



Violet is the colour of our contest edition. Royal and majestic, this edition puts our creativity on display.
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Storywala

Missing since 2020



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Rohan came rushing into the police station. "Good evening, Sir, I am here to report a missing person," he said, gasping for air. "Please wait for your turn, sir," Inspector Kulkarni said, sipping his evening tea. "Is there no one here right now? This is an emergency!" Rohan almost screamed at the police officer.

The Inspector choked on his tea, paused to breathe and then took out the thick dusty file on missing people. Full of yellowing, half-torn pages, the file read: MISSING PERSON REPORT: FILES 2025-2026.

"Okay, name of the missing person," asked Inspector Kulkarni.

"Rohan Dutta."

"Date of birth of the missing person?"

"March 30, 1995," Rohan almost mumbled.

"What's your name, sir?"

Rohan didn't listen. He was zoned out.

"What's your name?" He asked again loudly.

"Oh, um, Rohan Dutta."

Inspector Kulkarni was perplexed.

"Relation to the missing person?" he said scribbling on the paper.

"We're not related."

With that, Inspector Kulkarni began to write the complaint...

STATE OF MAHARASHTRA
 DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES
 ADULT AND JUVENILE MISSING
 PERSON CERTIFICATION

Date report filed: March 26, 2025

Name of missing person: Rohan Dutta

Birth date of missing person: 30.03.1995

Complainant's name (Last, First, Middle):
 Dutta Rohan

Complainant's address: 54, Chand pole, Pune
 - 364064

Time of last contact: Cannot be recalled

Report type: Voluntary Missing Adult

Sex: Male

Physical description: Rohan Dutta is a muscular, 6 feet tall, 30-year-old man with black curly short hair and brown eyes with an arrow tattoo on his right wrist. Last seen wearing black pants, white tucked shirt with a doctor's coat.

By now, Kulkarni had seen the same tattoo on Rohan's hand. He was a little concerned, but



didn't show it. He just pretended to write the report further...

Residence address: 34, Boulevard Street, California, United States of America

Business address/Office address: The California Hospital, California

"He works as a doctor?" Kulkarni asked.

"Yes, I hope he does. He's a smart and ambitious man," Rohan anxiously stated.

"What is your profession?"

"I am a student at Pune Medical University. I am going to pursue speciality in psychiatry."

Inspector Kulkarni felt sure that he was chatting with a mental patient.

"So, he's married," the inspector continued.

"I am not sure."

"You're not sure?" asked Kulkarni.

"I have never thought about marriage,"

"Not your marriage, Rohan Dutta's marriage!" Kulkarni laughed.

"Yes, that's me," Rohan said, fully disoriented by now.

"Are you here to report about your own disappearance?"

"No, or maybe yes. I am here to report my future self."

"Your future self? What kind of a joke is this?"

"No, it's not. This is a serious matter. I want to find him and know what he's up to. He's making me anxious."

"You need a doctor, sir," declared Kulkarni picking up the phone and dialling the nearest mental hospital.

"No, I don't! Who are you calling?"

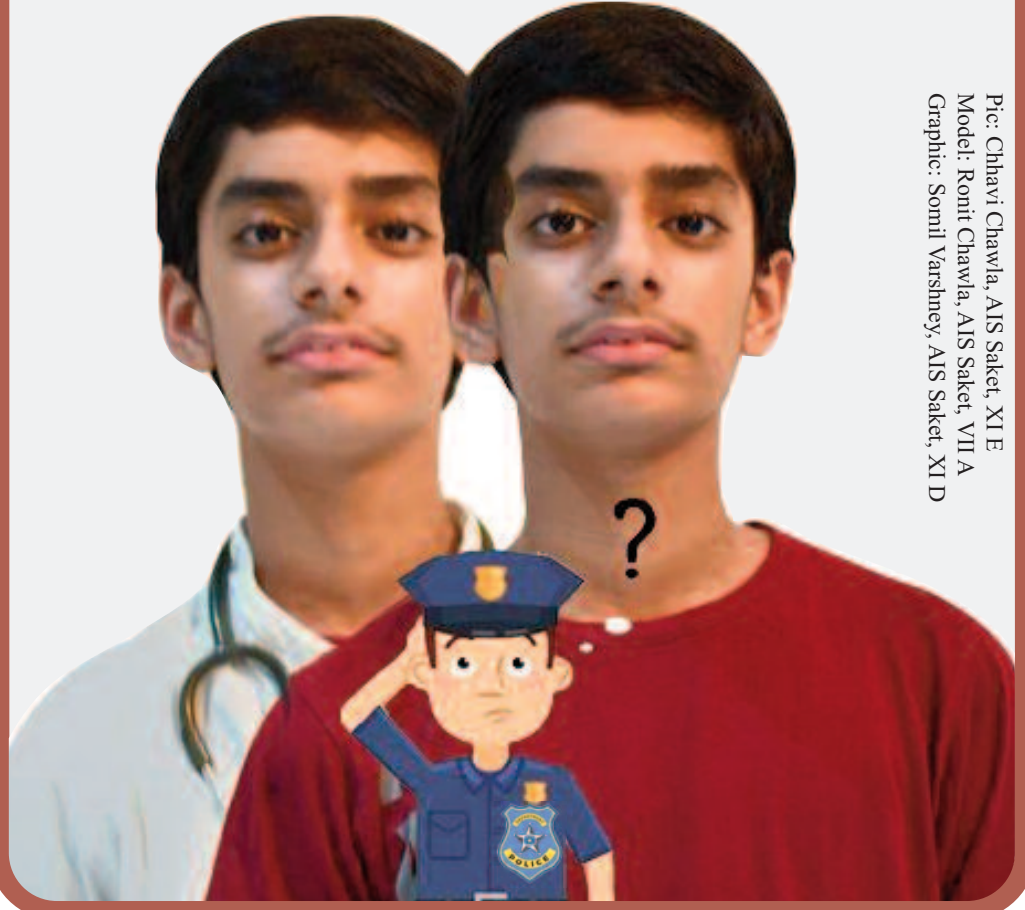
"I am calling the doctor. This is 2025 and no one visits police stations anymore. All our work is digitalised now. You need help..."

"Wait, this isn't 2020?" Rohan interjected.

"What? No! This is 2025," Kulkarni said rolling his eyes.

"Hello?" a voice answered the phone, similar to the mental patient who was sitting in front of Inspector Kulkarni.

"Hello, this is Doctor Rohan Dutta..."



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Designer photo frame

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Material required

- Golden paint
- Paint brush
- Designer dry fruit tray
- Old miniature toys
- Fevicol/glue gun
- A photograph



Method

- Take some old miniature toys and paint them golden or in any other colour of your choice. Keep aside and let them dry for a few hours.
- In the meantime, take a photograph (your own preferably) and using fevicol, paste it on the dry fruit tray in a way that some space is left

bare on the right side.

- Next, with the help of a glue gun, stick the miniature toys on the right side of the tray, covering up the empty spaces left on it. Wait for it to dry completely.
- Your designer personalised photo frame is ready to adorn your home!



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WORDS VERSE

Encourage

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Ants in anthills made with stilt
 Rebuilding when ruined by the wind
 Encouraging us to persevere vehemently
 And not be someone who's tardy

Channel the lotus in the mud
 Only thing shining in the puddle
 Encouraging us to be our best
 Avoiding rampant anger and stress

Or be like the distant stars
 Shining bright from miles afar
 Be like the illusive firefly
 Spreading your gentle wisdom light



Be like a thread of silk
 Strong as steel but smoother still
 Be like a honey bee
 Saving its haven till last breath

Nature encourages us to work hard
 To try harder when we fall
 Little things that we cannot see
 Making small little changes rapidly

So can't we humans of all
 Try harder to change
 For a much better world
 By trying to stop our crave. **GT**

BRUSH 'n' EASEL

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A wildflower's curse

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She is a girl
 Made of paper and words
 Her eyes are the lighthouse
 By the frantic yet soothing sea
 Her lips are the sugary nectar
 Her soul is fiercer than dragon

She is a girl
 Made of stardust and glass
 Her voice is a siren's lament
 Calling out to a sailor lost at sea
 Her fragile form may be weary
 But she is head strong

She is a girl
 Made of this world, you and I
 She is littered with the truth
 She is an engaging poetry itself
 She is burnt into everything
 She has done, will do and be. **GT**