

In conversation with Anoop Mehta



Q: How long have you been involved in the diamond industry and where and how did your involvement begin?

A: My association with the diamond industry has been since my birth, as I was born in a diamond merchant's family but active involvement began 40 years ago when I joined the family business.

Q: What is your company called and what do you enjoy best in your daily work environment?

A: My company is called Mohit Diamonds Pvt Ltd. Development in each and every form is something that gets my spirit going. Currently, manufacturing large stones is something that I enjoy most in my work environment.

Q: Are you married and do you have children, if so what do they do?

A: Yes, I am married and have three children. My eldest daughter is 26 and is married. My eldest son is 23 and has recently joined Mohit Diamonds while my youngest son is 15 and is pursuing his studies.

Q: What have been your greatest achievements so far?

A: My greatest achievement so far has been the successful completion and starting of the Bharat Diamond Bourse. It was a dream which has eventually come true.

Q: In what way has the industry changed over the years?

A: In my opinion, the industry has become much more structured and organised, not only in terms of diamonds but also growth in the sense of utilisation of modern technology and modern equipment which have boosted the growth of this industry.

Q: Are you optimistic about the future of the diamond industry and would you encourage young people to get involved?

A: Yes, I am very positive about the future of this industry and we need more young blood to add their creative talent and help us take this to another level.

Q: What advice would you give a young person thinking about entering the diamond industry?

A: My advice to any young person would be to start from scratch. Learn the basics and excel in each and every phase of manufacturing, polishing, etc. This will groom them and also build a stronger base to establish them as a successful diamantaire in future.

Q: If you had the choice, would you consider any other profession?

A: Been born in a diamond family and having grown among them, I feel I live and breathe this life. So even if given a choice today or in the past, considering any other profession has never attracted me.

Q: Do you hold any position in any other club or association other than the WFDB?

A: I have been President of the Bharat Diamond Bourse from 2002.

Q: Who is your role model and who in the world would you most like to meet?

A: My work is my role model. My work gives me the opportunity to meet people from across the globe.

Q: Do you have time for a hobby and if so what do you do?

A: Technology has always been of keen interest to me. Getting updated with the latest in gadgets and remaining tech-savvy is my passion.