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"Anti wake me up in 3 minutes — small catnap ho jaye" — that is our large—hearted, funloving, serious, darling, businesslike robot from D-15. Champion diplomat, persistent buller and distinguished all—rounder, his various credits include a chartered accountancy from Fergusons. Endowed with an infectious laugh (his major problem was to change gear before he choked), Sri seldom took time off from his various appointments and checklists. With his "Uska Kya Hua" opening conversational gambit, he never had a problem of what to say after saying hello (probably because he never said it, but got down to hard core bulling right away).

Having maghu-maroed his way into the ISchol lists and into Bhatta's heart, he has ever since been trying to wriggle out of SAC's and other messes he took upon himself to co-ordinate. His home at B'bay was the official residence of all and sundry, though the Cricket, Bridge, Hockey and Tennis Institute teams kept Srida busy enough at IIMA.

To cap it all, as Malegamwala said at the TAS interview — "Tell me about one scholarship you have not got" — how is that for GK?".