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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Dear Readers,

In a few days we will enter the last quarter of the year... and just like that, 2020 will soon bid us adieu. This is one year no one is really going to miss too much... a whole new, enforced way of life and living. While we ponder how most things are so different for us now, let us also spare a thought to ask ourselves if we were able to make a difference as well. Because at this point, that is what's most important.

People are struggling on multiple levels - with regard to health, finances, jobs and careers, fighting mental pressures and ailments alike... everyone could do with a helping hand, even the ones who help. So, don't hesitate to reach out for help if you need it, but more so, if you could help.

Speaking of which, I'm glad to share that our initiative, Parsi Times LIFELINE, received a good number of responses from kind and concerned community members, who pointed us towards seniors in need of help. Our generous donors have already started the process of providing them with relief. Do continue writing in to us, so that we can collectively make a difference to those in need!

Have a good weekend!

- Anahita
anahita@parsi-times.com

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'Parsi Times LIFELINE' is a PT initiative that works towards providing rescue and relief to senior community members who are living in appalling conditions of impoverishment.

Parsi Times looks to identify and collect the details of our seniors living in unfortunate conditions. This information will then be shared with our generous community Trusts, which undertake alleviating poverty amongst community members and are committed to helping our community's elders.

We request our readers to share details of elderly Zoroastrians living in abject circumstances, to enable us to gather and share the information with our Trusts, so that we could help provide our seniors a life of dignity and quality, in their twilight years via the initiative - 'Parsi Times LIFELINE'.

Kindly E-mail us the details at: editor@parsi-times.com

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Religious Announcement

Rescheduled Shahen Baaj And Jashan To Be Conducted In Udvada On 26th September, 2020.
The Udwada Nine Family Shahenshahi Athman Anjuman has decided to offer a Shahen Baaj and Jashan ceremony under its auspices. The Shahen Baaj, which had been previously postponed, has been rescheduled for 'Roj Mohor - Mah Ardibesht, YZ 1390', 26th September, 2020.
The Baaj and the Jashan ceremony will be performed at the Udwada Doongerwadi Premises at 9:40 am.
The Shahen Baaj used to be performed by the Persian Kings of yesteryear, when a calamity or disaster befell upon their lands. It is believed that the performance of the Shahen Baaj helps attain victory over any kind of calamity and provides respite in times of disaster.
Keeping immense faith in this ceremony, let us pray and hope for an early restoration of humanity after the pandemic, which has strongly impacted mankind.

From Vada Dasturji Khurshed Dastoor,
Iranshah Atashbehram, Udvada

Let The Light Of Asha's Righteousness Shine In My Heart

Start your weekend with positive vibes with inspirational excerpts from the acclaimed book, 'Homage Unto Ahura Mazda' by Dasturji Dr. Maneckji Naserwanji Dhalla of Karachi.

The fabric of life with its warp and wool is woven upon the loom of righteousness. I will don the robe of righteousness and girt myself with the girdle of righteousness that I can fight wickedness like heroes.

Let me never, in my frailty, turn from the Path of Righteousness and go astray. I will not let righteousness be ever estranged from me. I will not think a thought, speak a word and do a deed that savored in the least of unrighteousness. I will not corrupt my mind by the company of those who abandon themselves to wickedness. I will not let unrighteousness get mastery over me. I will never live for the gratification of my senses only.

The senses of my body of clay veil Thee, Ahura Mazda, from my sight, as the clouds veil the sun. Righteous living rends the veil and reveals Thy face to me. When I walk on the Path of Wickedness, I am dead to Thee. Help me to retrace my steps and return to the Path of Righteousness, that I may be reborn to Thee and live as Thine.

I will clothe myself in the garment of righteousness. Righteousness is not a commodity that could be bought for a price in the market. On the twin wings



of Vohuman's knowledge and Armaiti's devotion, will I wing my flight on the Path of Righteousness to reach the abode of my Heavenly Father on high.

Righteousness will be the ideal I will set before myself in life and will always try to live up to it and attain it. Straight is the Path of Righteousness. Neither will I turn to right nor left, but onward will I tread the straight path. I will control the totality of my life from youth to old age by Asha's law of righteousness. Righteousness is the one path that leads my soul to eternal felicity. In righteousness, Ahura Mazda, will I knit together my soul with Thine!

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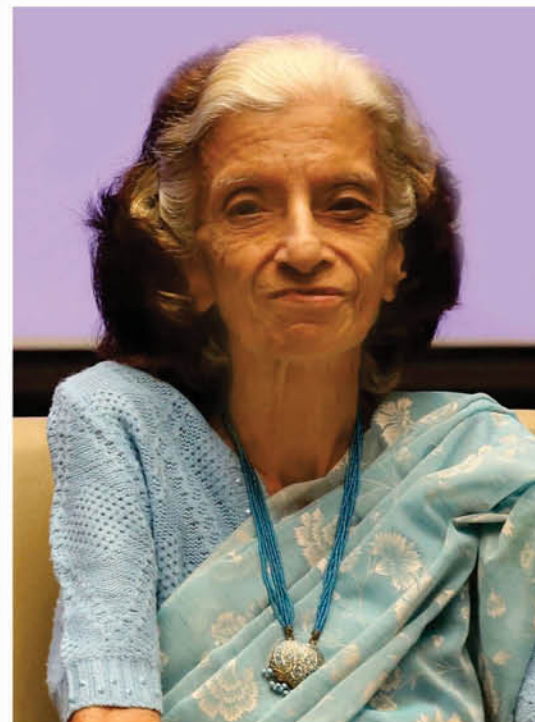
Who slipped away peacefully on 25th of March, 2020 (Mah Tir and Roj Mohor) in the everlasting embrace of her Beloved God!

It has been six months since you merged with the creator, but your memories will forever remain etched in our minds. Memories of deep reverence and love for your Lord through the medium of service to humanity. Fulfilling all your responsibilities, bringing smiles to many a known and unknown face, tending to the sick and the needy, treating everyone with love and with malice towards none, your life was your true message. Indeed, your beauty lay in your simplicity and your simplicity lay in your beauty. No wonder, even the good Lord couldn't wait for you anymore and called you back to be His forever. We will forever remember you and perhaps the best tribute we can pay you, would be to lead a life in a manner that would make you proud.

We would sincerely like to thank all friends and family members who stood by us during those difficult days. Your presence though may never compensate for the loss, but was deeply comforting, nevertheless.

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Husband - Nariman E. Mehta
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In Loving Memory of Dr. (Mrs.) Aban Keki Gharda

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We miss you
You will be in our hearts forever.

GHARDA PARIVAR

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Clarification To Article Published In Parsi Junction Regarding Rajkot Anjuman Properties

On 13th September, 2020, Parsi Junction again published an article titled, 'SAM CHOTHIA CONTINUES ATTEMPT TO SELL RAJKOT ARAMGAH'. The entire article contains blatant lies. Though I wouldn't see any reason to keep on giving any explanation to the lies, unsubstantiated allegations and bakwas, I want to assure the community that whatever I had clarified in the Parsi Press is 100% based on facts.

The Federation of Parsi Zoroastrian Anjumans of India (FPZAI) works as per agreed policies which are purely meant for better management of any dormant trust/ Defunct Anjuman / Punchayet, where there are few Parsis or no Parsis left; and where community properties are unattended and in danger of being encroached upon and/or are encroached upon. If a trust wants to sell its Trust properties, then it has to file an application under the relevant provisions of law. So, filing scheme has nothing to do with sale of properties.

The owners, publishers etc of Parsi Junction are trying to misguide and stir up community sentiments by giving such provocative and deceitful title to the article. The community should not be misled by the false propaganda.

The community must know as to why such articles are published by Parsi Junction only when matters pertain to various Anjumans and the way is discussed amongst the Defunct Anjuman Committee-DAC and how is it that whatever is discussed is leaked only to Parsi Junction? And why only my name is dragged in? According to me, it's an attempt to divert the attention of the community from all the fraudulent and illegal acts done by Dinshaw Mehta when he was the President of FPZAI, in connivance with the then CEO of the Defunct Anjumans Committee - Soli Katpitia.

When I was appointed as CEO of the Defunct Anjumans Committee - DAC 2016, many things came to light which were shocking, and I brought it to the notice of the DAC. When the DAC asked for the handing over of all the case files of all the Anjumans, the same was not done. A lot of questions have been raised in the DAC about the functioning and actions of the immediate past Chairman of BPP who held the post of president of FPZAI and the ex-CEO. It is obvious that the past president of FPZAI does not want all this being exposed and he feels that unjustified attack is the best form of defense!

One example will demonstrate the attempt, by immediate past chairman of BPP and past president of FPZAI, to hinder

and derail the work of the FPZAI and DAC. There is a dilapidated property at Neemuch (Madhya Pradesh) which is falling apart and which is being used by antisocial elements as their den. I have personally visited Neemuch almost 10 times and seen it, surveyed it and reported back to the DAC. The handful of Parsis residing at Neemuch are unable to stop the encroachment and safeguard the property. It was resolved to sell this property to benefit the Parsis living there and the Parsi community too. The legal process was followed. Advertisement was put in the papers in MP. Suddenly Khushru Zaiwalla was awakened by his 'conscience' and for keeping his 'conscience' satisfied and happy, he filed an objection to the proposed sale. So now, the FPZAI is in court opposing the Objection Application of Khushru Zaiwallas.

It is important to note that Neemuch Anjuman has no funds; the situation is so dire that the Neemuch Agiary upkeep and salary of its Panthaki is paid by the BPP and FPZAI. It is also interesting to note that local Neemuch residents have said that Dinshaw Mehta is instigating and funding this Objection! What is more important is that the Zaiwallas have no alternate solution to the problem of safeguarding community property in places where there are very few or no Parsis residing. So, while we are fighting the Zaiwallas in court, the properties are being eaten up by land mafias and encroachers and we are bravely fighting on. Sad situation.

At Rajkot, Mr. Khushnam Tamboli and Khushru Zaiwala are again awakened by their 'conscience' to oppose the due process of law being followed by FPZAI. **Mr. Khushnam Tamboli is not an elected Trustee of Rajkot Anjuman nor was Mr. Parvez Mehta - the Vice President of West Zone-FPZAI, as stated in Parsi Junction article. Mr. Parvez Mehta is the first cousin of Mr. Dinshaw Mehta. Mr. Khushnam Tamboli is closely related to a very reputed and esteemed family and he will regret the day he comes to know that he is being used for the vested interest by Mr. Dinshaw Mehta.**

I am not going to be bullied or be threatened by these kinds of allegations. I know my work and I am doing it in the manner it should be done; and I will continue to do so. The FPZAI and DAC is committed to its objectives and Parsi Junction can continue to provide entertainment through twisted facts and lies. Henceforth, I will not be replying and rather use my energies for the tasks entrusted by FPZAI.

**Sam R. Chothia
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The Prayer Hall Services & Maintenance Trust

September 23, 2020

PUBLIC NOTICE CUM CLARIFICATION

In view of the frequent queries we have been receiving over the last few weeks, the Prayer Hall Services and Maintenance Trust ('PHS&MT' or 'Trust') would like to correct misleading and incorrect information being circulated in the media - particularly digital/social media and also provide certain clarifications, about the type and nature of services provided by PHS&MT, the role and responsibilities of the Coordinator and re-emphasize certain other facts which members of the public may not be fully aware of:

The Trust welcomes any voluntary donations from users of the Prayer Hall and others, in order to enable the Trustees to maintain the Prayer Hall.

1. The ownership of the Prayer Hall vests with the Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai (MCGM) and the PHS&MT has no proprietary rights over the Prayer Hall.
2. The Prayer Hall is available for use by members of all communities, religions, faiths and not only Zoroastrians. It is therefore incorrect to refer to it as the 'Parsi Prayer Hall'.
3. Any Parsi Irani Zoroastrian, wishing to use the Prayer Hall for obsequies, is free to have the ceremonies and prayers performed by a priest of his / her own choice.
4. The object for which the PHS&MT has been established is: (quoting from the Trust Deed) "to assist the members of the Parsi / Irani Zoroastrian community in using the Prayer Hall at the Worli Cemetery and its cleanliness and upkeep".
5. In order to assist Parsi Irani Zoroastrians who wish to use the Hall, Er. Framroze Mirza has been appointed as Coordinator. He is contactable 24X7 on the following Telephone Numbers (+91) 8691012488; 9821421593. His role as Coordinator is to assist in giving details regarding an ambulance or hearse, preparing the Prayer Hall for each ceremony, providing for items required during ceremonies such as sukhad, flowers, fruits, etc. (at a cost to be decided mutually between the concerned parties) in case the officiating priest is not in a position to do so and providing guidance with regard to documentation prescribed by the authorities. The scope of his work includes overseeing security arrangements, cleaning & upkeep of the Prayer Hall and safe custody of all moveable items kept at the Hall.
6. It so happens that Er. Mirza is also a practicing priest and is one of the few priests who perform prayer ceremonies at the Prayer Hall. Families who either do not have a priest or whose priest is not willing to perform obsequies at the Prayer Hall, may if they wish, request Er. Mirza to conduct the prayers and arrange for other priests required for performing certain ceremonies at the Prayer Hall. It is important however to clarify that there is absolutely no compulsion to enlist his services and members of the community are free to have ceremonies performed at the Prayer Hall through any priest / priests of their choice and are not bound in any way to get any ceremonies performed through Er. Mirza or the priests who work with him.
7. The PHS&MT is neither entitled to, nor does it engage priests for prayers to be performed at the Prayer Hall and accordingly cannot charge, or receive, any consideration for obsequies to be performed at the Prayer Hall. All matters pertaining to the payments to be made to the priest/s and the ceremonies to be performed must be directly discussed and agreed between the concerned priest/s and the person availing of the priest's services and the Trust is in no way concerned with the same.
8. The PHS&MT had over the past few years since it was set-up, followed a practice of issuing advisories as to the maximum amounts, which any priest who carries out ceremonies at the Prayer Hall, and not just Er. Mirza should charge, in respect of the various prayer ceremonies. The charges were meant to be indicative and issued as a guideline from time to time so that some sort of parity was maintained with the charges for similar ceremonies performed at Doongerwadi or in an Agiary or Atash Behram. The Trustees have decided to stop this practice forthwith, in view of the uncalled-for accusations levelled against the Trust, coupled with the fact that no other institution is doing so. The Trust has accordingly removed the Rate Chart from its website.
9. During the Covid 19 pandemic, bodies of persons who were Covid positive are brought to the crematorium, which is located in close proximity to the Prayer Hall.

If the deceased person is a Parsi / Irani Zoroastrian whose family wishes to have Geh Sarna ceremony performed, the same has to be done in the parking area outside the Prayer Hall with the body of the deceased kept in the ambulance/hearse till the prayers are complete. This is in accordance with directions issued by the Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai. Er. Framroze Mirza has indicated his willingness to carry out the Geh Sarna ceremony as per these directives outside the crematorium in the car parking area. The family of the deceased person is free to engage any priest of their choice for the Geh Sarna and such arrangement has nothing to do with the Prayer Hall Services & Maintenance Trust, because as of now, it is impermissible by regulation to bring the body of the deceased (who was Covid positive) into the Prayer Hall.

10. Finally, it is important for those who wish to avail of the services of the Prayer Hall to know that the amounts which the Trust can afford to pay to the cleaners, watchmen & helpers working at the Hall are extremely low. Since the Trust is not charging for any services provided, it relies solely on the interest earned on its corpus and the small donations it receives from grateful users. Accordingly, it was decided some years ago that Er. Mirza would recover an amount of Rs. 6,000/- from users of the Hall for gratuities to be distributed amongst various service providers as necessary, in order to supplement their meagre earnings and consistently maintain the high level of service and cleanliness that the Trust has always ensured, since its inception. Unfortunately, Er. Mirza has had to face uncalled for criticism and considerable resistance for this payment and has been questioned why this amount is collected in cash and even been asked why he does not give a receipt for the same.

The Trustees have decided that in these circumstances, the earlier arrangement will be discontinued and Er. Mirza will no longer ask for the amount of Rs. 6,000/- from users of the Hall. The Trustees realise that this will further strain the limited resources of the Trust, at a time when interest earnings are depressed, but an attempt will be made to enhance the payments to service providers at the Hall. The Trustees are sure that the goodwill and generosity of users of the Hall will see us through this difficult phase and sincerely hope that the Prayer Hall is maintained at the same level of service and cleanliness as always.

The Trust welcomes any voluntary donations from users of the Prayer Hall and others, in order to enable the Trustees to maintain the Prayer Hall.

- 1) Cheques may be drawn in favour of "Prayer Hall Services and Maintenance Trust" and be sent to:

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Freyaz Shroff: Making The Difference



Freyaz Shroff

Born in Mumbai, Freyaz relocated with her family early on to the USA, where she completed her high school, college and graduate school and holds an MBA in International Business and Marketing. Despite her expansive and super successful corporate career, in mid-2018, Freyaz chose to step into a direction that spoke more to her heart.

"With the support and blessings of my parents, I established the Non-Profit organisation - KurNiv Foundation, which focuses on supporting students from less privileged backgrounds, in gaining admission into and completing college graduation - along with three of the most amazing, heart-centered individuals. This work speaks to my heart and has become my life's passion. I love children, I love the work I do, I love that the people I love unconditionally support this work and I love that I never feel like I'm going to work!" says Freyaz.

A popular and successful KurNiv Foundation initiative, 'Pehchaan', has gained much appreciation. A 'No-Blame, Youth-for-Youth' initiative aimed at bridging the gap of inequitable education between the public and private sector schools in India, Pehchaan facilitates children from low income households to complete their schooling and junior college, and then move on to further studies or a lucrative vocational practice. It also sensitises society about the unjust gap between municipal and private school education in India and creates awareness about what people can do to bridge this lacuna.

"In 2019, of the 120 youth that graduated from our College Prep Program, 90 enrolled in college. In 2020, we conducted online classes throughout the lockdown. Approximately 80 students completed the College Prep Program and we are awaiting college admission results. In addition to the growth of our participants, we see great transformations in the youth who mentor our participants. Though some of our youth mentors are our alumni who grow with us, many are students from private schools, now in college," beams Freyaz, proudly!

Nelson Mandela's quote, "What counts in life is not the mere fact that we have lived. It is what difference we have made to the lives of others that will determine the significance of the life we lead," is one of the first things that comes to mind when we browse the achievements and efforts of the dynamic and generous Freyaz Shroff, and her tall legacy of social and community service. When it comes to making a difference in the lives of others, her choices and endeavours - both, professional and personal - prove as a resounding testimony to the fact that she indeed, walks the talk. Adding yet another feather to her cap, Freyaz Shroff was recently appointed as FEZANA's (Federation of Zoroastrian Associations of North America) Indian Ambassador, in a first-of-its-kind of designation, under the charismatic leadership of its new President, Arzan Sam Wadia. Parsi Times is delighted to share a tête-à-tête with the inspiring and compassionate Freyaz Shroff...

"To serve has been at the core of who I am, for as long as I can remember," affirms Freyaz. And she's indeed been of service to others since childhood, having donned several roles. At fifteen years of age, in the US, she was a peer counsellor in high school; she also served as a volunteer to different organisations, assisting rape / domestic violence victims as also immigrants; and has been instrumental in the establishment of a facility for a children's shelter home. In India, she volunteered her services

hope for working synergistically as a global Zoroastrian community strengthens, FEZANA's appointing an Ambassador to India, seemed like the next natural step.

It's a new role which will evolve over time. We look to creating viable working relationships and building strong partnerships with local Zoroastrian trusts and associations - from the BPP and Parzor to XYZ and Anjumans across the country. We hope to work cohesively to further our common goals. We look forward to continuing our long-standing partnerships with organizations like the World Zoroastrian Organization Trusts, which have unconditionally supported and worked with FEZANA for close to three decades now. We hope to connect North American community members with our Indian counterparts. We aim to represent FEZANA at events where its presence would be beneficial. I'm quite nervous as this is a new position and a lot of roads still need to be paved, but I'm also excited to work on building bridges of connection and partnerships."

Despite her international and local professional commitments, Freyaz is presently the cheerful single mommy of eight 'adopted' children! *"My kids and I use the word 'adopted' because that's the one coming closest to what we share. I do not share their legal ownership but at heart, all eight of them are mine! I've always wanted a large family but never in my wildest could I have guessed this is how it would culminate! It all started*



Freyaz with her family of eight kids

with one of my experiences teaching at Colaba's Municipal Hindi Medium School. On asking a student why he had entered class in chappals instead of shoes, he said, matter-of-factly, that the rat ate them! Due to my then limited exposure to the prevailing conditions in which these children lived, I initially thought it was a joke, much like 'the dog ate my homework'. But when the program coordinator assured me of its reality, I decided to get Sunil a new pair and I gave him the money, telling him that now on I wanted to see him well-groomed and in school-issued shoes. Just these 2 minutes spent with him changed his life and mine. He started paying more attention in class, started coming to my home with his friends to study - my granny loved them and guided me into giving them morning breakfast and Sunday lunch. This turned into sessions of reading newspapers, watching English movies, learning how to use the fork and spoon and gradually, we all fell in love with each other to become the happy family we are today! My eight kids are my joy; they're my teachers. Every day they show me the meaning of 'putting love into action'. I feel abundantly blessed and am a better person today for having them in my life."



Freyaz Receiving FEZANA Humanitarian Award



as a municipal school-teacher, where, in addition to teaching, she would often visit students' homes to ensure they attend school. She's served as the WZCC Mumbai Youth Chair and volunteers with the most prestigious and helpful WZO Trusts.

Freyaz has been FEZANA's Committee Member as well as Co-Chair to both - its Unity and Welfare Committees. She's also participated as a speaker with FEZANA's United Nations Team. Speaking about her appointment as FEZANA's Ambassador to India, she shares, *"My Co-Chairs were amazing and helpful - even after I decided to relocate to India, they unconditionally supported me and offered me the opportunity to work as the Indian liaison for welfare appeals we received. As our*



Team PEHCHAAN & Freyaz

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► Sharing her thoughts on our community worldwide, and the need for unity amongst our community members, she says, "I believe in the best that resides within our community and our community members. We have repeatedly displayed great unity in times of crisis - our values keep us centered, and in the end, we all want what is best for the community. If we understand that it is okay to have our own thoughts, opinions and interpretations and we

choose to communicate these with respect, and with the aim of getting the other to consider our point of view, instead of insisting they adopt our point of view, we would have a firm foundation on which unity could flourish."

And what message would she like to share with fellow community members? "My message to everyone, regardless of community, is the same. Every time we choose to think

a thought, speak a word or take an action, we should consider asking ourselves, 'is this offering the world the best version of myself?' If the answer is yes, go ahead. If the answer is no, please reconsider. As our children see us think, speak and act, so will they. Let's leave a legacy of values, emotions and spirit that they can inherit with pride and pass these on, reinforced, to future generations," concludes Freyaz.

APPEAL BY THE POONA ZARTHOSHI SEVA MANDAL

Established in 1940, The Poona Zarthosti Seva Mandal is one of the oldest organizations working for the underprivileged Zarthostis of Pune. To generate funds, our primary activity is running a shop at our premises, ideally located in the main shopping area. We stock home-made pickles, masalas, bhakhras, traditional items like prayer books, topis, sudras, kustis and the popular Parsi-embroidered Gara sarees. We run a Fast Food Counter selling snacks which attract many customers.

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1. Food rations twice a year on Jamshedi Navroz and Parsi New Year
2. Monthly Doles
3. Financial aid for education and medical purposes.

Other activities of our Mandal includes organizing Fellowship programs, Religious lectures, Religious-cum-activity classes for children (earlier held outdoors but now online on Zoom).

However,

1. Due to Covid Pandemic our shop remained closed for almost 3 months. Even after opening, the response from the public is poor as few people venture out for shopping, thus affecting our sales.
2. Besides, continued fall in the bank interest rates have further reduced our earnings.

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Mrs. Homai Homi Mehta

(10th October, 1944 - 15th September, 2020)



We all used to fondly call her Homai. She left us on 15th September, 2020, leaving a void impossible to fill. A leader and a visionary par excellence, she not only was the founder of the Indian Association of Secretaries and Administrative Professionals (IASAP), but was also responsible for grooming hundreds of professional lives of the members of IASAP.

An avid problem solver she was the first choice and the last refuge of any person who faced difficulties in their personal and professional life. Compassion was in her blood; personal integrity - her life-long strength. Grounded and centered in reality and truth, she made a place in everyone's heart as an icon of humility, trust and reliability.

Her vision and tireless effort was the singular reason why our Association reached the pinnacle of its glory. Always available on the wings to support, encourage, guide, mentor and inspire every newcomer to the Association.

While I wonder how we will go ahead in the future, I am reminded of her words. "Don't stare at the mountains, go climb them!" In her absence, we all know the climb is going to be very strenuous, but deep in our hearts we can see her beacon light shining on our path - leading and protecting us in our journey ahead. With her as our spiritual guide, we shall overcome all our obstacles...

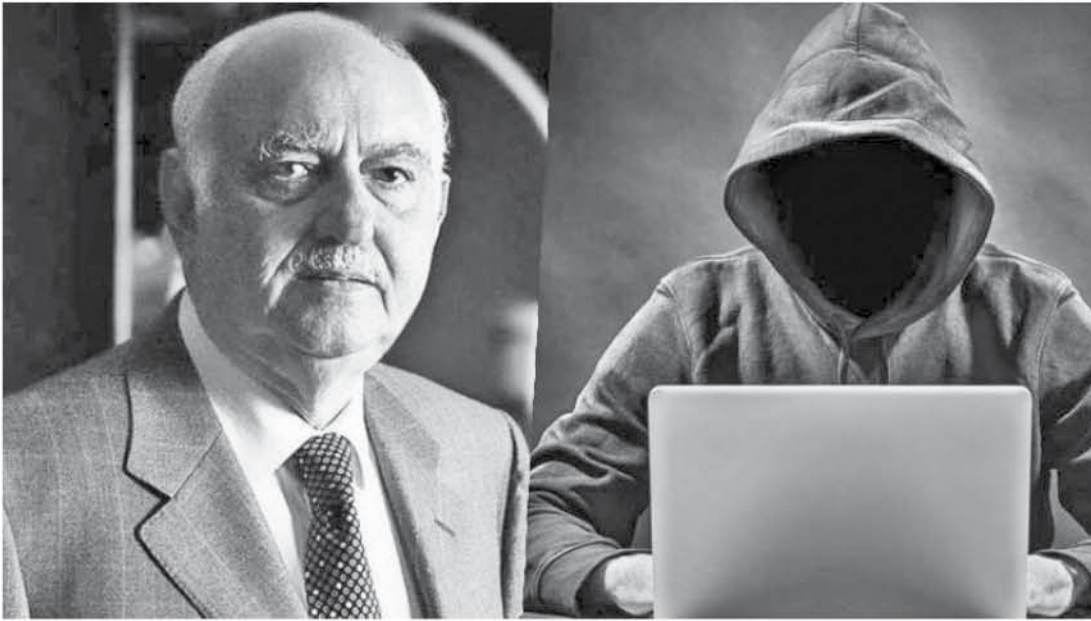
While God will give her His choicest place in Heaven, we pray for her soul to rest in everlasting peace.

Thank you, Homai, for all that you were to us. We love you.

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Cyber Fraud Steals From Pallonji Mistry's Daughter's Bank Account



An unidentified cyber fraud stole Rs 90,000 between June and July from the bank account of 62-year-old Laila Rustom Jehangir, one of the two daughters of billionaire and business magnate, Pallonji Shapoorji Mistry, who owns one of the biggest conglomerates - the Shapoorji Pallonji group. An FIR has been registered at the Colaba police station.

As per Colaba police station, Laila, a resident of Dubai, had authorised her father - Pallonji Shapoorji Mistry, to manage her account, who authorised his Company Director, Firoz Bhatena, in 2018, to look after the financial activities of Laila's account. Bhatena, in turn, entrusted the account to company's Deputy General Manager (accounts), 60-year-old Jayesh Merchant, whose mobile number was registered with the bank for SMS alerts on all bank transactions of Laila's account. Transactions were done via cheques as the account was quite old, with no debit or credit card issued towards the bank account.

As per media sources, Jayesh Merchant, who registered the complaint, said that on July 1 and 2, 2020, he received SMS alerts of money withdrawal from Laila's account. On checking

with the bank, he was told that a total of nearly Rs. 90,000 was withdrawn across numerous transactions, via a debit card during the months of June/July.

When Merchant informed the bank manager that there was no debit card issued on this account, he was surprised to be informed that a debit card was, in fact, issued in the name of Company Director Bhatena in 2018, and the card was couriered to the company's Colaba office. This debit card was being used to withdraw money. Bhatena too has stated that he was not aware of any debit card being issued, following which a police complaint was lodged. Based on the complaint, an FIR has been registered under section 420 (cheating) of Indian Penal Code and 66C (identity theft) and 66D (cheating by personation by using computer resource) of Information Technology Act against an unidentified suspect. The probe is on - the police in its preliminary investigation have found that the card was used multiple times, including a restaurant and a cake shop. They would be checking the CCTVs at these places and making inquiries to trace the fraudster.

SII Starts Final Phase Of Clinical Trials For Vaccine



On 21st September, 2020, the Serum Institute of India (SII), the world's largest producer of vaccine in volumes, started the Phase-III or last and final stage of clinical trials, for the Covid-19 vaccine 'Covishield', at the state-run Sassoon General Hospital in Pune, Maharashtra. As per Dr. Muralidhar Tambe, Dean, Sassoon General Hospital, the dose of the vaccine will be administered to around 150 to 200 volunteers

The second phase of clinical trials was conducted at Bharti Vidyapeeth Medical College and King Edward Memorial (KEM) Hospital in Pune. SII has partnered with British-Swedish pharma company, AstraZeneca for manufacturing the COVID-19 vaccine candidate, being developed by the University of Oxford. Earlier, SII had shortlisted 17 sites in India for the Phase II clinical trials of the vaccine, where 1,600 candidates, between 18 to 55 years of age, had participated.

On September 10, the drug maker had paused the clinical trials of the Oxford COVID-19 vaccine candidate in India in the wake of AstraZeneca suspending the clinical trials in other countries. Five

days later, the DGCI (Drugs Controller General of India) granted permission to resume trials, while revoking its earlier order of suspending any new recruitment for the second and third phase of trials.

COVID-19 vaccine candidate developed by the Jenner Institute, a part of the Nuffield Department of Medicine at the University of Oxford, showed a positive result in its initial trial. According to a report published in the British medical journal, The Lancet, the COVID-19 vaccine produced a dual immune response in people aged 18 to 55. The University of Oxford's possible COVID-19 vaccine could be rolled out by the end of the year but there is no certainty, the lead developer of the vaccine.

SII will begin the trial of another COVID-19 vaccine candidate developed by US drug developer, Novavax Inc., next month. Novavax Inc has claimed to be doubling its potential COVID-19 vaccine manufacturing capacity to two billion doses annually, under an agreement with SII. As part of the expanded agreement, SII will also manufacture the antigen component of the vaccine.

Jamshedpur's 'AIDS-Warrior' Dr. H K Gardin Passes Away



Jamshedpur's much loved and respected Dr. H K Gardin, who had earned the reputation as the city's 'Warrior of AIDS and HIV', passed away on 24th September, 2020 after initially testing positive for the coronavirus, at the age of 61. Dr. Gardin had retired as TMH's (Tata Main Hospital) renowned skin specialist and physician, and was also associated with Tata Steel for a number of years as Chairman of the HIV-

AIDS Core Committee, being instrumental in Tata Steel's many achievements regarding HIV-AIDS.

Dr. HK Gardin lived in Sakchi. He fronted the campaign for the prevention of AIDS and HIV through Tata Steel and was reckoned as an AIDS warrior doctor in India and overseas. On 5th September, he was admitted to TMH citing breathing difficulties and high fever, where

he tested corona positive, but had tested corona negative on 15th September. Despite this, he was administered various medicines, including plasma therapy, but on Thursday noon, he breathed his last at TMH. His passing brought on a wave of mourning in the medical world. Dr. Gardin also received several awards for working for HIV AIDS in the country and abroad.

Kudos Raeka Patel!

It was indeed a proud moment for Zarthostis worldwide when Raeka Behram Patel, the daughter of Er. Beheram Patel of Dahanu Road Agiary, featured on the prestigious Times Square after her company got listed on Nasdaq. Raeka is currently pursuing research in Muscular Diseases for an organisation in the USA.

Most Parsi/Irani Zoroastrian social media platforms were abuzz about this grand achievement. As per the information, she is the second Zarthoshti to be featured thus on Time Square, after Danny Khursigara from Karachi, a few years ago.

A quote off the internet shares Raeka's response to this achievement, "I work for a pharmaceutical company as a Research Scientist in the R&D department. We are working on various muscular diseases. Since my company got publicly listed, our pictures were put up on Time Square as employees



of the company. It was not a personal achievement - it was a huge achievement for the company as a whole!"

Congratulations and kudos to Raeka on her accomplishment and efforts! Here's wishing her all the very best for a bright future and a fulfilling career!

Tata Group To Launch 'Feluda' – India's First Low Cost Covid-19 Test - Can Detect COVID In Under An Hour! -

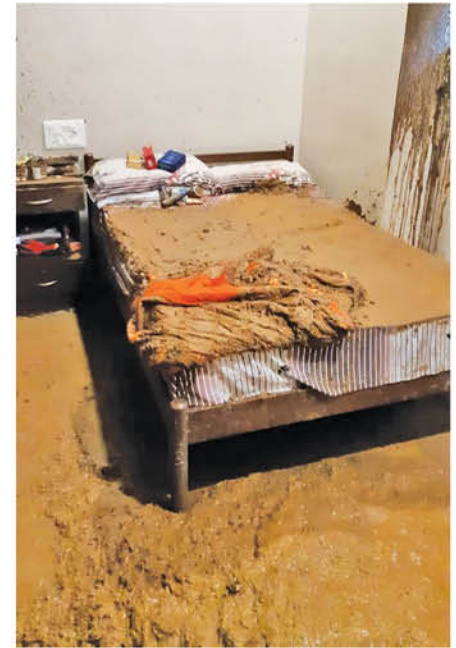


On 19th September, 2020, the Drug Controller General of India (DCGI) gave approval for the commercial launch of India's first Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats (CRISPR) Coronavirus test called 'Feluda', developed by the Tata Group and CSIR-IGIB (Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology). 'Feluda' has a turnaround time of around an hour as compared with the RT-PCR test that requires over a day.

Named after Satyajit Ray's fictional detective, 'Feluda', India's new test to detect COVID-19 is said to have a quicker turnaround time than the RT-PCR test, which is the gold standard. The Feluda test matches the accuracy levels of the RT-PCR test in detecting SARS-CoV-2, while yielding faster results with less costly equipment and greater ease, according to the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR). The test was developed by a research team led by Debojyoti Chakraborty and Souvik Maiti of CSIR-IGIB (Institute of

Rains Cause Minor Landslide At Khareghat Colony

The torrential downpour which took place in Mumbai on the night of 22nd September, 2020, caused a minor landslide at Khareghat Parsi Colony, at Pedder Road in South Mumbai. The Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) D ward Assistant Municipal Commissioner (AMC) Prashant Gaikwad confirmed with the Free Press Journal that, as a precautionary measure they had asked the old building residents of the Khareghat Parsi Colony to vacate their houses for the time being.



collapsed on August 6, 2020, affecting traffic along Pedder Road. A resident informed that the uprooted trees or debris had not been cleared till date from the Ridge Road (BG Kher Road) which connects Hanging Gardens to Kemp's Corner, post the incident that had caused the landslide.

Gaikwad said, "We haven't touched the affected area as told by IIT Bombay to us. Also clearing of trees will further cause more destruction. This area is surrounded with residential buildings and having huge human density."

He further stated that the work could commence only after the rains are over and they are waiting for the monsoons to end. While reports from IIT Bombay are soon expected, the hill area has been surveyed via drone survey, LIDAR survey, and geotechnical testing of soil has already been done.

(Courtesy Free Press Journal)

Genomics and Integrative Biology) and Tata Group. The Tata Group will soon launch the diagnostic test kit.

As per the release issued by the Ministry of Science and Technology, this test uses an indigenously developed, cutting-edge CRISPR technology for detection of the genomic sequence of the virus and meets high-quality benchmarks with 96% sensitivity and 98% specificity for detecting the novel coronavirus. It added that the launch marks a significant achievement for the Indian scientific community, moving from research and development to a high-accuracy, scalable and reliable test in less than 100 days.

Commenting on the development, Girish Krishnamurthy, CEO, TATA Medical and Diagnostics Ltd., said, "The approval for the Tata CRISPR test for COVID-19 will give a boost to the country's efforts in fighting the global pandemic. The commercialisation of Tata CRISPR test reflects the tremendous R&D talent in the country which can collaborate to transform India's contributions to the global healthcare and scientific research world."

As per the release, The Tata Group has worked closely with CSIR-IGIB and ICMR to create a high-quality test that will help the nation ramp up Covid-19 testing quickly and economically, with a 'Made in India' product that is safe, reliable, affordable, and accessible.

Sad Ending To Iconic Tata-Mistry Partnership



September 22, 2020 marked the beginning to the end of 70-years-plus iconic association between two of our community's and our nation's most formidable business groups - Tata Sons and Shapoorji Pallonji Group. After four years of rough litigations, since Cyrus Mistry's ouster in 2016, Shapoorji Pallonji (SP) Group confirmed its exit from Tata Sons as its minority shareholder, owning 18.37% stake.

Cyrus Mistry, heading the SP Group, was declared as Ratan Tata's successor and the sixth Chairman of the Tata Group in 2011, after impressing Tata with his professionalism, expertise and humility. He formally assumed Chairmanship of Tata Sons in late 2012.

But trouble was brewing in paradise due to an alleged power-struggle between Ratan Tata (Tata Trusts) and Cyrus Mistry (Tata Sons), leading to the latter's unceremonious ouster in 2016. A number of events displayed contradictions in business management and vision, as well as Tata's discontentment, for eg., legal battles with NTT Docomo, failure in negotiations with Vodafone, or Mistry's decision to sell off a few Indian Hotels' overseas properties and pull the curtains on the UK Steel operations. Tata Trusts was also displeased as Mistry did not consider shareholders and the Group's global ecosystem in these decisions.

On October 24th 2016, while Mistry's ouster as Chairman of Tata Sons, by the Board, came as a shocking announcement to the outside world, internal sources claimed they were

expecting this for a while, and that Mistry was even offered the option to put in his resignation, which he refused. Ratan Tata was announced as Interim Chairman of the Group. By early 2017, Mistry was removed from the Tata Group Boards and N Chandrashekar, the then TCS Chairman, was named Tata Sons Chairman.

Accusations and counter-accusations intensified post the exit, with Mistry accusing the Board's Trustees of 'shadow control' and alleging legacy issues in the group, and Tata justifying the ouster, citing performance issues. A court brawl has been ongoing since December 2016, when two Mistry family-backed investment firms, 'Cyrus Investments' and 'Sterling Investments' moved the NCLT Mumbai alleging mismanagement and oppression of minority stakeholders by Tata Sons, further challenging Mistry's removal by the company's board. Tata Sons responded serving Mistry a legal notice alleging breach of confidentiality. NCLT rejected Mistry's plea based on inadequate fulfilment of requisite criteria.

Mistry then moved the NCLAT, challenging NCLT's order, during which time a proposal to turn Tata Sons into a private company was passed by its shareholders (August 2017). After much to-and-fro, with the NCLT and NCLAT, in December, 2019, Mistry was restored as Executive Chairman of Tata Sons, but the NCLAT suspended implementation for four months, giving time to the Tatas to file an appeal, which they did - challenging NCLAT's order in the Supreme Court,

which stayed the order. Mistry said he was not seeking to return as Tata Sons Chairman, but wanted to protect his rights as a minority shareholder.

This year, in July, Tata Sons filed that the company's financial performance and brand had diminished under Mistry's leadership, to which Mistry retorted saying that Tata Sons had converted to a Private Co. in the midst of the NCLAT hearing in their affidavit to the apex court, which was gone under wicked circumstances.

A statement released by the SP Group on September 22nd, 2020, read, "The current situation has forced the Mistry family to sit back and reflect on the past, present and possible future for all stakeholders. The past oppressive actions, and the latest vindictive move by Tata Sons that impact the livelihoods of the wider SP Group community leads to the inexplicable conclusion that the mutual co-existence of both groups at Tata Sons would be infeasible."

To raise capital, the SP Group has decided to sell its 18.37% stake in Tata, which it believes to be valued at around \$20 billion or approximately ₹1.5 trillion, based on the value of the underlying operating companies, as well as the value of the Tata brand. The SP group will have to offer the stake to Tata Sons first based on the latter's right of first refusal on the shares, as per the company's Articles of Association (AoA). Tata Sons would now need to buy out the stake, thus putting a final end to the court battles and an enduring business partnership.



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A Different Stroke By Meher Parvez Sutaria

I sat down in my favourite chair,
Closed my eyes to say a prayer,
But found my thoughts going quite astray,
Far from what I wished to pray.

I heard the chirping of the birds,
I couldn't concentrate on my words;
A persistent little buzzing bee
Kept hovering about my balcony.

A wandering mind is such a bother!
I tried to collect my thoughts together;
Certain sounds disturbed me still,
I tried hard to make my mind tranquil.

I heard the laughter of a child,
His mom sang to him and probably smiled;
It was indeed a luxury
To hear her lilting melody.

By now my eyes were open wide,
I put my prayer book aside;
In a subtle way, I now could see
God himself was talking to me!

Buzzing bees and chirping birds
Are God's creatures - they must be heard!
The laughter of that little child
Banished my worries and made me smile!

Sounds and sights that are all about,
Do distract us - there is no doubt;
But if that's the way God talks to me,
It fills my heart with ecstasy!

Our Plea By Afried F Dastur

O Ahura kind, in spite of our bad behaviour,
Grant us please, a very special favour -
Forgive us our disobedience and grave disrespect
That we've been showing towards You

and Nature in every aspect.

The poor in pitiable plight perish in thousands every day,
Homeless they've become with their villages far away.
They starve without food or drink due to lack of money,
Charred feet on barren roads bereft of trees, hot and sunny.

Answer please our ardent plea, grant us again a healthy world,
We are tired of staying put, asphyxiated

in these cocoons, curled.

Online Petition To Save Parsi Gate, Marine Drive

A group of concerned citizens have started an online petition to save the Parsi Gate at Marine Drive in South Mumbai, which is likely to be relocated by the BMC for the upcoming coastal road. The petition states, the over a century-old gate, built by Pallonji Mistry and philanthropist, Bhagojisheth Kheer in 1915, has been in existence before Marine Drive was built.

“The gate is carved with Zoroastrian motifs and made of Malad stone with steps between them to access the beach now called Chotta Chowpatty where all Mumbaikars could offer their prayers and offerings to the sea,” said Havovi Sukhadwala, who initiated the petition.

“Zoroastrians of Mumbai have been paying their respect to Avan Yazad (water deity) for

more than a century at the Parsi Gate located at Marine Drive. Hindus particularly use this safe access constructed to immerse the offerings on Poornima and ashes from the Chandanwadi crematorium at Marine Lines,” it said.

The petition said the gate was identified as a religious place of worship in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report of 2016 of the Mumbai Coastal Road project which the BMC has now decided to remove and relocate one km away. “Furthermore, all buildings, monuments located at Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Road are designated as Marine Drive Precinct under Regulation 67 of the Maharashtra Regional and Town Planning Act, 1966. The Parsi Gate is also part of Marine Drive Waterfront which is separately listed as Grade IIA under serial number 23 in the



supplement to existing heritage list (DCR-67) dated 31st July 2012,” it said.

“By definition of law, the Parsi Gate, a designated Heritage Grade IIA structure, deserves intelligent conservation” and any “external changes are subject to scrutiny”. The definition further states, “care would be taken to ensure the conservation of all special aspects for which it is included in Heritage Regulations for Greater Bombay 1995,” said the

petition.

Sukhadwala said the BMC has not sought an NOC from the Mumbai Heritage Conservation Committee, “The Parsi Gate is indeed the work of master craftsmen, whose labour of love has withstood the vastitude of the Arabian Sea, as admired by anyone who has stood at the Parsi Gate. Any permission to the ‘external changes’ has to be secured by the Planning Authority in consultation with the Mumbai Heritage

Conservation Committee.”

The BMC is still undecided on shifting the early 20th century Parsi Gate opposite the Taraporewala aquarium at Marine Drive for the coastal road. As per TOI, the BMC officials said that no decision has been taken whether to relocate the gate temporarily or permanently, claiming, “There is a section within the Parsi community which is opposed to the pillars being shifted as they claim the spot has religious significance.” This group insisted that the pillars be shifted temporarily and installed at the same location after the coastal road work is completed.

[Link to sign the petition: https://www.change.org/p/bmc-commissioner-and-chief-minister-of-maharashtra-save-the-parsi-gate-marine-drive-mumbai?use_react=false] (Courtesy: Nauzer Bharucha, TOI)

Munich To Unveil ‘Freddie Mercury Street’

Legendary rock singer of Parsi Zoroastrian descent, Freddie Mercury, the frontman of then iconic rock band, Queen, is being honoured with a street named after him in Munich, Germany. This is the unanimous resolution of Munich’s city council. Five years ago, the radio station ‘Rock Antenne’ and its rock community, had put in the official application, leading to this special, posthumous felicitation of Freddie Mercury, who spent a good part of the ‘80s living and working in Munich. Not only did he celebrate his famously wild 39th birthday party in the city, but also recorded five albums here. Freddie Mercury Street will be located south of the Olympic Park and near the Olympic Hall, where Queen performed so many times throughout their career.



Rock Antenne radio station proposed the name (Image: PRESS)



The station had asked listeners for suggestions as they felt Germany needed more rock-inspired street names. Last week, when this application received the nod, Munich city councilman, Nikolaus Gradl, said, “It’s thanks to Rock Antenne that we will get a Freddie Mercury Street. It took us some time, but that’s just what it takes sometimes. Next year, it’ll be the 30th anniversary of Freddie’s

death. I am very pleased that we got the decision beforehand.”



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The notice is hereby given to the members of The Zoroastrian Co-operative Bank Ltd that the Bank proposes to hold Annual General Meeting (AGM) through Video Conference (VC) and/or Other Audio Visual Means (OAVM) as per Circular bearing Ref. No. R-11017/101/2015 L&M dated 25.08.2020 issued by the Director (Co-operation) with the approval of the Central Registrar of Co-operative Societies, New Delhi.

All those who are members as on 31st March 2020 are requested to send following details through any of the following means:

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- b) By submitting in the nearest branch of the Bank or
- c) By email (those who already have email registered with the Bank) to the mail Id shares@zcbli.in

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7	Account Number	

*All fields are mandatory

Please submit the above details by October 05, 2020 so that the notice of AGM through VC/OAVM can be communicated to all members on their registered Email IDs.

September 25, 2020

Daljit Dogra
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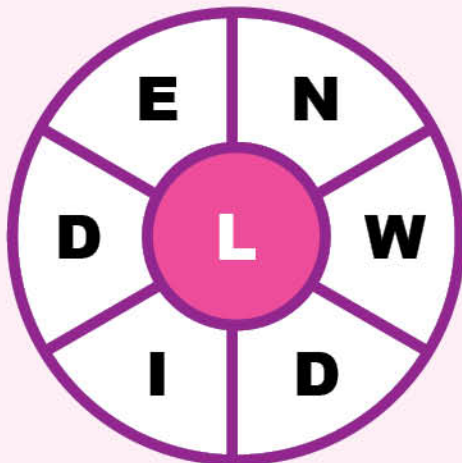
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Thought of the Week

"The same boiling water that softens the potato, hardens the egg. It's what you're made of, not your circumstances."

- Anon

Meherbai And Meherwanji Go To A Mall



RUBY LILAOWALA

Meherwanji loved his Saturday mornings when he would become *faregat* on his Bapavaji's easy-chair and read Parsi Times, while his wife pampered him with tea and *bataasas*. On a recent Saturday, Meherbai read an article which said, 'Go On A Date With Your Spouse To Keep The Spark Alive In Your Marriage'. Khallas! That was it! She took away the *choi* and *bataasas* as well as the Parsi Times, saying, "Uthi jao *jaldi!* Jack-in-the-box ni kani! Not like an *also-Badshah!*"

Meherwanji: Kai? Soo thayu? Aag lagi ke dharticum thayo?

Meherbai: Apra marriage no spark-plug jari-purano thai gayoj! Take me on a date right now!

Since Meherwanji was a little hard of hearing, he dashed to the kitchen and got Meherbai the bottle containing dry-fruits and started picking out the dates for her.

Meherbai: Su natak karoj?

Meherwanji: You wanted to eat dates, so I'm picking them out for you - mahri jaan!

Meherbai: Why don't you listen properly? Call the plumber to clean your ears with his suction-pump if you can't hear! Now don't eat up the dates. Get ready. You are taking me on a date.

Poor Meherwanji was confused with the firing and brought her the calendar. "Ley. Ketli dates joiye? Select a few between one and thirty."

Meherbai: Marerey! You have become totally unromantic and also hard of hearing. Now SAMJHO! Remember how before marriage you used to take me to Hanging Gardens and the Zoo and whisper sweet nothings into my ears? Like that, take me for a romantic outing.

Meherwanji: Shall we go to Colaba Bazar for vegetables? We have finished our stock in the house!



Meherbai: Take me shopping to High Street Phoenix-no-Paladium Mall. You can buy me cold coffee at the Coffee Shop of St. Regis Hotel. Then buy me some clothes, shoes, handbags, perfumes and cosmetics!

Meherwanji: In these days of karka-karki? I'll go bankrupt! Bank interests have fallen, inflation is taller than our Sunamai Lamba and this woman wants to help Modiji's fallen economy with her 'shop-till-you drop' mantra! Soon, I'll have to stand with a katori at the Cusrow Baug gate!

Meherbai: Ovaryu tamara par thi! Ok - no shopping. Only roaming around the Mall like lovers, enjoying each other's company while window-shopping!

Meherwanji: I don't have money to shop for a window!

Meherbai: Arrey Baba! Window shopping doesn't mean buying a window. It means only looking, no buying - just look and be happy!

Meherwanji *na Jeev-ma-jeev ayo*. He promptly dressed up in the blue shirt and pant which were Meherbai's favourite. In turn, Meherbai wore Meherwanji's favourite red blouse with jeggings and off they went in their chitty-chitty-bang-bang-jumping-jalopy car.

They entered the Mall and were disappointed to see very few people.

Meherbai: Look! Khali een-meen-ney-sare-teen lok chey!

Meherwanji: That's because this is a Mall, not a 'melavdo'. I'm waiting - go and visit your favourites - Global Desi,

Zara, Dior, Aldo, Saphora and Michael Kane----I mean Michael Kors. I'll wait for you.

You see, like most husbands, Meherwanji hated shopping, but Meherbai always won, saying, "I won't go to a single shop without you. Have I ever gone alone in the last 54 years? Otherwise, chalo, let's go home."

So, most reluctantly, with a sour-puss-castor-oil-*pidhelo*-face, he would go from shop to shop, where Meherbai would try dozens of shoes and after time-pass, would say, "I don't like a single pair, put them all back." Each time she did this, he'd scoot out of the shop pretending he was not with her!

They walked into every shop in the Mall and Meherwanji *na-pug-ni-kari-thai-gai!* He got *fer-chakkar* and almost collapsed on the escalator but Meherbai supported him from the back with her huge handbag so he wouldn't fall backward, but he almost fell forward!

They marched into the Coffee Shop but when they saw the prices on the menu, Meherbai herself said, "Uthi jao! Chori na dhandha chey! Gher jainey choi peesu." But they were feeling bad to walk-out, so Meherbai devised a plan - she told Meherwanji, "First you get up and pretend to go to the gents washroom and from there, you go out *style-ma* - I will do likewise by pretending to go to the ladies' room! She called it her Master-plan! Koi divas Einstein ne bi evo plan nahi aavey!"

Now, it so happened that while Meherbai was leaving, the waiter politely pointed out, "Ma'm! The ladies restroom is on the other side!"

"Good! Send your wife there," said Meherbai, who was in a filthy mood!

Tragedy! When she went outside, Meherwanji was *gul!* Disappeared! Vanished!!

She panicked and shouted, "MEHLLA! MEHLLA!" Luckily, he heard Meherbai's voice and he shouted back saying, "I am here, holding the lift for you, my *kaleja!* Now chalo, chalo, let's go home!"

"Jarak bi nahin," said Meherbai. "Not without a photo for my Facebook." But there was no one in sight, so Meherbai decided to take a selfie telling her bitter-half, "Come close to me, put your hand on my shoulder, smile - look romantic - look happily married!"

"Any more instructions?" asked Meherwanji. "Yes! Go back - lean more... *ajun* lean back... still more... just a little more." *Ajun-ajun karta*, Meherwanji *uthlai gaya!* Luckily, he caught the floral decoration and was doing 'jhoola' on the third floor of the Mall. Suddenly, people appeared saying, "Look! Live decoration - how symbolic! Bawaji coming out of a decoration - very artistic!"

"BACHAO! BACHAO!!" screamed Meherbai and four sales-men rushed out of their shops and rescued Meherwanji who was badly shaken (but not stirred like the James Bond drink).

"Havey chalo!" he yelled. "No! Not without a photo for tomorrow's Facebook!" insisted Meherbai! One of the sales-man was kind enough to take a number of pictures, of which she selected one (in which she looked nice, never mind Meherwanji!) and they returned home for *choi* and *bataasas!*



પારસી ટાઈમ્સ

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પ્રિન્સીપાલ બીનાયફર કુતાર અને ડો. સાયરસ વકીલ ગવર્નર દ્વારા આઈકોનિક લીડરશીપ એવોર્ડ્સ સાથે સન્માનિત કરવામાં આવ્યા

પારસીઓ દેશભરમાં આઈકોનિક વડાઓને 'આઈકોનિક લીડરશીપ શિક્ષણિક સંસ્થાઓની સ્થાપના માટે એવોર્ડ્સ' રજૂ કર્યાં. સમુદાયને ગૌરવ અપાવતા, આમાંના બે એવોર્ડ્સ અગ્રણી શાળાઓ જેબી પીટીટ હાઈ સ્કૂલ ફોર ગર્લ્સ ના પ્રિન્સીપાલ બીનાયફર પી. કુતાર અને બોમ્બે ઈન્ટર નેશનલ સ્કૂલના પ્રિન્સીપાલ ડો. સાયરસ



હંમેશા અગ્રણી રહ્યા છે. મુંબઈ શહેરમાં આવી અનેક અગ્રણી શાળાઓ અને કોલેજો છે જે શિક્ષણનો પ્રકાશ ફેલાવવાની ઝોરાસ્ટ્રિયન ભાવનાના પુરાવા છે તેમનું અભિવાદન છે. ટીચર્સ ડે નિમિત્તે તા. ૧૨ સપ્ટેમ્બર, ૨૦૨૦ને દિને મહારાષ્ટ્રના એચ.બી. રાજ્યપાલ, ભગતસિંહ કોશ્વારીએ વર્ચ્યુઅલ સમારોહમાં, મુંબઈની ૨૫ અગ્રણી શાળાઓના આચાર્યો અને

વકીલને એનાયત કરવામાં આવ્યા હતા. આ એવોર્ડ ઈનોવેટિવ સ્કૂલ યુનિયન દ્વારા સ્થાપવામાં આવ્યા હતા, જેનું નેતૃત્વ ભૂતપૂર્વ શેરીફ ડો. ઈન્દુ શહાનીએ ઉપસ્થિત લોકોને સંબોધન કરતાં 'બાળકોને અંગ્રેજી અને અન્ય વિદેશી ભાષાઓની સાથે સંસ્કૃત અને અન્ય ભારતીય ભાષાઓ શીખવા માટે પ્રોત્સાહિત કરવાની જરૂર પર ભાર મૂક્યો.

માસીના હોસ્પિટલ કિડનીના દર્દીઓ માટે ગુણવત્તાયુક્ત ડાયાલિસિસ સેવાઓ આપે છે



માસીના હોસ્પિટલ અને વિવો કિડની કેરએ ઉચ્ચ ગુણવત્તાની, ડાયાલિસિસ સેવાઓ પૂરી પાડવા માટે સફળતાપૂર્વક જોડાણ કર્યું છે, જે હોસ્પિટલમાં ડાયાલીસિસ કરાવતા બધા દર્દીઓનું આયુષ્ય સુધારશે. આધુનિક આર.ઓ. સિસ્ટમ્સ અને સુશિક્ષિત પ્રશિક્ષિત કર્મચારીઓની સાથે તમામ દર્દીઓના સ્મિત પાછા લાવવામાં મદદ કરી છે. હાલની કોવિડ -૧૯ની પરિસ્થિતિએ સામાન્ય રીતે સમાજ માટે ખૂબ જ અશાંતિ ફેલાવી છે, ત્યારે માસિના હોસ્પિટલ અને વિવો ટીમ સાથે, નિયમિત દર્દીઓ માટે સલામતી

પ્રોટોકોલ અને ચેપ-સંરક્ષણ જાળવવા માટે દિવસ-રાત કામ કરીને ઓપરેશનને સામાન્ય બનાવવા માટે પાછા આવ્યા છે, ત્યારે કોવિડ -૧૯ ડાયાલિસિસ દર્દીઓને અલગ પાડતા હતા, જેમને ક્વોરન્ટાઈન હેઠળ સારવારની જરૂર હતી. વિવો કિડની કેરને તેના વાલી દેવદૂત તરીકે માસિના હોસ્પિટલ રાખવાનો લલાવો મળ્યો છે. વિસ્તી જોખી, માસિના હોસ્પિટલના સીઈઓ છે, સેન્ટ જોન્સ ઓમ્બ્યુલન્સ, જેનું પ્રતિનિધિત્વ ફિલી કરકરિયા દ્વારા કરવામાં આવ્યું હતું, તે હાઈટેક આર.ઓ. પ્લાન્ટનું દાન કરવા માટે મદદ કરી રહ્યું છે.

પારસી ટાઈમ્સની લાઈફલાઈન

આ અઠવાડિયાની શરૂઆતમાં, પારસી ટાઈમ્સનો સંપર્ક એક સારા સંજોગ દ્વારા કરવામાં આવ્યો હતો, જેણે અમને એક ૮૭ વર્ષના વૃદ્ધ-પારસી સંજોગની જાણ કરી હતી, જે પોતે અસામાન્ય પરિસ્થિતિમાં જીવી રહ્યા હતા અને ખૂબ બીમાર હતા. તેથી, તે વૃદ્ધ માણસના ઘરે તેમની તપાસ માટે ગયો અને તેમને જમીન પર પાથરેલા ગાદલામાં સુતેલાજોઈને આઘાત લાગ્યો. તેમણે અમને માહિતી આપી કે વૃદ્ધા પાસે બેડ, ગેસ, રેફ્રિજરેટર, ટેલિવિઝન, રસોડું પ્લેટફોર્મ, જમવાનું સ્થળ, પીવાના પાણીની સુવિધા અથવા ગરમ પાણી જેવી સુવિધાઓ પણ નથી.

કોવિડ-૧૯ નો કેસ હોઈ શકે છે એવી ધારણાના લીધે પેલા સંજોગ પર તપાસ કરાવ્યું હતું, અને તે વૃદ્ધ ખરેખર ભયાનક વાયરસથી પીડિત હતા. કોવિડ પરીક્ષણના પરિણામો હકારાત્મક હોવાના લીધે, તેમણે દિવસ દરમિયાન ઘણી વખત બી.એમ.સી. સાથે સંપર્ક કર્યો, પરંતુ આખરે જાણ કરવામાં આવી કે સરકારી દવાખાનાના પલંગ ઉપલબ્ધ નથી અને કોઈ સકારાત્મક પરિણામ આવ્યું નહીં.

ઘણા પ્રયત્નો પછી, આખરે, તે સંજોગને તે વૃદ્ધ વ્યક્તિને પારસી જનરલ હોસ્પિટલમાં, મક્ત દર્દી તરીકે દાખલ કર્યા. તે સંજોગને સલામ જેણે નિઃસ્વાર્થપણે દર્દી માટે જે કર્યું!

આ મુસાફરીનો ભાગ બન્યા પછી, પારસી ટાઈમ્સને જાણ છે કે આપણા સમુદાયમાં ઘણા વડીલો અને સિનિયરો છે જેઓ ગરીબીની ભયાનક પરિસ્થિતિમાં જીવન જીવે છે અને અમે અમારી પહેલ દ્વારા બદલ થવાની ઈચ્છા રાખીએ છીએ - 'પારસી ટાઈમ્સની લાઈફ લાઈન.'

પારસી ટાઈમ્સ કમનસીબ પરિસ્થિતિમાં જીવતા આવા વ્યક્તિઓ વિશેનો ડેટા એકત્રિત કરવાનો વિચાર કરે છે. ત્યારબાદ આ ડેટા અમારા ઉદાર સમુદાય ટ્રસ્ટ સાથે શેર કરવામાં આવશે જે સમુદાયના સભ્યોમાં ગરીબી દૂર કરવાના કામ કરે છે.

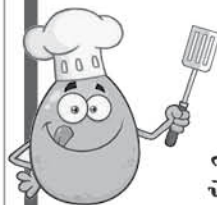
પારસી ટાઈમ્સ અમારા વાચકોને વિનંતી કરે છે કે ગરીબ પરિસ્થિતિમાં રહેતા વૃદ્ધ ઝોરાસ્ટ્રિયન લોકોની વિગતો શેર કરો, જેથી અમને અમારા ટ્રસ્ટ સાથે માહિતી એકત્રિત કરવામાં અને શેર કરવામાં સક્ષમ બનાવવામાં મદદ મળે. જેથી આપણે આપણા વરિષ્ઠોને તેમના સંઘ્યાકાળના વર્ષોમાં, માન અને ગુણવત્તાનું જીવન પ્રદાન કરવામાં મદદ કરી શકીએ.

તમારી વિગત નીચેના મેઈલ પર ઈમેલ કરો અથવા નીચેના સરનામે મોકલો
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પારસી ટાઈમ્સ લાઈફલાઈન: ૨જે માળે, ખેતાન ચેમ્બર્સ સીએચએસ લીમીટેડ.,
૧૪૩-૧૪૫ મોટી સ્ટ્રીટ, ફોર્ટ, મુંબઈ ૧.

'નો કેન ડુ - વીધાઉટ ઈડુ'

પીટીના 'વર્લ્ડ એગ ડે - ૨૦૨૦' કોન્ટેસ્ટમાં ભાગ લો!

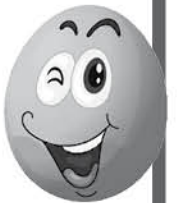
૯મી ઓક્ટોબર, ૨૦૨૦ને દિવસે વિશ્વ એગ ડે છે અને ઈડા બાવાજીઓના સૌથી પ્રિય છે! આપણું ઓલ ટાઈમ ફેવરેટ સ્નેક-ક્રમ-મીલ, આપણા જીવનનો મહત્વનો ભાગ 'નો કેન ડુ - વીધાઉટ ઈડુ'



ઈડુ માટે એગરેસ કરો તમારો પ્રેમ પીટીની

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વર્લ્ડ એગ ડેની ઉજવણીમાં ટોચની ૩ એન્ટ્રી જીતશે ઈનામો અને ૩જી ઓક્ટોબર, ૨૦૨૦ ના પીટીમાં થશે પ્રકાશિત !

૨૯મી સપ્ટેમ્બર ૨૦૨૦ સુધી તમારી એન્ટ્રી અમને મળી જવી જોઈએ.

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YOUR MOON SIGNS JANAM RASHI THIS WEEK

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અઠવાડિક રાશિક્ષણ: તા. ૨૬.૦૯.૨૦૨૦ થી તા. ૦૨.૧૦.૨૦૨૦



Aries - મેષ - અ.લ.ઈ.

૨૭મી ઓક્ટોબર સુધી શનિની દિનદશા ચાલશે. નાના કામ પુરા કરવામાં પણ મુશ્કેલી આવશે. પૈસા મેળવવા માટે ભાગદોડ કર્યા પછી પણ તમને જોઈતી રકમ નહીં મળે. તમારી અંગત વ્યક્તિ તમારો સાથ નહીં આપે સાથે સાથે તમારી સાથે ચીટી ગ કરશે. વડીલવર્ગને તમારી વાતો નહીં ગમે. તમારી સાથે મતભેદ થશે. દરરોજ 'મોટી હમન યજ્ઞ' ભણાવો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૨૬, ૩૦, ૦૧, ૦૨ છે.

Lucky Dates: 26, 30, 01, 02.

Saturn's rule till 27th October will pose challenges in the completion of even small chores. Despite your untiring efforts to retrieve your money, you will not get the desired result. Not only will someone close to you not be supportive, they could also deceive you. Your talks will not be acceptable with the elderly and this could cause squabbles with them. Pray the Moti Haptan Yasht daily.



Cancer - કર્ક - ડ.હ.

આજથી ૨૮ દિવસ માટે મંગળની દિનદશા ચાલુ થયેલી છે. ઘરમાં નાની બાબતમાં મતભેદ પડશે. ૨૫મી ઓક્ટોબર સુધી બીજાની માથાકુટમાં પડતા નહીં. વાહન સંભાળીને ચલાવજો. ઘરમાં ખોટાખર્ચાથી પરેશાન થશો. થોડી બચત કરશો તો ઘરવાળા ડભલ ખર્ચ કરશે. મંગળને શાંત કરવા દરરોજ 'તીર યજ્ઞ' ભણાવો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૨૮, ૨૯, ૩૦, ૦૧ છે.

Lucky Dates: 28, 29, 30, 01.

Mars' rule starting today for the next 28 days, could create problems at home over petty matters. Avoid falling into other peoples' problems till the 25th of October. Ride/drive your vehicle with caution. You could get concerned about unnecessary expenses at home. For every penny you save, your family members could end up spending double! To pacify Mars, pray the Tir Yasht daily.



Libra - તુલા - ર.ત.

૧૭મી ઓક્ટોબર સુધી શુક્રની દિનદશા ચાલશે. તમારા ખર્ચ પર કાબુ નહીં રાખી શકો છતાં પણ નાણાકીય મુશ્કેલી નહીં આવે. ઓપોર્ટીટ સેક્ટરનું એટ્રેક્શન વધી જશે. તમારી પ્રસંગીની વ્યક્તિ મળવાનો ચાન્સ છે. ઘણી-ઘણીયાણીમાં પ્રેમ વધી જશે. ઘરમાં નવી ચીજ વસ્તુ વસાવી શકશો. દરરોજ 'બહેરામ યજ્ઞ'ની આરાધના કરજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૨૬, ૨૭, ૩૦, ૦૧ છે.

Lucky Dates: 26, 27, 30, 01.

Venus' rule till 17th October will not allow you to keep your expenditures in control. Even so, this will not cause any financial strain. Attraction to the opposite gender will increase. You could bump into your ideal mate. Affection between couples will blossom. You will be able to make purchases for the house. Pray to Behram Yazad daily.



Capricorn - મકર - ખ.જ.

રાહુની જાળમાં ફસાય ગયા છો. દૈત્રી નવેમ્બર સુધી તમારા નાના કામ પુરા કરવામાં પણ મુશ્કેલી આવશે. નાણાકીય બાબતમાં ત્રણની જગ્યાએ ત્રીસનો ખર્ચ થશે. તમારી નાની ભુલ મોટી મુશ્કેલીમાં મુકશે. અંગત માણસો તમારી સાથે દગો ફટકો કરશે. નાણાકીય બેતીદિતી કરતા પહેલા દસવાર વિચાર કરજો. રાહુની શાંતિ કરવા માટે દરરોજ 'મહાભોખ્તાર નીઆએશ' ભણાવો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૨૬, ૨૮, ૦૧, ૦૨ છે.

Lucky Dates: 26, 28, 01, 02.

Rahu's rule poses challenges in letting you get even your small chores done, till 6th of November. You will end up incurring a loss that is ten times more than expected. Your smallest mistake could land you in big trouble. Those close to you could end up deceiving you. Think ten times before indulging in lending or borrowing money. Pray the Mah Bokhtar Nyaish daily.



Taurus - વૃષભ - બ.વ.ઉ.

બુધની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી સોશીયલ કામો ખુબ સારી રીતે કરી શકશો. મિત્રોનો સાથ મળવાથી મુશ્કેલીભર્યા કામ સહેલાઈથી કરી લેશો. આવકમાંથી થોડીગણી રકમ બચાવી ઈનવેસ્ટમેન્ટ કરી શકશો. બધાં કામ કરતા હશે ત્યાં બીજાના મદદગાર બની તેનું દીવ જીતી લેશો. ધનલાભ મળતા રહેશે. દરરોજ 'મહેર નીઆએશ' ભણાવો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૨૭, ૨૮, ૨૯, ૦૧ છે.

Lucky Dates: 27, 28, 29, 01.

Mercury's ongoing rule will help you perform your social duties effortlessly. Support from your friends will help you get even difficult tasks done with ease. You will be able to invest some money saved from your income. You will be helpful to a colleague at your workplace and will win them over with your help. You will continue to receive profits. Pray the Meher Nyaish daily.



Leo - સિંહ - મ.ટ.

ચંદ્રની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી દરરોજના કામ સારી રીતે કરી શકશો. તમારા કરેલ કામની કદર થશે. મિત્ર તરફથી સાચી સલાહ મેળવશો. ગામ-પરગામથી સારા સમાચાર મેળવશો. કામ કરતા હશે ત્યાં જયની સાથે ધનલાભ મળતો રહેશે. ચંદ્રની વધુ કૃપા મેળવવા માટે દરરોજ ૩૪મું નામ 'યા બેસ્તરના' ૧૦૧ વાર ભણાવો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૨૬, ૨૭, ૨૯, ૦૨ છે.

Lucky Dates: 26, 27, 29, 02.

The Moon's ongoing rule helps you to complete you daily chores smoothly. Your work will receive appreciation. A friend will give you genuine advice. You will get good news from abroad. Those who are employed will receive fame as well as prosperity. Pray the 34th Name, 'Ya Beshtarna', 101 times, daily.



Scorpio - વૃશ્ચિક - ન.પ.

શુક્રની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી નાણાકીય બાબતની છૂટછાટ સારી હશે. કામકાજમાં સારી ઈન્કમ મેળવી શકશો. ઘરનું વાતાવરણ આનંદમાં લાવી શકશો. જરૂરીયાત મંદને મદદ કરી શકશો. તંદુરસ્તીમાં સારા સારી રહેશે. મિત્રો તરફથી માન મળશે. દરરોજ 'બહેરામ યજ્ઞ'ની આરાધના કરજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૨૫, ૨૬, ૨૮, ૦૨ છે.

Lucky Dates: 25, 26, 28, 02.

Venus' ongoing rule will ensure steady flow of finances. You will be able to earn side income as well. You will make the home-atmosphere a happy one. Help those in need. Health will be good. Friends will be appreciative of you. Pray to Behram Yazad daily.



Aquarius - કુંભ - ગ.શ.સ.

૫મી ઓક્ટોબર સુધી ગુરુની દિનદશા ચાલશે. તમારા હાથથી ધર્મના કે કોઈના ભલાઈના કામો થશે. બીજાના મદદગાર બની શકશો. ધનને સારી જગ્યાએ ઈનવેસ્ટ કરશો. ઘરવાળાની ડિમાન્ડ પૂરી કરી આપશો. લગ્ન કરનાર વ્યક્તિને લાઈફ પાર્ટનર મળી જશે. અચાનક ધનલાભ મળવાના ચાન્સ છે. તંદુરસ્તીમાં સારો સુધારો થશે. દરરોજ 'સરોશ યજ્ઞ' ભણાવો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૨૭, ૨૯, ૩૦, ૦૧ છે.

Lucky Dates: 27, 29, 30, 01.

Jupiter's rule till 5th October leads you towards doing religious works or charity for others. You will be of help to others. You will be able to invest money in lucrative options. You will be able to cater to the needs of your family. Those looking to tie the knot will find their life-partners. You could expect a sudden windfall. Health will improve. Pray the Sarosh Yasht daily.



Gemini - મિથુન - ક.છ.ધ.

હાલમાં બુધની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી મહેનત ઓછી અને ધન વધુ કમાઈ શકશો. તમારા કામમાં પર વધુ ધ્યાન આપશો. કોઈને ઉદ્યાર પૈસા આપેલા હશે તો પાછા મેળવી શકશો. લાંબા સમયના પ્લાન બનાવશો. નવા મિત્રો તરફથી કામ મેળવશો. ધનલાભ મેળવવા દરરોજ 'મહેર નીઆએશ' ભણાવો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૨૬, ૨૭, ૨૯, ૦૨ છે.

Lucky Dates: 26, 27, 29, 02.

You will be able to earn more with minimal effort in this phase ruled by Mercury. You will focus on your benefits. You will be able to retrieve your loans. You are advised to make long term plans. You will gain from your new friends. For prosperity, pray the Meher Nyaish daily.



Virgo - કન્યા - પ.હ.ણ.

દૈત્રી ઓક્ટોબર સુધી સુર્યની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી સરકારી કામોથી દૂર રહેજો. કોઈપણ જાતના સહીસિકકાના કે કોર્ટના કામ કરતા નહીં. વડીલવર્ગ સાથે નાની બાબતમાં મતભેદ પડશે. બધાં કામ કરતા હશે ત્યાં તમારી પીઠ પાછળ તમારી બુરાઈ કરનાર વ્યક્તિથી સંભાળજો. સુર્યના તાપને ઓછો કરવા દરરોજ ૯૬મું નામ 'યા રયોમંદ' ૧૦૧ વાર ભણાવો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૨૮, ૨૯, ૩૦, ૧ છે.

Lucky Dates: 28, 29, 30, 1.

The Sun's rule till 6th October suggests you avoid doing any government-related work. Also avoid any court-related work or that which calls for signing important documents. You could have squabbles with your elders over petty matters. Beware of back-stabbers at your workplace. Pray the 96th Name, 'Ya Rayomand', 101 times, daily.



Sagittarius - ધન - ભ.ધ.ફ.

દૈત્રી ઓક્ટોબર સુધી રાહુની દિનદશા ચાલશે. ખોટા વિચારોથી પરેશાન રહેશો. અંગત વ્યક્તિ સાથે નાની બાબતમાં મતભેદ થશે. ગામ પરગામ જવાના પ્લાન બનાવશો પણ ચાન્સ નહીં મળે. હાલમાં ઘરમાં રહેવાનું નહીં મળે. રાહુને શાંત કરવા દરરોજ 'મહાભોખ્તારની આએશ' ભણાવો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૨૭, ૨૮, ૨૯, ૩૦ છે.

Lucky Dates: 27, 28, 29, 30.

Rahu's rule till 6th October could lead to your having disturbing thoughts. You could end up arguing with a close person over a small issue. Your plans of going abroad will not come to fruition. You will not be happy staying at home. To pacify Rahu, pray the Mah Bokhtar Nyaish daily.



Pisces - મીન - દ.ચ.અ.થ.શ.

આજથી ગુરુની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી ૨૪મી નવેમ્બર સુધી તમારા અટકેલા કામ ફરી પાછા ચાલુ કરી શકશો. તમારા કામમાં જયની સાથે ધનલાભ પણ મળી જશે. શેરમાં લાંબા સમય માટેનું રોકાણ કરજો. ઘરવાળાની તબિયતમાં સુધારો થશે. આજથી દરરોજ 'સરોશ યજ્ઞ' ભણાવો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૨૬, ૨૭, ૨૮, ૦૨ છે.

Lucky Dates: 26, 27, 28, 02.

With Jupiter's rule starting today till 24th November, you will be able to restart your stalled projects. You will receive recognition and prosperity in your work. You are suggested to consider investing in long-term shares. The health of family members will improve. Starting today, pray the Sarosh Yasht daily.

એક નજર પારસી મરણો ઉપર

Deceased મરનાર	Age વય	Date તારીખ	Address ર. કે.	Relations સગર્ભાઓ
Gulnar Shahrookh Tafti ગુલનાર શાહરૂખ તાફ્ટી	65 ૬૫	17-09-2020	17/A/04, Rustom Baug, Sant Savta Marg, Byculla, Mumbai 27. ૧૭/એ/૦૪ રુસ્તમ બાગ, સંત સાવતા માર્ગ, ભાયખવા, મુંબઈ ૨૭.	તે મરુદમો જર તથા બરબોર મિસ્ત્રીના દીકરી તે શાહરૂખ કેમશરૂ તાફ્ટીના ઘણીયાણી તે આઈશા ને જીનેયાના માતાજી તે નરી, રોની, જહાંગીર મિસ્ત્રીના બહેન તે કાવસ મિસ્ત્રી, ઝેરોફી, કાઈલ ને કાપરા દેબુ, લીયામ, લીયાલ મિસ્ત્રીના આન્ટી તે પાશીન રુસ્તમ શેઠાના સાસુજી તે મરુદમો કેટી કેકી તાફ્ટી તથા કેકી જહાંગીર તાફ્ટીના વલુ તે જીની, આરમયતી, ફીરદોશ, પરસીસ, જહાંગીર, દાનેશ, ફીરોઝા, શહેરનાઝ ને સરોશના ઈનલો.
Arnavaz Keki Amroliya અરનવાઝ કેકી અમરોલીયા	80 ૮૦	17-09-2020	Flat No.15, Tata Building, Dhanbai Wadi, Dadabhai Road, Ville Parle (W), Mumbai 56. ફ્લેટ નં. ૧૫, ટાટા બિલ્ડિંગ, ધનબાઈ વાડી, દાદાભાઈ રોડ, વિલેપારલે (વે.), મુંબઈ ૫૬.	તે કેકી અરનવાઝ અમરોલીયાના ધન્યાની તે મરુદમ કેમશરૂ અને ગુલામાય વાચ્છાના દીકરી તે ખોરશેદ પરવેઝ તથા મરુદમ રોલીન્ટનના વાચ્છાના બહેન તે બીનાઈફર, અનાહિતાના માસી તે કયોમઝ, અરનાઝ હોમયાર અને દેવઝીનના કુઈ.
Hutoxi Viraf Kanga હુતોક્ષી વીરાફ કાંગા	66 ૬૬	18-09-2020	P/20, Godrej Baug, Off Nepeansea Road, Mumbai 26. ગોદ્રેજ બાગ, પી બ્લોક, ફ્લેટ નં. ૨૦, ઓફ નેપીયન્સી રોડ, મુંબઈ ૨૬.	તે મરુદમો સુના તથા ફીરોઝ તબેલાવાલાના દીકરી તે વીરાફ ફ્લી કાંગાના ઘણીયાણી તે બેઝાદ ને રૂશાદના માતાજી તે શક્લાલી બેઝાદ કાંગા ને નતાશા એરવડ રૂશાદ કાંગાના સાસુજી તે મરુદમ સીલ્વુ તથા ફ્લી કાંગાના વલુ તે ઝારા ને જીદાન ને અમાઈરાના બપઈજી તે મહેર અસ્પી દોરાબજી તથા મરુદમ રોલીન્ટન તબેલાવાલાના બહેન તે આલુ રોલીન્ટન તબેલાવાલાના નણંદ તે અસ્પી દોરાબજી ના સાલી તે મરુદમો અરનાઝ તથા મસુદ, મનશુર ને પરવીન તથા ફરોખ દોટીવાલાના વહેવાણ તે રુસ્તમ આસ્પી દોરાબીના માસી તે રામયા ને નાશા તબેલાવાલાના કુઈજી.
Dady Bapuji Lam દાદી બાપુજી લામ	87 ૮૭	19-09-2020	2 A, Mazda Mansion, Bhulabhai Desai Road, Mumbai 26. ૨એ, મઝદા મેન્સન, ભુલાભાઈ દેસાઈ રોડ, મુંબઈ ૨૬.	તે ફેની દાદી લામના ખાવિંદ તે મહાશરૂખ સોરાબ પાન્ડે તથા ફરઝાન દીદી લામના બાવાજી તે મરુદમો પીરોબજી તથા બાપુજી દાદાભાઈ લામના દીકરા તે સોરાબ મીનુ પાન્ડેના સસરાજી તે ઝેન તથા જુબીન પાન્ડેના મમાવાજી તે મરુદમો ગુલબાઈ તથા બરબોરજી ૨. ઘડીયાલીના જમાઈ.
Roshan Viraf Dodhi રોશન વીરાફ દોધી	85 ૮૫	19-09-2020	Greenfields, 5Th Floor, 134, M. Karve Road, Marine Lines, Mumbai 20. ગ્રીન ફીલ્ડ્સ, ૫મે માળે, ૧૩૪, એમ. કારવે રોડ, મરીન લાઈન્સ, મુંબઈ ૨૦.	તે ફીરદોશ ને આરઝાનના મંમા તે રુસ્તમ ને બનઘનાના સાસુજી તે ઝારા ને રીયાના મમઈજી તે ફિરોઝાના બપઈજી.
Adi Nariman Mogrelia અદી નરીમાન મોગરેલીયા	78 ૭૮	20-09-2020	N-29, Navroze Baug, Lalbaug, Parel, Mumbai 12. એન- ૨૯, નવરોઝ બાગ, લાલબાગ, પરેલ, મુંબઈ ૧૨.	તે મરુદમો સુનામાય તથા નરીમાન અરદેશર મોગરેલીયાના દીકરા તે કેટી અદી મોગરેલીયાના ખાવિંદ તે મરઝબાન અદી મોગરેલીયાના બાવાજી તે કુમુદીની મરઝબાન મોગરેલીયાના સસરાજી તે મરુદમો રતામાય તથા પીરોબજી કુંવરજી કોન્ટ્રેક્ટરના જમાઈ તે ફરોખ કોન્ટ્રેક્ટરના બનેવી.
Faram Dinshaw Balsara ફરામ દીનશાહ બલસારા	78 ૭૮	21-09-2020	Flat No.5, Plot No.124, Kalakung Apt., Shiv Ganga Nagar, Ambernath, Thane (East) 421 501. ફ્લેટ નં. ૫, પ્લોટ નં. ૧૨૪, કલા કુંજ અપાર્ટ., શિવ ગંગા નગર, અમ્બરનાથ (ઈ.), થાણે ૪૨૧૫૦૧.	તે મરુદમો શેહરા તથા દીનશાહ માનેકજી બલસારાના દીકરા તે કમલ ફરામ બલસારાના ખાવિંદ તે રુસ્તમ, સામ, ફીરોઝ ને સીલ્વુ શાહરૂખ એન્જનીયરના બાવાજી તે આરમેતી ફીરોઝ બલસારા, રેમીતા સામ બલસારા ને શાહરૂખ મીનુ એન્જનીયરના સસરા જીયશ, નારીયશ ને માયશાના ગ્રેન્ડ ફાધર તે નરીમાન, કાવસ તથા મરુદમો પરવીન, બાનુ જહાંગીરના ભાઈ તે શેરઝાદ નરીમાન બલસારાના કાકા તે પરવીન મીનુ એન્જનીયરના વહેવાઈ.
Freny Faramroze Bhadha ફેની ફરામરોઝ ભાદ્યા	87 ૮૭	22-09-2020	307/308, Building No.3/B, Salsette Parsi Colony, Pump House, Andheri (E), Mumbai 93. સોલસેટ પારસી કો. ઓપ. હા. સો., બિલ્ડિંગ ૩-બી, ફ્લેટ ૩૦૭/ ૩૦૮, ઓફ જીજીમાતા રોડ, પમ્પ હાઉસ, અંધેરી (ઈ.), મુંબઈ ૯૩	તે મરુદમો માનેકબાઈ તથા એરય કોઠાવાલાના દીકરી. તે મરુદમ ફરામરોઝ રતનજી ભાદ્યાના વિધવા તે કેશમીરા મેલ્લવી બામ ને જરોઝ ગીલ્ડરના માતાજી તે આવાં દીન્યાર ગીલ્ડર, દાનેશ મેલ્લવી બામ ને રયોમંદ મેલ્લવી બામના ગ્રેન્ડ મધર તે આલુ કેરસી પાત્રાવાલા તથા મરુદમ દાલુ એરય કાથાવાલાના બહેન. તે મરુદમો જરબાઈ તથા રતનજી ભાદ્યાના વલુ.
Freny Dinshaw Katgara ફેની દીનશાહ કાતગરા	88 ૮૮	22-09-2020	347 A, United Chambers, M. S. Ali Road, Grant Road (E), Mumbai 7. ૩૪૭-એ, યુનાઈટેડ ચેમ્બર્સ, એમ. એસ. અલી રોડ, ગ્રાન્ટ રોડ (ઈ.), મુંબઈ ૭.	તે મરુદમો બાનુબાઈ તથા રતનશા કુપરના દીકરી તે મરુદમ દીનશાહજી જહાંગીરજી કાતગરાના વિધવા તે ફીરદોશ ને હુતોક્ષીના માતાજી તે અનોશના મમઈજી તે કેઝાદ ને અનાઈતાના બપઈજી તે મહેર ફીરદોશ કાતગરાના સાસુજી તે મરુદમો હીરાબાઈ તથા જહાંગીરજી કાતગરાના વલુ.
Aspi Maneckshaw Daruwala અસ્પી માનેકશા દારુવાલા	78 ૭૮	21-09-2020	G - 104, Akruti Orchid Park, A.k. Road Sakinaka Andheri E (E) Mumbai 72. જી-૧૦૪, આક્રુતી ઓરકીદ, એ. કે. રોડ, સાકીનાકા, અંધેરી (ઈ), મુંબઈ ૭૨.	તે નવાઝના ઘણી તે મરુદમો જરબાનુ માનેકશા દારુવાલાના દીકરા તે આફતાબ, આફરીન, ફરહાદના પપા તે મરુદમો ઓસતી બાનુ તથા એરવદ દારબશા કરકરીયાના જમાઈ તે રોશન ફિરોઝ કાતરક ને જીનોબીયા માનેક દારુવાલાના ભાઈ.
Kersi Ratanshah Nariman કેરસી રતનશા નરીમાન	77 ૭૭	22-09-2020	5 S.i. Emps Hill View C.h.s. Road Ltd, 1st Floor, Shantawadi, Near Bombay Bazar, Andheri Mumbai 58. ૫, એસ. બી. આઈ., એમપસ હીલ વ્યુ કો. હા. સોસાયટી, શાન્તાવાડી, બોમ્બે બઝાર આગળ, અંધેરી (વેસ્ટ), મુંબઈ ૫૮.	તે મરુદમ દોલી કેરસી નરીમાનના ખાવિંદ તે એરવદ જુબીન કેરસી નરીમાન, દીલનાઝ બરજીસ મોહતા તથા એરવદ કેયઝાદ કેરસી નરીમાનના બાવાજી તે મરુદમો નાજમાય તથા રતનશા ફરામરોઝ નરીમાનના દીકરા તે બરજીસ નાદીર મોહતા તથા અનાહીતા કેયઝાદ નરીમાનના સસરાજી તે અનાયશા બરજીસ મોહતાના મમાવાજી તે દારયન કેયઝાદ નરીમાનના બપાવાજી તે મરુદમો મનીઝે તથા અરદેશીરજી હ. હોરમસજીના જમાઈ તે રોશન અસ્પી નરીમાન, માહરૂખ અને હુફરીઝના દીયર તે દારા, હોમી, હોશી, બેપસી હ. કરનાક, અરનાવાઝ દારા હોરમસજી તથા મરુદમો અસ્પી, ફલુ તથા નરગીશ બેહરામ બાલડાવાલાના ભાઈ તે સાયરસ, ખુશરૂ, રૂશાદ તથા અરનાઝના કાકાજી તે મહેર, પરીઝાદ, જીનોબ્યા, માણેક, ફરઝાદ તથા યઝદના મામાજી તે આફીન, આફતાબ, બેન્યાઝ તથા હોમ્યાર ના અંકલ તે પરવીન તથા રૂમી વકીલ, કેશમીરા તથા જમી હોરમસજી અને અરનાવાઝ તથા દારા હોરમસજીના બનેવી.
Nergish Eruchshaw Mehta નરગીસ એરયશા મહેતા	86 ૮૬	23-09-2020	Sonawala Building, Proctor Road Grant Road Mumbai 7. સોનાવાલા બિલ્ડિંગ, ૨જે માળે, ગ્રાન્ટ રોડ, મુંબઈ ૭.	તે મરુદમો હીદ્યા એરયશા મહેતાના દીકરી તે રતીના તથા મરુદમ ધન, ફીલ, સીદ્યા, કુમીના બહેન.
Bakhtavar Adi Bhesania બખ્તાવર અદી ભેસાન્યા	81 ૮૧	23-09-2020	T- 29, 4Th Floor, Godrej Baug Of Nepeansea Road, Mumbai 26. ટી-૨૯, ૪થે માળે, ગોદ્રેજ બાગ, ઓફ નેપીયન્સી રોડ, મુંબઈ ૨૬.	તે અદી પદમજી ભેસાન્યાના ધનીયાની તે આદીલ અદી ભેસાન્યાના માતાજી. તે મરુદમો ખોરશેદ તથા ફરેદુન ભંડારીના દીકરી. તે નરગીશ રૂસી કાટગરા, શ્રીદી મીનુ પાવરી તથા મરુદમ હોશંગ ફરેદુન ભંડારીના બહેન તે કમલ કેરમાન ફામના, કેરબાન રૂસી કાટગરા, ફઝાન હોશંગ ભંડારી તથા ઝકસીસ હોશંગ ભંડારીના આન્ટી. તે મરુદમો શીરીન તથા પદમજી ભેસાન્યાના વલુ તે આબાન હોશંગ ભંડારીના નણંદ તે મીનુ અ. પાવરી તથા મરુદમ રૂસી કાટગરાના સાલીજી તે કેરસી પદમજી ભેસાન્યા તથા મરુદમ ફેની ફિરોઝ દોરાબશાના ભાભી.
Freny Dara Gonda ફેની દારા ગોંડા	78 ૭૮	24-09-2020	201, Fair Heaven, Lallubhai Park Road, Andheri (West) Mumbai 58. ૨૦૧, ફેર હેવન, લલ્લુભાઈ પારક રોડ, અંધેરી (વે), મુંબઈ ૫૮.	તે મરુદમો શેહરા તથા બેહરામ રાંદેરીયાના દીકરી તે ઝરીન પરવેઝ ખાનના માતાજી. તે મરુદમ દારા પેસતનજી ગોંડાના વિધવા. તે પરવેઝ ખાનના સાસુજી. તે જમશેદ અને સુઝેનના મમઈજી. તે મરુદમો બયુબઈ તથા પેસતનજી ગોંડાના વલુ તે જલુ અને અદી રાંદેરીયાના બહેન તે શાહરૂખ અને ખોરશેદના કઝીન.

એક નજર પારસી મરણો ઉપર

Deceased મરનાર	Age વય	Date તારીખ	Address ર. ઠે.	Relations સગાઈઓ
Jeannie Ratan Hodiwalla જીની રતન હોડીવાલા	88 ૮૮	23.09.2020	784 A, Ground Floor, Mancherji Joshi Road, Parsi Colony, Dadar, Mumbai. ૭૮૪ એ, ગ્રાઉન્ડ ફ્લોર, પારસી કોલોની, દાદર, મુંબઈ.	તે મરુમ રતન હોડીવાલાના ઘણીયાણી તે મરુમ જીમી અને ફીલુ ડ્રાઈવરના બહેન તે પરસી અને હુતોક્ષી ડ્રાઈવરના આન્ટ તે કારમીન, માલકમ ડ્રાઈવર, ડાયના ડ્રાઈવર, જેહાન કુપરના ગ્રાન્ડ આન્ટ.

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Dinaz Gustadji Patel દિનાઝ ગુસ્તાદજી પટેલ	77 ૭૭	16.09.2020	Sir Ratan Tata Building No.3, Flat No. 3, Tata Blocks, S. V. Road, Bandra (West) Mumbai 50. સર રતન તાતા બિલ્ડિંગ નં. ૩, ફ્લેટ નં. ૩, તાતા બ્લોકસ, એસવી રોડ, બાન્દરા વેસ્ટ, મુંબઈ ૫૦.	તે ગુલબાઈ અને ફરેદુન પાતરાવાલાના દીકરી તે મરુમ ગુસ્તાદજી (ગુડી) ભીખાજી પટેલના ઘણીયાણી તે મહેરીયાર પટેલ અને તનાઝ કોન્ટ્રાક્ટરના મમ્મી તે રોલિન્ટન કોન્ટ્રાક્ટર અને નાઝનીન પટેલના સાસુજી તે બીનાક્ષા, જમશીદ, રેહાનના ગ્રાન્ડમધર.
Rusi Nusserwanji Dubash રૂસી નશરવાનજી દુબાશ	93 ૯૩	18.09.2020	2-48, Karai Estate Building, 5th Floor, Tardeo Road, Mumbai 7. ૨-૪૮ કરાય એસ્ટેટ બિલ્ડિંગ, ૫મે માળે, તારદેવ રોડ, મુંબઈ ૭.	તે મરુમ ખોરશેદના ઘણી તે મરુમ આલામાય અને નશરવાનજીના દીકરા તે ફેડીના પપ્પા તે મરુમ જીજી, મીનુ, બાનુ અને પીલુ અને મનીના ભાઈ તે રોકાન અને જુબીનના ગ્રાન્ડ ફાધર.
Shahzad Rumi Beramji શાહઝાદ રૂમી બેરામજી	38 ૩૮	20.09.2020	301, Moru Mahal, Dr. Ambedkar Road, Bandra West, Mumbai 50. ૩૦૧, મોરૂ મહાલ, ડો. આંબેડકર રોડ, બાન્દરા, વેસ્ટ, મુંબઈ ૫૦.	તે યાસ્મીન અને રૂમીના દીકરા તે પ્રિયંકાના ઘણી તે રૂબી અને હોમી પારડીવાલાના જમાઈ.
Firoz Jamshedji Mehta ફિરોઝ જમશેદજી મહેતા	92 ૯૨	21.09.2020	Flat-4, Block 6, Bradys Flat, Sahrab Bharucha Road, Colaba, Mumbai 5. ફ્લેટ ૪, બ્લોક ૬, બ્રેડીસ ફ્લેટ, સોહરાબ ભરૂચા રોડ, કોલાબા, મુંબઈ ૫.	તે મરુમ ફેની અને મરુમ જમશેદજીના દીકરા તે ફેનીના ઘણી તે અનાઈતા, નીના, શાહરૂખના પપ્પા તે કેરસી, કેકી, નીનાના સસરા તે નેવિલ, ઝર્કસીસ, સાયરસ, ક્યાન, કાર્લ, સનાયા, શોનના ગ્રાન્ડ ફાધર તે મરુમ ગુલુ, મીનુ, જર, જાલના ભાઈ.
Baji Rustomji Tavadia બજી રૂસ્તમજી તવડિયા	81 ૮૧	23.09.2020	12, Tata Building, Dhunbaiwadi, Dadabhai Road, Vileparle West, Mumbai 56. ૧૨, તાતા બિલ્ડિંગ, ધનબાઈ વાડી, દાદાભાઈ રોડ, વિલેપાર્લે વેસ્ટ, મુંબઈ ૫૬.	તે મરુમ રૂસ્તમજી અને લિલામાયના દીકરા તે ઝરીનના ઘણી તે ઝીનોબ્યા નેવિલ એદલકાકા, પર્લ આસિફ શેઠના પપ્પા તે મરુમ કેરસી, મરુમ મીનુ, મરુમ શેહનાઝના ભાઈ તે નેવિલ અને આસિફના સસરાજી તે જેસાન, ઝારા, ઝૈનના ગ્રાન્ડફાધર.

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Farzaan B. Italia ફરઝાન બી. ઈટાલ્યા	38 ૩૮	11.03.2020	Sapur Baug, Chaper Road, Secunderabad. શાપુર બાગ, ચેપર રોડ, સિકન્દરાબાદ.	બોમી જે. ઈટાલ્યા તથા દીલનવાઝ બી. ઈટાલ્યાના દીકરા તે બેરાઝ ઈટાલ્યાના ભાઈ
Boman Maneckji Mirza બોમન માણેકજી મીરઝા	93 ૯૩	17.03.2020	Secunderabad. સિકન્દરાબાદ.	તે મરુમ સુના બી. મીરઝાના ઘણી.
Feroze H. Bhathena ફિરોઝ એચ. ભાઠેના	69 ૬૯	05.06.2020	Bapu Baug, Secunderabad. સિકન્દરાબાદ	તે હોમી પી. ભાઠેના તથા પેરીન એચ. ભાઠેનાના દીકરા તે ડો. મહેરનોશ એચ. ભાઠેના, મરુમ શાપુર, નવઝરના ભાઈ.
Ervad Rusi Dastoor એરવદ રૂસી દસ્તુર	65 ૬૫	14.06.2020	Saroor Nagar, Hyderabad. શરૂર નગર, હૈદરાબાદ.	તે મરુમ એરવદ તેલમુરસ અને મરુમ ખોરશેદ દસ્તુરના દીકરા તે મીનુ, રતિ, ઝરીનના ભાઈ
Ardeshir Minocher Vatcha અરદેશીર મીનોચેર વાચ્છા	82 ૮૨	21.06.2020	Secunderabad. સિકન્દરાબાદ	તે મરુમ કેપુશરૂ અને મરુમ જમશેદના ભાઈ તે મઝદયાર અને ફિરોઝા વાચ્છાના અંકલ.
Kerfegar Minoo Siganporia કેરફેગર મીનુ સીગનપોરીયા	42 ૪૨	04.08.2020	Rasool Pura, Secunderabad. રસુલપુરા, સિકન્દરાબાદ.	તે ફરીદા અને મીનુ સીગનપોરીયાના દીકરા તે ખોરેમદદ સીગનપોરીયાનાભાઈ તે મરુમ ધનમાય અને મરુમ મહેરવાનજી સીગનપોરીયા, મરુમ દીનામાય અને મરુમ શાવકશા ઈચ્છાપોરીયાના ગ્રાન્ડસન તે આબાન શાવકશા ઈચ્છાપોરીયા, આરમીન ફરોખ ભાઠેના, ખુરશીદ ખુશરૂ બોમનજી, અસ્પી મેરવાનજી સિગનપોરીયાના નેફ્યુ તે સનાયા કેઝાદ, ડેલના અને અરશાનના કઝીન.
Minoo Madon મીનુ માદન	81 ૮૧	14.08.2020	Los Angeles USA. લોસ એન્જેલસ, યુએસએ	તે એરવદ બોમન અને એમી માદનના દીકરા તે બહેરામ, માનેક, પરસીસના ભાઈ.

Death Announcements from Nagpur

Rusi Hormusji Godha રૂસી હોરમસજી ગોધા	85 ૮૫	21.09.2020	Chitnavis Block, Masaba Lane, Nagpur 440018. ચીટનવીસ બ્લોક, મસોબા લેન, નાગપુર ૪૪૦૦૧૮.	તે જરૂના ખાવિંદ તે કેરબાન શર્મા ને હોમીયારના બાવાજી તે મરુમો શીરીનબાઈ તથા હોરમસજી ગોધાના દીકરા તે મરુમો નરગેશ તથા દિનશાહજી વરિયાવાના જમાઈ તે સંજીવ શર્મા ને જેસમીન ગોધાના સસરાજી તે ટીના, અમન ને મરઝીશના ગ્રાન્ડફાધર.
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Death Announcements from Solapur Parsi Anjuman

Osta Jehangir Faramroze Dhabar ઓસ્તા જહાંગીર ફરામરોઝ ધાભર	74 ૭૪	11.05.2020	03, Vijay Apartment, 88, Railway Line, Solapur 413001. ૦૩, વિજય અપાર્ટમેન્ટ, ૮૮, રેલવે લાઈન, સોલાપુર ૪૧૩૦૦૧.	તે મરુમ શીરીનમાય ફરામરોઝ ધાભર તથા એરવદ ફરામરોઝ રૂસ્તમજી ધાભરના દીકરા તે આલુ તથા રોશનના ભાઈ તે મરુમ મેહરૂ નોશીર મીસ્ત્રી, મરુમ ધનમાય મીનુ પ્રીન્ટરના ભાઈ તે મરુમ એરવદ ફિરોઝ, મરુમ રૂસી, મરુમ પરવેઝના ભાઈ તે નરગીસ રોલીન દાડવાલા, આરમઈતી ફરોખ શ્રોફ, આદીલ મીનુ પ્રીન્ટર, નવરોઝ મીનુ પ્રીન્ટરના મામાજી તે એરવદ સાયરસ ફિરોઝ ધાભર, એરવદ નેવીલ ફિરોજ ધાભર, ઝવેર ને અનાહીતાના કાકાજી તે સરોશ રોલીન દાડવાલા, ઝરીન ફરોખ શ્રોફના મામાજી તે મીનાઈશ, આફતાબ, જેહાન, ટીઆનાના કાકાજી તે
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Death Announcements from Poona Parsee Panchayat

Dinyar Dorabji Sadri દીનીયાર દોરાબજી સદરી	72 ૭૨	17.09.2020	20, C Mody Colony, Pune 1. ૨૦, સી મોદી કોલોની, સીનેગોજ સ્ટ્રીટ, પુના ૧.	મીથામાય દોરાબજી સદરી ને દોરાબજી શાપુરજી સદરીના દીકરા તે બકતાવર તંબોલી, યાસમીન કોલાલના ભાઈ તે સાયરસ તંબોલી, મ. ઝર્કશીશ કોલાલના સાલા તે યઝદાન, અદી, પોરસના મામાજી તે આરેશના મોટા મામાજી.
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Do You Have The 'Guts' To Good Health?



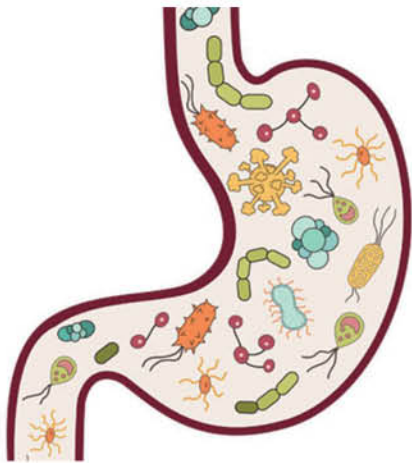
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Water Pickles and Parsi delicacy, 'Sandhras', will certainly not be the first examples that jump to mind when you think of healthy eating, but a growing body of research shows that a diet that includes a regular intake of fermented foods, bring in a host of health benefits. Doctors these days recommend people to consume more of fermented foods containing high amounts of probiotics, which has always been an integral part of our 'desi' food culture and also very helpful to keep our digestive and the immune system robust.

Fermented foods have been produced, as per the knowledge passed down the generations, with little understanding of the potential role of the microorganism involved in the process. While research into the health



benefits of fermented foods is relatively new, the process of fermentation has long been used to help foods last longer and keep them from spoiling. Most societies worldwide have included fermented foods as part of their diet. One of the earliest forms of food preservation, fermentation can extend the usability of any food for months. For example, if you leave any vegetable unattended for a few days, it'll spoil, but if you ferment it into a pickle, it will last for months.

Fermented foods are obtained through the action of microorganisms, namely bacteria, yeasts, and mycelial fungi, and their enzymes, in a process referred to

as 'fermentation'. Microorganisms may be indigenously present on the substrate (surface), or added as a starter culture, or they may be present in or on the ingredients and utensils, or in the environment. Basically, a suitable substrate, appropriate microorganisms and environmental conditions (temperature, pH, and moisture) must coexist to enable food fermentation.

In addition to helping food last longer, fermentation also enhances the taste of foods, with bettered flavour and texture. It changes the biochemistry, adding nutrients. For eg., fermented vegetables provide vitamin B12 and other important B group vitamins.

But, one of the biggest benefits of fermented foods comes from probiotics. Recent research shows that the type of gut bacteria in our bodies is changing. One reason is that the microbiomes in our bodies aren't being regularly replenished (as was the case with previous generations) due to changes in our eating habits - particularly processed foods, and because of 'better' hygiene, which cuts down on the number of microbes that people should be exposed to naturally, through soil. In addition, antibiotics and pesticides used widely, delete the beneficial organisms as collateral damage.

This change in the number of gut microbes may create an imbalance between beneficial and harmful gut bacteria, leading to numerous health issues. When the digestive tract has an unhealthy mix of organisms, it leads to weakening of the intestine-walls, which start to leak their contents into the bloodstream - a condition referred to as the

'Leaky Gut Syndrome'. Chronic exposure to these leaked substances has been linked to a host of health problems, including asthma, eczema, schizophrenia and Alzheimer's disease. **Fermented foods fortify the gut microbiome, creating a healthier mix of microbes and strengthening the walls of the intestines to keep them from leaking.**

Consuming probiotics (like those found in fermented foods) from early childhood, helps train the immune system to tolerate and cooperate with a diverse, beneficial microbiome. After the first few months and years of life, a person's microbe population is relatively stable, but adults who eat fermented foods regularly can still reap benefits.

However, please note that not all fermented foods are created equal. For instance, although cheese is a fermented product, it's not known to bring the same health benefits as curd. The difference is live microbes - curd has them, cheese typically doesn't. But then again, although high in probiotics, curd from animal milk contains milk proteins and thus will still carry the ill-effects of dairy. So, I would suggest curd and curd-based preparations like 'Chaas' to be made only from plant-based milk such as soy, coconut or other nut based milks. Although, curd preparations might be the easiest fermented food for us Indians to consume, because we're already familiar with it, I encourage people to extend their range a little bit. In addition to eating raw and

cooked vegetables, add pickled vegetables on a side with dinner or adding it to the plant-based raita or 'kachumber'.

Home-made, naturally fermented, water-based pickles are amazing for the health of your gut. They contain tons of antioxidants, vitamins and minerals, which a store-bought jar of oily pickles may not contain. My favourite is pickled turmeric tubers, which my mom prepares when fresh turmeric tubers are in season. Turmeric is a power-house in itself and its added fermentation benefits are a must have!

Idli, Dosa, Dhokla and fermented Kanji are some other common fermented dishes that even we are fond of as snacks and even main course at times, thanks to our multicultural 'Aamchi Mumbai'. I again suggest we take the effort to prepare these dishes at home with their traditional recipes rather than ready to eat packets. I am doubtful of any health benefits that preservative laden heat and eat packs would provide.

There are many fermented dishes from other Indian states that appease the Bawa palate - 'Ambali' is a finger millet or ragi-based fermented semi-liquid beverage, native to Southern India, containing high amounts of calcium and is also endothermic, meaning it cools the body and is especially beneficial during the hot Indian summers. Native to Orrisa, 'Enduripitha' is prepared during the Prathamastami festival. A fermented batter of parboiled rice and black-gram is applied onto a turmeric leaf. The leaf is then folded mid-vain and cooked gently over the steam. Not only do the turmeric leaves have beneficial antibiotic properties, but the fermentation enhances the nutritional quality of the black-gram and rice.

So, friends, do Include a variety of fermented foods that help in replenishing the microflora of your gut to keep you smiling!



Gourmet Garnish by Shiraz: How To Plan A Successful Event



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Post my last column on Menu Planning, one of the requests I received was to assist a Nonagenarian Birthday. I met the Birthday girl - the brief was a simple Sit-down, home-cooked dinner for a family of 12, using the family Monogrammed silver, glassware and Royal Doulton porcelain. The menu approved, ingredients ordered, appropriate crockery and silverware taken out from storage - and we were good to go. On D-Day, we had the tablecloth laid, florals done, placements complete, food ready, Champagne on ice - by 5:00 pm we were set and ready!

then the event will outline the costs for you! Use a spreadsheet or a piece of paper and account for every single detail that will cost you money. Ensure to break down your costs. Note the amount you plan to spend and leave a column for the amount you'll actually spend, so you can track if your budget is spiraling out of control. And leave a bit of wiggle room or reserve, for the possibility of going over budget or for unforeseeable situations.



Culinary Management is a term used loosely by most today. It is an art and a science which looks into every detail of the house operations. The two areas need to work in tandem to orchestrate a successful event. Putting together an event, no matter the size, needs meticulous planning - whether it's for ten people or a thousand! Every event is as important to me as it is to the client, my 30+ years' experience is on the line too!

When approached to oversee an event, I have a detailed questionnaire, which helps me understand in detail the event specifics and preferences of the client. The following are some important pointers to ensure a successful event:

The Budget: Remember, when you don't outline the budget for the event,

The Guest List: An idea of who's attending the event or the 'crowd mix', helps curate a successful culinary experience, especially in terms of choosing the menu as well as the theme (if one is preferred). Knowing the age profile of guests helps better planning. Also, ensure to consider dietary restrictions of guests - such as gluten

intolerance, restrict dairy, nut allergies, etc. You don't want a last-minute situation dealing with a guest's food-hypersensitivity.

The Venue: It's all about LOCATION! Before finalizing on one, find out the restrictions laid down by the owners of various properties. Two main aspects that make a venue suitable are - Ease of Accessibility and Parking Availability/ Valet Parking. Ensure to mention these details to the guests.

Planning The Menu As Per The Nature Of The Event: It is important to understand the kind of event you are catering to. These could be formal or informal, personal or professional.

- **Personal Events:** House parties, intimate dinners/lunches or other kinds of personal get-together celebrations for Birthdays,

Anniversaries etc., house-warmings, baby showers, et al call for menu planning depending on the crowd-mix and dietary preferences of the guests, in terms of cuisine; vegetarian/non-veg/vegan preferences; consumption of alcohol; the appetizer-to-main course ratio, etc.

- **Professional Events:** If it's a Board Room Luncheon, then quick, non-messy food, light on the stomach, is the order of the day, especially if it's back to the Board room post lunch! Bite-sized, finger-foods is the preference at events like product launches, press briefings, mini-workshops. Day-long seminars would need to cater to proper meals.

The Caterer: At the end of the day, the success of any event lies in the quality and taste of the food! Hence, hiring a caterer is vital to the success of the event! Here are a few points to consider - your due diligence when hiring a caterer:

- How long has the caterer been in the business.
- Feedback from people who have undertaken their service.
- Is the caterer insured and possesses the appropriate food-service licenses
- Hygiene Standards
- Flexibility in terms of requests.
- Are they operating from a proper kitchen facility or a garage?
- Quality of Service Staff
- Cancellation Policy

Food Presentation: Did you know that even before the food touches your tongue, you've already tasted it? Yes, you first eat with your eyes - visual appeal is half the battle won! Here are a few tips for you:

- Choosing the right crockery takes your presentation to the next level,

serving as the attractive backdrop to the food.

- **Use Contrasting Colors and Symmetry:** While light-colored plates make bold, vibrant colors pop, darker plates will make lighter-colored foods more visually appealing. Colorful vegetables and greens can be used as accent points.
- **Food Decoration Works Magic:** As per the dish, garnish with the right herbs, edible flowers, spices and citrus zest. Edible flowers and micro-herbs add beauty, interest and flavor to a dish.
- **Get Your Creative 'Sauces' Flowing:** In addition to adding flavour, sauces present the opportunity to be more creative in your presentation. Instead of mindlessly pouring the sauce over the dish, strategically use sauces with squeeze bottles or paintbrushes. Create accent dots along the side of the plate, or lightly drizzle the sauce over the main ingredients or then use individual sauce boats when serving certain dishes to let your guests choose.

When food is beautifully presented, your guests will be dying to try it - ensure a variety in taste, colour and texture - every dish should be well garnished and served with a smile!



Coordination Is Key: When working with multiple vendors, (for themed events, décor, catering, etc) ensure there is regular and smooth communication at all times so that everyone is on the same page. Coordination is crucial, so collectively discuss and finalize on the placement (floor-plan), layout (dishes) and timing (entry of guests, stage, music, starting the buffet, closing kitchen, etc.)

Now that you've run through your basic checklist for a successful event, you're sure to have an amazing soiree that your guests will enjoy and remember for a long time!

Parsi Embroidery: A Heritage Of Humanity – II



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All Creation is ultimately positive and helpful. It is an optimistic creed which has helped keep a very small, scattered people active across centuries and across several diasporas. This iconography comes to life in traditional Parsi embroidery. Flowers, birds and animals are celebrated as emblems of power, protection and purity. The simurgh and rooster, sacred birds give health and protection. In its long history, Chinese symbols entered these textiles and gave to them the 'Divine Fungus' which like the Turkish emblem removes the 'evil eye'.

Parsi Zoroastrians have carved a niche for themselves in the country... from leading industrialists like Ratan Tata and Godrej to an army of talented Bollywood actors, prodigal Parsis are an asset to India's culture and economy. With a population of less than 55,000 Parsi/Irani Zoroastrians in India, our lip-smacking food, peculiar surnames, stellar Bollywood movies, acting skills and the sweet mentions - from 'dikra' to 'gadhera' - are a part of India's popular culture, but our expertise and contribution to the fashion world is lesser known... more specifically, the Art of Parsi Embroidery. Parsi Times is delighted to present the second part of the Feature Series - 'Parsi Embroidery: A Heritage Of Humanity' - a labour of love and much research, by Dr. Shernaz Cama, the Director of the UNESCO Parzor Project for the Preservation and Promotion of Parsi Zoroastrian Culture and Heritage, sharing the vibrant history of Parsi embroidery.



Jhablas or tunics were worn particularly by children. The bright red jhabla combines two protective symbols: the rooster and the Chinese Divine Fungus, while this archival photo shows roosters and butterflies, symbols of protection and love for a child.



Red roses, Simurghs & foliage from a Persian garden are seen in this Parzor Sari fully hand embroidered.

It was in the Tang and Song dynasties that this Persian love of nature, mingled with the skill of the embroidery schools of China across the Silk Route. In this early stage of intercultural amalgam, the *Khakho* or seed pearl stitch developed, which has minute work like the Pekin knot. This *khakho* or 'forbidden' stitch, is a lost stitch, no longer practiced. It did result in women losing their eyesight and hence its name.



This Jhabla or tunic has an inter-crossing simurgh, the Persian bird of blessing as its pattern. It is richly embroidered and includes peacocks from the Indian tradition, along with floral designs from Persia.

In the Zoroastrian Text of Creation, each day is dedicated to an angel, symbolized by a flower. So, the red 100-petalled rose stands for Din - Angel of Religion; the Marigold for Atar - Angel of Fire; the white Jasmine for Vohu Manah - The Good Mind.



This Khakho stitch kor (border) was embroidered by Gulan Billimoria in the 1960s. She did beautiful embroidery but lost her eye-sight towards the end of her life.



Parvez Chinoy displays true multiculturalism: A European diamond necklace with the motto of Zoroastrianism, an Indian Sari with roosters sacred to the Parsi tradition & Chinese stitches.



Ava Yazata, Angel of Water, is depicted in this Parsi kor or sari border with the Water Lily, her representative flower.

The China connection with Persia was an overland trade link; this would change into a sea trade link with the later Indian Parsis. The first Parsi set sail for China in 1756. For almost 200 years, Parsi traders prospered, trading at Canton, Macao, Hong Kong and Shanghai. The Chinese had begun exporting their superb embroidery to Europe as early as the 13th century AD. Legend has it that a Parsi trader in Canton, watching craftsmen embroider a rich textile, requested them to embroider 6 yards of silk as a sari for his wife in India. These pieces often carried Taoist and Buddhist symbolism of protection such as the Divine Fungus, because embroidery in China was a sacred art.

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