged 2, Unlock, Smart Phone and Wishlist which put her on the number 1 spot in the digital world.

Hina's venture into films with Vikram Bhatt's 'Hacked' in early 2020 was a prominent stepping stone for the actress on the big screen. On an International level, Hina also created quite a big buzz with her 'Cannes film festival' red carpet appearance in 2019 to launch the poster for her film 'Lines', which was created under her very own production banner, Hiros Faar Better Films.



Hina Khan

## Mithila Palkar cements her position as an OTT favourite!

With a passion for films and theatre since her childhood, Mithila Palkar made her acting debut in 2014, in the Marathi short film 'Majha Honeymoon' and the Imran Khan starrer 'Katti Batti'. It was, however, in 2016 that she became an overnight internet sensation with her rendition of the 'cup song' that crossed over 6 million views on YouTube.

From there Mithila went on to become a television favourite, bagging commercials with the biggest Gen-X brands. She featured alongside veteran Irrfan Khan in 'Karwaan' and further cemented her position as one of the most loved faces on the OTT platform with shows like 'Girl in the City' and Netflix's 'Little Things'.

In 2018, Mithila Palkar, barely a few years old in the film industry, had already made it to Forbes 30 Under 30's list of young achievers.

She worked extensively with the international streaming platform Netflix, with shows like 'Little Things' and 'Masaba Masaba' and original films like 'Chopstick' and the recent 'Tribhanga' starring Kajol and Tanvi Azmi. Such is the popularity of the film that it has been trending in India ever since its release.

Mithila Palkar today is of the most recognisable faces in Indian digital content, television, films and web series. It's no surprise then that she also made it to Entrepreneur India's 35 Under 35 list.



Mithila Palkar

## Champion for Mental Health

Passionate educationist and a mental health champion, Neerja Birla is the Founder and Chairperson of Aditya Birla Education Trust (ABET) which endeavours to positively impact the lives of people from all sections of society, and bring about progressive change in the field of education and mental health.

Birla passionately believes that those suffering from mental health issues must be empowered, so that they may lead dignified and meaningful lives without any discrimination, which was the genesis of Mpower, a pioneering mental health initiative in India. Her efforts as a mental health activist have truly brought about a paradigm shift in attitude towards mental health.

Under her dynamic leadership as an educationist, Aditya Birla World Academy, an international school with an Indian soul, promotes holistic development of its students along with academics, The Aditya Birla Integrated School provides groundbreaking inclusive education to children with different learning or emotional needs and Aditya Birla Education Academy is a sincere attempt to empower Teaching fraternity.

An inspiring personality, she is a progressive, dynamic and versatile woman, driven by her passions and an unwavering resolve to give back to society with a sense of responsibility. She is also a committed fitness and outdoor-sports enthusiast, loves reading and listening to music, and is extremely fond of travelling and trekking.

A firm believer in the Japanese concept of wabi-sabi, Neerja Birla thrives in the transient beauty of imperfection, impermanence and being incomplete. She aspires to be sthitpragya – being balanced and equanimous in an ongoing endeavour towards self-awareness and self-control.



Neerja Birla

## Climbing the ladder of success naturally!

Health is Wealth! Using Ayurvedic and natural products is the only sustainable way to remain healthy. This could not have been more relevant than in today's times. Promoting the benefits of Ayurvedic and natural products in our everyday life is Sheetal Agashe.

She is the heart and soul behind Brihans Natural Products Ltd that promotes Ayurvedic and natural products for skin, hair and health care. Under Sheetal, this group has a portfolio of famous brands such as Greenleaf, Brimune and Oraheal. Brihans Natural Products is one of the first companies in India to explore the benefits of aloe vera.

Sheetal has ensured that the brand maintains high quality of products at affordable prices. This reputation exists for over a decade establishing a loyal customer base across India. From a marketing and advertising background, Sheetal Agashe became the first woman in the family to run the family business. She is proudly carrying forward her father's legacy who was a renowned industrialist and cricketer. Sheetal took up this challenge with wondrous entrepreneurial spirit and the results paid off evidently. The unique vision and leadership of Sheetal has led the Ayurvedic skincare and haircare brand "Greenleaf" to be recognised as a trusted and promising brand and is one of the leaders in the Indian aloe vera market today.



Sheetal Agashe

## Young Turk with the Winning Formula for Entrepreneurship in Beauty

Winner of the Times Power Women 2020 in the category of Young Entrepreneur in Beauty & Haircare, Sargam Dhawan Bhayana heads Tressmart Marketing, which she founded in 2016. Under the auspices of Tressmart, Sargam has introduced best-in-class global hair care and beauty products from brands like DAFNI, StylPro & Makeup Eraser into the Indian market.

In 2020, as the world was turned on its head and retail became the purview of the online space, Sargam successfully launched a digital shopping platform exclusively for luxury hair care products under Tressmart and launched 'Glow by Tressmart', a luxury e-commerce platform for premium beauty.

Under her leadership, Tressmart purchased Netherlands based Paul Penders. Paul Penders Botanicals, an all-natural, cruelty-free and vegan brand of skin care, hair care, baby products and make-up and shifted the company's entire manufacturing capability to India.

Armed with a degree in communication & entrepreneurship, Sargam possesses a superior work ethic and a commitment to sustainability, excellence and quality. She believes that 'Business is the combination of hard work and creative instincts' and gifted with the latter in spades, she is not one to shy away from the former, making it a winning formula.



Sargam Dhawan Bhayana

## A dessert queen with the heart of a biker

Chef Sarita Ashutosh, a chef, a mother, a wife, a bikers & an entrepreneur - a true powerhouse who fiercely follows her passion and believes that it's never too late to start something new.

After completing her Hotel Management from Hong Kong, Sarita realised that there was a big gap between high end quality products and the ones available in the market. This urged her to start her own designer cake studio called Cake Off in Mumbai. Besides fulfilling her creative dream, Sarita introduced 5-star quality products to general households.

She also conducts special workshops for children and introduce them to this beautiful culinary art. A veteran in the industry, Sarita unapologetically tries new techniques to bring innovations to her designs.

A true biker at heart, she has a collection of world class bikes and loves to go on long rides to support social causes. She lives by the rule that don't be afraid of making mistakes but learn from them and move forward. Go easy on yourself, love yourself unconditionally and follow your passion and surely success will follow.



Sarita Ashutosh

## A Disrupter in Real Estate Technology and Proptech

Swapna More is a successful serial entrepreneur, a realtor, a restaurateur, a teacher, wife of a Defence Officer and a mother of two kids, one son and one daughter.

She is the State Chairperson, Maharashtra, of Confederation of Indian Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (CIMSME) and Director of Global Council for the Promotion of International Trade (GCPIT). She was bestowed with National Leadership Award 2020 as the Best Community Leader.

Swapna More has been instrumental in nurturing large teams to success with her adept understanding of human behavior and organizational requirements. Her inimitable style of leadership has won accolades from her colleagues in the realty and hospitality industry alike. As a woman in the realty business, she defied pressure with elan and steered the businesses to success. 10 lac sqft of land developed and marketed across the country, a revolutionary realtech product up her sleeve and a successfully running cafe just add up to her illustrious career as a women entrepreneur. In addition, she is women empowerment evangelist, gender equality advocate, vivid book reader and animal lover.



Swapna More

## Dr Stuti Khare Shukla is the new hope for hair loss patients

Dr Stuti Khare Shukla is one of India's leading Cosmetic Dermatologist, also popularly known as "Hair growth Queen" of India. She is a very well recognised doctor globally & listed in India's top notched newspapers & featured in magazines for her path breaking treatment & profound success in non surgical hair restoration in the most challenging hair loss patients.

She is the founder of Elements of Aesthetics chain of clinics, which are one of the first super-specialty non surgical hair restoration clinics located at Mumbai, Nagpur, Jabalpur, Balaghat.

After completing her MBBS & MD, Dr Stuti Khare Shukla underwent many International fellowships in Los Angeles, USA, Singapore, Bangkok. Dr Stuti Khare Shukla is fellow at the prestigious National Skin Centre, Singapore, Siriraj Hospital Bangkok. She devotes a significant amount of time in academics & research. She is very active in social service also & associated with many NGOs.

Dr Stuti Khare Shukla has been felicitated with multiple awards like Youngest Dermatologist of India 2017. Her Researches have been published in multiple Top American Journals. Besides, she has been a speaker at multiple International conferences.



Dr Stuti Khare Shukla

## Unstoppable Journey of Geeta Singh

Established in the year 1976, with a reputation of fortifying clients from the past 42 years, Bombay Intelligence Security India Limited (BIS) entered the market when the private security industry was in a nascent stage in India and became one of the largest networks of security service providers. BIS is synonymous name for quality & trustworthy security services deployed across the length and breadth of India and one of the important Pillar of BIS Management Team is Geeta Singh.

A confident, brave, smart, dynamic leader, and strong negotiator, Geeta Singh is an individual processing all these traits, leading the BIS team as a Director. She started her career with BIS in the year 1998 as an accounts officer. However, soon after realizing her potential in the management, she was inducted into the board in the year 2006 and became the first lady ever to become a board member and took the charge maturely with her inbuilt leadership quality. She secured her position in this tough society leaving past all other professionals and many experienced members as she became the front runner at the top management. Today, the leader, backed by her ability to learn and adapt fast, is guiding the BIS team as one of the most likely and recognized faces of the company.



Geeta Singh

## Building a lifelong bond

Priya Shah Matchmaker enjoys a formidable reputation for the services offered by her match-making enterprise 'Priya Shah The Match Maker'.

Maker of Matches: An M.A. & Ph.D. in marriage consultancy (U.S.A), Dr. Shah has successfully made matches of more than 9000 couples through her establishment 'Priya Shah The Match Maker'.

Yes, marriages are made in heaven. But they are arranged on earth by some gifted people who have the innate sense of uniting like-minded people in a bond of a lifetime. Having won accolades and awards like 'The Times Inspiring Entrepreneurs Award for the Young Celebrity, Priya Shah -The match maker, conducted in March 2020 by The Times Group Books, Times of India.' & many more besides blessings from happy couples and their families, Dr. Priya Shah is a popular and respectable figure who is running a marriage bureau in Mumbai and abroad since the last 30 years.

It is very important that both boys and the girls select correct partners for marriage. A life-partner who is supportive, understanding, caring, and above all someone who will live with them under all kinds of circumstances, without any pride or prejudices. According to Dr. Priya, the establishment boasts of making matches belonging to well-placed professionals like doctor, engineer, M.B.A, chartered accountant, architect, well-known business house owners, industrialists.



Dr Priya Shah