

## Venkat Prabhu, Krishna Kulasekaran tweet to support India's 1st Blind Tandem cycling team

The cycling duo to cover 550kms, on the highest motorable road in the world during the Himalayan Run and Cycle Fest 2016

Bangalore, 11<sup>th</sup> August, 2016: Renowned Tamil film personalities, film maker Venkat Prabhu, actor Krishna Kulasekaran tweeted in support of India's 1<sup>st</sup> Blind Tandem cycling team who will be participating in the Himalayan Run and Cycle Fest 2016. The team will cover about 550 kms from Manali to Khardung-La Pass, the highest motorable road in the world from August 29th to September 3rd 2016. Venkat Prabhu and Krishna Kulasekaran are supporting their crowdfunding campaign on FuelADream.com that aims to collect INR 3,20,000 for the entire journey.

Divyanshu Ganatra was nineteen years old when he lost his eyesight to glaucoma. But that did not stop him for achieving his dream. After stints in IT to training as a clinical psychologist, be havioural facilitator, he has now become a self-made entrepreneur. In 2014, he became the first blind solo paraglider, taking his maiden flight. In this latest initiative, he will be tandem cycling with his sighted partner, Gagan, for 7 days in the Himalayas.

Divyanshu is an inspiration for every disabled person out there who feels limited by the fears they have. It was his vision that brought about the Adventures Beyond Barriers Foundation (ABBF), a not-for-profit organisation committed to spreading awareness, established out of Pune, India.

Ranganath Thota, Founder of Fueladream said, "This is a very inspirational initiative from Divyanshu and his team at ABBF. We are thrilled and honoured that Fueladream is able to partner with them for this fundraising campaign."

At the very heart of ABBF is the desire to spread the spirit of empathy, proving that worldviews that see disability as stigma, are antiquated, misplaced and belong decidedly in the past. It is the ethos of Nelson Mandela's words that drives ABBF's activities, when he said "sport has the power to change the world. It has the power to inspire. It has the power to unite people in a way that little else does. Sport can create hope where once there was only despair."

The 1<sup>st</sup> Blind Tandem Cycling initiative is clearly inspiring many people & they are all trying to spread the word far & wide to garner more support for this wonderful cause.

https://twitter.com/vp offl/status/763251028896587776

https://twitter.com/Actor Krishna/status/762898611575238658?ref src=twsrc%5Egoogle%7Ctwcamp%5Eserp%7Ctwgr%5Etweet

Actress Raadhika Sarathkumar's daughter, Rayane Radikaa, has also tweeted in support of the same initiative & campaign.

https://twitter.com/ray2092/status/762630735714922497

You can visit their campaign here - <a href="https://www.fueladream.com/home/campaign/325">https://www.fueladream.com/home/campaign/325</a>



## About FuelADream.com

**FuelADream.com** is a crowd funding marketplace for people & organizations that aim to raise funds for creative ideas, causes, charities etc. Founded in Mid-2015 and based in Bangalore, the start-up aims to impact 2.2 billion people in India, Africa & S.E Asia. Fuel A Dream has raised \$ 250,000 in an initial round of funding over the last 8 months from a clutch of individual investors from the corporate world.

Fueladream.com is the brainchild of Ranganath Thota. His team is focused on transforming how people raise and contribute money for ideas, social causes and other activities. **FuelADream.com** connects the campaign owners (people who want to raise money) to funders in a very productive and engaging way.

The Campaign owners who have an innovative idea or a social cause at heart and who want to raise money for them can showcase their stories and get funders (both individuals and corporates) to support them on this platform. The company believes in creating a community of people who understand the power of giving and the impact they can make through this. Whether funding an idea that may change the face of music or getting an electric bike that will change how we commute to work or funding a fashion show by a talented young designer or helping a charity that works with orphans make ends meet or raising a helping hand to aid victims of a flood – there are many a dream that needs to be fuelled.

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