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JAY CHHANIYARA

BIO - GRAPHY



"Someone asked me, "What is the full form of "SMS"?" I said "Sardar Manmohan Sing" - Sardar Manmohan Sing has played the muse to yet another comedy artist. But this one is a unique story - a 7 year child has shown his "Special Skills" on a national television show and with this two liner he took place in hearts of millions.

Whosoever has watched The Great Indian Laughter Challenge cannot forget **JAY CHHANIYARA**, as he enthralls the audience and viewers with his crisp and spicy jokes and heart touching motivation. He is known for his acute scrutiny, comical timing and sweet sher-o-shayries about various aspects. He has considered "A Child Prodigy" worldwide. Let's start from very beginning.

In October 1993, Mr. Deepak Chhaniyara and Mrs. Heena Chhaniyara has gifted by two wonderful babies, however as ill luck, they were premature, one of them has died just after some hours, and the second one started his fighting against the fate. After many twist and turns, he defeated the fate and a battling boy was declared the winner in the fight against the death penalty. So with the pride and honor, the lucky parents of this boy named him "**JAY**" (A winner)

But the fate did not go empty handed, it has slapped him with a disease named Cerebral Palsy (A kind of disorder caused by brain damaged occurring at or before birth & marked with Muscular impairment.)As ill luck it would have been, before this date, this intrinsic and innate performer had to undergo more than 20 surgeries of his both legs, right hand and the right eye at that phase of life where kids are without any burden of life and when life means enjoyment, virtuousness, delight and innocence. Subsequently **Mr. and Mrs. Chhaniyara** - the worthy parents of **Jay Chhaniyara**, who precisely deserve to be complimented along with **Jay**, Who stood beside their Child in those stiff and taut moments of life in making **Jay** understand that he had become handicapped only by Body not by soul. **Mr. and Mrs. Chhaniyara** made Jay to identify and recognize the flair and aptitude he had within.

As the result of which the inside artist woke up. Chance played its own role in transforming the ill battling boy into a promising comedy artist.

In those stiff days, at the age of 6 years, when he faced 6 operations in his both legs. To smooth his pain and distract his attention, his parents gave him simple mimicry cassette in Gujarati, and then the effect was instant. When the family members came to see **Jay**, he spoke whole cassette without missing any single word and with the word **"This is side A, now listen side B"**! Than **Mr. and Mrs. Chhaniyara** realized that they have amazing kid with extra ordinary grasping power.



These cassettes became the launching pad and a source of inspiration for the child, who now began to create his own jokes and had cultivated a small audience too. Encouraged by his enthusiasm and high spirits, his parents promoted him for public performance during the popular Gujarati festival of Navratra. The audiences were enthralled and there was a standing ovation for him. And that time **Jay** has found his destiny and there was no looking back.

In 2004, he visited Mumbai for treatment of cerebral palsy, there he came to know that, there was a competition named **"Koi Bhi Aao - Hansa Ke Dikhao"** by Marshalls. Chances played its role second time and without even basic knowledge of Hindi language, he took part in that competition, and this genius boy has strike again, among 750 candidates at the age group of up to 80 years, and **Jay** became the winner of the competition by public voting system. At the age of only 10 years, **Jay** was awarded 50000/- Rs and a fully paid Hollywood trip with a winning price. It was the show when Mr. Shekhar Suman spotted him, and later on invited to **The Great Indian Laughter Challenge** and the rest of all is the history.

Here at **The Great Indian Laughter Challenge**, Jay performed his level best and every time he exhausted with more and more efforts. On his first performance he laughs the audience with his witty thoughts and also forced them to thought about the social word **DISABILITY** by this Hindi sher.

“ जीने का मतलब मैंने महोब्त में पा लिया - जिसका भी गम हुआ उसे अपना लिया,
आप रो कर भी गम को हल्का न कर सके - मेने हंसी की आड़ में हर गम को छुपा लिया...”

After this performance, Mr. Shekhar Suman has stated that **"This is not an ordinary boy, He has hidden a soul of a saint in him - And the thing you are sitting on is not a wheel chair, it is a Will chair"**

After this performance and fabulous comments - complements, name and fame followed **Jay** where ever he goes. He became a familiar personality across the globe. He started to perform with one of the great performers of comedy, like Mr. Raju shrivastva, Mr. Ahesan Qureshi, Mr. Sunil Pal and many more kings of comedy. He became experienced and lively. Jay might be suffering from a certain kind of mental or physical disorder, but when he takes center stage, he never failed to leave audience in splits.



After seeing this boy, who did not even stands up on his legs but doing "Standup Comedy" in all over the world, once in a interview of Star news channel, he was told to say about his biggest dream of his life, **Jay** told them that he want to meet the Cricket Legend **Mr. Sachin Tendulker**. At that time Jay's star was in seventh heaven. In very few days, Mr. Sachin Tendulker met him in hotel Taj - Mumbai and **Jay** made him laugh too much. After this incident, some famous Papers and

Personality has quoted:

"Jay Chhaniyara do not need to work in films, because Jay's life is fit enough to be made into a film itself."

4th D Woman - Small wonder

"Jay has never believed in self-pity and sympathy is hardly what his presence commands."

Times of Oman - Muscat

"He has battled the odds to make it big, and though he might be young, he had put adults to shame with his grit and determination. Times of India salutes the spirit of this kid. Who's life is an inspiration to us all."

The Times of India

"He is not a physically challenged; he is ready for every challenge."

Mr. Sachin Tendulker

"Happiness is the only thing which a person can give others even if he did not have it. And you are doing the same."

Mr. Aamir Khan

These statements are like booster to him, after getting all this love, he did not looked back, he started doing show professionally and had been awarded and appreciated by many, like;

- * MARSHAL COMEDY AWARDS, MUMBAI
- * POGO AMAIZING KIDS AWARDS, MUMBAI
- * SPECIAL APPRICIATION BY INDIAN AIR FORCE, PUNE
- * SPECIAL APPRECIATION BY SHIV-SENA, MUMBAI
- * HIMOPHOLIA - SERVICE ABOUVE SELF, NAGPUR
- * SPECIAL APPRICIATION BY GUJRAT GOVT.
- * SPECIAL APPRECIATION BY INDIAN ACADAMY OF CEREBRAL PALCY, HYDRABAD
- * ROYAL AWARDS, U.P.
- * NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR HANDICAPPED AWARD, DELHI
- * INDIAN ACADEMY OF CEREBRAL PALCY AWARD, HYDERABAD

Jay has shown his special ability on many national platforms of India like,



Jay also made laugh many jewels of India like,

MANMOHAN SING, SONIA GANDHI, NARENDRA MODI, LALU PRASAD YADAV, NAVJOT SING SIDDHU, LATA MANGESHKAR, SACHIN TENDULKAR, A.R.RAHEMAN, AAMIR KHAN, AKSHAY KUMAR, JOHNI LEAVER, KADAR KHAN, JAWED AKHTAR, SHEKHAR SUMAN, SURENDRA SHARMA, MANDIRA BEDI, LARA DUTTA, AND ENTIRE TEAM OF LAUGHTER CHAMPIONS...

Who thought that a child, who could not cry at the time of birth, makes whole country laugh at the age of only 6, in this ten years of his journey, he performed on more than 1500 stages, More than 10 national on-air channels, his art makes him fly over the India and he landed UK and then Gulf countries and then Africa and more and more and more...

But before we think that the life for this child prodigy has been a dream run, one should ponder again. For, there is an ongoing physical struggle which the boy is still battling. For the last 12 years he has been continuously undergoing treatment for his disorder, he faced more than 20 operations on his both legs, right hand and a right eye. The 3rd part of his 18 years of life has spent in different hospitals. Coming from a humble background, his father Deepak Chhaniyara is a junior state government employee, and finance had been in limited supply but thanks to **Jay's** joyous spirit and will power, **Jay** hopes to dissolve all his pain through laughter.

There are many people behind **Jay's** success, who did not play their role on center stage but they are behind the scene artists. **Jay's** father **Mr. Deepakbhai Chhaniyara** is the editor of **Jay's** scripts, Mother **Heena Chhaniyara** is the backbone of **Jay's** success without her he might not be able to be a Laughter Kid, and his brother **Ravi** is the script writer and with the help of his sher-o-shayries, **Jay** has come to be recognized as an extraordinary entertainer.

Everyone knows that nothing is possible without almighty's permission. God's blessings are with **Jay** constantly, he is the great follower of **Shirdi Saibaba**. He never fails to pray his lord before his play on stage. Every time there is "Om Sai Raam" on his tongue. And likewise **Saibaba** also never be late to bless him and complete his desire, there are many miracles in **Jay's** life journey which can't be believed, but it happened.

There in one another side of **Jay**, he can sing very well. Now he started to give singing performances with his unique talent, mimicry. He also performed on Sai bhajans on stage many times; he also sung **Saibaba's** devotional songs in front of **Saibaba's temple** in Shirdi. And he is a great fan of the legendary singer, Mohammad Rafi saa'b. He can sing his songs all day long.

He is doing very noble cause by helping the handicapped. He is running a trust named **Jay Chhaniyara Foundation Trust** at his hometown, Rajkot. He helps the needy disables by doing charity shows, providing the medical facilities by organizing medical camps, operations, giving wheelchairs and other equipments needed by a disable, in which anyone can contribute for the form of donation and charity.

Today, from being at the receiving end of excruciating pain to spreading laughter all around, the spirited boy-wonder afflicted with Cerebral Palsy, become the fighting role model of all handicapped. This spastic boy expressed that physical disability could never be the obstacle of his path, though he is wheelchair bound but his spirits fly high. After seeing this journey of a shining star **Jay**, everyone should think whether the disability is in person's body or in his mind? Truly hats off to this eighth wonder, **Jay Chhaniyara**.

He always have a time for his well-wisher or a person who want to laugh, his contacts are...



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