

"To be a writer, you must read a lot and then write. It is important to understand that the words we write for ourselves are so much better than the words we write for others. So, if you think that your words can heal, can give hope, or can give voice to the ones you think need it, you will write well."

Shiny Varghese
 Senior Editor
 The Indian Express

"As an artist, you should always aim to be original. You don't need to copy any image or visual because humans have a photographic memory and each time you look at an object, your mind already memorises it by 75%. So, stay original. Keep going through newspapers, publications, magazines etc. and that will help you create a lot of good stuff."

Arya Praharaj
 Chief Illustrator
 The Times Group



Bhawna Tuteja, GT Network

HYBRID HIGH!

The 'On' And 'Off' Mix Of Two Worlds At GT Awards 2022!

As real pom-poms went up in the air, the excitement of the virtual audience went up even higher. As an emcee interacted with the audience on an online platform, the schools reverberated with applause and cheers in real time. As the nominations of a category were announced digitally, the students sitting inside the school premises could not hold back their excitement. And this is just a tiny glimpse of what went down at GT Awards 2022! The annual award ceremony, organised in hybrid mode – over a virtual platform with a simultaneous screening across all branches of Amity Group Of Schools, saw the intersection of real and virtual like never before. Read on for details.



portunity to showcase their talent whilst being lauded for the same.

On scale for inspiration, Off to see the inspired

GT is an inspiration for many; prodding one to look beyond the obvious, unearthing hidden talents and exploring new vistas. But this inspiration is merely a trickle-down effect, one that flows from its source Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF. As she graced the event, her online presence uplifted spirits, her words inspiring even the screens that resonated her voice. "Our Amitiations for sure will change the country," she said. Adding to the inspiration was an eminent jury comprising Shiny Varghese, senior editor, The Indian Express, and Arya Praharaj, chief illustrator, The Times

WHAT: GT Awards 2022
WHEN: July 14, 2022
WHERE: MS Teams
WHY: To mark the culmination of GT Making A Newspaper Contest 2021-2022
WHO:

- Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan
- Shiny Varghese, Sr Editor, The Indian Express
- Ms Pooja Chauhan
- Ms Divya Chauhan
- Ms Jaishree Chauhan
- Ms Mehtaab Chauhan

Group. The event also graced by the presence of Pooja Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Humanity Foundation & ASFD; Divya Chauhan, Chairperson, ASFA, ASFT & ASPA; Jaishree Chauhan, Vice Chairperson, Amity Finishing School & Mehtaab Chauhan, along with

school principals and heads of Amity institutions.

On top of the world, Signing off with love

As the competition switched on to a new format, its gears shifted towards a bigger and tougher road. While the number of participating schools went up, the number of nominations were restricted. The battle to the 'Best Newspaper Award' got edgier and fiercer. Each time a dignitary/special guest was called upon to announce a winner, one could see fingers crossed and hands intertwined in anticipation. The anxiety and nervousness met a jubilant end with AIS Noida and AIS Saket clinching the top spots. Eight Amitiations, who had been worked throughout their student life for the newspaper, were bestowed with



the prestigious GT School Time Achievement Award. As the competition met its winners, it marked the end of another editorial sojourn, one that was dotted with thunderous cheers and roaring applause throughout.

On a bright high, Off to new start

The thumping of hearts could be heard over the online platform of MS Teams just as conspicuously as the tears of nostalgia could be witnessed. Starting with a sweet video by AIS Vasundhara 6 that concluded with a smile on everybody's face and ending with a stand-up roast by AIS Pushp Vihar that left the audience in splits, and not to mention the rhyme enactment act by tiny tots of AIS Saket had everyone go awww! From the ecstatic happiness of winning an award to melancholic sadness of losing one; from pride of being a part of the school editorial team to the longing of one; from euphoria to sorrow; from amusement to anxiety; the event was the amalgamation of a wide range of emotions. GT Awards 2022 was an intersection of old and new, joy and sorrow, cheers and applause, on-line and offline worlds, and a lot more, only to create a hybrid high that will be remembered for a long time to come. Speaking of intersections, there is one where the earth meets the sky, it's called the horizon, and that is where you will find us often!

And the winner is

Best School Newspaper Award

Winner
 AIS Noida & Saket

First Runner Up
 AIS Gur 46

Second Runner Up
 AIS Vas 6

Jury Special Mention
 AGS Gur

Best Editing Award

Winner
 AIS Noida

First Runner Up
 AIS Saket

Second Runner Up
 AIS Gur 43 & Gur 46

Best Design Award

Winner
 AGS Gur

First Runner Up
 AIS Vas 6

Second Runner Up
 AIS MV

Best Headline

Winner
 AIS Noida

Coming Next
 YP Special Edition

GT School Time Achievement Awardees

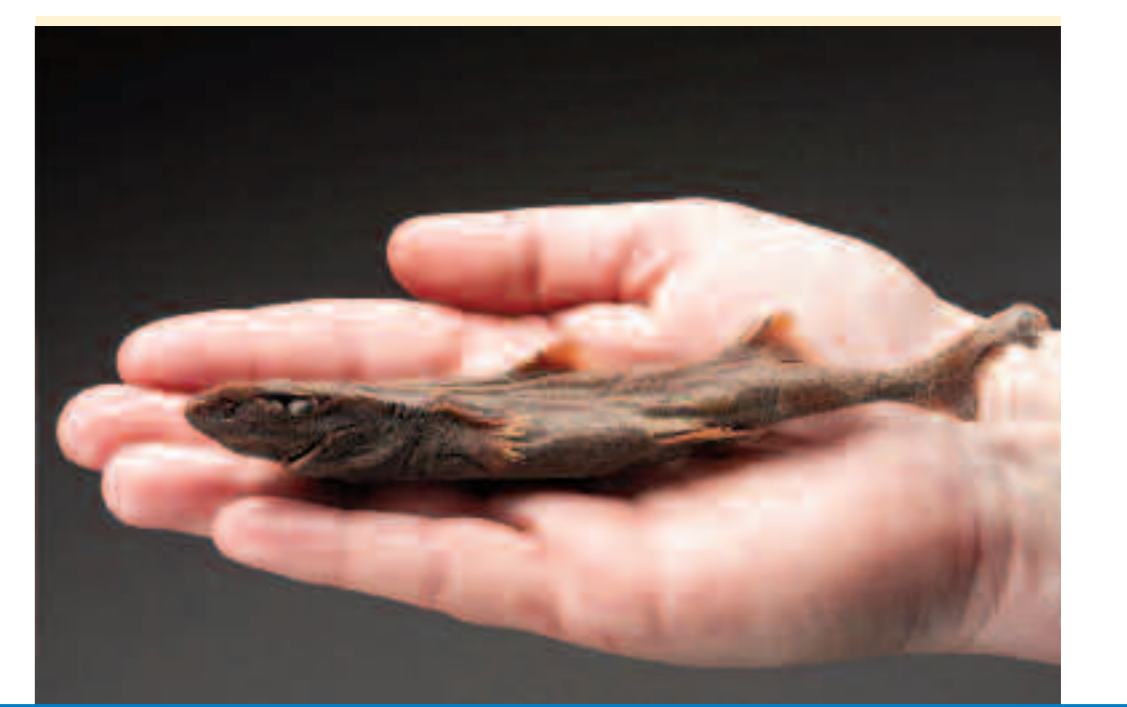


First Runner Up
 AIS Gur 46

Second Runner Up
 AIS Vas 6

JURY SPECIAL MENTION
 AGS GUR

The dwarf lantern shark, the tiniest shark in existence, has light-emitting organs and can grow up to eight inches.



Around The WORLD

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



UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Two billion USD investment to set food parks

In the first ever virtual four-nation grouping I2U2 summit held on July 14, 2022, the country announced an investment of two billion USD to set up integrated food parks in India. The parks will use climate smart technologies to lower down food wastage, save fresh water, and utilise renewable energy sources.



CHINA

Extreme heat warning issued

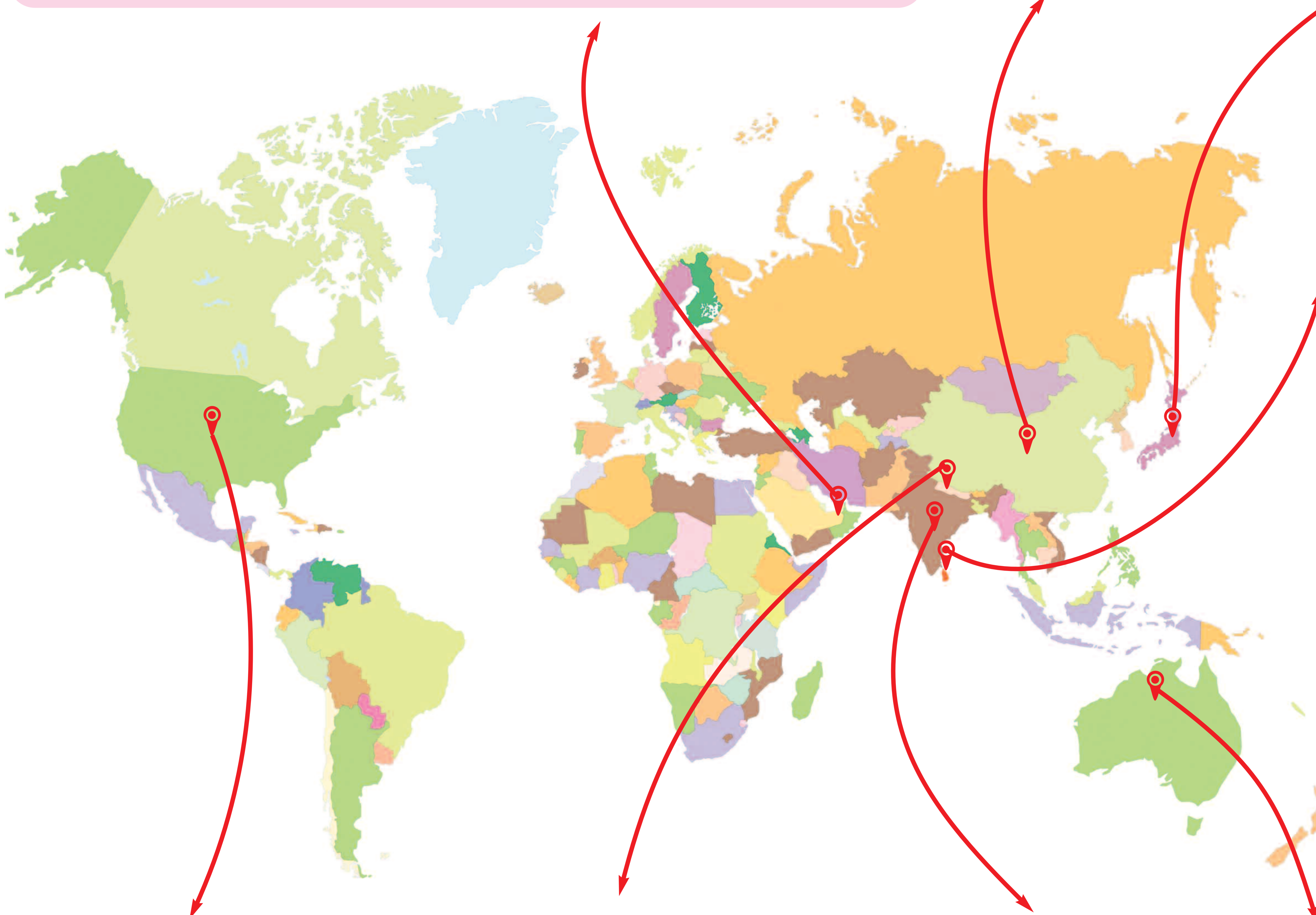
For the third time this summer, Shanghai has issued the highest alert for extreme heat as the temperature in the city break records. Housing more than 25 million people, the red alert was issued with expected temperatures of at least 40 degrees. Earlier also, the city had issued three red alerts, reducing all construction and outside work.



JAPAN

Host for 2025 championship

Tokyo has been selected to be the host city for the 2025 World Athletics Championships, as announced by the World Athletics president, Sebastian Coe. With the event, Japan will be celebrating 100 yrs of Japanese Association of Athletics Federations in 2025. The announcement came a day before the onset of 2022 event.



SRI LANKA

President steps down

Sri Lankan president, Gotabaya Rajapaksa, has emailed his letter of resignation to Parliament speaker Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena. The resignation came hours later after he flee the country for Singapore following mass protests over the economic crisis. Meanwhile, Sri Lankan PM, Ranil Wickremesinghe, has been sworn in as the interim president until the parliament elects a new candidate next week to help the country deal with the economic and national turmoil.



USA

New space images revealed

NASA, in partnership with European Space Agency and Canadian Space Agency, has revealed the first-ever images captured by James Webb Space Telescope. The images, which showcase SMAC S 0723, WASP-96b, Southern Ring Nebula, Stephan's Quintet, and Carina Nebula, are the first ever full-colour images and spectroscopic data of the cosmic creations that were elusive to humanity till now.



NEPAL

First citizenship amendment bill

On July 13, 2022, Nepal's parliament passed the country's first Citizenship Amendment Bill. The bill had been under scrutiny since 2020, and got rejected each time due to difference of opinions. The country's home minister said, "There are thousands of people who are deprived of citizenship certificates although their parents are citizens of Nepal which is further depriving them of education and other facilities." Hence, the amendment will help to create an all-inclusive environment.



INDIA

94-year-old wins gold medal

Bhagwani Devi Dagar, a 94-year-old woman, made history at the World Masters Athletics Championship, as she bagged gold medal in the 100-meter race category with a record time of 24.74 seconds, and one bronze medal in shot put. Earlier she had also participated in Delhi State Athletics Championship and secured gold in shot put, javelin throw, and 100m sprint. Her grandson, Vikar Dagar, is also a recipient of the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award.



AUSTRALIA

Lowest unemployment rate

According to the Australian Bureau of Statistics, the Australian unemployment rate took a 48-year low dive as the hiring opportunities in the country exceeded all expectations, and even recorded outstanding vacancies and largest increase in interest rates. As per the reports, the net employment surged to 88,400 in May and brought gain for the year to a rousing 4,38,000. The jobless rate has recorded to be the lowest since August 1974.



Etruscan shrew is the world's smallest terrestrial mammal and has a heartbeat that can reach up to 1500 beats per minute.

Best Top Story

<p>1st AGS Gurugram</p> <p>Aisa kaisa paisa! The Art Of Management Of Money Meets The Makeup Of Ignorance</p> <p>Riya Kharyal, X</p>	<p>2nd AIS Gurugram 46</p> <p>What a steal! Window Shopping Through The Aisles Of The Luxe Luxury Industry</p> <p>Swati Jha, XII A</p>	<p>3rd AIS Saket</p> <p>Change begets change</p> <p>Sarthak Sahoo, XI F & Leela Ajeet, X</p>	<p>N AIS Gurugram 43</p> <p>Made for each other The Bittersweet Relationship Between Celebrities And Advertisements</p> <p>Riddhi Rastogi, XI D & Ayushi Goel, XII C</p>	<p>N AIS Noida</p> <p>The final recourse We Continue To Tread A Tightrope As Nature Struggles For Survival</p> <p>Kreetik Thakur, XII D</p>
<p>N AIS Vasundhara 1</p> <p>Bread for every breath Walking The Tightrope Between The Demand And Supply Of Food</p> <p>Aanya Narula, IX A & Anupriya Bhatnagar, XII C</p>	<p>AIS Pushp Vihar</p> <p>The Afghanistan adversity 50 Years Of Struggle Later, The Country's Tragic Tale Continues...</p> <p>Dhruv Banerjee & Angad Singh Ahuja, XI G</p>	<p>AIS Mayur Vihar</p> <p>MONOPOLY</p> <p>Chaitanya Roy, IX C</p>	<p>AIS Vasundhara 6</p> <p>The shadow pandemics An Earnest Look At The Lesser-known Consequences Of COVID-19</p> <p>Ananya Mittal, IX B & Anika Bansal, IX D</p>	<p>AIS VKC Lucknow</p> <p>Gearing up to go green Decoding The Electric Vehicle Roadmap In India One Path At A Time</p> <p>Gouri Srivastava & Varada Kachroo, IX B</p>



Best Career Story

<p>1st AIS Pushp Vihar</p> <p>Through The Lens Exploring The Artists World Of Photography And The Opportunities Therein</p> <p>Yasmin Tandon, XI D</p>	<p>2nd AIS Vasundhara 6</p> <p>Man of the match</p> <p>Aadya Kapoor, XI D</p>
<p>3rd AIS VKC Lucknow</p> <p>Be a writer</p> <p>Aashna Bhalla & Vanshika Singh, IX A</p>	<p>N AIS Gurugram 43</p> <p>The edible art</p> <p>Koyal Das, IX B</p>
<p>N AIS Noida</p> <p>The nation is calling! It's Here To Straighten The Steel Frame Of India, Shall We?</p> <p>Sanjali Sharma, X L, Dalaisha Aggarwal, XII J & Shreya Saxena, XII N</p>	<p>N AIS Vasundhara 1</p> <p>The new superheroes!</p> <p>Vaidehi Agarwal, XI A, Anika Joshi, XI C & Aanya Narula, IX A</p>

INTERVIEW

Best Interview

<p>1st AIS Vasundhara 1</p> <p>The future of reality Adding Research, Science And The Different 'Whos' Of The 21st Century</p> <p>Aastha Vij, X A & Vaidehi Agarwal, XI A</p>	<p>2nd AIS Pushp Vihar</p> <p>Dolly'ing up the drapes The Woman Who's Six Years Ahead Of Her Time</p> <p>Saanvi Vaish, XII C & Shagun Jain, XII D</p>	<p>3rd AIS Gurugram 43</p> <p>Paralysis to Paralympian 'Age Is Just A Fickle Number: Not Your Limit,' Says Paralympian Deepa Pabla!</p> <p>Mansha Rapria, IX B & Ayushi Goel, XII C</p>	<p>N AIS Gurugram 46</p> <p>Mapping education for all GT Hangs On To The Importance Of Education In India And More!</p> <p>Mansi Kumari, XI H</p>	<p>N AIS Noida</p> <p>The man of many hats Golfer Rajeshwar Rastogi On His Love For Sports And More</p> <p>Sanjali Sharma, X L</p>
<p>N AIS Vasundhara 6</p> <p>The passion of a writer In Conversation With Haran Kanani</p> <p>Aadya Kapoor, XI D</p>	<p>AIS Saket</p> <p>The 3Ps of sustainability Don't Hang On To The Need To Create A Sustainable World</p> <p>Sarthak Sahoo, XI F & Madhav Sharma, X D</p>	<p>AGS Gurugram</p> <p>From High Commission The Resonance Of A Story About Opportunity</p> <p>Samudi Ranawake, XII</p>	<p>AIS Mayur Vihar</p> <p>A valorous voice Rahul Aggarwal On The Role Of News Media In Today's World!</p> <p>Anushka Ramesh, XI F</p>	<p>AIS VKC Lucknow</p> <p>Nation first, always first All 60 Countries Journey From Fighting On The Border To Saving Lives Within</p> <p>Anubhav Singh, XI B & Shreya Srivastava, IX A</p>

GROUND REPORTING Best Ground Reporting

<p>1st AIS Saket</p> <p>Making Left 'Right' The Left Hand Shop - A Convenience Store For Those Facing Inconveniences</p> <p>Ishika Sharma, XI D & Prisha, IX B</p>	<p>2nd AIS VKC Lucknow</p> <p>NO MORE SCARRED Shedding Cuts - Where Acid Attack Survivors Get A Whole New Lease Of Life</p> <p>Mariam Fatma & Varada Kachroo, IX B</p>	<p>3rd AIS Noida</p> <p>From waste to vogue! Landing A Step From The Land Of Opportunities</p> <p>Suhani Sirohi, XII & Shubhika Garg, Alumna</p>	<p>N AGS Gurugram</p> <p>Bowled over! The Organisation That Is Changing The Field For Blind Cricketers, One Over At A Time</p> <p>Viwaswan Jha, X</p>	<p>N AIS Gurugram 43</p> <p>The perfect Garniche It's What It Takes To Be Served Like Royalty At Your Own Dining Table!</p> <p>Mansha Rapria, IX B & Siddharth Kishore, XI A</p>
<p>N AIS Vasundhara 6</p> <p>Re-purpose your life Meet The People At Pepsal Farm Who Care For All That Breathe and Exist</p> <p>Aadya Kapoor & Adya Srivastava, XI D</p>	<p>AIS Pushp Vihar</p> <p>At Garbage café... We Believe In The Notion Of 'More The Waste, Better The Taste'</p> <p>Shyla Basu, XI C & Nalin Jayaswal, XI B</p>	<p>AIS Vasundhara 1</p> <p>Anger management Get Post-Up Aggression! Come To Baseball Cops To Let Go Of Your Anger!</p> <p>Ananta Taneja, XI D & Vanshita Bhandari, XI A</p>	<p>AIS Mayur Vihar</p> <p>What's popping? A World Abundant With Toys, Colors, Contours, And Much More</p> <p>Naina Srivastav, X A</p>	<p>AIS Gurugram 46</p> <p>Carbon combat Bringing Down The Pollution Of The World, One Carbon Dioxide Molecule At A Time!</p> <p>Kriti Panwar, XII F</p>

<p>AIS Mayur Vihar</p> <p>Building a career</p> <p>Ananya Gupta, XII G</p>	<p>AGS Gurugram</p> <p>Targeting marketing</p> <p>Armaan Soni, XI</p>
<p>AIS Saket</p> <p>A-Z of Art For Whom The World Of Words Falls, A Career In Art Thrives</p> <p>Vidhi Khurana & Abhilasha Kuba, XI E</p>	<p>AIS Gurugram 46</p> <p>Finding treasures</p> <p>Mahi Modgil, X A & Jaya Jha, XI J</p>

The world's smallest mammal is Kitti's hog-nosed bat. It is also known as bumblebee bat because of its diminutive size.



Tiny ones

Nidhi Barthwal, GT TC, AIS VKC Lko
Participating in the GT Making a Newspaper Contest for the first time and winning the coveted awards has been an incredible learning experience for the students of AIS VKC Lko. 😊

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Divya Bhatia, Principal, AIS Saket
It was truly heartwarming to be the winner of the coveted GT Best Newspaper Award. Winning it for two years in a row is truly a dream come true. 💜

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Autobiography

Best Autobiography

<p>1st</p> <p>AIS Pushp Vihar</p> <p>Poetry - born to perdure A Deep Dive Into The Metaphorical World Of Words That We Call Poetry</p> <p>Nandini Sunil & Harshaa Kawatra, XII E</p>	<p>1st</p> <p>AIS Saket</p> <p>Locked in the cabinet The Tale Of An Abandoned Bone China Cup</p> <p>Ishika Sharma, XI D</p>	<p>2nd</p> <p>AIS Noida</p> <p>Buzzing since '92</p> <p>Samiksha Dubey, XI J</p>	<p>3rd</p> <p>AGS Gurugram</p> <p>The memoirs of me Presenting To You The Theoretical Autobiography Of An Autobiography Zeal</p> <p>Viwaswan Jha, X</p>	<p>N</p> <p>AIS Mayur Vihar</p> <p>Reminiscing Rahim Tale Of A Forgotten Love</p> <p>Aarushi Aggrwal, XI C</p>
<p>N</p> <p>AIS Gurugram 46</p> <p>A Judy-cious tale A Posthumous Note From A Special</p> <p>Vanalika Maini, XI A</p>	<p>AIS Gurugram 43</p> <p>The statue of unity? An Autobiographical Account Of The World's Tallest Statue!</p> <p>Eshaan Ramaul, X A</p>	<p>AIS Vasundhara 1</p> <p>An instrument of change The Mighty Fountain Pen Tells Its Tale</p> <p>Supriya Dhingra, X B</p>	<p>AIS Vasundhara 6</p> <p>The local hero The Ride-Or-Die Companion Of Every Mumbaier For The Past 168</p> <p>Prisha Khandelwal, XII F</p>	<p>AIS VKC Lucknow</p> <p>THE TWIN TOWERS... The Tale Of The Collapsing Towers That Once Adorned The Americas</p> <p>Srishti Verma, XI E</p>

SCIENCE BEDTIME STORIES

Best Science Bedtime Story

<p>1st</p> <p>AIS Gurugram 46</p> <p>A RUSTY STEELY CURSE What Happens When A Lazy Metal Meets The Wrath Of Water And Air?</p> <p>Aditya Pathak, XII B</p>	<p>1st</p> <p>AIS Noida</p> <p>A shared existence A Creative Glimpse At The Symbiotic Relationship Between Fungi And</p> <p>Tanisha Karmakar, XII N & Kavesha Raina, XII J</p>
<p>2nd</p> <p>AIS Vasundhara 1</p> <p>A testament to memory The Thrilling Saga Of How Information Is Stored In The Human Brain</p> <p>Naman Gupta, XI A</p>	<p>3rd</p> <p>AGS Gurugram</p> <p>The wrath of zinc What Happens When One Element Replaces Another In A Compound?</p> <p>Kasak Jain, X</p>
<p>N</p> <p>AIS Gurugram 43</p> <p>Mr Droppy's fun adventure The Rollercoaster Ride Of Evaporation, Condensation And Precipitation</p> <p>Ayushi Jain, IX A</p>	<p>N</p> <p>AIS VKC Lucknow</p> <p>A floating fiasco To Fathom The Mechanism Behind The Principle Of Buoyancy</p> <p>Yousuf A. Siddiqui, VI B</p>

APERSPECTIVE

Best Perspective Story

<p>1st</p> <p>AIS Pushp Vihar</p> <p>Jungle of opinions An Insight To Influencing The Public View Point</p> <p>Saanvi Vaish, XII C & Harshaa Kawatra, XII E</p>	<p>2nd</p> <p>AIS Vasundhara 1</p> <p>Call into the future Knowing More About Our Ancestors Through Cave Art!</p> <p>Anika Joshi, XI C</p>	<p>3rd</p> <p>AIS Saket</p> <p>Let's be active Not On Screens But In Reality And In This Essay I Will</p> <p>Sunayana Ray, XI F</p>	<p>3rd</p> <p>AIS Mayur Vihar</p> <p>A happy ending... Adding A Pinch Of Reality To The Happy-Ever-After Sunday</p> <p>Aarushi Aggrwal, XI C</p>	<p>N</p> <p>AIS Gurugram 46</p> <p>Work in progress A Meeting To Discuss SDGs Organized By The SDGs</p> <p>Ananya Agarwal, XI E</p>
<p>N</p> <p>AGS Gurugram</p> <p>Curiosity: dead? The Issue Of The Slow Burning Demise Of Inquisitiveness</p> <p>Anshita Kumar, X</p>	<p>AIS Noida</p> <p>To put the fluence Analysing The Culture Of Influence One Step At A Time</p> <p>Vanya Tandon, XII J</p>	<p>AIS Gurugram 43</p> <p>Who should run the country? The Answer For This Should Definitely Be Generation Z</p> <p>Siddharth Kishore, XI A</p>	<p>AIS Vasundhara 6</p> <p>It's so touching! The Mythical Facts Of A Single Yet Profound Touch</p> <p>Ananya Sharma, XI E</p>	<p>AIS VKC Lucknow</p> <p>Insuring nature... ...To Conserve It And Further Ensure Climate Resilience</p> <p>Shreya Dwivedi, XI E</p>

ABC OF NEWS

Best ABC Of News

<p>AIS Saket</p> <p>The court of Elementia Here's A Sneak Peek Into The House Of Elementia</p> <p>Hridayanshu, X B</p>	<p>AIS Pushp Vihar</p> <p>A little surprise The Story Of A Little Surprise</p> <p>Shreya Biswas, XI C</p>	<p>1st</p> <p>AIS Saket</p> <p>e-Rupi: Empowering the unbanked A Complete Breakup Of The New Electronic Payment Mode</p> <p>Nandita Bansal, XI E & Endri Agrawal, IX C</p>	<p>2nd</p> <p>AIS Noida</p> <p>The Pegasus Panic The Lockdown On The Pegasus Spyware Controversy And The Parties Involved</p> <p>Anwasha Samanta, XII B</p>	<p>3rd</p> <p>AIS Mayur Vihar</p> <p>Swaying south-east</p> <p>Vidhi Pandey, XI I & Ridhima, IX A</p>	<p>N</p> <p>AIS VKC Lucknow</p> <p>The doblly trap What's this about? Well, well...what is this all about?</p> <p>Ananya Pandey, XI E</p>	<p>N</p> <p>AIS Gurugram 43</p> <p>Jab we MET... ...The Greatest Gals In The History Of Fashion And Charity Events</p> <p>Anoushka Tyagi, XII D & Praneeta Tanwar, XI D</p>
<p>AIS Vasundhara 6</p> <p>A very cold zenith The Wonders Of Ice And The Groups She Created</p> <p>Aastha Sharma, XII B</p>	<p>AIS Mayur Vihar</p> <p>A MAGICAL MUSICAL "My name is Aladdin and with me is my Cin My friend, my saviour, my inseparable kin Whenever I happen to rub this lamp of tin He pops out instantly with a glorious spin Do you believe in magic and mystery? There is no such thing without chemistry!"</p> <p>Vidhi Pandey, XI I</p>	<p>N</p> <p>AIS Vasundhara 1</p> <p>Meet Zojila Tunnel Everything You Need To Know About Asia's Longest And Emotional Tunnel</p> <p>Anupriya Bhatnagar, XII C</p>	<p>AGS Gurugram</p> <p>The central vista dilemma Wondering As To The Project That Is Taking Down Your Childhood Memories?</p> <p>Shubhangi Lakhnpal, X</p>	<p>AIS Gurugram 46</p> <p>The Indian coal crisis A Storage That Would Affect Up All Industries, Here's How...</p> <p>Tanish Jain, XI B</p>	<p>AIS Pushp Vihar</p> <p>The Suez Canal roadblock How One Fatal Incident Cost The World Billions Of Dollars A Day!</p> <p>Shyla Basu, XI C & Sohun Basu, XI G</p>	<p>AIS Vasundhara 6</p> <p>Let's do a headcount! Deciphering The Much-Debated Population Bill Of Uttar Pradesh</p> <p>Madhav Sharma, IX D</p>



Brookesia Micra, also known as Nosy Hara Leaf Chameleon, is the smallest reptile in world. It can fit on the end of a human fingernail and can only get as big as an inch.

GT Awards

And the nominations are...

Best Fictional Story

<p>1st AIS Mayur Vihar A cliché murder Storywala Chaitanya Roy, VIII C</p>	<p>2nd AGS Gurugram THE ACT Storywala Vidushi Goswami, XI</p>	<p>3rd AIS Vasundhara 1 All is found Storywala Kanishka Sharma, VI D</p>	<p>3rd AIS VKC Lucknow Room number 13 Storywala Yusra Zahra, VII B</p>	<p>N AIS Saket Missing since 2020 Storywala Saniya Sethi, XII D</p>
<p>N AIS Pushp Vihar The fate of five calls Storywala Saanvi Vaish, XII C</p>	<p>AIS Gurugram 43 Watch over Storywala Sanskriti Dev, XII B</p>	<p>AIS Gurugram 46 Secret voices Storywala Khushi Bansal, XI C</p>	<p>AIS Noida Pinky promise Storywala Aditi Banerji, XII I</p>	<p>AIS Vasundhara 6 Being Fairy Godmother Storywala Ayana Sahay, XI B</p>

Riya Kharyal & Anshita Kumar AGS Gurugram, XII
Preparing our first contest edition was one bumpy ride. Nevertheless, with the constant push from our mentor, our eyes never left the prize, and we made sure to put our all into the edition. 🙏
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Aditi Banerji, AIS Noida, Alumna
From doubting ourselves initially to finally taking the Best Newspaper Award home, GT Newspaper Making Contest 2021-22 has been one hell of a ride; a roller coaster we wouldn't have survived, were it not for our teachers. 🏆
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Best Just For Laughs

<p>1st AIS Gurugram 43 A tea-rific tale Narrative Of India's Staple Beverage, Without Whom Chase Would! Saanvi Goyal, IX</p>	<p>2nd AIS Pushp Vihar GHOST(ING) THE AUDITIONS As The Ghosts Compete For A Film Post Aditya Chugh, XII C</p>
<p>3rd AIS Gurugram 46 An artistic courtroom Greatest Artist From The Century Gone By Meets The Artist Of Sayantani Dubey, XI J</p>	<p>AIS Noida The subtle art of sarcasm Now, Not Everyone Can Be A Picasso! Ishani Singh, XI E & Aditi Banerji, XII I</p>
<p>N AIS Vasundhara 6 Eat. Sleep. Riot. Repeat. A Day In The Life Of A Desi Monkey Hoping To Land A Decent Job! Gauri Singh, XII C</p>	<p>N AIS VKC Lucknow Pineapple pizza: blessing or curse? You Can Try But Won't Be Able To Find A More Controversial Pizza Topp Gauri Srivastava, IX B</p>

Best Poem

<p>1st AIS Gurugram 43 Did we evolve? Avni Munjal, IX D</p>	<p>2nd AIS Noida What's my worth? Sanjali Sharma, X L & Ananya Pareek, X B</p>	<p>3rd AIS Gurugram 46 Black is my colour Jaya Jha, XI J</p>	<p>3rd AIS Vasundhara 6 The tale of a bird Naisha Das, IV E</p>	<p>N AIS Mayur Vihar Phantom Ridhima Pant, IX A</p>
<p>N AIS VKC Lucknow Same fate as Titanic Varada Kachroo, IX B</p>	<p>AGS Gurugram A soldier returns Gauri Sharma, VIII</p>	<p>AIS Pushp Vihar The crossroads Nalin Jayaswal, XI B</p>	<p>AIS Saket The silhouette Tanya Ganguly, X B</p>	<p>AIS Vasundhara 1 Chess Board Anvay Arora, X C</p>

Best History Decoded

<p>1st AGS Gurugram Be the next Neil Armstrong Suheer Menon, IX & Ayush Soni, X</p>	<p>1st AIS Gurugram 43 The last letters Ishanya Sharma, X B & Riddhi Rastogi, XI D</p>	<p>2nd AIS Saket High Tea in Boston Ishika Sharma, XI D</p>	<p>3rd AIS Vasundhara 6 The great Watergate scandal Aadya Kapoor, XI D</p>	<p>N AIS Noida Fall of the iron curtain Pavani Joshi, XII J & Ananya Tomar, XII A</p>
<p>N AIS Mayur Vihar The beginning of THE END Radhika Panday, IX D</p>	<p>AIS Gurugram 46 Cascading BARRIERS Sayantani Dubey, XI J & Dhriti Sethi, XII I</p>	<p>AIS Pushp Vihar SPACE RACE Shyula Basu, XI C</p>	<p>AIS Vasundhara 1 INTELLIGENCE REPORT Anupriya Bhatnagar, XII C & Anika Joshi, XI C</p>	<p>AIS VKC Lucknow 1991 economic crisis Piyush Gupta & Aman Singh, XI E</p>

<p>AIS Mayur Vihar The battle is online! Facing Every Student's Current Worst Nightmares: The Dreadful Online Kashvi Singh Das, X</p>	<p>AGS Gurugram Nightmarish hell A Young Scholar's Spine-Chilling Journey To The Depths Of Hell And Aadvik Bhargava, IX</p>
<p>AIS Saket A black and white love story Hears How Things Got A Lot More Spicy When Salt Met Pepper Resham Talwar, XII C</p>	<p>AIS Vasundhara 1 Play hair! The Ultimate Orbital Of Getting A Haircut Aanya Narula, IX A</p>

The smallest monkey in the world, the Pygmy Marmoset, stands 4.6 inches tall and can fit around a human finger.



Tiny ones

Shweta Tomar, GT TC, AIS Vas 6
 Exhilarating awards, enthralling performances, and excitement galore - who wouldn't fancy being a part of it all. Once again, as always, the GT Awards left everyone mesmerised. Team Vas 6 is beyond thrilled as they have added another feather to their hat. 🏆🏆
 4d 2.5K likes Reply

Swati Jha, AIS Gur 46, Alumna
 Ever since I saw Megha di get on the stage to receive the schooltime achievement award, it has been on my bucket list. I could not absorb the reality of the win until today when I saw that beautiful video. I am grateful to have been a part of this amazing journey. 😊
 4d 2.7K likes Reply

Best Graphic/Imaging



Amrit Warwal, XI G



Riya Kharyal, X



Aarush Agrawal, IX A



Eshaan Ramaul, X A



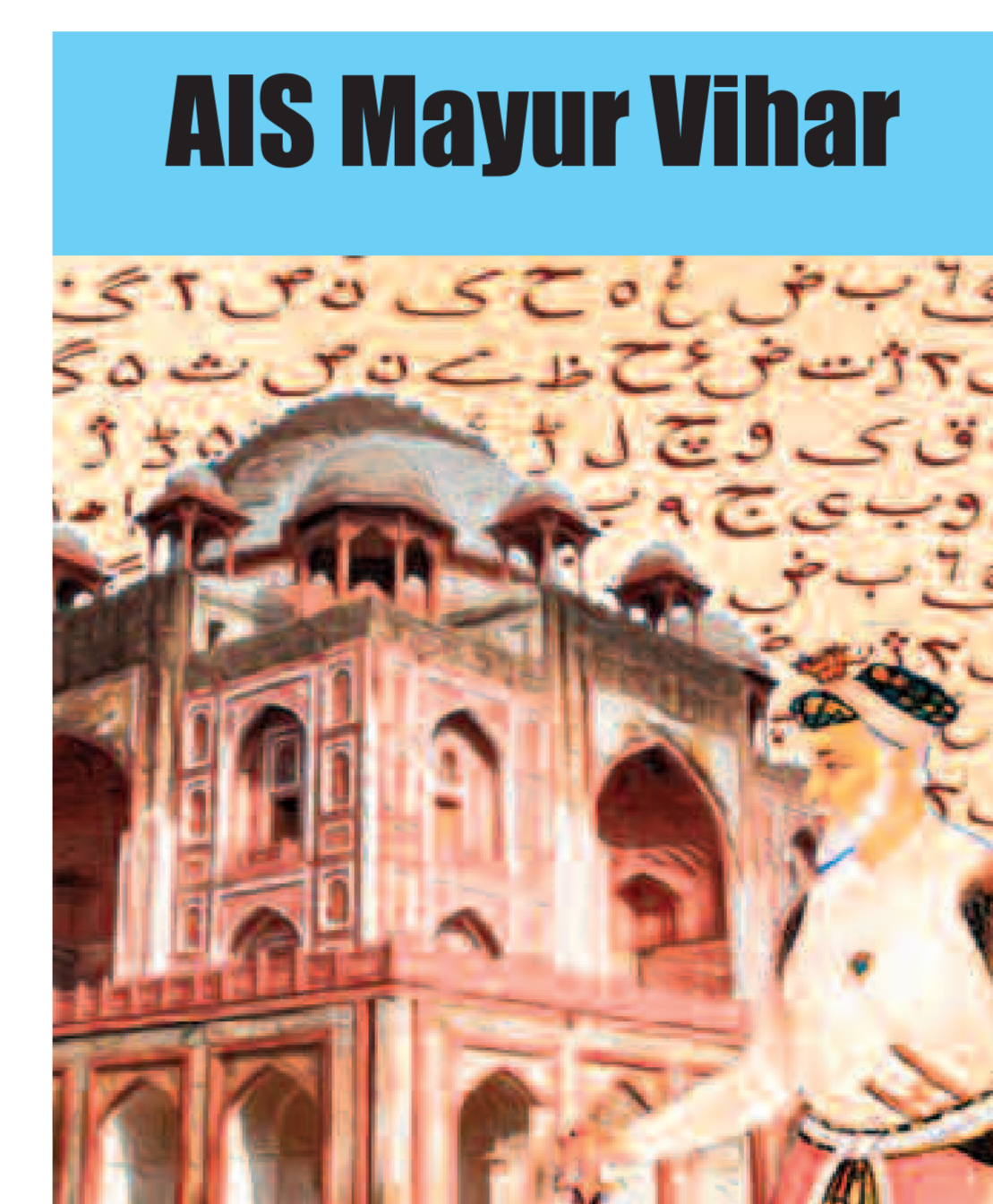
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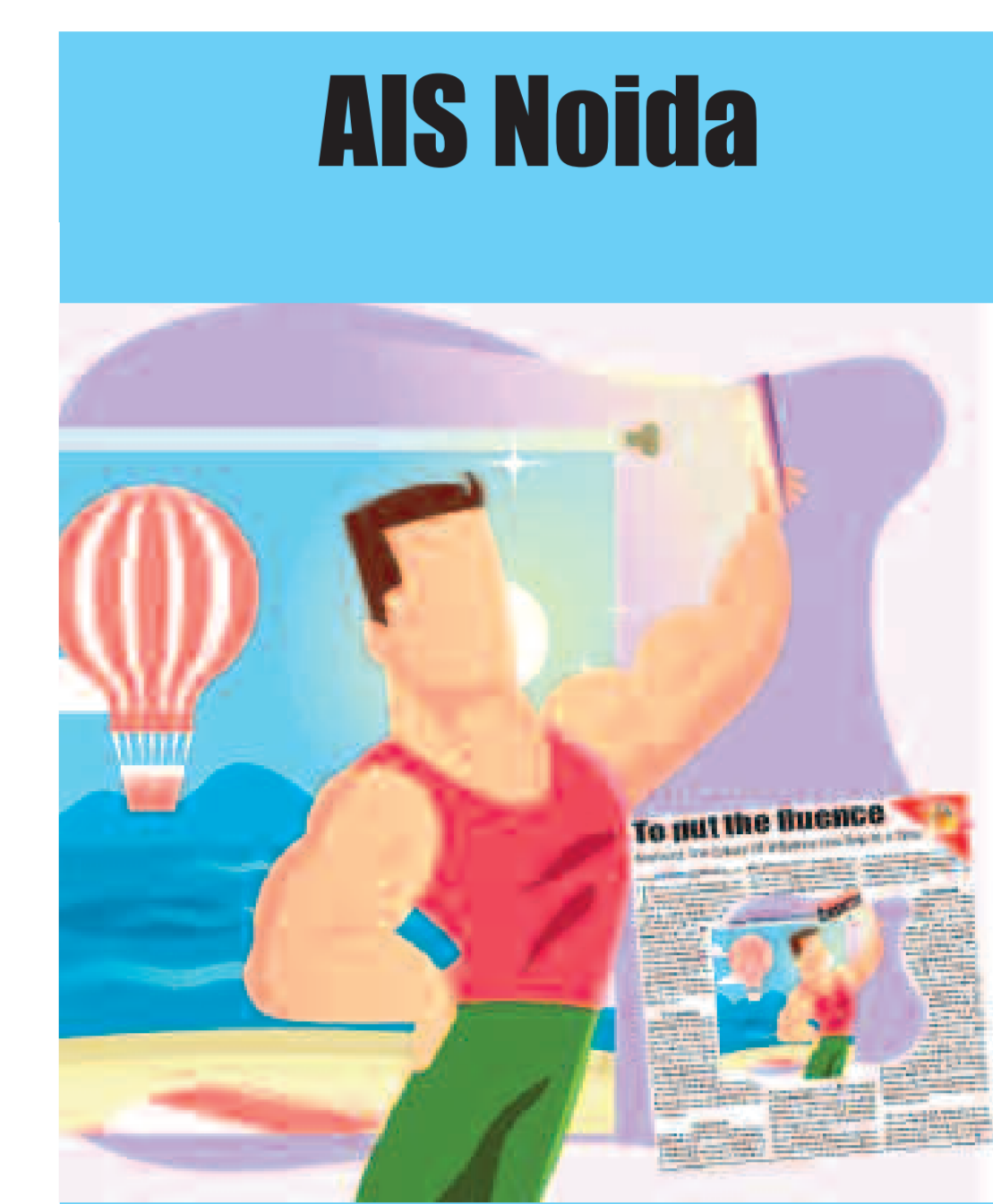
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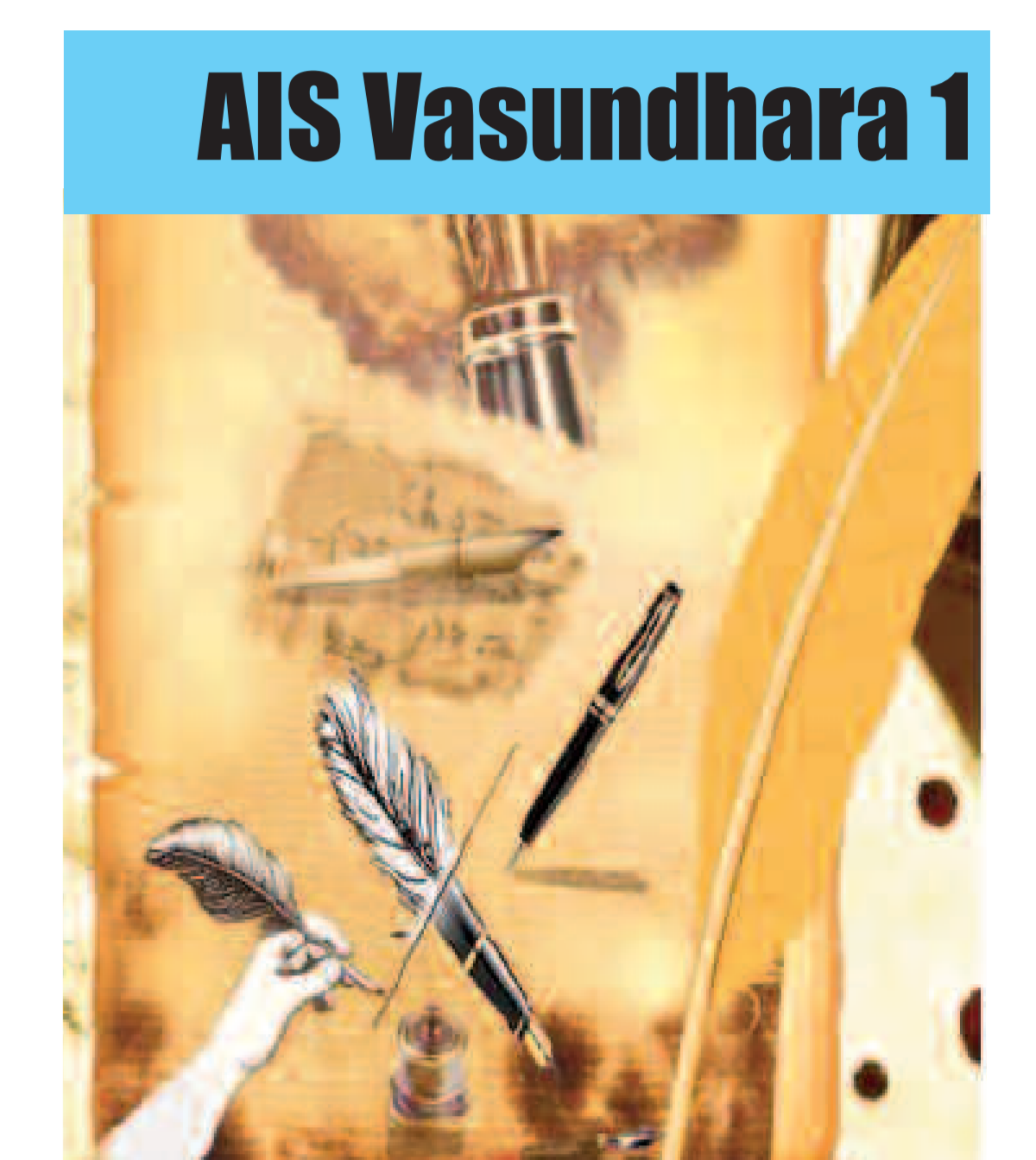
Raghav Agrawal, XI C



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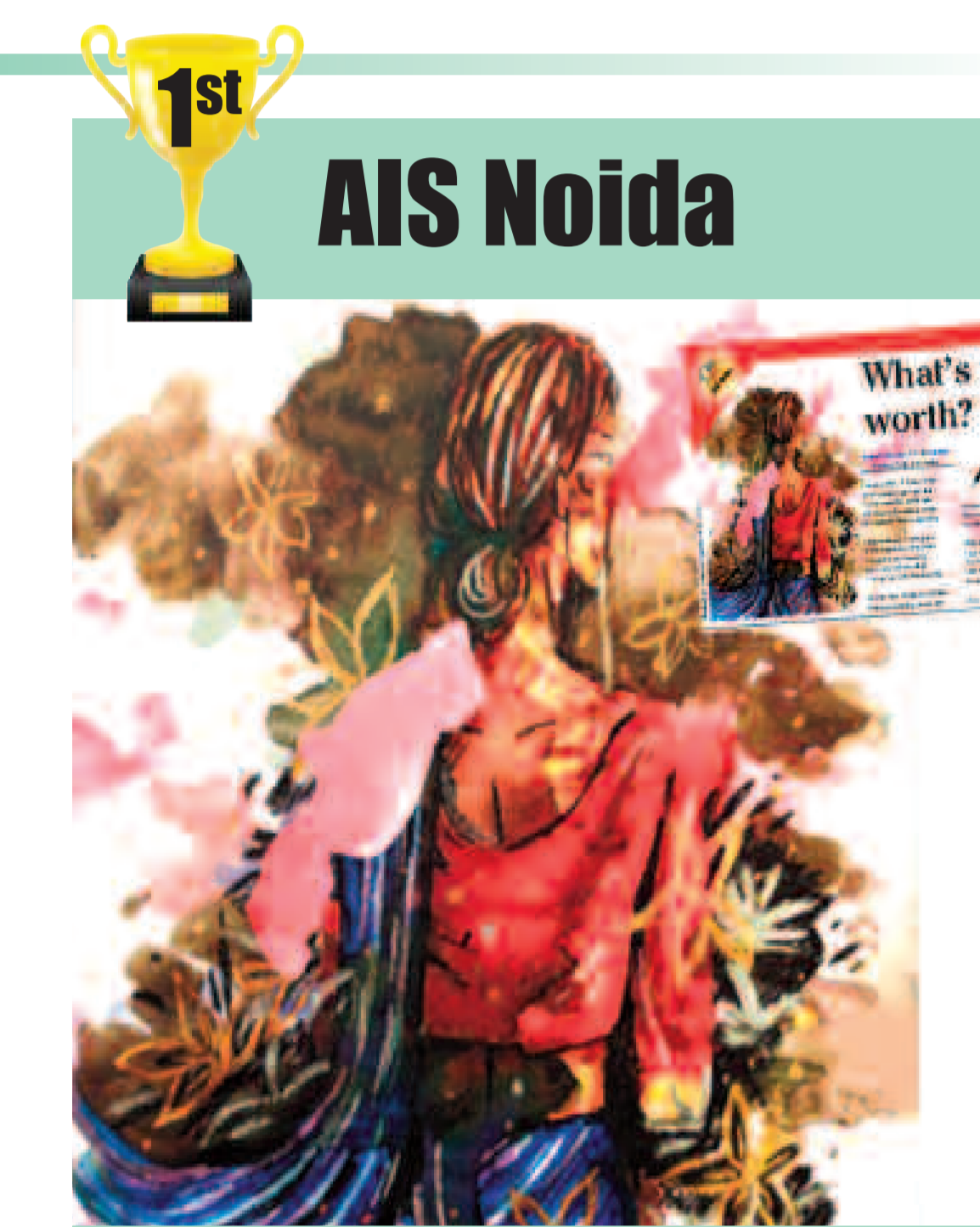


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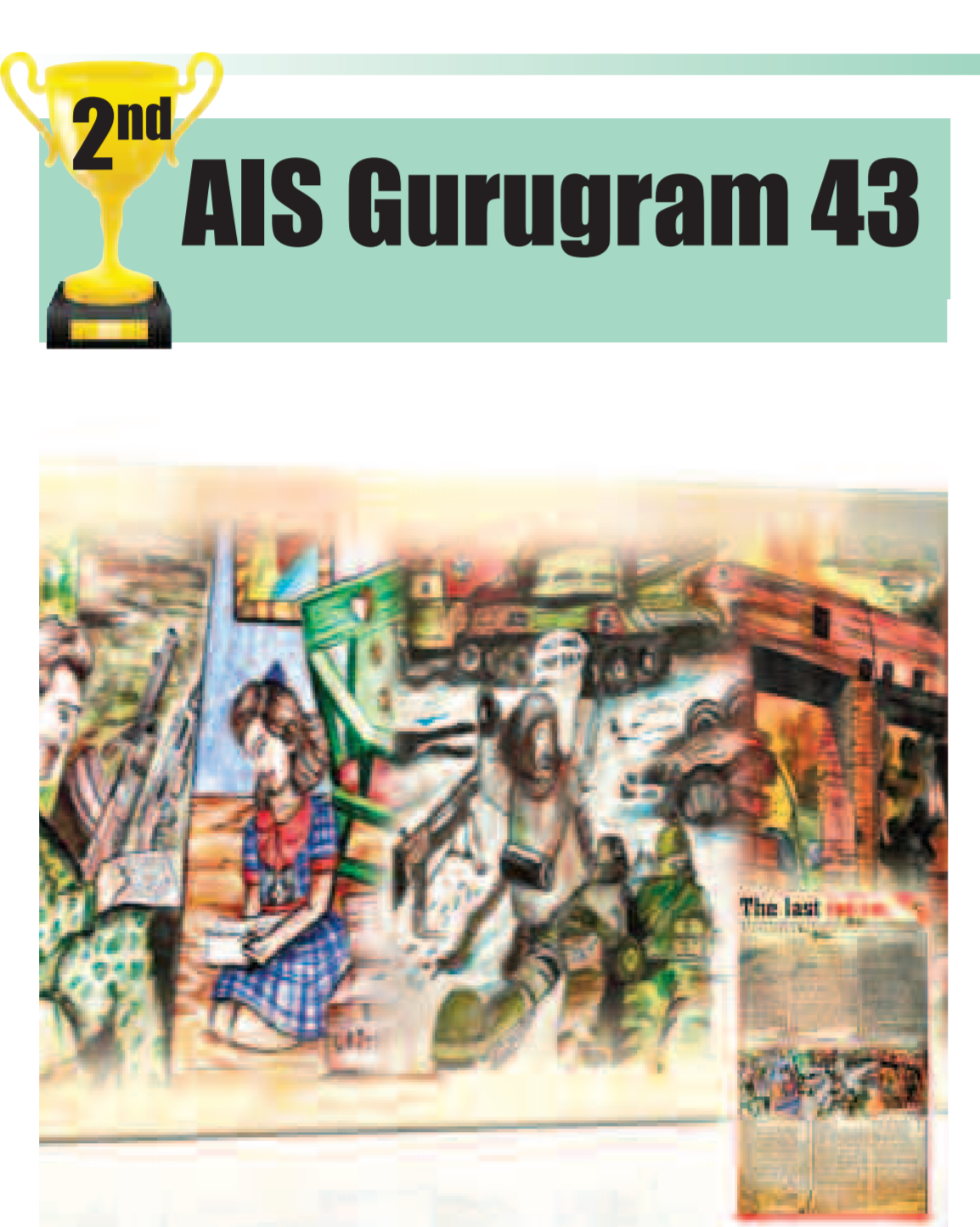


Shiwang Aryan, XI A

Best Illustration



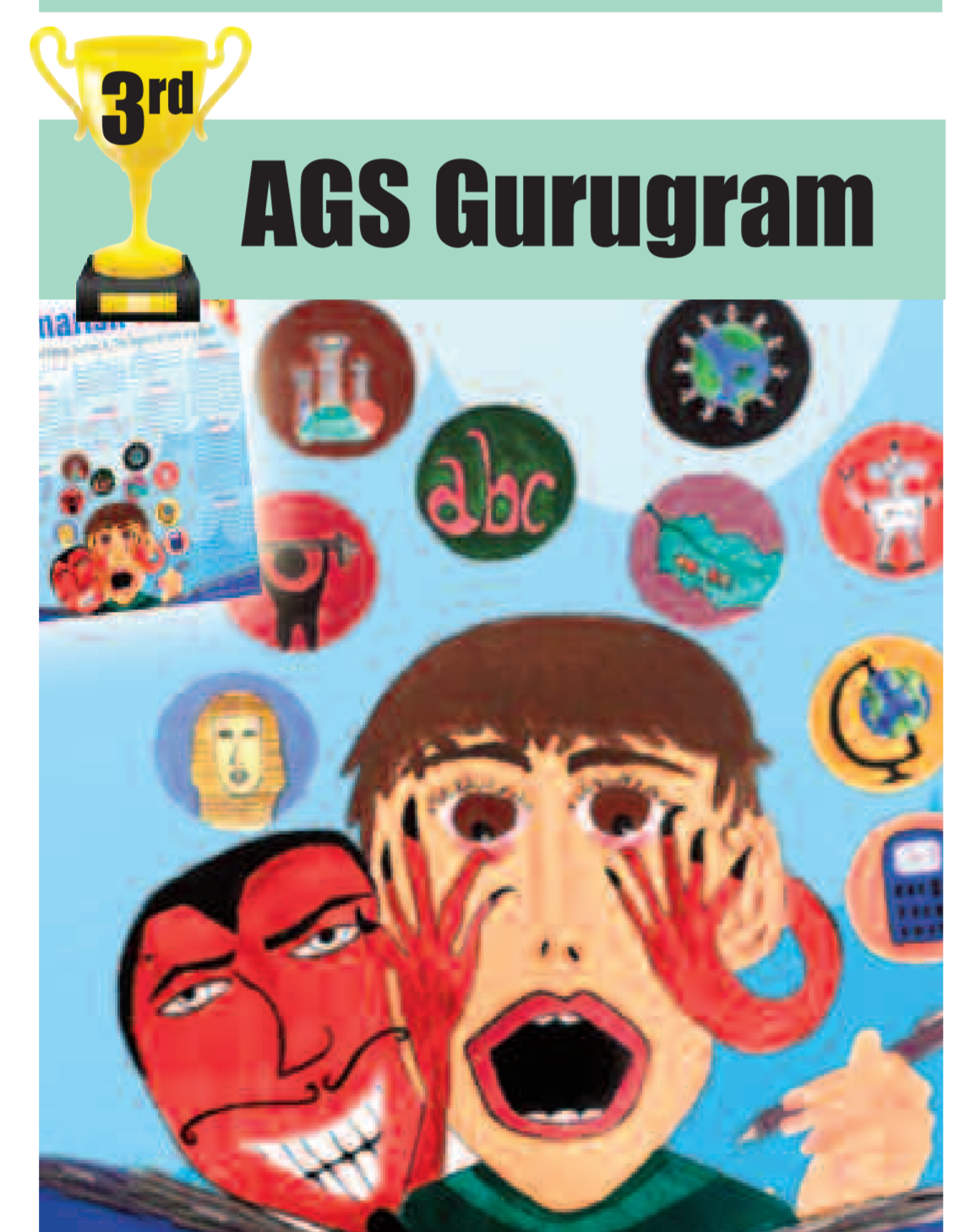
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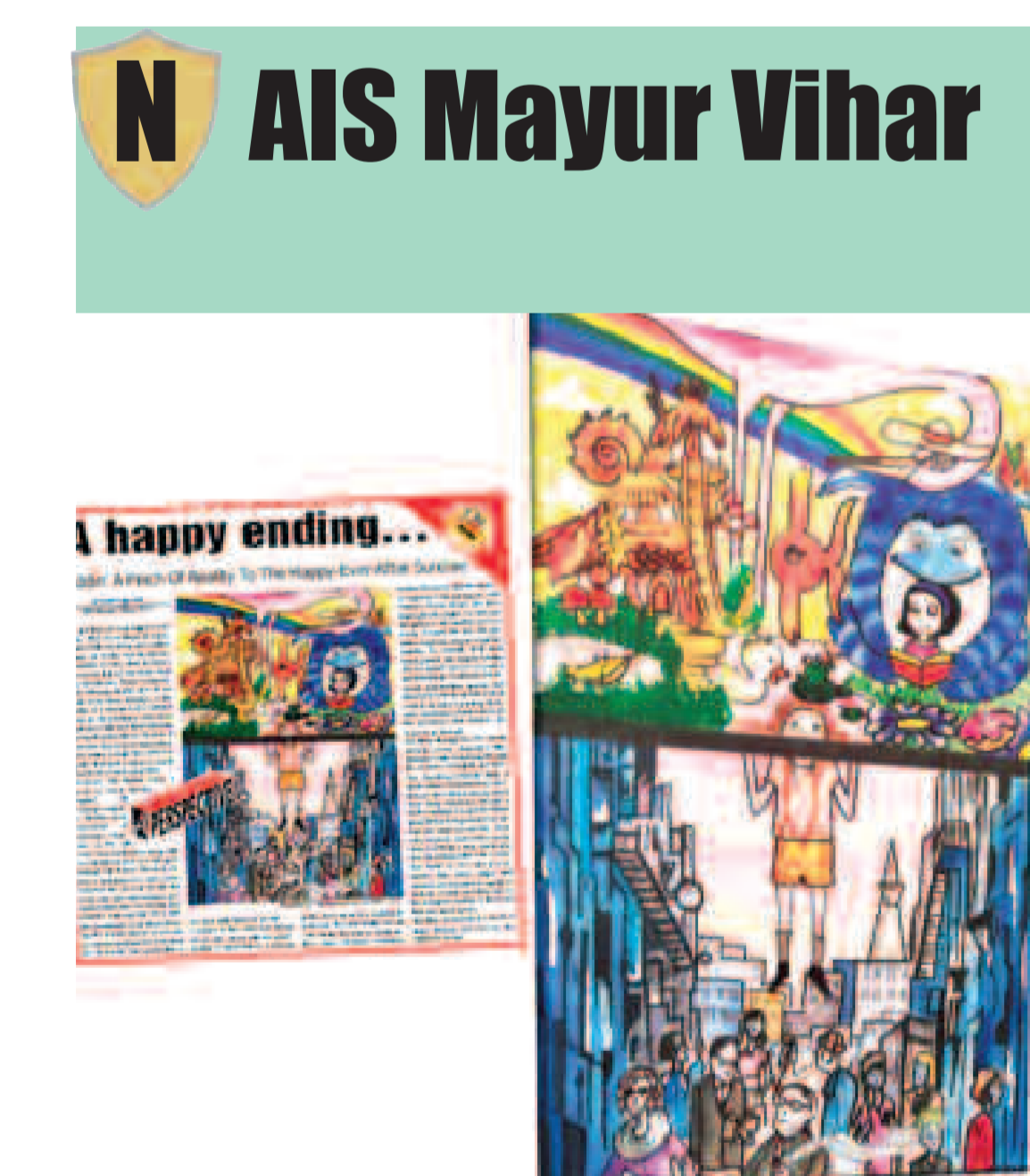
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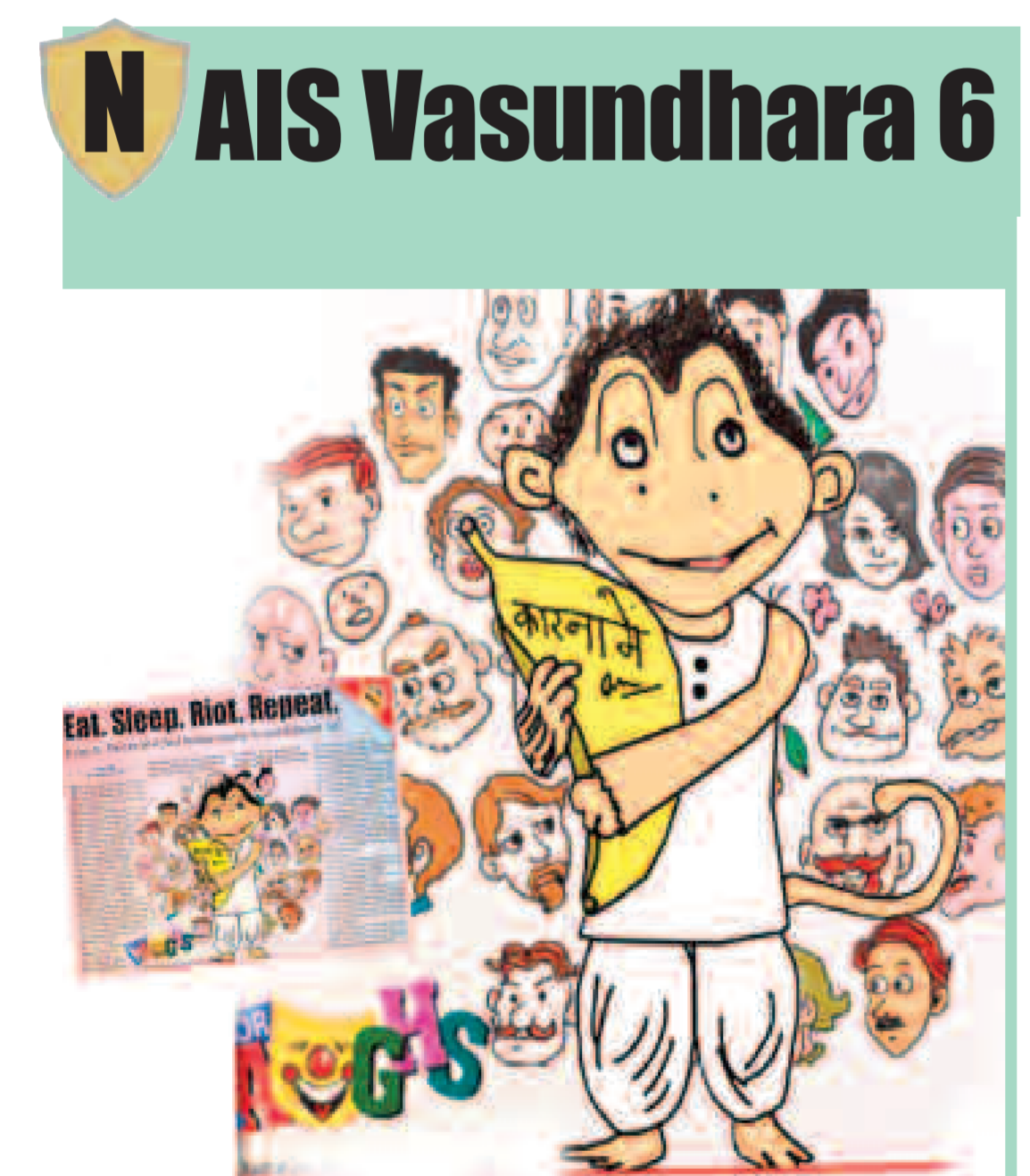
Nayonika Mavuri, XI



Dhanvi Gupta, X



Ananya Arya, XI C



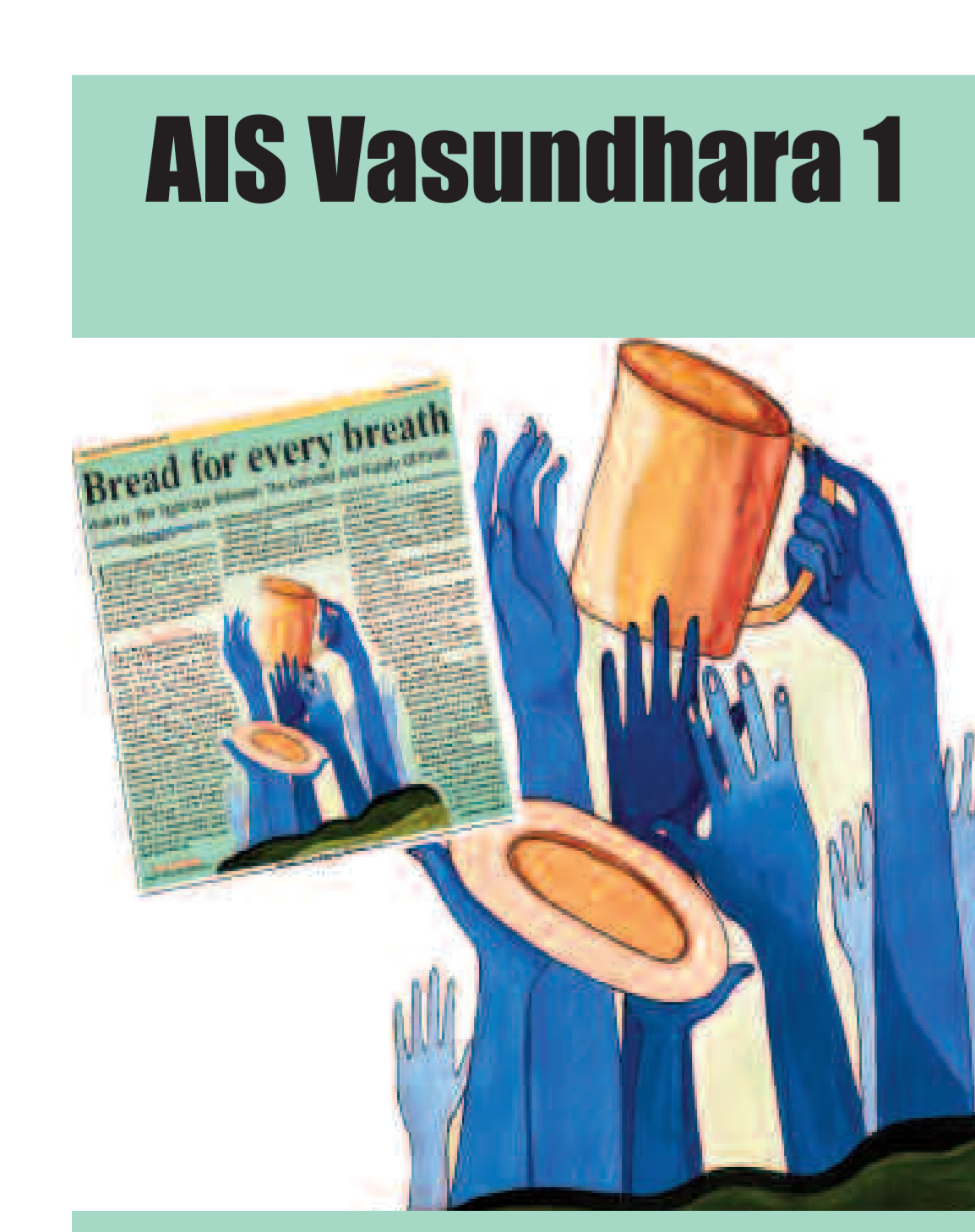
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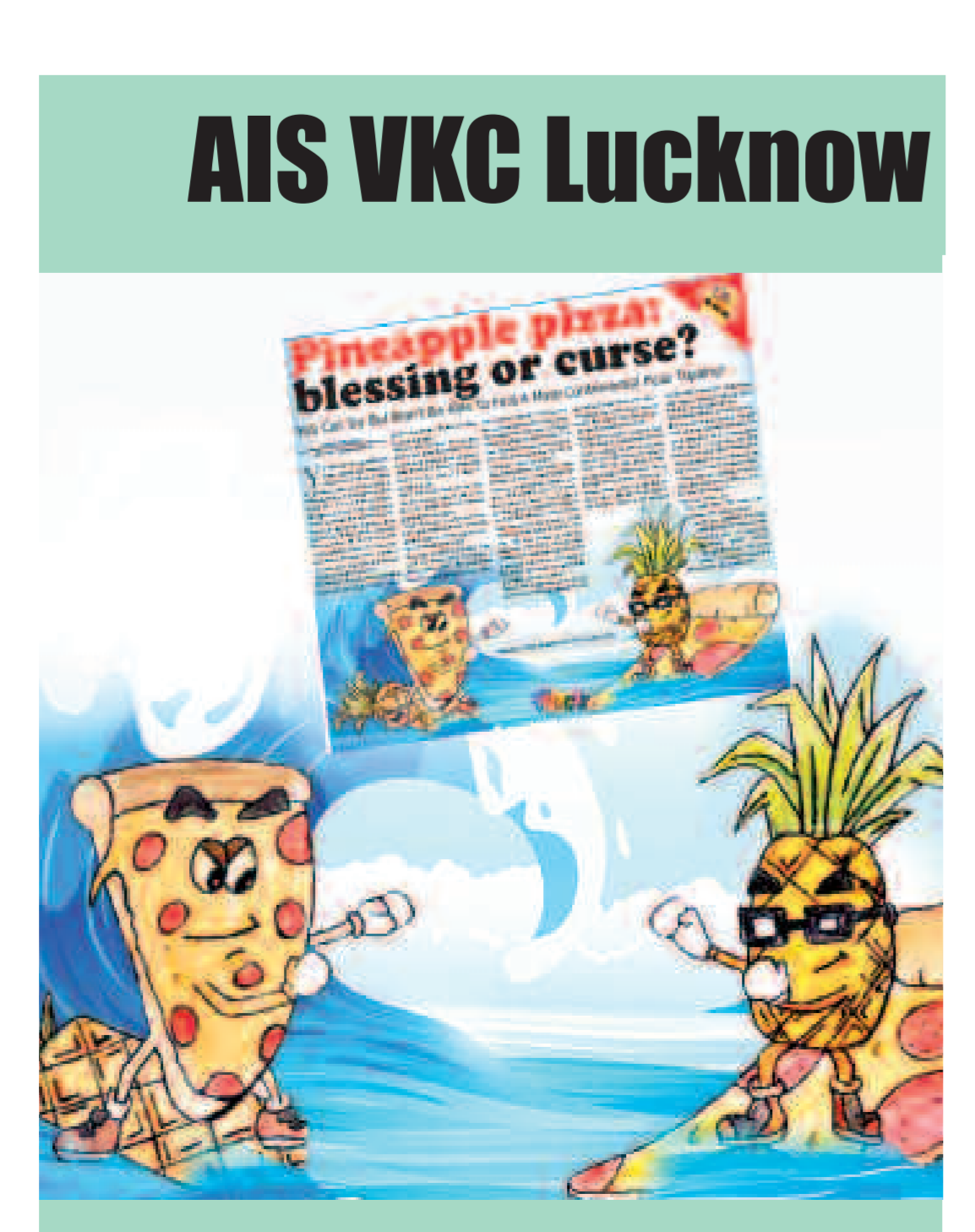
Abhilasha Kuba, XI E & Bipanchy Hazarika, XI F



Nainika Gupta, IX B

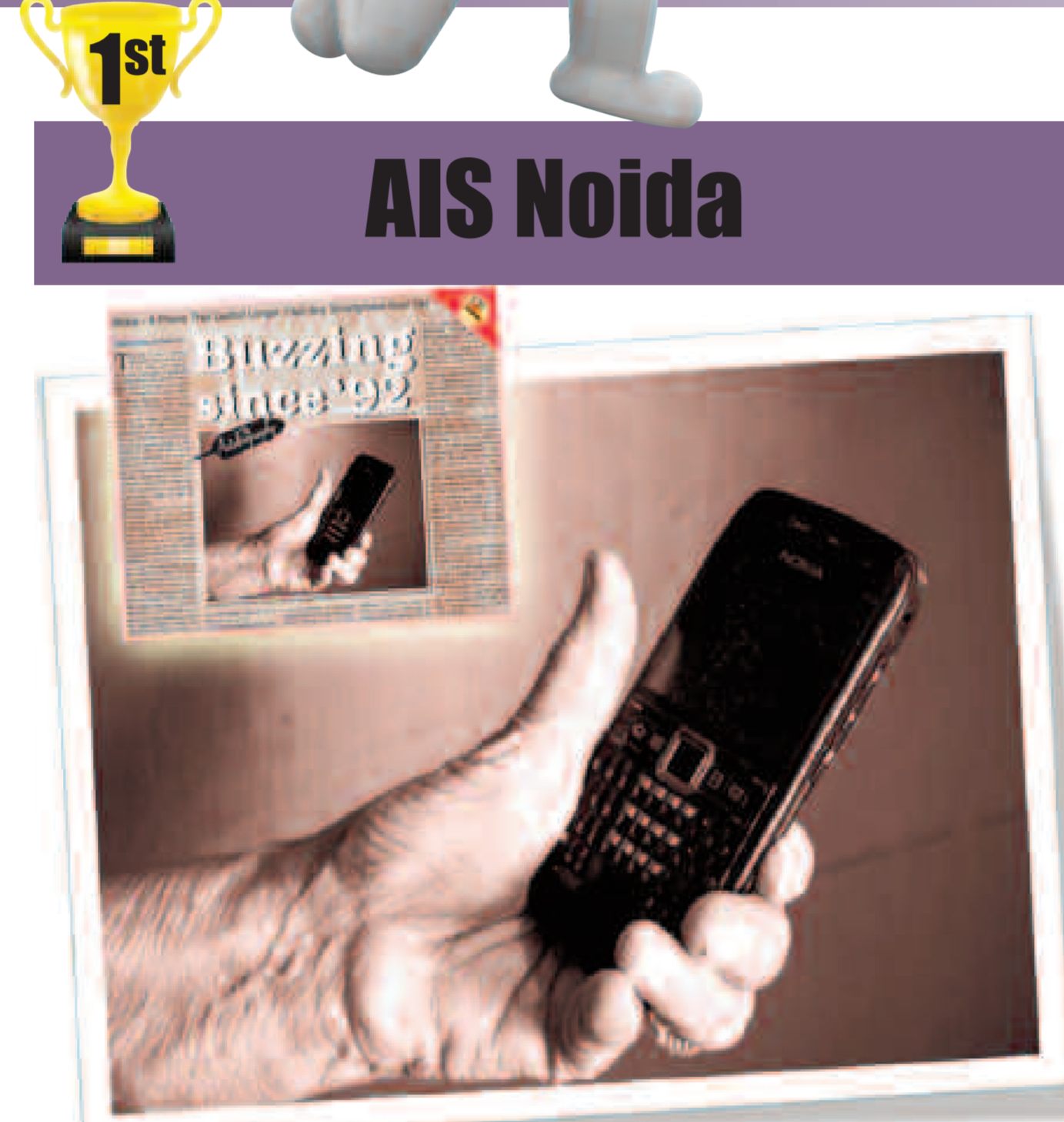


Agrima Ahuja, IX B



Sohini Srivastava, IX A

Best Photography



Pranav Arora, XII G



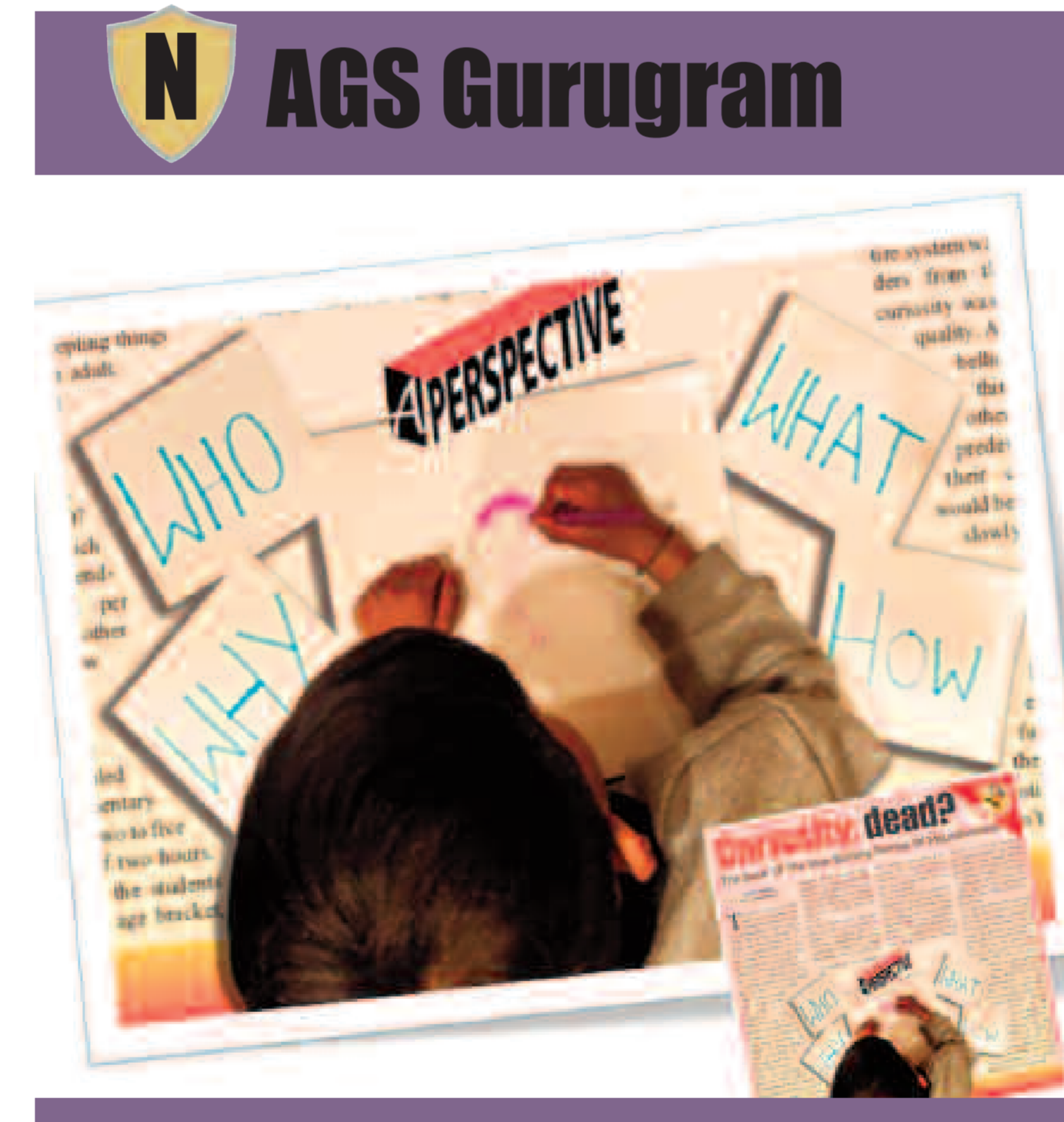
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Sanyam Jain, XI H



Diya Arora, IX B



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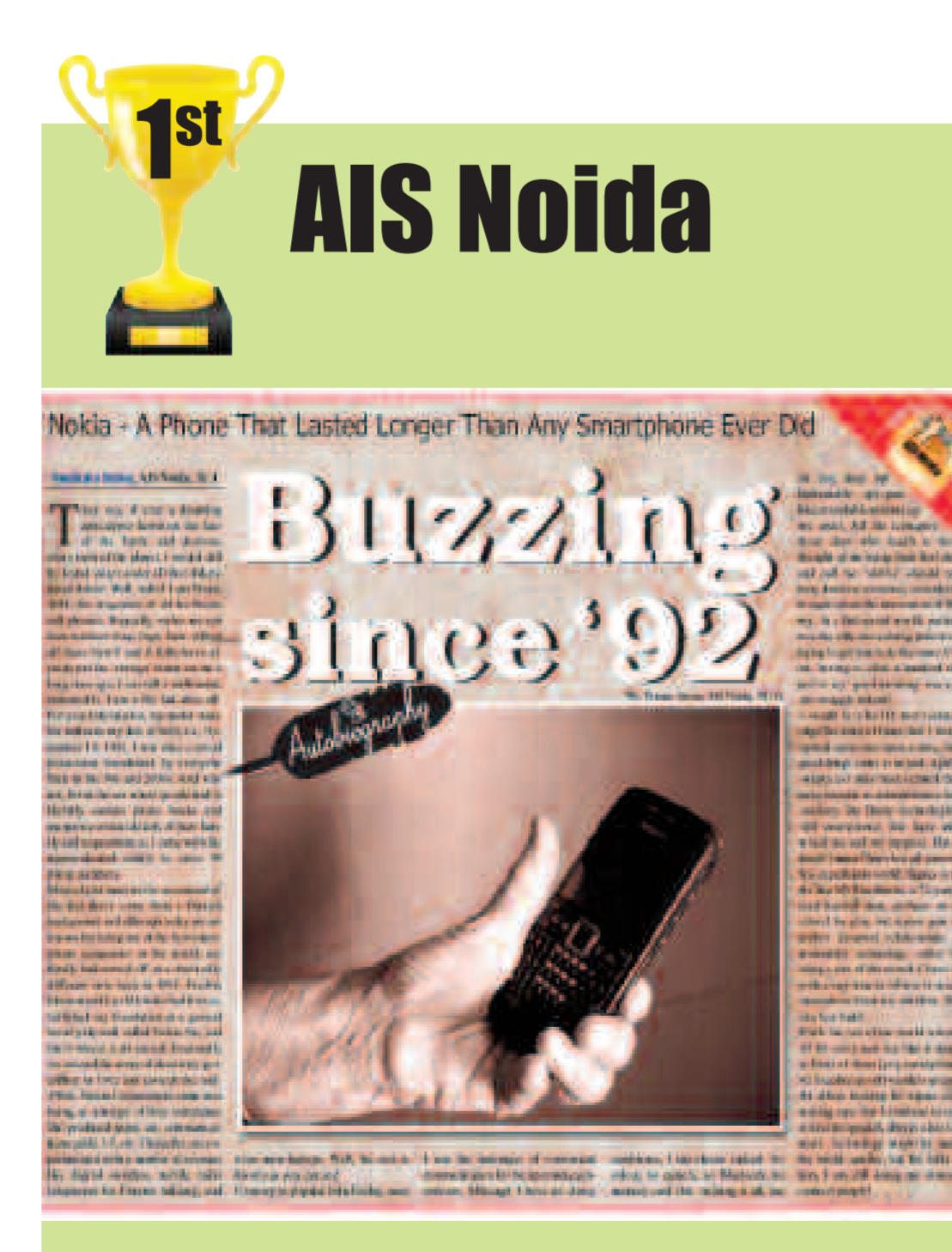


Pratham Sharma, XI A



Shikhar Srivastava, X I

Best Headline



Samiksha Dubey, XI J



Viwaswan Jha, X



Anoushka Tyagi, XII D & Praneeta Tanwar, XI D



Swati Jha, XII A



Naina Srivastav, X A



Saanvi Vaish, XII C & Shagun Jain, XII D



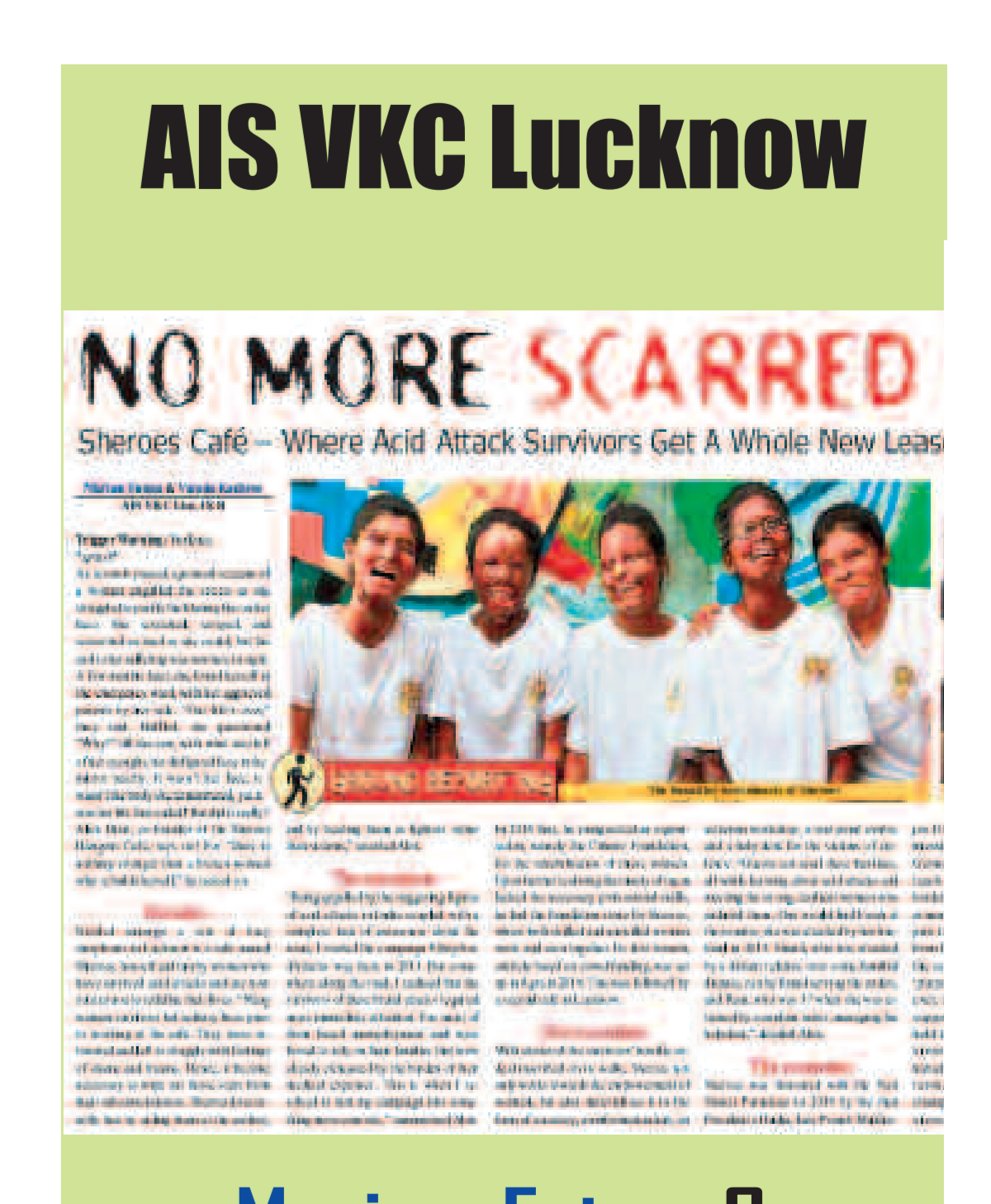
Resham Talwar, XII C



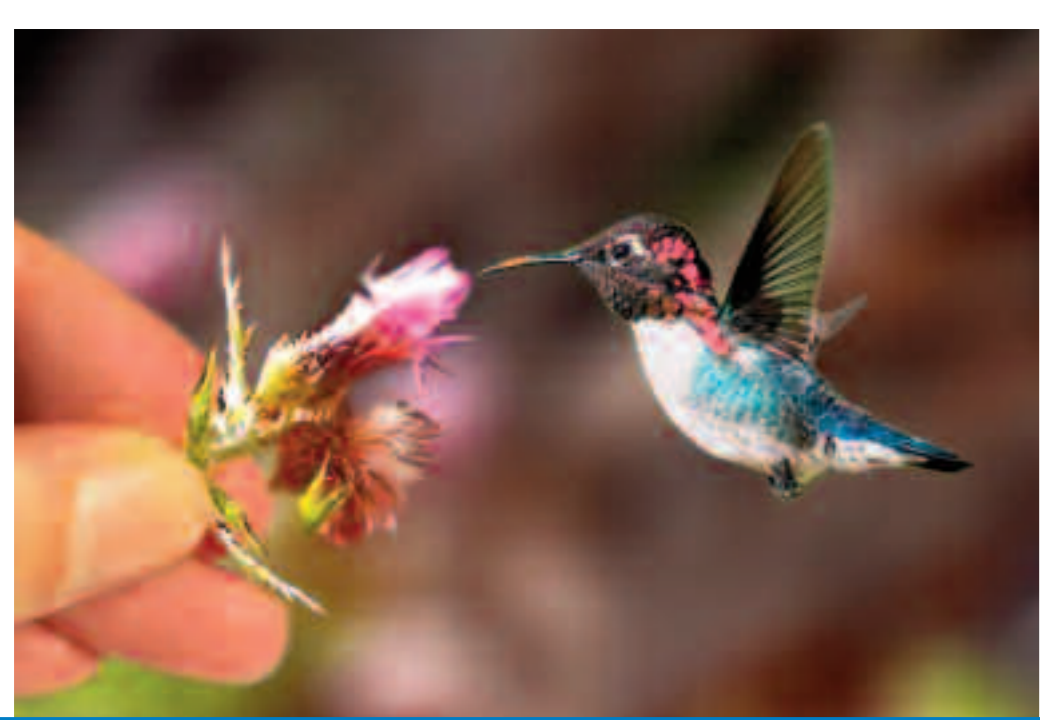
Aanya Narula, IX A & Anupriya Bhatnagar, XII C



Madhav Sharma, IX D



Mariam Fatma & Varada Kachroo, IX B



The bee hummingbird is the world's smallest bird. It can reach a length of 2.2 inches and can fly in all directions.

A full ¹⁰⁰



Dr. Amita Chauhan
Chairperson

"This is better than a live event." These were my first thoughts as I logged into the virtual GT Award ceremony. Seeing my young Amitiens cheering for their respective school, with their principals and teachers joining in, shining pom-poms swinging in the air; I was almost transported back to the pre-pandemic era when all of us witnessed the magic of loud applause and cheers in the F2 auditorium at Amity University. This event though conducted digitally, brought back the euphoria of real interactions, as students enjoyed a screening of the award ceremony in their respective schools.

My heart swelled with pride each time an Amitian stood in front of the camera in their respective school on bagging an award. My eyes welled with emotion when I saw my Amity Alumnus join the event from different corners of the world. My happiness knew no bounds when I saw the whole of my Amity family come together, including heads of various departments who announced winners of different awards. GT Awards, in its hybrid version, was truly a treat for all of us. But what makes this event truly special is that it celebrates the talent of young Amitiens. I have always believed that written words have great power to transform not only individuals and societies, but also the nation. I wanted to create a platform, for my Amitiens, which could hone and enhance their written and communication skills. In 2007, this idea took shape in the form of The Global Times, which was born as the first-ever registered student newspaper of India. In the last decade and half, it has evolved into a creative space that is not just about penmanship, but also about diligence and passion. I vividly remember a guest journalist telling me that he envies GT students, as they have already become journalists, while he earned this distinction only when he entered the industry after finishing college. I, too, believe that children who are active in GT definitely have a head start.

GT Awards 2022 too was a great head start, a perfect stepping stone as we slowly but steadily transition from the virtual to the real world. A full 100 to the winners and the entire GT team for showing us that the path ahead is bright indeed.

Josh is back



Vira Sharma
Managing Editor

GT Awards always elicit continuous rounds of cheering, but this year this applause became a thunderous roar as thousands witnessed this grand spectacle conducted in the hybrid mode for the first time. Pom-poms, cheerleaders, dance gigs, high-fives and on-ground interviews, this year's GT Awards had it all! My heartiest congratulations to those who won in various categories and also my admiration for those who may not have bagged an award but were equally responsible for the success that GT has become. And this resounding success is all due to the creativity and hard work put in by each of its contributors. Last time when the GT Awards were held online for the first time, we could not include as many children as we wanted. This year, we were determined to bring back the JOSH into the event, and better armed with technology this time, a plan was formed to hold the event in a hybrid mode. The result? Student and teachers from all the schools across India were able to attend the live ceremony. This was for the first time in the 15 year long history of GT that we had almost every branch of Amity - from the new ones at Gwalior and Lucknow to Amity Global Schools - taking part in the awards ceremony.

In fact, this year the number of schools participating also increased. This is a happy evolution for us because more competition not only helps children develop important skills like resilience, perseverance and tenacity, but also prepares them for wins and losses later in their life. They learn how to take turns, encourage others, and develop empathy. This is exactly what GT wishes to do, so more power to our GT stars!

Like father, like son

From Father Of The Nation To All The Millennials And Gen Z

Madhav Sharma, AIS Vas 6, XI E

'Change is the only constant', some may say. But some things choose not to change anyway. From the ancient times to the modern, some ideologies are definitely here to stay!

Not only India, but the entire world held him in high regard, learned immensely from him, and tried to follow in his footsteps! For however old he may have been, however archaic his ideologies may seem, but they have withstood the test of time, to such an extent that even the millennials and generation Z swear by what he preached, even before half of us had breathed. I know you know him - the father of the nation - our very own Bapu. And here are some of the ideologies he passed on to us as his timeless legacy!

Cleanliness

*'Been there, done that!'
From Gandhi to Modi!*

In Sabarmati- his abode, in India- his motherland, in all the foreign countries- his allies, wherever he went or lived, he ensured that he spread the message, 'cleanliness is next to godliness', far and wide. Bapu was emphatic about his belief that 'sanitation was more important than independence'. He never felt a hint of shame in cleaning the dirtiest of places and was



always seen promoting good hygiene habits amongst people around him. There is no denying the fact that even today cleanliness, hygiene and sanitation stay on top of a person's list, even more so after COVID-19 happened to humanity. For one should take pride in staying and keeping one's surroundings clean. Not only the citizens but the government, too, gives top priority to projects like 'Namami Gange' and 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan'. So, let's all pledge to be in it together and make our country clean!

Sustainable development

*'Earth is ailing, thought of a cure?'
-From Gandhi to Greta!
Aren't we all going nuts over this one?*

And why not!? If we want to survive, we need to make sure that the planet we stand on can breathe. Use of Charkha, promotion of cotton, trying to reduce wastage, sensitivity to technology, etc., is all evidence enough to showcase that Bapu wanted to fulfill the SDG requirements. In the current times, increased plantation drives, reduced deforestation rates, eliminated plastics, concept of 3Rs, are all hot favourites of every human being. From school kids to adults, people are in fear of existence and extinction, and hence are trying to leave no stone unturned in ensuring that earth does not become a boiling cauldron and is handled with caution. So, let's all pledge to be the torch bearers for posterity.

Peace

*'Age is just a number!'
From Gandhi to Malala!*

Though it's easier said than done but still the world is trying to put its best foot forward in eradicating geographical boundaries and creating one large happy family. Gandhi believed that the rule of law and accountability should be established within our country and amongst all countries. And so, it shall be. Be it the United Nations, other peace ambassadors or people like me and you, everyone prefers to hear the birds chirruping rather than gun fires roaring. Sounds of pleasant laughter are balmier than the shrill sobs of disdain. So, let's all pledge to embrace humanity with open arms.

Gender equality

'Be the change you want to see in the world!'-From Gandhi to girls!

"We should not say that women are inferior to men. It would be a libel and it is a sin," he uttered on innumerable occasions. In an attempt to advocate social positioning of and right to education for women, he moved many a mountains. And here we are, in the 21st century, witnessing a sea of change in the social stature of women in the country. For not less, not more, all we want is an equal stance for all the genders. Even as per our constitution, every person has the right to equality. So, let's all pledge to not look at women any differently.

Artificial intelligence

An Online Threat Looms Over The Offline World



Shreya Madheshwaran
AGS Gurugram, Alumna

In a world running on technology, it cannot be denied that AI has revolutionised our society. From how the wheels of the professional world turn to ways of lifestyle, the two types of AI - Artificial Narrow Intelligence (ANI) and Artificial General Intelligence (AGI) have powerful influences that radiate everywhere with an ever-increasing intensity. But even when AI has transformed our lives in ways our ancestors couldn't have fathomed, it does come with its own grey clouds, raising the question of whether it is all good news or are these techie wires hiding something behind them.

ANI, used by the world for search engine algorithms, GPS, and facial recognition technologies has worked hard to make our daily life easier, but a doubt cannot help but be raised if this smooth sailing is silently taking away our pri-

vacuity. With it knowing our current location at almost all times, to the rich database of digital photographs available on social media, websites, surveillance cameras, and so many other sources - nothing is no longer hidden. A report by Freedom on the Net claimed that 89% of the world's internet users are being actively monitored. Facial recognition, a feature once thought simple and effective, has been brought into light for being misused by many governments and companies to breach privacy and as a tool of authoritarian control, has raised many eyebrows against the evil of AI. Even with the T&C of various famous social networking sites and apps being very dicey, like TikTok and Instagram that can access the user's camera and microphone even when the app is not being used, AI seems to be tripping here and there, crossing the threshold of ethics we should abide by.

Even if we were to conclude that the pros of ANI outweigh its breaches, AGI

comes at us with far more questions of drawing the line of control. With every sci-fi movie ever made warning us about the AI gone bad, the days of it becoming a reality are not so far away. Although this may seem improbable at first, these same ANI have been trained to solve a problem as efficiently as possible, whether it is by causing destruction or not. So, for a pandemic plaguing the world, their simple solution will be to kill all the infected individuals, which sounds the biggest red alert alarm from an anthropological perspective. As we rejoice in the potential of AI solving large-scale global issues, a worry for it gaining too much lurks in the back of our minds. With the predictions of robots doing 30% of human work by 2050, even if we create supercomputers that can reach 33.86 quadrillion calculations per second, what use will those calculations be when it ends up putting the same being who created it out of business?

GT M@il

Intellect, not illuminati
A Guide To Blatant Conspiracies At Their Own Game

MOVE REVIEW
Rake in that review

The crown

Issue: Page 5, July 11, 2022

Dear Editor,

This is in reference to the article 'The crown' published on page five of The Global Times edition dated July 11, 2022. The humorous piece beautifully encapsulates the vivid past that the British crown has seen in its 183 years of living in striking detail. Not only are the crown's origins illustrated masterfully, but the long history of the British crown also finds itself succinctly summarised with great skill. The light-hearted and humorous retelling of history is pleasing, as the article bridges the gap between the past and present, making it easier for the students to learn about history which is often considered boring. Thank you, GT, for bringing such informative write ups.

Yashi Sharma
AIS Noida, XI C

The speckled padloper tortoise, the smallest species of turtle on earth, has a lifespan of up to 150 years.



Tiny ones

Shattered memories



Storywala

Avikshit Sahil Upadhyay
AGS Gurugram, XI

There are several moments in life where one has an epiphany. As I rummaged through my attic one fine day and found a brown tattered box there, little did I know that it would become one such reality-defining moment for me. The box had 'Coral movers, the greatest movers' printed on it in faded black letters. Curious, I cut it open with a knife, and what I found next brought back several fond memories of my childhood back to me.

As I rushed to investigate the contents of the box, having hurriedly wiped off the dust that

blew in my eyes while opening it, a wooden ukulele became my first find. One look at it and the memory of every single agonising lesson that I took to learn how to play this thing for more than three years came running back to me. As I pulled one of the strings, vibrating the dust off it, it produced a sound that reminded me of my parents' proud smile every time they heard me play it. From my first pitiful attempt to my last recital in front of the whole school, they always supported me and referred to me as a musician. It's crazy to me how we forget about things, and how one item from our past has the potential to reassemble so many shattered memories. "Ab-

solutely, crazy!" I uttered to myself, smiling.

The next thing that I found in the box was my debating trophy! "Oh, how could I ever let such a prized possession of mine to collect dust?" I thought out loud. Though that debate competition wasn't really the hardest thing I have done or even the most lucrative one, it was something I was most proud of. My parents did not know that I had signed up for it and one day, I brought home a plastic trophy, not worth anything literally, but for me, it was worth more than everything I owned. My parents shared the same feelings; they were so proud of me that we went to a Chinese restaurant the very next

And it was also when I met Joshua O Neill, my best friend and rival, for the very first time.

day and feasted like royals. It was also when I realised my passion for debating, English, and literature. And it was also when I met Joshua O Neill, my best friend and rival, for the very first time. He became an inspiration to me almost instantaneously, not because he was a great person or a genius, but because we shared an intrinsic desire to outperform one another in every manner. As a result, we both elevated each other to levels I could have never imagined. But unfortunately, he died of leukemia a year after I moved out of the country. Though we weren't really in touch or even the best of friends, I still wish I could have told him that he made me who I am today. I will never forget him and it's a pity the world couldn't see his potential realised. "Miss you, Joshua," I whispered, as I placed the box away and returned to my room. For this moment was my epiphany and is solely responsible for making me understand the impermanence of everything, even memories. The oddments of the latter, however, can be resurrected through old souvenirs, no matter how shattered or decrepit they might be. 🇮🇳



Aadya Roy

Chocolate popcorn

Aadya Roy, AIS Saket, XII

Ingredients

Corn kernels	1 pkt
Cocoa powder	1 tsp
Milk	3 tsp
Oil	3 tsp
Dairy milk chocolate	1

Procedure

- In a saucepan, heat some oil on medium-high heat.
- Now, pour the corn kernels in it and cover it with a lid. Let the kernels pop.
- Once the popcorn is ready, pour them in a bowl and keep it aside.
- Now, put chocolate in another pan and heat till it starts melting.
- Quickly add milk and cocoa powder to the pan else the chocolate will start drying.
- Once done, add the cooked popcorn to this chocolate mix. Stir till they get covered in the syrup.
- Voila! Your chocolate popcorn is ready!

WORDS VERSE

In the nature

Ashee Srivastava, AIS MV, IX

The rustling leaves whisper so
Tenderly padded the mother doe
In the scintillating greens around
To listen for any threatening sound

To nurture her young with love
And lead them hand in glove
To teach them that life's a maze
When to run and when to chase

What to do and what not to do
How to make do with what you've
How to know and how to care
Where to find and when to share

A little prod, a slight nudge
Is everything and more than above
Even if it is a fleeting touch
It is all for love, only for love! 🇮🇳



All for culture

Ayden Sharma, AIS Gurugram 46, XII

India is not just any country
It is a paradise of dreams that
Evolves themselves as cultures
Because of its unified structure

These cultures cannot be missed
For they make India stand out
With Kathak and Odissi in the list
Of Indian dances that never miss

Our handicrafts are invaluable
With khadi as our unity symbol
Not just citizens, but comrades
We live so, without any façade

Tabla and flute make all Indians sway
Like tunes of the wedding days
Our varied cultures blend in such way
That makes India best place to stay

Madhubani revives our rich past

Our folk songs make all dance
Our festivals make our lives sweet
Like Telangana's payasam kheer

We join in each other's festivities
Be it of Hindus or of Christianity
We also worship our Mother Earth
On Telangana's Bathukamma Parva

For Telangana's not just any state
But a joint family where in harmony
And hand in hand, people stay joyfully
Enjoying life in its full pomp and glory

In this lockdown, we got separated
Yet our cultures connected every life
Hyderabadi Biryani travelled every day
To all corners of India in this internet age

India's unity, thus, is not a result of wars
But of these rich cultures and art forms
India's unity binds everyone together
Making it the greatest democracy ever! 🇮🇳

It's anagram time!

Yasmin Tandon, AIS PV, XII

An anagram is a word/phrase formed by rearranging the letters of another word. Can you jumble the following to find more words using the exact same number of letters? Let's see!

PS: Don't stray far from the original and look within to find the answers.

1. Silent
2. They see
3. Dirty room
4. The classroom
5. Voices rant on
6. Moon starrer
7. Here comes dots
8. Twelve plus one



Answers

1. Listen
2. The eyes
3. Dormitory
4. School master
5. Conversation
6. Astronomer
7. The Morse code
8. Eleven plus two

PAINTING CORNER

Saumya Gupta
AIS Vas I, IX A





Madame Berthe's mouse lemur, the world's tiniest primate, is over one cm in length and can leap up to three metres.

Long live Tae

Wisdom Tale

Navika Kharbanda
AIS Noida, VI G

Happiness had always been present in abundance in the small village of Tae Town, all thanks to their beloved superhero known as Super Tae. Having the power to read people's minds, Super Tae would use his gift to assist people who faced any problems in their life. Because of this, Super Tae was very much loved by the people around him, and to thank him, the people decided to dedicate an entire week named Tae Week to him. With flowers, ribbons, and photos of him, the villagers decorated the town. Super Tae was very touched to see the love his friends and neighbours were showering on him, but on the other side, Terrible Tangy was burning with jealousy. Terrible Tangy lived in the nearby village where he was just as popular as Super Tae. He even claimed to be a good friend of Super Tae, but, he was jealous of how loved Tae was, and wanted to take him down. He wanted all the glory for himself, so he devised a plan to capture Tae Town, thinking that if he did so, he would somehow also inherit Super Tae's superpower. On the last day of Tae Week, Super Tae was called in the town assembly to give a speech. Then,



Super Tae held the mic and his speech moved everyone to tears. He thanked all the villagers for loving him, and who had come to the event especially to see him. As he thought of neighbouring villages, his mind went to Terrible Tangy, and he was shocked! With his superpower, he could see that Terrible Tangy was hiding behind the stage, ready to pounce on Super Tae and take him down. He gasped, and Terrible Tangy took this as a cue to attack. Since, both of them were strong, so the fight went on for a long time. The villagers

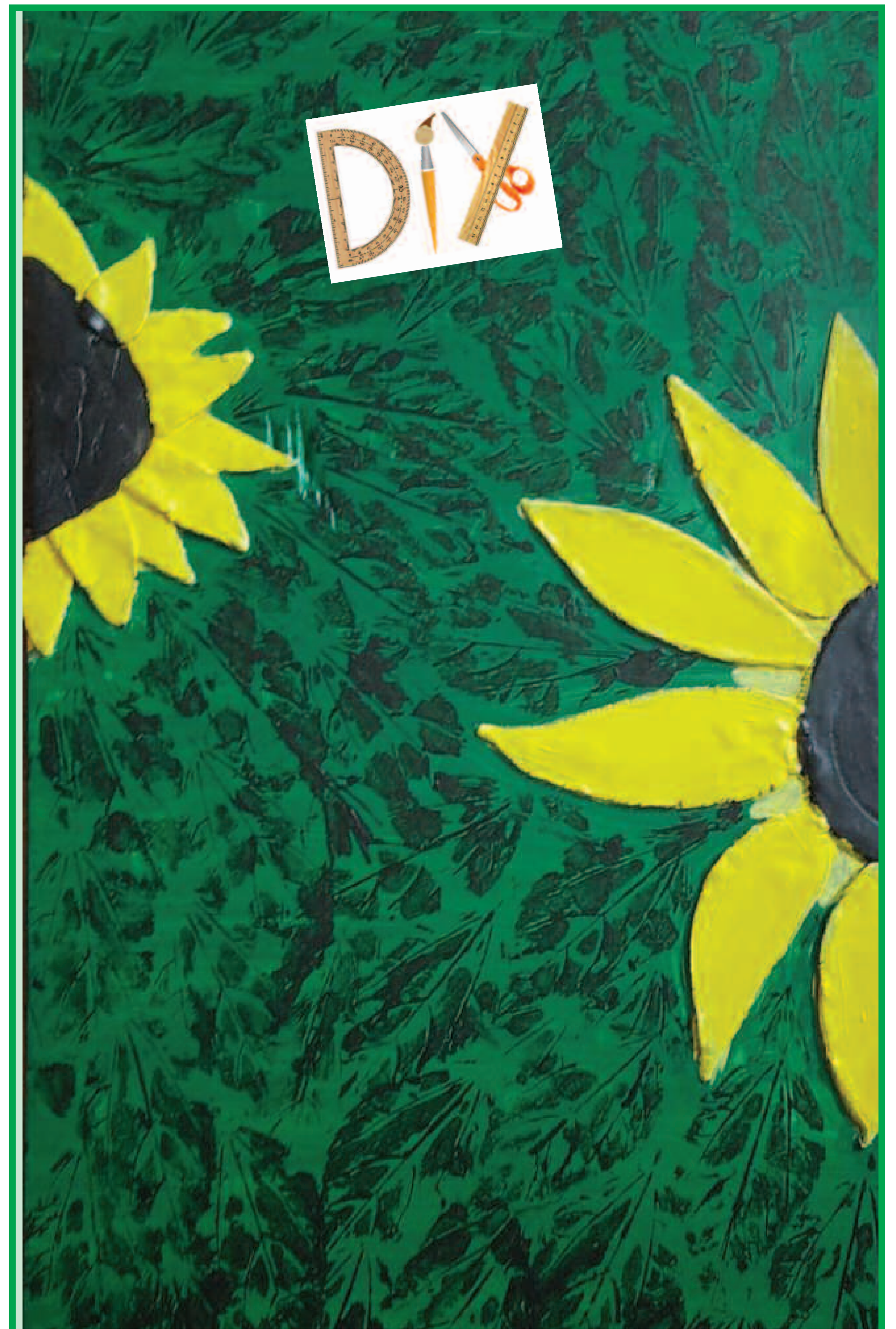
gathered around to help Super Tae, and in the end, Terrible Tangy was defeated. "I have given you so many chances to be a better person and to be my friend, but you do not deserve my kindness anymore," said Super Tae. With utter bitterness, Terrible Tangy replied, "If only you weren't here! I would be the most popular one." "People would celebrate you too if you used your powers to help others, not to attack them." Just as Super Tae was about to land the last punch on Terrible

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Tangy, a blinding white light shone in everyone's eyes. "What? God?" Super Tae called, in immense surprise. "My dear Tae," said God, "you are exceedingly brave and strong. I have noticed that with perseverance and determination, you always fight for your town and protect the people, which is why I am granting you a wish!" "God, I already have everything I want, but if you are to give me a wish, I wish for the happiness of everyone in this world." Tae's response made God happy and in return he blessed the whole town and told him to keep up his good work. As for Terrible Tangy, God took him with himself to teach Tangy a lesson he would never forget. GT

(The above story is one of the entries received as a part of the story writing workshop conducted during GT Summer Newspaper Making Workshop 2022. The participants were given a setting and characters to weave a gripping short story.)

So, what did you learn today?
Too much greed will always land you in losses.



Sunflowers on top!

R. Agamya, AIS Saket, X

MATERIAL REQUIRED

- Air dry clay (Fevicryl)1 packet
- Rolling pin1
- Cardboard sheet1
- Acrylic paintsany colour
- Paintbrush1
- Leaves of any plant2-3



R. Agamya

METHOD

- Take a cardboard sheet and paint it completely in green. Set it aside to dry for a few hours.
- Next, take your clump of clay and keep it on a flat surface. With the help of a rolling pin, flatten the clay out.
- Once it is flat and even, cut out two semicircles with radius 8 cm from it. You can change the size of the semicircle according to your preference.
- From the same clay, cut out 10 petal shapes. Make sure the petals are not taller than 8 cm.
- On your dry cardboard sheet, paste the semicircles on two opposite sides (refer to image).
- Paste the petals around the semicircle to make it look like half sunflowers (refer to image).
- Let it dry completely. Once done, paint the semicircles in black acrylic paints and petals in yellow colour.
- Cover the remaining area of cardboard sheet with imprints of leaves of any plant. For the same, take one leaf and apply a small amount of black paint on its surface, and then imprint it in any pattern on the blank green space on the cardboard sheet.
- Let it dry, and your sunflowers are ready to shine. You can hang it on your favourite wall!

With biodiversity

Vanya Khurana
AIS Gurugram 43, VI D

We started civilisations with biodiversity
And living things with heterogeneity

Now piles of junk are across the streets
We overlook and pass by with our feet

Fields of green are now filled with doom

POEMS

No one knows exactly who ruined whom

Rivers of life are now the rivers of death
When I realise it, I can't catch my breath

Forest is a place where animals can breed
But trees are all gone because of our greed

There must be something that we can do
But do you care about things around you?



Let's give mother nature a life that's new
With species, animals, plants, and you! GT

PAINTING CORNER

Navika Rajpal, AIS Pushp Vihar, IV



Like a bird

Divit Sen
AIS Gurugram 46, VII F

Bound with colourful feathers
They engulf the limitless sky
Their sweet melodious tweet

Breaks the silence of the dawn
As they sing in perfect harmony
I don't know which symphony

They fly high into the blue sky
With no stress of virtual classes
I wish I could be free like them

To spread my wings far and wide
And take off on my first flight
I do not know where they go

Into a paradise of their very own
I, too, want to fly like a bird and
Fulfill my dreams unheard! GT



It's Me

ABOUT ME

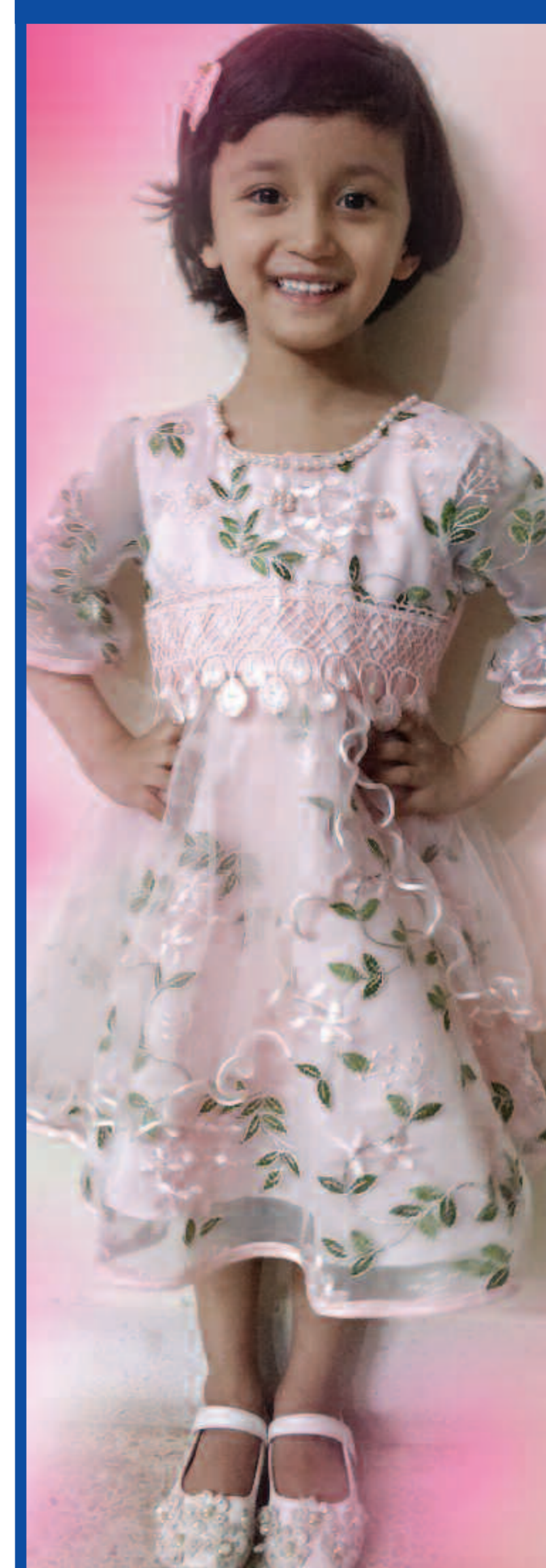
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My Class: I B
My school: AIS Gur 43
My birthday: February 4

MY FAVOURITES

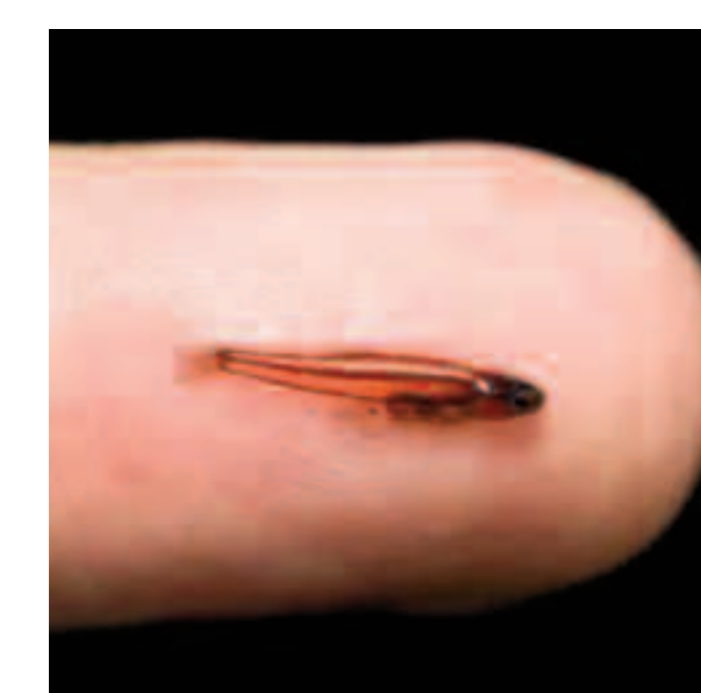
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MY DREAMS

My hobbies: Dancing and drawing
I like: Dancing and playing
I dislike: Fighting
My role model: Geeta ma'am
I want to become: A teacher
I want to feature in GT because:
I want to be popular.



Paedocypris is the smallest fish measuring up to 0.3 inches and can survive extreme drought due to their small size.



Writing is an art and there's no better platform to exercise it than your own beloved GT! To unleash the writer in you, GT brings you a new topic every time and asks for your views on the same. Here are some intriguing responses from young writers at Amity for the prompt...

"For me, it has to be Elle Woods from Legally Blonde. She is ambitious, intelligent, inspiring and, at the same time, unapologetic for being feminine. Despite being ridiculed and stereotyped for being a 'dumb blonde', she works hard and gets into the prestigious Harvard Law School. Throughout her journey, she faces numerous challenges like being treated as an outcast, being bullied by her classmates, and even getting picked on by her teachers. Still, she keeps her head high and shows everyone her tenacity and quick-wittedness amidst difficult situations. She is a great inspiration for young girls who are often pressurised by the society to act in a certain way and are forced to lose their own identities to fit in."

Tarishi Agarwal, AIS Noida, XI C

"The world of fiction has offered the audience a wide range of characters. Which fictional character you like the most and why?"

The prompt

BOX

"My favourite character has to be Elizabeth Bennet from Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice. Elizabeth aka Lizzie is a witty, clever and outspoken woman. What makes her so compelling is her nature of being smart and downright incisive, and yet so gullible and trusting at the same time. She never questions Wickham's agenda or his indecency in revealing improper information about Darcy until much later, when she experiences it first-hand. It is at such moments we experience Austen's genius. For Elizabeth's character speaks to me as a message of being human. Yes, she is witty, stubborn and independent, but also so beautifully-flawed and vividly-alive. Instead of being the perfect woman, she is a contrast to society's idea of a 'lady', and that's why, even two hundred years later, people still identify with her."

Varnika Pradhan, AIS Saket, IX B

"My favourite fictional character is Merit from the book Without Merit by Colleen Hoover. I must admit that I disliked Merit at the beginning of the book; everything she says is mean-spirited and she is rude to her family and strangers, but it's her character development which engrossed me and led me to find out how she copes with life. She sorts out all the differences with her family and realises the importance of family and self-love."

Riddhi Sharma, AGS Gurugram, XII

"Who cannot love Hermione Granger from the Harry Potter Series?"

Hermione's charm, aura, and wit are a delight for anyone. She carries herself with confidence and is true to herself all the time. Hermione displays courage in dire situations and exhibits traits like companionship, determination, resilience and kindness, all at the same time. A character like Hermione, who is valiant, quick witted and charming, is rare to come across."

Aanya Narula, AIS Vas 1, XI B

"One name that stands out in my list of favourites is definitely Harry Potter's Hermione Granger. Hermione is not only book-smart, but also street-smart. She thinks on her feet and saves herself and her friends from various dangers. She is also a risk taker; be it setting Snape's cape on fire or brewing the Polyjuice potion in secret, she always portrays her ability to take calculated risks. She is brave and courageous, proved by her action of punching Malfoy, creating one of the most epic scenes in the saga. She has some of the most iconic dialogues in the series as she is never afraid to speak her mind."

Koyal Das, AIS Gurugram 43, XI

"Gregor Samsa from Franz Kafka's symbolic novella Metamorphosis is my favourite fictional character. He is portrayed as an overworked salesman who transforms into an insect at the beginning of the story. But despite his complete physical transformation, Gregor changes very little as a character. He does not bemoan his condition, wonder about its cause, or attempt to rectify it in any way. On the contrary, he quickly accepts that he has become a bug and tries to go about his life as best he can in his new condition. Most notably, both as a man and as an insect, Gregor patiently accepts the hardships he faces without complaint. And that's something kids my generation need to learn, since we give up on stuff quite easily. I aspire to have the kind of endurance he has."

Aadyaa Agrawaal, AIS VYC Lucknow, XII C

"Apollo, from The Trials of Apollo series by Rick Riordan, is a 4000-year-old God stuck in the body of a 17-year-old teenager as punishment from his father, Zeus, the king of Gods. I adore the character because of his relatable humour and his immense character development throughout the series. As he navigates the human world which comprises both the good and the bad, he realises how wonderful it is to be human and how resilient humans truly are, despite lacking godly strength and immortality. I find it fascinating how the many triumphs and tragedies he faces on his path to regain immortality transform him from a vain, arrogant God into an empathetic and brave human being."

Arushi Jain, AIS Gurugram 46, X H

"My favourite character is Nazeera Ibrahim from Teherah Mafi's Shatter Me series, which centers around Juliette Ferrars and her struggle to gain control over the thing she fears most: herself. She and her brother are sent to battle Juliette and Aaron, who is the male protagonist, but Nazeera quickly changes her allegiance to the good guys. She fights for religious freedom and personifies a true fighter. I like her as she exudes a sense of cohesion, intelligence, athletic prowess and quick wit. She is a courageous woman who inspires millions of people, including me."

Naavya Lodh, AIS Pushp Vihar, IX C

"My most beloved fictional character has to be Forrest Gump, the protagonist of the 1994 American film that goes by his name. Forrest is a character who undergoes great physical, relational, emotional, and philosophical transformation as the novel progresses. For one, he goes from walking with braces on his legs to becoming a fast runner. The character beautifully portrays how determination can help us overcome all odds in life. Besides that, his optimistic and cheerful personality makes us love him even more. And while he may have a low IQ, he proves that having a high IQ is not the only thing you need to succeed in life!"

Gouri Srivastava, AIS VKC Lko, XI A

"Ari and Legs from Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe are incredibly close to my heart. I relate the most with Ari, a 16-year-old boy, who discovers the world and all its mysteries. His thoughts and questions about life and himself are very similar to mine, and his growth is beautiful. His dog, Legs, is a symbol of hope and happiness. I believe that good characters never leave our side; they become a part of our conscience."

Aadya Kapoor, AIS Vasundhara 6, Alumna

"In this huge world of fiction, Harry Potter is my favourite character. Harry's defining traits are bravery, determination and self-sacrifice. No matter how scary the situation may be, he faces it with a collected determination. Apart from these characteristics, Harry is loyal towards his teachers and friends. He is kind, forgiving and good in all the aspects of life. All these qualities are quite necessary to lead a successful and joyful life and I truly try to imbibe these qualities in myself."

Chavi Agarwal, AIS MV, VII C

"Iron Man will remain my favourite character forever. I admire him for his superhuman strength, agility and resilience. He is one superhero who can only have a positive influence. As a fanboy, I am highly influenced by his creativity, generosity, warriorship and, most importantly, his ability to admit his flaws, and the will to try harder each time."

Rohit Gurjar, AIS Gwalior, X

Question: What do you like the most about The Global Times and why?



Considered to be the toughest animal in North America, pika grows up to seven inches and can survive the challenging Alpine terrain.

Future bureaucrats



Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Imrich Milo and Devesh Kumar at MUN summer camp

Learning To Govern At MUN Summer Camp

AERC

The tenth and the third-virtual E-MUN summer camp, a five day event, was organised by Amity Educational Resource Center (AERC) from May 23-27, 2022. The camp saw participation from 141 students of Amity Group of Schools pan India. The closing ceremony was graced by Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of School & RBEF, who addressed the children on the importance of such camps to hone the negotiation and diplomatic skills of the students, thereby making them ready for the real world. The event commenced with the director, AERC, apprising students about the objective of the camp, the meaning of MUN, and various MUN related competitions. Thereafter, several sessions were conducted by experts, students, and Amity alumni as resource persons on different days of the workshop.

Amity alumnus Anupriya and Arushi Anand gave an insight about United Nations and its various organs. Hridyanshu and Yash Jain, students of AIS Saket, explained in detail about the flow of the debate, and the procedures of documentation, amendment, and discussion. They both, alongwith Shreeman Tripathi of AIS Gurugram 46, conducted an Indian committee simulation based on the agenda of global warming and its impact on Indian cities and agricultural output. The teacher advisor from AIS Saket emphasised on the importance of effective communication, good public speaking skills, and even shared some tips on the same. MUN coordinator and a team of students from AIS Gurugram 46, Gatik Yadav, president, MUN society and Pranav Aggarwal, vice president, MUN society, discussed the need to reform UN Security Council, especially in the wake of Russia-Ukraine War. The MUN advisor from AIS Noida

gave an introduction about UNESCO and held a simulation of the international committee based on the agenda - 'Sri Lanka Economic Crisis', which gave students a hands-on experience regarding MUN. The sessions were also graced by many stalwarts from politics, defence and bureaucracy who apprised the children with different issues. Major general, Nalin Bhatia spoke about the impact of Russia-Ukraine war on India and the world's economy. Imrich Milo, director, Zilina School, Slovakia, spoke on the issues related to global security and global policies. Devesh Kumar, general secretary, BJP Bihar and MLC Bihar, spoke on Atma-Nirbhar Bharat and the Indian economy. Ashok Sajjanhar, former diplomat, India, enlightened students with his rich knowledge about the Sri Lankan crisis. The summer camp proved to be a primer for the young minds in honing their negotiation and diplomatic skills.



Chairperson with young innovators, principal Renu Singh and others

Innovation with waste

Amitians Sign MOA With IPCA

ACSF & AIS Noida

Three students from Class X, namely Akshita Singh, Saachi Singh and Tuvijeet Sharma, established a memorandum of agreement (MOA) with the Indian Pollution Control Association (IPCA) on June 8, 2022, for their project 'Ecolution', a handmade, eco-friendly, biodegradable, non-toxic cup prepared using waste materials. Converting waste to wealth, the bottom of these cups contain dormant seeds which can germinate under suitable conditions after being thrown away. The project was presented to IPCA in April and was

evaluated. It was also showcased at 'Plastic Vikalp Mela', a three-day expo organised at Thyagaraj Stadium, New Delhi, from July 1-3, 2022. Through this MOA facilitated by Amity's Children Science Foundation (ACSF), the IPCA will fund the project and will help the team to commercialise it with the help of Department of Innovation and Technology Transfer (DITT), Department of Science and Technology-Technology Enabling Centre (DST-TEC) and Amity University, Noida. This progress towards providing a platform to students for tinkering the path of innovation, experientia-

tion, and using wonders of science to change the world has been achieved under the visionary guidance of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF.

About IPCA

Indian Pollution Control Association (IPCA) is a non-profit, non-government organisation (NGO) established in the year 2001 with the support of Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Delhi. It is India's first registered Producer Responsibility Organisation (PRO) with Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) for managing plastic waste at the national level.

Stress management workshop

AIS Mayur Vihar

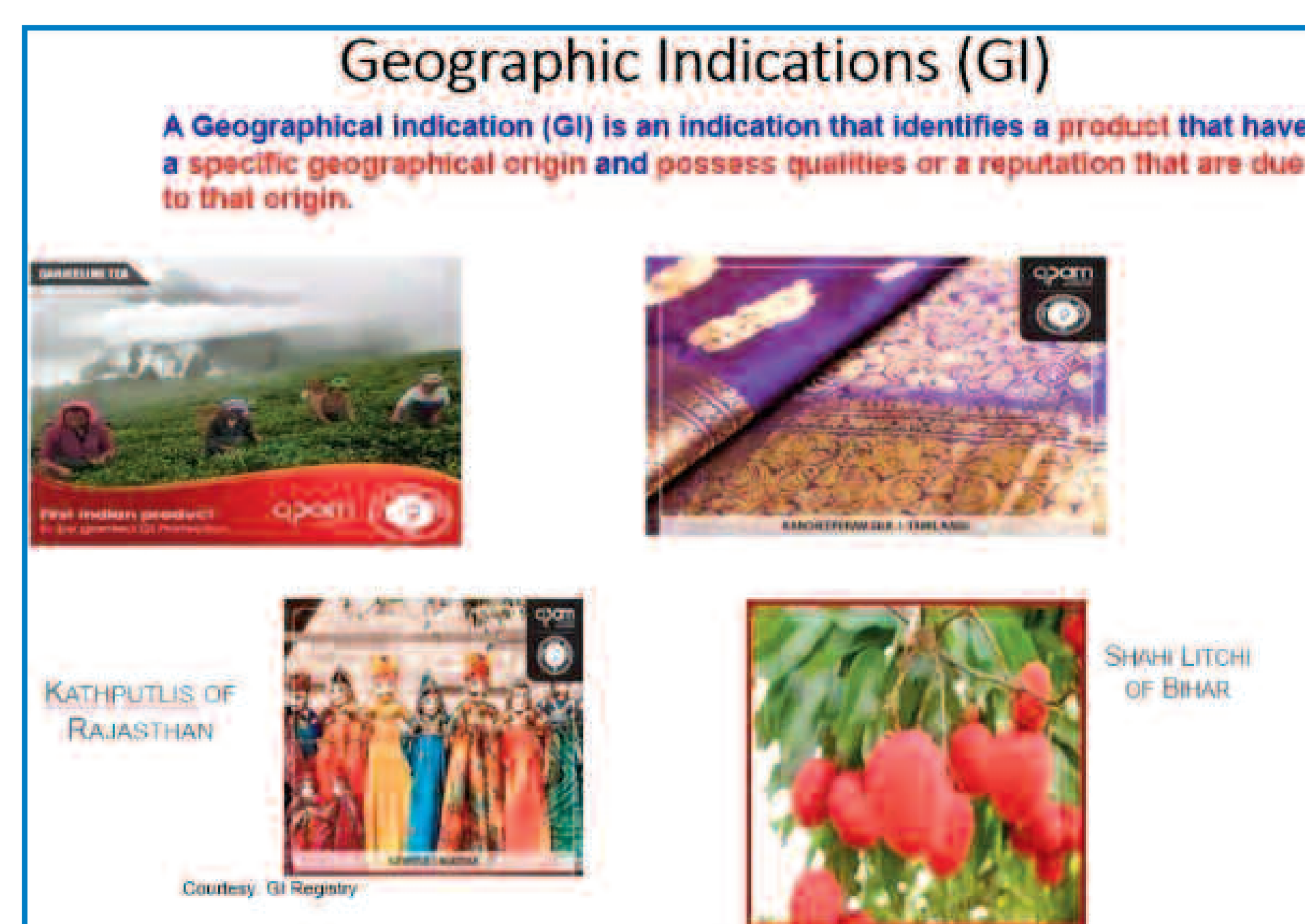
A workshop and a poster-making activity on stress management was organised for the students of Class VIII by the Life Skills Club of the school on May 11, 2022. The workshop, held under the guidance of the school counsellor and psychology teacher, aimed at helping students cope with stress and anxiety they face due to exam pressure, peer pressure, parental pressure, societal pressure and various other reasons. A pen-and-paper stress test was also conducted to evaluate the presence



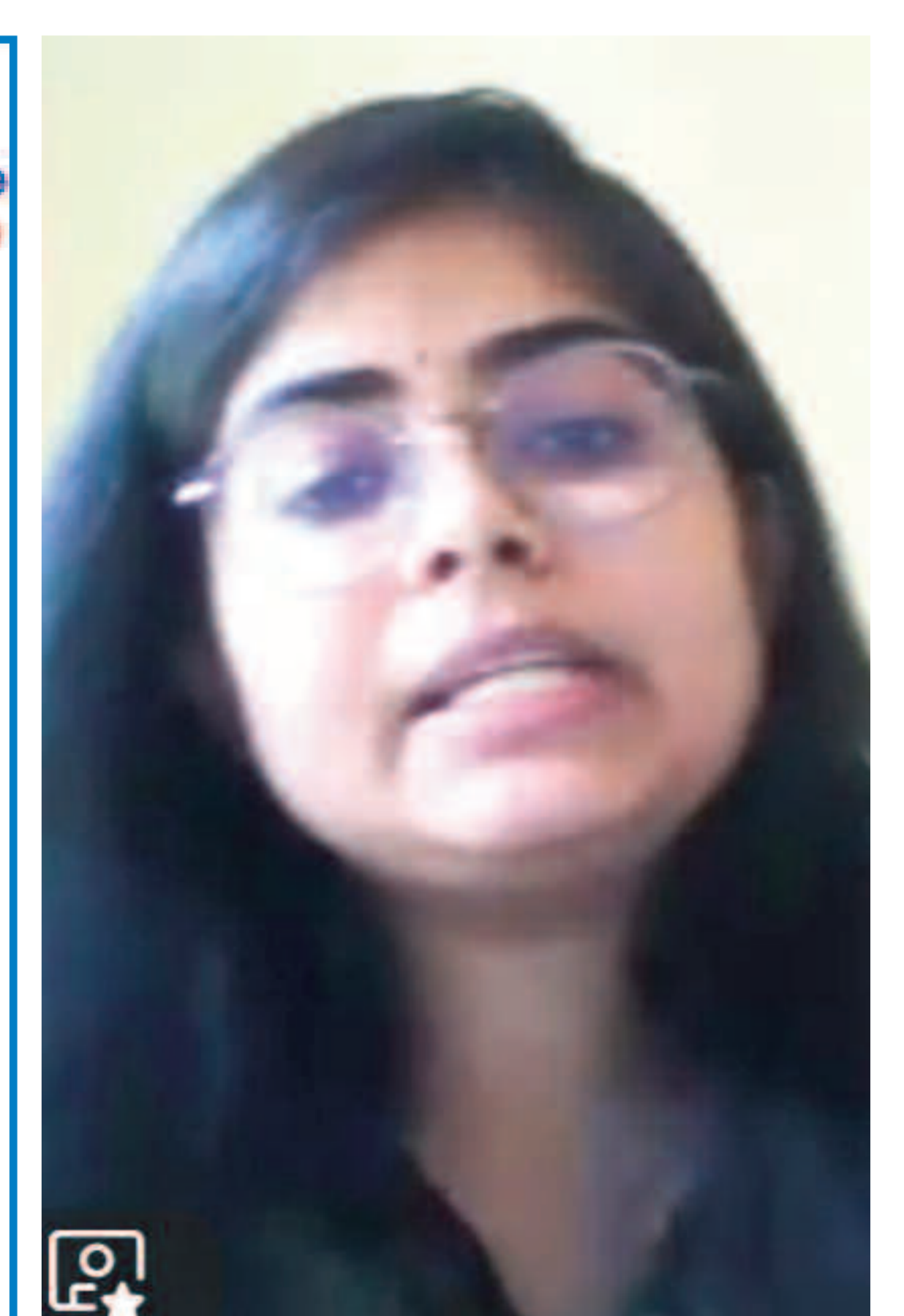
Students attend stress management workshop

or absence of stress in children. They also participated in many activities, like body scanning, I am grateful, breathing and visualisation exercise, etc. Following which, the counsellor

briefed them about the symptoms of stress, and gave them suggestions to avoid stress. A poster-making activity on fighting stress was also held after the workshop.



Geographical indications showcased during the workshop



IP expert, Prachi Prateeti

Understanding IPR

ACSF & AGS Noida

A workshop on Intellectual Property Right (IPR) was conducted at AGS Noida on April 28, 2022, to apprise the students on various elements of IPR and how to utilise them for innovations. Prachi

Prateeti, examiner of patents and designs, DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce, was the resource person for the workshop organised by Amity's Children Science Foundation in collaboration with Ministry of Commerce. The session was extremely enriching and highlighted

key aspects of intellectual property right such as geographical indicators, benefits of filing a patent, criteria and fee for filing a patent, requirements for filing applications for trademark and copyright, protection rules and legal discourses, and careers in IPR.

Special speaking buddy

AIS Vasundhara 6

Team Physics Challengers, comprising school teachers Deepali Chauhan, Ekta Soni and Suniti Gupta, was selected in the first round of Toy-cathon to present their toy 'Speaking Buddies' in the Grand Finale held at the Panipat Institute of Engineering and Technology, on May 24, 2022. They were the only school teachers' team who competed against the well-established start-ups and corporates in the finale, making it a competition between innovators and professional entrepreneurs. Their toy, 'Speaking Buddies', is a phonic reading toy for English that can be incorporated with other regional languages as well. It caters to the needs of the visually impaired children and is vital in order to build an inclusive education. Earlier the project had also qualified nationwide for Toy-



A demo of speaking buddy

cathon 2021, an inter-ministerial initiative by Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell and six other ministries under the aegis of Atma Nirbhar Bharat organised to challenge India's innovative minds to conceptualise innovative and learning-based toys and games.

World Population Day

AIS Gwalior

To increase awareness among students on various population issues such as the importance of family planning, gender equality, maternal health and human rights, a special assembly on World Population Day was conducted by the students of Class I-V. The assembly began with the lighting of the lamp amidst the chanting of *gayatri mantra*. Sarvi Yadav of Class I presented thought of the day and a melodious song on overpopulation was presented by students of Class IV. Following which, Rishaan Dixit of



Students present act on Population Day

Class IV presented his views on the issues related to overpopulation. Moving on, Class III presented a skit and Class II showcased placards with messages to control population.

Fennec Fox grow up to eight inches and have the largest ears relative to body size of any canid.

All top quotes contributed by Sarthak Singh, AIS VYC Lucknow, XII



The pandemic diaries

The Live Play Of An Ordinary Home During Lockdown

Sejal Suri, AIS Vas 1, VIII C

A drowsy morning begins with all my staples – a glass of milk, switching on the laptop for my classes, and stretching my limbs to finally wake myself up. The impromptu yoga session is broken with the teacher's voice presenting a question, ascending a blanket of silence on the session. I mute the screen and move to the other room to inspect the house. Did I think dad would be on an important conference call? Maybe. But did I think he would be dressed in a unique attire of a well-ironed formal shirt mixed with baggy pajamas? Maybe not. Though it does seem the appropriate pandemic uniform assigned to us all! And, as expected, as soon as his meeting is over, he is back to WhatsApp forwards. Well, at least he is comfortable. Let's check out what my dear mother is doing. Umm, what's that? She is cooking chowmein. Is that for me? Oh my goodness! So nice of her. But why is she recording? Ah, nevermind! What I thought was a gesture of her love towards me turns out to be her newest attempt at being a YouTube chef. Well, as long as her dreams of being the next YouTuber lives on! After inspecting all the rooms of the house, I move back to mine to see the teacher ending the oh-so-important lesson. Maybe I should have paid attention? Oh, well, I must promise myself to be extra vigilant the next time. Should I start right now? Yes, let's start the actual day with some homework.

I look back on my day that even though it might seem a little dull in comparison to the old days, I am thankful that everyone I love is safe inside the house.

I pick up my laptop and sit down in all seriousness but being on the device does not help my focus; there are way too many temptations just a click away. So, I check out my Twitter, Instagram, Twitch, Discord, as well as Facebook accounts. Must not let any social media networking site go untouched! After a few (or a million) scrolls, my eyes start twitching, and I am reminded of how blindness doesn't seem too far off in the future. I should start taking care of my eyes, especially with our entire life being uploaded on a screen now. Giving my eyes a break, I drag my body to the kitchen to eat the delicious chow mein, but one look at it and I am shooed away by my mother, muttering something about how she hasn't clicked all the pictures and made reels yet. I grab whatever packet of chips I get my hands on and get out of the active zone. As the evening comes, I don my mask, hand

gloves, and put my sanitiser in my pocket – the needed ritual before going outside in a pandemic.

The time passes and I am back in the house again, scrubbing my hands for at least twenty seconds. What's for dinner, I wonder; intercontinental, Mughlai, Italian, or Chinese? Of course.

The dinner table in front of me holds peas, carrots, and beans! The thought of takeout food crosses my mind, but I see my mother's face in front of me, scolding me against it. "The delivery guy could be carrying a plethora of diseases with them, who knows!"

And so I eat my healthy meal and retreat in front of the TV that my brother has switched on. It's time to watch TV, or rather read it, because he is watching the new K-drama that I need to read the subtitles for.

As no one has to get up early in the morning, we all gather in the living room and soon find ourselves chit-chatting and playing a hearty game of ludo. I look back on my day that even though it might seem a little dull in comparison to the old days, I am thankful that everyone I love is safe inside the house. We might have lost many things in the pandemic that we held dear to us, but it has also given us an opportunity to get closer to the family we love. 🇮🇳



GT Awards 2021-22

Glimpses

