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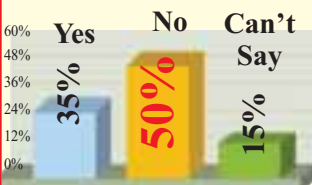
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What’s your **plan...B?**

When Life Keeps Giving You Lemons, Keep Striking It With Plan B!

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Crazy cut-offs, long admission process, those nerve wracking entrance exams... it’s all done. Over. Those seeking admission into their favourite college are now enjoying freshers and orientations in the institute they have always dreamt of. Wait! That’s not really the case for everyone. There are some, whose plan didn’t really work out as planned, who lost that prestigious college by one mark, who didn’t receive the letter of acceptance. What are they doing? Sulking away to glory? Or maybe they are being smart and acing the odds with a plan B, as did so many other smart people, the ones we now call achievers.

B for the better

If you do not succeed at something, don’t worry. Blame your destiny. What? Haven’t you heard “Jiski jaisi kismat”? If you don’t want to sound that loser-ish, there’s always a plan B to go to. History has it that it has often worked better than plan A. George Lucas is one shining example. The famous filmmaker did not always want to be a filmmaker. His passion lay not behind the camera, but behind the wheels. As a young man, he was

extremely passionate about car racing but failed tragically because of a severe car crash. But he didn’t sit back, dwelling on his sob story. He looked for an alternative, a plan B –filmmaking. And thank God for that. How else would we have masterpieces like the Star Wars trilogy and American Graffiti by the renowned filmmaker?

B for the bigger picture

We all have a dream, a dream that is woven with childhood aspirations, knit with a lot of love and passion, soft like a marshmallow and fluffy like a cloud. And so engrossed in our dream, we refuse to see the skyline that this cloud is a part of. A failed plan A often makes us look at the bigger picture, things that we had

missed initially.

Another example from the Plan B closet is Walt Disney. Yes, the name that made our childhood colourful. The man was a journalist at a local newspaper in Kansas. However, his run at the newspaper was rather short lived as his editor fired him for ‘lacking imagination and good ideas.’ Now, Disney could choose to

hide behind the pillows for he was met with rejection and a failed plan A. But then, he knew better and pondered over his other skills, ones that he missed while searching for his dream. Soon, he co-founded the Disney Brothers Studio and five years later Mickey Mouse was born, as a result of his very own imagination and a plan B.

B for the believer

Some say having a fall back option is for the weak hearted, the ones who do not believe in themselves enough to be able to materialise plan A. False. They are the ones who believe that success will come their way, even if through some other road. Nawazuddin Siddiqui, the man who aims to transform modern Indian cinema, did not start out as an actor. With a graduate degree in the field of Chemistry, Siddiqui focused solely on the field of pharmacy. It was when he moved to Delhi for better job opportunities in the field and failed to get any, that he focused on his backup plan which was acting. To pursue his Plan B, he moved all the way to the B-town and the rest is truly history!

From nursery to college, a perfect A is what we seek to attain. But at times it is the ‘B’ that works wonders. 🇮🇳



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Enterprising India

Bharat With A Mission To Influence The Business World

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Deepak Bagla, MD and CEO of Invest India, through his untiring endeavours, has boosted several Indian start-ups. He has not just funded projects of budding entrepreneurs, but also provided them operational, management and marketing support. In an exclusive interview with GT, he talks about booming ‘Bharat’, and transformation of entrepreneurship in the country.

Bharat’s business

When I went to the World Economic Forum recently, I observed that the perspective of the world about India has changed in mammoth proportion. After more than two decades of a spate of entrepreneurial and strategic success stories woven by young Indians like Bhavesh Agarwal, Vijay Shekhar Sharma, etc, India is now the focal point of economic progress, attracting global investors, as it offers vast business opportunities. Reforms like GST and demonetisation have created a positive impression of India, as foreign investors now see the government as being able to take relevant decisions in national interest.



Deepak Bagla shares his success secret with young Amitians

Invest India is the National Investment Promotion and Facilitation Agency of India, set up as a non-profit venture to attract and retain high quality investments into India through strategic business advisory.

Bharat’s budget

Another good thing about new India is that this union budget offers fiscal incentives to start-ups and promotes entrepreneurship. Few economic growth driven initiatives with focus on development of new technology and promotions of MSMEs (Medium Small Micro Enterprises), have also been launched. These small businesses are instrumental in economic

development as they generate employment and account for 95% of the total industries in the nation. India has always been the land of entrepreneurship and economic reforms. Turn the pages of history and we’ll find that Indus Valley Civilisation was an exemplary economic model of its times and trade and agriculture flourished during that period.

Bharat’s education

In order to form the base of entrepreneurship, the education system should be restructured. The education sector is experiencing a transition. However, we still need to focus more on skills development. Our education should be more inclusive, interdisciplinary and trans-disciplinary. This will help young minds to understand Math, Economics, Art and Entrepreneurship

in relation to each other and broaden the thought process of the youth. This in turn, will reduce the hit and trial process at college level. It is also important to bring in certain reforms to the curriculum being taught in schools, colleges and universities. The access to quality education must also be made easier. It is only with educational reforms like these that India will be able to transform into a global superpower.

Bharat’s Amity

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