Family Support and Competitive Mindset Motivation for Success- Sharma

Recipient of the Master of Information Technology Medal, Mr. Neeraj Sharma, says that support from his parents and having a competitive mindset steered him towards success.

"Seeing my parents happy and their continuous support and encouragement kept motivating me to go even further. Also, having a competitive mindset helps when it comes to studies," he said.

Talking about his journey, Mr. Sharma stated that he wasn't the brightest in primary and high school but when he joined The University of Fiji everything changed.

"I got enrolled in the Bachelors of Information Technology programme in 2012 and graduated in 2015, also getting an award for Most Outstanding Student in IT. This motivated me to further my studies even more as found IT easier and easier as the level progressed. I completed the Postgraduate Diploma in IT within two years and after its graduation and award I took up the Masters by thesis programme," he explained.

Elaborating on his point, Mr. Sharma said that studying Information Technology at UniFiji was particularly exceptional because of the intense course content in conjunction with thesis which helped him publish various papers.

He advises students that doing Masters would motivate their family and friends and encourage them to study as well.

"This will be a good impact on a person who has children, seeing their parents study will also motivate them and will allow them to have a healthy mindset when it comes to studies in the future," he mentioned.

Mr. Sharma is currently vying for a scholarship for his PhD programme.