**CAREER ADVICE #396 | Christian Warjri | Computer Sci\_India | 8 May 2021**

**LinkedIn Premium Group**

\*\*\*\*\*\* MESSAGE TO PREMIUM GROUP \*\*\*\*\*\*

Hello Prem. Career Group folks,

Currently an aspiring data analyst/scientist with a software skill set in R/Python, SQL, spreadsheets, BI tools etc. with varying degrees of experience in each; as well as, a comfortable math/stats background. Currently doing my Bachelor's Degree in CS.

Was wondering if any established data analyst/scientist or even a business analyst has any career tips or advice or anything really to share!

Also, if you're a total beginner in the field, let me know and I am sure I can extend the same support to newbies out there!

Cheers!

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Hi Christian,

Some ideas for you to consider

Twitter

Student Q&A Podcast

Data Science innovation

Tech startups in India

Venture Capital in India

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Twitter

In 2018, we had a Blockchain project (I was in Qatar; my partner was in Cayman Islands) and needed to remotely recruit coders, developers and software engineers. That led me to follow the “100 days of code” group on Twitter which lead me to connect with a significant number of coders both on Twitter and LinkedIn.

You may want to consider following the free 100 days of code which includes coders from around the globe that post to this Twitter account/hashtag every day.

From a visit to their website, they appear to have the same two rules from back in 2018:

(1) Code minimum an hour every day for the next 100 days.

(2) Tweet your progress every day with the #100DaysOfCode hashtag.

https://www.100daysofcode.com/

Some other accounts to consider following on Twitter are outlined below. Please note this list was from 2018 and early 2019. You may find some accounts have changed. You may even find some that are consistent with your Python and R experience

@DanEnglishby | bit.ly/2v97rev |

@all\_about\_code | EuroPython 2018 award

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@100daysofMLcode

@taniarascia | posts free coding material

@wesbos | free CSS but may have others

@dliciousbrains | Wordpress

@progate\_en | Rails Dojo

@sirajnaval (re: free Machine Learning course)

@hadleywickham (founder of “R”, used in Mathematics and Statistics courses)

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Student Q&A Podcast

In February this year, I started a series of podcast Q&A sessions in which I bring together a trio of students from Calgary post-secondary institutions and an industry expert from the Calgary and Edmonton business communities.

After 14 podcasts to date, a total of 35 students have participated including MBA and Master of Management candidates from the Haskayne School of Business at the University of Calgary and students from the faculty of Business and Communications at Mount Royal University in Calgary

Last week I hosted a Q&A podcast session with Computer Science students, Aarti Barakale and Shanna Hollingworth, who were joined by Jason Tate, Chief Operating Officer of Bridgewater Labs, a software engineering and digital innovation company in Calgary.

Calgary Business Podcast | episode 295 | <https://bit.ly/2PQsEYm>

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Hi Christian,

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Data Science innovation

During my investor relations and advisory work from 2018 to 2020 with tech and non-tech startups in the UK (Curaizon and UnCloak), Switzerland (Digipharm), Canada (TimeberWise and AI Vali) and India (Bankberry in Bengaluru; MobbyPark in Mumbai), I subscribed to venture capital newsletters that frequently highlighted investments in data, data analytics, data science, data management and related startups.

Before Covid (to March 2020), I had accumulated the following list of such data-related entities. This is not meant to be a complete list. Google or other search will likely reveal significantly more companies with product offerings in this space.

Collibra | http://www.collibra.com/

**Count** | https://count.co/

**Lume** | https://lumecloud.com/

**Gyana** | http://www.gyana.co.uk/

**iMerit** | https://imerit.net/

**Datometry** | https://datometry.com/

**SteeleEye** | <https://www.steel-eye.com/>

**Snowflake** | <https://www.snowflake.com/>

**Deepnote** | https://www.deepnote.com

**Concentric** | https://www.concentric.ai/

**Sisense** | <https://www.sisense.com/>

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Data Science innovation | continued

**Trilliant Health** | https://www.trillianthealth.com/

**Celonis** | https://www.celonis.com/

**Cnvrg.io** | <https://cnvrg.io/data-scientists/>

**SnapLogic** | https://www.snaplogic.com

**DemystData** | https://demyst.com/about/

**Fivetran** | https://fivetran.com

**InCountry** | <https://incountry.com>

**H2O.ai** | https://www.h2o.ai

**Matillion** | <https://www.matillion.com/>

**Druva** | [www.druva.com](http://www.druva.com/)

**Atlan** | https://atlan.com

**Text IQ** **|** <https://www.textiq.com/>

**Yellowbrick Data** | https://yellowbrick.com

**ArchiveSocial** | http://archivesocial.com

**Tealium** | [www.tealium.com](http://www.tealium.com/)

Zdaly | <https://www.zdaly.com/>

**Machinify** | http://www.machinify.com/

**OmniSci** | <https://www.omnisci.com/>

**Native Data** | <https://www.native.io/>

**Cloudian** | <https://cloudian.com/>

**Robin Systems** | https://robin.io/

**Datacoral** | https://datacoral.com

**Idelic** | https://idelic.com

**Humio** | https://humio.com

**Skymind** | [https://skymind.ai](https://skymind.ai/)

**Segment** | https://segment.com

**CryptoNumerics** | https://cryptonumerics.com|

Quid | <https://quid.com/>|

GeoSpock | <https://geospock.com>/.

Abeja | https://abejainc.com/en/

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Data Science innovation | continued

These two recent examples of funding announcements highlight the continued investment in innovative data management related startups:

26 April 2021 | StrictlyVC newsletter

**Unsupervised**, a Boulder, Co.-based customer data analytics startup, has raised $35 million in funding co-led by **Cathay Innovation** and **Signalfire**. Earlier backers **Coatue**, **Eniac Ventures**, **NextGen Venture Partners** and investor **Elad Gil** also joined the round.

Venture Beat | https://bit.ly/3vyRM52

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22 April 2021 | #strictlyvc newsletter

**Causal**, a U.K.-based startup with a data-driven, collaborative number-crunching tool, has raised $4.2 million in seed funding led by **Accel**. Earlier backers **Coatue**, **Passion Capital** and **Verissimo Ventures** also joined the round.

TechCrunch: https://tcrn.ch/3th3Czv

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NOTE: Your awareness of such startups and innovation in this area (to the extent not previously touched on during your self-teaching endeavors) could be of benefit during discussions with recruiters and HR managers.

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Tech startups in India

During my advisory and investor relations work from 2018 to 2020 with tech and non-tech startups UnCloak (UK), Digipharm (Switzerland), AI Vali (Toronto), Bankberry Fresh (Bengaluru), MobbyPark (Mumbai) and PocketMoney (Singapore), I came across many funding announcements that cover venture capital and private equity investments in India-based startups.

The pandemic continues to hit your country hard and yet, it appears that tech companies in India are not slowing down. These recent examples highlight this point:

5 May 2021 | StrictlyVC newsletter

**Teachmint**, a year-old, Bangalore, India-based education platform that helps teachers conduct classes online through an app, has raised $16.5 million in Series A funding led by**Learn Capital**, with participation from **Better Capital** and **Lightspeed India Partners**. The company has now raised $20 million altogether.

TechCrunch: https://tcrn.ch/3txi9Hj

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Tech startups in India | continued

22 April 2021 | StrictlyVC newsletter

**CoinSwitch Kuber**, a three-year-old, Bangalore, India-based startup that allows young users in India to invest in cryptocurrencies, has raised $25 million in new funding entirely from **Tiger Global Management**. The round brings the company's total funding to $41.5 million to date and its post-money valuation to $500 million.

TechCrunch article: <https://tcrn.ch/3xncnv8>

19 April 2021 | StrictlyVC newsletter

**Razorpay**, a Bangalore-based fintech that accepts, processes and disburses money online for small businesses and enterprises, has raised $160 million in Series E funding at a post-money valuation of $42 billion, roughly triple where it was valued late last year. The new round was co-led by earlier backers **GIC** (Singapore’s sovereign wealth fund) and **Sequoia Capital India**. **Ribbit Capital** and **Tiger Global** also participated in the new round.

TechCrunch | https://tcrn.ch/3gBF0i3

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Tech Startups in India | Media Announcements

You may want to consider subscribing to news publications such as Inc42 Media (https://inc42.com/) and ET Tech (<https://ettech.com/>) that provide current news on the tech scene in India. You may also consider subscribing to local publications that focus on Ahmedabad-based tech companies such as Byte Prophecy that was acquired by Accenture in May 2020 (https://bit.ly/3beKv2R)

Your knowledge and awareness of such innovation in Ahmedabad and across India will likely improve the nature and level of conversations you have with recruiters and potential employers.

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Venture Capital in India

During my advisory work from 2018 to 2020 with startups in India, Singapore, Switzerland and UK, I came across many Venture capital companies based in India.

The following is a sample of VC firms across India. It is not meant to be a complete list. Google or other search may reveal additional VC firms

Mumbai-based

Equirus | http://www.equirus.com/

India Quotient | http://www.indiaquotient.in/

IvyCap | http://www.ivycapventures.com/

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Venture Capital in India | continued

JSW Ventures | http://www.jsw.in/groups/jsw-ventures

Kedaara Capital | http://www.kedaara.com/

Lead Angels | http://www.leadangels.in/

Lightbox Ventures | http://www.lightbox.vc/

Sixth Sense Ventures | http://www.sixth-sense.in

Tata Capital | http://www.tatacapital.com/

Unicorn India Ventures | http://www.unicornivc.com/

Bengaluru-based VC's

3one4 Capital |https://3one4capital.com

Amicus Capital Partners |http://bit.ly/2YikVRq

Axilor Ventures |http://axilor.com

Bharat Innovations Fund |https://bharat.fund

Chiratae Ventures | https://www.chiratae.com/

Inventus Capital | https://www.inventusindia.com

Kalaari Capital |https://www.kalaari.com

Matrix Partners | http://www.matrixpartners.in/

Naspers Ventures |https://www.naspers.com/ventures

SAIF Partners | http://www.saifpartners.com

Stellaris Venture Partners |http://www.stellarisvp.com

Other (Delhi, Gurgaon & Hyderabad)

50K Ventures | http://www.50kventures.com/

Alkemi | https://www.alkemivp.com

Bertelsmann | https://www.biifund.com/

Inflection Point | http://www.ipventures.in/

Madison India | http://www.madison-india.com/

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Venture Capital in India | continued

Pravega Ventures | https://www.pravegavc.com/

ThinKuvate | http://www.thinkuvate.com/

Venture Gurukool | http://www.venturegurukool.com/

YourNest Angel | https://www.yournest.in/

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VC’s and Portfolio companies

Consider scrolling through the websites of the VC’s to find the “Investments” or “Portfolio” links. Consider also clicking through to the websites (companies) that you find to be of interest. Follow the companies on LinkedIn & Twitter.

Consider subscribing to VC and portfolio company newsletters. Such newsletters often reveal information that may or may not be in mainstream media. You never know when you will come across an article or new innovation that complements something you learned during your studies at Ahmedabad University or during your self-taught research.

Consider reaching out to specific individuals for advice, mentorship and/or job openings.

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Have fun on your continued learning adventure!