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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

'Smart Community' – The Need Of The Hour!

Dear Readers,

We live in a world inundated with smartness! We have Smart-Phones, Smart-TVs, Smart-Cars, Smart Watches.... Heck! We even have entire Smart-Homes! What we don't have, ironically, is a corresponding level of Smart People!

Allow me to explain my smarting observation... a Smart device is a gizmo which is able to 'connect, share and interact with its user and other smart devices'. It has the power to 'compute'. While most of us are also able to 'connect' with others, the information we end up 'sharing and interacting' about, isn't always accurate... oftentimes far from it. This is because of our increasing dependency on social media platforms and 'forwards' for news, combined with our staunch reluctance to verify its source or its authenticity. Our resultant 'computations' - thus based on misperceptions and misinformation - all born of our smart devices, make us look like smart-asses!

Without going into detail, let me emphasize the need for us to be smarter than that - as a nation and as a community... be it (for now) about resolutely following the norms of wearing masks and social distancing, amidst another potential State lockdown due to rising covid cases; or then, the community's oncoming BPP elections.

A 'Smart Community', more than ever, is the need of the hour. Donning your smart cap now, could very much save your lives and the wellbeing of the community!

Have a good weekend!

- Anahita  
anahita@parsi-times.com

Meatifying Online Commerce

Founded in 2015, FreshToHome Bengaluru-based FreshToHome is a start-up that has a presence across the supply chain, right from directly procuring from the fishermen and farmers, to last-mile delivery for the end customer.



Shan Kadavil is a multi-talented man. From being one of the founding members at Zynga (of Farmville fame) to now running an ecommerce company for fresh seafood and meat, he has worked for and managed companies in varying domains. He chanced upon the idea of building FreshToHome when Mathew Joseph - a large fish exporter who had his own ecommerce venture and admittedly Kadavil's favorite when it came to buying seafood - faced some financial issues with his business.

"The key differentiator between us and any other competitors is the level of backward integration that we have done, and we believe we are the largest today in this segment, doing over a million orders per month," says Kadavil, who believes that the company's offering of quality, chemical-free produce combined with reasonable mass-market pricing, has allowed them to scale faster than those serving a niche consumer segment.

Considering the number of coasts and harbors

in India, it was challenging to solve the market fragmentation. Says Kadavil, "So, we gave an App to the fishermen which allowed them to actually trade with pictures; we have an US patent on this technology, it uses AI/ML in the backend." Using this platform, the company is able to cut out the middlemen and increase the income for the source fishermen. Apart from sourcing, the company has built an entire infrastructure of trucks, cold chain, collection centers and employs over 2,000 people.

For freshwater fish, the company has its own cooperative farming. It finances small farmers and fishermen, providing technology and feed. This has been immensely helpful as the network doesn't get affected by supply chain variances. "Similarly, we have also set up poultry supply chains, we have our own birds; we work with farmers, give them day-old chicks and then do a buyback," shares Kadavil.

The biggest challenge for them and other such players is consumer behavior. "From a hygiene perspective, wet markets are really poor, and despite that, Indian consumers equate these with quality. Essentially, the consumer education of moving people online from offline, is really our biggest challenge," he says. FreshToHome combats this by providing numerous certifications for its products. There are quality checks done at

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Workshop On How To Write Jokes & More By Stand-Up Comic – Kajol Srinivasan!

Don't miss out on this fun workshop titled, 'Yes! You Can Make It FUNNY!', by one of Mumbai's leading stand-up comics - Kajol Srinivasan! Be it a joke, an article, a presentation or simply social media posts. The 1.5 hour long workshop starts with a short, warm-up exercise, followed by writing and performing your own joke! You will also learn to apply technique to things non-comedy related to aspects (eg. Reports, Presentations, etc) and make these engaging.

No prior experience in writing necessary. This is a safe, non-judgemental space for you to experiment. Come prepared to write!

The workshop is conducted by Kajol Srinivasan (Lolrakshak on Twitter). She is a stand-up comedian who has been performing for the last four years and will share writing techniques that she finds helpful. This is the first in a series of workshops soon to be announced.

[Log in: <https://insider.in/yes-you-can-make-it-funny-feb21-2021/event>]

multiple levels, right from when the produce is being procured to the processing centers.

Profitable in locations where the business is mature, which includes Bengaluru, Mumbai, Chennai, Kerala and

Delhi, the company has major expansion plans in place. It plans to become operational in other major cities like Kolkata and Hyderabad over the next year and launch new product lines such as sausages and burgers.

## Saturday Thought

“Direction matters more than speed.”

- Shane Parrish



## Religious Announcements

### Godiwalla Agiary To Celebrate 174th Salgreh

Seth Mancherji Khorshedji Langrana (Godiwalla) Agiary will celebrate its 174th Anniversary with a Jashan at 10:30 am on 26th February, 2021, (Daepmeher Roj, Meher Mah, Y.Z. 1390).

### 'Dudh Ma Sakar' Presentation

Frohar Films' Tele-Serial, 'Dudh Ma Sakar', presents 'Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, First Baronet (Part-2)' on 21 February, 2021, at 12:00 noon, on DD Gimar channel. For feedback: [froharfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:froharfoundation@gmail.com).



**AVATAR MEHER BABA BOMBAY CENTRE**  
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### MORNING PROGRAM

TIME : 4:30 a.m. to 6:30 a.m.

PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS : Devotional songs, silence, prayers, musical presentations and aarti

MODE : Virtual

### EVENING PROGRAM

TIME : 6:00 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS : 'His Humor', drama in Hindi depicting several humorous stories from the life of Avatar Meher Baba followed by musical presentations.

MODE : Virtual

YouTube: Avatar Meher Baba Bombay Centre  
<https://youtube.com/channel/UC72FBzwomRaLDYgoB0ag4Nw>

Note: The Avatar Meher Baba Bombay Centre will be open for darshan purposes on the 25th of February from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. No garlanding, wearing of masks and maintaining social distance is mandatory.

ALL ARE WELCOME

## ઘર અને ઓફિસના સામાનની જાળવણી માટે સુરક્ષિત સ્ટોરેજ રૂમ સર્વિસ ગુરુકૃપા સ્ટોરેજ સોલ્યુશન

તમે શિક્ષક થવાનું વિચારો છો? એક શહેરમાંથી બીજા શહેરમાં જવું છે? વિદેશ જવાનું પ્લાનિંગ છે? કોરોના મહામારીને કારણે વર્ક ફ્રોમ હોમનું ઓપ્શન મળતાં થોડો વખત માટે લોમટાઉન જવું છે? મોટા ઘર કે ઓફિસમાંથી નાની જગ્યામાં સિફ્ટ થવું છે? અથવા તો કોરોનાને કારણે થોડો વખત માટે ઘંઘો આટોપવો છે? ઘરમાં ઓફિસ કરવી છે? આ બધામાં સૌથી પહેલાં પ્રશ્ન આવે સામાન ક્યાં રાખશું? કેવી રીતે સાચવશું? પરંતુ તમારા મનપસંદ ફર્નિચર જેમ કે ટીવી, સોફા, બેડ, ફ્રિજ, કબાટ વગેરે સામાનને સાચવશે ગુરુકૃપા સ્ટોરેજ રૂમ સર્વિસ. તમારા ઘર અને ઓફિસના કિંમતી સામાનને સુરક્ષિત બાંહેધરી આપે છે. ગુરુકૃપા સ્ટોરેજ સોલ્યુશન આ સાથે તમારે મુંબઈની બહાર તમારા ઘર કે ઓફિસનો સામાન લઈ જવો હોય કે લાવવો હોય તે માટે પણ સંપર્ક કરો.



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### Toronto Zarthostis Celebrate Jashn-e-Bahmangan



**B**ahmangan was celebrated at the Mehraban Guiv Darbe Mehr, Toronto, Canada on January 16, 2021. The Festival started with a short introduction, prayers and explanation in Farsi and English by Mobed Er. Dr. Kerman Katrak, who has been performing all religious and cultural events since the last 33 years, in Toronto.

Also the name of a Zoroastrian Archangel called Vohuman (Vohu-Mana in Avesta), Baman is symbolic of the intellectual mind. It refers to the good moral state which empowers one to accomplish his duties. This Archangel also protects the animal kingdom.

In ancient Iran, festivities to celebrate this day took place among common people, royals and noblemen. Recorded by many authors including Biruni, Asadi Tusi and Anwari, according to Biruni, in Khorasan, an assortment of grain and vegetables were cooked and served to all. A common practice involved cooking 'Ash' - an Iranian soup-like stew, prepared with available grains and vegetables as thanksgiving to Ahura Mazda.

Respecting Bahman, as the Archangel protecting the animal kingdom, people refrain from consuming meat on

this day and celebrate wearing new clothes on this fest. The modern-day Zoroastrian-Iranian festival of Bahman-Rooz continues to be a holy day for Zoroastrians the worldwide.

**Bahman Plant:** This plant is the same as the equivalent modern Persian term Zardak-e Sahrayi, which blooms in the month of Bahman. It has a red or white root. A medical plant, it is mentioned in medical texts from which it passed into Latin and in the form béhen into French. Two varieties, béhen rouge and béhen blanc, are found and still used in medicine. In some parts of Iran, Bahmangan is celebrated as Fathers' day, where participants stand side by side, join hands and recite prayers.

Thanks to Farrokh Farahdian, our Darbe Mehr Custodian, Kanoun for bringing all the items required for the ceremony, Pedram Yazdani for his professional technical help and Soheila Shidfar for the set-up of the Bahmangan Table and being the main co-ordinator of the event.

**(To watch the video:**  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NkWG73ZHxc&feature=youtu.be>)

[Courtesy: Er. Dr. Kerman Katrak]

## Let Us Valiantly Fight And Vanquish Evil

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.

**E**vil stalks the world and human life is an incessant war against evil to the death. Betide what may, men and women have to fight unflinchingly their battles against evil and to bury the evil that crawls upon the ground.

Angra Mainyu, the Evil Spirit, has vowed vengeance upon mankind. His eyes dart hatred. He lies in ambush for his victims. He dogs their steps. Powerful is the enemy and hard is the battle ahead.

Zarathushtra, the prophet of Ahura Mazda, unfurled his banner of righteousness and sounded his trumpet call. Soldiers are we all in his army that is marching against the forces of evil.

We will put on the armor of virtue and with the mace of truth in our hands, will fight the foe upon the battleground within our hearts and without. We will fight with the vigor of the body and firmness of the mind and the strength of the soul.

Every generation of men and women, in the seven zones of the earth, are moving onward despite setbacks and winning victory after victory. Let us fight the battles against falsehood and vice and wickedness in our days and day by day cover more and more ground from the archenemy. Let our children do so in their days. Let mankind never rest until Angra Mainyu and his evil brood of unrighteousness are vanquished.

King Tehmurasp, at the gray dawn of history, says tradition, rode Angra Mainyu for his steed with valor. The father of Evil and his legions fled in terror before Zarathushtra. Our fathers of old valiantly fought the foe. So shall we. Long is the war, but we will not lose heart and with dogged persistence and tenacity strenuously fight evil wherever we meet it and in whatever form we confront it, we will do battle to it. We will rest not till we put him to route, Ahura Mazda!

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has gone beyond her call of duty as a Zarthosti to help them. Her unflinching commitment to community service, coupled with her visionary outlook towards the betterment and welfare of the community, and her ever-growing popularity, makes her the undisputed frontrunner in the race of

the BPP elections, as a candidate for Trusteeship. She is a grass-root level worker, who is known for fearlessly upholding religious traditions and community causes.

It was therefore, not surprising, that sharing her introduction on Facebook's famous 'Worldwide

Zoroastrians' page, a few days ago, received an overwhelming 500 + comments from supporters across India and the world! "I am extremely grateful to all for their love and support," said Anahita. Here is a limited sample of the avalanche of responses she received...

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**Behnaz Patel:** You are class apart dear Anahita. A very strong person, dedicated to the cause of upliftment of the downtrodden. All the very best for all your endeavours.

**Kazveen Pardiwala:** I urge the community members to come up and vote for the right candidate who has been working since years for our community with sheer dedication and commitment....I urge my youth, my elders to definitely see the betterment of our community...I do not see anyone as capable, as committed and as sincere to stand for this election than Anahita Mam. Please definitely vote for Anahita Desai mam as she is the right candidate.

**Daisy Naterwalla:** Sure, a good soul!!! We pray that you win with super flying colours. Thank you for all the help. And for always being there and talking and replying to people, as and when they needed you or had any problem. Very rare to find people who are so down to earth.

**Cyrus Malia:** The best candidate - sincere, dedicated, accessible to all, at all times. Will add value to the present board. One and all should vote for her.

**Daisy Chokshi:** Wishing U all success in your work. Proud of the Woman Empowerment which u symbolize. Carry on the good work entrusted to you through your husband and years of good social service, to our community. We hope u will make us proud, though surrounded by fools & puppets. God bless U.

**Mahrukh Jassawalla:** You are the epitome of womanhood....simply...THE BEST.... Women.....Think n Feel...from their heart and soul.....you will emerge with flying colours... no two ways about it.....Period!!!! Our heartfelt Congratulations in Advance.

**Havovy Kotwal:** You husband and you were truly a trustworthy couple rare to find and rarely appreciated. God Bless you in all your future ventures.

**Coomie Sam Kasad:** All the best Dear Anahita; All along, you have silently and peacefully served the community. You are sincere in your efforts. We hope and pray, you are elected n also be our Chairperson in BPP. What this world/community needs is more honest and sincere people like you.... All the very best.



**Ketty Sutaria:** Dear Anahita I have always supported Yazdi for his excellent work towards community welfare. And now I pray to almighty to give you strength n good luck for your future endeavor.

**Polly Nagwaswalla:** I am glad that you decided to stand for election. You are right candidate for becoming trustee. You are available 24/7 for anybody any time that is the best quality. You are well aware of duties of trustee (You have worked with Yazdi n helped him in his work in past). I am sure by electing you, community will get most suitable trustee for BPP after decades. Good Luck n God Bless you to serve community....

**Dinaz Farokh Mojia:** Anahita is the most dedicated, responsible, dynamic above all a good human being. She has got leadership quality in her. She is the most deserving candidate with experience for BPP trustee.. Good Luck Anu. God bless!

**Hoshedar Elavia:** Right chance for you to show that you mean business. All of us should feel that this time we made our vote count for the first time.

**Yasmin Parvez Bajan:** Wishing you all the very best for the forthcoming BPP elections! The Community is fortunate to have you as our guiding star.... May you shine bright always! Amen!!

**Roshan Sigley:** Anahita wish you all the best and you will need it. From my recollection growing up in Bombay in a Mobed family, I often used to hear my father talk about the most corrupt and heartless BPP trustees who couldn't care a hoot about poverty stricken Parsees or Mobeds who are still poor to this day and cannot find accommodation through BPP. They are politically motivated and of course quite rich people. Stand up to them and show what you are made of. Unfortunately, I cannot stand with you side by side due to 9000 miles away in UK. I await your result.

**Mitchell Engineer:** U r the best. U have been very helpful to all always and u deserve this. Ur actions are stronger than ur words. Thank you for everything u have done for us till date.

**Minoo Siganporia:** ...Inspite of your personal circumstances you stepped in to serve the community. It speaks volumes about your character and integrity. Make the difference in the BPP board please. "Good people are like Street Lights along the Roads. They don't make the Distance short but they Light up the Path & make the Walk Easy & Safe". And my best wishes for Yazdi's GODSPEED recovery.

**Yashna Dadachanji:** One Name with Abundant Qualities like HARDWORKING, HONESHT, HELPFUL, CARING, LOVING, ENERGETIC, GENEROUS, ETC. ETC.... Totally committed to the Responsibilities... The QUEEN of the Entire Zoroastrian Community.. Is None Other Than Our ANU Anahita Desai

**Yasmin Mistry:** All the best Anahita. You are the right person for serving our community and needy Parsis. I wish all Good wishes to you & God Bless you always.

**Percy Lentin:** Anahita is best person for trustees of BPP. Community needs a person like her she will be the best trustee in BPP. No other person can be compared to her. Best of best.

## Berjis Desai Answers Community Queries...



As the BPP elections draw near, Parsi Times has been receiving a number of queries as regards popular candidates. In this edition, Parsi Times poses some of the most-asked queries by community members, to BPP Trustee Candidate - eminent solicitor, author and community luminary - Berjis Desai, who answers these head on...

survival - both for the faith and the community.

**Query:** Many sceptics may think or allege that this change of heart was for political reasons. How would you answer such critics?

**Berjis Desai:** No! I am not a career Parsi politician! Not even my detractors believe that I am wearing the cloak of orthodoxy to win this election. My convictions are too sacred to be a reason for this trusteeship.

**Query:** It is said the BPP asked you for an affidavit declaring that you have always, and continue to, profess the Zoroastrian faith, due to the fact that you're intermarried. Is this true and what is the current status on the same?

**Berjis Desai:** True. The Scheme contemplates this. I immediately filed the affidavit.

**Query:** Many Whatsapp messages tie you to a particular group in terms of Parsi politics. Would you clarify the same and will you be independent of political pressures in the BPP Board room?

**Berjis Desai:** Which group? I am equally warm, friendly and comfortable with both - Mehta and Randeria. I intend to pressurise them to forge a consensus!! I cannot be subject to any pressure. Certainly not!

**Query:** You bring to the table ample corporate experience and despite all the allegations, a long association with the community - as a community activist, as a critic, and as being someone extremely knowledgeable about the BPP, the trust, the trustees and the happenings inside the boardroom. Such expertise will undoubtedly be an asset to the BPP if applied strategically. How do you plan to employ the same if you get elected as Trustee?

**Berjis Desai:** My focus will be on solving stalled projects and framing long term policy; and strengthening BPP's finances. Randeria's project of upgrading BPP image is attainable. And also... To provide greater financial

assistance to our beneficiaries, in a more organised manner; To withdraw unnecessary litigation against BPP tenants; To improve staff efficiency and their conditions of service'; To provide greater help for full-time mobeds; To prioritize housing for both - staff and mobeds.

**Query:** Could you share an overview of your mandate as a Trustee. How do you rate your chances in these elections?

**Berjis Desai:** Mandate is to bring harmony, consensus, greater efficiency, compassion and modern management practices to BPP. Prediction? Anahita will of course sweep the polls. I should follow!

**Query:** It is said, despite being closer to one group in the BPP, you also have support from Trustees Noshir Dadrawala and Kersi Randeria. In fact, your name was proposed by Dadrawala. How is your relationship with Kersi Randeria? Do you have his support for these elections?

**Berjis Desai:** I've already answered that when I said I am equally warm, friendly and comfortable with both - Mehta and Randeria. People have said that Kersi Randeria will terrorise you. I am looking forward to it!

**Query:** Do you think you will be able to bring peace and harmony to the Boardroom as many are hoping and expecting of you?

**Berjis Desai:** Reasonably bright chances! I will strive very hard. Even today, the interaction of the present trustees is not all that gruesome, as some think. The Lord always blesses peacemakers!

**Query:** What's your experience with the Trust and the Trustees in your brief interaction, during what is popularly called 'BPP 2.0'?

**Berjis Desai:** It was a good beginning. The Committee, though, was too large. Lessons have been learnt. We must continue this invaluable external help. If I lose, I too will be back on this Committee!

**Query:** You are perceived as an 'armchair critic' and have regularly spoofed BPP Trustees - past and present - in your articles in other newspapers and magazines. What then, made you suddenly decide to throw your hat in the ring for the post of a Trustee?

**Berjis Desai:** I ceased being an armchair critic from 1980 onwards, when I vigorously campaigned for the CER movement to reform the BPP. Makes them sound like juvenile delinquents! Later, campaigned for their trustee candidates like Jamshid Kanga, Siloo Kavarana, Fali Poncha, etc. And then, I drafted the current 'Scheme of Elections', which introduced the universal adult franchise. Kersi Randeria was the prime motivating force to spur me to participate in the AFP campaign in 2008, when we put up the best ever candidates for trusteeship - all of whom lost, except Dadrawala. I lost hope. But Randeria was more galvanised, and he turned the tables dramatically. I became more involved with the BPP as part of the Core Committee, along with Sam Balsara, Dinshaw Tamboly and Yezdi Bhagwagar. Last year, Kersi convinced me that I could play a meaningful role on the Board, given my connections with 'differently

minded' trustees (see how polite I have become!). I thought a lot and felt a genuine call to devote a few years...

**Query:** Much has been said and written about your change of heart from a vocal - what opposers called a 'reformist' - to a more orthodox religionist. Even as you have shared the details of how and when you had the change of heart, would you like to add anything more to this issue?

**Berjis Desai:** The transition occurred over the last decade, as I gradually realised that the survival of the community is a must for protecting our faith.... The exact opposite of what I very foolishly and flippantly said thirty years ago. Our uniqueness cannot be allowed to be swamped. In any event, even when I was waving the flag of reform, I never advocated or believed in outright conversion or allowing the entry of non-Parsis into our fire temples. I have always been a devout, practising Zoroastrian. In the last decade or so, I have read a lot on esoteric Zoroastrianism including Kshnoom. This may sound terribly mushy but it is true that when I pray before the holy fire, there is a growing deep conviction that preserving our traditional values is a must for our

## WZCC Webinar In Honour Of Late Legend - Nani Palkhivala



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On 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021, the World Zarathushti Chamber of Commerce (WZCC), Mumbai chapter, conducted an enriching and remarkable webinar, 'Nani Palkhivala - The legend', honouring the greatness of the prodigy, on his 101<sup>st</sup> birth anniversary (16<sup>th</sup> January, 2021). Solicitor Rajan Jayakar, also known as the Renaissance man, spoke brilliantly, sharing inspiring insights into Nani Palkhivala's life.

In addition to being a lawyer, Jayakar,



Nani Palkhivala

who considers Nani Palkhivala his mentor, is also an ardent art collector and creator and curator of the Bombay High Court museum. He is a strong advocate of getting the Gol to posthumously award the 'Bharat Ratna' to late Palkhivala and has started a campaign, supported by the Attorney General of India.

Padma Vibhushan (late) Nani Ardeshir Palkhivala was an eminent Jurist, a courtroom genius and a compassionate lawyer, respected and adored by the Indian law fraternity. He was India's ambassador to the US. Blessed with an exceptional oratory skill and eloquence in his writings, his convocation addresses, budget speeches and memorable lectures are reckoned absolute masterpieces in thought and content. He had co-authored the famous 'The Law and Practice of Income Tax'. Palkhivala left behind a rich legacy of not just brilliant work ethics and exemplary court craft, but also of being humble, kind, intelligent, generous. His inspirational life journey leaves an indelible mark on all who get to chance it.

The webinar commenced with the WZCC Chairman, Mumbai - Tehemton Dalal welcoming the attendees from India and abroad. He shared how the WZCC has been increasingly facilitating



From L to R- Nargesh and Nani Palkhivala with former U.S. President Jimmy Carter

networking, enhancing trade and most importantly, promoting the interest of the Zoroastrian community worldwide. He went on to introduce the speaker, renowned personality - B'bay High Court solicitor - Rajan Jayakar, and his varied achievements.

Jayakar delivered a comprehensive and excellent speech covering the life of Nani Palkhivala... Born on 16<sup>th</sup> January, 1920, to parents Sheherbanoo and Ardeshir, Palkhivala hailed from a middle-class Parsi family in Mumbai, with older sister Amy and younger brother Behram. Like many Parsi surnames, Nani's too was derived from the vocation his ancestors practiced - making 'palkhis' (palanquins). He studied in Proprietary High School, Master's Tutorial High School and liked reading books. He'd give tuitions to junior students and play the violin at Parsi weddings to earn money to buy books.

His love for philosophy, art, history, literature and science increased with age. His favourite authors included Macaulay, Emerson, Gardiner, Chesterton, Johnson, Shakespeare and Dickens. To overcome his impediments of a stutter and the writer's cramp, he participated at the age of 11, in an elocution competition, speaking on the topic, 'Try and try until you succeed', for which he won a special mention for effort.

Having completed his matriculation in 1936, BA in 1940 and MA (English Literature) in 1942, Nani started his practice in the chamber of Sir Jamshedjee Kanga, after finishing his LLB in 1944. Sir Kanga's teamed with established senior advocates including Hormasjee Seervai, Marzaban Mistry, Rustom Kolah and Kharshedji Bhabha. Since Kanga's practice mainly comprised taxation laws, Nani would draft opinions to be given by Kanga, most of which would be delivered unchanged by Kanga.

Nani married Nargesh Malbar on in 1945 (Albless Baug, Mumbai). In 1950, he wrote the Magnum Opus - 'The Law and Practice of Income Tax'. Though the authors were mentioned as Kanga and Palkhivala, Kanga publicly shared it was out of respect that his name was added and the entire work was to Nani's credit. He wrote a series of popular books and

authored several articles for prestigious publications.

He represented over 1,500 major cases, including cases under Taxation laws, Constitution and Company Law. He was also offered the position of Attorney General of India and also direct elevation to the Supreme Court of India but refused both positions, saying that he would serve the citizens better by remaining an independent advocate. Nani represented India in 1966-67 in the Boundary Dispute near the Rann of Kutch against Pakistan before the Indo-Pakistan Western Boundary Case Tribunal. In 1971, he represented India against Pakistan in the Indian Airlines hijacking case before the International Civil Aviation Organization at Montreal. In 1972, also represented India against Pakistan in Indian Appeal to International Court of Justice. He argued numerous historical cases in India and abroad, including the IC Golaknath V/s State of Punjab-Fundamental Rights Case; Madhav Rao Scindia V/s Union of India-Privy Purse's Case; RC Cooper V/s Union of India-Bank Nationalization Case; including the eminent HH Kesavanand Bharati V/s State of Kerala-Basic Structure case and the HH Kesavanand Review Case.

His oratory skills were not limited to the court room or the diplomatic arena. He was acknowledged as India's foremost public speaker on taxation and fiscal policies of Government. His oratory analysis of the Union Budget held the public spell bound. Nani's first budget meeting was held in March 1958 in Mumbai with A D Shroff and M R Pai. Due to space shortage, Nani's budget speech was shifted from two venues to the CCI East Lawns to accommodate the public! But as his mesmerizing speeches gained greater clout, even this venue had to be changed to the Brabourne Stadium (1983) with over one lakh attendees! He continued delivering his speeches here till his last speech in 1994. The guests would include personalities including Field Marshal Sam Manekshaw, Lord Roll of Ipsden, Vijay Merchant and Madhav Apte - the President of CCI.

The legal adviser to the entire Tata Group and the right-hand man of the

Chairman JRD Tata, Nani served as Chairman of TCS, ACC, Voltas and TATA Exports and Vice Chairman of TISCO AND TELCO, Director of Tata Sons, SKF Bearings and NOCIL. He was also on the board of RBI, ICICI, Press Trust of India and several overseas companies and was also elected as a Hon. Member of the Academy of Political Science, New York. In 1977, he addressed the United Nations General Assembly against the apartheid policy of South Africa, asserting the principles of human dignity, equality and freedom. A year later, he was conferred the Hon. Degree of Doctor of Laws by Princeton University (USA).



Rajan Jayakar

Palkhivala received great recognition and honour from academics, academic institutions and the government. In 1993 he was honoured as 'Person of the Year Award' by the Limca Book of Records. In 1998, he was conferred with the degree of Doctor of Laws by the Bombay University and in the same year, was conferred the Padma Vibhushan by the President of India. In 2000, he was also conferred the degree of Doctor of Laws by Manipal Academy of Higher Education.

Jayakar described Nani as a perfectionist, completely dedicated to his work, an exemplary time-manager who was always compassionate, loyal and considerate towards his colleagues and friends. He loved India and appeared for the Government pro bono. He was blessed with a photographic memory. A devout Zarthosti, Nani practiced the tenets of Good Thoughts, Good Words and Good Deeds, while respecting all religions. A generous and charitable soul, Nani donated 10% of his net income yearly to Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan. He bequeathed shares worth Rs. 51.61 lakhs and fixed deposits worth Rs.2 crores to the Medical Research Foundation of Sankara Nethralaya (Chennai).

Unfortunately, Nani suffered a paralytic stroke in 1996 and had to eventually free himself of his professional commitments. While his wife passed away in June 2000, Nani breathed his last on 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2002. Postage stamp and First Day Cover in Nani Palkhivala's honour was released on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2004 by then PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

A Q and A session with the audience post Jayakar's the speech, was followed by the vote of thanks given by Percis Dubash.



# Saher Agiary Celebrates 175th Salgreh

On the occasion of the grand and glorious 175th year anniversary of the Hormusjee Dadabhoj Saher Agiary, the Agiary building was beautifully decorated with flowers and rangoli. At 10:00 am, Panthaki Er. Jal Katrak performed the Jashan ceremony with six Mobeds, following which a Humbandagi was performed by the Mobeds and humdins present. Thereafter, chasni was distributed to all present.

Chairperson and Managing Trustee, Persis Vatcha inaugurated the photo of the late Scylla Rustomji Vatcha and requested newly appointed Trustee - Er. Dr. Burjor Antia to say few words on the occasion. At the outset, Er. Dr. Antia praised the holy Fravashi of

the founder of the Agiary - late Hormusjee Dadabhoj Saher, remembering with reverence past Trustees, Panthaki Sahebs, Mobed Sahebs and workers of the Saher Agiary over the last 175 years. He complimented

the present Panthaki Er. Jal Katrak for diligently performing religious ceremonies and keeping alive the holy fire of the Agiary.

Lauding the late Scylla

Rustomji Vatcha in her lifetime, Er. Dr. Antia spoke of her role in keeping the Agiary immaculately clean and generously giving her time and financial aid from her Trust, despite not being a Trustee of the Agiary. She looked after the needs of the Agiary's entire staff, financially supporting Senior Citizens Home at Navsari and Dharamshalla at Sanjan, amongst other institutions - much akin to being a saviour of the underprivileged. Er. Dr. Antia prayed for her soul to guide and look after the



Agiary and the community in right direction. He was glad to share that her daughter-in-law, Persis Vatcha had been following in her footsteps.

Concluding his speech and the occasion, he prayed that the holy fire of the Agiary remain ever-burning for many more years to come.



## Jehan Daruvala Featured As 'Top 25 Most Influential Young Indians' In GQ Magazine

The toast of all racing enthusiasts in the nation and the community, Mumbai's Formula 2 top racer - Jehan Daruvala - has yet another feather added to his much-celebrated racing cap! He has been featured in the globally renowned US-based, GQ magazine as the 'Top 25 Most Influential Young Indians'!

As per the GQ magazine, "Last year, the coronavirus upended life as we knew it. But despite the profound disruption, a new breed of tastemakers not only survived, but thrived. The individuals on this list are innovators and disruptors. They look beyond the ordinary and dare to do things differently." Referring to Daruvala and the others listed in the category as "game changers, breaking with tradition and powering us ahead," this is what the magazine had to say about our 22-year-old racing prodigy...

**Crowning Achievement:** In 2019, Daruvala came third in the Formula 3 series championship - a feat that bagged him a seat in the Red Bull Junior Racing Team, and, subsequently, a seat in F2. Last year, in his first F2 season, Daruvala secured a win in the Formula 2 Sprint Race in Bahrain, becoming the first Indian ever to do so. Having started his motor sport career at the age of nine, winning multiple go-karting championships across Asia and Europe, Daruvala leaves behind a trail of pole positions and podium finishes in several single-seater racing series, such as Formula Renault and European Formula



3 - all of which serve as stepping stones to Formula One - the world's most competitive form of track racing.

**Racing Ahead:** Since the learning curve at F2 has, in his own words, been a steep one, Daruvala's immediate focus will be to secure more F2 wins, before setting his sights on F1. "I'm glad I've sorted out the start procedure and adapted my driving style to work with varying F2 tyre compounds, which hampered the first half of my season. The grid is going to be very competitive, but I'm hoping to perform better this year." If all goes according to plan, Daruvala is on the fast track to being India's third, and possibly most successful F1 racer. (Courtesy: Parth Charan)

Kudos to our world-class racer!! And here's to many more such achievements!!

## Rustom Patel Re-enters Racing With Record Breaking Win!

On 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2021, Rustom Patel, veteran Dirt-Bike racing champ, participated in and finished in the First Place, in his M8 category with a record breaking time, at the 8th edition of the All India famous Valley Run, which was held on the air strip of Aamby Valley. This event was organized by the governing racing body of India - FMSCI and had a total record entries of 320 participants across various categories, pan-India. The only person to complete the 400 meters finish line in 11 seconds, Rustom was the only Parsi participant in this event, doing our community very proud!



riding a Ducati 848, given and tuned by his Team - Break Out Moto. With Rustom finishing in 11 seconds and the rest of the competition taking 12 seconds plus, this one second margin is considered a huge lead win in drag racing.



This was the first time 42-year-old Rustom Patel had taken part in the Drag Racing super bikes M8 category (super bikes from 650cc to 850cc). He was

A proud Parsi, Rustom Patel last raced and was crowned champion in the year 2007 in Bangalore. He returned to the racing circuit after 14 years of retirement from professional racing in 2021 and won First place in this prestigious event, competing against riders half his age! Rustom is thankful to his sponsors - Castrol Power 1 for their faith in him. Here's wishing Rustom hearty congratulations for his inspirational win and looking forward to many more, even as he vows to work doubly hard on his fitness and training!

## Masina Hospital Receives 'ET's Business Leader Of The Year Award'

The Masina Hospital, under the visionary leadership of CEO - Dr. Vispy Jokhi, was felicitated with the prestigious 'Economic Times' Business Leader Of The Year' Award, at a glittering function, held on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2021, at the Taj Land's End Hotel, Mumbai. Masina Hospital was nominated as a Multi-Specialty Tertiary Care Hospital unit, for having treated more than 2,000 Covid-19 patients, during the ongoing covid pandemic, with very successful results.

The fourth Indian and the nineteenth global edition of these leadership awards showcased leaders and organizations who have made remarkable achievements against all adversities, in a very difficult year, alongside the capability and credence of leaders in hyper-active times. The programme showcased two categories - Individual and Organizational segments. An independent jury assessed each category and collectively chose the winners who would be awarded Business Leader of the Year.

As a Multi-specialty Tertiary Care Hospital, the individual categories included were Oncology (Surgical and Medical), Cardiac Sciences (including Heart transplant), Neuro Sciences, Orthopaedics and Rehab, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, IVF Centre, Pediatrics, Renal Sciences, Laparoscopic surgeries, Specialized Burns unit with a Skin Bank and Psychiatric unit.



Masina Hospital's CEO - Dr. Vispy Jokhi and Joint CEO - Behram Khodaiji were felicitated and they accepted the award on behalf of the Masina Hospital team.



## Conductor Zubin Mehta Hospitalized in Milan

On 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2021, music maestro Zubin Mehta had to be hospitalized after he felt sick during a rehearsal of Strauss' 'Salome', at La Scala, in Milan. This was to be broad-cast live on Rai 5 on February 20, 2021.

After initial medical check-ups were performed, Italian doctors believe that the 84-year-old Maestro suffered from accumulated stress due to his numerous work commitments.



It was hoped that after a few days of rest, the legendary conductor would be able to return to the podium to resume with his practice. Alternatively, the Teatro alla Scala's Music Director - Riccardo Chailly - would be having to take over the performance. Despite reports in the Italian press, that Zubin Mehta's condition has improved and he would soon be discharged and able to resume his rehearsals soon, the Scala announced on their website that Chailly will take over and conduct the Salome.

The performance of Strauss' 'Salome' stars Elena Stikhina in the title role, along with Wolfgang Koch, Gerhard Siegel and Linda Watson, and is set to be streamed on 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2021.

Mehta, who in the recent past, endured a kidney tumor, has since recovered.

## The Nature Of Meditation And Its Conditions: Avatar Meher Baba

Meditation has often been misunderstood as a mechanical process of forcing the mind upon some idea or object. Most people naturally have an aversion to meditation because they experience great difficulty in attempting to coerce the mind in a particular direction or to pin it down to one particular thing. Many who do not technically meditate are oftentimes found to be deeply and intensely engrossed in systematic and clear thinking about some practical problem or theoretical subject. Their mental process is much like meditation, as the mind is engrossed in intense thinking about a particular subject to the exclusion of all other irrelevant things.

The object of real meditation has to be carefully selected and must be spiritually important. Meditation should be distinguished from concentration. Meditation is the first stage of the process that gradually develops into concentration. In concentration, the mind seeks to unite with its object by the process of fixing itself upon that object; whereas meditation consists in thorough thinking about a particular object to the exclusion of every other thing. In meditation the mind tries to understand and assimilate the object by dwelling upon diverse attributes of the form or various implications of the formula. In concentration as well as meditation,


there is a peaceful intermingling of love and longing for the divine object or principle on which the mind dwells.

An important condition for attaining success in meditation is adopting the right technique for handling disturbing thoughts and mental influences. It is best to ignore these and turn to the object of meditation as early as possible, without attaching any undue importance to the disturbing factors. By recognizing the irrelevance and worthlessness of disturbing thoughts and the relative value and importance of the object of meditation, it becomes possible to let disturbing thoughts die through sheer neglect, thus making the mind permanently steady in the object of meditation.

Meditation should not be approached with a heavy heart - humor and cheerfulness do not interfere with the progress of meditation and actually contribute to it. Like excursions into new and beautiful natural surroundings, meditation brings with it a sense of enthusiasm, adventure, peace and exhilaration.

**Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> of marks the 127<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Avatar Meher Baba. (Avatar Meher Baba Bombay Centre: [www.avatarmeherbaba.in](http://www.avatarmeherbaba.in))**

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## WINNING CAPTION!!!



Kangana: Hum 'Jhansi Ki Rani' hai! Tumjhe jail bhej ke 'Riha Na' karengel!  
 Rihanna: Dear 'Queen', tu 'Panga' mat le. Come under my Umbrella - mazey karengel!

By Viraf P. Commissariat

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How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters below? Every word must contain the letter in the center. You should make at least one word using all 7 letters.

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### Thought of the Week

"The foolish reject what they see, not what they think; the wise reject what they think, not what they see."

- Huang Po

# Soli Sales-Tax No Valentine's Day!



RUBY LILAOWALA

When Valentine's Day arrives year after year, every year, in the middle of February, what's in the air? LOVE!! And who breathes that air? You, me and everybody, including Soli Sales-Tax. And what's the result of breathing that air? You feel all romantic!!

And so our Soli went in search of a brand new lady-Valentine, since by now, he was fed-up of his girl-friend, Rustom Baug's Faridafui. It was a case of *Ghar ki murgi dal-chawal barabar!* Luck favoured him as he stood in line at a bus-stop. He saw three *fatakris* in line and tried his luck with *Fatakri No.1*, singing his old childhood song - '*Meri Jaan, Meri Jaan, Anaa Sunday ke Sunday*'. The *fatakri*, thinking he was a beggar, said, "Oh my God! Such an old song! My grandpa used to sing it! Sing something else. I'll give you one rupee per song." So he started, '*Lara Lappa, Larra Lappa...*' The *fatakri* insisted, "Sing a new song! So, Soli-bawa not only sang but also became personal with her by extending his crooked-arm, as if to escort her, singing, '*Tun Tuna Tun, Tun Tun Tara - Chalti Hai Kya Nau Se Bara?*'

The result? One tight slap across his face. So tight, so tight, that his spectacles flew off and landed at the adjoining bus-stop! He collected them, wore them and immediately proceeded to *Fatakri No. 2*, singing the old Johny Walker number from the film, Madhumati, '*Jangal Mein Mor Nacha - Kisi Ne Na Dekha..*' *Fatakri No. 2* got annoyed

as he came too close to her while singing. This resulted in her giving him a tight slap, but this time, clever Soli had the presence of mind to hold on to his spectacles while being slapped. In fact, by now, he had become slap-proof! "You idiot,



go to the jungle if you want to sing such *junglee* songs!" she screamed. Solibawa, had become a little hard of hearing as a result of the two tight slaps and thought that this *Fatakri* wanted him to sing the mating-call of Shammi Kapoor from the film *Junglee* and hence, yelled, '*Yaa hoo! Yaa hoo!! Chahey Koi Mujhe Jungli Kahey!*' A kind man from the bus-queue gave him a two rupees coin, thinking he was a demented beggar.

**Soli Sales-Tax:** Yeh kya diya?

**The kind man:** Baba maaf karo! Agey jao!

Now *Fatakri No. 3* in the queue was very kind-hearted and gave Soli a ten Rupee note. Soli, who thought no end of himself, mistook it as her desire to have his autograph and signed the ten-rupees note with his usual flourish as, '*Sexy-Soli - When?*' He returned the note to the lady only to receive another OTS (Readers by now, know this means - One Tight Slap!!)

Despite being so unlucky in love, Soli consoled himself, '*Apna time ayega!*' He also

tried to build up his self-confidence by remembering the famous lines of Sonakshi Sinha from the film *Dabang*, '*Sahib, thappad se dar nahin lagta - pyar se lagta hai!!*' Frankly, by now, he had become *Thappad-Proof!!* He also remembered his school-poem about King Bruce and the spider - If at first, you don't succeed, Try Try again!! And so, he phoned Farida, whom he had saved for a rainy day saying, "It's Valentine's day and I've nowhere to go and nothing to do. Please may I tag along as always to wherever you and Hormusji are going?"

**Farida:** Hasto vari! We were going dancing and a romantic candle-light dinner for two but now we can have a romantic dinner for three!

And so, Soli dressed up in his ancient blue Safari-suit, which looked like a baba-suit. The pant was too tight so he wore his brown pants. He teamed it with red socks (unwashed since God knows when), his grandpa's pocket-watch and his animal print muffler, thinking that he looked natty, handsome and irresistible - virtually God's gift to women of all ages, shapes and sizes! He tucked his *vaas-marto tapkeer no rumal* in his chest pocket and off he went to the love-triangle romantic dinner for three.

Hormusji warned Farida not to let Soli have any drinks since he'd gotten drunk and the club management put Farida, *the fatso*, on probation because of his obnoxious behaviour at the club-brunch! He suddenly spotted Frigid Frenymai on a near-by table. He went up to her and asked, 'May I have the pleasure of this dance with you?' Frenymai, with her Gujarati-medium background, was taken-aback since she was not fluent in English. Her reaction was, '*Siddho-padhro dance karvano hoi toh karo; pleasure-bleasure kai malsey nain!*' He aborted the idea of dancing with Frenymai, zooming off to the next table where a single woman was

sitting. Just to be on safe side, he asked, 'Madam, do you speak English?'

**The Lady:** Of course, you silly man!

**Soli:** May I have the pleasure of this dance with you?

**The Lady:** Why not?

She got up, but half-way to the dance-floor, she said, 'Your socks are stinking to high heavens! Go remove them before we dance!' Soli obliged but this time, she said, 'You are stinking like a *Kachara-ni-Gaari!*'

**Soli:** How come? See, I removed my socks and stuffed them in my breast-pocket along with my 'tapkeer-no-rumal!'

**Lady:** I can't continue this. You stink!

So, Soli went up to another Parsi hottie, spreading his arms like Shahrukh Khan and saying, '*SOLI - Naam toh suna*

*hoga?*

**Hottie:** No! haven't heard it, nor do I want to hear it! *Bava tamuney bagal ma fulla thayaj soo? Haath sana fulavi ne oobhaj? Haath nichchey karo!*

Meanwhile, Farida was fuming with anger that Soli was neglecting her and merrily flirting with pretty young things half her age and probably, only one-third her size. She went up to Soli, threw away his stinky socks and kerchief and ordered him to dance the Tango which was being played. Soli obliged and they danced the Tango while a big Parsi gang at another table said, 'Quick! Look! A huge bull-frog dancing the Tango with a Pengo (shortie)!!'

Poor Soli, always unlucky in love! Even on the romantic Valentine's Day, he was stuck with his *jari-purana* girl-friend! He had saved Farida for a rainy day, but it wasn't even raining, since it was February!

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**ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE ELECTION OF THE TRUSTEES**  
**OF THE BOMBAY PARSI PUNCHAYET**

Candidatures were received from the following persons for the Election to be held on Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2021, to fill in the vacancy of two Trustees of the Bombay Parsi Punchayet.

SR. NO.	NAME OF CANDIDATE	NAME OF PROPOSER	NAME OF SECONDER
1.	MR. ADIL DINSHAW IRANI	MRS. DHUN ADI POONEGAR	MRS. NERGISH NEVILLE DOCTOR
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4.	MS. FARHANAZ P. IRANI	DR. VIRAF JEHANGIR KAPADIA	DR. SYRUS DARVISH IRANI
5.	MR. KAIKHUSHROO SAM IRANI	MR. ARZAN JANGOO GHADIALLY	MR. SHAHRUKH Z. BILIMORIA
6.	MR. KERSI GUSTAD SETHNA	MRS. FRENY POLLY PAREKH	MR. RATAN DHANJISHA PITHAWALLA
7.	MR. TEHMTAN J. DUMASIA	MR. FARZAD SHERIAR JEHANI	MR. NOZER AFLATOON IRANI
8.	DR. ZULEIKA HOMAVAZIR	MR. R. N. JEEJEEBHOY	KHORSHEED DADI ANTIA

- Dr. Zuleika F. Homavazir has not been DULY PROPOSED as required by Clause 20 of the Scheme, as her Proposer is not a Parsee within the meaning of the Scheme, as he no longer professes the Zoroastrian faith. Accordingly, her nomination / notice of candidature is invalid.
- Accordingly, the final list of valid candidatures have been received from the following persons.

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- There were no withdrawals; therefore, the contest for the Election of two Trustees vacancy post will be amongst 7 Candidates.
- Kindly note that Donor Voters' Certificates **1 to 1534** and General Voters' Certificate from **1 to 39360** will be valid for the Election.
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- All campaigning should be stopped by the Candidates positively on **11<sup>th</sup> March 2021**.

**BY ORDER OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE BOMBAY PARSI PUNCHAYET**  
**ASPI F. SARKARI**  
**CEO**

## યંગ રથેસ્ટાર્સ દ્વારા સમુદાયને અપીલ

દર વર્ષે મુંબઈ દાદરના યંગ રથેસ્ટાર્સના પ્રતિ-બદ્ધ સભ્યો મદદ પૂરી પાડવા માટે, બીજાઓને મદદ કરનારા સુખી રહે તે કહેવત અને પ્રસિદ્ધ

અંતરિયાળ ગામોમાં રહેતા (ગણદેવી અને નારગોલ) અને પુણેમાં રહેતા ૧૫૦ ગરીબ પારસી, જરથોસ્તીઓને નવા સદરા, ઘાબળા, ચા, ખાંડ, કઠોળ, ટુવાલ, નેપકિન્સ વગેરે અને ઘરની અન્ય જરૂરી ચીજો આપવામાં આવશે.

આપણા અગ્રણી સમુદાય અને સમાજ સેવાના અધ્યક્ષતામાં, અરનવાજ જાલ મિસ્ત્રી - યંગ રથેસ્ટાર્સના પ્રમુખ, હોમીયાર ડોક્ટરની સાથે; જેટી સચિવો - શિરાજ ગાઈ અને ફિરુઝા ટ્યાકરા; અને અસંખ્ય અન્ય

સહાયક સમિતિના સભ્યો.

યંગ રથેસ્ટાર્સના પ્રમુખ અરનવાજ જાલ મિસ્ત્રી કહે છે જ્યારે હું કહું છું કે આપણા ઓછા ભાગ્યશાળી ભાઈઓને મદદ કરવામાં સમર્થન મેળવવું એ અમારો લલાવો છે ત્યારે હું અમારા તમામ સમિતિના સભ્યો માટે બોલું છું. હું જાણું છું કે પાછલું વર્ષ તેમના માટે ખાસ કરીને મુશ્કેલ રહ્યું છે, અમે આશા રાખીએ છીએ કે તેમના માટે

થોડી રાહત લાવી શકાશે, કેમ કે તેઓ ખરેખર ખૂબ જ પડકારજનક સમયમાંથી પસાર થઈ રહ્યા છે. અન્ય કોઈપણ વર્ષ કરતા વધુ, તેઓ આ વર્ષે વધુ જરૂરિયાતોનો સામનો કરી રહ્યા છે. હું મારા બધા વલાવા સમુદાયના સભ્યોને વિનંતી કરું છું કે પારસી હોવાના ખરા સારનો અભ્યાસ કરવો અને આ હેતુ માટે દાન આપવું કે જેથી આપણે આપણા જરૂરી ભાઈ-બહેનોને મદદ કરી શકીએ. ગુજરાત સુધી પહોંચવામાં તે ક્યારેય સરળ પ્રવાસ નથી હોતો, પરંતુ આભારની સ્મિતો, આનંદ અને રાહત અને હાર્દિક સ્વાગત એ જ લાંબી અને પડકારજનક મુસાફરીને યોગ્ય બનાવે છે.

આ ઉમદા હેતુને ટેકો આપવા માટે, કૃપા કરીને તમારી તપાસમાં પ્રેસિડન્ટની તરફેણમાં મોકલો: યંગ રથેસ્ટાર્સ, પ્રેસિડન્ટ, અરનવાજ જાલ મિસ્ત્રી, ૨૦૨-એ, એકતા ઈનવિક્ટસ, ડો.આંબેડકર રોડ, દાદર (પૂર્વ), મુંબઈ ૧૪.

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## એનએડ ખુશાલીના જશનની ઉજવણી કરે છે

૧લી ફેબ્રુઆરી, ૨૦૨૧ની પૂર્વસંધ્યાએ કિવીલેન્ડમાં ઝોરાસ્ટ્રિયન સમુદાયમાં ખૂબ ઉત્તેજના હતી, કેમ કે તેઓએ પાકુરંગા (ઓકલેન્ડ, ન્યુઝીલેન્ડ) માં ૭-ડાઉર્લિંગ પ્લેસ પર ફરાઉદ શાહલોરી દર-બે-મેહર ખાતે નવા વરસ (૨૦૨૧)ના ખુશાલીના જશનની ઉજવણી કરવામાં આવી હતી. જશનની પવિત્ર ક્રિયા એરવદ યજ્ઞ કરકરીયા અને એરવદ બેલજાદ કરકરીયા દ્વારા કરવામાં આવી હતી ત્યારબાદ ચાસનીનું વિતરણ કરવામાં આવ્યું હતું.

લગભગ ૪૫ આનંદિત જરથોસ્તીઓ આ કાર્યક્રમમાં ઉપસ્થિત રહ્યા હતા, બધા જ શુભ પ્રસંગો અને ધાર્મિક કાર્યક્રમો આવી રીતે ઉજવવામાં આવે છે. બીનાયફર પોરસ ઈરાની દ્વારા નવા સમુદાયના સભ્યોનું હાર્દિક સ્વાગત કરવામાં આવે છે, જે નિઃસ્વાર્થ રીતે તમામ સમુદાયના કાર્યક્રમોનું આયોજન કરવામાં આગેવાની લે છે જે જરથોસ્તીઓ એનએડમાં સ્થાયી થયા છે.

બીનાયફર ઈરાની લખે છે, એક સમુદાય કે જે પ્રાર્થના કરે છે અને ખાઈને સાથે રહે છે! આપરે ન્યુઝીલેન્ડ- જરથોસ્તીઓ બધા ખાતા-પીતા અને મઝા-મસ્તી-કરતા લોકો, હલી-મલી ને રહીયેચ! અહુરા મઝદાને પ્રાર્થના કરીયે છીએ અને આશીર્વાદની ચાસની વહેંચીએ છીએ, સાથે સ્વાદિષ્ટ ભોજન પણ ખાઈએ છીએ. ઓકલેન્ડમાં આપણા કિવિ-ઝોરાસ્ટ્રિયન સમુદાયના યુવાનો ખુશાલી, મેહેરીયાન જશનમાં આપરી દાદગાહ (ફરાઉદ શાહલોરી દર-બે-મેહર) પર, પારસીરંગા ખાતે, - અરે, મારો મતલબ પાકુરંગા ખાતે મોટી સંખ્યામાં ભેગા થાય છે તે જોવાનું હંમેશાં હૃદયસ્પર્શી દૃશ્ય છે.

વર્ષના અંતમાં પણ મનોરંજક એકસમસ પાર્ટી સાથે ખાસ ઉત્સવની તૈયારી જેવા મળી, જ્યાં આપણા ગતિશીલ એનએડ-આધારિત બાવીઓ - બીનાયફર ઈરાની, મહાફીન વરિયાવા અને ફર્જીન દાદાભોઈ - એક સ્ટ્રિંગ-સમર જશનનું આયોજન કર્યું હતું જેમાં જશનની પવિત્ર ક્રિયા છ મોબેદો એરવદ - જમશીદ તાતા, ફેડી દસ્તુર, નવજાદ છોર, ફર્જન રાવ, ઝરીબ કરકરીયા અને બેલજાદ કરકરીયા કરી હતી ૨૦૨૦ને સલામત બનાવવા માટે. તે ખરેખર કિવિ-ઝોરાસ્ટ્રિય કિસમસ પાર્ટી

સાથે કિવિલેન્ડમાં આનંદની મોસમ હતી! બાળકોને વ્યસ્ત રાખવા માટે આઈરકીમ લાકડીઓથી કિસમસ ટ્રી બનાવવા જેવા ક્રાફ્ટ પ્રોજેક્ટસનું આયોજન



પારસીપણુ લક્ષણ સાચું કરવા માંડવી અને માંગરોળ (સુરત) ના તાલુકા તેમજ અંકલેશ્વરની આજુબાજુ અને ગુજરાતના આંતરિક ભાગોમાં, જેમ કે ઈલાવ, સુરાલી, ઝંખવાવ વગેરે સહિતના ગુજરાત અને મહારાષ્ટ્રના અંતરિયાળ વિસ્તારોમાં રહેતા ગરીબ જરથોસ્તી પરિવારોને ટેકો આપવા અને આ વાર્ષિક પરંપરાની ચેરિટી કે જે છેલ્લા ત્રણ દાયકાથી ચાલી રહી જે એક વર્ષ પણ ચૂક્યા નથી.

આ વર્ષે પણ, યંગ રથેસ્ટાર્સ માર્ચ-એપ્રિલ ૨૦૨૧માં ગુજરાત અને પુણેમાં તેમનું વાર્ષિક અનાજનું વિતરણ કરશે, જેમાં ગુજરાતના



કરવામાં આવ્યું હતું જેથી ૮૦થી વધુ પુખ્ત વયના જરથોસ્તી લોકોને નૃત્ય જેવા વધુ મુક્ત અને મનોરંજક કાર્યક્રમ માટે સમય મળી શકે! ચિકન ચારકોલ બિરયાની અને સ્વાદિષ્ટ કુલદી સાથેના પ્રારંભિક તમામ ૧૨૦ ઉપસ્થિત લોકો દ્વારા સંપૂર્ણ આનંદ માણવામાં આવ્યો હતો. શ્રીમતી સાન્તાકલોઝ હતી જેણે બાળકો અને સિનિયરોને ભેટો આપી અને બદલામાં ઘણી બધી ક્રીસીસ પ્રાપ્ત કરી!

આ કાર્યક્રમને પ્રાયોજીત કરવા માટે મઝદા બિલ્ડર્સ લિમિટેડના પોરસ ઈરાનીને તેમ જ બીનાયફર ઈરાનીને એનએડના ઝોરાસ્ટ્રિયન સમુદાયને જીવંત રાખવા અને મનોરંજક પ્રસંગો સાથે રોકિંગ માટે સતત સહયોગ આપવા બદલ ખાસ આભાર માન્યો હતો.



## ઉદાર

એક શેઠજી ખૂબ દયાળુ હતા. ધર્મમાં માનવાવાળા. ઉદાર માંગવા આવેલા કોઈ પણ વ્યક્તિને તેઓએ ના પાડી ન હતી. શેઠજી મુનીમને બોલાવતા અને ઉદાર માંગતી વ્યક્તિને પૂછતી કે ભાઈ! તમે ઉદાર ક્યારે પાછુ આપશો? આ જન્મમાં કે આવતા જન્મમાં જેઓ પ્રામાણિક હતા તેઓ કહેતા - શેઠજી! અમે આ જન્મમાં તમારું ઉદાર ચુકવીશું. અને કેટલાક લોકો જે વધુ અસ્પષ્ટ અને અપ્રમાણિક હતા, તેઓ કહેતા કે - શેઠજી! અમે આવતા જન્મ મા તમારું ઉદાર ચુકવીશું. અને તેમની ચાતુર્યથી, તેઓ મનમા ને મનમાં ખુશી થતા અને કહેતા કે આ શેઠ કેવા મૂર્ખ છે! તે આવતા

જન્મમા ઉદાર ચુકવવાની અપેક્ષા રાખે છે. આવા લોકો મુનીમને અગાઉથી કહી દેતા કે તેઓ આગલા જન્મમાં તેનું દેવું પાછું આપશે મુનીમ ક્યારેય કોઈને પૂછતા ન હતા અને જે કહે તે ચોપડામાં લખી લેતા.

એક દિવસ એક ચોર પણ શેઠ જી પાસે ઉદાર માંગવા આવ્યો. તે જાણતો હતો કે શેઠ આગલા જન્મ માટે ઉદાર આપે છે. જો કે, તેનો ઉદ્દેશ ઉદાર લેવા



કરતાં શેઠની તિજોરી જોવાનો હતો. ચોરે શેઠને કેટલાક પૈસા ઉદાર લેવા કહ્યું, શેઠે મુનીમ ને બોલાવ્યા અને તેને ઉદાર દેવા કહ્યું. મુનીમે ચોરને પૂછ્યું - ભાઈ! તું

આ જન્મમાં કે પછીનાં જન્મમાં પાછા આપીશ? ચોરે કહ્યું હું આ રકમ પછીના જન્મમાં પરત આપીશ. મુનીમે તિજોરી ખોલીને તેને લોન આપી. ચોરે પણ તિજોરી જોઈ લીધી અને નિર્ણય કર્યો હતો કે તે આજ રાત્રે આ મૂર્ખ શેઠની તિજોરી ઉડાવી દેશે. તે રાત્રે શેઠના ઘરે પહોંચ્યો અને ભેંસના તબેલામાં છુપાઈને શેઠના સુવાની રાહ જોય રહ્યો હતો અચાનક ચોરે સાંભળ્યું કે ભેંસ એકબીજાની વચ્ચે વાત કરે છે અને તે ચોર ભેંસની ભાષાને બરાબર સમજી શકે છે. એક ભેંસે બીજી ને પૂછ્યું તું આજે આવી ગય છે બહેન! ભેંસએ જવાબ આપ્યો - હા, હું આજે શેઠના ઘરે આવી છું, શેઠજીને પાછલા જન્મનું ઉદાર ચુકવવાનું છે અને તુ અહીં કેટલા સમય થયા છો? પહેલાંની ભેંસ બોલી - હું ત્રણ વર્ષ થયા અંદી છું, બહેન! મેં આગલા જન્મમા પાછા આવવાનું કહીને શેઠજી પાસેથી લોન લીધી. જ્યારે હું શેઠ પાસેથી ઉદાર લીધા પછી મરી ગયો હું ભેંસ બનીને શેઠના તબેલામાં આવી હવે હું દૂધ આપીને તેનું દેવું ચુકવી રહી છું. લોનની રકમ પૂર્ણ થાય ત્યાં સુધી હું અહીં રહીશ.

જ્યારે તે ચોરે ભેંસની વાત સાંભળી ત્યારે તેના હોશ ઉડી ગયા અને ત્યાં બંધાયેલી ભેંસ તરફ નજર કરી. તેણે સમજી લીધું કે ઉદાર ચુકવવું તો પડશે, પછી ભલે તે આ જન્મમાં હોય કે પછીના જન્મમાં તે શેઠના ઘરે જાય ને તેણે લીધેલી લોન પરત કરી અને તેનું નામ રજિસ્ટરમાંથી કઢાવી નાખ્યું.

આપણે બધા આ દુનિયામાં આવીએ છીએ કારણ કે આપણે કોઈની પાસેથી લેવાનું છે તો કોઈને આપણે દેવાનું છે આ રીતે, આપણે દરેકને લેણ દેણમુજબ

## આ જ ની વા ન ગી

## સ્પ્રાઉટ પુલાવ



સામગ્રી: ૧ મોટો વાડકો ફણગાવેલા મગ, ૧ કપ બાસમતી ચોખા, જરૂર પ્રમાણે પાણી, થોડી સમારેલી કોબીજ, સમારેલી કોથમીર, સમારેલા મરચા, સમારેલો કુદીનો, ૧ કેપ્સિકમ, ૧ ગાજર, ૪ - ૫ ફણસી, ૧ ટામેટુ, ૧ ચમચી લાલ મરચું, ૧ ચમચી ઘાણાજીરુ, ૧/૨ ચમચી હળદર, મીઠું સ્વાદ પ્રમાણે, ૧/૨ ચમચી ગરમ મસાલો, ૧ ચમચી પુલાવ મસાલો. ૧ ચમચી આદુ લસણનો પેસ્ટ.

રીત: સૌથી પહેલા જે ફણગાવેલા મગ, લીધા છે તેને અઘકચરા બાફી લો પાણી નીતારી અને ઠંડા થવા દો. હવે જે શાકભાજી લીધું છે એને ઘોઈ સમારી અને અઘકચર બાફી લો તેને પણ પાણી નીતારી ઠંડુ થવા દો. બાસમતી ચોખા ને બે વાર પાણીથી ઘોઈને અડધો કલાક માટે પલાળીને રાખો તેને અઘકચરા બાફી લો. હવે કડાઈમાં તેલ ગરમ કરવા માટે મૂકો તેની સાથે જ થોડું બટર ઉમેરી દઈશું તેલ અને બટર ગરમ થાય એટલે તેમાં જીરું અને લીલા મરચા ઉમેરો આદુ, લસણની પેસ્ટ ઉમેરીને સાંતળી લેવું હવે આપણે આમાં કોબીજ અને કેપ્સીકમ ઉમેરીને આપણે ફાસ્ટ ગેસ ઉપર આને સાંતળી લઈએ. આમાં ટામેટું ઉમેરો અને એક મિનિટ માટે એને ચડવા દો ટામેટું ચડી જાય એ પછી આમાં બાફેલા શાકભાજી અને ફણગાવેલા મગ, બાકીના મસાલા અને મીઠું ઉમેરી બધું મિક્સ કરીને એક મિનિટ માટે ચઢવા દઈશું હવે આમાં રાંધેલો ભાત ઉમેરી હલકા હાથે મીક્સ કરી. ધીમાં તાપે ૧૫મીનિટ ચડવા દો. છેલ્લે આમાં કોથમીર અને કુદીનો ઉમેરી દો. ઠંડા દલીબુંદીના રાઈતા સાથે સર્વ કરો.

ચુકવણી કરવી પડશે. આ ઉદાર ચુકવવા માટે, કોઈ આ દુનિયામાં પુત્ર તરીકે આવે છે, કોઈ પુત્રી તરીકે આવે છે, કોઈ પિતા તરીકે આવે છે, કોઈ માતા તરીકે આવે છે, કોઈ પતિ તરીકે આવે છે, કોઈ પત્ની તરીકે આવે છે, કોઈ પ્રેમી તરીકે આવે છે કોઈ ગર્લફ્રેન્ડ તરીકે આવે છે, કોઈ મિત્ર તરીકે આવે છે, કોઈ શત્રુ તરીકે આવે છે, કોઈ પાડોશીની જેમ આવે છે અને

કોઈ સબંધી તરીકે આવે છે. તો દુખ હોય કે સુખ, દરેકને હિસાબ તો આપવો જ પડશે. આપણને કોઈ દુખ આપે તો સમજવાનું કે ગયા જન્મનું લેણુ આપે છે અને આપણી કોઈ સેવા કરે તો સમજવાનું કે ગયા જન્મનું દેણુ આપે છે માટે આ જન્મમા કોઈ ને દુખ આપવું નહી અને કોઈ પાસે ઉદાર લેવું નહી નહીતર આવતા જન્મમાં તે ચુકવવું તો પડશે.

## વિચિત્ર વૃત્તિ

માનવ છે સ્વાર્થી, અને અહમ થી ભરેલો; આં છે એક કડવી લકિકત, એક ભયંકર, પણ સાચું ચિત્ર. ખુદા પ્યારા, યાદ કરું, સદા હું તારુ નામ, એ બી તારે જ મને યાદ કરાવવું પડશે; ભલે આં માંગણી છે થોડી વિચિત્ર; પણ તું તો છે સર્વ જ્ઞાની, જાણે છે તું માનવની વિચિત્ર સ્વાર્થી વૃત્તિ; સમજે છે તું આં, ઓ મારા પરમ પ્રિય મિત્ર . છે અમને, આં માનવજાતને, ભૂલવાની બિમારી; જ્યારે જરૂરત પડે ત્યારે આવે તું, સૌને, સૌ પ્રથમ યાદ; વળી ડર રહે અમને બરબાદ થવાનો; કરીયે એટલે યાચના તારી, રાખવા અમને આબાદ. નહિ તો આં નથી અને પેવું નથી, બધી ઉણપઓની, ખામીઓની, ચાલતી હોય અમારી ફરિયાદ;

- આરમીન દુતીયા મોટાશા

પાના નં. ૧૬થી ચાલુ

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### Death Announcements from Canada

Zenobia Songadwalla ઝીનોબ્યા દોસુ સોન્ગાદવાલા	Dosso ૭૭	77 28-01-2021	45, Coleridge Avenue, Toronto M4C 4H4 Canada ૪૫, કોલેરીજ એવેન્યુ, ટોરોન્ટો એમજસી ઝએચઝ કેનેડા.	તે મરહુમ દોસુ સોન્ગાદવાલાના ઘણીયાણી તે સાયરસના મમ્મી તે અમાનડાના સાસુજી તે જાપને અને થીઓના ગ્રાન્ડ મધર તે મરહુમ નાદીરશા અને દીના ડ્રાઈવરના દીકરી તે દોરાબ, મરહુમ અદી, કાવસ, ચેરાગ, નવલ, આબાનના બહેન. સીસ્ટર ઈન લો: કમલ, શેહનાઝ, નેફયુ/નીસ: ફરાહ, એમી, નતાશા, માલકમ, નાદર, કાર્લ, રેનાલે.
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### Death Announcements from Dhule.

Jimmy Erach Dadabhoy જીમી એરચ દાદાભોય	85 ૮૫	13-02-2021	Tower Garden Road, Dhule. ટાવર ગાર્ડન રોડ, ધુલે.	તે આબાન જીમી દાદાભોયના ઘણી તે મરહુમ એરચ અને ગુલ દાદાભોયના દીકરા તે બીનાયફર, દિનિયાર અને આદિલના પપ્પા તે નેવિલ બીલીમોરિયાના સસરાજી તે કરિષ્મા અને ફ્રીયા બીલીમોરિયાના ગ્રાન્ડ ફાધર તે મરહુમ પરવેઝ એરચ દાદાભોયના ભાઈ તે મરહુમ હોમી અને ગુલ હલદવાલાના જમાઈ.
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### Death Announcements From Poona Parsee Panchayat (Trust Office)

Adi Homi Mehta અદી હોમી મહેતા	70 ૭૦	11-02-2021	3, Solapur Bazar Road, Near MG Bus Stand, Pool Gate, Camp, Pune 411001. ૩, સોલાપુર બઝાર રોડ, એમજી બસ સ્ટેન્ડની નજીક, પુલ ગેટ, કેમ્પ, પુના ૪૧૧૦૦૧.	-
Motee Merwan Irani મોતી મેરવાન ઈરાની	91 ૯૧	15.02.2021	3/2 Ardeshir Baug, Nana Peth, Pune 400002. ૩/૨ અરદેશી બાગ, નાના પેઠ, પુણે ૪૦૦૦૦૨.	-

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Zarin Maneck Golimar ઝરીન માનેક ગોલીમાર	72 ૭૨	12-02-2021	Lady Ratan Tata Bldg. No.3, Flat No.6, Guru Nanak Road, Bandra (West), Mumbai 50. લેડી તાતા, બિલ્ડિંગ નં. ૩, ફ્લેટ નં. ૬, ગુરુ નાનક રોડ, બાંદ્રા (પ.), મુંબઈ ૫૦.	તે માનેક એરચશાલ ગોલીમારના ઘણીયાણી તે મરુદુમો પલોનજી અને એમી કોલાબેવાલાના દિકરી તે સાયરસ અને શેહેઝાદના માતાજી તે દેવનાઝના સાસુ તે પાશન, મરઝીન, શેલઝાન, શલનાયાના બપાઈજી તે શેહેઝ દારા ગોલીમારના બહેન તે માલબી શહઝાદ ચીખલીવાલાના માસી તે દરીયસ, ઝુબીનના મોટા માસી તે મરુદુમો બાનુ અને એરચશાલ ગોલીમારના વડુ.
Dosu Hiraji Patel ડોસુ હીરાજી પટેલ	75 ૭૫	12-02-2021	B-206, Cassa Apartments, Stella Road, Vasai (West), બી-૨૦૬ કાસા એપાર્ટમેન્ટ, સ્ટેલા રોડ, વસઈ (વે.)-૪૦૧૨૦૨.	તે લીલી દોસુ પટેલના ઘણીયાણી તે આવાબાનુના બાવાજી તે આરમઈતી કેરસી દુમસયાના ભાઈ તે કેરસીના સાળા તે ખુશાલીના મામા તે વિશાલના સસરા તે રાયનાના મમાવાજી તે રેયોમંદના માસા તે રોહીનતન, કેરમાન, કેતી, મહારુખના બનેવી તે ખોરેશદના નણંદવલી.
Roda Bahadur Khambatta રોદા બહાદુર ખંબાતા	91 ૯૧	12-02-2021	1-A/38, Tata Mills Chs. Elphinstone Road, Parel, Mumbai 12. ૧-એ/૩૮, તાતા મીલ્સ ડો-ઓપરીટ હાઉસિંગ સોસાયટી, એલ્ફીનસ્ટન રોડ, પરેલ, મુંબઈ ૧૨.	તે મરુદુમ બહાદુર દારબશાલ ખંબાતાના વિધવા તે રૂકશાના બહાદુર ખંબાતા ને કેરસાસપ બહાદુર ખંબાતાના માતાજી તે રૂસ્તમ લવજી કુપરના સાસુજી તે મરુદુમો જર તથા દીનશાલ રતનજી મીસ્ત્રીના દીકરી તે મરુદુમો પીરોજી તથા દારબશાલ ખંબાતાના વડુ તે ટેલમી કેડી બિલ્લીમોયાના નરન તે મરુદુમ રોહીનટન દીનશાલ મીસ્ત્રી તથા કુમી દીનશાલ મીસ્ત્રી ના બહેન.
Nergish Kekashru Vesuna નરગીશ કેખશરુ વેસુના	95 ૯૫	12-02-2021	404, New Krishna Niwas, Roshan Nagar Road, Borivali, Mumbai 92. ૪૦૪, ન્યુ ક્રિષ્ણ નિવાસ, રોશન નગર રોડ, બોરીવલી (વે), મુંબઈ ૯૨.	તે મરુદુમ કેખશરુ અરદેશર વેસુનાના ઘણીયાણી તે મરુદુમો નાજમાય તથા અરદેશર વેસુનાના વડુ તે મરુદુમો કુવરબઈ તથા અરદેશર કડવાના દીકરી તે બરજીસ કે. વેસુના, કેશ્મીરા ટી. કોલાલ તથા મરુદુમ કેરમાન કે. વેસુનાના મમા તે ખોરશેદ બી. વેસુના તથા ટેમુરસ એચ. કોલાલના સાસુ તે મરુદુમો તેમીના, શહેરા તથા ફરામરોજના બહેન તે મરુદુમો હીરા બાઈ તથા જહાંગીરજી એન્જિનિયર, હોમી તથા હીલ્લા કોલાલના વેવાણ તે કચઝાદ હવોવીના બપયજી તે ઝેલદા તથા પરીનાઝના મમયજી.
Rusi Darabshaw Dastoor રૂસી દારાબશાલ દસ્તુર	89 ૮૯	13-02-2021	14/A, Cawasji Patel Street, Sukhia Bldg, 1st Floor, Fort, Mumbai 1. ૧૪/એ, કાવસજી પટેલ સ્ટ્રીટ, સુખીયા બિલ્ડિંગ, ૧ લે માળે, ફોર્ટ, મુંબઈ ૧.	તે મરુદુમો મોટામાય તથા દારબજી દસ્તુરના દીકરા તે હોશંગ દ. દસ્તુર તથા મરુદુમો ફિરોઝ, નરી, સોલી, હોમી, મેહરૂ તથા મીનુના ભાઈ તે મીનુ, પરસી, રોશની તથા બખતાવરના કાકાજી તે જીની, હીલ્લા તથા નાજુના દેર.
Noshir Nariman Chhappgar નોશીર નરીમન છાપધર	82 ૮૨	13-02-2021	1st Floor, Mehta Bldg, Panthaki Baug, Off M.v.road, Andheri East, Mumbai 69. ૧ લે માળે, મેહતા બિલ્ડિંગ, પંથકી બાગ, ઓફ એમ. વી. રોડ, અંધેરી (પુ.), મુંબઈ ૬૯.	તે મરુદુમો તેલમીના તથા નરીમન છાપધરના દીકરા તે મરુદુમ સામ નરીમન છાપધરના ભાઈ તે ફરઝીન અને ખુશનુમ છાપધર અને કેટાયુન તથા ઝુબીન હીલ્લુના અંકલ.
Jimmy Framroze Mistry જીમી ફરામરોઝ મીસ્ત્રી	72 ૭૨	14-02-2021	K-8, Shapurji Bharucha Colony, S.v.road, Andheri West, Mumbai 58. કે-૮, શાપુરજી ભરૂચા કોલોની, એસ. વી. રોડ, અંધેરી (પ), મુંબઈ ૫૮.	તે શેહેરનાઝના ખાવીંદ તે મરુદુમો ફરામરોઝ અને રતી મીસ્ત્રીના દીકરા. તે શેહેરીયારના બાવાજી. તે જેસીકાના સસરાજી. તે રાયલેલના બપાવાજી. તે મરુદુમો ધનજી, અદી તથા (અલાઈવ) બોમી, હોશી, ફેનીના ભાઈ. તે મરુદુમો મેહેરવાનજી અને પીરોજી કોલાલના જમાઈ તે ફરોખ અને અસાપીના બનેવી તે શેહરૂ, કેટી તથા મરુદુમ મહેરૂના દેર તે ફીરોઝ મહેરજીના સાલાજી તે હીલાના બનેવી.
Aban Minoo Karkaria આબાન મીનુ કરકરીયા	80 ૮૦	14-02-2021	Khushnuma Apartments, Flat Noi.141, 29-A, M. L. Dahanukar Road, Carmiacheal Road, Cumballa Hill, Mumbai 26. ખુશનુમા એપાર્ટમેન્ટ, ફ્લેટ નં. ૧૪૧, ૨૯-એ, એમ. એલ. દહાણુકર માર્ગ, કરમાઈકલ રોડ, ખંબાલા હીલ, મુંબઈ ૨૬.	તે મરુદુમો નરગીશ તથા ડોસાભાઈ અરદેશર નાલ્લાદાઝના દીકરી તે એરવદ, પરવેઝ ને આરમેતી ધનજીશાલ તાતા તથા મરુદુમ એરવદ બેહરામના બહેન તે મહારૂખ, શુઝન, અરીસ, દારાયશ ને કેટાયુનના ફઈજી તે આર-મીન એરવદ દીનશાલ, દીલનવાઝ એરવદ આરીશ, એરવદ ઝાલ ને ઝરકશીશના ગ્રેન્ડ ફુઈજી તે મરુદુમ ધનજીશા કેખશરૂ તાતાના સાલી તે મરુદુમ હોમાય પરવેઝ નાલ્લાદાઝના નણંદ.
Kaizad Godrej Bhatthana કેઝાદ ગોદરેજ ભાઠેના	48 ૪૮	15-02-2021	4/23, A. H. Wadia Baug, 3rd Floor, Parel Tank Road, Mumbai 33. ૪/૨૩, એ. એચ. વાડીયા બાગ, ત્રીજે માળે, પરેલ ટેન્ક રોડ, કાલાચોકી, મુંબઈ ૩૩.	તે રોશન તથા મરુદુમ ગોદરેજ મેહરજી ભાઠેનાના દીકરા તે યારમીન કેઝાદ ભાઠેનાના ખાવીંદ તે દેલના ગોટલાના ભાઈ તે નયોમીના મામા તે કેટી તથા મેરવાન બેહરામશાલ કોલાબેવાલાના જમાઈ તે ઝીનોબ્યા ફરહાદ મોટાફરામના બનેવી તે કેડી સોરાબ ઈરાનીના ભત્રીજા તે મરુદુમો અરના તથા હોમી પેસીનાના ગ્રેન્ડ સન તે મરુદુમો મેહરા તથા મેહેરજી ભાઠેનાના ગ્રેન્ડ સન તે મરુદુમો અરનાવાઝ ને જીમી ડ્રાઈવરના નેચુ તે વીરા તથા મરુદુમ માનેક મેહેરજી ભાઠેનાના નેચુ આબાન, પરસીસ ને ડેઆઝાદના કઝીન તે બેહરામ ને સરોશના માસા.
Homai Dhunjisha Sadri હોમાય ધનજીશાલ સદરી	81 ૮૧	17-02-2021	11- Pinjara Street, New Anjuman Building, Navsari, Gujarat 396445. ૧૧- પીંજરા ગલી, નવી અંજુમન બિલ્ડીંગ, નવસારી, ગુજરાત-૩૯૬૪૪૫.	તે મરુદુમ ધનજીશાલના ઘણીયાણી તે મરુદુમો નાજમાઈ અને કાવસજીના દીકરી તે નોઝર અને નવાઝના માતાજી તે જેસમીનના સાસુજી તે કચઝીન અને યારીશના બપઈજી તે મરુદુમો હીરાજી, નોશીર, પેસી, રૂસી, સાવક, બખતાવર તથા (જીવતા) રોશન, તેહેમીનાના બહેન તે મરુદુમો જરબાઈ તથા શાપુરજીના વડુ.

Death Announcements from Dahanu

Homai Faredun Daruwala હોમાય ફરેદુન દારુવાળા	92 ૯૨	12-02-2021	Room No. 5, Sepot Building, Dahanu Road. રૂમ નં. ૫, સેપોટ બિલ્ડિંગ, દહાણુ રોડ, ૪૦૧૬૦૨.	તે મરુદુમ ફરેદુન એદલજી દારુવાળાના વિધવા તે મરુદુમ એદલજી દારુવાળાના વડુ તે મરુદુમો મહેરબાઈ તથા એદલજી બલસારાના દીકરી તે કેરસી, વિરાફ તથા સાયરસના મમા. તે ખુરશીદ તથા માહરૂખના સાસુ તે ફિરોઝ એદલજી બલસારા તથા મરુદુમો નરગીસ નરીમાન મરાવાળા તથા કેટી મીનુ પારડીવાલાના બહેન તે ખુશનુમા આદીલ દેસાઈ તથા કરીશ્માના બપયજી.
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Death Announcements from Las Vegas, USA.

Gustad Farhad Farhadi ગુસ્તાદ ફરહાદ ફરહાદી	73 ૭૩	12-02-2021	Las Vegas, Nevada, USA. લાસ વેગાસ, નેવાડા, યુએસએ.	તે સનોબરના ઘણી તે ફરહંગ અને કેઝાદના પિતા તે બેનાશ્શાના સસરા તે આરોનના ગ્રાન્ડ ફાધર તે ડો. પેરિન, હોમી, પેસી અને મરુદુમ રૂસ્તમ, દારા અને નરગેશના ભાઈ.
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Death Announcements From Prayer Hall

Hoshang Homi Mehta હોશંગ હોમી મહેતા	61 ૬૧	14-02-2021	B/28 Godrej Baug, Off Napeansea Road, Mumbai 26. બી/૨૮, ગોદરેજ બાગ, ઓફ નેપીયન્સી રોડ, મુંબઈ ૨૬.	તે મરુદુમ કેટી અને મરુદુમ હોમી મહેતાના દીકરા તે શાહનાઝના ભાઈ.
Bomie Noshirwan Patel બોમી નોશીરવાન પટેલ	69 ૬૯	16.02.2021	Takshila Building No. 31/A, Flat No. 32, Andheri (E), Mumbai 93. તકશીલા બિલ્ડિંગ નં. ૩૧/એ, ફ્લેટ નં. ૩૨, મહાલાલી કેન્સ રોડ, અંધેરી-ઈ, મુંબઈ ૯૩.	તે ઝરીન બોમી પટેલના ઘણી તે શીરીન તથા નોશીરવાન પટેલના દીકરા તે શાઝનીન બોમી પટેલના પપ્પા તે મરુદુમ આલુ અને મરુદુમ માનેક પટેલના જમાઈ તે વિરાફ માનેક પટેલ અને જીમી પટેલના બ્રધર ઈન લો.



## YOUR MOONSIGNS JANAM RASHI THIS WEEK

લખનાર: મરહુમ મહારાજ શ્રી સ્વયંજયોતિના સહકાર્યકર્તા જયેશ એમ. ગોસ્વામી

અઠવાડિક રાશિક્ષણ: તા. ૨૦.૦૨.૨૦૨૧ થી તા. ૨૬.૦૨.૨૦૨૧



### Aries - મેષ - અ.લ.ઈ.

શુક્રની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી તમને દરેક બાજુથી સારા સમાચાર મળતા રહેશે. જે પણ કામ કરશો તેમાં ફત્તેહના ડંકા વગાડીને રહેશો. નવા કામ કરવામાં સફળતા મળશે. મનની વાત કહ્યા વગર સામેની વ્યક્તિ સમજી જશે. તબિયતમાં સારો સુધારો થતો જશે. ફસાયેલા નાણા પાછા મેળવી શકશો. દરરોજ 'બહેરામ યજ્ઞ'ની આરાધના કરજો. શુક્રવંતી તા. ૨૦, ૨૧, ૨૨, ૨૩ છે.

Lucky Dates: 20, 21, 22, 23.

Venus' ongoing rule will bring you good news from all quarters. You will be extremely successful in all your endeavours. New projects will be fruitful. People will understand what's in your mind without your having to voice it. Health will improve greatly. You will be able to retrieve your bad debts. Pray to Behram Yazad daily.



### Cancer - કર્ક - ડ.હ.

ગુરુની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી તમારા હાથથી કોઈની ભલાઈનું કામ થઈ જશે. જાણતા અજાણતા તમે કોઈના મદદગાર બની જશો. નાણાકીય બાબતમાં સારા સારી થતી જશે. અચાનક ધનલાભ થવાના ચાન્સ છે. તમારી આવકમાં વધારો થશે. તમારા કામમાં જશ મળશે. બીજાઓ તમારા કામના વખાણ કરશે. દરરોજ 'સરોશ યજ્ઞ' ભણજો. શુક્રવંતી તા. ૨૧, ૨૨, ૨૫, ૨૬ છે.

Lucky Dates: 21, 22, 25, 26.

Jupiter's ongoing rule will have you do a noble deed for another. You will, advertently or inadvertently, become someone's helper. Financial stability and progress is indicated. You could be the recipient of unexpected wealth. Your income will increase. You will receive fame in your work. Others will praise your work greatly. Pray the Sarosh Yasht daily.



### Libra - તુલા - ર.ત.

૧૮મી માર્ચ સુધી બુધની દિનદશા ચાલશે. તમે વાણીયા જેવા બની જશો ને સારી જગ્યાએ ઈનવેસ્ટ કરશો. મીઠી જબાન વાપરી પારકાને પોતાના કરશો. જે પણ ખ્યાન કરશો તેના મુજબ કામ કરી સમય બચાવશો. તમારા કામ સહેલાઈથી પૂરા કરી શકશો. દરરોજ 'મહેર નીઆએશ' ભણજો. શુક્રવંતી તા. ૨૦, ૨૩, ૨૫, ૨૬ છે.

Lucky Dates: 20, 23, 25, 26.

Mercury's rule till 18th March will make you very money-minded and will invest in good options. You will be able to win over strangers with your sweet words. If you do your work as per plan you will be able to save good time. You will be able to complete your tasks smoothly. Pray the Meher Nyaish daily.



### Capricorn - મકર - ખ.જ.

ચંદ્રની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી તમારો સેલ્ફ કોન્ફીડન્સ વધતો જશે. તમારા કરેલ કામની અંદર તમારી કદર થશે. ઘરમાં નવા મહેમાન આવવાના ચાન્સ છે. તમે કરેલા કામમાં બીજાઓ વખાણ કરતા થાકશે નહીં. નવા મિત્રો તરફથી લાભ થશે. ઈનવેસ્ટમેન્ટ અવશ્ય કરજો. દરરોજ ૩૪મું નામ 'યા બેસ્તરના' ૧૦૧વાર ભણજો. શુક્રવંતી તા. ૨૨, ૨૩, ૨૪, ૨૬ છે.

Lucky Dates: 22, 23, 24, 26.

The ongoing Moon's rule increases your self-confidence. You will receive appreciation for your works. You could expect new visitors. People will not tire of praising you for your work. New friends will prove beneficial. Ensure to make investments. Pray the 34th Name, 'Ya Beshtama', 101 times, daily.



### Taurus - વૃષભ - બ.વ.ઉ.

રાહુની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી તમે કોઈને સલાહ આપશો તો તે વ્યક્તિ તમારી વાત માનશે નહીં. ઘરવાળા ઈમોશનલ બની તમને પરેશાન કરી નાખશે. નાણાકીય બાબતમાં ખૂબ ખેચતાણ રહેશે. ખર્ચનું પ્રમાણ વધવાથી ખોટા વિચારો આવશે. પ્રેમી-પ્રેમીકામાં મતભેદ પડવાના ચાન્સ છે એકબીજાના વિચાર નહીં મળે. દરરોજ 'મહાબોખ્તાર નીઆએશ' ભણજો. શુક્રવંતી તા. ૨૨, ૨૪, ૨૫, ૨૬ છે.

Lucky Dates: 22, 24, 25, 26.

Rahu's ongoing rule will have people rejecting your sincere advice. Family members could end up being emotionally trying. Financial strain is indicated. Increase in expenditures might have your mind entertaining wrongful thoughts. Squabbles between couples could take place due to mental incompatibility. Pray the Mah Bokhtar Nyaish daily.



### Leo - સિંહ - મ.ટ.

પહેલા ૩ દિવસ શનિની દિનદશામાં પસાર કરવાના બાકી છે. તબિયતની ખાસ સંભાળ રાખજો. સાંધાના તથા માથાના દુખાવાથી પરેશાન થશો. ૨૩મીથી ગુરુની દિનદશા તમારા તમામ દુઃખને દુર કરીને સુખ આપશે. તબિયતમાં પણ સુધારો આવશે. નાણાકીય બાબતમાં સારા સારી થતી જશે. દરરોજ 'સરોશ યજ્ઞ' ભણજો. શુક્રવંતી તા. ૨૦, ૨૨, ૨૩, ૨૪ છે.

Lucky Dates: 20, 22, 23, 24.

You have the last three days remaining under Saturn's rule. Take special care of your health. You could suffer from headaches or joint-pains. Jupiter's rule, starting from the 23rd of February, takes away all the misery and the pain and brings you contentment. Health will improve. Financial progress is indicated. Pray the Sarosh Yasht daily.



### Scorpio - વૃશ્ચિક - ન.પ.

આજનો દિવસ શનિની દિનદશામાં પસાર કરવાનો બાકી છે. આજે તમને ખુબ આળસ આવશે. ઘરવાળા તમને ઈરીટેટ કરી નાખશે. કાલથી બુધની દિનદશા આવતા ૫૬ દિવસમાં તમારી આળસ દૂર કરી તમારા કામમાં સફળ બનાવી દેશે. નાણાકીય બાબતમાં સારા સારી થતી જશે. રોકાયેલા નાણા પાછા મેળવી શકશો. બુધની વધુ કૃપા મેળવવા દરરોજ 'તીર યજ્ઞ' ભણજો. શુક્રવંતી તા. ૨૧, ૨૩, ૨૪, ૨૫ છે.

Lucky Dates: 21, 23, 24, 25.

Today is the last day under Saturn's rule and hence you could feel very lethargic. Family members could be very irritating. Mercury's rule starting tomorrow, for the next 56 days, will bring you success in all your endeavours. Financial progress is indicated. You will be able to retrieve your bad debts. To gain the blessings of Mercury, pray the Tir Yasht daily.



### Aquarius - કુંભ - ગ.શ.સ.

સુર્યની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી ૪થી માર્ચ સુધી માથાનો બોળો વધતો જશે. નાના કામ કરવામાં પણ મુશ્કેલી આવશે. મનગમતી વ્યક્તિ નાની બાબતથી નારાજ થશે. સરકારી કામ કરવામાં સફળતા નહીં મળે. વડીલવર્ગની તબિયતનું ધ્યાન આપજો. તેમના માટે બેદરકાર બનતા નહીં. દરરોજ ૯૬મું નામ 'યા રયોમંદ' ૧૦૧વાર ભણજો. શુક્રવંતી તા. ૨૦, ૨૧, ૨૪, ૨૫ છે.

Lucky Dates: 20, 21, 24, 25.

The ongoing rule of the Sun will cause increasing mental tensions till the 4th of March. You will find doing small tasks also challenging. A favourite person will get upset over a petty issue. You will not be successful in government-related works. Ensure to take care of the health of the elderly - do not be careless about their wellbeing. Pray the 96th Name, 'Ya Rayomand', 101 times, daily.



### Gemini - મિથુન - ક.છ.ઘ.

આજનો દિવસ ગુરુની દિનદશામાં પસાર કરવાનો બાકી છે. તમે કોઈના મદદગાર બની રહેશો. કાલથી રાહુની દિનદશા આવતા ૪૨ દિવસમાં તમારા દિવસની ભુખ અને રાતની ઉંઘ બસે ઉડાવી દેશે. તમને યોગીટીવ વિચાર નહીં આવે. જે પણ કામ કરશો તેમાં સફળતા નહીં મળે. રોજના કામોથી કંટાળી જશો. ઉપરી વર્ગથી ખોટી રીતે પરેશાન થશો. દરરોજ 'મહાબોખ્તાર નીઆએશ' ભણજો. શુક્રવંતી તા. ૨૦, ૨૧, ૨૩, ૨૪ છે.

Lucky Dates: 20, 21, 23, 24.

Today marks the last day under Jupiter's rule; you could end up being of help to another. Rahu's rule starting tomorrow, for the next 42 days, will rob you of your hunger and your sleep. You will not get positive thoughts. You will not be successful in all your endeavours. You will feel lethargy in doing your daily chores. Your senior colleagues could wrongfully harass you. Pray the Mah Bokhtar Nyaish daily.



### Virgo - કન્યા - પ.ઠ.ણ.

૨૩મી માર્ચ સુધી શનિની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી તબિયતની ખાસ સંભાળ લેજો. તમારા કામકાજમાં મુશ્કેલીઓ આવશે. ઘરમાં કોઈપણ ઈલેક્ટ્રોનિક કે લોખંડની ચીજ વસ્તુ લેવાની ભુલ કરતા નહીં. ઘરમાં વડીલવર્ગની ચિંતા સત્તાવશે તેમના માટે બેદરકાર રહ્યા તો મોટી મુશ્કેલીમાં આવી જશે. દરરોજ 'મોટી હમન યજ્ઞ' ભણજો. શુક્રવંતી તા. ૨૧, ૨૨, ૨૩, ૨૪ છે.

Lucky Dates: 21, 22, 23, 24.

Saturn's rule till 23rd March suggests that you take great care of your health. You could face challenges in your work. Avoid purchasing any electronic or iron items for the house. The elderly at home could pose worries. Not taking action towards the same could land you in a huge mess. Pray the Moti Haptan Yasht daily.



### Sagittarius - ધન - ભ.ધ.ફ.

છેલ્લા ત્રણ દિવસ તમે શાંતિમાં પસાર કરી શકાશો. ત્રણ દિવસમાં ઘરમાં જોઈતી ચીજ વસ્તુ વસાવી લેજો. ૨૩મીથી ૨૮ દિવસ માટે શરૂ થતી મંગળની દિનદશા નાની બાબતમાં પરેશાન કરશે. તમારા સારા કામને બગાડી દેશે. મંગળને કારણે શાંતિ ગુમાવી દેશે. તબિયતમાં ધ્યાન આપવું પડશે. દરરોજ ૩૪મું નામ 'યા બેસ્તરના' ૧૦૧વાર ભણજો. શુક્રવંતી તા. ૨૦, ૨૧, ૨૨, ૨૫ છે.

Lucky Dates: 20, 21, 22, 25.

You have 3 days remaining to spend in peace - ensure to make all your house purchases during this time. Mars' rule, starting from the 23rd February, for the next 28 days, will pose challenges even in petty matters. It will ruin good projects. You will lose your peace of mind. Pay special attention to your health. Pray the 34th Name, 'Ya Beshtama', 101 times, daily.



### Pisces - મીન - દ.ચ.ઝ.થ.શ.

શુક્રની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી જે પણ ડીસીઝન લેશો તેને પૂરા કરતા વાર નહીં લાગે. મોજશોખ પાછળ ખર્ચ વધી જવા છતાં નાણાકીય મુશ્કેલી નહીં આવે. લગ્ન કરવા માગતા હશે તો મનગમતું લાઈફ પાર્ટનર મળવાના ચાન્સ છે. કામકાજને વધારવા થોડીઘણી ભાગદોડ કરવી પડશે. અચાનક ધનલાભ થવાના ચાન્સ છે. દરરોજ 'બહેરામ યજ્ઞ'ની આરાધના કરજો. શુક્રવંતી તા. ૨૧, ૨૨, ૨૩, ૨૬ છે.

Lucky Dates: 21, 22, 23, 26.

Venus' ongoing rule will help you deliver on all your decisions. Despite an increase in your expenses over fun and entertainment, you will not face any financial strain. Those looking to get married will be able to find their ideal life partner. You will need to put in some effort to expand your business. A sudden windfall is predicted. Pray to Behram Yazad daily.

# 'V' for Victory OR 'V' for Villain??



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Not all infectious diseases can be presently fought with a vaccine. The HIV, respiratory syncytial virus, and the cancer-causing Epstein-Barr virus kill millions of people every year and have no vaccine yet. Now, with the multi-country approval of Covid-19 vaccines, Covid-19 has become the 28<sup>th</sup> vaccine-preventable human disease. Reason enough for us all to cheer the victory of science over despair... But, wait a moment... At the virtual press conference held by the World Health Organization (WHO) on December 28, 2020, the WHO Chief Scientist - Dr. Soumya Swaminathan, said, "We continue to wait for more results from the vaccine trials to really understand whether the vaccines, apart from preventing symptomatic disease and severe disease and deaths, are also going to reduce infection or prevent people from getting infected with the virus, than from passing it on or transmitting it to other people. I don't believe we have the evidence on any of the vaccines to be confident that it's going to prevent people from actually getting the infection and therefore being able to pass it on."

Dr. Mark Ryan, Executive Director - WHO Health Emergencies Program, agreed with Swaminathan, "We just don't know enough yet about length of protection and other things, to be absolutely able to predict that, but we should be able to get good control of the virus." In an interview with Newsweek, Dr. Anthony Fauci, Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), USA, reinforced WHO's admission that health officials do not know if COVID-19 vaccines prevent infection or if people can spread the virus to others after getting vaccinated.

There are many amongst us who want to know and understand the complete facts, as they get overwhelmed with an overload of opinions from experts all around. So today, I bring before you threadbare - not any opinion - but excerpts and facts based on research findings from published scientific studies and literature...

Post the COVID-19 infection, people develop immune responses. Covid-19 antibodies lasted at a good level even



after 6-8 months of infection. However, a natural infection may not be the choice for getting immunity because many of those (one in three) people who recover from Covid-19 have chronic complaints, including exhaustion and a racing heart, for months afterwards, including people under 35 years of age, with no previous health conditions. Several of the survivors of Covid-19 have reported symptoms similar to those of lupus and rheumatoid arthritis. Covid-19 vaccines, in contrast, carry only a few and little-known risk. So far, Covid-19 vaccines have been tested in tens of thousands of people and used on a million people, with no serious publicly reported side effects.

The COVID vaccine, launched in India on 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2021, was first administered to healthcare / frontline workers. The second group to receive COVID-19 vaccine will be people over 50 years of age and those under 50 years with co-morbid conditions. The aim of vaccination is to build up herd immunity, where enough of the population is protected from the virus, and as a result, transmission slows down significantly to eventually kill the disease.

However, scientists are not sure about the magic number (fraction of the immune population) to obtain effective herd immunity for COVID-19. Their best estimate is somewhere around 70% of the population, which could take months (in nations with developed health system) to years in achieving the target through vaccination. This certainly is a very conservative estimate and will surely change, depending on the contagiousness of the present Covid-19 and the mutant viruses destined to emerge in the future.

Moreover, people in reproductive age, planning to have a baby in next three years, are advised to abstain from Covid-19 especially mRNA-based vaccine due to probable fear of unwanted mutations in germ cells. Currently, mRNA vaccines are

not available in India.

Vaccines are primarily used for prevention of the diseases and disease outbreaks aiming for disease control and eradication. Prophylactic and therapeutic are two groups of vaccines based on its design. While prophylactic vaccines are administered as a precautionary measure to avoid the infection

or disease, therapeutic vaccines are administered after the individual is already affected by the disease or infection.

As per the official Indian government MOH website, vaccination for COVID-19 is voluntary. However, it is advisable to receive the complete schedule of COVID-19 vaccine for protecting one's self against this disease and also to limit the spread of this disease to close contacts including family members, friends, relatives and co-workers. Truth is - we are still in the infancy stage to understand the complete effect and outcome of Covid-19 vaccines in its entirety; we neither know its therapeutic value nor the disease prevention potential in detail.

**The potential vaccines for COVID-19 either approved for use or in trial stage include:**

**A) INACTIVATED OR WEAKENED VIRUS VACCINES:** the inactivated or weakened virus is incapable of causing disease but induces a protective immune response.

**B) PROTEIN-BASED VACCINES:** subcomponent vaccines contain harmless fragments of the virus like spike proteins or protein shells that mimic the COVID-19 virus i.e., ghost viruses or virus like particles (VLPs) are often safe and generate an immune response.

**C) VIRAL VECTOR VACCINES:** use a harmless carrier virus either natural or genetically engineered designed to carry genes to produce Corona-virus proteins in host to generate an immune response.

**D) RNA and DNA VACCINES:** a cutting-edge approach that uses genetically engineered mRNA or DNA to generate a protein, often requiring a potent delivery system and adjuvant to induce the immune system to mount a protective response.

It's too early to know and claim if COVID-19 vaccines will either provide long-term protection or not but at

present it is claimed to protect for 6-8 months after a booster vaccination. This is an assumption and based on the available data suggesting that most of those people who recover from COVID-19 develop a protective antibody titres (based on which serum therapy has been practiced across nations using convalescent serum) and cellular immune response which provides protection from re-infection for 6-8 months.

If one is taking medicines for illnesses like Cancer, Diabetes, Hypertension etc., can s/he take the COVID-19 vaccine? The official website of MOH gives a clear 'Yes'. Persons with one or more of these co-morbid conditions are considered high risk category. They need to get COVID-19 vaccination.

WHO has advised that people with some medical conditions should not get certain Covid-19 vaccines, or should consider prolonging it. Such warning conditions are chronic illnesses or treatments (like chemotherapy) that affect the immune system; severe and life-threatening allergies to vaccine ingredients, which are rare; or those with severe illness and a high fever on the day of vaccination.

What about the possible side-effects from COVID-19 vaccine? The official MOH website assures us that COVID vaccine will be introduced only when the safety is proven. As is true for other vaccines, the common side effects in some individuals could be mild fever, pain, etc. at the site of injection. States have been asked to start making arrangements to deal with any Covid-19 vaccine-related side-effects as one of the measures towards safe vaccine delivery among masses.

Like any other medicine, vaccines are known to cause several mild side effects; similarly, Covid-19 vaccines may also induce low-grade fever, or pain or redness at the injection site. Most of the mild reactions go away within a day or a few days on their own. Severe or long-lasting side effects are claimed to be extremely rare. Vaccines are continually monitored for safety, to detect rare adverse events. Participants of several Covid-19 vaccine trials have experienced mild, lingering, and in some cases, 'totally strange' side-effects. A trial detailed suffering from bone-breaking chills, and a fever that went up to 102 degrees Fahrenheit within hours of vaccine inoculation. Onset of production of antibodies may also cause a low-grade or high fever, accompanied by redness and swelling at injection site.

Commonly reported side effects of the vaccines include fatigue, headache,

## Chronic Bronchitis: Causes And Prevention



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According to the WHO, there were over 251 million cases of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) globally in 2016. The numbers have increased every year. COPD is identified as the primary cause of over 5% of deaths worldwide, accounting for over 10 million cases in India alone, according to the 'Indian Study of Asthma, Respiratory Symptoms and Chronic Bronchitis' (INSEARCH).

**What Is Bronchitis?** Bronchitis occurs when the airways that carry air to your lungs, called the bronchial tubes, get swollen and affect breathing. This swelling of the bronchial tubes makes a person develop a cough and leads to mucus build up. When Bronchitis takes longer than 2-3 months to get better and reoccurs frequently, it is known as Chronic Bronchitis.

### Causes Of Chronic Bronchitis:

- Atypical bacteria can cause chronic bronchitis and mild infections of the respiratory system.
- Exposure to pollution can also lead to chronic bronchitis.
- In the elderly, indoor pollution and smoke inhalation can play a larger



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role.

- Smokers are more susceptible to chronic bronchitis.

**Symptoms Of Chronic Bronchitis:** Coughing is the most evident symptom. Other symptoms include:

- Inability to keep up with daily chores
- Wheezing sounds when breathing
- Tightness or dull pain in the chest
- Shortness of breath
- Fatigue

With chronic bronchitis, the airways become obstructed and air and mucus are trapped inside the lungs. The mucus in the lungs causes people to experience wheezing, headaches, chest pains, sore throat, runny nose, fatigue and a chronic cough (dry or with phlegm). The shortness of breath and weakness from this condition can also lead to an increased risk of falls.

Homeopathy is a natural, effective and side-effect free approach to curing Chronic Bronchitis.

**Homeopathy For Chronic Bronchitis Disease:** Homeopathy deals with bronchitis in a safe and gentle way by stimulating the body's natural defence and, in turn, improving the overall health of an individual.

According to a study, patients with respiratory problems

who were treated with homeopathy, showed a positive response rate of 82.6%, as compared to 67.3% patients treated with conventional treatment. (Source: Research Gate).

Bronchitis could be accompanied by other respiratory conditions such as asthma and allergic rhinitis. It is imperative to determine the fundamental cause of an individual's respiratory problems. At Dr. Batra's®, homeopaths achieve just that by treating each patient uniquely, examining the patient's genetic, family and medical history and studying every intricate detail. Based on their observations, homeopaths deduce customised medications for each individual, which present no side-effects and can be taken for as long as required.

**Self-Help Tips:** The following remedies are recommended to deal with the most common complaints of Chronic Bronchitis:

- **Arsenicum Album (Ars Alb)**
  - *Ars Alb 30 C* (5 pills) taken 2 daily

half an hour away from meals

- The cough and breathlessness is worse in the night and early mornings and the patient feels better by bending forward
- **Stannum Metallicum (Stan Met)**
  - *Stan Met 30C* (5 pills) taken 2 daily half an hour away from meals
  - Difficult expectoration
- **Antimonium Tartaricum (Antim Tart)**
  - *Antim Tart 30C* (5 pills) taken 2 daily half an hour away from meals
  - Rattling cough with difficult expectoration

*[Please Note: The medicines mentioned are suggestive; Please consult your local homeopath to better understand your condition.]*

**Alongside homeopathy, you can adopt certain lifestyle guidelines fight off bronchitis more effectively:**

- Wash your hands with soap frequently;
- Avoid exposure to smoke, dust and pollutants ;
- Exercise regularly;
- Eat healthy;
- Avoid or give up smoking;
- Do steam inhalation daily

In cases of chronic bronchitis, consult your local homeopath to opt for homeopathy which is safe, natural and side-effect free.

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▶ and muscle pain. These side effects go in a day or two. However, the most commonly reported side effect from the vaccine is an injection site reaction. It can be a little tender; it can hurt to move the arm a little bit. Some participants in trials reported chills, joint pain, or fever following vaccination. Reactions were more often reported following the second (booster) dose of the vaccine. Serious side effects as Bell's palsy (characterized by rapid onset of mild weakness to total paralysis on one side of your face (facial hemiplegia, the 7<sup>th</sup> nerve inflammation) within hours to days of vaccination leading to facial droop and difficulty in making facial expressions, such as closing your eye or smiling, drooling and pain around the jaw or in or behind your ear on the affected side) have been reported in 0.5% of a particular brand's vaccine trial participants besides rare severe allergic reactions to vaccines can also happen.

Anaphylaxis, a potentially life-threatening allergic reaction, has been linked in the past to multiple types of vaccines. Severe allergic reaction after receiving the Covid-19 vaccines (1.31 per million doses) alerted authorities to closely monitor whether anaphylaxis is linked to all Covid-19 vaccines, or merely those made of mRNA. Eight people in the trials had Bell's palsy after receiving the vaccine. Having Guillain Barré syndrome is another possibility after getting vaccine shots. It is prudent that if you have an immediate allergic reaction after getting the first dose of vaccine, you should consult your physician before getting the second dose.

Did you know that efforts to develop a Covid vaccine have been from a long time before Covid-19 became a common term? As noted by the authors of International Journal of Clinical Practice paper, previous coronavirus vaccine efforts — for severe acute

respiratory syndrome coronavirus (SARS-CoV), Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV) and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) — have revealed a serious concern: The vaccines have a tendency to trigger antibody-dependent enhancement.

What exactly does that mean? In a nutshell, it means that rather than enhance your immunity against the infection, the vaccine actually enhances the virus' ability to enter and infect your cells, resulting in more severe disease than had you not been vaccinated. This is the exact opposite of what a vaccine is supposed to do, and a significant problem that has been pointed out very often earlier by research scholars. This certainly doesn't mean the current covid-19 vaccines have the same issue as no public details have been released on the same.

A potential point of concern is the "Leaky" vaccination. When a vaccinated host keeps on shedding disease germs

due to persistence of disease-causing agent without any apparent clinical disease, it is called leaky vaccination. Studies on Covid-19 vaccines at present are silent over this point. The leakiness is of concern because it increases vaccination coverage required to prevent disease spread and can also promote the evolution of the pathogen with increased virulence.

Last but not the least, to answer a very commonly asked question - Do we need to practice social distancing and use face mask even after vaccination? The answer from all the authorities is a strong YES!

*Please note that this article is in no way intended to influence the decision of the readers and each individual should choose the best course of action for their health based on personal consultation with their family Physician. I wish and pray the very best for you and for all of mankind a V for victory! God Bless!!*

# Sharpen Your Edge: The Twins Of Wins!!



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Charisma and Humility are the attractive twins that rampart your success. Charisma, however, tends to get attracted to Arrogance and loses out. Humility, likewise, gets bestraddled with muted Reticence, and loses out too! Wrong marriages!!

Charisma without Humility has a short shelf-life, for it has a tendency beyond a point, to start walking on marshy land and self-destruct. Self-boasting becomes a natural outcome. Humility without Charisma will find it difficult, unaided to climb the tall stairways of success. You will be respected, but not adored, for you will tend to always position always



below the radar.

Without both - Charisma and Humility - one is a non-starter. Neither a winner in the short run, nor a winner in the long run!

A bad marriage, they say, is worse than a no marriage... and I agree. If Charisma and Humility are not in love...fair. Better

they don't get married. But if Charisma marries Arrogant/Pride and Humility marries Reticence, then Disaster is guaranteed!!

Humility is a very critical behavioural value, and, in combination with Charisma, it makes for a fantastic set of values for leadership success. Charisma, on the one hand,

provides one's Personality a sharpened edge to influence and inspire action from followers. Humility, on the other hand, reflects modesty through an unassuming style. Despite being very successful, the person does not throw his weight around or misbehave or boast of his power or prowess.

Charisma and Humility when bonded together, give you that coveted 'Midas' touch of leadership. Whatever you do with them is bound to become precious, in a way. A successful, humble leader merges seamlessly with the team such that it would become very difficult for an outsider to determine, merely by looking and observing behaviours, whilst the group is transacting, as to who the leader is. No power dressing, no shouting, no screaming, no insistence on

compliance with his commands, no harsh words. No power exhibits.

The idea prompting such a leader is to serve. Such a leader is a 'Servant Leader' and being so, the leader is a 'servant first' - focussing on the needs of others, especially the team members first, before focussing on fulfilling his own needs, which come up last for service.

One has therefore to befriend 'Wisdom' to be able to bond and hold these two 'Twins of Wins' together and then see the magic they create!

Our search for our leaders is on in our community too. We need Competency, Charisma and Humility. We have some good candidates. And in our search of such leaders, may Ahura Mazda bless us!

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