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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Connecting The Dots...

Dear Readers.

We've 'March'ed into the month which marks a year since India declared her first lockdown (25 March, 2020), in our arduous battle against the deadly coronavirus pandemic. But this month also marks two other special occasions

while one is celebrated worldwide as International Women's Day (IWD) on 8th March; the other will have an impact on our Community's Leadership and future wellbeing - the BPP Trustees Elections, on 14th March.

To the discerning, it wouldn't be too difficult to connect the dots across these three aspects - the Pandemic, IWD and Community Leadership. Across the world, women have stood at the front lines of this crisis - as caregivers, health-care workers, innovators and more. Even within our community, women have stood out as crucial support-systems and coordinators, displaying exemplary and proficient leadership by demonstrating their skills, knowledge and networks, to effectively lead the COVID-19 response and recovery efforts.

In fact, the United Nations Women announced its theme for IWD 2021 as, 'Women in Leadership: Achieving an Equal Future in a COVID-19 World', celebrating the tremendous efforts of women in shaping a more equal future and recovery from this COVID crisis.

But, even beyond the pandemic, women have proven their resilient mettle - numerous studies conclude that women are naturally more effective communicators - in fact it's one of their strongest skills, making them more approachable as leaders, as also enabling them to plan, execute and delegate responsibilities with greater clarity. Maybe, the added feminine presence on the BPP Board is what it will take to streamline and further fortify both - the leadership as well as the efforts towards the welfare and progress of our community.

Here's wishing all our fabulous women a Happy Women's Day! May the leader in you lead us all towards greater growth, success and happiness! Have a good weekend!

- Anahita anahita@parsi-times.com

How One Man's Love For Fish Made The World See Food Differently!

t wasn't just about the market size or the opportunity. FreshToHome was started purely for a selfish reason - the need for fresh, delicious Fish which I can feed my kids," says Shan Kadavil, CEO FreshToHome, the world's favorite destination for fresh, chemical-free Fish and Meat -Home Delivered.

the traditional Currently, supply chain of India's substantial production of marine agriculture, meat and poultry products is unorganized and run by small/medium scale private players. It lacks transparency and is contaminated with chemicalbased storage and logistics processes. This lead to a 40% wastage.

FreshToHome has revolutionized this scenario by bringing Artificial Intelligence (AI) and the Internet of Things (IoT) into the cold chain, food safety, and sourcing processes. A serial entrepreneur and ex-CEO of Zynga, Shan Kadavil and Mathew Joseph, founded FreshToHome in 2015. They also have a team of key players from Zynga, along with them. The startup ensures safe and transparent delivery of fresh, perishable products without ever freezing or treating them with harmful chemicals.

Necessity - The Mother of Invention: Like any

true-blue Malavali. Kadavil loved his fresh fish. He was a regular customer of 'Sea to Home', an online platform owned by Mathew, which

exported fish from Kochi to Delhi and Bengaluru, which shut down due to operational inefficiencies. Realising that the market size for fish and meat in India was over \$50 billion, the entrepreneur seized the opportunity and entered the market

along with Mathew in 2015, bringing FreshToHome into existence.

The company works closely with over 1,500 fishermen and farmers across India. With five factories in Kerala, Bengaluru, Noida, Mumbai, and Chennai, the company's strength has passed 1,000 and has over 20 processing hubs in each city, daily delivering over 10 tonnes of fresh fish

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Degree (Ph.D.) in the Faculty of Law at 52nd Annual Convocation at Veer Narmad South Gujarat University.

Surat on 26-2-2021. The Convocation was

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that regulates and monitors the product temperature to ensure it is kept between the ideal range of 0 - 4°C. The wastage margin in the traditional seafood supply chain is about 15%, while FreshToHome claims to operate with a margin of

The future is bright and full of possibilities for FreshToHome as they plan to expand and take their promise of fresh, preservative-free food to plates and palettes across the world.





04 SATURDAY, Religion Meher Yazad Of Celestial Light!

Author and Counselling Psychologist, Adil Firoze Rangoonwalla has been providing religious services as a Para-Mobed for Atash Padshahs that need attention. He has learned Avesta. Pahlavi and Sanskrit and devotes much time to religious studies and to sharing religio-spiritual knowledge. He has authored ten books and has been writing religious articles for nearly 30 years.

By Adil Firoze Rangoonwalla

eher is the Divinity of Divine Radiance and Light. If God's manifestation is lustre, then Meher Yazad is that manifestation. From our standpoint, it is the light emanating from the Sun. Khorshed Yazad presides over the Sun and Meher is the Yazata of this Celestial Light. Together, they fight darkness, ignorance and all evil.

Khorshed Yazad and Meher Yazad keeps the world going - everything would perish without their grace. Inseparable, their functions are interrelated and their two prayers also go together - 'Khorshed Niyaesh' and then 'Meher Nivaesh' are always prayed together. In the former, the praise and worship of Meher Yazad starts by the side of Khorshed Yazad.

In Avestan language, Meher Yazad is known as 'Mithra' (as in Vedic 'Mitra' meaning friend) - the Lord of Friendship, who oversees friendships in this world as also man's friendship with his Maker. Meher Yazad is the Lord of Covenants. When a person makes a promise, he must keep that promise or he invites karmic retribution brought on by Meher Yazad, who keeps account of peoples' thoughts, words and deeds. 'Meher Yasht' illustrates this point by mentioning how Ahura Mazda admonishes Prophet Zarathushtra, that even if he were to enter into an agreement with an evil person, he should still not violate that agreement.

In any form of worship, one who has some dialogue with God through prayers or meditation, pledges himself to the path of righteousness. This path is totally opposite to the path of deceit, spite and villainy. We must choose if we

will walk the path prescribed by Him or go astray, in hand with the evil one. Having made a commitment to our Lord that we will follow his ways, we must honour our commitment.

Meher Yazad is also

praised and invoked as the 'Lord of Wide Pastures' and a 'Fair Judge'. He metes out justice, giving reward or retribution, keeping in mind that no one is perfectly good or completely evil, hence the judgement is a balanced one. Meher Yazad is said to have one thousand ears and ten thousand eyes - we envisage him as having infinite faculties of recording all that is going on, keeping perfect account of each person's karma. Each person (soul), after leaving behind his physical body on earth, is allegorically said to move toward the Bridge of the Separator, the 'Chinvat Pul', between the physical and spiritual worlds. Here, the soul is judged by the tribunal made of Meher Yazad, Sarosh Yazad and Rashne Yazad and will be awarded its due

place.

Meher Yazad's judgement is Perfect, never biased in favour of or against anyone. 'Meher Yasht' shares how, when devoted and pious humdins are in distress being tyrannized by scoundrels and rogues - and they call upon Meher Yazad, then Meher Yazad definitely comes to his/her help.

Knowing the greatness of this great Yazad, we cannot help saving the last line of Meher Niyaesh, "Meher Yazad, the Fair Impartial Judge, come to my aid!" This is not just an emergency call. We seek him as a child seeks parents' guidance for his progress, support and protection for his well-being. It is to our advantage to pray these most powerful prayers - the 'Khorshed Niyaesh' and 'Meher Niyaesh' - daily, because 'prayer is a song that the spirit sings, to show that it believes that the God who lives beyond the stars can still be very near.'

God Bless You! Stay

PRESS NOTE THE BOMBAY PARSI PUNCHAYET FUNDS AND **PROPERTIES**

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106 SATURDAY, February 06, 2021 Women's Day Special PARSI TIMES Arnavaz Mistry – The Community's 'Angel of Mercy'



RAZVIN NAMDARIAN

The sprightly 73-year-old Arnavaz Jal Mistry is one of the most popular names in the community. Known for her inexhaustible and constant community service and humanitarian initiatives, one is left in awe, marveling at her energy, passion and drive to offer selfless service to humdins, for over the past three decades of her life.



Arnavaz Mistry with Daughter Yasmin

Arnavaz Mistry's early life was quite regular - married at the young age of 18, she found happiness devoting her time to the upbringing of her two daughters, Yasmin and Mehroo. Once her children completed education, Arnavaz felt the need to explore new horizons. Always inclined towards helping others, she now wanted to make a greater difference in the lives of the less fortunate. The opportunity presented itself in 1987, when she met with Mrs. Silla Kavarana, who asked her to join as a Social Worker at the JJ Hospital's Parsi Ward.

Since then, there has been no looking back, as Arnavaz dedicated herself completely to social and community service. Sharing how her family

members would sometimes tease her, she says, "they'd often tell me that I am too tired to come with them for dinner or a movie, but I'm ever ready to visit a hospital or anyone in need!"

A Great Legacy of Selfless Endeavours!

Several organizations and countless destitute and under-privileged people have benefitted from her tireless zeal to help them. In addition to Community Service, which includes her association with the Garib Zarthosti Anai Fund. J.N. Petit Library, Gustadji Menty and Homi Chiny Charitable Trust, Z.T.F.I and Young Rathestars to name a few, she's also associated with

> the National Association for the Blind, the Kamla Nehru Blind School, the Jai Vakil School for Children in need of Special Care, Dinbai Pattuck Trust, Don Bosco Shelter and Ackworth Leprosy Home. She also makes her services available at the Gamadia Clinic, Masina Hospital and the Parsi General Hospital and is the Chief Organizer of the BPP Matrimonial Bureau! Who can forget her landslide victory during the BPP Elections when she became a Trustee in 2008?!

While working at the Parsi Ward of the JJ Hospital, she got actively involved in its renovation and upkeep, which was then so dilapidated that even the impoverished patients were hesitant to take admission there! To raise funds, she established the 'Jal Minocher Mistry Memorial Foundation' where she functions as trustee. Under her able supervision and guidance, the JJ Parsi Ward now nurtures the warmth of a home and where the destitute seniors get treatment and can spend their twilight years with the care and dignity they deserve.

"Hailing from a humble background, I know what it feels like to have to go without," she explains. Recounting the experience of her mother, she says, "My mother would have to wait for hours to get a small

dole from the Zarthosti Stree Mandal at the RTI. When I became committee member there. I ensured that didn't keep the poor women waiting to collect their dole."

Never one to refuse any work, she is completely hands-on when comes to

those who are under her care. In fact, she even completed a professional hair-cutting course with Schnell Hans so she could give free hair-cuts to the poor! She has been felicitated for her dedication and efforts through the years by numerous organizations, including the Bombay Parsi Association, Mancherii Edulii Joshi Memorial Trust, Parsi Punchayets of Ankleshwar and Bharuch as well as being named 'ZONTA Woman of the Year (2011)'.

Bidding Adieu to Parukh Dharamshala

Adding the Parukh Dharamshala to the list of organizations to which she devoted her time and efforts was just a natural progression. "At first, I'd just visit.. not in any official capacity. But Mrs. Kavarana advised me to join the committee in 1995, stating I could do much more for the residents if I held an official post. So I did, and later, in 2008, I became the Chairperson of Parukh Dharamshala."

There is a lot of work that is involved in the being the Chairperson of such an institution. "It's not just about attending meetings or just signing a few papers. I have been completely involved in running of the Dharamshala." She attributes great credit to the Bombay Parsi Panchayat (BPP) for its support to provide the necessary funding and manpower to keep the premises neat and clean, to ensure that the residents got nutritious food as well as medical aid in the form of free medicine. Those requiring hospitalization are taken to Parsi General Hospital. The last rites at



Arnavaz Mistry with Parukh Residents

Doongerwadi are also organized when a resident passes."

Known to treat the residents with lots of love and care, she adds, "Over the years, I've given respect and love to all the old residents. I help them get admission here. We organize numerous monthly programs to entertain them and we celebrate their birthdays. During 'Avan Mahino', I would take those residents who are fit to walk, to Chowpatty for offering prayers and then we would treat them to bhel-puri and ice cream. Every year, I sponsor a one-day picnic to my Lonavala bungalow for all the residents, where we arrange the transport, food and all the Dharamshala. Their new ideas will only help make things even better for these dear residents."

Looking to the Future...

When asked about some advice she'd like to share with today's youth, she says, "They should study and make something of themselves. They must stand on their own feet and have goals in their life. Also, take care of your parents, give them the respect and love that is their due. When the 'Holiday for Youth Program' children would visit JJ Parsi Ward, I would advise them to spend at least an hour each day with their grandparents. The elderly crave respect and time - that is



Arnavaz Mistry with Young Rathestars

facilities to make their day memorable. We visit the Agiary and the dam there and play fun games like Housie to ensure they have fun."

Arnavaz Mistry has given her heart and great toil to the Parukh Dharamshala for 25 years. This year she resigned as the Chairperson, and needless to say, the residents are quite grief-stricken as they have gotten used to her kindness, caring and giving nature. But she says, "It is time for new blood to take over the reins of

the least one can give them!" How very true!

Her motto provides the perfect conclusive note, "I shall pass through this world but once. Any good therefore I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer not neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again." Here's wishing Arnavaz Mistry - the Angel of Mercy - good health and greater power as she goes from strength to strength to fulfil her life's selfless missions!

The Dadar Athornan Institute in Times of COVID An Appeal for the Future

Parsi Times_

Post the centenary celebrations of the Dadar Athornan Institute, like the rest of the world, this Institute too faced the unimaginable challenge in March 2020. Even in these trying times, the Institute held up and did relatively well. In the academic year 2020-21, there were two new admissions, from Mumbai Navsari, taking the tally of students to twenty-six.

The Institute's Athornan Mandal Management and the parents unanimously decided it was risky to keep the students at the Institute. They were hence sent home a day before the nationwide lockdown (23/3/2020). Online school studies started in earnest since June 2020 with the DPYA High School. Soon after, the Institute's tutors started coaching the students online. In July the Bhantar (prayer) classes too started online with two Bhantar teachers and the Principal, dividing the children among themselves for daily prayer classes.

The Institute is extremely grateful to the Zoroastrian Charity Funds of Hong Kong, Canton and Macau, which, through the WZO Trust Funds and the good offices of Mr. Dinshaw Tamboly, gifted Lenovo Laptops to senior students - Std. V onwards. This boon proved very helpful to students. Our donors and patrons miss the regular functioning of our Institute, especially those who kindly sponsor meals and outings for students. Even the students started missing the Institute! We are extremely grateful to donors who continued helping the Institute all through. The Athornan Mandal Management retained its staff with paid salaries throughout these times.

The Institute has started the process for new Admissions for June 2022, and already received three confirmed new admissions for the next academic year. We expect a lot more Athornan (priest) children to take the benefit of this wonderful and unique Institute. We earnestly appeal to the Community to generously help this premier institute for priests, on this auspicious occasion of Jamshedi Navroz. Presently, this is the only institute of its kind for producing full time practising Yaozdathregar priests, who can perform higher rituals like the Yasna, Vendidad and the Nirang Din.

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- Er. Dr. Ramiyar P. Karanjia, Principal, The Dadar Athornan Institute

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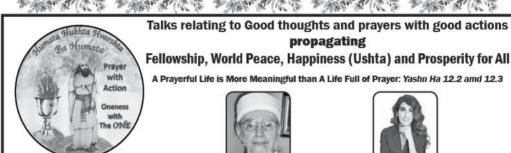
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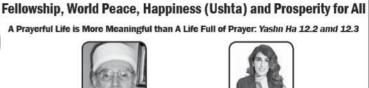
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for the Good of All

Grow in our journey from ASHA (Purity) to USHTA (Happiness). Rejoicing all good actions done with the good Wisdom of the Mind for the Good of All (Yasna Ha 28.1)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The BPP N.N & R.N Wadia Baugs are in possession of a 4 Rooms+ Kitchen flat admeasuring about **1,450** Square Feet <u>Carpet area</u> on the **Ground Floor**, being <u>Flat No 2</u>, <u>Building No. 9 in Rustom Baug</u>, <u>Byculla</u> which has reverted to the Trust. The said flat is proposed to be offered on Leave & License basis to prospective offerers who give the highest quantum of Refundable Deposit. (Kindly contact Neville House for Base Price)

Those interested are requested to contact the Custodian at Rustom Baug (Contact No **022 23 750422** or (M: 9820723002 or 98203 89356) to take inspection of the said flat Monday to Saturday 10 am to 1 pm.

- 1. Those interested are requested to attend the Auction to be held (Zoom Meeting) at the Neville House Office on <u>Wednesday 10th March 2021 at 6.00 p.m.</u>, and submit their proposal in a sealed envelope @ Neville House (Tel: 22821906/22618071 or (M) 9833964746, with a separate Demand Draft of Rs. 1 Lakh in the name of "Funds & Properties of the Parsi Punchayet Bombay" as Earnest Money Deposit which will be returned if their proposal is not accepted. Please do not put the Demand Draft in the sealed envelope but hand it over separately.
- Interested buyers must quote value of the flat in excess of (<u>Reserve Security Deposit amount</u>), exclusive of Stamp Duty and Registration Charges, as applicable for registration of Leave & License Agreement.
- The sealed envelopes will be opened in the presence of all the applicants on the same day (Wednesday on 10th March, 2021) at 6.00 p.m.
- 4. The highest offer will be taken as the Second Reserve Security Deposit amount and the applicants will be requested to make an Open offer in excess of this Second Reserve Security Deposit amount.
- The highest Open Offer will be taken as the Third Reserve Security Deposit
 amount
- The Bid member Buyer will be guided beforehand by the Presiding Chairperson- BPP Trustee for all 3 Round Bidding process.
 Final Round will be conducted on One-to One basis on direct Phone confirmation for bid in excess of 2nd Round final figure...
- The flat will be allotted to the highest bidder in this Third & Final round. (If
 any tie it may occur, one more round will be conducted on same pattern
 of Third & Final round for Final Highest Figure)
- 8. 50% of the full Security Deposit amount of the flat must be deposited by the Buyer within 15 days of the auction and the balance 50% within one month of the auction. Failure to make payments on the Due date will lead to cancellation of their offer and the forfeiture of the Earnest Money Deposit. The flat may again be re-auctioned, or offered to the second highest bidder, as decided by the Trustees.
- The Leave & license Agreement will be registered after the full Security Deposit amount is received by the Trust.
- The Trustees reserve the right to refuse any or all offers at their discretion without assigning any reason.

For and on behalf of the BPP N. N. & R.N. Wadia Baugs P.N. Siganporia SECRETARY

IMPORTANT PUBLIC NOTICE

Members of the community, particularly those who may be interested in the above 'PUBLIC NOTICE FOR AUCTION OF FLAT' are requested to take note of the fact that:

BPP TRUSTEE MR. KERSI RANDERIA HAS DISSENTED AGAINST THIS PROPOSED AUCTION AND THE DISSENT HAS BEEN DULY RECORDED IN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Kersi Randeria Trustee, Bombay Parsi Punchayet

WE CARE





IRANIAN ZOROASTRIAN ANJUMAN

FREE COVID VACCINATION DRIVE

The Bombay Parsi Punchayet and the Iranian Zoroastrian Anjuman are working on a proposal to make available free vaccines for our community members.

This proposal is subject to availability of the vaccines and acceptance of the proposal by the authorities / vaccination centres / hospitals.

Once the Scheme is approved details regarding enrolment and centres will be published.

TRUSTEES OF THE BOMBAY PARSI PUNCHAYET

TRUSTEES OF THE IRANIAN ZOROASTRIAN ANJUMAN

Hearse Van Donated To Doongerwadi

n 12th February, 2021, a brand-new hearse van (Tata Winger BSVI High-roof) was donated to the Parsi and Irani Zoroastrians for transporting the ravaans from residence / hospitals to the Doongerwadi, Mumbai. The hearse was donated in fond and loving memory of Late Mr. Jamshed Khurshed Setna (Ex Non-Executive and independent Director on the Board of Colgate Palmolive India Ltd.) who passed away on 27th February, 2019.

key handing-over The ceremony was conducted at Doongerwadi at the Pandey Pavilion (upper Bungli level) and was attended by Fareeda Jamshed Setna, along with eminent Colgate Palmolive India Ltd. Professionals including the Managing Director - Ram Raghavan; Finance Director - M S Jacob; Legal Director -Surendra Sharma; and Prakash Makhija (Administration). The Board of Trustees of the Bombay Parsi Punchayet was represented by Chairperson Armaity Tirandaz and Trustee Xerxes Dastur.

MD, CPIL - Ram Raghavan paid a rich tribute to Late Jamshed Khurshed Setna, saying, "We fondly remember Mr. Setna as a humble approachable leader, always open to sharing the wealth of his experience garnered during his long and illustrious career with some of India's most reputed companies. Successive generations of the Colgate leadership team have





immensely benefited from this association and will remain eternally grateful.

As a friend, philosopher and guide, he not just believed there was a time and place for everything, he also adopted that belief. He was meticulous, precise and organised. As a Chartered Accountant, these traits served him well. He epitomised those words in every walk of life - be it ethics, beliefs, at work, or his relationship and interactions with his family and friends."

Thereafter, he handed over the keys of the hearse van to Fareeda Jamshed Setna who then passed on the keys to Armaity Tirandaz, dedicating the hearse for community usage at Doongerwadi. The delegates, then went over to the hearse van and Fareeda Sethna did the coconut breaking ceremony. The hearse van doors were then opened for all to have a look at the interiors. Light refreshments were served to the guests.

Deputy CEO, BPP - Shehnaaz Khambatta thanked the guests for their kind donation. Thinking out of the box and working towards a greener world, the donor and guests were given oxygen-giving house plants instead of flower bouquets by the BPP, as a token of appreciation.

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ureganic Products is grateful to Team Parsi Times for providing comprehensive reach to its products for health awareness in our community, which has resulted into positive health benefits to users, who have responded in large numbers, with appreciation and inquiries, by users who have expressed satisfaction, confidence and trust in Pureganic Products.

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Shanaz Gomes (Mumbai): "I've been using Pureganic products for a year and found them very effective, especially to build immunity in these pandemic times. Because it

also benefits the farmers. I will continue to patronise them. My favourite is Purecolo, which I use every day."

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which normally takes months for healing. Many friends and relatives have also started using and have felt remarkably healthier. Immunity is the most important aspect today and Pureganic is probably one of the best ways to build it naturally, with no side effects."

Shahzad Shroff (Mumbai): "| am buying Pureganic Products for more than a year and all the products are excellent. Since, the lockdown, I give Chewcolo to my kids - it boosts

their overall health. For Adults. Sanjeevani Prash, Rakshak and Gilloy tablets are excellent. I'm happy to get delivery at my doorstep. All the best to Team Pureganic for such great stuff."

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We appeal for donations as many deserving and needy students & poor patients have been left out due to lack of funds. Cheques to be drawn in favour of FKS foundation. All donations are exempted under 80G of the Income Tax Act



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Committee Members

BPP ELECTIONS VOTING GUIDELINES

Dear Voters.

There are many rumours that the Elections are postponed.

ELECTIONS ARE BEING HELD AS SCHEDULED.

Elections will be held on Sunday 14th March 2021 from 10 am to 6 pm. You can vote at any of the 5 centres – Cusrow Baug, Rustom Baug, Khareghat Colony, Bharucha Baug or Sohrab Palamkote Hall, Dadar.

- It is compulsory to carry your:
- 1) ORIGINAL BPP VOTER CERTIFICATE; and
- 2) ORIGINAL AADHAAR CARD / PASSPORT / DRIVING LICENSE / PAN CARD

If you have not collected your Voting Certificate personally from the BPP Office, but it has been collected by a person authorised by you, then as per the rules you need to sign on your Voting Certificate before a Notary or Special Executive Officer. I have arranged for Notaries / SEOs to be present at all 5 venues with the permission of the BPP.

If you have laminated your Certificates, you will be allowed to vote.

Anahita will be YOUR voice in the BPP

Dear Community Members,

Our CEO Anahita Desai is contesting the BPP elections, which are to be held on 14th March 2021.

Anahita needs no formal introduction to all of you. She has been active in community affairs for the last 20 years and her longstanding experience in community matters will make her an invaluable asset on the BPP Board.

As you are aware, Anahita is an activist and humanist combined in one. As an activist, she is a fearless crusader for the protection and preservation of our religious Institutions and the time tested traditions and practices of our religion and community. As a humanist, she goes far beyond her duties and responsibilities to help people in need and has proved her worth with countless members of our community benefitting from her natural empathy for those who need help and support.

This combination of speaking up without fear or favour in matters that affect our community and at the same time be the voice of helpless deserving community members is unique and it is this combination of her qualities that will make Anahita "YOUR VOICE IN THE BPP".

At the last BPP elections Anahita lost by a mere 26 votes. We believe that so many among you did not make the effort to step out and vote then, as you felt sure of her winning even without your single vote. Let us not make that same mistake again. We urge each and every one of you to step out with all your family and friends on 14th March to give Anahita your valuable vote for BPP trusteeship. She deserves it!

Please check your Voter certificate and call 022 22005999 / +91 9819247784 for any problems with the voter card or if you cannot locate it. A Duplicate can be issued if you ask for it before 10th March 2021.

WAPIZ Trustees:

Yazdi Desai Homi Ranina Khojeste Mistree Meher Panthaki



Anahita Yazdi Desai: An Immaculate Track Record Spanning 20 Years Dedicated To The Well-Being Of Our Community

I am standing for Trusteeship of the Bombay Parsi Punchayet in the forthcoming elections because I believe I can make a positive difference to the lives of individual Parsis and Iranis and the Community as a whole.

I have the commitment and dedication to deal with community issues on an everyday basis. I have seen the workings of the Punchayet at close quarters and I understand the enormous work required of a trustee and the uphill task one has to face as a trustee. I am willing to take on this task and work for my community with dedication.

I believe that when working for the Community all decisions taken, must be in the larger interest of the community and for the greater good of the Community and our Religion. These have been my guiding principles over the last 20 years during which I have dedicated my life to the wellbeing and welfare of my community.

My manifesto does not have grandiose promises and nor am I painting ideal scenerios because one has to take into account the ground reality, the probability of lack of support on the Board, the financial constraints of the Institution, the level of professionalism of the staff, the Class IV workers being unionized etc. However, I can say with certainty that I will leave no stone unturned to take forward every worthy project of the BPP and help the deserving of our community through

Anahita Desai Manifesto For BPP Elections 2021

MY STRENGTHS:

- A proven record of Community Service (apart from helping community members and families I am also the Trustee of Sodawaterwalla Agiary which is now being renovated, Trustee of the Machi Fund, on the Ladies Committee of the Parukh Dharamshala, Hon. CEO of WAPIZ).
- · Liaison with Anjumans all over India
- Prepared to devote 6 8 hours every day to Community work (I have a proven track record of this service for 20 years of my life)
- . Being accessible and available
- Believe in working towards a solution with pragmatism and without fear or favour
- · Willing to work with all the Trustees based on Issues

MY COMMITMENTS:

I am committed to ...

- Safeguarding and preserving the Traditions and Practices of our Zarthoshti Religion.
- · Safeguarding our Doongerwadi
- . Working for the Welfare of our Mobed Sahebs
- Providing Housing on priority for our deserving newly married couples and full time mobeds
- Providing better financial aid for medical Services and Hospitalization to our Poor
- Providing care, financial help and medical services to our Senior citizens

DOONGERWADI - A LEGACY TO UPHOLD:

The 55 acres which constitute Doongerwadi is a legacy of our ancestors which we as a community have inherited. I am involved in getting our bunglis repaired and renovated. Last year I co-ordinated the renovation of the Bhabha Bunglis by Noshir and Katy Gotla, the Tarachand Bungli (lower Bugli) is recently renovated by Mrs Soonu Buhariwalla, repairs to the Bennett Bunglis will be starting in the next couple of weeks through a very generous donor. I want all our bunglis to be repaired and renovated so that the grieving families are provided with a comfortable place with all amenities. I will ensure that the renovated bunglis are well maintained. Safeguarding our precious Doongerwadi is top priority for me.

COMMUNICATION WITH THE COMMUNITY:

In my opinion, the BPP needs to be active on social media so that an informed view and the position of the BPP can be presented to the community. Misinformation and outright falsehoods are often spread by vested interests and when the BPP does not disseminate the correct information in time, it gets a bad name.

I will endeavour to restart a Monthly communication from the BPP to the community in our community newspapers.

The BPP must have an informative website which is updated regularly and which carries information about all of its activities. For example, not many in the community know that the BPP sells kustis and even wool for making kustis, and prayer books in English and Gujarati; or that it runs the Gamadia Clinic and Polyclinic and the Parukh Dharamshala.

EFFECTIVE FOLLOW-UP & IMPLEMENTATION:

One of the weaknesses of the BPP is that no proper follow up is done on decisions taken by the Board. Several good decisions and worthy projects have been approved / passed by the Board in the last few years, but the record of implementation of these decisions and

projects is dismal. There is no tracker system in place to monitor the progress of a project or any task assigned to a particular department. Many of these plans eventually just slip off the attention radar. I can say with certainty that I have the will and the persistence to make a positive difference in this regard.

REVAMPING THE EMPLOYMENT BUREAU:

The pandemic has left many in our community without employment and an effective employment Bureau is the need of the hour. The revamp will introduce professionals in human resources and have links with professional human resource entities to help with the Employment Bureau.

BRIDGING THE GAP BETWEEN THE BPP & ITS COLONIES:

I would like to initiate regular meetings with Colony Associations, Custodians and the BPP Engineers to discuss and find solutions to specific problems faced by each Baug. This I am convinced will also prevent many problems and issues cropping up at Baug level and the BPP Trustees will be kept informed of the various issues.

PR with Government & Institutions

The BPP has to deal with many Government Agencies for its properties, and statutory compliances etc. It is essential to maintain good relations with the officers and staff of these Government Depts and other legal and financial Institutions so as to facilitate work. I intend to work on this.

BPP A BENEVOLENT LANDLORD:

In my opinion, the BPP should be a benevolent landlord and try and settle many more cases filed against occupants, unless of course there is blatant misuse of the premises or a breach of the terms of occupancy. After all, the properties under the care of the BPP are "of the community, by the community and for the community"!

SETTING UP A DHARMSHALA:

Mumbai does not have a good Dharamshala for out-of-town community members who visit Mumbai for medical treatment, weddings, navjotes, pilgrimage to our four Atash Behrams, business, work etc. Small towns and even other cities like Delhi, Chennai, Ahmedabad have dharamshalas which offer affordable, clean, comfortable accommodation to visiting community members. Mumbai needs a dharamshala. I intend to do my very best to set up one in Mumbai.

On A Personal Note....

How does one judge the true worth of a candidate?

The only way is by looking at the candidate's track record of community service. A candidate who is totally devoid of having any record of community service shows a lack of having a genuine interest in the community's wellbeing at heart. The sudden emergence of an individual claiming to be community spirited at election time, cannot be taken seriously. Ask the candidates for their track record of community service and it won't be long before you will be able to distinguish the talkers from the doers.

Yours Sincerely.

Anahita Yazdi Desai 9820284196 anahitadesai1@gmail.com

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earch out the following 16 Women Icons of the World hidden in the word-jumble box below, in bi-directional, horizontal, vertical and diagonal forms:

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Queen Elizabeth (Monarch - UK) **Oprah Winfrey (Media Personality)** Beyonce (Musician)

Angela Merkel (Chancellor - Germany) Michelle Obama (Former US First Lady) Melinda Gates (Co-founder - Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation)

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Jacinda Ardern (PM- New Zealand)

7 Iraqis or Yemenis (8)

11 Making better, improving (12)

15 Fix or establish, in a way? (6)

18 Sam Manekshaw's rank (5,7)

at: shows contempt or

9 Tennis trophy (5,3)

disapproval (6)

10 Red gems (6)

21 Profuse (6)

ACROSS

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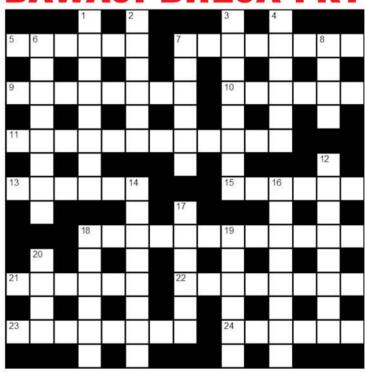
Google Home on Phone

We are all familiar with Google Home, the gadget which answers your oral queries instantaneously. Google Assistant currently requires a smartphone,

a smart device like Google Home and a Wi-Fi network at home or office to connect them. The same features are now available to Indian phone users through a toll-free number.

All you have to do is to dial 000 800 9191000 from your Vodafone-Idea (currently the service is available only on Vodafone-Idea) number and ask your question! You will instantly get a response from Google Assistant. The service is currently available in English and Hindi.

WAJI BHEJA FRY



- 22 Separated grain from straw (8)
 - 23 Ms Zorabian who starred in Joggers Park (8)
 - 24 Chinese province "shines" anagram? (6)

DOWN

- strength: a tussle between two titans, perhaps? (1,5,2)
- 2 Cowboy of the pampas (6)
- 3 Bringing or supporting? (8)
- 4 Car safety device (3,3)

- 6 Cinderella's prince? (8)
- 7 Entreaty or plea (6)
- 8 "Nose" anagram for dissenters? (4)
- 12 Sports shoes (8)
- 14 Chinese province popular for it's spicy cuisine (8)
- 16 Overly concerned with (8)
- 17 Revised copies (6)
- 18 Very cold (6)
- 19 Late Mr. Puri of Bollywood (6)
- 20 Salary, fee or earnings (4)

HOW MANY WORDS?

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



RESULTS:

Average - 8 or more words Good - 10 or more words Outstanding - 13 or more words

CAPTIONS THIS!



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WINNING CAPTIONS!!!



Deol & Deshmukh: Are Hollywood actors becoming political toys? Akshay: Hell Yeah! And we are the 'Right' Wing Poster Boys!

By Jeroo F. Irani (Mumbai)

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PARSI TIMES Women's Day Special **And God Created Woma**

DARA M. KHODAIJI

od created the earth and beautified with flora and fauna. Then, He made man to enjoy this paradise. Man was happy and satisfied. His wants were few. Maybe sometimes, he'd have liked to hang out with a couple of other guys for an evening of poker and beer... but otherwise he was a happy, contented soul and still is. Now, a man likes to live his life exactly as he likes and do precisely what he wants. God,

probably, thought otherwise when he saw stacks of unwashed dishes and unlaundered attires, or whatever was de riqueur then. There were weeds growing in the garden too. God did not like what he saw. He decided to do something about it. Man cannot just live his life free of strife doing whatever he thinks is good for him. No! God pondered over the problem and.... And God created woman!

No, I'm not talking about the 1956 French movie starring the then femme fatale Bridgette Bardot. This is about the first femme. You decide whether fatale or not. She's supposed to have been made out of the first man's rib! Neo-modernists say she was the first test-tube baby! Be that as it may. He created the greatest cleaning machine. The first woman embarked upon her mission immediately - to cleanup and improve the world! Anne Frank put it best with, "How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world." I am sure by 'nobody' she meant women!

He made her a go-getter. He made her strong-willed, hardworking and ready to take control of any given situation, empowered with a touch of firmness and a no-nonsense stare that spells, 'we're not amused'! All this he tempered with a bit of motherly indulgence. He made her quick to take offence, but quicker to forgive too! Rub her the wrong way and Attila the Hun would appear straight out of the Florence Nightingale!

Many a man has learned the hard way, as probably did William Congreve, when he coined the famous phrase, "Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned'. Maybe, but her good qualities far outnumber the negative ones. Germans have a good word enunciating the positive qualities of

a women - 'Gemutlich'. It can mean warm, friendly, cheerful informal, comfortable, snug, leisurely - this is a woman and a lot more.

Marilyn Monroe

And He made them honest too. Marilyn Monroe had no hesitation in confessing, "I am trying to find myself. Sometimes that's not easy." Does that sound like a dumb blond? No! She's honest. Honesty aside, a woman's strength, her ambition, her devil-maycare attitude and her go-getter spirit are obvious again in another of Monroe's observations - "Women who seek to be equal with men, lack ambition." Atta gal, this Monroe! They are strong but they often give an impression of being the weaker sex. Ayan Rand is ready to face any situation and throws a gauntlet to men, with, "The question isn't who is going to let me; it's, who is going to stop me." Is this the weaker sex speaking?

The 'weaker sex' is a myth! Elizabeth Tudor, Queen of England said, "I know I have the body of a weak and feeble woman, (Ha!) but I have the heart and stomach of a king, and of a king of England, too!" To Ogden Nash, the myth of 'weaker sex' is probably a red herring to confuse men. He thus guipped, "I have an idea that the phrase 'weaker sex' was coined by some woman to disarm some man she was preparing to overwhelm." OMG!!

A woman's logic is irrefutable. The solution of Marie Antoinette, queen consort to King Louis XVI of France was quick and even logical. When faced with the problem of the shortage of bread in France, in a jiffy she commented, "Qu'ils mangent de la Brioche" ("Let them eat cake!") It may lack in feelings, but she had a ready solution! This may have been one of the reasons why she lost her head on the guillotine. My wife often comes up with such solutions, just like the guillotined Queen Marie A. Fortunately,

the guillotines today can be found only in the museums. In all fairness to the beheaded gueen, she was probably not the author of these infamous words. It was Jean Jacques Rousseau who might have said these words. Brutal as the quote may sound, but because it was attributed to the unfortunate queen, she had to pay for it with her pretty little head. Had it been known then, that Rousseau was the author of this line, he would have got away with it with a sort of 'boys will be boys' impunity. The great actress of the yesteryears - Bêtte Davis - very succinctly sums up the situation saying, "When a man gives his opinion, he's a man. When a woman gives her opinion, she's a bi#*#!" Not fair!

A woman is not an open book. She is unpredictable. Many men have tried to explore the depths of her complex,



sometimes devious mind but without much success. If I may be allowed to twist some words of Benjamin Disraeli in the twit he actually wrote for men, "When it is hot, she wants it cool. When it is cool, she wants it hot. She is always wanting what is not!" This does not make her a fool. On the contrary, it is her ploy to always keep men guessing and on their toes. This is the very reason why Sigmund Freud gave up trying to understand the 'weaker sex', ruing, "Despite my thirty years of research into the woman's soul, I have not yet been able to answer the great question that has never been answered - What does a woman want?"

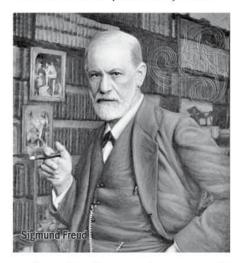
Aapro very own Freddie Mercury had a better answer than the father of modern Psychoanalysis: "Modern paintings are like women, you'll never enjoy them if you try to understand them." It's proof that in women, God created a better and a more advanced model, far beyond the ken of men. And God created a Leader too! Groucho Marx, with his famous moustache, cigar and his leery stare at beautiful women understood the genesis of a henpecked man (i.e. most of us), with "only one man in a thousand is

a leader of men, the other 999 follow women."

And God made HER strong and fierce. Margaret Mead, who is against women being enrolled in the armed force, opines, "I do not believe in using women in combat because women are too fierce." And God created women to support economy, to keep the money in circulation. Aristotle said, "If women didn't exist, all the money in the world would have no meaning."

The most infuriating thing about a woman is that she has a nose for finding things. One may spend hours looking for the favourite tie-pin or wallet or some important office papers. But, lo and behold! Within a few seconds of telling her of your long search, she produces it with the flourish of Mandrake the Magician, making you look like an imbecile. Voltaire must have suffered thus too, confessing, "I hate women because they always know where things are."

But, we say, thank you Lord God for creating women! This green and blue planet would have been a bleak, silent world... no chatty beings, no gossip, none to lead us astray, none to prevent us from going astray, misplaced things would be lost forever, money would lose its importance, none to kiss us bye-bye when we go to work, none to welcome us home with a hot cuppa and freshly made bhakhras or pakoras or farsan...



The role of women is no more to just serve men - heart and hearth. They are emerging as world leaders. They have come to realize their worth. Says Malala Yousafzai, "We realize the importance of our voices only when we are silenced." They will set the world aright. As the American women rights activist and abolitionist Sojourner Truth, who was born a slave in 1797 as Isabelle 'Belle' Baumfree predicted, "If the first woman God ever made was strong enough to turn the world upside down all alone, these together ought to be able to turn it back and get it right side up again!!"

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Our Only Purpose In Life Is Growth



Elisabeth Kubler-Ross, the famous psychologist, says, "Our only purpose in life is growth. There are no accidents."

Lobsters outgrow their shells. As they grow in their outer casings, they become so uncomfortable that it's impossible for them to live in the same shells. In fact, if they are to survive, they have to grow bigger shells. They do this by venturing out into an ocean, completely unprotected from predatory fish. They do this alone and in the open. The entire outer sheath comes off and the pink membrane inside grows to become a harder, bigger shell.

Like a lobster, if you remain the way you are, you'll become cramped, overgrown or worse, figuratively dead. Older people tend to become more of what they have always been! They lack the courage to change or face the rough sea ahead. Growth is not an accessory, it's a continuous process. Change is mandatory, since imagination, courage, daring and constant learning belong to us through our lives. And no one, but you, is responsible for your growth, happiness or rejuvenation. I know of a man who asked his wife of fifty-four years, to write a list of things that would make her truly happy. Every single thing in the list depended on him. How can her life become more fulfilling? How can her life get bigger if she's always depending on someone else to make changes necessary for a happier and more fulfilling existence?

It's never too late to change, to make old dreams come true or to dream new ones. At the age of sixty-five, Laura Ingalls Wilder published 'Little House in the Big Woods', the first of her eight-volume 'Little House' series. At sixty-seven, Louise Arner Boyd became the

first woman to fly over the North Pole. At ninety, Jenny Wood-Allen of Scotland completed the London Marathon in eleven hours, thirty-four minutes - she had run her first marathon at the age of seventy-one! Winston Churchill deserved a



rest after World War - II, but instead took up a pen and won the Nobel Prize for literature, at age seventy-nine!

Late American jurist, Oliver Wendell Holmes' friend asked him why he had taken up learning Greek at the age of ninety-four. Holmes replied, "Well, my good sir, it's now or never." When JC Penny was ninety-five years old, he affirmed, "My eyesight may be getting weaker, but my vision is increasing."

Sadly, for many, aging finds us smaller, diminished and living in cramped shells that we should have abandoned years ago. We always want to avoid discomfort, long lines, foreign travel or new foods. We protect and overprotect our lives until we have no lives beyond sitting in front of a television, wearing our slippers, watching other people live, create, laugh and love. People who 'check out' this way because they think they're too old to participate in the land of the living, become too old to participate. Remember - just coz you're near the top of the hill, doesn't mean you've passed your peak!

As missionary and philosopher, Albert Schweitzer said, "The tragedy of life is not in the fact of death. The tragedy of life is in what lies inside a man while he lives the death of genuine feeling, the death of inspired response, the death of awareness that makes it possible to feel the pain or the glory of other men in oneself." The loss of our capacity to feel, to notice and

to care, shrinks both - our world and ourselves, as we age. Old age has a purpose, and we can choose to either sacrifice it or actualize it.

We have a choice between decay and growth, between a resounding 'yes' to life and a feeble, fearful 'no'. As Bob Dylan said, "If you aren't busy being born, you are busy dying." We all must re-engage our zest for life and optimism for the future, hoping that the best is yet to be. Not a hope for immortality or revived youth, and not a hope for a retreat into the past - because that's where we are comfortable. Rather, the hope for a continued search, in each and every precious moment, for the source of our better selves.

Life is a process that is forever changing and developing. We must give meaning to newly initiated values, virtues and obligations that come with age, and the often-increasing intensity of feeling and experiencing that life offers. So, what are the choices? You could choose despair, loneliness or selfimposed isolation like some unfortunate people who always stay at home. You could choose to run out of life experiences, to cease your interest in the people around you, in books, newspapers, magazines, sitting in nature, listening to music and interacting with new people. By making this choice, you create a life that makes you boring, makes you tired, makes you old. Have you noticed how people who self-isolate themselves at home, age very fast with nothing to do and nowhere to go?

Or, you could choose to actively participate in what psychologist Abraham Maslow called, 'a time when everything gets piercingly important'! "As you grow older, you get floored by flowers and by babies and by beautiful things." By choosing growth, you choose to see, feel, acknowledge loss and face fears. You choose to see who you are and what you want to do. You become closer to the center of the universe, grow a new shell and become real! So, get out of that comfortable sofa, get out of the house and embrace life with both your hands!!

Dr. Jasvi's Numero Tarot Predictions

(As Per Your Birth Month)

Parsi Times



Parsi Times brings you Dr. Jasvi's column on her unique Numero-Tarot monthly readings, based on your month of birth:

January (Lucky No. 4; Lucky Card: Emperor): You have an inner knowledge of where your destiny lies, but you are in search of the path to get there. You need to slow down the mental chaos and start thinking afresh. Emotional support will be available to you. You could end up having to deal with a temporary problem of cash liquidity.

February (Lucky No. 5; Lucky Card: Hierophant): You have been empowered by the universe and are blessed by your guru. You might need to do a little bit of juggling to balance a situation. Financially, you will be stable and in a good state.

March (Lucky No. 2; Lucky Card: High Priestess): This phase in your life will focus on the learning and teaching part of your destiny. Your confidence could make you conquer the world! Stay self-assured and you will win every battle in your way.

April (Lucky No. 11; Lucky Card: Justice): You must remember that good sleep is a must for your mental and physical well-being. You need to take care and focus more on your health. Think positive. Don't give in to worries. Short travel is indicated.

May (Lucky No. 3; Lucky Card: Empress): Happiness, success and peace will be the welcome outcome of this month for your. Justice is on the cards. Your legal matters will get sorted out soon. Your self-confidence is the key to success, so stay poised and open to taking things head on.

June (Lucky No. 21; Lucky Card: World): You need to be reminded that not everything that glitters is gold. Try to break out of the illusion that you're in. Try to don your practical hat and plan to move on. No one can keep you trapped in any situation unless you let them. Travel or shift in property is indicated.

July (Lucky No. 19; Lucky Card: Sun): This is a great month for your health as you will be in the peak of fitness. You're in for celebration and party times this month. You might consider buying new property or renovating an old one.

August (Lucky No. 6; Lucky Card: Lovers): Enjoy the rainbow of happiness, success, victory and satisfaction. Celebrate quality time with your family. This is the time for you to clear away all your confusions. Remember - as you sow, so shall you reap.

September (Lucky No. 10; Lucky Card: Wheel Of Fortune): Keep in mind that nothing but change is permanent. Learn to accept it gracefully and move on. Your health would be in peak condition. A busy month lies ahead of you.

October (Lucky No. 17; Lucky Card: Star): Financial support is available to you this month. Situations will be balanced our and will get sorted automatically. You are blessed by the Divine energy. Students are advised to focus on their education and study well.

November (Lucky No. 1; Lucky Card: Magician): This month calls for you to take good care of your health. Finances will be stable. You are advised to bathe with rock salt to help release any of the negative energy.

December (Lucky No. 8; Lucky Card: Strength): A bright and sunny month lies ahead of you. All your pending and unfinished work will get completed. Do not try to shirk or run away from your responsibilities. You need to learn to fight for your rights.

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હૈદરાબાદના હમબંદગી જૂથની ૧૫ વર્ષની ઉજવણી





હૈદરાબાદના બાઇ માણેકબાઈ એન. ચીનોય અગિયારીના હમબંદગી જૂથે ૧૫ મી ફેબ્રુઆરી, ૨૦૨૧ ના રોજ તેમની પંદરમી વર્ષગાંઠની ઉજવણી કરી. આ જૂથ ૨૦૦૭થી દર સોમવારે, કોઈ વિરામ લીધા વિના હમબંદગીનું આયોજન કરે છે. અગિયારીમાં હમબંદગીનું સંચાલન એરવદ મહેરનોશ ભરૂચા દ્વારા કરવામાં આવે છે. જે છેલાં પંદર વર્ષથી સંચાલન કરી રહ્યા છે. હમબંદગી પછી, એરવદ ભરૂચાએ જરથુસ્રાના ઉપદેશો પર વકતવ્ય આપ્યું. આ પછી ફરીદા આંટીયા દ્વારા પ્રખ્યાત ઝોરાસ્ટિયન હસ્તીઓ તથા સંતો માટેની રમત રમાડવા માટે આવી હતી.

ફરામ દેસાઈનો આભાર કારણ તેમના પ્રયત્નોને લીધે રોગચાળા દરમ્યાન હમબંદગી ઓનલાઈન ઝુમ દ્વારા આજ સુધી ચાલુ રાખવામાં આવી હતી. ઓનલાઈન ઈવેન્ટમાં ભારત અને વિશ્વભરના સારી સંખ્યાના જરથોસ્તીઓ હાજરી આપતા હતા.

પારસી ગીત છૈયે અમે જરથોસ્તી ગીત ગાય, નાસ્તાનો આનદં માણી એક આનંદી સાંજની સમાપ્તી કરી હતી. પીપલ્સ કો-ઓપરેટીવ ક્રેડિટ સોસાયટી લિ.ના સૌજન્યથી.

સૌજન્યઃ કેરફેગર આંટીયા

માસિનાની નવીનતમ શ્રેષ્ઠ આરોગ્ય સંભાળની પહેલઃ એમએચબી૬૦ પ્રોજેકટ



માસિના હોસ્પિટલની નવીનતમ એમએચબી ૬૦ અથવા માસિના હાર્ટ બ્રેઇન ૬૦ પ્રિઝર્વેશન પ્રોજેક્ટ એ ઇમર્જન્સી રિસ્પોન્સ સુવિધા છે જે શંકાસ્પદ હાર્ટ એટેક અથવા સ્ટ્રોકથી પીડાતા દર્દીઓ માટે આરોગ્ય સેવા માટેના ક્રેલ દ્વારા સક્રિય કરવામાં આવે છે. સમર્પિત હેલ્પલાઇન નંબર ૯૮૩૩૩૩૩૬૧૧ આ પ્રોજેકટનો મુખ્ય મુદ્દો હશે. આ નંબર પર કોલ કરવાથી ડોક્ટરની સાથે, સંપૂર્ણ સક્ર એડવાન્સ લાઇફ સપોર્ટ એમ્બ્યુલન્સ આ ઘટના સ્થળે આવીને દર્દીને આ નંબર પર કોલ કર્યાના એક કલાકમાં માસિના હોસ્પિટલમાં સ્થાનાંતરિત કરશે.

આ પ્રોજેકટની મુખ્ય સુવિધાઓ એક સંપૂર્ણ સક્કર અદ્યતન કાર્ડિયાક કેર સુવિધા, ન્યુરો આઇસીયુ, કેથ લેબ, સીટી-સ્કેન સેન્ટર ઉપલબ્ધ છે જે વર્ષના ૨૪/૭ - ૩૬૫ દિવસ છે. આ સેવા મુંબઇ શહેરમાં દર્દીની જરૂરિયાતના આધારે બનાવવામાં આવી છે, અને સેવા ક્ષેત્ર કોલાબાથી ચેમ્બર સધીનો રહેશે.

દર્દીઓ માટે, હાર્ટ એટેક અથવા સ્ટ્રોકનો ભોગ બન્યાના પ્રથમ કલાકમાં આપવામાં આવતી સારવાર, જેને ગોલ્ડન અવર તરીકે પણ ઓળખવામાં આવે છે, સમયસર જીવન બચાવવા અને નુકસાન નિયંત્રણ ક્રિયાઓ લેવા માટે નિર્ણાયક છે. તાત્કાલિક તબીબી ઉપચારની અસર વ્યક્તિના અસ્તિત્વ પર

આ સમર્પિત નંબરને ઘરે અથવા સાર્વજનિક સ્થળો અથવા ઓફિસો અને તમારા વ્યક્તિગત ફોન્સ પર હાથમાં રાખવાથી, તમે આ તમામ વિલંબને ટાળશો અને જીવન બચાવી શકશો.

જયારે ભારત અને મુંબઇ રોગચાળોનો સામનો કરી રહ્યા છે, જ્યારે કોવિડ ૧૯ પછીની અસરો હજુ પૂરી થઈ નથી. જેએમએમએ કાર્ડિયોલોજી મેડિકલ જર્નલમાં પ્રકાશિત થયેલા એક અભ્યાસમાં દાવો કરવામાં આવ્યો છે કે કોવિડથી સારા થયેલા ૭૮% દર્દીઓના હૃદયમાં અસામાન્યતા છે જ્યારે ૬૦% લોકોને મ્યોકાર્ડિયલ ઈનફલેમેશન છે. તેમાં અધ્યયનના વિષયોમાં, ટ્રોપોનિસ, રક્ત એન્ઝાઇમનું ઉચ્ચ સ્તર પણ જોવા મળ્યું.

અમે તમને આ નંબર એમએચબી ૬૦ અને હેલ્પલાઇન ૯૮૩૩૩૩૩૬૧૧ યાદ રાખવા અને તમારા મોબાઇલ પર સેવ કરવા વિનંતી કરીએ છીએ.

મહેર મહીનો - મહેર રોજ મુબારક! મહેર દાવર-દૈવી ન્યાયાધીશ

ઝોરાસ્ટ્રિયન કેલેન્ડરમાં વર્ષમાં બાર મહિનાઓનો સમાવેશ થાય છે જેમાં દર મહિને બરાબર ત્રીસ રોજ (દિવસ) હોય છે અને આમ ત્રણસો સાઠ દિવસનું એક વર્ષ જેમાં ગાથાના એકલા પાંચ દિવસ ઉમેરવામાં આવે છે. દર મહિને પંદરમો દિવસ દએ-મેહેર અને સોળમા દિવસે મેહેર યજાતાને સમર્પિત છે. જ્યાં બાર માહની વાત છે ત્યાં સાતમો મહિનો મહેરને સમર્પિત છે. તેથી, મહેર માસિક અને વાર્ષિક સમય ચક્રમાં કેન્દ્રીય પદ ઘરાવે છે.

જ્યારે મહેર રોજ અને મહેર માહ સાથે એકરુપ થાય ત્યારે મહેરગાન ઉજવવામાં આવે છે. લોકવાયકા અનુસાર આ દિવસ અંધકારની શક્તિઓ અને અનિષ્ટ દળો ઉપર સારાના પ્રકાશની ઉજવણી કરે છે. તે દિવસ છે જ્યારે સુપ્રસિદ્ધ આધ્યાત્મિક રાજા, શાહ ફરીદૂન, ઇરાનમાં દેમાવંદ નામના મહાન આધ્યાત્મિક પર્વત પર જોહક અથવા અઝી દહકને કેદ કરે છે.

દંતકથા અનુસાર, ઝોહક હજી પણ દેમાવંદ પર્વત પર બંધાયેલ છે. એવું કહેવામાં આવે છે, દરેક રાત્રે જ્યારે અંધકાર વધે છે, ત્યારે દુષ્ટ શક્તિ પ્રાપ્ત કરે છે અને સાંકળો નબળી પડે છે. અને સવાર પડતા મરઘાની બાંગ પોકારતા, સૂર્યપ્રકાશ તે સાકળો ફરી મજબૂત બનાવી દે છે.

રોમનો પણ મિથ્રા (ગ્રીકથી મિથ્રાસ) થી એટલા પ્રેરણાદાયક હતા કે પ્રથમ અને ચોથી સદી એડીની વચ્ચે મિથરાઇઝમ



શક્તિશાળી રોમન સામ્રાજ્યમાં એક ઘર્મ તરીકે પ્રચલિત હતો. મિથ્રોના મંદિરો હંમેશા ભૂગર્ભની ગુફામાં હતા, જેમાં બળદની હત્યા કરનારા મિથ્રાસની રાહત દર્શાવવામાં આવી હતી. ઘણા વિદ્વાનોનું માનવું છે કે આ કોસ્મિક ખગોળશાસ્ત્ર સાથે સંબંધિત છે, જ્યાં બળદ વૃષભ રાશિના નક્ષત્રનું પ્રતિનિધિત્વ કરે છે.

ઝોરાસ્ટ્રિયન પરંપરામાં મહેરને મહેર દાવર અથવા ન્યાયાઘીશ તરીકે ઓળખવામાં આવે છે જે મૃત્યુ પછી ચોહમ કે ચોથા દિવસે આત્માની અજમાયશની અધ્યક્ષતા રાખે છે. મહેરને પ્રકાશ અથવા વધુ ખાસ સૂર્યપ્રકાશ તરીકે પણ દર્શાવવામાં આવે છે. તેથી, ખુરશેદ અને મહેર નીઆએશ સાથે મળીને જાય છે અને દરરોજ ફરજિયાત તેની પ્રાર્થના તરીકે ભલામણ કરવામાં આવે છે.

મહેર યક્ષ અવેસ્તાન સ્તોત્રોમાં સૌથી લાંબી છે. તે દયા અને સંરક્ષણ માટે વિનંતી કરે છે.

ખુરશેદ નીઆએશ અથવા વધુ વિસ્તૃત મેહર યક્ત સાથે મળીને મહેર નિઆએશ પ્રાર્થના કરવી એ આધ્યાત્મિક રીતે ફાયદાકારક માનવામાં આવે છે. તે અજ્ઞાનતા અને અસત્યના અંઘકારને દૂર કરે છે અને સત્ય, ન્યાય અને પ્રતિબદ્ધતાની ઉચ્ચ ભાવનાથી ભક્તને મજબૂત બનાવે છે.

મહેર નામ પારસીઓમાં લોકપ્રિય છે અને જોકે મિથ્રા અથવા મહેર એક પુરુષ દૈવીતા છે, આ નામ સામાન્ય રીતે બંને જાતિ દ્વારા વપરાય છે. નામના અન્ય પ્રકારો પણ છે. ઉદાહરણ તરીકે, પુરુષોમાં – મેહેરનોશ અને મેહરજાદ અને સ્ત્રી મેહેનાઝ અને મહેરંગીઝ!

- નોશીર દાદરાવાલા



આજની નારી નવી જાગૃતિનો સુર્ય ચમકાવે એટલી સમર્થ થઈ ગઈ છે

આઠમી માર્ચ - મહિલા દિન, વર્ષોથી આ દિવસે ઊગતો સૂર્ય દરેક નારીને નવી પ્રેરણા, નવી ચેતના આપી રહ્યો છે, પરંતુ આજે વર્ષો પછી, સદીઓથી નવી સમજણને મેળવીને નારી નવી જાગૃતિનો સૂર્ય ચમકાવે એટલી સમર્થ થઈ ગઈ છે, એની પાસે શું નહોતું એની રટણા એને પચી ગઈ છે અને એ નકારાત્મક દનિયા

એને હકારાત્મક જગત તરફ વાળવા નિમિત્ત બની ગઈ છે. મૂંગે મોઢે સીતમ સહેતી નારી હવે મૂંગે મોઢે કાર્યદક્ષ બનીને આગળ વધી રહી છે. ઈતિહાસનાં પાનાં ઊથલાવવામાં એ હવે સમય બગાડતી નથી પણ પોતાની સફળતાનો નવો ઈતિહાસ રચી રહી છે. એ પગથિયાં ચડતી જાય છે, હાંફવા છતાં નથી થોભતી કે નથી પાછું વળીને પોતે કેટલાં પગથિયાં ચડી ઉપર પહોંચી એનો હિસાબ રાખતી. એનું એક જ લક્ષ્ય છે કે હજી કેટલાં પગથિયાં ઉપર ચડ્યા પછી એ શિખરને આંબી શકશે?

એક નજર પારસી મરણો ઉપર

અંક માંગર પારસા મરણા ડપર				
Deceased મરનાર	Age વય	Date તારીખ	Address ર. કે.	Relations સગાઈઓ
Freny Dhunjishah Mehta ફ્રેની ધનજીશા મેહતા	76 ७६	26-02-2021	B/004, Papilon, Jankalyan Nagar, Lower Kharadi, Malad (West), Mumbai 95. બી/૦૦૪, પેપીલોન, જનકલ્યાણ નગર, લોઅર ખરદી, મલાડ, મુંબઈ ૯૫.	તે મરહુમ ધનજીશા રૂસ્તમજી મેહતાના વિધવા તે મરહુમો બાનુબાઈ તથા શ્યાવક્ષ ધાન્ડાના દીકરી તે પોરસ ધનજીશા મેહતાના માતાજી તે મરહુમ સરોશ શ્યાવક્ષ ધાન્ડાના બહેન તે મહેરનોશ સરોશ ધાન્ડા તથા રોનક શાપુર વાડયાના કુઈજી તે અરનાવાઝ સરોશ ધાન્ડાના નણંદ તે મરહુમો દોલત તથા રૂસ્તમજી મહેતાના વહુ.
Roshan Erach Bhathena રોશન એરચ ભાથેના	77 99	26-02-2021	A — 302, Ahuna Appt., Divecha Complex, Edulji Road, Charai, Thane (West), Mumbai 601. એ-30૨, અદુના એપાર્ટમેન્ટ, દીવેચા કોમ્પલેક્સ, એદલજી રોડ, ચારી, થાને (વે.), ૬૦૧.	તે એરચના ઘણીયાણી તે મરહુમો સેનમ કૈખશરુ ઈરાનીના દીકરી. તે રુકશાના, નવલ ને જીમીના માતાજી તે બુરઝીનના સાસુજી તે અનીતાના મમઈજી તે દિનશા તથા મરહુમો પેસી, નોશીર, શેરીયાર, પીલુ, ખોરશેદ, જાહાંગીરના બહેન તે મરહુમો નાજામાય નવરોજી ભાયેનાના વહુ તે કયોમર્ઝ, કેશમીરા, ફરીદા, મહેરનોશ, માહરૂખ, ને કેકીના નીસ અને નેવ્યુ.
Nargis Nariman Baxter નરગીસ નરીમાન બેકસટર	91 69	26-02-2021	F/39, Cusrow Baug, 3Rd Floor, Colaba, Mumbai 1. એફ/૩૯, ખુશરૂ બાગ, ત્રીજે માળે, કોલાબા, મુંબઈ ૧	તે મરહુમ નરીમાન ખરશેદજી બેકસટરના વિઘવા તે મરહુમો બાનુબાઈ તથા એરચશાહ રાણાજી વાડીયાના દીકરી તે સાયરસ ને ગુલરૂખ રૂસ્તમ મેહતાના માતાજી તે ઝરીન સાયરસ બેકસટર ને રૂસ્તમ શાપુર મેહતાના સાસુજી તે તુશના આદીલ આન્ટીયા, અનોશ સાયરસ બેકસટર ને ઝીણીયા ને દેલનાઝના ગ્રેન્ડ મઘર તે અનાઈરા અનોશ બેકસટરના ગ્રેટ ગ્રેન્ડ મઘર તે મરહુમ ઘનમાય તથા કેતકી વાડીયાના બહેન તે મરહુમો ગુલબાઈ તથા ખરશેદજી બાપુજી બેકસટના વહુ.
Khushnoor Hormaz Nagwaswalla ખુશનુર હોરમઝ નાગવાસવાલા	70 90	27-02-2021	R-501, Shanti Kutir, Shivaji Road, Kandivali (West), Mumbai 67. આર-૫૦૧, શાંતિ કુટીર, શિવાજી રોડ, કાંદિવલી (વેસ્ટ), મુંબઈ ૬૭.	તે હોરમઝના ઘણીયાણી તે મરહુમો બહાદુર તથા ફ્રેનીના દીકરી તે નવઝરના માતાજી તે બીજલના સાસુજી તે અરહાનના ગ્રેની તે મ. સાયરસ, દીલબર, પ્રોચી, કેટાયુનના બેન તે મરહુમો રતામાય તથા રતનશાહના વહુ તે રોહીન્ટન અને મહેરના ભાભી તે વીસ્પી, અરઝાન, સનોબરના કાકી.
Hoshang Pochaji Ichhaporia હોશંગ પોચાજી ઈચ્છાપોર્યા	91 69	27-02-2021	9 Kanta Building, 2nd Floor, M. S. Road, Grant Road (East), Mumbai 7. ૯/૨જે માળે, કાંતા બિલ્ડીંગ, એમ. એસ. અલી રોડ, ગ્રાંટ રોડ (પુ.), મુંબઈ ૭.	તે મહેરૂ હોશંગ ઈચ્છાપોર્યાના ખાવિંદ મરહુમ ખોરશેદબાનુ પોચાજી નવરોજી ઈચ્છાપોર્યાના દિકરા તે ફરનાઝ દયારસ મરચંટ, વિસ્પી ને હોસ્પીના પપ્પા તે દરાયસ, નતાશા, ફીરંગીઝના સસરા તે નિયાયેશ, હોરમઝ ને ઝરવાનના બપાવાજી તે બરજોરજી, મરહુમ રૂસ્તમજી બહેરામજી ને દોલી કેરસી કોમીસેરીયતના ભાઈ તે બહાદુર, ફીરોઝ, રૂસ્તમ, મરહુમ નોશીર ને મરહુમ ખોરશેદ સામ ઝાઈવાલાના બનેવી તે મરહુમ કુંવરમાય ને નાદીરશા શા. ડોક્ટરના જમાઈ તે પીનાઝ, નેવીલના કાકા તે ફીરોઝા, દારાના મામા તે દીન્યાર, કયવાન, રસ્નાના માસા તે ખુશનુમા, મેહેર, કપઝાદ, રોહીન્ટન, પર્લના ફુવાજી તે રોહીન્ટન ને યાસ્મીન ડોક્ટર, મેહરૂ ને હોમી કાસદ ને મરહુમ કેટી ને રતનાશા મરચન્ટના વહેવાઈ.
Azar Maneck Dadachanji અઝર માનેક દાદાચાનજી	90 eo	27-02-2021	15, Salamat Mansion, Room No. 3, Nana Chowk, Grant Road, Mumbai 7. ૧૫ સલામત મેનશન, રૂમ નં. ૩, નાના ચોક, ગ્રાન્ટ રોડ, મુંબઈ ૭.	તે મરહુમો ગુલબાન માનેક દાદાચાનજીના દીકરા તે મરહુમો હોરમઝજી, નોશીરવાન, સોહરાબ, મેદીયોમાહ, જર અદી ઘોનદી, બાનુ સિનોર, કેતી હોમી કાપડીયા ને રતી દાવરના ભાઈ.
Barjor Faramroj Palsetia બરજોર ફરામરોજ પલસેટીયા	82 ૮૨	28-02-2021	202-B, M K Chembers, Guru Nanak Road, Bandra West Mumbai 50. ૨૦૨-બી, એમ. કે. ચેમ્બર્સ, ગુરુ નાનક રોડ, બાંદ્રા (પ.), મુંબઈ ૫૦.	તે એમી બરજોર પલસેટીયાના ખાવિંદ તે તનાઝ જહાંગીર હીલ્લુના તથા આદીલ બરજોર પલસેટીયાના બાવાજી તે મરહુમો શહબાનુ તથા ફરામરોજ ર. પલસેટીયાના દીકરા તે જહાંગીર કેરસાસ્પ હીલ્લુના તથા દીલશાદ આદીલ પલસેટીયાના સસરાજી તે હોશંગ ફ. પલસેટીયા, મેહરૂ તથા મરહુમો જીજી ફ. પલસેટીયા, હોમી ફ. પલસેટીયા તથા ગુલ ફ. ભરૂચાના ભાઈ તે દીલશાદ જ. હીલ્લુના તથા જીમી જ. હીલ્લુના મમાવાજી તે દેલઝીન પલસેટીયા તથા વરૂન આદીલ પલસેટીયાના બપાવાજી તે રયોમંદ પલસેટીયા, જમશેદ પલસેટીયા, મેહેર દસ્તુર, રશના પલસેટીયા, જેસમીન ભાયેના, ઝુબીન ભરૂચા, શીરાઝ દારૂવાલાના અંકલ, તે કેટી ખજોતીયા, કેરબાનુ બોધાનવાલા, ફીરોઝ પટેલ, દીલનવાઝ પટેલ, ઝરીન ઈચ્છાપોરીયા, મરહુમ મીનુ પટેલના બ્રધર ઈન લો તે મરહુમો આલામાય તથા ગુસ્તાદજી પટેલના જમાઈ.
Noshir Dhanjishaw Mirza નોશીર ધનજીશાહ મીરઝા	88	28-02-2021	1/16, Tata Blocks, C J Colony, Mumbai 34. ૧/૧૬, તાતાબ્લોકસ, સી. જે. કોલની, મુંબઈ ૩૪.	તે દોલી નોશીર મીરઝાના ખાવિંદ તે પરવીન કેકી સુરતી તથા અનાહિતા સાયરસ ભોટના પિતાજી તે નોએલ, આરશીશ, માલકમ તથા પરીનાઝના મમાવાજી તે મરહુમો એમીમાય તથા ધનજીશાહ રતનજી મીરઝાના દીકરા તે મરહુમો મનીજેહ તથા જાલ બેરામજી કારભારીના જમાઈ તે મરહુમ પરવીઝ પેસી સોડાવોટરવાલા તથા મરહુમ ફ્રેની અદી નવલમાણેકના ભાઈ.
Rayomand Erachaw Elavia રયોમંદ એરચશાહ એલાવ્યા (એલાવવાલા)	69 ૬૯	28-02-2021	376/E, Shapur Baug, V P Road, Mumbai 4. ૩૭૬/ઈ, શાપુર બાગ, વી. પી. રોડ, મુંબઈ ૪.	તે મરહુમો નરગેસમાય તથા એરચશાહ ફકીરજી એલાવ્યાના વડા દીકરા તે રચના (સુલોચના)ના ખાવિંદ તે અસ્પી નેવીલ તથા રતનના ભાઈ તે અનાહીતા તથા બખ્તાવરના જેઠ તે ચેરાગ તથા યઝદના કાકા. તે ફરીદા, વીલ્લુ, પરવીન, કેટાયુન, મહેરનોશ, ખુરશીદ, કેક્ષ્મીરા, હુતોક્ષી, યઝદી તથા સરોશના કઝીન.
Homai Faredoon Modi હોમાય કરેદુન મોદી	95 ૯૫	01-03-2021	19, Moti Mahal, Dinsha Vachha Road, Churchgate, Mumbai 20. ૧૯, મોતી મહલ, દીનશા વાચ્છ રોડ, ચર્ચગેટ, મુંબઈ ૨૦	તે મરહુમ એરવદ ફરેદુન અરદેશીર મોદીના વિઘવા તે નાજુ ફ. મોદી, અરદેશીર (અદી) ફ. મોદી તથા સોહરાબ ફ. મોદીના માતાજી તે મરહુમો તેહમીના તથા ડો. સોરાબજી ન. દેબુના દીકરી. તે ઝીનીયા અ. મોદી તથા કેથી સ. મોદીના સાસુજી તે દેલનાઝ એરવદ રૂશાદ તથા ઓલીવ્યાના બપઈજી તે મરહુમ જાલ દેબુના બહેન તે ફરોખ દેબુના કુઈજી તે મરહુમો મેહરા તથા અરદેશીર મોદીના વહુ તે મરહુમો કૈકોબાદ મોદી તથા હોમી મોદીના સાલીજી તે મરહુમ આલુ દેબુના નણંદ તે નીલુફર, રૂસી, રોશન, મરહુમ અદીના કાકીજી.
Aloo Cawasji Messmen આલુ કાવસજી મેસમેન (જમબારવાલા)	79 ७૯	01-03-2021	Dhanjishaw Daruwala, Flat No 2, Tata Blocks, S.V. Road, Bandra West, Mumbai 50. ૨, દિનશા દારુવાલા બિલ્ડિંગ, તાતા બ્લોકસ, એસ. વી. રોડ, બાંદ્રા, મુંબઈ ૫૦.	તે મરહુમો ગુલબઈ કાવસજી મેસમેનના દીકરી તે મરહુમો જરુ, સીલ્લુ ને કેકીના બહેન તે પરસીસ, રુકશાના ને વીલુ ને બીનીતાના માસી તે સામ તથા મરહુમ સામ બરજોરજી બિલ્લીમોરીયાના સાલી.
Bahadur Nariman Daruwalla બહાદુર નરીમાન દારૂવાલા	75 ७น	01-03-2021	C12/3, Godrej Hill Side Colony, Vikhroli West Mumbai 79. સી-૧૨/૩, ગોદરેજ હીલ સાઈડ કોલની, વિક્રોલી (વે.), મુંબઈ ૭૯.	તે મરહુમ રોહાની બહાદુર દારૂવાલાના ખાવિંદ તે બુરઝીન બહાદુર દારૂવાલાના બાવાજી તે મરહુમો દોલતબાનુ તથા નરીમાન પેસ્તનજી દારૂવાલાના દીકરા તે પર્લ બુરઝીન દારૂવાલાના સસરાજી તે દેલારા બુરઝીન દારૂવાલાના બપાવાજી તે હોમી દારૂવાલા, બખ્તાવર દુમસ્યાના ભાઈ તે મરહુમો પરવીઝ તથા ફિરોઝ બુસ્તાનીના જમાઈ તે શેરૂ તથા સરોશ ગાંધીના વહેવાઈ.
Furdoon Siavax Byramji Mehta કરદુન શ્યાવક્ષ બઈરામજી મેહતા	101	03-03-2021	9 W, Navroze Apts, 35, Warden Road, Mumbai 26. ૯ ડબ્લ્યૂ, નવરોઝ એપાર્ટમેન્ટ, ૩૫ વોર્ડન રોડ, મુંબઈ ૨૬.	તે મરહુમ વીલીના ઘણી તે મરહુમો નાજુ શીવાવકસ બેહરામજી મેહતાના દીકરા તે હોરમઝ તથા ઝરીના રોહીનતન સ્કુવાલાના પપા તે રોહીનતનના સસરા તે મરહુમો ભીખુ ને સોરાબના ભાઈ તે મરહુમો મીથા હોરમાઈશન વાણીયાના જમાઈ. નેફયુ, નીસઃ અરના ચંદરા, નેવાશાદ મહેતા, યાસ્મીન મહેતા.
Kaios Sorab Boga ક્યોસ સોરાબ બોગા	76 ૭૬	04-03-2021	Alpaiwalla Building, B-31, Chotani Road, Mahim, Mumbai 16. અલપાઈવાલા બિલ્ડિંગ, બી-૩૧, ચોથાની રોડ, માહિમ (પૂ), મુંબઈ ૧૬.	તે ઝીનોબીયાના ખાવિંદ તે મરહુમો સોરાબ તથા રતી બોગાના દીકરા તે તેહેમતન તથા દિલનાજના બાવાજી તે મરહુમ દીનાઝ તથા (જીવતા) ઝરકશીશના ભાઈ તે મરહુમો જાલ તથા માનેકબાઈ ઈનલાલાના જમાઈ.



YOUR JANAM RASHI THIS WEEK

લખનારઃ મરહૃમ મહારાજ શ્રી સ્વયંજયોતિના સહકાર્યકર્તા જયેશ એમ. ગોસ્વામી

અઠવાડિક રાશિફળઃ તા. ૦૬.૦૩.૨૦૨૧ થી તા. ૧૨.૦૩.૨૦૨૧



Aries - મેષ - અ.લ.ઈ.

તમારે ૪૨ દિવસ શુક્રની દિનદશામાં પસાર કરવાના બાકી છે. હાલમાં તમારા મોજશોખ પાછળ ધન ખર્ચ ખુબ વધી જશે. કામકાજ માટે ભાગદોડ કરી શકશો. મસાફરી કરી શકશો. જમીન તથા સેલ્સના કામો કરી શકશો. ઓપોજીટ સેકસને ખુશ રાખવા મનપસંદ ચીજ અપાવી શકશો. દરરોજ 'બહેરામ યઝદ'ની આરાધના કરજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૦૬, ૦૭, ૧૧, ૧૨ છે

Lucky Dates: 06, 07, 11, 12.

Venus rules you over the next 42 days, causing an increase in your expenses and inclination towards fun and entertainment. You will be able to put in good effort towards your work. You will be able to do good work related to sales and property. Short travel is indicated. You will keep the opposite gender by buying them what they desire. Pray to Behram Yazad



Cancer - 35 - 5.6.

૨૩મી માર્ચ સુધી ગુરૂની દિનદશા ચાલશે. કૌટુંબીક શાંતિ મળશે. ફેમીલીમાં નાનુ ગેટ ટ્ ગેધર કરી શકશો. કામ માટે થોડી ભાગદોડ કરવાથી વધ્ ધન મેલવી શકશો. બીજાને મદદ કરવામાં સફળ થશો. ગુરૂની કૂપાથી ધર્મના કામ કરી શકશો. ઘરમાં શાંતિ રાખવા દરરોજ 'સરોશ યસ્ત' ભણજો. શકનવંતી તા. ૦૬, ૦૭, 63 00 10

Lucky Dates: 06, 07, 08, 10.

Jupiter's rule till 23rd March brings familial peace. You will be able to plan a family gettogether. Putting in a little extra effort in your work could have you earn extra income. You will be successful in helping another. Jupiter's graces nudge you towards doing religious work. To keep peace at home, pray the Sarosh Yasht daily.



Libra - तुला - र.त.

છેલા બે અઠવાડિયા બુધની દિનદશામાં પસાર કરવાના બાકી છે. તમારાથી બને એટલા પૈસા બચાવજો અને ઈનવેસ્ટમેન્ટ અવશ્વ કરજો. જે જરૂત હોય તે વસ્તુ વસાવી લેજો. નાણાકીય બાબતમાં મુર્હેલી નહીં આવે. મિત્રોની મદદથી અધુરા કામ પુરા કરી શકશો. દરરોજ 'મહેર નીઆએશ' ભણજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૦૭, ૦૮, ૦૯, ૧૦ છે.

Lucky Dates: 07, 08, 09, 10.

With the last two weeks under Mercury's rule, try your best to save as much as possible and ensure to invest the same. Purchase only those things which are necessary. Financial stability is predicted. You will be able to complete your unfinished tasks with the help of friends. Pray the Meher Nyaish daily.



Capricorn - मधर - พ.જ.

૨૩મી માર્ચ સુધી ચંદ્ર જેવા શાંત ગ્રહની દિનદશા ચાલું હોવાથી તમારા ઘરનું વાતાવરણ ખુબ સારૂં અને શાંત રહેશે. તમને આનંદ મળે તેવા સમાચાર સાંભળવા મળશે. ઘરવાળાની ડિમાન્ડ પૂરી કરી શકશો. ઘરમાં જોઈતી ચીજ વસ્તુ વસાવી શકશો. દરરોજ ૩૪મુ નામ 'યા બેસ્તરના' ૧૦૧વાર ભણજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૦૬, ૧૦, ૧૧, 92 59

Lucky Dates: 06, 10, 11, 12.

The Moon's rule till 23rd March will make the home atmosphere happy and peaceful. You will receive news which brings you great joy. You will be able to cater to the wants of your family members. You will be able to make purchases for the home. Pray the 34th Name, 'Ya Beshtarna', 101 times, daily.



Taurus - વૃષભ - બ.વ.ઉ.

શુક્રની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી ઘીરે ઘીરે ગુમાવેલ માન-ઈજ્જત પાછી મેળવશો. માથાનો બોર્જો ઓછો કરવા જે કમાશો તેમાંથી થોડી ૨કમ તમારા લેણદારને ચુકવતા જજો. તમારો વિરોધ કરનાર વ્યક્તિ તમને માનથી જોવા લાગશે. ઓપોજીટ સેકસના સંબંધોમાં સુધારો આવશે. આજથી દરરોજ 'બહેરામ યઝદ'ની આરાધના કરજો. શકનવંતી તા. ૦૭, ૦૮, ૦૯, ૧૦ છે.

Lucky Dates: 07, 08, 09, 10.

Venus' ongoing rule brings back any lost respect or appreciation. To reduce your mental worries, ensure to keep paying off your debts, little by little, from your earnings. Those who oppose you will see you in a renewed respectful light. There will be an improvement in your relationships with the opposite gender. Pray to Behram Yazad daily.



Leo - સિંહ - મ.ટ.

તમને ગુરૂની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી તમારા અગત્યના કામો વિજળીવેગે પૂરા કરી શકશો. જાણતા અજાણતા કોઈના મદદગાર બની તેની ભલી દુવા મેલવી લેશો. અટકેલા કામ ચાલુ કરવા ઈનવીઝીબલ હેલ્પ મળી આવશે. નવા કામ કરવામાં સફળ થશો. કોઈ સગાસંબંધીને મળવાથી તેઓ આનંદમાં આવશે. દરરોજ 'સરોશ યશ્ત' ભણજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૦૭, ૦૯, ૧૧, ૧૨ છે.

Lucky Dates: 07, 09, 11, 12

Jupiter's ongoing rule helps you complete your important tasks at lightning speed. You might end up helping out another, advertently or inadvertently, and gain their blessings. An anonymous form of help will help you to restart stalled projects. New ventures will be successful. You will bring much happiness to a relative by meeting with them. Pray the Sarosh Yasht daily



Scorpio - વૃશ્ચિક - ન.ય.

૧૭મી એપ્રિલ સુધી બુધ્ધિશાળી બુધની દિનદશા ચાલ હોવાથી જે પણ કામ કરતા હશો તેમાં પ્રમોશન તેમજ નાણાકીય લાભ મળવાના સારા ચાન્સ છે. તમારી સાથે કામ કરનાર સાથે ઉપરીગવર્ગ પણ તમારા કામથી ખુશ થશે. નાણાકીય સ્થિતિમાં સુધારો આવશે. દરરોજ 'મહેર નીઆએશ' ભણજો. શકનવંતી તા. ૦૬, ૦૮, ૧૧, ૧૨ છે.

Lucky Dates: 06, 08, 11, 12.

Mercury's rule till 17th April indicates that you could be up for a promotion or monetary increase. Your colleagues as well as your seniors at work will be pleased with your performance. There will be improvement in your financial condition. Pray the Meher Nyaish daily.



Aquarius - કુંભ - ગ.શ.સ.

ચંદ્રની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી ૨૩મી એપ્રિલ સુધી તમારા માથાનો બોજો ઓછો કરવામાં સફળ થશો. જે પણ ડીસીઝન લેશો તેમાં ભવિષ્યમાં ફાયદામાં રહેશો. ઈનવેસ્ટમેન્ટ અવશ્ય કરજો. બાળકોની ચિંતા ઓચી થતી જશે. આજથી ૩૪મું નામ 'યા બેસ્તરના' ૧૦૧વાર ભણજો. શકનવંતી તા. ૦૭, ૦૮, ૦૯, ૧૧ છે.

Lucky Dates: 07, 08, 09, 11.

The Moon's rule till 23rd April helps in reducing your mental worries. Your decisions will prove to be beneficial for you in the future. Ensure to make investments. Worries about the children will reduce. Starting today, pray the 34th Name, 'Ya Beshtarna', 101 times daily.



Gemini - મિથુન - ક.છ.ઘ.

૩જી એપ્રિલ સુધી રાહની દિનદશા ચાલશે. તમારી સામે પડેલી ચીજ વસ્તુ તમને દેખાશે નહીં. તમારી નાની ભુલ તમને મોટી પરેશાની આપશે. નાણાકીય ખેચતાણ વધી જશે. ઘરમાં શાંતિ નહીં રહે. તબિયતનું ધ્યાન રાખજો.એસીડીટી કે કોન્સ્ટીપેશનથી પરેશાન થશો. દરરોજ 'મહાબોખ્તાર નીઆએશ' ભણજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૦૬, ૦૭, ૧૧, ૧૨ છે.

Lucky Dates: 06, 07, 11, 12.

Rahu's rule till 3rd April could cause you to overlook things lying right in front of your eyes. Even a small mistake of yours could land you in big trouble. Financially things could get strained. The house atmosphere might not be peaceful. Take care of your health - you could suffer from acidity or constipation. Pray the Mah Bokhtar Nyaish daily.



Virgo - કન્યા - પ.ઠ.ણ.

શનિની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી તબિયતની ખાસ સંભાળ લેજો. તબિયતમાં બેદરકાર રહેશો તો મોટી મુસીબતમાં ફસાઈ જશો. નાણાકીય બાબતમાં લેતીદેતી કરતા નુકસાની ભોગવવી પડશે. વડીલવર્ગની તબિયતની સાર સંભાળ લેવી પડશે. કોઈ અંગત વ્યક્તિ તમારી સાથે ચીટીંગ કરી નાખે તેવા હાલના ગ્રહો છે. દરરોજ 'મોટી હપ્તન યશ્ત' ભણજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૦૭, ૦૮, ૦૯, ૧૦ છે.

Lucky Dates: 07, 08, 09, 10.

Saturn's ongoing rule suggests that you take special care of your health. Any carelessness towards your health could land you in big trouble. You could incur losses in any financial transactions that include lending or borrowing money. You would need to take special care of the health of your elders. You could end up getting cheated by a trusted and close person. Pray the Moti Haptan Yasht daily.



Sagittarius - ધન - ભ.ધ.ફ.

મંગળની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી નાની બાબતમાં ગુસ્સે થઈ જશો. આજુબાજુવાળા તમને ખોટી રીતે પરેશાન કરશે. ઉપરીવર્ગ તમારા કામમાં ભુલ શોધી તમને ઈરીટેટ કરી નાખશે. નવું વાહન લેવાનો વિચાર કરતા નહીં. શારિરીક બાબતમાં માથાનો દુખાવો તથા રાતના ઉંઘ નહીં આવે તેનાથી પરેશાન થશો. મગજને શાંત કરવા દરરોજ 'તીર યશ્ત' ભણજો. શકનવંતી તા. 09, 02, 06 90 8.

Lucky Dates: 07, 08, 09 10.

Mars' ongoing rule could make you angry over small matters. Those around you will harass you wrongfully. Seniors at work will find faults in your work and make you very irritable. Avoid buying any new vehicle. You could suffer from headaches and sleepless nights. To pacify the mind, pray the Tir Yasht daily.



Pisces - મીન - દ.ચ.ઝ.થ.ક્ષ.

છેલુ અઠવાડિયું શુક્રની દિનદશામાં પસાર કરવાનું બાકી છે. તમારા મનની વાત જેને કહેવી હોય તેને કરી દેજો. નાણાકીય બાબતમાં સારા સારી હોવાથી ઈનવેસ્ટમેન્ટ અવશ્ય કરજો. ઘણી-ઘણીયાણીમાં મતભેદ ઓછા થશે. રોજના કામ પર ઘ્યાન આપજો. દરરોજ 'બહેરામ યઝદ'ની આરાધના કરજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૦૬, ૦૭, ૧૦, ૧૨ છે.

Lucky Dates: 06, 07, 10, 12.

With the last week remaining under the rule of Venus, you are advised to speak out your mind to the person you wish to convey your feelings to. Ensure to make investments as your financial conditions are good. Squabbles between couples will reduce. Focus on your daily chores. Pray to Behram Yazad daily.

Women's Day Special PARSI TIMES 'Good Deeds Project'-

An Inspirational Initiative By Pearl Tirandaz



centuries. number of women have become a source of strength and inspiration to others, carving their niche and leaving their mark on society, with the hope of making a difference for future generations to follow... Pearl Tirandaz is one such multifaceted and dynamic woman who has successfully donned multiple hats, even as she champions multiple capacities on a personal and professional level! All it takes is the genuine desire within, to make a difference in the lives of others. Insomuch, Pearl leads the way...



Parsi Times Reporter, Binaisha M. Surti brings to you an exclusive tête-à-tête with Pearl Tirandaz and her venture - The Good Deeds Project, her mission, goals and vision for the future to make life more beautiful and meaningful.

PT: Tell us about your formative years. What does the term 'Good Deed' mean to

Pearl: I began working at a very young age, way before most

environment. It is just as you would read it - A Good Deed, which if done by one and all, would make for a wonderful world!

PT: You're known for your plentiful participation and contributions in various social service programs and helpful activities. Could you throw some light on these? How would you describe your core competencies?

Pearl: It took me years to create environment around myself, to help me do the work that I do today. I have had the good fortune to work with several NGOs including Seva Sadan; BJ Home; Salam Balak; Society for the Education of the Crippled (SEC); Central Society for the Education of the Deaf (CSED); Happy Home; and School for the Blind as a Choreographer.

I'm currently the PRO at 'Jiyo Parsi', which does wonderful work towards helping our community. I'm also the a founder members of ZYNG (Zoroastrian Youth for the Next Generation) and have been a core committee

member of FOZYA (Federation of Zoroastrian Youth Association) - these groups bring together the youth of the Parsi / Irani Zoroastrian community. Over the years I've also worked with children with special needs on several occasions and with JBCN International group of Schools as a Dance Instructor.

believe my core competencies include being a dynamic, self-motivated and results-driven person with people management skills. I like creating innovative ideas,

planning and executing events and CSR activities.

PT: How did you conceive and launch the 'Good Deeds Project'. What is it all about?

Pearl: 'Good Deeds Project' was a dream that I've nurtured for a while now - something different from the mainstream NGOs... Something that's my own, vet an idea that can be replicated easily by anyone and everyone. Most people just need to be motivated and made aware of their surroundings, then the good deed flows naturally! It like a good song hummed by a friend which sticks with you for the rest of your day! You might just end up duplicating it.

Good Deeds Project is my way of giving back to society and maybe someday, the world, at large. I don't just want my stories to be told, I want my audience to become aware of those wonderful people everywhere who take the time to do a good deed. Most stories

l've shared are of simple people, who feel naturally compelled to help the less privileged. And we can all do our good deed just by simply encouraging them contributing with our efforts, time or money.

PT: Could you tell us about some of the ventures that Deeds Good Project has undertaken?

Pearl: These 'stories', as I call them, are about people who I've interacted personally with. I've been lucky to participate in most of these and make it my good deed! The stories range from Arif Khan on the Gujarat road selling artefacts to mask distributions; from Rukshin Vajifdar's Feed Project to 2 boys feeding 400 strays on Pune roads; from going to a local school and giving books and stationery to Duttaram Fonde and his Santosh Institution for children with special needs. Most stories start out as simple intentions of wanting to help someone, immaterial of how much money your wallet holds.

One of the most touching stories was that of a little girl from a village school who didn't speak English well. During one of our distribution drives, she walked up to me to convey her deep appreciation in a language she didn't speak fluently. Her need to reach out to me made me feel a warmth I've never experienced before. I hugged her and expressed my feelings to her and encouraged her to study well and make her positive mark in the world.

PT: What or who is your source of encouragement in this initiative? Who has supported you along the way? Who is your biggest inspiration?

Pearl: My greatest encouragement comes from people who want to share their own personal good deeds



A popular personality and youth icon of our community, Pearl is as vibrant as she is affable, filled with wisdom, hope, courage. ambition and determination. She's a frontrunner when it comes to working towards the welfare of the community, especially guiding our youth towards greater success. More recently, her inspiring venture, which she terms the 'Good Deeds Project', has been making a difference in the lives of many and gaining much appreciation. Celebrating the occasion of International Woman's Day,

of my friends from college. Through my profession, I travelled the world and experienced some of its harsh realities. I wondered even then how one could have an expensive meal in a restaurant, while on the other side of the window, there were street children with an empty belly, contently playing around with their broken toys. I increasingly realized that I needed to do something for those who were less fortunate than me. To me, the term, 'Good Deed', encompasses many facets of giving back to society and the



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stories. No matter how small the deed might feel to someone. it can impact the beneficiary tremendously. Real heroes are those who come forth and share their unique, innovative or personal way of doing their good deeds. By making others aware, they are passing on a beautiful tune or hum that someone else will carry and replicate. My family and friends are extremely supportive of my project. They accompany me and help me on my adventures. They are also my designated amateur photographers! My biggest inspiration is my fatherin-law, Rustom Tirandaz, and my simple and humble parents -Mehroo and Marzban Sukhadia.

PT: Where do you envision the Good Deeds Project in the near future?

Pearl: I hope for the GDP to be on a national platform in a couple of years, with a much wider reach. I believe that the more the awareness, the greater the quantity and quality of good deeds.

How could people contribute towards this cause or get in touch with you to volunteer their time towards 'GDP with Pearl'?

Pearl: You can start by following me on Instagram, Facebook and YouTube. Just #GDPwithPearl #GoodDeedsProject or people could email me at GDPwithPearl@gmail.com

PT: GDP with Pearl also helps stray animals. Tell us about your recent feeding drive in Pune.

Pearl: Pune boys - Yash Sathe and Pourush Irani - fed 400 stray animals on Valentine's Day as a good deed! I have showcased over ten very uniquely different stories in past two months. As mentioned, Good Deeds Project is not just about helping people. It also encompasses the entire gamut of our society and environment. I will be doing more stories in the future which I hope, will include how our frontline environmental conversationalists, who work tirelessly to preserve and protect nature, and about how we could help this cause.

Team Parsi Times wishes all the lovely women a Happy Woman's Day. May you all ignite the fire within to conquer and make your dreams come true!

Happy Women's Day!



VEERA SHROFF SANJANA

h yes! Every year March 8th is celebrated as International Woman's Day, solely dedicated to the more or less 3.82 billion women that make up the population of the world, according to a 2019 census. By the number itself, a celebration is certainly in order, keeping in mind how female infanticides prevailed rampantly across India and in numerous places worldwide, till not too long ago. Women have, since, certainly come a long way, baby!

International Woman's Day is a story dated back to 1917, after women gained suffrage (the right to vote) in Soviet Russia. March 8th, since, became a national holiday, predominantly celebrated by communist countries until it was adopted in 1967 by the Feminist Movement, In 1977. the United Nations recognised the day and started celebrating it as 'International Women's Day'.

While women are seen as a personification of love, beauty, grace, resilience and strength, it naturally follows that women should be celebrated on a regular basis in honour and appreciation of their contributions. Aimed at spreading awareness about women's rights and gender equality, this day celebrates social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women, the world over.

The theme for International Women's Day 2021 is simple yet powerful - 'Women In Leadership: Achieving An Equal Future In A COVID-19 World'. Women have stood at the front lines from the beginning of the pandemic, doing their best,

working shoulder to shoulder health-care workers. caregivers, innovators, community organizers, etc. They've displayed exemplary and effective leadership in combating this challenge. The crisis highlighted both the centrality of their participation, as well as the disproportionate burdens that women carry. This year will underline the tremendous contribution by women and girls, around the world, in shaping a more equal future and their involvement in the recovery and healing from the COVID-19 situation.

International Woman's Day is a once-in-a-year chance remind governments, businesses and everyone else that women have rights too. Gender equality is imperative. While some women may have not encountered discrimination or harassment, or faced systemic barriers on their way to success, it's certainly not the experience of all women. In fact, these women should take on the pivotal role of supporting their less fortunate sisters. International Woman's Day is an opportunity for all to acknowledge this disparity, not only among genders but within it as well. We have faced compounded challenges because of colour, creed. disabilities and discrimination. Now is the perfect time to shed these old delusions of genderdisparity. The time is perfect for partnership, not polarity.

Woman's Day serves as the perfect opportunity for women

to be mobilized to action by conversations surrounding harassment, sexual egual pay, threats to reproductive healthcare and more. It doesn't seem likely to lose flavour or momentum any time soon. While days like International Woman's Day are indeed times to celebrate the gains that have been made and to measure how far we have come, it's equally important to see that there are many more steps to handle the challenges ahead.

International Women's Day is a time to reflect on progress made, to call for change, to celebrate acts of courage and determination by extraordinary women. There are also silent contributions by everyday women too - the mothers, sisters, daughters and caretakers. They toil and struggle without a word or a whimper. These women are also heroes, having played roles towards the history of their countries and communities.

The world has undoubtedly made unprecedented advances, but no country or nation can truly boast of achieving complete gender equality. Fifty years ago, we landed on the moon; in the last decade, we've discovered new galaxies and stars. We've even photographed a Black Hole and sent NASA rovers and a Lander to Mars. But in the meantime, legal restrictions have kept 2.7 billion women from accessing the same choice of jobs as men. Less than 25% of all parliaments have women even today. And as of 2021, one in every three women still experiences gender-based violence.

Women, today, are the real architects of society. They have a goal here and while we rebel and struggle endlessly against gender bias and discrimination, we need to remember as well, that the most important thing women can do for another is expand her sense of possibilities. Feminism isn't about making women strong. Women are already strong. It's all about changing the way the world perceives that strength. There is really no limit to what we as women can accomplish. In the words of one such great woman, Margaret Thatcher - "If you want something said - ask a man; if you want something done - ask a woman!"

There is something so fierce about a woman who dominates in a man's world. It takes a certain grace, strength, intelligence fearlessness and the nerve to never take no as an answer. Women should not wish to have power over men, but over themselves. Every woman's success story should be an inspiration to another. Women are strongest when they cheer each other on. Celebrate this year as a woman. We need to live in a world that idolizes womankind everywhere, a world that loves, cherishes and respects woman everyday, in every way.

Happy Woman's Day to all you terrific, splendid women out there!



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- Housing Allotment on Merit Rating Scheme - with top priority given to to-be-married couples. Will ensure leave and license agreements



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are converted into tenancy agreements.

- Secure Minority Status for our community to provide greater employment opportunities to our vouth.
- Women Empowerment and Gender equality at workplace is my priority.

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'2020 Tax Workshop' [Toronto Chapter]

When: March 8, 2021

Time: 12:30 AM

Speaker: Anita Asli, Licensed Financial Advisor and Tax Consultant

FaceBook Event: https://www.facebook.com/events/827646091179335

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'Hamas-path-maedem Virtual Gahambar Prayer with 'The Enigma of Neuroscience: From Cradle to Grave' [ZAC & Chicago Chapter]

When: March 12, 2021

Time: 7:00 pm (Chicago Time)

Speakers: Dr.Mazda K. Turel, Neurosurgeon, Vellore, India

Link: https://zoom.us/j/96382882067?pwd=NU1rS0VNM0xJMkQrRlkvU29UdUFJUT09

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