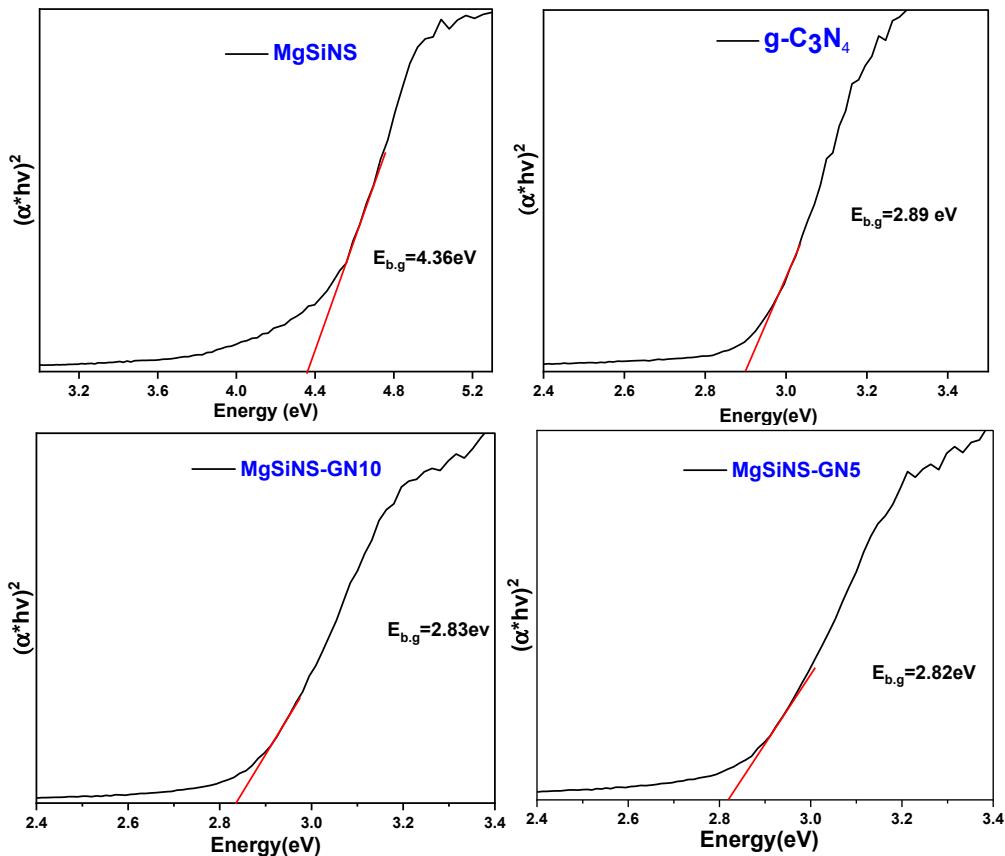


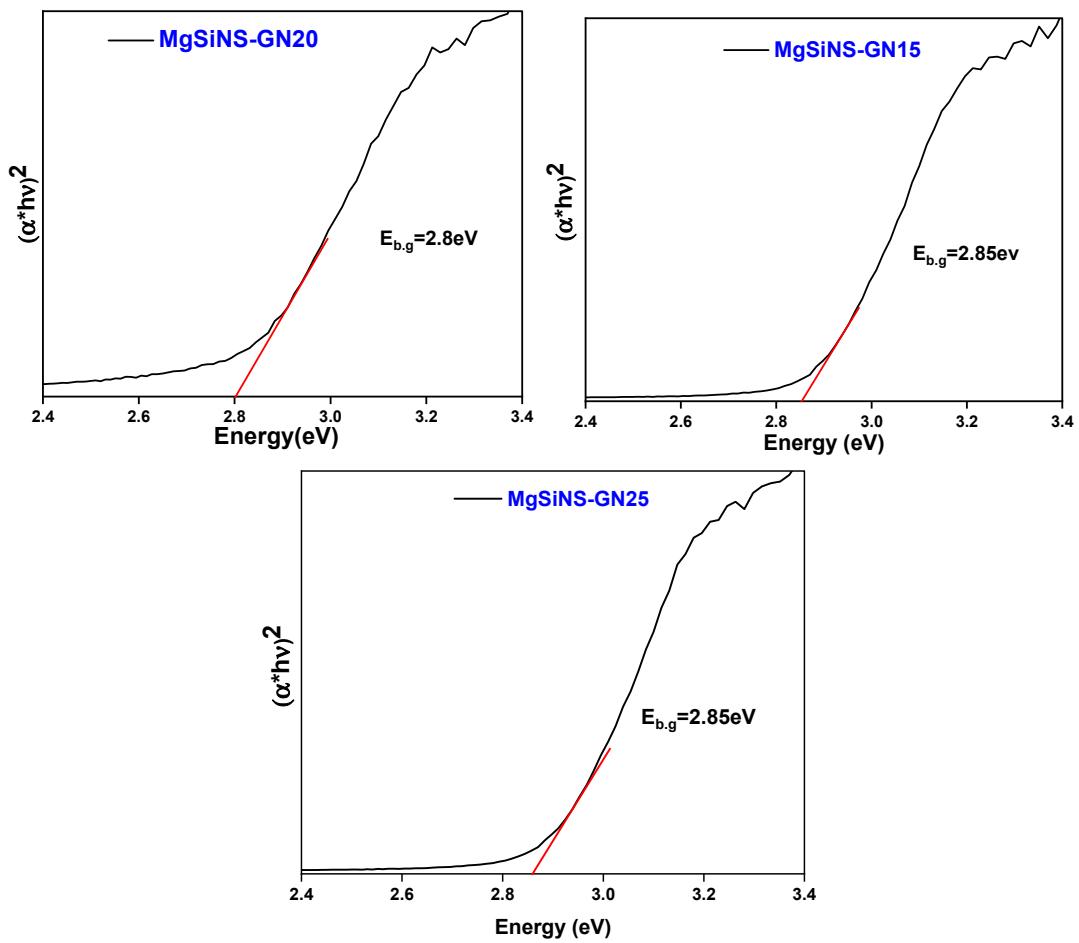
# Electronic Supplementary Information

## Visible light active magnesium silicate-graphitic carbon nitride nanocomposites for methylene blue degradation and $\text{Pb}^{2+}$ adsorption

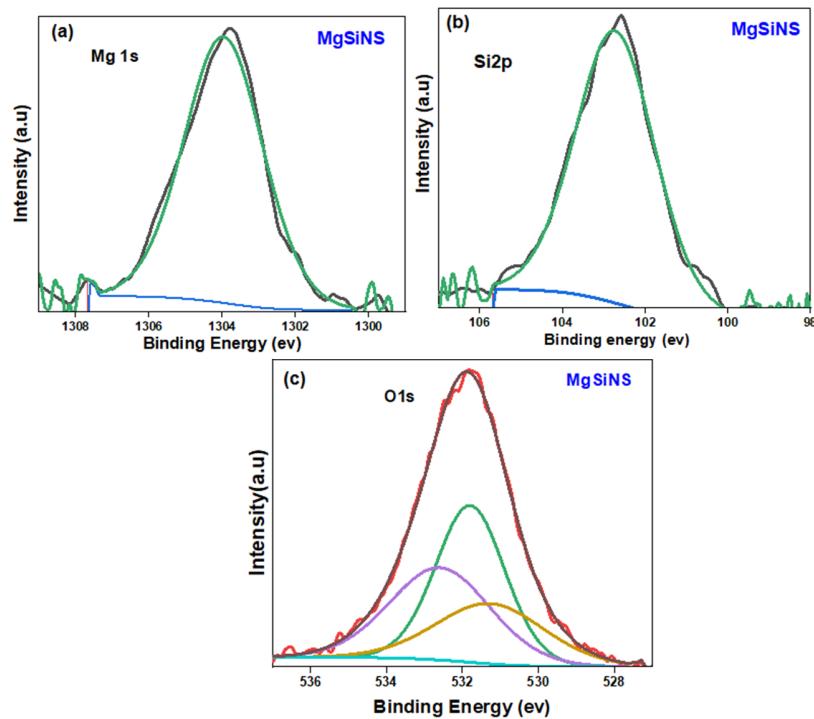
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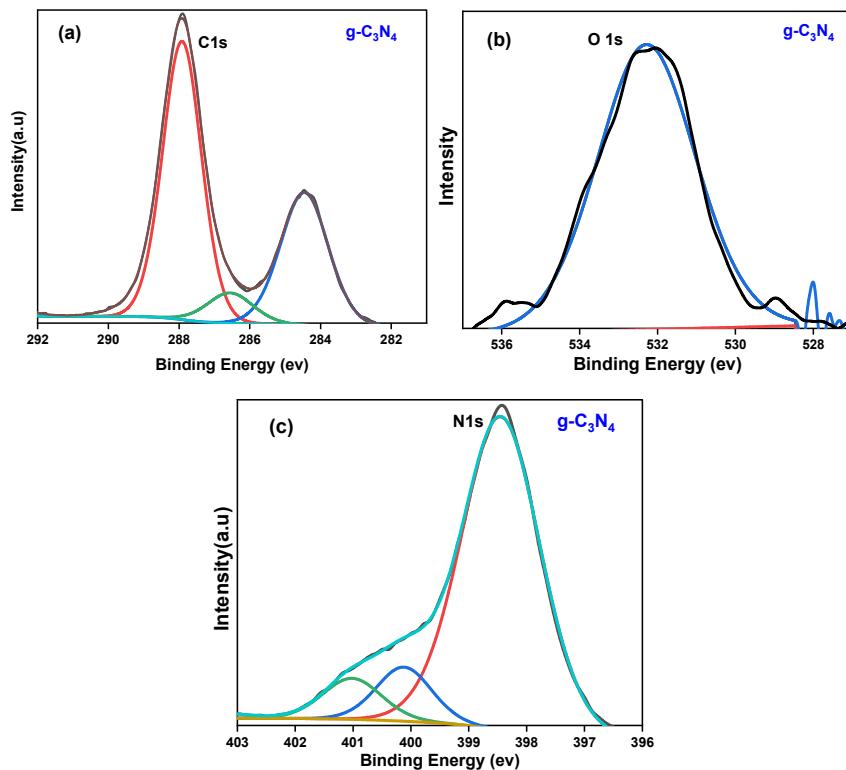




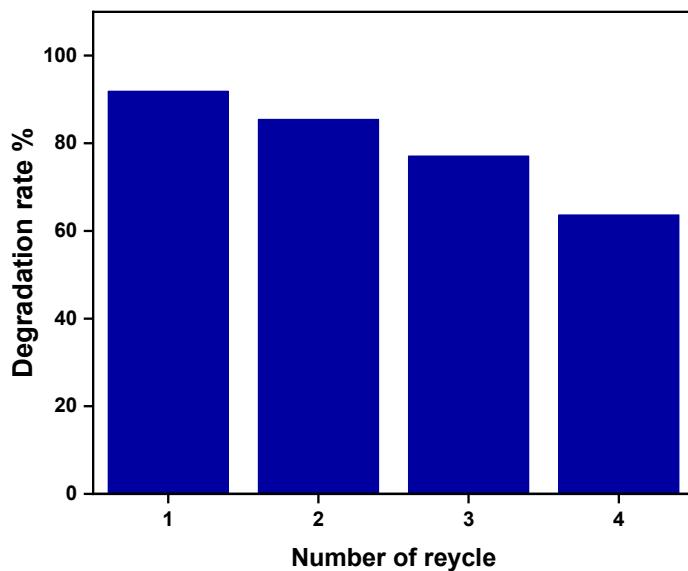
**Figure S1:**Tauc plots for all the synthesized materials



**Figure S2:** Deconvoluted XPS spectra for MgSiNS (a) Mg $1s$ , (b) Si $2p$  and (c) O $1s$



**Figure S3:** Deconvoluted XPS spectra for g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> (a) C $1s$  (b) O $1s$  and (c) N $1s$



**Figure S4:** Recycling of MgSiNS-GN20 for photodegradation of MB

**Table S1:** Comparison of photocatalytic MB degradation performances of different catalysts

Photocatalyst	MB concentration (mg/L)	MB volume (mL)	Removal efficiency (%)	Catalyst mass (g)	Time (min)	Reference
HFC/SiO <sub>2</sub> /C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	10	20	94.6	0.05	60	[47]
AgCl/Ag <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> /g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	20	100	100	0.05	20	[48]
LaO <sub>3</sub> /g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	10	50	100	0.01	120	[49]
CeO <sub>2</sub> /GCN	15	100	97	0.1	60	[50]
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /ZnO	10	50	88.5	0.2	120	[51]
W-TiO <sub>2</sub> -SiO <sub>2</sub>	40	500	99.9	0.3	120	[52]
g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> /ZnO	10	50	73	0.05	90	[53]
Ni/g-C <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	30	10	94	0.01	60	[54]
FZSS@CN	20	100	95	0.02	60	[55]
WO <sub>3</sub> /SiO <sub>2</sub>	5	10	91	0.01	120	[56]
MgSiNS-GN20	10	100	93	0.1	200	Our work