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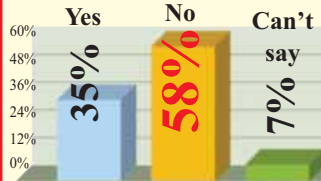
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Do you think India will reach the finals of the ICC World Cup 2019?



Results as on July 12, 2019

Coming Next

GT Summer Workshop!

If You Are Brave To Say Goodbye, Life Will Reward You With Hello

Lakshya Dube, GT Network

“Farewell,” a mother said when her child was leaving and that’s precisely where it all started, with a disyllabic word. When we look around, it’s hard to miss that every organism on this sphere named Earth bids farewell to something, for something new and that’s how we take our baby steps into the future, beginning with fond farewells and ending just the same. So this year, yet again, when our brave ones are leaving the safe haven of school-life, farewell had to be the omnipresent flavour, and consequentially the theme of our edition and top story.

Somewhere on the South Pole...

Every year, more than sixty thousand Emperor penguins exchange brief farewell words with their parents and make their way to the sea in search of food and a way of survival for themselves. They must survive on their own after the initial forty five days of comfort in brooding pouches and five months of overwhelming care they receive from their parents. They learn to dive, swim, fish and breed, all on their own. Despite a 90% mortality rate in their first year, the average-life span of an emperor penguin is 20 years, which is beyond remarkable, given the harsh climate they face. Such is the nature of their brave farewell. Relatable much, humans?

Somewhere in India...

Not all farewells are limited to icy deserts of secrecy, some are on the front pages for days. One to remember was when our nation bid farewell to Indian cricketer Yuvraj Singh as he retired on June 10 2019 after 17 years of being a part of the Indian team. In a country where cricket is almost a religion, it was for sure an emotional farewell. But then that’s the best thing about farewells-people magnify the good. Hence, now when we remember Yuvraj Singh, we try to remember the six sixes or Man of the



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Tournament in ICC World Cup 2011. We try to overlook brief phases of bad form or minute mistakes. There is always a lot to talk about when someone who made it big in life, bids farewell. Yet, the real story is in question: how many sixes does it take to make it to that big farewell?

Somewhere in the US...

Then again, not all farewells are all that sad, but are farewells, nonetheless. What is common is that they are all remarkable in their own ways. On June 4, 2019, the world bid farewell to iTunes. It came into this world about 18 years ago and redefined the way people listened to music and kept track of their tracks. ‘Millions of songs in your pocket’ was almost a dream all those years ago and bootleg companies like Napster were everywhere. That’s when iTunes came into being. Giving a new structure to music industry, it made music more readily available to the customers. Now, it’s gone and some of us would say that it even overstayed its welcome, stuttered towards the end and will soon be forgotten. All kinds of farewell, right? Some more bitter and some more sweet.

Everywhere on the planet...

It’s almost unbelievable that more than 6 lakh Indian students go abroad. More leave their motherland every year in search of better education, better opportunities. World over, people move around different continents, different countries, new schools and new cities. And as they move forward, there’s another farewell, adding another layer to the story called life.

Everywhere we look, we are all bidding farewells and receiving them just the same. That’s the crux of life at the very core- we all leave somewhere and move on to the next. That’s what defines us, those brief emotional moments of compassion, respect and love, our farewells, they define us. With that thought that I say, farewell! 🇮🇳

The cop connect

A Candid Conversation With Additional SP Rahul Srivastava

An officer is never off-duty. Additional SP Rahul Srivastava of UP Police stands as a true embodiment of the same. A recipient of Presidents Medal of Gallantry, he has led several assignments, out of which one key project was spearheading the social media division for UP Police. In an exclusive tête-à-tête, we learn all about the real life Singham, who is working towards making India a crime-free country, one posting at a time.



GT reporters with Additional SP Srivastava

Of dreams and inspirations... Being a police officer is in my blood. My father, my grandfather and my great grandfather were in the police, so this is all I have ever known and wanted to be. Even when I was a child, I was fascinated by the uniform and always dreamt of wearing it one day. Of course, when I joined the force, I realised that there is so much more to the uniform than the power it alludes. The job of a police officer is much more complex and multi-layered than one could guess from the outside.

Of opportunities and challenges... In my 16 year tenure as a police officer, I had the opportunity to take up various assignments and postings. I was fortunate to be given the responsibility of establishing the IT cell for the intelligence department and the Social media cell of UP Police. The twitter seva of UP Police is now an internationally recognised robust platform for grievance addressal.

While these opportunities have enriched me apart from classical policing, each one has come with its own set of challenges. For instance, when I was posted in Ghaziabad, the biggest problem we faced was the high crime rate. Controlling such a situation

was difficult because of porous borders, faster crime pace, and stakes involved were also very high. No loot was less than 30 or 50 lakhs.

Of risks and valour... One time, when I was posted in Allahabad, our team came across a few teenagers dressed as advocates, tripling on a motorcycle. My constable chased them and one of them bombed himself on the spot. An encounter ensued, we captured them but lost one of our men. A year later, a footage of this encounter surfaced, and it showcased the policemen killing a criminal who was pretending to surrender. What the video failed to show was that the criminal was hiding two bombs behind him. That video started a trial, an enquiry that lasted seven years, and those years were a harrowing time for me and my team. But in the end, the truth came out and our actions were recognized as what they were: a duty to protect the nation and its citizens. I received the Presidents Medal of Gallantry for the same encounter, which is the highest honour for police officers in this country.

Of new initiatives and achievements... UP Police undertaken a lot of initiatives to ensure the safety of citizens. UP Police has established Crime and Criminal Tracking Network System (CCTNS), which enables sharing of criminal data across states, thereby helping the police to search for criminals on the basis of data available all across India. UP Police has launched a UPCOP app containing e-citizen services like all type of verifications and online registration of FIR.

Of motivation and messages... As a cop, the only message I would like to give to the youth is to fulfill your responsibilities as a citizen of India. Do justice to the roles you are assigned and develop a critical way of thinking. Children today have a lot of potential. All of you are extremely bright and I would advice you to work hard towards success and strive to make Amity the best global institution. 🇮🇳

This interview was conducted by: Prabhav Trivedi, Ananya Singh & Harsh Babuta, X; Joyal Patel & Pritish Bhattacharya, IX, AIS Viraj Khand Lucknow



Additional SP Rahul Srivastava

Around The WORLD

GT keeps the newswire ticking by bringing you news from around the globe



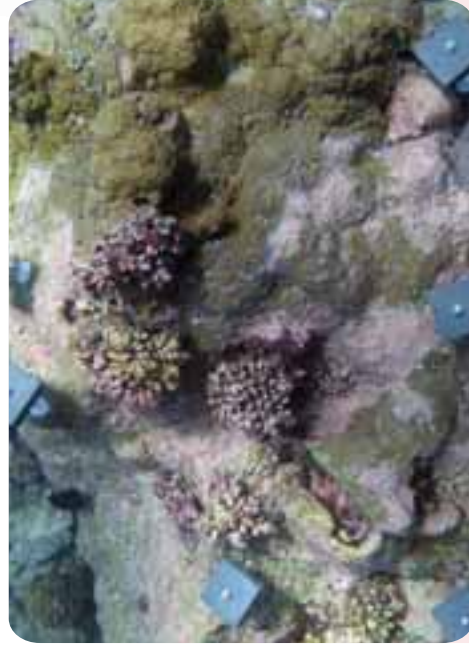
Rare Viking boats discovered

Archaeologists have discovered two Viking burial boats, in Garmåsten, Uppsala, Stockholm. These boats contain the remnants of the body of a man, a dog and a horse. Further research has found that this discovery might be more than 1400 years old.



Costliest cheese in the world

A farm in Serbia makes the world's highest priced cheese, called 'Pule cheese', which is made out of 60% donkey milk and 40% goat milk. The donkey milk used in the making is known to have medicinal properties that help cure asthma and bronchitis and is known to be equivalent to breast milk. One kilo of the cheese is as expensive as \$1,130.



Coral reefs drift away from the equator

A recent research has found that coral reefs seem to be shifting away from the equatorial waters and settling on more temperate regions. This is likely due to the rising temperature of oceans due to global warming, which makes the subtropical environment favourable for corals than the equatorial.



Power failure grieves people

About 44 million people in Argentina were stuck in a blackout followed by a failure in the interconnected power grid of the neighbouring countries. Even though the authorities tried relentlessly to restore power, the power outage continued till evening, with transportation halted, shops closed and patients taken to hospitals due to dysfunctional medical equipments at home.



Tsunami alert terrifies

Eight cities of Indonesia were issued a tsunami warning after an earthquake with an intensity of 7.1 Richter scale affected the areas. It struck the Moluccan sea located between the islands, Sulawesi and North Maluku.



Chandrayaan 2 mission called off

Indian Space Research Organisation called off Chandrayaan-2 lunar mission due to technical snag detected at T-56th minute. Originally slated to be launched on at 2:51am on July 15 from Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota Chandrayaan-2 will now be launched at a later date to be decided soon.



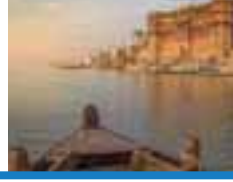
WWII Submarines disappear

The remnants of two Dutch submarines HNLMS O 16 and HNLMS K XVII drowned off the Malaysian coast by Japanese mines during the world war II have disappeared mysteriously. Researchers suspect salvagers, who ransack through the wrecks in search of valuables. This occurred after Dutch foreign minister signed agreements, to protect submarine wrecks in Malaysian waters early this year.



Nuclear breach

Following reports of increased uranium enrichment in Iran, the country has been issued a warning by American president, Donald Trump. It was revealed that the former had increased its uranium enrichment limit set by the nuclear deal earlier signed by Tehran in the year 2015.



Mythical Ganga

In Hindu mythology, Ganga washes off the sins of people and is herself cleansed by river Narmada.

News Flash

Sri Lanka: Government has proposed to revise free visa programme post Easter blast **► France:** Green tax to be imposed on flight tickets **► Afghanistan:** More than 100 people dead and 51 children wounded in a bomb blast **► Germany:** A rescue operation has been demanded by Gerd Müller, Development Minister for migrants trapped in detention camps



Ganga is known to be the river that flows from heaven to earth.

Amity International Olympiad

The Eighth Edition Made Olympians Rise And Shine Intellectually

AICE

Stuti Kalra, GT Network

Amity Institute for Competitive Examinations organised its 8th Amity International Olympiad for Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and Biology from May 20 - 25, 2019 at Amity University, Noida. The Olympiad, an initiative of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF, aims to make Amity a global platform of holistic learning and intellectual growth for fostering scientific temperament and learning.

The seven day gala festival of Science and Mathematics was inaugurated with the traditional lamp lighting ceremony by the esteemed dignitaries, in the likes of Dr Gurinder Singh, group vice chancellor, Amity University; Dr SV Eswaran, visiting scientist, UNESCO DPT & advisor, AICE and Meenakshi Rawal, director, AICE. Students from Amitasha, Amity's school for less privileged girl children, chanted *shlokas* and presented a welcome song. The Olympiad attended by more than 250 intellectual learners and their mentors from nations like Turkey, Kazakhstan, Afghanistan, Nepal, Bangladesh, Turkmenistan, Oman, UAE and Tajikistan was declared open by Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF. Over 150 students from different nations and more than 100 students from different schools of Delhi / NCR participated in the olympiad. The highlights of the event were the first ever participation by students from Amitasha, and the presence of Russia as an observer team represented by Fyodor Anatolyevich Rozovskiy, head, Russian Culture Centre, New Delhi. First of its kind, the olympiad is a week-long residential programme, where students from all



Pics: Ravinder Gusain, GT Network

across the world assemble at Amity to learn and undertake rigorous tests, experiments, analysis, reasoning, brainstorming, evaluations, etc, conducted by experts. The final exam com-

were also taken for sightseeing in Delhi and an excursion tour to Agra on May 24, 2019 after the rigorous olympiads were over. The olympiad came to a grand closure with a valedictory ceremony held on May 25, 2019. The event was graced by the presence of Dr Poonima Rupal, director, Indo French Centre for the Promotion of Advanced Research, as the chief guest and Jalolov Mirzosharif Asomudinovich, *charge d'affaires*, Tajikistan as the special guest. The winners of the competition were felicitated with medals and certificates by Chairperson, who in her address, also blessed the winners heartily and inspired them to be perseverant in life. She expressed her immense happiness and heartfelt delight at the fact that eight students from Amitasha who participated in the olympiad for the first time brought home silver and bronze medals.

The event also witnessed arbitrators, advisors, jury members and team members being felicitated for their core contributions in making Amity International Olympiad a phenomenal success. The gala ceremony came to an end with a mellifluous song performance by a student from Tajikistan and an elegant march past, followed by a team photo shoot session of the students and the representatives from various different nations.

prises both theory and practical and is at par with the toughest examinations in the world. Its questions are meticulously designed by a team of eminent academicians, scientists, engineers and education experts. The teams

Winners shine	
Junior Team	
Overall Gold	1 (Tajikistan)
Overall Silver	1 (Tajikistan)
Overall Bronze	2 (Tajikistan)
Special Mention	14 (Afghanistan)
	7 (Tajikistan)
Senior Team	
Overall Gold	1 (Turkmenistan)
Overall Silver	1 (Tajikistan)
Overall Bronze	1 (India)
Special Mention	26 (India)
	2 (Afghanistan)
	1 (Mauritius)
	1 (Nepal)
	2 (Tajikistan)
	1 (Turkmenistan)
	1 (UAE)



Subject	Overall Gold	Overall Silver	Overall Bronze	Special Mention
Mathematics	Turkmenistan	Tajikistan	India (AIS Vas 6 & Amitasha Noida)	Amitasha Noida
Physics	India (AIS Saket & AIS Mayur Vihar)	Bangladesh & Turkmenistan	India (AIS Saket, AIS Mayur Vihar, AIS Pushp Vihar)	AIS Noida
Chemistry	Turkmenistan	Turkmenistan	Turkmenistan	-
Biology	Turkmenistan	Turkmenistan	India (AIS Gurugram 4B)	-

Amity Institute for Competitive Examinations

Presents

Brainleaks-277
FOR CLASS VI-X

Two objects A and B are thrown upward simultaneously with the same speed the mass of A is greater than the mass of B. Suppose the air exerts a constant and equal force of resistance on the two bodies, then

(a) The two bodies will reach the same height
 (b) A will go higher than B
 (c) B will go higher than A
 (d) Any of the above three may happen depending on the speed with which the objects are thrown

Last Date: July 19, 2019 correct entries win attractive prizes

Ans. Brainleaks 276: (d)

Winner for Brainleaks 276

1. Deeptanshu Nandi, IX A, AIS Gur 43
2. Aditi Gupta, VIII-H, AIS Gur 4B

Name:.....
 Class:.....
 School:.....

Send your answers to The Global Times, E-26, Defence Colony, New Delhi - 24 or e-mail your answers at brainleaks@theglobaltimes.in



Launch of magazine by esteemed panelists

For the future

AIES & AIETSM

A national workshop on World Environment Day was organised on June 4, 2019 at AUUP Noida by AIES and AIETSM, based on the theme 'Conserving Green Earth and Blue Oceans for Sustainability'. The workshop commemorated 'World Environment Day' (June 5) and 'World Ocean Day' (June 8). Speaking on the occasion, Prof

Tanu Jindal, director, AIETSM & AIES spoke on the issue of water contamination with special reference to the rivers Hindon, Ghaggar and Yamuna. Dr Jitender Kumar (IFS), secretary, NITI Aayog, talked about the need for environment friendly infrastructures. Later the magazine 'Amity Environmental Education and Research Jan-Dec 2018' was released and the 'Green plantation drive' was launched.

One for the teachers

National Conference On Teacher Development

AIBAS

Amity Institute of Behavioural & Allied Sciences (AIBAS) organised a one day national conference on the topic 'Professional Development of Teachers: Innovative Paradigms And Practices' on March 5, 2019. The conference saw Adarsh Kumar, executive director, FDDI as the honourable guest and keynote speaker. Dr DS Rathore, advisor, Dept of Sanskrit; Prof (Dr) Ranjana Bhatia, acting director, AIPS and Dr Alka Mudggal, head, AIE and participants from several universities were also in attendance. The event commenced with a *Saraswati vandana*, performed by the students of AIBAS followed by lighting of lamp by the



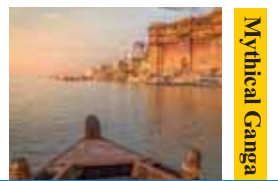
Lighting of the lamp by distinguished guests

guests. The conference started with an address by Dr Harsh Kumar Tyagi, HoI, AIBAS, where he spoke about the professional development of teachers. His speech concluded by apprising the audience on the need to

develop and integrate philosophy and psychology in technical knowledge. The highlight of the event was the speech by Dr Adarsh Kumar who began his address with a Sanskrit *shloka* in remembrance

of old teachers. He also explained the significance of 'Gurus'. He concluded by saying that the stature of teacher is that of God and bonding with teachers is very important. The seminar proceeded with two technical sessions: 'Emerging Avenues for professional development of educators' and 'Innovative paradigm shifts in teaching learning process' respectively. 26 paper presenters from different universities like Central University of Kerala, Delhi University, etc, spoke at length on the various innovative teaching practices and professional growth of teachers. The conference succeeded in providing a platform for enhancing respect, unity and love towards teaching profession.

In mythology, Ganga's father is King Himavat, or the great Himalayan mountains.



A proud mother



Dr. Amita Chauhan
Chairperson

As I look back, nurturing young minds at Amity, I find that in these 27 years, numerous Amitians have passed out from Amity and transformed into global leaders. Whenever and wherever I meet an Amitian, I can see and feel their spirit of 'Once an Amitian, always an Amitian.' The value systems of 'Vidya Dadati Vinayam' and 'BHAAG' are so conspicuous in their day to day work life, that it makes me feel contented and satisfied. It's like you can take an 'Amitian out of Amity' but you can never take 'Amity out of Amitian'. This is what truly makes us different from others. At Amity we don't just learn, but we grow together. We don't just pass exams, but forge lifelong bonds of love, care and compassion. The way many Amitians donate their first salary to Amitasha, the way our alumnus keep visiting their school to share their experiences and guide their juniors, speaks volumes of the deep-rooted feelings for their alma-mater. I have always said that I work like a mother and to me every Amitian is my own child, and hence like any mother I love to see my children on the top. I love to see them live the spirit of Amity. I love to see them carry forward the legacy of Amity. This special 'Farewell edition' stirs nostalgic memories and yet fills me with pride to watch another lot of Amitians transition to dreams. As a nurturer, I want to say, fly very high, but keep coming back to us. Keep these bonds alive by sharing your achievements with your mother. It makes me feel proud to hear about you, no matter where you are. 🇮🇳

Wanderlust



Vira Sharma
Managing Editor

I am sure these vacations have been great for you and most of you must have been to different places, seen myriad cultures. This year, I too had the opportunity to spend some time in the lush green valleys, dense pine and cedar trees, neatly lined cottages, majestic mountains, pristine rivers and streams, pleasant sunshine, neat and clean roads, zero garbage, no plastic ie Pelling in Sikkim. A pristine and beguiling place, nestled in the glorious, mighty Himalayas, Pelling enchanted me the most with its amazing cleanliness on the streets, awareness towards environmental care and protection the people had. Nature is a part of their culture. I was enthralled to see that every person in Sikkim owes responsibility to maintain their surroundings and environment clean and they urge their tourists also to follow the same. They have banned plastic bottles and polystyrene products all over the state. They grow up with the value system that these mountains, rivers and forests are our parents and we need to care for them. Talk of responsible tourism and Sikkim is the crowning jewel of the same. Having experienced this, I come back imbibing a lesson that if a small Himalayan state can love and care for its environment and make even their tourists follow the suit, every state, every city, every town of India can do it. All we need is a strong will and determination to make it happen. I come back determined that I will take responsibility to keep my surroundings clean and not use plastic. I will make changes in my lifestyle and I hope my fellows, friends, colleagues and everyone will join me with their strength. In Miriam Beard's words, "Travel is more than the seeing of sights. It is a change that goes on, deep and permanent, in the ideas of living." 🇮🇳

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A true love story

Vasudhaiva kutumbakam' – the world is one family is a philosophy that Amity swears by. Home to countless exchange programmes, Amity has welcomed students from across the world with open doors and warm embraces. Two exchange students having experienced these emotions, share their love story with Amity.

Name: Harry Cnops

School: AIS Saket

Programme: Italy One Year Programme

Initially, the idea of staying abroad for one year seemed a very far-fetched, impossible goal. The first part of any transition is usually the hardest. I was missing home and trying to adjust to a new culture. But thankfully, things worked out. When I arrived in India, I faced a few difficulties, but with the continuous care, compassion and guidance of Dr. (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF and mentorship of school principal Divya Bhatia and vice principal Alka Saxena, and my lovely host family, the journey became rather smooth. AIS Saket welcomed me graciously, on this beautiful journey.

New learnings

Being in the country for a year, I learnt a lot of things. I want to thank AIS Saket, for it taught me not just academics but lessons in culture and life. At school, I kept learning different things, made new friends, attended Home Science classes where I learnt to cook new cuisines. During the year



Harry Cnops plays tabla

I've been able to study Hindi in which I made some improvement and it has helped me a lot in my daily life. I also participated in AIMUN as a delegate of General Assembly of Jamaica and ACC Camp in Amity University Gurugram. Other than these new lessons, I also learnt to be a better person because of the community services, which I did at Aruna Asif Ali hospital, with Amitasha students and with the children of Asha Deep Foundation for three months. It made me feel like I am a part of this community.



Harry Cnops attends havan ceremony

New culture

India is known for its numerous festivals, and I've been lucky to experience most of them, like Navratri during which I went to Ahmedabad. Diwali and Holi are my favourite ones. I also had the pleasure to learn tabla, in which I still have to practice a lot. I visited many places like National War Museum and Taj Mahal and cities like Ahmedabad, Ajmer, Jaipur, Bangalore, Pondicherry, Chennai and Coorg. All these opportunities helped me in becoming a part of the community, learn Indian culture and appreciate how diverse India is which you can't understand as a tourist. I truly thank Amity for being my host, providing me a host family and giving me the opportunity to be a part of Indian society and culture.

New me

This programme has been extremely

beneficial as it gave me a new perspective towards things and made me more open minded. It gave me a chance to know so many people from all over world, changed my opinions and shed all the stereotypes that I had in the past; making me a real global citizen in the process. One year down the line, I have understood Indian culture and integrated myself into it, so much so that now I can call India 'My home'. For me now Italy and India are not very different from each other. This experience of living in a far flung country with a different language made me more responsible, careful, emotionally strong and adaptable. My life has changed forever, I have changed for the better and I don't think I'll ever be the same again. All of these wonderful people have worked so hard for me this year. I will always be grateful to them for welcoming me into the Amity family. 🇮🇳



Luka Wohl with Amitasha students



Luka Wohl makes a sculpture

On July 3, 2018, myself along with 6 other fellow Americans landed at the Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi. I didn't know, where I would be staying for the next ten months, except for in Delhi-NCR, but nevertheless, I was bustling with excitement. I remember my first thought when exiting the airport at midnight was that it was unbelievably hot, crowded and the cars were always honking. Now, looking back at my departure from the US and my arrival in India, it is unbelievable how much I've grown as a person.

That's how it progressed

During the first two weeks in India, I stayed with a teacher Rupinder and her family. As everything Indian was new to me, over the two weeks they introduced me to different Indian foods and places. After another two weeks, I switched to my permanent host family. I felt at home since the

Name: Luka Wohl

School: AIS Gur 46

Programme: USA YES Abroad Exchange Program

first day of being there. My first day at AIS Gurugram 46 was on July 9, 2019 where I was welcomed with open arms and eager smiles. I was introduced to the staff and participated in the traditional lamp lighting ceremony with school principal, Arti Chopra. With such a warm welcome, a garland around my neck, tikka on my forehead; I truly felt at home. I was shown the whole school, the sculpture lab, the ATL lab and I was impressed.

That's what I learnt

Throughout my ten month stay at Amity, I participated in many extra-curricular activities such as sculpture making, tabla percussion, Home Science practicals, yoga, kho-kho, and many more. I am tremendously grateful for the flexibility of Amity for allowing me to participate in these activities – things I would never have been able to do back in the US due to my course load. I also participated in Interact Club, Youth Power and Amitasha – an initiative for less privileged girl child of the school. Most memorable experiences I had at school were, celebrating many Indian festivals with the Amitasha students. It has given me a lot of good things to remember and take back home.

That's who I am today

Now reflecting that I've been in India for 10 months, it is unbelievable how I've changed and grown

into the person that I am today. Having spent an academic year abroad, I can now say it was all I could have imagined and more – I have Amity to thank for it, who made my journey easy and comfortable in India. I would like to extend my deepest thanks to Amity for the generosity and kindness extended to me throughout. Thank you for allowing me to become a part of the Amity family during my stay at Amity International School Sector 46, Gurugram. I would also like to thank my host family. They really helped me to immerse in the new culture fully and in adopting Indian traditions, culture, and customs that I will take back to America. I will carry every experience, no matter how small, back with me to the United States, where I hope to continue to spread joy and these values. No matter where life may take me, I will always be an Amitian at heart. 🇮🇳



According to Indian mythology, Ganga lives in the locks of Lord Shiva.

Youth Power is an annual social leadership programme organised by The Global Times. It witnesses 10 teams from Amity schools engage in varied social causes in several stages. One of them is 'Panel Discussion' where experts discuss several aspects of the chosen social cause. Here's presenting **Part 2** of this exclusive eight-part series, based on the panel discussions organised by YP teams, and a host of opinions as experts debate on 'Electricity Conservation and Sustainable Energy', the cause chosen by YP team of AIS Gur 46.



Energy is life

Which Is Why It Needs To Be Saved; If We Want To See A Bright Future

Every misstep hurts us

“Ask around and most people will tell you that they do not waste energy. But do these people carpool to work, cook at least one meal on a solar cooker, or even check energy ratings before buying an appliance? The answer is no. Add up all these things and the result is a lot of energy wastage. Every small action taken without the environment in consideration results in substantial damage.”



Ravi Kalra
Founder & President,
Earth Saviours Foundation*

*Earth Saviours Foundation is an internationally acclaimed NGO that is dedicated to the betterment of the society. The foundation is the proud recipient of the prestigious Sardar

Vallabhbai Patel International Prestigious Award for Excellence in Humanitarian Services.

Mobilise resources

“Energy conservation is a matter of urgency, something that needs to be tended to with immediate effect. We all need to mobilise the resources that are available to us to work towards this issue. For instance, I am a voice of the commoners and can



RJ Aniket
Radio jockey, 94.3 FM

and spread the message. Students, on the other hand, can perhaps tap the power of social media and drive the message to more and more people. The idea is to use the available resources or means and help save energy so that we still have enough of it for the future generations.”

Three Rs for energy

Bhavisha Buddhadeo
Social activist

“Starting right from school, we are taught the 3Rs: Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. The same goes for energy. It is important that we practice the three Rs for energy usage, if we wish the world to run its normal course. Simple steps like switching to alternative sources of energy, switching lights off when not in use, planting more trees, etc. can go a long way in restoring the balance of life.”



Be honest

Vivek Pathak
MD, SRJNA*

“I just wish to say that whatever one does, one should do that with complete honesty. When you study with honesty, you can implement the knowledge in your life, which leads to change. Similarly, if we work towards the betterment of the environment with all our will, we'll definitely find a way. We need to work together to find a solution and on our way, we can come across a positive outcome.”

*SRJNA, an initiative by IIT Delhi & XLRI alumni, helps schools to make STEM subjects easy and interesting by setting up Innovation Labs and Tinkering Labs.



New sources

SV Eswaran
Visiting Scientist, UNESCO*

“Dr APJ Abdul Kalam emphasised on increasing efficiency of solar cells. We have not achieved that in India but with conscious effort, we can inch towards it. Solar energy is definitely the way forward and the sooner we tap on this energy source, the more balanced our energy requirements will be.”

*UNESCO's DBT Regional Centre for Biotechnology, India provides multidisciplinary education and training in Biotechnology.



Changing mindsets

“The first step towards ushering change in any field is always changing the mindsets of people. Unfortunately, the mindset in India towards environment is that of inconsideration. We hardly believe that damage to the environment can, in any way, damage us. We are worried about development, making more money, even if that comes at the cost of the environment. This



Ayushman Jamwal
Senior News Editor,
CNN-News 18

mindset needs to change. And it is only when the common populace changes their belief patterns, that the decision makers will change the way they think. That said, changing the mindsets of people is a very long-term strategy and the process requires a great deal of perseverance and patience.”

Green future

Parag Diwan
CEO, EVOracle*

“We must realise that there has to be a converging gap between solar energy, bio fuels and the possibility of making use of tidal energy. All renewable sources should be harnessed effectively and efficiently.”

*EVOracle is a consulting firm that specialises in energy, education and entrepreneurship. It mainly focuses on e-mobility in order to decarbonise the transportation system.



Goddess Ganga is also believed to be the 'daughter of the heavens.'



As per Hindu mythology, Gangotri is the place where Ganga was trapped in the locks of Lord Shiva.



AIS Noida

A 14 year long story

Ananya Grover
AIS Noida, XII B

This story began 14 years ago, when these little buds had just joined Amity's family. Now, on the other side, they are ready to bloom as flowers and leave behind their beautiful legacy of endless stories. The last chapter of their story began on the day of the citation ceremony. The day started with a *havan*, where the hallowed

fire was kindled to bless each student. The batch of 2019 then gathered to click photographs, to preserve a whole album worth of memories. The ceremony saw Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEP, Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, emphasising the importance BHAAG. This was followed by moving speeches of parents and students of the batch. The impassioned students celebrated every minute of their 14 year long story when they took the blessings of their teachers and hugged their peers with tears flowing throughout. The day came to a close with the nostalgic singing of the school song 'Vidya Dadati Vinayam' which made every emotional as the rolling credits came on and the curtain finally closed.

An revoir, home

You take a deep breath and you walk through the doors. It's the morning of your last day at school. You say hello to your friends and try to keep the tears from falling down your cheeks. Little do you notice, everybody else is feeling the same way. This is how the students felt, leaving behind their second home of fourteen years. All students were warmly welcomed with a heartfelt address of principal Divya Bhatia. She highlighted the long journey of these students and the trail of achievements they blazed forth

with. By the end, the ambience became a repository of bittersweet memories reminiscent of the golden days in the students' lives. Students and parents spoke at length about their bond with the red brick building that will forever hold so many memories for them. A round of laughter, tears and back-slapping banter echoed all around, accompanied by frantic photo shoots where students hugged each other and promised friendship for a lifetime. The programme ended with a rendition of the special song, 'Showers of blessings' and a deluge of rose petals.



AIS Saket

Pic: Tushti Sharma, AIS Saket, XII E

AMITY NEERPOOL MAIN HALL

Inspiring Speeches And Million Memories, Citation Ceremony Said It All

The end of an era

Ananya Singal &
Atrayee Guha
AIS Gur 43, XII D

The citation ceremony commenced with a farewell poem, recited for the graduating batch. As the outgoing head boy and head girl took to the stage, reminiscing the good old days, tears welled up in every eye. But the show must go on, and so should the legacy that the batch of 2019 had acquired during their stint in the red brick building. The outgoing batch passed on a *diya* to their juniors, which was symbolic

of the legacy they bore as true blue Amityans. This was followed by the presentation of citations and *ganesh vandana*. The floor was then opened to the parents who thanked Amity for being a pillar of strength for their child.

The hall reverberated with voices of students singing their beloved school song one last time together. There wasn't a single dry eye as blessing ceremony commenced. Each student could be seen holding their friends and teachers close, promising to keep seeing each other and crying their hearts out. After all, it was the end of an era.

Pic: Tushar Dhenwal, AIS Gur 43, XII C



AIS Gur 43



AIS Gur 46

For one last time

As the batch of 2019 stood on the threshold of entering a new world, AIS Gur 46 invited its students one last time to take the blessings of their mentors and teachers before they left the school premises. The citation ceremony was an event of many lasts. It was the last time the batch of 2019 participated in the school *havan*, a ritual that had become a part of their lives. It was the last time they heard the motivating words of their beloved Chairperson Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, who has always been a mother to them. It



was the last time they sang the school song. And when so many lasts come together, tears are only but inevitable.

The ceremony commenced with a mesmerising performance on *Ganesh Stuti*. The outgoing head boy and head girl expressed their gratitude to the school in their speeches. As the citations were announced, the children walked up to the stage holding a *diya*. The event ended on a tearful note with 'Shower of Blessings' wherein the parents and teachers showered flower petals on the students, providing an apt ending to the evening that celebrated all their lasts.

First adieu

Citations are always special as they bring the bittersweet goodness of goodbyes. But, it was even more special for AIS Vas 6 for it experienced this sorrow-joy medley as it bid adieu to its first ever batch. This was the first batch that completed the full circle of 14 years ever since the inception of the school in 2005. Principal, Sunila Athley extended a warm welcome to the students with her inspirational words. As a token of remembrance, the students were given a commemorative plate with the school insignia and photograph with 'Always an Amitian' inscribed below it. They were also felicitated with framed citations which highlighted their achievements. The students walked up to the stage with lighted lamps dispelling the darkness of ignorance. The programme culminated with 'Showers of Blessings.'

Pic: Abhishek Singh, AIS Vas 6, XII A



AIS Vas 6



AIS Vas 1

Pics: Kshitiz Saxena, AIS Vas 1, XII B

A fine blend

Sanskriti Bharti
AIS Vas 1, XII B

Nostalgia, magic, laughter, blessings - the citation ceremony of 2019 was a fine blend of all this and more. The ceremony began with the lighting of the lamp. Inspiring words by the

school principal kick-started the event. Citations were given out to the students as they held their tears back at this special moment. Walking through the deluge of rose petals being showered by the teachers amidst abundant blessings, the students bid a very teary adieu to their dear school.



A stream of many emotions

Grand stage. *Shamiana*. Rose petals. Gush of emotions. Endless memories. That's what the citation ceremony of AIS MV brought along with itself. For one last time each student of Class XII accorded the centerstage to receive their citations. Beautiful words written by the teachers in the 'citation' encapsulated nothing else but love for each student. Soon after receiving the beautiful parting gift, the final goodbye melody was played and rose petals were showered upon the batch of 2019 by teachers and parents. As countless blessings rained in the form of petals, each student walked down the memory lane, thinking about the familiar faces who held their hands in this journey. This culmination of the ceremony was marked by a stream of emotions flowing unbridled through the eyes of teachers, students and parents.



AIS MV

Here comes final goodbye

All good things come to an end. Ditto for the 14 year old sojourn of the outgoing batch of Amity Pushp Vihar. The citation ceremony organised in the school marked this very ending. The event that commenced with a *havan* had it all - melodious tunes reverberating in the air as the school choir presented nostalgic songs; mantras chanted for the success of the outgoing batch; inspiring words of the school principal encouraging students to keep up the Amity legacy; 'Shower of Blessings' that saw students tread the route of nostalgia.



AIS PV



OK TATA BYE BYE

FAREWELL 2018-19



To good old times

Atrayee Guha & Soumya Srivastava
AIS Gur 43, XII D

Excitement, coupled with a tinge of nervousness, filled the air as the outgoing batch of 2019 entered the gates of their alma mater for the last time as proud Amitiens. The juniors were all decked up as they geared up for the farewell celebrations. The show kick started with scintillating dance performances by the enthusiastic current batch. Moreover, what's a celebration without music? The stage was then taken over by the school band which presented a soulful fusion of Western and Indian music. The buzz in the hall came to a halt with the soothing performance of the song

'Flashlight', which took the students down the memory lane. The celebrations had almost come to an end when the juniors surprised their seniors by playing a specially made video capturing their school years, sure to kindle nostalgia and bittersweet emotions. It was indeed an afternoon that will be etched in everyone's hearts forever.

Pics: Dev Yadav & Sashreek Das
AIS Gur 43, XII A



AIS Gur 43

Bless you!



It was a beautiful morning. The sun shone as brightly as the batch of 2019, who'd turned up in their finest attire for their 'Blessing Ceremony'. As the elegantly dressed students walked into their alma mater one last time, they were accorded a warm welcome by their juniors. The event held to recognise the outgoing batch, fulfilled its aim in more ways than one, by making every child of the outgoing batch feel special. As each student stepped up on stage to receive a memento, their various achievements were highlighted. The event had its fair share of fun moments as the junior students put up foot tapping performances for their share of fun moments. The foot tapping music played by the DJ along with the variety of sumptuous food only added to the fervour. All in all, the 'Blessing Ceremony' was an event that will be cherished by all for a long time to come.

AIS Jagdishpur



AIS VKC Lucknow

Godspeed

The afternoon fanfare began with the traditional recitation of Gayatri Mantra and lighting of the lamp. The seniors were left dewy-eyed after the welcome speech accompanied by a nostalgic video, which took them down the memory lane. It was an amalgamation of all the beautiful moments they spent in school. The afternoon proceeded with a dance performance which revived up everyone's spirits. The students performed on a French song making the afternoon more vibrant. The selfie corners were an enormous hit as the students created everlasting memories. The ensemble band of the school created the perfect ambience with a befitting musical tribute to their seniors bidding them adieu. Different titles like Mr & Ms Amity, Mr & Ms Popular, Mr & Ms Well Dressed were awarded. Godspeed batch of 2019!



A journey of 14 years

Khushi Saxena, AIS Noida, XII I

With a twinkle in every eye, anticipation in every heart and a tremble in every foot, the batch of 2019 walked down the red carpet. The curtains rose to a drama performance based on the theme 'One Last Class', beginning from their days of primary school to middle and finally to senior year. The juniors performed to the tunes of 'Koi kahe kehta rahe', 'Pretty woman' and 'Mauja hi mauja' to turn the sad faces into gleaming smiles. With a bitter-sweet taste of nostalgia in their hearts, the seniors departed, exactly how they had walked in 14 years ago.



AIS Noida

Pic: Shashwat Yadav, AIS Vas 6, XII E



AIS Vas 6



AIS MV

Pics: Vinayak Seth, AIS MV, VIII A



Party to part

AIS Pushp Vihar bid adieu to its batch of 2019, with full pomp and gusto. The outgoing batch, dressed in their best attires, entered dancing to the beat of 'Baari Barsi' accompanied by an enthusiastic dhol, to start the event on a high note. The celebration began with a vibrant fashion show. The spirits flew high as the school band had everyone swaying to the beat with songs like 'Yaaron dosti', 'Hai junoon' et al. Mr & Ms Amity, along with other titles were also met with a wave of energy. The farewell ended on a light comedic roast of the outgoing batch. This goodbye was sure one fab party!



AIS PV

Meri gully mein

Pic: Vidushi Bhardwaj, AIS Saket, XI E



AIS Saket

Arpit Gupta, XII C & Stuti Kakkar, XII E, AIS Saket

Welcome to 'Ek Aakhri Baar Meri Gully Mein', farewell 2019. The speakers for one didn't pronounce announcements, but reverberated with peppy songs instead. Desi and videsi dance performances had everyone tapping their feet. Titles like 'Mr India', 'Saat Khoon Maaf', 'Happy Phir Bhag Jayegi' were given away. Musical performances swayed the crowd. The show ended with a short film which was a collection of memories. Students bid adieu to their school life with a dance, their last one on the grounds of Amity as Amitiens.



Memories galore

AIS Gur 46

The atmosphere was emotionally charged as the school bid farewell to the outgoing batch of 2019. To mark this nostalgic point in time, which would go down the memory lane for years to come for everyone who was part of it, the farewell ceremony opened with a video revisiting the old days of school. Several action-packed, breath-



taking dance performances by the students of Class XII, and the crowning of Mr and Ms Amity and several other titles. Like everything else, this ceremony also came to an end, but not before it brought tears to everyone present, and made another beautiful addition to their school memories.

Farewell fiesta

Pic: Kshitiz Saxena, AIS Vas 1, XII B



AIS Vas 1

Good luck kids!

Srishti Singh, AIS VVC, XA

The Good Luck party began with a warm welcome by the excited juniors. A havan organised to bless the outgoing students added to the warmth. The juniors delivered power-packed performances to dazzle their seniors, all of which stole every heart. A small video at the end of the function took everyone down memory lane. The emotional day came to a close with the teachers showering blessings on the students.



AIS VVC

Potpourri

Ramsha Matin, AIS Vas 6, XII D

An award show with witty hosts and titles like 'Duchess of Dance' and 'Amity's PT Usha'; school band taking it up with songs overpowered with nostalgia; a ravishing ramp walk; a hilarious skit and embarrassing confessions - the farewell celebrations at AIS Vas 6 were a potpourri. Eyes moistened as teachers gave out final messages, but it was back to celebration with the cake-cutting and DJ. Though the day marked the end of a phase, it was also a welcome to a new beginning.

Sweet endings

Kaveri Mathur, AIS MV, XII E

The red carpet had been rolled out, and the grand gates opened. Soon-to-be adults, all dressed to impress, flooded into their red brick home one last time, as a shower of petals and warm smiles greeted them. Little did the outgoing batch know, that they had an unforgettable experience awaiting them. Farewell 2019 had commenced. One after the other, enthralling dance performances and musical melodies made the audience groove and sing along. To add some more spice, the seniors were bestowed



with surprise awards like 'Poo bani Parvati', 'Sasta Ambani', to name a few. Mr and Ms Amity were grabbed by Aviral Arora and Vidhi Bajaj. Every good thing comes to an end, so did the fun-filled zealous celebrations with cutting of a mouth-watering cake. After all, who says that endings can't be sweet?



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Ganga is a symbol of faith, hope and sanity in Hindu culture.

A victorious legacy

Amitians Set The Record For The Fifth Time In A Row As Number 1 At Wharton KWHS

AERC

When you become world number one, it's a huge accomplishment. When you win twice, it's excellence. When you win thrice, you hit a hat-trick. When you win four times, it is excellence becoming a habit. But when you win five consecutive times, then you are beyond excellence; you are an accelerator, the one whose very being is all about winning and winning. This is exactly what Amitians are, for they again won at the global finale of the prestigious KWHS Investment Competition 2019 held at Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA, on May 4, 2019, and this time they have won 'Number One Position' with a cash prize of 5,000 USD. The team members were commended for their creatively crafted website, Instagram page and for conducting several seminars. They had also gone on AIR at Radio Mirchi 98.3 FM to spread a message about financial literacy.

The winning team 'Filter Coffee Investments' of AIS Noida comprising Shruti Sinha, Sharvvii Sharma, Siddhant Chandak, Dipit Gupta, Trisha Sachdev, Adya Sukhija, Ansh Gujral from Class XI and their mentor Man-



Team 'Filter Coffee Investments' of AIS Noida emerged as winners of KWHS Investment Competition 2019

vir Singh Rana, also bagged first position in Region - 2 (South Asia and Middle East Region) level of the competition. For the past 5 years, Amitians have been bagging top 3 positions at the prestigious KWHS Investment Competition, and have now created a legacy of victory to be nurtured and excelled at, by breaking their own records.

It is a matter of great pride that this year two teams of Amity made it to the 9 global finalist teams. The second team from AIS Vasundhara 6 included Mansha Khanna, Siddhant Chhugani, Rupita Gupta, Sumukh Srivastava, Anant Kirti Lamba from Class XI and their mentor Bhawna Bhardwaj.

This victorious feat is the result

of the majestic vision of beloved Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools and RBEF. She has provided each Amitian the global opportunity to learn and grow into a world-class-thinking and innovating young adult. In her own words, "I work like a mother and to me every Amitian is my own child. Just like every mother, I



want to see my Amitians at the top, doing their best, excelling at whatever they do in the world." This very vision of the Chairperson has nurtured and inspired the team to work hard and be at the top in this global-level competition. The students and their mentor have achieved this winning stride, all thanks to full infrastructural as well as mentorship

support from their school, AERC, Amity University and the management.

About Wharton

This international contest, organised by Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA, stretches for around seven months and puts high school students in the shoes of world-leading global investment experts.

This year, this competition was organised in three regions, Region - 1 (included China, Hong Kong, Macau, Japan, Taiwan, North Korea, South Korea, Mongolia, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Turkmenistan), Region - 2 (included Afghanistan, Nepal, India, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Maldives, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Brunei, Cambodia, Laos, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Timor Leste, Vietnam, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Cyprus, Georgia, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Turkey, United Arab Emirates and Yemen) and Region - 3 (included Countries and regions from the Americas, Europe, Africa and Oceania).

More than 2,500 teams participated in each of the regions.  

Intercultural learning at Amity

Students Of Foreign Exchange Programs Bid A Soulful Adieu

Pics: Mrinal Verma, GT Network



Luka Wohl with Chairperson



Students of German Indian Classroom Project recite Gayatri Mantra



Harry Cnops with Chairperson

AERC

It has always been a vision of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools and RBEF, to make Amity a global hub of learning where exchange of ideas and innovations happen each day and global citizens are nurtured on the values of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbkam' - the world is one family. In an endeavour to realize this, Amity Group of Schools host an array of foreign exchange programs and foreign excursions under the aegis of Amity Educational

Resource Centre. The main objective of such programs is to enhance cultural understanding and inculcate mutual respect for cultural diversities among students from different schools of diverse nations.

On April 18, 2019, AIS Pushp Vihar hosted a farewell and feedback ceremony of three such prominent programs namely USA Yes Abroad, Italy One Year and German Exchange Program. The event was graced by the presence of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, host families, guest students, principal of host schools, director of

AERC and eminent dignitaries of Amity Group of Schools.

The event commenced with a lamp lighting ceremony by the Chairperson amidst the chanting of *shlokas*. Then came the moment of sharing learning experiences during which Luka Wohl from USA Yes Abroad, hosted by AIS Gur 46, and Harry Cnops from Italy One Year program, hosted by AIS Saket, showcased presentations to share their yearlong experiences of learning at Amity and their cultural, culinary and values exposure with their host families. Parents of the host

families, too, shared their memorable experience.

On the occasion, 12 students from Gymnasium Schloss Neu Haus, Paderborn from German Indian Classroom Project hosted by AIS Pushp Vihar, also presented *gayatri mantra*, spoke about their learning experiences and the connection between two different countries. They even sang a German song to celebrate diversity. The nine students who participated in the 12th YRoNS held at AIS Amsterdam also shared their experience of visiting Amsterdam and participating in the

unique science symposium.

This was the first program ever held in the newest addition of Amity Schools abroad and students felt proud of experiencing Amity's presence in the beautiful Netherlands.

The programme came to an emotional end as Chairperson blessed the guest students from foreign nations and the host parents became quite teary eyed about having to let their new child go out in the world in search of dreams.

(Read page 4 to know Luka Wohl and Harry Cnops's experience at Amity)



Students perform yoga

Yoga day

AIS VKC Lucknow

International Yoga day was celebrated on June 21, 2019, to spread awareness about its health benefits and cultural importance. Both students and staff members attended the programme and performed yoga under the guidance of yoga instructors. Participants practiced various *asanas* and discussed the importance of imbuing yoga in our life to maintain a healthy balance of mind and body. School principal Rachna Mishra in her address, appreciated the zeal of the participants in making this day a success and emphasised on the importance of yoga in a child's health routine.

It is believed that Ganga came on earth to bring salvation and purify the sins of mankind.

All top quotes contributed by Gauri Madan, AIS PV, X



Big dreams in little eyes

Anshika Tyagi: The Little Dancer Who Plans To Take Over The World

When you first look at her, she will seem like any other fourth grader playing with her friends and going to the movies with her family. But when you take a closer look at her life, **Anshika Tyagi** will seem anything but a regular kid. A student of **AIS Viraj Khand Lucknow**, Anshika Tyagi has made her family, teachers and all her well-wishers proud. At the mere age of nine, she is a dancer, model, actor and a warehouse of talent. She has given about 175 special performances and has won innumerable awards including Icon of the Year by Aarisha Foundation, Best Personality Award by Mallika-E-Awadh and Best Child Artist Award by Vinayak Gramodyog Sansthan.

Baby steps to success

Baby Anshika, when she was only six months old, won the Healthy Baby contest. Like any

mother would be, Anshika's mother was overjoyed at this. Though she did not know what awaited her in the future, she had a strong feeling that it was going to be special. The realisation of Anshika's true potential came to her when she saw her 1-year-old daughter dancing at a wedding for four hours straight. It was at this moment that she realised that her daughter had a lot of potential which, if polished carefully, could do wonders. And before Anshika could even form sentences as a little kid, she was learning the art of dance professionally.

Toddling to new fame

The road to success is never an easy one, especially for a nine-year-old. But nothing safe is worth the drive, and with a mind full of dedication and determination, there was little that was going to stop Anshika from being

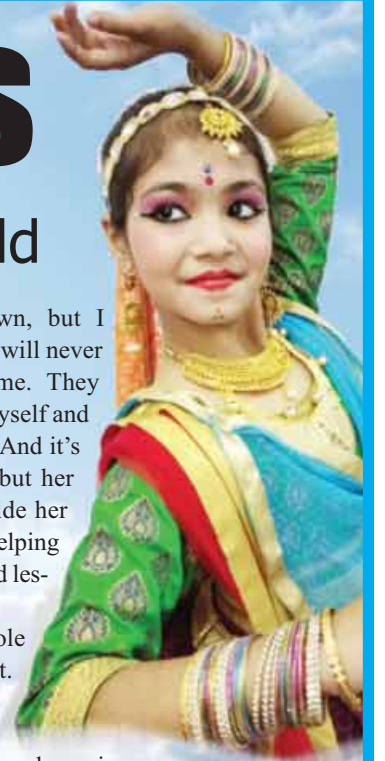
the best. "All this while, I could see it in her eyes that she was enjoying what she was doing; that the dream wasn't just mine anymore – it was ours," says her mother with pride. As Anshika grew older every year, so did the awards and trophies on her shelf. And even at such a young age, she knows that it will only get tougher from here, but she is prepared with the love and support of her parents and her gurus.

Hopping away from hurdles

At school, Anshika is as dedicated as she is on stage while performing. It can be hard to excel at both – studies and dancing, but she doesn't let the pressure get to her. She makes sure that one doesn't affect the other. Anshika admits, "It can be hard sometimes. I feel like I might lose my balance and all my hard work will

come crumbling down, but I know that my parents will never let that happen to me. They make me believe in myself and give me confidence." And it's not just her parents, but her teachers too, who guide her through her journey, helping her manage classes and lessons that she misses.

Anshika has a whole ecosystem of support. When she gets on the stage to perform, people close their eyes and pray in nervousness for her victory, and it's safe to say that little Anshika will never let them down. May our little stalwart wins many more awards in the future and be the actor that she hopes to be.





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