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I've always wanted to travel and study more than I could in my home country. I also want to visit as many countries as possible and **learn about their cultures and traditions**. My bachelor's degree is from India. During that time, in addition to concentrating on my professional studies, I traveled almost throughout India.

The KNB scholarship enabled me to take a step ahead in my studies and to go to a new country. **I learned about ITS when looking for a master's program** through the Ministry of Higher Education of Afghanistan, and they informed me about the KNB scholarship.

My education began online after receiving a KNB scholarship, while Covid-19 remained a huge danger to the globe. During my first semester, the Taliban took over the Afghan government. I needed to travel for the second semester, but the Taliban restricted my passport issue, so I couldn't acquire one. **ITS global engagement, particularly Mbak Desy, assisted me much during this period and did all possible to assist me in obtaining a new passport** or extending my old one, which happily was resolved.

I knew little when I came in Indonesia, and the surroundings was unfamiliar to me. I was unable to connect with individuals beyond the compass since I could not speak Indonesian; thankfully, **ITS global engagement had previously considered this and gave me a buddy** who was a volunteer at the global engagement office. I'd want to **express my gratitude to Mbak Angela** through this. She was always willing to assist me if I had an issue.

ITS also offers a regular program to help overseas students recover from the stress of their academics. These programs include trips within and outside of the city, as well as gatherings with activities to entertain and refresh the students. I've been to several cities and visited many places in Indonesia for free. I appreciate it and **thank KNB and ITS for making it possible.**

To end, I would like to state that **ITS cares about its students, particularly international students**, including KNB awardees. I'd want to thank KNB for giving me this chance, as well as ITS for everything they've done for me.

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