

Sanjay Jhunjhunwala.

DO YOU KNOW HIM AT ALL?

The Mani Group has been redefining city skylines through the development of distinctive real estate properties for the last three decades.

Led by Shri Sanjay Jhunjhunwala, the real estate group has developed more than five million square feet across 50+ properties and is working towards developing more than 11.26 million square feet in and around Kolkata, Durgapur, Jaipur, Siliguri and Bhubaneswar.

4 films that inspire you.

Taare Zameen Par. The only Indian film that educated me on dyslexia and parenting. *Rang De Basanti.* Patriotism without any 'Bharat mata ki jai' sloganeering. *3 Idiots.* What can one say? *Lagaan.* Finally patriotism without tanks, guns, bombs and 'Inquilaab Zindabaad'!

Your favourite book.

M. Scott Peck's *The Road Less Travelled.*
All-time favourite.

Your role model.

The life and times of MK Srinivasan. Started as a clerk and rose to become the chief of Shaw Wallace. Amazing man.

Two properties in Kolkata you wish you owned.

84,000 sq ft Raj Bhawan with a 27-acre compound. And the splendid Grand Hotel where 4,000 soldiers were billeted during World War II. What history!

Your proudest moment.

The day Mani Square was launched, the first large format mixed-use development of the Mani Group built around a shopping centre. We established our corporate office there. Our upcoming 60-storeyed 'The 42' is likely to transform

into one of the most prominent Kolkata addresses - each apartment like a sky bungalow open on all four sides (views of the Maidan, Victoria Memorial, Fort William and Hooghly River).

The one person you would be willing to trade your place for a week.

Barack Obama.

Your favourite architect.

Frank Lloyd Wright. Designed over 1,000 structures and completed 532 projects. Wright believed in designing structures that were in harmony with humanity and environment (organic architecture!). Exemplified by Fallingwater (1935), which has been called 'the best all-time work of American architecture.'

5 THINGS YOU LOVE ABOUT THE CITY.

- 1 Warmth of the people
- 2 Variety of food (foodie's paradise)
- 3 Public architecture
- 4 Hooghly River
- 5 Maidan

