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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK**What Stops You?**

Dear Readers,

So many of us are made for greater things... deep in our gut, we know we could be way bigger and better than where we are at now. Yet, something keeps us back from getting there. We are aware of it, but can't seem to pin-point this exact cause of our self-sabotage. So, what is it that holds you back from evolving into your best version? What stops you from achieving your greatness?

We already know the answer, in the feedback we receive from sincere friends and family members who tell us, "The only thing that's stopping you is YOU!" Truer words were never spoken! But that's a blanket statement and to many, the thought of self-exploration can seem overwhelming. Where do you start?

Einstein hath said, "Insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results!" If we want a different outcome for our lives, we need to exchange some old habits for new ones. To soar to the heights of your success, you first need to break free of the shackles that hold you back.

To truly get started on the journey towards unleashing your greatness, we first need to do away with these three top self-debilitating habits - First: the 'need to please everyone', the obsessive need to be in everyone's good books, which leads to compulsively putting yourself down and negating your own preferences. All that this self-imposed 'martyr syndrome' gets you, is frustrated. Second: stop 'living in the past' - it's like driving your vehicle with your eyes on the rear-view mirror! You're bound to crash if your focus is not on the road ahead. Third: Enough with the overthinking! (exceedingly prevalent among bawji mums who go into 'analysis-paralysis' mode about anything and everything, usually centred around their darling sons!) Constantly obsessing about the same old thing only gets you anxious, paranoid and hypertension! Also, there's only so long you can pass it off as 'concern' with your now-cheesed-off family/friends!

Giving up on these old habits is easier said than done, but this is where it all begins - in the unlearning of that self-deprecating mindset and the undoing of those incapacitating behaviours, which have hitherto got you chasing that pseudo, external validation. Armed with self-confidence and self-belief, you are now free to bring out of hiding and nurture the real you, the unstoppable you, which is rearing to realize its potential and shine at its brightest!

Our community is nothing, if not known for its greatness - having given to the world, some of the greatest men and women of all times, as also some of the greatest humanitarian endeavours. Let nothing stop us from perpetuating this legacy of greatness!

Have a good weekend!

- Anahita
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I his Wife, Relatives, Trustees of F. N. Patel Mazgaon Agiary Trust and friends pray from our heart for peace to His great Soul and his blessings shall always remain in our hearts and acknowledge his service. We, take this opportunity to thank him for being the guiding light in our lives. He selflessly served the ATASH PADSHAH Saheb of Mazgaon Patel's Agiary for 55 years and devoted his entire life.

We, once again bow our Head in respect of His great Soul and pray for Him.

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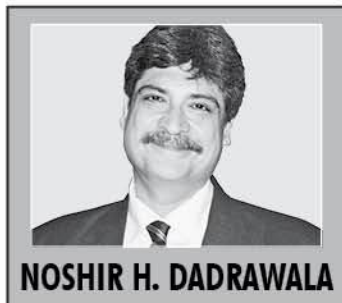
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Observing The Parab Of Fravardin



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Today, (Mah - Fravardin; Roj - Fravardin) marks the *Parab* of Fravardin - the day on which the *Roj* (day) and *Mah* (month) coincide. On this blessed day, we remember the *Fravashi* of our dear departed with devotion either from our home, a local *Agyari* or at the place where their mortal remains are consigned.

At the *Doongerwadi* (literally meaning orchard or garden on the hill) in Mumbai, hundreds of Parsis will congregate from early morning till late eve, to offer respect and prayers to the immortal spirit of their loved ones.

Fravardin – The Auspicious First Month: *Fravardin* is the very first month of the Zoroastrian calendar and in the very first week of the month of *Fravardin*, there are several significant days:

- *Mah Fravardin, Roj Hormuzd* (New Year)
- *Mah Fravardin, Roj Ardibehesht* (Day to consecrate *Rapithwin*)
- *Mah Fravardin, Roj Khordad* (*Khordadsaal* and traditionally *Asho Zarathushtra's* Birthday)
- *Mah Fravardin, Roj Amardad* (*Amardadsaal* to celebrate eternity of the *Fravashis*)

Fravardin Roj is the nineteenth day of the *Mah* and is considered particularly auspicious when it falls in the first *Mah* or month of *Fravardin*.

What Is Fravashi?

Fravashi is somewhat similar to the *Pitri* of the Hindus or the *Manes* of the Romans and Greeks - the Beneficent Spirit. Zoroastrians view *Fravashi* or *Farohar* as a Divine Essence, which is wholly pure and good. It is not to be confused with the *Ruwan* or the soul.

The *Avestan* term *Fravashi* comes from the word '*Fra* (to take forward) and '*vaksh*' (to grow). Hence, *Fravashi* is that spiritual essence or spiritual energy that takes every good creation of *Ahura Mazda* forward and helps it to grow.

Fravashi is also the prototype, which is believed to have existed prior to manifestation of the material creation. Even *Ahura Mazda* and His Divine Energies, the *Amesha Spentas* and the *Yazatas*, are said to have their own *Fravashi*. Plants, animals, mountains and rivers also have their own *Fravashi*. They are guardian spirits of the souls of the dead and protect and guide the souls of the living, as well.

Cosmically, *Fravashi* are divided into three groups – the Living, the Dead, and the Unborn. They are the force upon which *Ahura Mazda* depends to maintain the cosmos against demonic forces. They protect all sacred fires and symbolically keep darkness imprisoned in the world.

What Is Parab?

Parab is a Gujarati term which literally means holiday (holy day) or festival. The equivalent corresponding *Pahlavi* term would be *Jashan* or celebration (festival).

Every *Parab* is also observed with a thanksgiving *Jashan* ceremony. *Jashan* is the Gujarati equivalent of the Persian term *Jashne*. In *Avesta* it would be *Yasna* (Sanskrit *Yajna*). The *Jashan* ceremony involves offering litany to the fire (*Atash Nyaish*) as also the *Afringan* which is prefaced by the *Pazand Dibache* propitiating the souls of the departed.

The Parab Of Fravardin:

Roj Fravardin of *Mah Fravardin* marks the day when devout Zoroastrians head for the *Dokhma* or *Aramgah* in their city, town or village to offer prayers to the *Fravashi* of their dear departed. One could say it is observed as the Zoroastrian 'All Souls' Day' or more appropriately, the day dedicated to the collective 'Holy Spirit' of all creation.

Prayers And Rituals:

Usually, a *Jashan* is performed where members of the community participate, often in very large numbers. This is followed by a *Hum Bandagi* or a mass congregational prayer to propitiate the Holy *Fravashi*. Individually, devotees pray the *Stum no Kardo* offering fruits and food items to the *Fravashi* of their dear departed. Many also pray the *Fravardin Yasht* or hymn to the Holy and Righteous *Fravashis*.

Fravardin Yasht:

Among Zoroastrian *Yashts* (hymns) *Fravardin* is the longest with 158 verses. It mainly propitiates the Righteous *Fravashi*. Through the *Yasht*, we pray: "*Ashaunaam vanguhish suraao spentaao fravashayao yazamaide,*" which means: "*We remember with reverence the holy, good, brave, prosperity giving Fravashi of the Holy.*"

In the *Fravardin Yasht*, *Fravashi* is described as a purifier and a powerful helper of *Ahura Mazda* in protecting all good creations. In the *Fravardin Yasht* we also pray: "*We worship the good, strong, beneficent Fravashi of the faithful; whose friendship is good, and who know how to benefit; whose friendship lasts long; who like to stay in the abode where they are not harmed by its dwellers; who are good, beautiful, afar, health-giving, of high renown, conquering in battle, and who never do harm.*"

To conclude with an affirmative verse from the *Fravardin Yasht*: "*May (they) who (are) the Fravashi of the righteous keep love over us here (i.e. in this world) quickly and verily! (And) may they come to our help! (Also) may those (Fravashi) save us, the living ones with (their) powerful help at the time of calamity! (Besides, may those Fravashi (be) (our) helpers through Ahura Mazda, through the brave righteous Sraosha Yazata, and through the learned Manthra Spenta! Which (Manthra Spenta) is opposed to the doctrines of daevas and the messenger of Ahura Mazda, whom (the Prophet) Zarathushtra saw with the sincerest vision in the corporeal world.*"

Tribute To Dasturji Kukadaru Saheb On His Death Anniversary



4th September, 2022 (*Roj Behram, Mah Farvardin*) marks the death anniversary of our most revered, loved and worshipped saint, *Jamshedji Sohrabji Kukadaru Saheb*. Known as the 'Zarthosti Saint' of the 19th Century, *Dasturji Kukadaru* was born on 26th May, 1831 in *Surat, Gujarat*, and is as well known for his humility and simplicity as he is worshipped for his piousness and ability to perform miracles. He lived a simple life with asceticism and unflinching adherence to his priestly discipline of chastity.



Dasturji Kukadaru Saheb performed numerous miracles through his lifetime and helped all who approached him for guidance and assistance. The peoples' faith in *Dasturji Kukadaru Saheb* spread considerably due to the power of his 'Nirangs' or short prayers that he instructed all to pray during times of difficulties. *Dasturji Kukadaru* advocated the power of prayers and projected unparalleled devotion to *Ahura Mazda, Zarathushtra* and their beautiful creation - the *Mazdayasni-Zarthosti Religion*.

With his portrait adorning the walls of several *Atash Behrams, Agiaries* and homes, *Dasturji Kukadaru Saheb* lived a life of absolute modesty. He cooked his own meals consisting mainly of *khichdi* and *ghee*, with the help of solar heat, while continuously reciting the *Avestan* prayers.

He was also a great astrologer and miraculously predicted a number of incidents including the deaths of *Empress Victoria of England, Sir Dinshaw Petit* and various other personalities. His spiritual guide was *Dastur Azar Kaiwan Bin Azar Gushasp Saheb*. *Dasturji* had developed qualities of *clairvoyance*, as a result of certain *tarikats* (spiritual discipline), *amal* (ritual power), *manthravani* (prayers) and leading a life of *ashoi* (righteousness).

Dasturji Kukadaru had deep knowledge and insightful comprehension of the *Avesta*, as also *Pahlavi* and *Persian* languages. He was *Panthaky* (managing Priest) of the *Kapawala Agiary* and commanded the respect of his peers and the laity. He served as a chief

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Parsee Gymkhana Retain Historic 1886 Trophy In England!

- PG Tour of United Kingdom 2022 -



BINAISHA M. SURTI

Parsis have been the pioneers of Indian cricket since 1886, paving the path for future generations to follow. Keeping that flag fluttering high, Team Parsee Gymkhana (PG) proved its ability yet again, in August 2022, retaining the Historic 1886 Trophy, in their tour of the UK. As part of the winning PG 1886 Trophy team at Guilford (Surrey, UK), Parsi Times Sports Correspondent - Binaisha M. Surti, brings you exclusive highlights of the team's victorious tour.

The original 1886 tour between the Parsis and the English was noteworthy as the first ever team from India to tour England, comprising an all-Parsi team! Our Parsi Team, led by Dr. Dhunjeeshaw Patel, had never played international cricket, while England had played seven series against Australia by then. After a three-week sea voyage, the Parsi team played their very first match of the tour at Sheffield, with a total of 28 matches played, 19 lost, 8 draw and only 1 game won, against Normanhurst in a 1-Day, limited-overs fixture.

Cut to 2016 - English businessman and cricket enthusiast Matt Greenwell met Khodadad Yazdegardi, PG's dynamic Vice President and Cricket Secretary; and MCA Apex Council Member for a friendly match in Mumbai. Seeing the



Captain Maneck Daruwala with the winning 1886 Trophy 2022

archival images of the original 1886 team of Parsis that toured England, Khodadad birthed the idea to honour them by recreating and celebrating those golden cricketing by establishing the 1886 Trophy.

The then secretary of Surrey CC - Charles Alcock, hosted the Parsi team of 1886. Hence, the English team later played as 'Charles Alcock X1'. Revisiting history, the first edition played on 12th November, 2016, was won by the Team PG, while the English won the second edition. The third edition of the 1886 Trophy was played at the iconic Kia Oval, in England, the Parsee Gym tour of UK - 2019, where Team PG created history, 133 years later, winning by a huge margin of 68 runs. Today, the Parsi team of 1886 have found an eminent place in Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC) Lord's Father Time Wall, showcasing the Home of Cricket's 100 Greatest Milestones!

136 years later, today, the PG cricket team comprising only Zoroastrians, toured the UK, from 11th- 25th August, 2022, sponsored by Tata Sons, Shapoorji Pallonji and other well-wishers. PG's tour kicked off with a visit to the iconic Trent Bridge, Nottingham. This ground is indeed special as the pioneering Parsi cricketers touring England played a game at Trent Bridge V/s 'The Gentlemen of Nottinghamshire' on 12-13th July, 1886. We visited the pavilion, main ground with a stunning view of the stadium, the dining Long Room, where we got to witness bats dating back to the 1880's standing tall - belonging to cricket greats like WG Grace, Jack Hobbs, Victor Trumper, etc.

PG then faced 'The Forty Club, East Midlands at the Plumtree Cricket Club, Nottingham, founded in 1815, which is one of the oldest clubs in En1 gland. Batting first, PG scored 182-6 in their 30 overs. Skipper Maneck Daruwala scored

a brilliant 52, not out. Kersi Pavri too played a gritty knock of 57, not out. In reply, the Forty Club finished with 184-3 in 25.3 overs. Khushru Irani snapped two wickets while stalwart Vispy Mehta picked one.

On 14th August 2022, PG played against Stroud Cricket Club in Gloucestershire, one of England's most picturesque cricketing grounds. Chairman of Stroud Cricket Club, James Collins graced the occasion and also played cricket. Batting first, PG scored 193-5 in 25 overs, thanks to opening batsman Maneck's 73 not out and skipper Kersi Pavri's outstanding 72. In reply, Stroud CC scored 194-8 in 23.2 overs, led by skipper Vivek Menon. The match went down to the wire, but E. Gegg's masterclass 127 ensured Stroud a win. For PG, King of Swing - Vispy snapped up a brilliant four wicket haul while Khushru picked three wickets.

On the auspicious Parsi New Year day - 16th August, PG played Chiddingfold Cricket Club, Surrey, sharing a wonderful countryside cricket feel. Ian Spicer, Chairman of Chiddingfold CC graced the occasion. Put into bat first, PG managed 146-3 in 20 overs. Khushru (69*) 7 fours and 3 sixes along with Burzin Mehta (46*) 5 fours and 1 six stitched a great 114-runs-partnership for the fourth wicket, but Chiddingfold CC chased it down in 18.2 overs... yet another close contest!

Team PG next played Chiswick Cricket Club, in West London on 18th August. Batting first, PG scored a match winning 184-4 in 20 overs. Opener Shahan Mistry played a scintillating knock of 72 not out. The

opposition perished at 163-6 in 20 overs as PG won by 21 runs. For PG, Zenhar Marolia, Mehernosh Chhor, Kersi and Khushru took one wicket each.

On yet another auspicious day, Khordad Saal, 21st August, PG again emerged victorious by 11 runs at Guilford, playing Surrey County Cricket Club's Charles Alcock X1, thus playing the 1886 Trophy, fourth edition, sponsored by SI Capital, whose CEO, Renato Rufus had graced the historic game.

Post the official welcome, with a breakfast and match day briefing, team pictures were taken. David Pakeman, President, Surrey County Cricket Club was delighted to have been a part of the match. Former India legendary cricketer, *aapro* Farokh Engineer graced the occasion to support PG. Also present were the charming and popular Zerbanoo Gifford and her husband, Richard Gifford, Dr. Dasturji Jamasp JamaspAsa, Dasturji of Anjuman Atash Behram and Chairman of a Cricket Club in Kent, regularly playing on weekends as a top order batsman along with his sister, Dr. Shirin. Talented wicketkeeper batsman, youngster Kayan Ranina was given his PG cap by former Cricket Commentator, Senior Advocate, High Court and member of team PG - Fredun De Vitre!

On a chilly morning after being put into bat first, PG managed 135-9 in their 30 overs. At 111-9, Burzin Mehta and Mehernosh Chhor added a valuable partnership of 24 runs for the last wicket, which proved to be significant for Team PG's win. McLean picked 4-22 in 6 overs. Star bowler of PG, Vispy started with a bang and had the Alcocks struggling at 84-5 in 18.5 overs. The father-son duo - Burzin and Vispy, made valuable contributions as did Wicketkeeper



Team PG and Stroud CC post their match



Farokh Engineer receiving his memento from Fredun De Vitre



Winning team PG with the 1886 Trophy 2022 at Guilford, England

► Kayan. Khushru spun a brilliant 4 for 7, in 6 overs. Needing 16 off the last 6 deliveries, Reshad Dotivala held his nerve when it mattered most, well led by captain cool Maneck, and PG won a nail-biting contest, under Surrey umpires Jeremy Beckwith and Terry Teeman, and Guilford scorer - Martin Moncgomery.

Mementoes were presented to opposition captain Matt Greenwell, David Pakeman, Renato Rufus and the Alcock team. Matt welcomed David to become Chairman of the 1886 Trophy Committee. Caps were given on behalf of SI capital to PG. The same evening, Team PG was hosted by Zoroastrian Trust Funds of Europe (ZTFE) and President Malcolm Deboo for the Khordad Saal function. Dorab Mistry - Director of Godrej International Ltd, Past president of ZTFE, conferred OBE in her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee Honours List in June 2013 - conducted a chat session with Farokh Engineer, where the latter reminisced his formative years playing cricket, representing Team India playing alongside star Parsi cricketers - Polly Umrigar, Rusi Surti and Nari Contractor. Mementoes were awarded to Malcolm Deboo, Farokh Engineer, Dorab Mistry, Logistics and Hospitality Partners for team PG: Red Tours, Zarir Shroff and Jesmin Sorab along with Sir Ron Kalifa,

in whose absence, his mother, Nargis Kalifa collected the memento.

On behalf of PG President Mehli Golvala and the Managing Committee, Khodadad announced honorary PG Life Membership to Sir Ron Kalifa - OBE, Chairman of Network International, Chair of FutureLearn, ECB Member and active member of ZTFE, along with Lord Karan Bilimoria - CBE DL, Patron of ZTFE and Co-Chair of the Zoroastrian All Party Parliamentary Group.

On 22nd August, Team PG visited the UK Parliament, thanks to Rohan Subbarao and Omaar Singh. They were given a tour of the Westminster Hall, House of Lords and House of Commons Chambers and the Royal Gallery.

The victory of 1886 Trophy will yet again be cherished in perpetuity. PG extends gratitude for the exceptional hospitality. Kudos to Team PG for giving their hundred per cent on the field every single time, with each member contributing individually and as a team player. The team finished the tour on a proud and thrilling note of victory and now look forward to welcoming and hosting the Alcock's in India in 2023. Three Cheers for team PG!

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instructor at Seth Jijibhai Dadabhai Zand Avesta Madressa (at Fort) from its inception. He translated volumes of the Denkart and would regularly contribute religious articles to the weekly magazine, 'Yazdan Parast' (1868-1889). He also published a few booklets on religion and community matters.

Dasturji Kukadaru Saheb was the spiritual guide to Ervad Nadarsha Navroji Aibara and he gave him a special Nirang, which is extremely popular and recited by many, as under:

"Ya Noore Dastageer, Ya Dastageere Noor, Karam Kar Kareema, Rahem Karo Ya Parvardegar, Madad Karo Ya Nabee, Jarthost Tari Padshahi!"

He was known for having performed numerous miracles

through his lifetime. Some of the numerous instances include saving the life of a young boy nearly dying from jaundice; transforming a brick into a bar of gold - the proceeds of which were used to build the Anjuman Atash Behram in Mumbai.

Dasturji Jamshed Sohrab Kukadaru was an able astrologer, a divine healer, a scholar and teacher, a revered Panthaky, an alchemist, and above all, a simple and pious priest who worked ceaselessly to remove pain and suffering. He passed away on 4th October, 1900 (Roj Behram, Mah Fravardin)

In remembrance of Dasturji Kukadaru on his Death Anniversary, the prayers one can offer in his memory include the Afargan, Farokshi, Baj and Satum prayers. May his Fravashi continue to bless all who remember him.

Educator Rati Cooper's Memory Honoured In Rajkot

The alumni and staff of the Rajkumar College, in Rajkot, honoured the memory of legendary educator and teacher - Rati Cooper - with the unveiling of a bust carved in her likeness, on 15th August, 2022. Over the decades, Rati Cooper taught dedicatedly and made a huge difference in the lives of thousands of students who studied under her. The ceremony commenced with various ex-students delivering touching eulogies in the College's Bhavsinhji Hall, followed by the unveiling of the bust in the 'Rati F. Cooper Kala Bhavan', in the presence of over 250 people, including her students and members of erstwhile princely states of Rajkot, Muli and Lathi.

Born in Mumbai on 6th January, 1930, Rati was the daughter of Lahore-based Framroz and Maneckbai Cooper. She attended school in Simla (Auckland House) and graduated from the Sacred Heart Convent, in Lahore, Pakistan. She was an accomplished pianist, qualifying as a Licentiate of the Trinity College of Music, London. In the late 1950's she won a Fulbright Scholarship for studies at the State College for Teachers, New York and the Aspen Institute of Humanistic Studies, Colorado, USA.

In 1958, Rati Cooper joined



the Rajkumar College, Rajkot, India, a Public School for Boys, as Headmistress of the Junior School. She would go on to dedicate a lifetime in the service of education at the College, ultimately assuming charge as Warden Principal in 1991. She retired as the first woman warden principal of

the Rajkumar College, in 2000, after 42 years of service, and was honored with the title of Principal Emeritus. A building dedicated to activities relating to arts, crafts and Music was named, 'The Rati F. Cooper Kala Bhavan', in her honour.

Rati Cooper brought with her a passion for education, unadulterated affection for children, devotion to duty and commitment to her chosen vocation and respect for her seniors and rules and regulations of the College, serving as Principal Emeritus towards the end. In a fitting tribute to the great educator, one of her ex-students wrote, "We remember the amount of time and toil you have put in to prepare us to take all the challenges in our stride and carve a niche for ourselves in later life. You have taught us to take a broad view of things; of thinking with courage and acting with faith; of keeping our ideals and moral principles intact, regardless of what conditions or what kind of world we might one day be called upon to face."

Rati Cooper passed away peacefully in Lahore, on 8th March, 2019. Her legacy lives on through the lives, successes and memories of a host of loving students, colleagues and friends.

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Keki Mistry Conferred Lifetime Achievement Award

On 26th August, 2022, Keki Mistry, Vice-Chairman and CEO, HDFC was felicitated with the Lifetime Achievement Award, at the prestigious Financial Express (FE) Best Banks Awards, which honours standout performances across banks, NBFCs, SFBs and fintechs under challenging circumstances, as well as the success of individuals who have proven that they are a cut above the rest and can take on any challenge. Keki Mistry won the Lifetime Achievement Award for his stellar contribution to Mortgage Finance. Chief Guest, Finance Minister - Nirmala Sitharaman presided over the function which was attended by stalwarts from the corporate and financial sectors.



**Keki Mistry,
Vice-Chairman and CEO, HDFC**

ability to remember numbers to the sixth or seventh decimal point, till a few years ago. His penchant for such perfection could be attributed to his habit of rechecking and revising all his documents.

Known to be open and approachable, he is credited with inculcating a work-culture of open communication and accessibility at HDFC, which he joined in 1981 as Assistant Manager (Accounts Dept.). By

1993, he had worked his way up into joining the Board. He was appointed Vice Chairman and CEO in 2010. Under his leadership, HDFC's market capitalisation moved up to \$54.5 billion from \$23 billion, and is today the second-largest provider of finance for Indian homebuyers.

With Mistry at its helm, HDFC has scored many firsts - itself a pioneer in mortgage finance - starting with the introduction of floating-rate loans in 1999. HDFC was an early mover in raising money through foreign currency convertible bonds (FCCBs) and rupee-denominated masala bonds.

As HDFC prepares to meld into its progeny, Mistry's legacy will live on in the subsidiaries whose inception and growth he oversaw. Right from 1994, when HDFC joined hands with GE to



set up Countrywide Consumer Financial Services, he has been a crucial part of every new venture incubated by the group. Mistry will continue to serve on Boards of leading corporates once HDFC merges into **HDFC Bank**. He intends to keep busy by providing services for the elderly.

Despite his professional

expertise in Mortgages, Keki Mistry, on a personal level, refrained from borrowing money and built his own house of his savings. He was also known to be quite the sportsperson - as a boxer and a bowler (cricket). A true Parsi, Keki Mistry relishes his non-veg fare and good old Bollywood Hindi music by his favourite - Hemant Kumar.

Surat's Parsi Pragati Mandal And ZWAS Celebrate Young Talent And Golden Anniversaries of Couples

With the mammoth slogan Har Ghar Tiranga, celebration of 75th year of India's Independence had already spread its fervour among the ever-enthusiastic Surtis. On 14th August, 2022, the Parsi Pragati Mandal hosted a talent competition in the breezy, rainy weather at the Kadim Atashbehram Hall in Surat. Participants included toddlers to teenagers - they danced, hopped, recited poems, sang,



delivered speeches, acted, or wore fancy robes! The talent was delightfully presented.

The dynamic ladies of Zoroastrian Women's Assembly of Surat (ZWAS) helped the Mandal in co-ordinating the program. The judges for the competition were - stage and TV artists - Dhvani Trivedi and Yash Upadhyay who were amazed with the talent. Kudos to all the participants and congratulations to all the winners - those who earned the top spot, as per the age group, included: For Age group - upto 3 years: Persheus Shroff; 3 - 5 Years: Dizan Ambapardiwala; 6 - 9 years: Meherzad Shroff; 10 - 13 years: Marzee Kolah and Vivan Siddhpurwala; 14 years and above: Parizad Karanjia and Aazmin Besania.

This evening was graced by Chief Guest - visionary speaker and motivator, Ex-Vice Chancellor of South Gujarat

University, Dr. Daxesh Thakar. He commended the pool of Parsi talent and expressed his thoughts on leading a happy married life, as Parsi Pragati Mandal and ZWAS felicitated six couples who had completed or would be completing 50 years of their marriage in the year 2022-23. A wonderful thought indeed to celebrate 50 years of togetherness and love! Heartiest Congratulations to the golden couples: President of Surat Parsi Panchayat - Jamshed, and wife Yasmin Dotivala who were duly honoured by Dr. Daxesh Thakar and Padmashri Yazdi Karanjia, amidst much cheer and applause; the eminent banker - Jimmy and wife Keshmira Kharadi; Writer and Pragati Mandal member - Rusi and wife Yasmin Besania; devoted banker - Fali and wife Viloo Contractor; Baman and



Dr. Mickey Mehta Rocks The Super-Sixties!

Having recently celebrated his 61st Birthday on August 29, 2022, the community's and the nation's foremost health guru - our very own Dr. Mickey Mehta has been rocking the Super-Sixties from the get-go!

As one of the pioneers of India's Wellness Industry with four decades of expertise and success under his belt, Dr. Mickey Mehta wields a number of 'Firsts' to his credit... as India's First Holistic Health Columnist; First Fitness TV-Radio Presenter; First To Bring Fitness To Reality Shows (Indian Idol junior, Nach Baliye, Channel V Get Gorgeous & Pop Stars, and many more); First Personal Trainer of India; First To Promote Equipment Free Training; First Coach for Miss India / Mr. India / Supermodel pageants. He also holds a world record in teaching swimming in 24 hours!

He has now dedicated 52 years to the practice of Yoga and was appointed the 'Fit India Movement Champion' and for cheering Indian Olympians! Here's Dr. Mickey Mehta sharing the joy about his multiple milestones...

Q: How has your journey been in the Wellness Industry?

Dr. Mickey: "Cumulatively, I have completed over 53 years of practicing

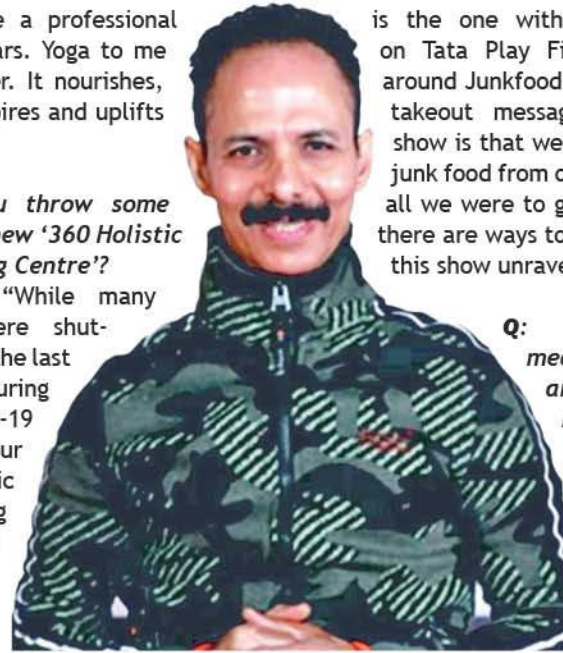
yoga alongside a professional span of 42 years. Yoga to me is like a prayer. It nourishes, flourishes, inspires and uplifts my spirit."

Q: Could you throw some light on your new '360 Holistic Health Healing Centre'?

Dr. Mickey: "While many businesses were shut-shopping over the last two years during the Covid-19 Pandemic, our 360 Holistic Health Healing Centre was born. My vision is to enable people to make wellness as their top priority. And by wellness, I mean the overall holistic wellness - the physical, emotional and spiritual wellness that is so much the need of the hour in recent times."

Q: Tell us about your new show project that has been keeping you busy these days...

Dr. Mickey: "The upcoming show I am looking forward to with great anticipation



is the one with Kunal Vijaykar on Tata Play Fitness, revolving around Junkfood Fitness. The key takeout message through this show is that we can't take away junk food from our lives, but if at all we were to get affected then there are ways to deal with it and this show unravels it all!"

Q: Your social media platforms are currently being ruled by your latest Campaign on 'Super 60 Sexy'. What is it all about?

Dr. Mickey: "Super 60 Sexy is a campaign close to my heart. It is a return gift to all my customers, fans and well-wishers who have showered so much love on me. On the occasion of my Birthday, it's a small tribute from me to them by virtue of offering a special 60% waiver on select Holistic Health Healing Programmes such as 'Size 100 to Size 10', 'Mind is Medicine' / 'Psycho Circus' and 'Be Stronger Live Longer' (Ailment Reversal / Age Reversal) and 'Harmony

of Hormones' that fall under the 360 Holistic Health Healing Programmes.

Here's wishing the very best for the Wellness Prodigy Dr. Mickey Mehta, as he continues to shine even brighter through his Super-60s! May he continue to share his radiance and brilliance, and Mickemize us all to elevated levels of all-round wellness!



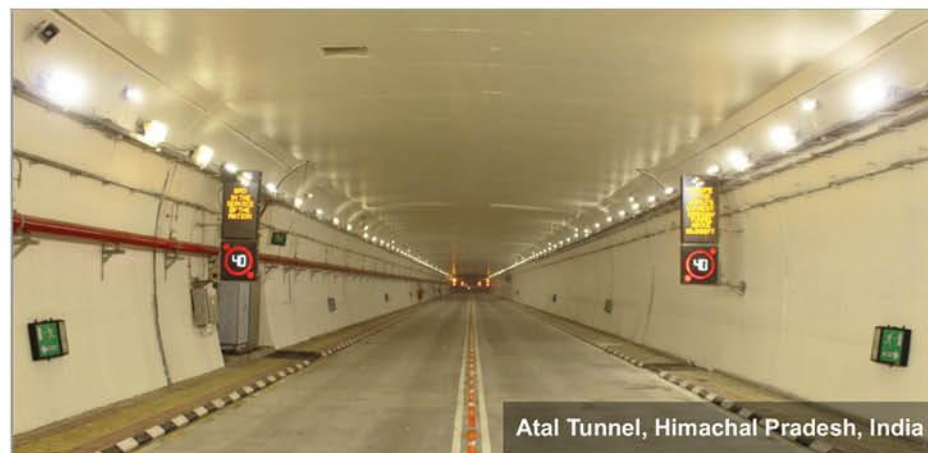
► Mehru Ichhaporia; and finally, Rusi and Roshan Surti who were unable to make it to the event and were honoured by the office bearers of the Parsi Pragati Mandal and ZWAS, at their residence. It was indeed a heartfelt moment, to see happy couples at this unexpected celebration.

Next, Scholarships were awarded by Parsi Pragati Mandal to the young academicians who had passed with flying colours. Worthy to mention that Daisy Variava, Kevin Besania and Aanoash Chichgar gracefully returned their scholarship amounts towards the benefit of other deserving candidates in need.

The event was ably conducted by Kainaz Variava and Benaifer Patel. Perin

Karanjia spoke beautifully about the love journey of Jamshed and Yasmin Dotivala, while Maharukh Chichgar rendered the love story of Jimmy and Keshmira Kharadi. The gathering was addressed by Parsi Pragati Mandal President, Mahtab Bhatporia and the vote of thanks was given by ZWAS President - Delnaz Katpitia. The exuberance of the evening was summed up with a contributory *parsi patru* by Nozer and Freny Daruwala. And so ended a lovely event with the feeling of warmth and happiness in every heart, second to only the sense of patriotism summed up as:

**'Sare jahan se achchha hai Hindustan humara,
Tiranga uncha rakhega har Parsi, ye hai vaada humara!'**



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When Your Love Is Not Reciprocated



RUBY LILAOWALA

Unrequited love has been the theme of several legends, stories, books and films, where it is glamorized with clever words and cinematic graphics. But in real life, such a love could be a setback or even a tragedy...

Most of us have experienced unrequited love at some point, when a relationship or a friendship didn't work out and we felt rejected and abandoned. Or when we loved someone and did everything for them, only to realise that they weren't who we thought they were. At times, this sorrow is almost unbearable and question ourselves - we gave so much of our heart, for what? We feel our heartbroken! I mentioned the word 'heart' because it is the seat of love. The first beat of the heart means life and its last beat means death.

Physiologically, the heart is the hardest working organ in the body, pulsating more than one hundred thousand times, daily. It drives eight tons of blood through the arteries from head to heel. The heart is also the seat of our feelings, emotions, love and thoughts which is why, when we say, "I feel" or "I love" or "Oh God!" we automatically put our hands on the heart. And when we are betrayed, we say, "My heart is broken" or "You broke my heart".

Maybe we are unhappy because we expected something unrealistic in return for our love, or we wanted to be loved in a certain way, or our expectations from the other person were too high or we expected the other person to fill in the blanks in our own self-esteem, like today's youngsters who say, "He completes me". Why should he complete you?

Were you incomplete before you met him? If you can love and nurture yourself, you don't need anyone to "to complete" you!

In unrequited love, the most important thing to remember is that no love is ever wasted. No matter what happens, love is always worthwhile because every moment of loving brings us closer to that higher love which our soul is seeking. This brings us to the concept of 'soul-mate' or 'twin flame'. All of us, at the most fundamental level of our being, are yearning to reunite with our 'soul-mates' - the person we are destined to be with.

Plato called God our soulmate thus: "God is our original partner who is our second half of the Divine whole." In life, we do come across soulmates - souls who have the same spiritual origin and unique pattern of identity. Soulmates share a complementary calling in life and are partners on the spiritual path. They can be temporarily lured away from each other for several incarnations, en route to their Divine destiny together. This is due to our negative karma with others. In many cases, we aren't free to be with our soul-mate, until we first balance these karmic debts with others and the only way to get free from karmic debts is to forgive, forget and send love and blessings to those who have hurt you.

Every relationship is an opportunity for us to grow spiritually, even when our love is not returned. When we love another person, we send the arrow of love from our heart to God's heart. When we help someone, whether it's the confused child, the sick neighbour, someone in our family, a friend, a complete stranger, we serve God who lives within that person. Love those that fate brings into your life - they are there for a reason... either to teach you a spiritual lesson or to learn one from you.

We all fear rejection, unrequited love. Hence, we

wear a mask, in a sense, and behind that mask is the living presence of God. In fact, God disguises himself in every person so that we may have many, many opportunities to give our love back to him by loving all these different manifestations and expressions of the Spirit. The mask or the outward personality of a person may be imperfect... You may perceive some people as angry, shy, arrogant, secretive, aloof, unfriendly, complexed, confused, show-offs, etc. But behind it all, lies God's Spirit. Love that Spirit, not the outward personality.

Love comes only from one source, but through several people and beings who come into our life. These people can become beautiful instruments of God's Divine love. So, next time you feel a painful loss and you ask yourself, "I gave so much of my heart - for what?" ask yourself another vital question: "Who and what have I really loved?" The outward mask or God's spirit within that person?

We always hear the saying, 'follow your heart'. But the heart, like any of our spiritual faculties, can become clouded, especially when we have not healed from past hurts or forgiven ourselves or others. Your heart's natural sensitivity and desire to open and share could be eclipsed by fears of rejection. Painful memories of the past can cause us to be cautious and defensive, rather than compassionate and supportive.

You can break off the relationship if a person deliberately hurts you, but if you take revenge or do a tit-for-tat, you are gaining negative karmic debt. Instead, if you mentally bless those persons and wish them well, you have snapped all your past karmas with them! So, love everyone who touches your life, not just their outward personality, but the soul and spiritual essence expressing itself in and through that person. And that kind of love is never wasted. It is the love of God!

Dr. Jasvi's Numero Tarot Predictions

(As Per Your Birth Month)



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

January (Lucky No. 3; Lucky Card: Empress): This month will prove to be excellent, especially for ladies born in January. You will enjoy life to its fullest. Diversification in business is possible. You are advised to bathe with rock salt.

February (Lucky No. 10; Lucky Card: Justice): Good luck for you is predicted in this month. Learn to celebrate your success. Any legal matters that you are dealing with will be sorted out soon. Beware of back stabbers. An opportunity for sudden short travel is indicated.

March (Lucky No. 5; Lucky Card: Hierophant): You need to take good care of your health in this month. Finances will be stable. You are an expert at your job and will do your best, so don't be underconfident. Follow your intuition and move on. A little juggling may be required to balance the situation.

April (Lucky No. 22; Lucky Card: World): Finally, you have been blessed with a bright, sunny period in your life, after a long, dark night. You will be blessed with abundance and name, fame and prosperity! Health will be in great shape. You need to be more careful about your precious things as these could be stolen or misplaced.

May (Lucky No. 11; Lucky Card: Wheel of Fortune): This month is mean for you to enjoy with the family, basking in the glow of a bright rainbow of love, laughter, happiness and success. Remember that nothing but change is permanent and learn to accept it. Let go of old grudges and end the unnecessary fights.

June (Lucky No. 19; Lucky Card: Sun): Victory is on the cards! You know where your destiny lies, but you are in search of the path. Select the right path. There could be a temporary problem of financial liquidity. Be careful about making new investments.

July (Lucky No. 6; Lucky Card: Lovers): Love is in the air! You're advised to be focused while taking any decisions. You need to clear all the confusions in your mind - prayer and chanting will help you achieve some clarity. Students will do well. You are advised to do a little charity this month.

August (Lucky No. 1; Lucky Card: Magician): You are blessed by divine energy this month. This is the perfect time to start a new partnership. You could also look to purchasing new property or renovating the current one. Remember that confidence is your greatest strength. Work towards clearing any mental confusions.

September (Lucky No. 4; Lucky Card: Emperor): Your health will be in good shape this month. Emotionally, too, stability is predicted. Finances will stay even. Overall, a stable month ahead for you in all areas of life. You are advised to get proper sleep.

October (Lucky No. 2; Lucky Card: High Priestess): A magical awaits you, blessing you with the best of health, wealth and happiness. However, you need to get over the sense of feeling alienated and confront the situation to resolve it. You will get to learn a lesson from past experiences in this month.

November (Lucky No. 17; Lucky Card: Star): You are a confident person. Follow your intuition. Your divine healing has started. You might need to put in great effort and work hard as some of these efforts could go in vain. Learn to take the world in your stride.

December (Lucky No. 8; Lucky Card: Strength): This month could mark a new beginning for you, a time to start afresh. Don't feel depressed, understand that everything happens for a reason. Have faith, courage and confidence. You are advised to do some charity this month.

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| Arthur Road Jail (India) | Black Dolphin (Russia) | San Quentin (USA) | Butyrka Prison (Russia) |
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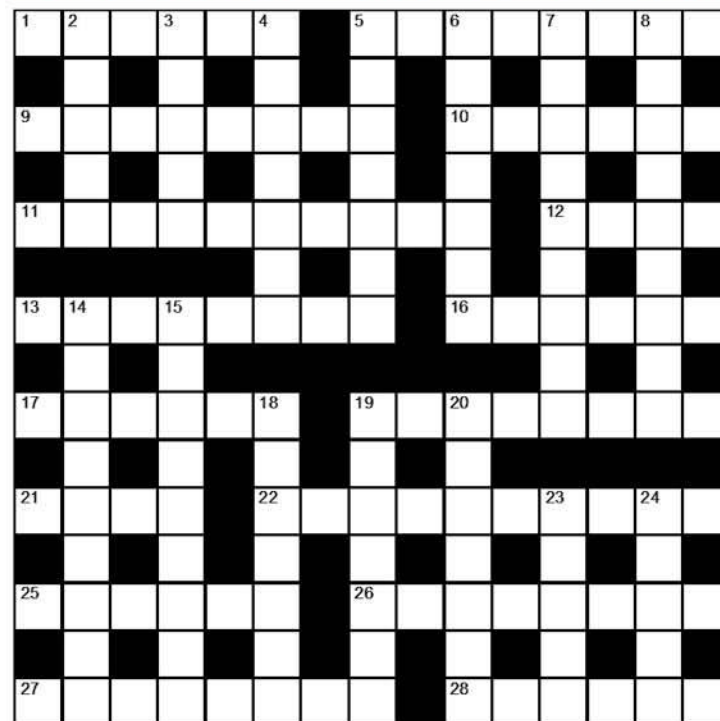
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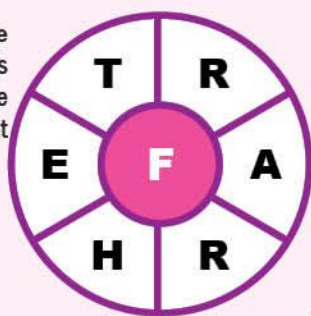
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BAWAJI BHEJA FRY



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: 6 or more words
- Good: 8 or more words
- Outstanding: 9 or more words

ACROSS

- Immature (6)
- Altruistic (8)
- Of the nature of an apparition (8)
- Sounds (6)
- Ritual (10)
- Courage (4)
- Segregates or separates (8)
- Shines (6)
- Happens again (6)
- Rickety (8)

DOWN

- Rock band Jethro ____ (4)
- Precisely (10)
- Atash Behram in Mumbai's Charni Road area (6)
- Traffic jam (8)
- Mentally disturbed (8)
- Artificial (6)
- Besmears or tames (7)
- Fielding position on the cricket field? (4,3)
- Recumbent at this place (5,4)
- The third Gatha (9)
- Invest at a risk (9)
- Capital of Slovenia (9)
- Frugal (7)
- Not confined (7)
- Guess (7)
- Informs or narrates (5)
- Lawful (5)

CAPTION THIS!



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WINNING CAPTION!!!



Kareena: When superstars like US flop, what do you infer?
 Amir: That we should get off our high horses, we are all 'Saare Zameen Par'!

By Mehera Jijina Shroff

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THE TRUTH. DELIVERED WEEKLY.

સ્વિટ્ઝર્લેન્ડના પારસીઓએ ખોરદાદ સાલની ઉજવણી કરી



સ્વિટ્ઝર્લેન્ડના પારસી અને જરથોસ્તીઓએ જુરિચમાં અર્બન સ્પાઈસ રેસ્ટોરન્ટમાં ખોરદાદ સાલની ઉજવણી કરી હતી. સૌથી મોટા - રતિ સુરતી પુઝ અને ફવી રૂવાલાથી લઈને સૌથી નાના (જલદાન શ્રોફ - ૩ મહિના), તથા આ મેળાવડામાં ૭૦ આનંદી અને પ્રેમાળ બાવાજીઓના સમૂહનો સમાવેશ થયો હતો. જેઓએ આ શુભ દિવસે પારસીપણાની ઉજવણીની ભાવનાથી જીવીને કરી હતી. પેરિસના પરિવારો ટીસિનો, જિનીવા, સેન્ટ ગેલેન, ન્યુચેટેલ અને અલબત્ત, જુરિચ વિસ્તારમાંથી ઈવેન્ટ માટે આવ્યા હતા.

સ્વાદિષ્ટ નાસ્તો અને લંચ એન્ટાલિયા પરિવાર અને તેમની શેફની ટીમ દ્વારા આપવામાં આવ્યું હતું. નાસ્તામાં પાણી પુરી, સેવ પુરી, મીની ચિકન ફરયા અને ખીમા બ્રુશેટ્ટાનો સમાવેશ થાય છે, ત્યારબાદ મોરા દાલ ચાવલ, ખીચડી અને સાસ ની મચ્છી, તવા પનીર, અફઘાની ચિકન, નાન અને ઘણું બધું, જે બધાએ ખૂબ જ માણ્યું હતું. બપોર આપણી પારસી સેવ, જલેબી અને આઈસ્ક્રીમ સાથે પૂરી થઈ.

દસ્તુરજી જમશેદજી કુકાદાઈનો ગરબો



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તમે જીવન જીવી જાણ્યુંજી, મોતને પણ તમે શણગાર્યુંજી. -કુકાદાઈજી
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મોત-મુસીબતથી અમને ચેતવોજી, મુશકીલ આસાન અમારી કરાવોજી. -કુકાદાઈજી
નેક મુરાદો અમારી તમે પૂરજોજી, દુઃખ દર્દાઈથી અમને ઉગારોજી. -કુકાદાઈજી
રાહે સચ્ચાઈ પર અમને ચલાવોજી, રક્ષા કરજો અમારી તમે સાહેબજી. -કુકાદાઈજી
- પરવેઝ જ. કાત્રક

(મોકલનાર મરઝબાન જમશેદજી ગ્યારા)

દાદાભાઈ નવરોજીને તેમની જન્મજયંતિ પર શ્રદ્ધાંજલિ

દાદાભાઈ એન. દોરડીનો જન્મ ૪ સપ્ટેમ્બર, ૧૮૨૫ના રોજ માણેકબાઈ અને નવરોજી પાલનજી દોરડીના પુજારી પરિવારમાં થયો હતો. તેમણે ચાર વર્ષની ઉંમરે તેમના પિતાને ગુમાવ્યા હતા અને તેમની માતા દ્વારા તેમનો ઉછેર થયો હતો જેમણે તેમને ભારતીય ઇતિહાસમાં સૌથી વધુ ગતિશીલ વ્યક્તિઓમાંના એક તરીકે ઉછેર્યા હતા - દાદા, પિતામહ, રાષ્ટ્રના ગ્રાન્ડ ઓલ્ડ મેન, બ્રિટિશ સંસદના ઓગસ્ટ હાઉસ ઓફ કોમન્સમાં ચૂંટાયેલા પ્રથમ એશિયન અને ઘણું બધું. બધા ભારતીયો અને ખાસ કરીને આપણે પારસીઓ તેમને દાદાભાઈ નવરોજી તરીકે પ્રેમથી અને ગર્વથી ઓળખીએ છીએ. દાદાભાઈ એક ધર્મનિષ્ઠ પારસી, નિર્ભય માણસ, હિંમતવાન લડવૈયા, ચુંબકીય વ્યક્તિત્વ, એક મહાન વક્તા, સ્ત્રી-સશક્તિકરણમાં દ્રઢપણે વિશ્વાસ રાખનાર શિક્ષણવિદ, દેશભક્ત અને સ્વાતંત્ર્ય સેનાની હતા.

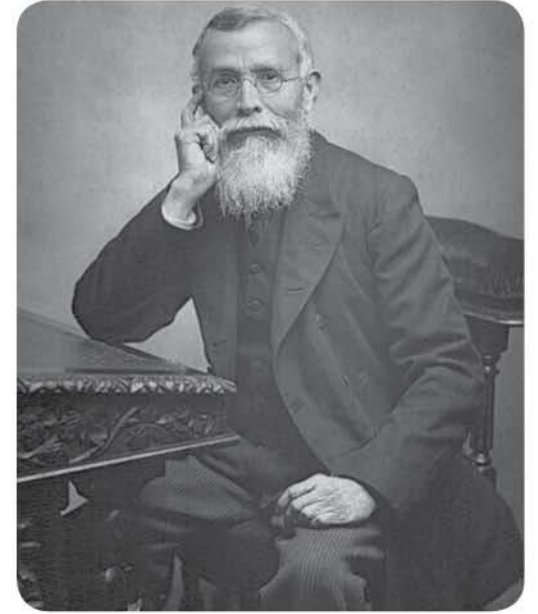
દાદાભાઈ નવરોજી બહુપક્ષીય વ્યક્તિત્વ હતા - રાષ્ટ્રવાદી, રાજનેતા, શિક્ષણશાસ્ત્રી, અર્થશાસ્ત્રી, સમાજ સુધારક અને સંસદસભ્ય. તેઓ જેમનો વિરોધ કરતા હતા તેઓ માટે પણ તેમની નિષ્પક્ષતા અને નિર્ભયતાની ભાવના હતી. તે સમયે પારસી રિવાજોને ધ્યાનમાં રાખીને, ૧૧ વર્ષની ઉંમરે, દાદાભાઈએ ૭ વર્ષની ગુલબાઈ સાથે લગ્ન કર્યા અને તેમને ત્રણ બાળકો, એક પુત્ર અને બે પુત્રીઓ છે.

મેટ્રિક પછી, દાદાભાઈ એલ્ફિન્સ્ટન સંસ્થામાં જોડાયા, (હાલમાં એલ્ફિન્સ્ટન કોલેજ) ગણિતમાં માસ્ટર્સ કર્યું. પચીસ વર્ષની ઉંમરે તેમને મદદનીશ પ્રોફેસર તરીકે નિયુક્ત કરવામાં આવ્યા અને ચાર વર્ષ પછી એલ્ફિન્સ્ટન સંસ્થામાં ગણિત અને પ્રાકૃતિક ફિલોસોફીના પ્રોફેસર - આમ કરનાર તેઓ પ્રથમ ભારતીય હતા. પ્રોફેસર તરીકેના તેમના સફળ કાર્યકાળ પછી, તેઓ ૧૮૫૫માં કામા એન્ડ કંપનીનું સંચાલન કરવા માટે ઈંગ્લેન્ડ ગયા, અને સમજાયું કે અંગ્રેજો ભારત વિશે અજાણ હતા. તેમનું માનવું હતું કે જો અંગ્રેજોને શાસકો તરીકે તેમની જવાબદારીઓ સમજાવવામાં આવે તો તે ભારત માટે ખૂબ ફાયદાકારક રહેશે. તેમણે લંડન ઈન્ડિયન સોસાયટી શરૂ કરી.

તેમણે ૧૮૮૫માં ભારતીય રાષ્ટ્રીય કોંગ્રેસની સ્થાપના કરી, જેમાં દૃપ સભ્યો હતા. નવરોજી ૧૮૮૬માં પ્રમુખ તરીકે ચૂંટાયા હતા અને ફરીથી ૧૮૯૩ અને ૧૯૦૬માં, જ્યારે તેમણે કોંગ્રેસની સ્વ-શાસન અથવા સ્વરાજની માંગ વ્યક્ત કરી હતી, જે શબ્દ તેમણે લોકપ્રિય કર્યો હતો.

બાદમાં, તેઓ ફરી એકવાર ઈંગ્લેન્ડ જવા રવાના થયા, તેઓ હાઉસ ઓફ કોમન્સ (બ્રિટિશ સંસદ) માટે ચૂંટાયા, આમ કરનાર પ્રથમ ભારતીય અને એશિયન બન્યા. તેમના શપથ ગ્રહણ દરમિયાન, દાદાભાઈએ બાઈબલ પર શપથ લેવાનો ઈનકાર કર્યો અને આપણી પવિત્ર ખોરદેહ અવેસ્તાની નકલ પર તેમ કર્યું.

પ્રથમ વિશ્વયુદ્ધ દરમિયાન દાદાભાઈએ બ્રિટનના ઉદ્દેશ્યને સમર્થન આપ્યું હતું અને નિર્દેશ કર્યો હતો કે આવા



મુશ્કેલ સમયે તેમના દેશવાસીઓની સર્વોચ્ચ ફરજ છે. બ્રિટિશ અને ભારતીયો બંને ઈચ્છતા હતા કે દાદાભાઈને નાઈટહુડ આપવામાં આવે, પરંતુ તેમણે ઈનકાર કર્યો હતો, જેમ કે ઈરાનના શાહ તેમને આપવા માંગતા હતા તે સન્માન સ્વીકારવાનો તેમણે ઈનકાર કર્યો હતો.

૧૯૦૯ માં દાદાભાઈને તેમની બગડતી તબિયતને કારણે હોસ્પિટલમાં દાખલ થવું પડ્યું હતું અને ૩૦મી જૂને તેમની પુત્રીઓ અને પુત્ર-પૌત્રોથી ઘેરાયેલા, એક શોકગ્રસ્ત પરિવાર અને રાષ્ટ્રને છોડીને અંતિમ શ્વાસ લીધા હતા. તમામ ધર્મ અને રાષ્ટ્રીયતાના પંદર હજારથી વધુ લોકો અંતિમ સંસ્કારમાં જોડાયા હતા.

દાદાભાઈ નવરોજીના સ્વાતંત્ર્ય અને દેશભક્તિ પ્રત્યેના પ્રેમને તેમના શબ્દોમાં શ્રેષ્ઠ રીતે સમાવવામાં આવ્યો છે, આપણા બ્રિટિશ પ્રતિજ્ઞા અધિકારોની માનનીય પરિપૂર્ણતાનો દાવો કરવાનો દરેક અધિકાર હતો. મને કહેવું નિરર્થક છે કે બધા લોકો તૈયાર થાય ત્યાં સુધી આપણે રાહ જોવી જોઈએ. અંગ્રેજોએ તેમની સંસદની રાહ ન જોઈ. સ્વ-સરકાર એ એકમાત્ર અને મુખ્ય ઉપાય છે. સ્વ-સરકારમાં આપણી આશા, શક્તિ અને મહાનતા છે. હું હિંદુ છું, મુસલમાન છું, પારસી છું - પણ સૌથી વધુ, ભારતીય પ્રથમ છું.

ભારતીય રાષ્ટ્રવાદના ગ્રાન્ડ ઓલ્ડ મેનને તમામ દેશોમાં સન્માનિત કરવામાં આવ્યા છે - તેમના ચહેરા સાથે સ્ટેમ્પ અને સિક્કા બહાર પાડવામાં આવ્યા છે; બોમ્બે યુનિવર્સિટીએ તેમને ડોક્ટર ઓફ લોની માનદ પદવી એનાયત કરી; તેમનું પોર્ટ્રેટ ભારતીય અને બ્રિટિશ સંસદ હાઉસ - બંનેમાં મુખ્ય રીતે ઊભું છે. તેમની પ્રતિમા ડો. ડી.એન. રોડ પર ઉભી છે - તેમના નામનો હેરિટેજ વિસ્તાર - જેમ કે તેમના રહેઠાણનો વિસ્તાર (અંધેરી, મુંબઈ), જેનું નામ ડીએન નગર છે અને કરાચીમાં દાદાભાઈ નવરોજી રોડ અને લંડનની કિન્સબરી વિસ્તારમાં એક નવરોજી સ્ટ્રીટ પણ છે.

એક નજર પારસી મરણો ઉપર

Deceased મરનાર	Age વય	Date તારીખ	Address ર. ઠે.	Relations સગાઈઓ
Rohinton Nariman Elavia રોહિન્ટન નરીમાન એલાવ્યા	76 ૭૬	26.08.2022	12/A, Sakarbai Petit Bldg.No.2, 1st Floor, Room No 5, Gilder Lane, Mumbai Central, Mumbai 8. ૧૨/એ સાકરબાઈ પીટીટ બિલ્ડિંગ નં.૨, ૧લે માળે રૂમ નં. ૫, મીલ્ડર લેન, મુંબઈ સેન્ટ્રલ ૮.	તે મરુદમો બાનુબઈ તથા નરીમાન દાદાભાઈ એલાવ્યાના દીકરા તે ફરીદા રોહિન્ટન એલાવ્યાના ખાવિંદ તે મરુદમો શીરીન તથા અમન ઈરાનીના જમાઈ તે દેવનાઝ મલીયાર દાડવાલા ને જેરેસ્ટીન અદી મહેતાના બાવાજી તે મલીયાર દાડવાલા ને અદી મહેતાના સસરાજી તે ટીયાના, નેકશાન, યોહાનના મમાવાજી તે રૂચી, આદીલ ને ફરુદુનના વડા ભાઈ તે મરુદમ જાલેજર દાદાભાઈ આમરીયાના ભત્રીજા તે મરુદમો એદલજી, ધનજીશા, અસ્પી ને શાવકશાના ભાણેજ તે મરુદમ નાજમાય અમનશા એલાવ્યાના ભાણેજ તે અસ્પી, આબાન, પરવાના તથા મરુદમ મહારૂખ, મરુદમ પરવીન અસ્પી ખુરશેદીનાના બનેવી તે જમશેદ તથા મરુદમ જમશેદને ગેવના સાલા તે પેટરસ, બીનાઈફર, નતાશા, ઝેઝીલના માસા તે હનોઝ ને દાનેશના કુવા તે ઓદરીયાન ને મરુદમ મેહરાબના કાકાજી.
Thrity Homi Bhacka શ્રીતી હોમી ભક્કા	86 ૮૬	26.08.2022	14, Sushil Bldg., 1st Floor, Arthur Bunder Road, Colaba, Mumbai 5. ૧૪/ સુશીલ બિલ્ડિંગ, ૧લે માળે, આર્થર બંદર રોડ, કોલાબા, મુંબઈ ૫.	તે મરુદમ હોમી એરચશા ભક્કાના ઘણિયાણી તે મરુદમો સોહરાબજી અને કેરબાનુ લશકરીના દીકરી તે એરચ અને શાફુખ ભક્કાના માતાજી તે સુનીતા સ. ભક્કાના સાસુજી તે રયોમંદ અને યજ્ઞના અપઈજી તે ફરામ સોહરાબજી લશકરી તથા મરુદમો ખુશરૂ તથા અસ્પી સ. લશકરીના બહેન તે મરુદમો હોમાય તથા એરચશા મેરવાનજી ભક્કાના વડુ તે મરુદમો શીરીનબાઈ તથા જમોદજી લાકરીના ગ્રાન્ડ ડોટર.
Dolly Soli Ghaswala દોલી સોલી ઘાસવાલા	89 ૮૯	26.08.2022	1/B, Edena, 1st Floor, 97, Maharshi Karve Road, Marine Lines, Mumbai 20. ૧/બી, ઈડેના ૧લે માળે, ૯૭, મહારાશી કરવે રોડ, મરીન લાઈનસ, મુંબઈ ૨૦.	તે મરુદમો ધનમાય તથા જમશેદજી શ્રોફનાં દીકરી તે મરુદમ સોલી કેકોબાદ ઘાસવાલાના ઘણિયાની તે ફરામરોઝ તથા પરસીનાં માતાજી તે પરવીન તથા ઝરીનનાં સાસુજી તે મરુદમો તેલમીના, ખોરશેદ, પુતલી, નાદીર, તથા મીનોચહેરના બહેન તે આશાદ, રૂશાદ, આરીશ તથા ગ્રિફરીનના અપઈજી તે જેસમીન તથા જમશેદનાં કુઈજી તે ફરઝાનાના ગ્રેટ ગ્રાન્ડ મધર તે મરુદમો ડો. કેકોબાદ તથા બાનુબઈ ઘાસવાલાના વડુ.
Dhun Vicaji Patel ધન વીકાજી પટેલ	87 ૮૭	27.08.2022	Empress Bldg., 2nd Floor, Nasarwanji Petit Street, Grant Road, Mumbai 7. એમપ્રેસ બિલ્ડિંગ, ૨જે માળે, નસરવાનજી પીટીટ સ્ટ્રીટ, ગ્રાન્ડ રોડ, મુંબઈ ૭.	તે મરુદમો તેલમીના તથા જાલેજર પારડીવાલાના દીકરી તે મરુદમ વીકાજીના ઘણિયાની તે તેલમતન, હોમી, પેસીના માતાજી તે માઝરીન, બીનાઈફર તથા જરૂના સાસુજી તે કેતી, એમી, મેહેરૂ તથા મરુદમ કેરસીના બહેન તે શેરવીન, અનોશ, આરીશ, રૂજાનના અપઈજી તે ખુરશીદ તથા મહારૂખના માસીજી તે પરીઝાદનાં કુઈજી તથા રોશન અને મરુદમ લીમનાં કાકીજી તે મરુદમો પેસ્તનજી અને પીલા પટેલના વડુ તે ઝરીન પારડીવાલાના ભાભી તે રૂચી દાડવાલા તથા મરુદમ નરીમાન મીસ્ત્રીના સાલીજી.
Homai Persi Munshi હોમાય પરસી મુનશી	91 ૯૧	27.08.2022	Sir Dinshaw Petit Bldg., Ground Floor, Marzban Colony, Gilder Lane, Mumbai 8. સર દીનશાહ પીટીટ બિલ્ડિંગ, ગ્રાઉન્ડ ફ્લોર, મરઝબાન કોલોની, ગીલ્ડર લેન, મુંબઈ ૮.	તે મરુદમો ધનમાય તથા પીરોજશા દેબુનાં દીકરી તે મરુદમ પરસી દાદીબા મુનશીના ઘણિયાણી તે ડો. જહાંગીર દેબુ તથા મરુદમો માનેકશા દેબુ તથા દીના કાપડીયાના બહેન તે મરુદમ દાદીબા મુનશીના વડુ.
Dinshaw Firoze Pandole દીનશાહ ફીરોજ પનડોલ	84 ૮૪	29.08.2022	8 A, Darbhanga Mansion 12, M.I. Dahanukar Road, Behind Jaslok Hospital, Cumballa Hill, Mumbai 26. ૮એ, દરબંગા મેન્શન, ૧૨, એમ. એલ. દાહાનુકર રોડ, જસલોક હોસ્પિટલની પાછળ, ખંબાલા હીલ, મુંબઈ ૨૬.	તે મરુદમો ફીરોજ અને શીરીન પનડોલના દીકરા તે કમલ દીનશાહ પનડોલના ઘણી તે દારાયસ, ફરોક, જહાંગીરના બાવાજી તે અનાહીતા અને સીમોનના સસરાજી તે નવલ અને શેહેનાઝ ભપ્પુના ભાઈ તે યોહન, રીયન, લાલેલ, જેહના બપાવાજી તે મરુદમો તેલમીના તથા ખરશેદજી એ. દસ્તુરના જમાઈ.
Adi Burjor Patell અદી બરજોર પટેલ	90 ૯૦	29.08.2022	19, Sona Mahal, 4th Floor, Netaji Shubhash Road, Churchgate, Mumbai 20. ૧૯, સોના મહલ ૪થે માળે, નેતાજી સુભાશ રોડ, ચર્ચગેટ, મુંબઈ ૨૦.	તે મરુદમો જાલુ બરજોર પટેલનાં દીકરા તે ધન બખતાવર લેનટીન તથા મરુદમ રૂચી બરજોર પટેલનાં ભાઈ તે બાનુ મીનુ દસ્તુર તથા જમશેદ બખતાવર લેનટીનના મામાજી તે મરુદમ ફીરોઝ સોરાબ ભરૂયાના બેસ્ટ ફ્રેન્ડ તે ડો. મહારૂખ રૂચી પટેલનાં જેઠ.
Khushru Jamshedji Vesuna ખુશરૂ જમશેદજી વેસુના	85 ૮૫	30.08.2022	Serhna Bhabha Bldg., 266 B, Jaykar Marg, Opp. Churni Road, Mumbai 2. સેરના ભાભા બીલ્ડીંગ, ૨૬૬બી, જયકર માર્ગ, ચર્ની રોડની સામે, મુંબઈ ૨.	તે મરુદમો મનીજેલ અને જમશેદજી ધનજી વેસુનાના દીકરા તે આબાનના ખાવિંદ તે નીના આદીલ મીસ્ત્રી અને ફરોખના બાવાજી તે આદીલ ફરુદુન મીસ્ત્રી અને બીનાઈફર ફરોખ વેસુનાના સસરાજી તે અદીના અને માયાના મમાવાજી તે અનીકા અને બીયાનકાના બપાવાજી તે સુન્નુ તથા મરુદમો રૂચી, દાલી, આલુ, ખોરશેદ, દીનુ રૂચી દોતીવાલાના ભાઈ તે ફરુદુન તથા મરુદમ શેહેરૂ ફ. મીસ્ત્રી તથા ફેની અને દાલી મોટાના વેવાઈ તે પોરસ, પરસી, રોનીના કાકાજી તે નેવી કાવસ કામાના મમાજી.
Dhun Piroj Dhabhar ધન પીરોજ ધાભર	87 ૮૭	31.08.2022	B-31, Flower Queen Society, V.D.Road, Andheri(W), Mumbai 58. બી-૩૧, ફ્લાવર ક્વીન સોસાયટી, વી.ડી. રોડ, અંધેરી (વે), મુંબઈ ૫૮.	તે મરુદમો પીલા તથા પેશોતન શાપુરજી પટેલના દીકરી તે મરુદમ પીરોજ કેખુશરૂ ધાભરના વિધવા તે દેવના ફરોખ પટેલના માતાજી તે ફરોખ કેરસી પટેલના સાસુજી તે ફીરૂઝા ફરોખ પટેલના ગ્રેન્ડ મધર તે પરવેઝ પેશોતન પટેલ તથા મરુદમો કેરસાસ્પ પેશોતન પટેલ ને પીરોજ પેશોતન પટેલના બહેન તે હોરમઝ કેરસી પટેલના કુઈજી.

Death Announcements From Prayer Hall

Mehroo Jal Langrana મેહેરૂ જાલ લંગરાના	81 ૮૧	30.08.2022	792, Jame Jamshed Road, Dadar Parsi Colony, Mumbai 14. ૭૯૨, જામે જમશેદ રોડ, દાદર પારસી કોલોની, મુંબઈ ૧૪.	તે મરુદમ જાલના ઘણીયાણી તે મરુદમ બનોડ અને મરુદમ હોમીના દીકરી તે નવઝર અને નવાઝના મમ્મી તે તનાઝ અને પેરસીના સાસુજી તે નીકોલ, રાયન, સનાયા, જેહના ગ્રાન્ડ મધર તે મરુદમ કેટી, વીલુ, ફિરોઝ, મરઝબાનના બહેન તે મરુદમ બાનુબાઈ અને મરુદમ ફરામરોઝના વડુ.
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Death Announcements From Poona Parsee Panchayat (Trust Office)

Roda Dara Bharucha રોદા દારાં ભરૂચા	86 ૮૬	19.08.2022	10/B, Kubera Park, Lullanagar, Pune 411040. ૧૦/બી કુબેરા પાર્ક, લુલા નગર, પુણે ૪૧૧૦૪૦.	તે મરુદમ દારા બરજોરજી ભરૂચાનાં ઘણીયાણી તે મરુદમ ખોરશેદ જમશેદજી સીગપુરવાલાના બેટી તે મરુદમ કર્નલ સાયરસ ભરૂચા તથા મરઝબાન ભરૂચાના મમ્મા તે મરુદમ હોમી તથા રૂચી, અદી, જાલ, રોહીનતન, પોરસ, માહરૂખના બહેન તે મરુદમ રતામાય, બરજોરજી ભરૂચાના વડુ તે રોકસાન સાયરસ ભરૂચાના સાસુ તે પરસીસ એદલ પટેલ, તથા વરુપાનનાં અપઈજી તે મરુદમ રોદા, ફરુદુન, કેકી ગુલ, ફેની ભરૂચાના નણંદ.
Jehangir Bomansha Daruwala જહાંગીર બમનશા દાડવાલા	82 ૮૨	25.08.2022	18, Sipreen Fill Park, 44/45 Lullanagar, Pune 411040. ૧૮ સિપ્રીન ફિલ પાર્ક, ૪૪/૪૫ લુલા નગર, પુણે ૪૧૧૦૪૦.	તે મરુદમ ઝરીન જહાંગીર દાડવાલાના ઘણી તે માલીયાર તથા દેવનાના પપ્પા તે પરવેઝ તથા ટીયાના ગાન્ડ ફાધર તે દેવનાઝ તથા રૂસ્તમના સસરાજી તે મરુદમ બાનુમાય તથા અમનશા દાડવાલાના દીકરા તે મરુદમ દીનામાય તથા માનેકશા બુહારીવાલાના જમાઈ.



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લખનાર: મરહુમ મહારાજ શ્રી સ્વયંજ્યોતિના સહકાર્યકર્તા જયેશ એમ. ગોસ્વામી

અઠવાડિક રાશિક્ષણ: તા. ૦૩.૦૯.૨૦૨૨ થી તા. ૦૯.૦૯.૨૦૨૨



Aries - મેષ - અ.લ.ઇ.

બુધ જેવા બુદ્ધિશાળી ગ્રહની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી તમારા કરેલા કામમાં તમારી કદર થશે. નાણાકીય બાબતમાં બચત કરવાનું શીખી જશો. કામકાજમાં પ્રમોશન મળવાના ચાન્સ છે. મનગમતી વ્યક્તિ સામેથી મળવા આવશે. દરરોજ 'મહેર નીઆએશ' ભણાજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૬, ૭, ૮, ૯ છે.

Lucky Dates: 6, 7, 8, 9

Under Mercury's rule, you will receive much appreciation for all your efforts and projects. You will learn to save money. You could receive a promotion at the workplace. A favourite person will take the initiative to come and meet with you. Pray the Meher Nyaish daily.



Cancer - કર્ક - ડ.હ.

૨૬મી સપ્ટેમ્બર સુધી ચંદ્રની દિનદશા ચાલશે. તમારા કામ વીજળીવેગે પુરા કરી શકશો. જે પણ કામ હાથમાં લેશો તેને પુરા કરીને મુકશો. તમારા કામમાં કોઈ ભુલ નહીં કાઢી શકે. ગામ પરગામથી સારા સમાચાર મલવાના ચાન્સ છે. નાની મુસાફરીનો ચાન્સ મળે તો મુકતા નહીં. ચંદ્રની વધુ કૃપા મેળવવા દરરોજ ૩૪મું નામ 'યા બેસ્તરના' ૧૦૧વાર ભણાજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૪, ૫, ૭, ૮ છે.

Lucky Dates: 4, 5, 7, 8

The Moon's rule till 26th September helps you complete your chores at lightning speed. You will ensure to complete any project that you undertake. Your work will be perfectly done. You could receive good news from abroad. Do not pass off an opportunity for a short travel plan. Pray the 34th Name, 'Ya Beshtama', 101 times, daily.



Libra - તુલા - ર.ત.

શુકની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી તમને તમારા કામમાં કોઈ મુશ્કેલી નહીં આવે. ચેલેન્જિંગવાળા કામ કરવામાં મજા આવશે. લેતીલેતીના કામ સારી રીતે કરી શકશો. ચાલુ કામમાં પ્રમોશન મળવાના ચાન્સ છે. નાની મુસાફરી કરવાથી મનને આનંદ અને શાંતિ મળશે. દરરોજ 'બહેરામ યઝદ'ની આરાધના કરજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૩, ૬, ૮, ૯ છે.

Lucky Dates: 3, 6, 8, 9

Venus' ongoing rule ensures that you will not face any difficulties in your work. You will enjoy taking on challenging tasks. You will be able to efficiently execute any transactions related to lending or borrowing money. You could receive a promotion at your workplace. Short travels will bring your mind joy and peace. Pray to Behram Yazad daily.



Capricorn - મકર - ખ.જ.

૨૪મી સપ્ટેમ્બર સુધી ગુરુની દિનદશા ચાલશે. હાલમાં તમારા હાથથી કોઈની ભલાઈના કામ થઈ જશે. નાણાકીય ચિંતા ઓછી થતી જશે. જે પણ કમાશો તે સારી જગ્યાએ વાપરવામાં સફળ થશો. સગા સંબંધીઓને મળવાનો ચાન્સ મળશે. રોજના કામ પુરા કરવામાં મુશ્કેલી નહીં આવે. સ્ટુડન્ટ્સો માટે સમય સારો છે. દરરોજ 'સરોશ યશ્ત' ભણાજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૪, ૬, ૭, ૮ છે.

Lucky Dates: 4, 6, 7, 8

Jupiter's rule till 24th September, will have you doing helpful deeds for others. Financial tensions will decrease. You will be able to productively use your earned money. You will be able to meet up with your relatives. You will be able to complete your daily chores without facing any difficulty. This is a good time for students. Pray the Sarosh Yasht daily.



Taurus - વૃષભ - બ.વ.ઉ.

૨૧મી ઓક્ટોબર સુધી બુધની દિનદશા ચાલશે. તમારા રોજના કામ સમય પર પુરા કરવામાં સફળ થશો. નાણાકીય બાબતમાં જે પણ કમાશો તેમાંથી ઈન્વેસ્ટમેન્ટ કરી શકશો. મિત્રો તરફથી સારી સલાહ મળી રહેશે. હીસાબી કામો તથા સરકારી કામોમાં સફળતા મળશે. સ્ટુડન્ટ્સ લોકો જેટલી મહેનત કરશે તેટલું ફળ મળશે. દરરોજ 'મહેર નીઆએશ' ભણવાનું ચાલુ રાખજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૩, ૪, ૫, ૮ છે.

Lucky Dates: 3, 4, 5, 8

Mercury's rule till 21st October will help you complete your daily chores on time. Financially, you will be able to make investments of your earnings. Friends will give you good advice. You will be successful in your legal or government-related works. Students will get the fruits of their labour proportionately. Pray the Meher Nyaish daily.



Leo - સિંહ - મ.ટ.

પહેલા ત્રણ દિવસ જ સુર્યની દિનદશામાં પસાર કરવાના બાકી છે. તમે માથાના દુખાવાથી પરેશાન થશો. દક્ષીણ ચંદ્રની દિનદશા તમારા ગરમ મગજને શાંત કરી નાખશે. સરકારી કામમાં સફળતા મેળવશો. આ અઠવાડિયામાં પ્રેશર વધી ન જાય તે માટે દવા સમય પર લેવાનું ભુલતા નહીં. હાલમાં ૯૬મું નામ 'યા રયોમને' અને ૩૪મું નામ 'યા બેસ્તરના' ૧૦૧ વાર ભણાજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૬, ૭, ૮, ૯ છે.

Lucky Dates: 6, 7, 8, 9

You have three days remaining under the rule of the Sun. You could experience headaches. The Moon's rule, starting from 6th September, will help cool down the hot-headedness. You will be successful in your government-related endeavours. Ensure to take your medicines on time to avoid high BP. Pray the 96th Name, 'Ya Rayomane', alongside the 34th Name, 'Ya Beshtama', 101 times each, daily.



Scorpio - વૃશ્ચિક - ન.પ.

પહેલા ત્રણ દિવસ રાહુની દિનદશામાં પસાર કરવાના બાકી છે. ત્રણ દિવસ અગત્યના કામ કરવાનું મુલતવી રાખજો. કોઈ વ્યક્તિ મલવા બોલાવે તો દક્ષી પછી જજો. ઉતરતી રાહુની દિનદશા અંગત વ્યક્તિ સાથે મતભેદ કરાવી નાખશે. મગજને શાંત રાખવા માગતા હો તો આ અઠવાડિયામાં દરરોજ 'મહાબોખ્તાર નીઆએશ' ભણાજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૪, ૫, ૬, ૭ છે.

Lucky Dates: 4, 5, 6, 7

With only three days remaining under Rahu's rule, you are advised to postpone doing any important works in this period. Accept invitations from others only post the 6th of September. Rahu's descending rule could have you quarrelling with someone close to you. To keep your mind calm, pray the Mah Bokhtar Nyaish daily.



Aquarius - કુંભ - ગ.શ.સ.

લાંબા સમય સુધી ધર્મના દાતા ગુરુની દિનદશા ચાલશે. ૨૬મી ઓક્ટોબર સુધી ફેમીલી મેમ્બરની ડિમાન્ડ પુરી કરી તેઓનું દિલ જીતી લેશો. જૂની કરજદારીમાંથી થોડા મુકત થઈ જશો. અચાનક કામ મળતા રહેશે. લગ્ન કરવા માગતા હશો તો યોગ્ય જીવન સાથી મળવાના ચાન્સ છે. દરરોજ 'સરોશ યશ્ત' ભણવાનું ભુલતા નહીં. શુકનવંતી તા. ૩, ૪, ૫, ૮ છે.

Lucky Dates: 3, 4, 5, 8

Jupiter's rule will last for a while till 26th October. You will win over your family members by catering to their wants. You will be able to relieve yourself of some old debts. Unexpected gains are predicted. Those looking to get married could find their ideal life-partners in this time. Pray the Sarosh Yasht daily.



Gemini - મિથુન - ક.ઇ.ધ.

મંગળની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી નાની બાબતમાં ઈરીટિટ થશો. કોઈ ઈનોસન્ટ વ્યક્તિ પર કારણ વગર ગુસ્સો કરશો. માથાના દુખાવાથી પરેશાન થશો. ઉતાવળ કરી ખોટી જગ્યાએ ફસાઈ જશો. વાહન ચલાવતા હો તો સંભાળીને ચલાવજો. દરરોજ 'તીર યશ્ત' ભણાજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૩, ૬, ૭, ૯ છે.

Lucky Dates: 3, 6, 7, 9

Mars' ongoing rule makes you irritable over petty issues. You will spew your anger over an innocent person for no fault of theirs. You could suffer from headaches. If you make haste, it will land you in trouble. Drive/ride your vehicles with a caution. Pray the Tir Yasht daily.



Virgo - કન્યા - પ.હ.ણ.

૧૬મી સપ્ટેમ્બર સુધી શુકની દિનદશા ભરપૂર સુખ આપશે. અપોઝીટ સેક્સનું એટ્રેક્શન ખુબ વધી જશે. નાણાકીય મુશ્કેલી નહીં આવે. અચાનક ધનલાભ મલવાના ચાન્સ છે. મુશ્કેલીભર્યા કામ પહેલા પુરા કરવામાં સફળ થશો. મનને ગમતી વ્યક્તિ મળી જશે. દરરોજ 'બહેરામ યઝદ' ભણવાનું ચાલુ રાખજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૩, ૪, ૫, ૭ છે.

Lucky Dates: 3, 4, 5, 7

Venus' rule till 16th September fills your life with contentment. The attractions towards the opposite gender will greatly increase. There will be no financial issues. You can expect a sudden windfall. You will succeed in completing your challenge-ridden works first. You will find someone that appeals to your senses. Pray to Behram Yazad daily.



Sagittarius - ધન - ભ.ધ.ફ.

તમને રાહુની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી દક્ષી ઓક્ટોબર સુધી તમે તમારા કામ પુરા કરવામાં સફળ નહીં થાવ. બીજાને મદદ કરવા જતા તમે પોતે પરેશાન થઈ જશો. કોઈને કોઈ જાતનું પ્રોમીસ આપતા નહીં. ખર્ચનો હીસાબ નહીં રાખી શકો. ભુલ્યા વગર દરરોજ 'મહાબોખ્તાર નીઆએશ' ભણાજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૩, ૫, ૮, ૯ છે.

Lucky Dates: 3, 5, 8, 9

Rahu's ongoing rule till 6th October, makes it difficult for you to be successful in your work projects. Trying to help another could make you end up feeling troubled. Avoid making any promises to others. You will not be able to be accountable of your expenditures. Ensure to pray the Mah Bokhtar Nyaish daily.



Pisces - મીન - દ.ચ.ઝ.થ.શ.

શનિની દિનદશા ચાલુ હોવાથી તમારા નાના કામ સમય પર પુરા નહીં કરી શકો. શનિ તમને થોડા આળસુ બનાવી દેશે. ક્યાં કામ કરતા હશો ત્યાં સાથે કામ કરનાર તમને સાથ નહીં આપે. નાણાકીય સ્થિતિ સારી થવાની જગ્યાએ ખરાબ થશે. ખોટા ખર્ચઓથી બચવા માંગતા હો તો દરરોજ મોટી 'હમન યશ્ત' ભણાજો. શુકનવંતી તા. ૬, ૭, ૮, ૯ છે.

Lucky Dates: 6, 7, 8, 9

Saturn's ongoing rule doesn't allow you to complete your work on time. You will feel lethargic. Your colleagues at the workplace will not be supportive. Your financial condition will worsen instead of improving. To escape from incurring unnecessary expenditures, pray the Moti Haptan Yasht daily.

Paying Homage To Dadabhai Naoroji On His Birth Anniversary

Known and respected worldwide as the 'Grand Old Man of India', the legendary Dadabhai Naoroji was one of India's greatest leaders - a multifaceted personality as a nationalist, statesman, educationist, economist, social reformer and parliamentarian. He is known to have influenced, among many others, Mahatma Gandhi, Mohamed Ali Jinnah and Sir Pherozeshah Mehta.

He was born Dadabhai N. Dordi, on 4th September, 1825, in the priestly family of Manekbai and Naoroji Pallanji Dordi. Having lost his father at age four, he was brought up by his mother, who raised him to go down in Indian history as one of the most dynamic individuals - 'Dada', the 'Pita-maha', the 'Grand Old Man of the Nation', the first Asian to be elected to the August House of Commons of the British Parliament. He was a devout Zoroastrian, a fearless man, a courageous fighter, a magnetic personality, a great orator, an educator who firmly believed in women-empowerment, a patriot and a freedom fighter.

As an ordained Zoroastrian priest, Dadabhai disregarded superstitious beliefs and practices that had crept into the minds of fellow community members. In 1851, he founded the Rahnumae Mazdayasne Sabha to restore the Zoroastrian religion to its original purity and simplicity (still operational in Mumbai) and founded two religious magazines - Dharma Marg Darshak and Rast Gofatar to educate Parsis about religion.

Dadabhai advised Maharaja Malharrao Gaekwad of Baroda in managing various issues with British Agents, and pleaded his case in London. In return, the Maharaja offered Dadabhai the post of Diwan (Prime Minister) of Baroda State. In this capacity, he introduced several reforms but later resigned and left Baroda on January 11, 1875. As a tribute, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda has named one of its student hostels as Dadabhai Naoroji Hall.

In keeping with the then Parsi customs, at age 11, Dadabhai was married to 7-year-old Gulbai and later went on to have three children, one son and two daughters. He completed his Masters in Mathematics from the Elphinstone Institution, (currently Elphinstone College) and by the age of twenty-five, he was appointed Assistant Professor, and four years later - Professor of Math and Natural Philosophy at Elphinstone Institution - the first Indian to do so. After a short but successful stint as Professor, he left for England in 1855 to manage 'Cama & Co', and realized the English were ignorant



about India. He believed it would greatly advantageous to India if the British were made to understand their responsibilities as rulers. Inasmuch, he started the London Indian Society.

In 1886 he contested the British Parliament elections but was defeated by his Conservative opponent. In the heat and dust of political campaigns a lot of muck was thrown on Dadabhai. However, he never stooped to conquer - he would rather build his character as such, that no one would believe his detractors. And on the 5th of July 1892, Dadabhai won the elections to become the first Asian to be elected to the British Parliament and the first Indian to enter the House of Commons as a Liberal, representing the Central Finsbury constituency. His commitment as a Member of Parliament was exemplary - putting duty before self and determination to make a difference, despite the odds. Dadabhai's political success was followed by two other Indian Parsis - Sir Muncherjee Merwanji Bhowndree and Sir Sorabji Saklatvala. Sadly, Dadabhai was not successful in getting re-elected for subsequent terms of office in the British Parliament. Even so, he was gracious in his defeats.

Dadabhai returned to India in 1906

to preside over the Indian National Congress (Calcutta), spending his last eleven years in India at his Versova Bungalow (Andheri, Bombay). Globally, people flocked to his home and it became a place of pilgrimage for Indian freedom fighters. He was a mentor, philosopher and a guide to the young Indian Nationalists as well as to the giants of our freedom movement including Gandhiji, Gokhle and Tilak, who sought his blessings and advice. Mahatma Gandhi wrote, "The Indians look up to you as children to the father. Such is really the feeling here." A year later in another letter he wrote, "I am yet inexperienced and young and, therefore, quite liable to make mistakes. You will, therefore, oblige me very greatly if you will kindly direct and guide me and make necessary suggestions which shall be received as from a father of his child."

During World War I, Dadabhai supported the cause for Britain, pointing out that it was the supreme duty of his countrymen at such a difficult time. Both, the British and the Indians wanted knighthood to be conferred upon Dadabhai, but he refused, just as he declined accepting the honour that the

Shah of Iran wanted to bestow upon him. Dadabhai received innumerable good wishes from the British Empire on his Birthday every year on 4th September. His ninety-first birthday was celebrated by people across India.

In 1909 his 73-year-old lifelong companion Gulbai passed away. In June 1917, Dadabhai's had to be hospitalized due to his deteriorating health and breathed his last on 30th June, surrounded by his daughters and grandchildren, leaving behind a bereaved family and nation. Over fifteen thousand people of all faiths and nationalities joined the funeral cortege.

Lokmanya Tilak said, "If we twenty-eight crore of Indians were entitled to send only one member to the British parliament, there is no doubt that we would have elected Dadabhai Naoroji unanimously to grace that post." Sarojini Naidu praised his life as one long and noble consecration to the Motherland.

The Grand Old Man of Indian Nationalism has been honoured across countries - stamps and coins have been issued with his visage; Bombay University conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Law at a special convocation presided by Lord Willingdon. His portrait stands prominently in both - the Indian and the British Parliament House. His statue stands at Dr. DN Road - a heritage area named after him - as is the area



of his residence (Andheri, Mumbai), named DN Nagar. Additionally, a colony of government officials in Delhi is named Naoroji Nagar; there is also a Dadabhai Naoroji Road in Karachi and a Naoroji Street in the Finsbury area of London, and the Finsbury Town Hall houses a Plaque in his reference.

Dadabhai Naoroji's love for freedom and patriotism is summed up best in his words, "Indians were British citizens with a birthright to be free, and they had every right to claim an honorable fulfilment of our British pledged rights. It is futile to tell me that we must wait till all the people are ready. The British did not wait for their parliament. Self-government is the only and chief remedy. In self-government is our hope, strength and greatness. I am a Hindu, a Muslim, a Parsi - but above all, an Indian First."

This Little Light Of Mine... Let It Shine, Let It Shine



VEERA SHROFF SANJANA

You can call them Teachers, Gurus, Mentors or Educators. We've all been blessed with their presence through schools, colleges, or when we were homeschooled or then, perhaps, on-the-job. The single most important factor that molded you and the education you received, was the person that taught you.

Teaching is one of the most complicated jobs today. There's always been an over-simplification about teaching and teachers. But if you pause and think, you'll know that besides broad knowledge of the subject matter, curriculum, and standards, it needs enthusiasm, a caring attitude, a love for learning, coupled with a knowledge of discipline, management techniques and a desire to make a difference in the lives of young individuals. All this, sprinkled with the patience of a saint, a deep understanding of the human mind and a whole lot of intuition and empathy! Now find me a single person that can say, "It's an easy ask!!" Having been an educator for 35 years, damn, I must be pretty awesome!

Going down memory lane, during those school growing days, we always had our favourite teachers. Boys would prefer the pretty teachers that taught mighty amazing things, none of which they'd remember five minutes post that class bell! There were those amazing teachers who made those geometrical angles and curves and vague concepts of algebra and physics seem easy to understand, from behind those large spectacle frames and over coiffured buns pinned onto their heads. There would always be one teacher who touched our lives the most - someone who made a terrifying syllabus fun, equations easy, history surprisingly interesting, and geography all about places you'd want to visit someday... someone who made going to school a joy, someone that could take a bad day and fill it with sunshine.

There are good teachers and there are great teachers. The difference is that great teachers not only understand



the strength and the weaknesses of each student, but also expect that students can and will achieve in their classrooms. Great teachers engage and motivate students to look at issues in a variety of ways. They use facts as a starting point, not an end point. They form relationships with students that extend outside just the realm of teaching and make you realize that all learning is a lifelong process. Good teachers impart knowledge from textbooks, but great teachers help you acknowledge that life is the greatest teacher. They teach you about curiosity and learning, stumbling and challenges, failures and success, rejections and acceptance.

The greatest aspect of teaching is that teachers are also constantly learning. The essence of teaching lies in the understanding of human nature. If you've ever underestimated a teacher's worth, I challenge you to manage

just one class in her packed schedule! The start of a new school year is often a time of great trepidation, surprises, and stress. Understanding, reading and handling a new group of 30 and 40 defiant students is like playing a rough game of soccer. You never know when you will be caught blindsided or have the wind knocked out of you!

Disciplining those tiny terrors daily is akin to walking out on the battlefield, it takes guts. By and by,

little angels emerge that look up to your every word. It's a fan-following like no other - you feel like a celebrity, a hero! They cling onto your every word accepting authority as though you are conferring a favour on them. Placed on that pedestal, yours is a responsibility like none other.

As some of the most influential role models for developing students, teachers are responsible for more than just academic enrichment. Teachers change lives and that is not an exaggeration. If you want to be a great educator, you must connect with your students on multiple levels. The best teachers are committed to their students' well-being, both - inside and outside of classrooms. By forging strong relationships, you influence lives, teaching them important life lessons that transgress beyond term papers and standardized tests. You spend your entire career learning the different ways in which you can change a student's life. The three most important aspects that are always affected by great teachers are EDUCATION, INSPIRATION, and GUIDANCE.

Teachers are a trusted source of advice for students weighing in on important life decisions. Students often look to their teachers as mentors with experience and knowledge. As an educator, you will most definitely be asked for advice often in your career. You become their confidante and when the teacher-student relationship ends, you can perhaps even become a friend. There is no surefire recipe to being a good teacher. All a good teacher can do is inspire hope, ignite creativity and imagination and instill the love of learning.

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