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Dr. Rajiv topped the list of successful candidates of the Maharashtra Public Service Commission and joined the B. J. Medical College, Pune. During this tenure, he presented a number of original research articles both at the National and International level.

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