

# CHOLA'S GOT T★LENT

THE ART OF  
DANCING  
WITH  
**CHETHAN**

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# MEET CHETHAN

The dancer who sets the stage on fire with his electrifying moves and unmatched flexibility. His performance at the recently concluded Punthagai Utsav left the audience in awe. But beyond the dazzling stage presence, Chetan is also a dedicated member of the Business Operations – Vehicle Finance team. Fascinated by his talent, we sat down for an exclusive chat with him, and here's what he had to say.



## HOW DID YOU START YOUR JOURNEY IN DANCING?

I started dancing at a very young age, mostly in school competitions. Noticing my passion, my teachers made sure I was involved in every program. That helped me overcome stage fear early on. My coach, Ganesh, was a huge support back then and played a key role in shaping my confidence.



## WE'VE SEEN YOU PERFORM AT MANY CHOLA EVENTS. TELL US ABOUT YOUR JOURNEY HERE.

It's been two years in Chola, and what an incredible journey it has been! My first stage performance here was during a Pongal event. I wanted to give it my all, and I did. Despite suffering a muscle tear mid-performance, I kept going, and that moment earned me a lot of appreciation. Since then, I have made it a point to participate in every event possible.

# WHAT IS THE CRAZIEST THING YOU'VE DONE?

In the lead up to my programs, I used to do a lot of visualization, like sometimes I dance in my bed while laying down. Once I went to dance in my house terrace midnight which scared my Mother. I think it is because of the love I have towards dancing.

## WHO HAS BEEN THE BACKBONE BEHIND YOUR DANCE JOURNEY?

My Master, Krishanth, is my biggest inspiration and motivator. He always pushed me beyond my limits. During college, I would rush straight to the studio after classes to practice. I also taught young kids and adults there, with my Master guiding me every step of the way.



## WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE *style of dance?*

I enjoy performing multiple styles. I have danced on television shows like Cook With Comali on Vijay TV and many others. Each performance has been a learning experience for me.



## YOUR TEAM'S PERFORMANCE AT *PUNNAGAI UTSAV* WAS INCREDIBLE! TELL US ABOUT THAT.

It was truly a memorable day—a perfect one, actually. Our team, Sorga Vaasal, is like a family. Everyone is incredibly supportive, always looking for ways to improve each other's performances. That's probably the secret behind our success!

## HOW DOES YOUR FAMILY SUPPORT YOUR PASSION?

My parents have always been supportive, even though we don't come from an affluent background. They encourage me in every way possible. My job at Chola has also helped me manage my family's finances, making it easier to pursue my passion.



## WE'VE SEEN YOU POWER THROUGH INJURIES WHILE PERFORMING. HOW DO YOU MANAGE THEM?

Yes, there's always a price to pay for passion. I remember participating in a movie shoot in Madurai where the choreography was so intense that I developed cracks in my foot. It was agonizing. However, with proper warm-ups and conditioning, injuries can be minimized.



# WHAT WOULD BE YOUR BIGGEST ACHIEVEMENT IN DANCE?

My dream is to represent India on the World of Dance stage. That would be my ultimate achievement!

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# WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR BIGGEST STAGE PERFORMANCE SO FAR?

One of my biggest performances was during a movie promotion event at my college. The crowd was massive, and performing in front of such an audience helped me conquer my stage fear completely.

# WHAT'S ONE QUOTE YOU LIVE BY?



*Respect your seniors and give your best on every occasion.*



Chethan's journey is a testament to passion, perseverance, and the ability to push boundaries. Whether it's dazzling the audience with his moves or excelling in his professional role at Chola, he continues to inspire everyone around him!

*Chola is proud of you, Chethan!*

