

## **Film and Television Institute of India, Pune**

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### **PRESS RELEASE**

#### **FTII SCREENPLAY WRITING STUDENT WINS PRESTIGIOUS INLAKS INDIA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP.**

Utthana Bharighat, a 2017 batch student of Feature Film Screenplay Writing department at Film and Television Institute of India (FTII) Pune has bagged the prestigious INLAKS INDIA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP of Rs 1 lakh for the academic year 2018.

Utthana Bharighat received the scholarship cheque in FTII Campus at the hands of Bhupendra Kainthola, Director, FTII in the presence of Pubali Chaudhuri, Head of Dept., Feature Film Screenplay Writing.

Utthana hails from Bengaluru and holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from National College, Bengaluru. He is also a MA in English Literature from Manipal University, Karnataka. Utthana had stage experience as actor and director before joining FTII.

"The annual INLAKS INDIA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP is among the most coveted honours in FTII. The selection process is rigorous; scholarship is awarded on the basis of preliminary shortlisting of applications by INLAKS INDIA FOUNDATION, followed by an interview. The scholarship, of Rs 1 lakh each, is awarded to three students of FTII every year. One student each from among all the TV wing courses, Feature Film Screenplay Writing department and Acting Department are awarded the scholarship. Two other students, Fareeda A M (Video Editing) and Samridhi Dutta (Acting) are the other recipients of the scholarship", said Bhupendra Kainthola, Director, FTII Pune while congratulating Utthana on winning the prestigious scholarship.

The INLAKS INDIA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP is being awarded to FTII students since 2005.

