

Result
Special

If results are any indicator of one's hardwork and efforts, then Amity sure has been putting in its best; at least that is what the CBSE 2013-14 results have to say. With a legacy of star achievers, unprecedented scores and commendable results; Amity outshines itself once again. This special edition is dedicated to Amity's excellence as showcased in CBSE 2013-14 results.

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Should the FYUP be rolled back?
(a) Yes
(b) No
(c) Can't say

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What is the best way to spend summer vacations?

29% Travel

54% Rest

17% Pursue a hobby

Results as on June 26, 2014

Coming Next

It is time to say goodbye to the batch of 2014 in our 'Farewell special' edition

2500+
students appeared for CBSE Boards X & XII

100%
result

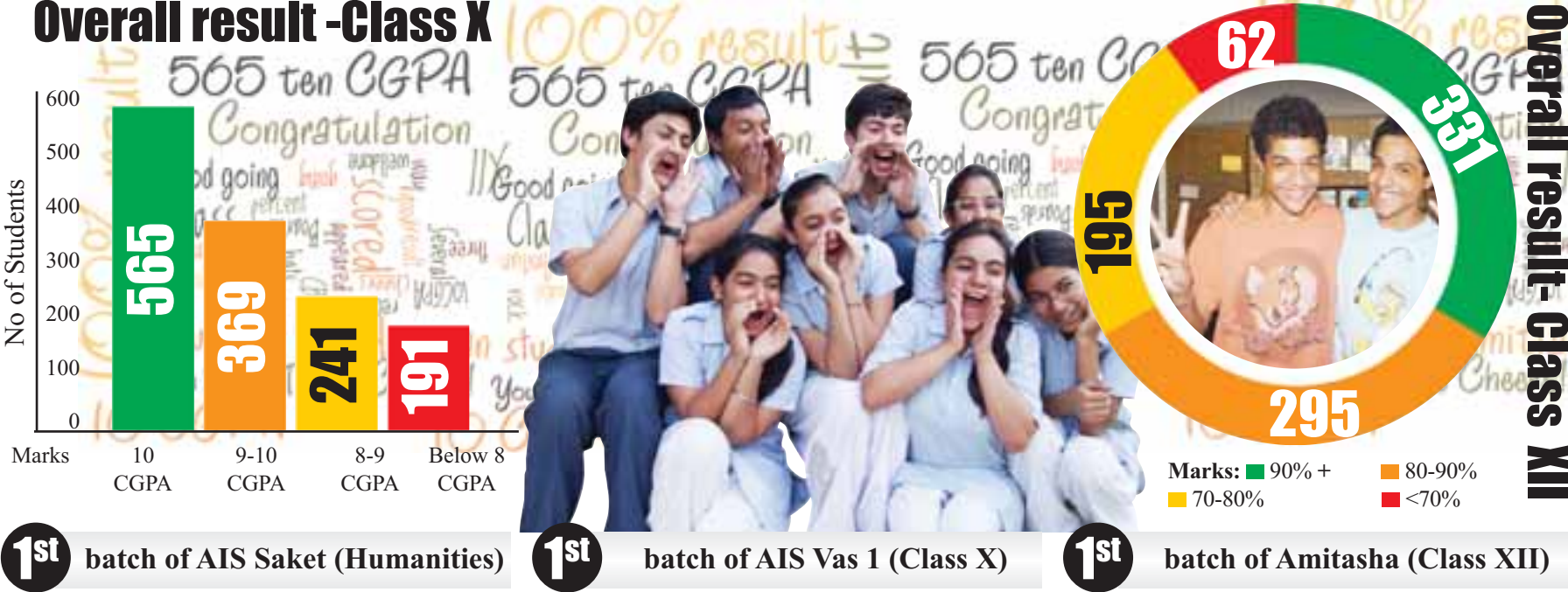
416
students score above 90% marks in class XII

97%
record marks scored by various students

565
students with 10 CGPA

Amity continues its winning streak in the CBSE 2013-14 Board results. With cent percent result to its credit, Amity sure has every reason to celebrate and rejoice

Redefining excellence



“Amity has always believed in offering the best to its students and giving them whatever it takes to achieve their goals. So, when we saw some of our students wanting to opt for humanities, providing the subject was a natural choice. Our first batch of humanities has done exceptionally well, setting new benchmarks. Here’s hoping that the coming batches will take the legacy forward. My best wishes to all the students.”
Ameeta Mohan, acting principal, AIS Saket

“Well begun is half done. And I think that we have started off on a brilliant note, with the present batch performing so well in the CBSE Class X results. Our students have done a commendable job, and given a good start to the school. We plan to set higher benchmarks in the coming year.”
V Balachandran, principal, AIS Vas 1

“Since this was our first batch, we were constantly involved in the academic progress of our students, and it is great to see that our students have passed with flying colours. All the students have secured distinctions.”
Rahul Kapoor, programme coordinator, Amitasha
(As told to **Bhawna Tuteja**, GT Network)

What's Inside

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HRD minister gives her first interview to The Global Times

As the world waited to interview the newly inducted HRD minister Smriti Z Irani, guess who scooped the first interview? While the media honchos struggled to get the exclusive first byte, it was our young GT reporters **Aashiva Kaul, IV F & Kashyapi Ganjoo, V K, AIS Noida**, who managed an exclusive tête-à-tête with the minister at her office in Shastri Bhawan. We bring you the interview, verbatim.

What are your priorities as education minister?
As the education minister, I want to increase skill development opportunities for the youth through co-curriculum activities and increased attention towards innovation, science and math.

As the education minister, what changes do you want to bring in the HRD ministry?
I am focused on ensuring reduction in drop out rate in our schools and I am also supporting increased allocation for research.

How will you improve the quality of education for poor children?
We are looking at increased scholarship for meritorious students from poor families.

How do you manage time between your work and family?
Indian women are known to be multi-taskers and I am no different.



Tell us something about your childhood.
My childhood was spent in the company of books. I am the eldest of three sisters and most of my time was spent in between home and school.

What is the importance of reading according to you?
I am what I am because of the books I read.

Who is your role model in politics?
Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India.

Do you miss Tulsi?
No.

You were a TV artist earlier. What made you join politics?

It is seen that people want systematic change in our country to ensure good governance which is only possible through politics. Hence, I decided to become a politician.

What does it take to become a politician?
All it takes to be a politician is a desire to serve India and better the lives of our citizens.

What is your vision for 2024?
Sakshar Bharat

A few words of advice for Amitians?
Respect elders and your teachers. Every week dedicate at least one day towards upliftment of the weak in society. Cherish your days in school as they are the best days of one's life.



The minister tweeted the picture



ToI report featuring the girls' achievement



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India Modified



Narendra Modi was sworn in as the 15th prime minister of India on May 26 at the forecourt of Rashtrapati Bhawan. 45 ministers, including key leaders Rajnath Singh, Arun Jaitley, Nitin Gadkari, Sushma Swaraj and former army chief VK Singh also took oath of office. The mega event was attended by nearly 4,000 Indian and foreign dignitaries, including key leaders from all the seven SAARC nations. The event saw the presence of many Bollywood stars for the first time. The prime minister reaffirmed his commitment to "maximum governance, minimum government" by introducing unprecedented and positive changes in ministry formation.

Goodbye Ambassador

Nearly sixty years after the grand old lady hit the road, its makers Hindustan Motors have decided to put a brake on its production. Citing decline in productivity, growing indiscipline and shortage of funds, the makers of Ambassador decided to pull it off Indian roads. The liberalisation of Indian economy in the 1990s broke Ambassador's monopoly and the decision to replace the prime ministers' fleet with BMWs proved to be a fatal blow to the iconic car.

Shape changing aircrafts a reality

Scientists are busy developing the next-generation wing flaps for airplanes that can change shape like a bird's wing for greater efficiency. The brainchild of Europe's Smart Intelligent Aircraft Structures (SARISTU), the program aims to reduce kerosene use by 6% and integrate flexible landing devices into aircraft wings to achieve the target. Landing flaps would help in adjusting air flow to enhance the aerodynamics of the aircraft, Martin Schuller, a researcher at the Fraunhofer Institute for Electronic Nano Systems (ENAS) in Chemnitz said.

Karachi strike

The Pakistan Taliban struck at Karachi International airport on June 11, 2014, leaving over a dozen of airport staff dead. At least 10 militants disguised as guards were killed by security forces. The Pakistan government has been under constant stress to combat the resilient insurgency that has afflicted the country for several years. Meanwhile Pakistani jets pounded military hideouts in the north-western tribal region.



Major rail fare hike

The government, in its bid to revive the sagging economy, pushed through a steep hike in railway passenger and freight fares. The hike-14.2% in all classes of passenger fares and 6.5% in freight charges came into effect from June 25 and also applied to tickets purchased in advance for journeys commencing on or after the date. Meanwhile, the opposition protested such a move weeks before the government was expected to unveil its railway budget.

Gopinath Munde killed in mishap

Within few days of taking oath as the union rural development minister, senior BJP leader Gopinath Munde passed away in a road mishap on June 3. Munde (64) who was on his way to Delhi airport, suffered a heart attack after the car ferrying him collided with another car.

KKR beat Kings XI Punjab to lift IPL trophy

In a nail-biting match Kolkata Knight Riders thrashed Kings XI Punjab by three wickets to win their second Indian Premier League title. KKR is the second team after Chennai Super Kings (CSK) to win the title twice.



Angelou and Marquez bid goodbye

Celebrated authors Maya Angelou and Gabriel Garcia Marquez known for their works 'I Know Why The Caged Bird Sings' and 'The Autumn of the Patriarch' respectively passed away.

Telangana becomes 29th Indian state

Marking a new dawn in India's history, India's 29th state Telangana was born on June 2, 2014, after 58 years of struggle for statehood. K Chandrasekhara Reddy, popularly known as KCR, who took oath as its chief minister pledged to make Telangana a role model for other states. With a population of 35 million, it consists of 10 former districts of Andhra Pradesh and the city of Hyderabad.



Day of Belongingness

The birthday celebration of Chancellor, Amity University, Noida also celebrated as 'Day of Belongingness', was marked by fervour and gaiety. Amitians joined in to make it more special

Day of Belongingness saw Amitians converge in large numbers to celebrate the birthday of Mr Atul Chauhan, Chancellor, Amity University, Uttar Pradesh. The eventful day provided a great opportunity to Amitians to rejoice and further strengthen the bond of love and togetherness.

The celebrations this year commenced with 'Training the Trainers' session wherein chosen trainers were trained by Dr Ashok K. Chauhan, Founder President, Amity Universe, who is himself, a great psychologist and visionary par excellence. These trainers in turn trained over 2,000 faculty members on the topic 'Belongingness' at 28 different venues.

In today's time, when the world is running amok in the pursuit of money and other material possessions, the deliberations reminded Amitians of the



Mr Atul Chauhan cuts the cake as other dignitaries join in the celebrations

importance of the 'Sense of belongingness' in maintaining peace and harmony. The Chancellor, accompanied by the Founder President and other family members, visited each and every

venue, where he was showered with blessings and birthday wishes. The event gave momentum to Dr Chauhan's passion and mission to make Amity one of the top universities of the world. The



Warm wishes and a special token of love for the beloved Chancellor

day ended with a cake cutting ceremony. The cake was specially prepared by students and faculty members of Amity School of Hospitality (ASH). Mr Atul Chauhan is an ambitious leader, who is

known for being humble and compassionate. The unique celebrations brought these virtues to the fore.

(The report was contributed by Amity Media Cell.)

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Include whole grain and fibre in your diet. Try breads such as whole wheat, bagels and pita.

Chairperson's message

A winning whammy



Amity has always been synonymous with excellence. It is a name that resonates with success and achievement. And the echoes of applause and appreciation were only more audible as Amitians proved their mettle yet again with the CBSE Board Results 2013-14. Every year, Amitians have etched their name on the plaque of success, by fetching unprecedented scores. While countless students from Class X touched the 10 CGPA notch, numerous students from Class XII fetched a 100% in various subjects. Overall, Amity has had a winning whammy with this year's CBSE Board results. My heart swells with pride as I see my Amitians scale new heights on the academic front. From fetching excellent scores to securing admissions in the most prestigious universities in both India and abroad, Amitians have carved a niche for themselves. My heartiest congratulations to everyone who has played a role in scripting a success story for Amity once again. I would like to thank my teachers for working so hard round the year to ensure that students do well in their exams; the school principals who look into every nitty-gritty to facilitate the best learning environment for the students and the parents who have showed immense faith in us at every step. I have always said that my Amitians are the best and I am glad that my students have proved me right yet again.

Overcoming hurdles



It's a team: Sanchit with his mother

A difficult road: Preeti (name changed), a student of AIS Vas 6, who passed the CBSE Boards (Class XII) this year with an aggregate of 75%, suffered from dyslexia and hence faced numerous roadblocks. "I would get irritated sometimes," says Preeti.

But this is not the end: Having survived the odds, Preeti now has a renewed sense of confidence. She says, "One should never lose hope. Just believe in yourself. Besides, all those who are studying in Amity can always fall back on their teacher, for Amity has some excellent teachers who will always be there for you."

Thank you Amity: "I must thank all the teachers at Amity for helping us throughout. In fact, it was the teachers who suggested that I take my daughter for a medical test before I knew that she was dyslexic. The teachers would guide me how to go about teaching my child," says Preeti's mother. Preeti too has notes of gratitude, "My teachers were extremely helpful. They would even make notes for me."

Dyslexia or any other learning disability is not the end of the road. This is exactly what two students of AIS Vas 6 have proved with their CBSE board results

A difficult road: Sanchit Singh, a student of AIS Vas 6, battled dyslexia to score a commendable 76% in CBSE Class XII Boards. "There were times when I would feel low and sometimes even give up. It was very challenging for me," he shares.

But this is not the end: "Focus – that's the key. I told myself that this is the last step of my school life and I can't waste it. I had set my focus on clearing my CBSE boards with flying colours. So, once you put your mind to something and focus all your energies on it, you will be able to do it," says Sanchit.

Thank you Amity: "I am grateful to Amity. The teachers at Amity not just helped my son with his studies, but also kept him motivated. They never stopped believing in him, even for a moment. They were there for him even at the eleventh hour," recalls Anita Singhal, Sanchit's mother. "My teachers always took out time for me. They even accompanied me to the exam centre so that I did not feel nervous," says Sanchit.



Twin tales: Razak & Sahej Dasburma

Same to same

Meet Razak & Sahej Dasburma, Amity Noida's twins who have given their parents every reason to be happy by shining in Class XII boards. Here's a quick one-on-one with the twins who seem to be on a similar footing

Same marks? Well, almost!
Razak: I scored 92.5%.
Sahej: I scored one percent more with 93.5%. So, I am slightly ahead.

Same expectations? Maybe.
Razak: I was expecting anything between 87-92%, so I guess I was kind of expecting these marks. Besides, my exams had really gone well, so somewhere I did believe that I would score above 90%.
Sahej: Honestly, I was expecting to score anywhere in late 80s. So, when I saw that I had scored 93%, I felt elated.

Same studying pattern? Absolutely!
Razak: I am a morning person so I

would get up at 5 am everyday. Sometimes, it was too difficult to get up that early especially in winters, when you have to ditch the quilt, pick up your books and get down to studying.
Sahej: I would wake up at 5 in the morning everyday. It was funny how some of my friends were going to sleep at that time and I was getting ready to study.

Same future plans? No.
Razak: I am planning to pursue B Com (Hons) from Delhi University. I am just waiting for the cut off list.
Sahej: I have already enrolled with Sushant School of Architecture and I dream to be a successful architect. Our best wishes to the twins!

That extra effort

Nothing is impossible, if you are willing to put in that something 'extra'. That certainly seems to be the mantra at Amity as the school and the teachers go all out from extra classes to customised worksheets, just to help the students score better. Here's straight from the horse's mouth

"My teachers helped me so much. It is because of them that I could score well in the subjects I was struggling with. My teachers would give me extra classes, sometimes sitting with me for three to four hours at a stretch. Even a day before the exam, they would be available on phone and clarify concepts on the phone itself. My teachers would sometimes even send me notes on WhatsApp, so that I did not have to struggle with the chapters I found tough. And other than

teaching me, they would even keep motivating me at all times. I am blessed to have such amazing teachers."

Shrishti Yadav
AIS Gur 43, alumnus, batch of 2014


"Most students think that remedial classes are only for weak students. However, that is a misconception. I think these classes give you that extra practice and help you prepare better for your exams. Maths is not one of my best subjects so I took extra classes for the same. I remember we would stay back in school for extra classes till 4 and sometimes even on Saturdays. Our teacher would not just help us revise important chapters, but also clarify our doubts and make us practice more."

Sumedha Sharma
AIS PV, alumnus, batch of 2014

Congratulations Amitasha!

Seen here are Amitasha students presenting a small token of gratitude to Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools, for her constant involvement in their academic progress. Smriti Irani, HRD minister, also congratulated Neha Gupta, the topper from Amitasha Noida.


Amity Institute for Competitive Examinations

Presents  **Brainleaks-110** FOR CLASS XI-XII

The tangent to the curve $y = e^x$ drawn at the point (c, e^c) intersects the line joining the points $(c-1, e^{c-1})$ and $(c+1, e^{c+1})$

(a) on the left of $x = c$
(b) on the right of $x = c$
(c) at no point
(d) at all points

Last Date: July 9, 2014 **3** correct entries win attractive prizes

Ans: **Brainleaks 109:** 

Name:.....

Class:.....

School:.....

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

An upward graph

Amity has always moved ahead, even in the CBSE results arena, so say the trends

School average, Class XII	
AIS Gurgaon 43	
2012-13:	81.37%
2013-14:	86.9 %

AIS Pushp Vihar	
2012-13:	83.04%
2013-14:	87.9%

AIS Noida	
2012-13:	80.96%
2013-14:	83.4%

School average, Class X	
AIS Gurgaon 43	
2012-13:	8.98
2013-14:	9.08

AIS Noida	
2012-13:	9.57
2013-14:	9.73

10 CGPA holders	
AIS Gurgaon 46	
2012-13:	10.9%
2013-14:	28.7%

AIS Gurgaon 43	
2012-13:	21%
2013-14:	35.5%


AIS Noida	
2012-13:	52%
2013-14:	64.6%

Above 90%	
AIS Pushp Vihar	
2012-13:	30.7%
2013-14:	51.5%

AIS Gurgaon 46	
2012-13:	32.3%
2013-14:	42.6%

The comparative analysis is limited to top three/two schools in the given category.

Graphic: Deepak Sharma



Reported by Bhawna Tuteja, GT Network



This year's excellent result was a result of the diligent efforts made by the students, teachers and principals together.

Apart from helping the students maintain emotional and mental stability during exams, a variety of activities like classroom observations, development of question banks, training of teachers, etc. were conducted from time to time by the schools to ensure good results. It was ensured that teaching-learning process was not a one-way communication but an interactive one. Students have also worked very hard and I wish them all the best for their future endeavours.

BN Bajpai, advisor (R & D)
Amity Group of Schools

AIS Vasundhara 1 Class X

School average	9.45 CGPA
Distinctions	27/27
Result	100%

30% 45% 25%

10 CGPA 9-10 CGPA 8-9 CGPA

I am very happy to be one of the 10 CGPA scorers. I worked sincerely from the beginning of the session and was very particular about my revision. I am grateful to my teachers who were always there to clear my doubts.

S Surudhip Raam, AIS Vas 1



AIS Noida Class XII

School average	83.4%
Distinctions	260/327
Result	100%

10.7% 33% 24.2% 32.1%

Marks 90%+ 80-90% 70-80% <70%

Toppers

Science	Mayank Mittal 8
Commerce	Karan 97.2%
Arts	Isha Misra 95.8%

Class X

School average	9.73 CGPA
Distinctions	398/398
Result	100%

64.6% 27.1% 8% 0.3%

10 CGPA 9-10 CGPA 8-9 CGPA Below 8 CGPA

The credit of my success goes to my teachers and family. I used to get up early in the morning and study for hours together. I genuinely believe it is very important to strike the right balance between studies, fun and play.

Karan Ratnam, AIS Noida

AIS Mayur Vihar Class XII

School average	84.2%
Distinctions	256/312
Result	100%

17.3% 27.6% 29.1% 25% 30.1%

Marks 90%+ 80-90% 70-80% <70%

Toppers

Science	Sanjana Garg 97.6%
Commerce	Sampurna 97.4%

Class X

School average	8.98 CGPA
Distinctions	172/184
Result	100%

27.7% 32.6% 23.3% 16.4%

10 CGPA 9-10 CGPA 8-9 CGPA Below 8 CGPA

The feeling is yet to sink in. I still can't believe that I topped in my school. I can proudly say that all my hard work has FINALLY paid off. I want to tell my juniors that work insidiously hard because the happiness that you feel after a great result can't be put into words.

Sanjana Garg, AIS MV

AIS Pushp Vihar Class XII

School average	87.9%
Distinctions	91/99
Result	100%

3% 12.1% 57.5% 33.4%

Marks 90%+ 80-90% 70-80% <70%

Toppers

Science	Mehul 96.6%
Commerce	Anurag 97.4%
Arts	Dhruv 94.6%

Class X

School average	9.13 CGPA
Distinctions	133/138
Result	100%

34.7% 30.4% 24.6% 10.3%

10 CGPA 9-10 CGPA 8-9 CGPA Below 8 CGPA

I worked hard and it paid off. I am deeply grateful to my family, friends and motivating teachers, who helped me achieve such a high percentage that seemed only a dream till a year back. My mantra was to rigorously solve sample papers after finishing the syllabus.

Anurag Sarwagi, AIS PV

AIS Gurgaon 46 Class XII

School average	85.9%
Distinctions	119/141
Result	100%

11.7% 8.5% 42.6% 31.2%

Marks 90%+ 80-90% 70-80% <70%

Toppers

Science	Meghna Negi 97.4%
Commerce	Vaibhavi 97.4%

Class X

School average	8.93 CGPA
Distinctions	178/188
Result	100%

28.7% 29.7% 21.8% 19.8%

10 CGPA 9-10 CGPA 8-9 CGPA Below 8 CGPA

I am elated to have secured such an amazing result. The credit goes to the able guidance and timely support provided by all my teachers. Also, I kept unflappable focus on my studies in school coupled with 2-3 hours of self-study/practice sessions at home every day.

Aparna Joshi, AIS Gur 46

Mathematics

AIS Saket
Ashutosh Mishra, Parth Luthra

AIS Mayur Vihar
Jairaj Gambhir, Ujjwal Agarwal

AIS Noida
Karan Ratnam

AIS Gur 46
Shyla Nehru, Anushka Aggarwal

AIS Gur 43
Amogh Gupta, Karan Dwivedi, Sarthak & Shivangi Aggarwal

Minakshi Tandon
AIS Gur 43, Math teacher

Chemistry

AIS Noida
Swati Jain

AIS Gur 46
Meghna Negi

AIS Mayur Vihar
Arushi Bhargava

AIS Noida
Ishita Taneja

AIS Gur 43
Charvi Aggarwal

AIS Saket
Jaismeen Dua

Sarika Singh
AIS Gur 46, Chemistry teacher

AIS Gurgaon 43 Class XII

School average	86.9%
Distinctions	111/120
Result	100%

3.3% 21.1% 40.8% 34.2%

Marks 90%+ 80-90% 70-80% <70%

Toppers

Science	Richa Pandey 97.6%
Commerce	Shivangi 97.8%

Class X

School average	9.08 CGPA
Distinctions	142/149
Result	100%

35.5% 29.5% 16.7% 18.3%

10 CGPA 9-10 CGPA 8-9 CGPA Below 8 CGPA

I have been regular in my studies since the beginning of the year and when the exam time approached, I didn't feel any pressure. During boards, apart from studying, I did all the activities that I usually used to do. I watched TV, went outside for walks and slept for 8 hours.

Shivangi Aggarwal, AIS Gur 43

Economics

AIS Saket
Parth Luthra, Raveena Nayyar

AIS Mayur Vihar
Sanjana Garg

AIS Noida
Anis Taneja, Karan Ratnam and Aditya Deswal

Aankoo Gulati
AIS Saket, Economics teacher

AIS Saket Class XII

School average	84.5%
Distinctions	164/192%
Result	100%

4.1% 26.6% 32.3% 37%

Marks 90%+ 80-90% 70-80% <70%

Toppers

Science	Mahak, Pratyush, Shantanu 97%
Commerce	Parth 97.6%
Arts	Ananya 95.2%

Class X

School average	9.24 CGPA
Distinctions	116/116
Result	100%

40.5% 27.5% 20.6% 11.4%

10 CGPA 9-10 CGPA 8-9 CGPA Below 8 CGPA

I was on cloud nine when I saw my result. I owe it to my school teachers, who not only taught me their respective subjects brilliantly but also acted as guides. I took careful notes and studied hard, throughout the year. This helped me score well in exams.

Parth Luthra, AIS Saket

Accountancy

AIS Pushp Vihar
Anurag Sarwagi

AIS Mayur Vihar
Tejas Bedi and Apoorva Vashist

Naveen Trikhia
AIS Pushp Vihar, Accountancy teacher

AIS Vasundhara 6 Class XII

School average	81.7%
Distinctions	72/96
Result	100%

11.5% 19.8% 30.2% 38.5%

Marks 90%+ 80-90% 70-80% <70%

Toppers

Science	Khushboo 95.6%
Commerce	Karishma 96.4%

Class X

School average	8.98 CGPA
Distinctions	123/137
Result	100%

34.3% 10.9% 25.5% 29.3%

10 CGPA 9-10 CGPA 8-9 CGPA Below 8 CGPA

Long hours of study with sufficient sleep, solving sample papers and silliest of problems with the help of my teachers, coupled with encouragement, support and love of my parents helped me become a topper. From the beginning of the year I took my studies seriously.

Karishma Malhotra, AIS Vas 6

Computer Sci

AIS Mayur Vihar
Abhishek Tandon

Deepshikha Sethi
AIS MV, Computer Science teacher

Amitasha Noida Class XII

School average	80.4%
Distinctions	3/4
Result	100%

50% 25% 25%

Marks 90%+ 80-90% 70-80% <70%

Toppers

Commerce	Neha Gupta 94.2%
Arts	Annu 80.6%

Class X

School average	9.08 CGPA
Distinctions	10/10
Result	100%

50% 50%

9-10 CGPA 8-9 CGPA

Three-four hours of focused study daily helped me prepare well for the exams. My humble background doesn't matter anymore as I will carve my own destiny. I thank respected Chairperson ma'am, Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan from the core of my heart. She gave me an opportunity to study in Amitasha and was instrumental in my success in every way.

Neha Gupta, Amitasha, XII

Psychology

AIS Pushp Vihar
Ashima Sethi

AIS Mayur Vihar
Ananya Jena

AIS Noida
Aditya Deswal

Mishie Singh

Ruchi Chaudhary
AIS Noida, Sr counselling psychologist

Amitasha Saket Class X

School average	7.68 CGPA
Distinctions	7/7
Result	100%

14.3% 14.3% 71.4%

9-10 CGPA 8-9 CGPA Below 8 CGPA

My mother is my strength and her efforts are priceless in my life. I am also grateful to respected Chairperson ma'am who gave me the chance to study in Amitasha. I want to thank all my teachers who were always there to support me.

Aradhna, Amitasha, X

Computer Sci

AIS Mayur Vihar
Abhishek Tandon

Deepshikha Sethi
AIS MV, Computer Science teacher

Marks of honour



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565 Star Achievers 10 Tana Tan 10

Meet the Amitians who touched the 10 CGPA notch

AIS Noida



























Open Up

Did you look up these summer holidays?

Did summer holidays have you glued to your computer screens?

Asmita Sharma,
AIS Gur 46, XII (Synchro)

Summer holidays- a short relief indeed from sweltering heat. I'm sure all of us brought out our cherished weaponry to battle the heat; the air conditioner and icy-cold water, while seeking refuge indoors. Not to forget the tech-obsessed, who, most likely spent the entire summer glued to the lap-top screen.

And when not, their iPhone or virtual games would have more than made up for it. As for the fashionistas, of course, they kept our Facebook walls ticking with selfies and updates.

As much as all this seems like an enthralling idea, the truth remains

unaltered; summer vacations pave way for our growing obsession with the virtual world. So, many summers holidays have come and gone, but our obsession with the virtual world has

Summer vacations pave way for our growing obsession with the virtual world.

persisted, feeding off our creativity and time. Minutes pass by, hours pass by, but for us, time stands still as the remote control of our video games begins to control us.

Summer vacations could indeed be a great time to spend time with our loved

ones. Our parents wait endlessly for them so they can treat us to the nicest things. But all we do during this precious time of the year is ignore them. The parents are left with nothing but nostalgic memories of good old days when childhood stood for the parks which today, are barren.

What is so difficult about giving up Candy Crush for a 'real' racquet? Saying no to FB chat for a chat in a park with friends or indulging in an engaging discussion with people made of flesh and blood than heading on to Twitter! Next summer vacation, switch off your phones, laptops, etc, for the more pleasant things in life that are looking up while you're busy looking down.

Let us really have Happy holidays!



Eggless choco cookies

Beauty Singh
Amitasha Noida, IX

Ingredients

Icing sugar500 gm
Butter500 gm
Custard powder.....50 gm
Milk250 ml
Refined flour (*maida*)1 kg
Milk powder1 kg
Baking powder6 gm
Vanila essence5 ml
Almonds & nutsa few
Choco chipsa few

Method

- First, cream the butter.
- Now mix icing sugar and custard powder into the creamed butter. Stir untill it forms a smooth paste.
- Strain refined flour, baking powder

and milk powder. Mix them together in a separate bowl.

- In another bowl, mix vanilla essence and milk.
- In the creamed butter, add refined flour mixture and milk together.
- Now cover this mixture with a plastic sheet and allow it to cool in a refrigerator for about 45 minutes.
- Take out the mixture from the refrigerator, roll it using a rolling pin. Sprinkle almonds and choco chips on it.
- Now cut them into the different shapes of your desired choice.
- Preheat the oven to 160 degrees celsius and bake them for about 15 to 20 minutes.
- Keep checking at regular intervals so that they do not burn.
- Your cookies are ready!

This recipe was prepared as part of the culinary certificate programme organised for Amitasha by Amity School of Hospitality.

Lit Kit

All you literature lovers, this literary kit will come in handy for you!

- John Keats was only about 5 feet tall, but by the time he died at the age of 24, he was an unparalleled literary giant of his age.
- John Milton composed the greatest epic 'Paradise Lost' after he turned blind.
- Harry Potter series has been translated into over 65 languages.
- Michel Thaler, a French writer, published a 233-page novel without using verbs.
- Mark Twain was the first notable American author who placed black and white Americans on the same social rank—Huckleberry Finn and Jim.

POEMS

Ultimate truth

Mehjabin Haq, Alumnus, AUUP

Death comes....
It speaks,
the saddest tunes.
The lonely death,
tears and blood tear asunder,
are you the villain or angel
from wonder?
Soul snatcher...
Yes, you are.
Broken hearts litter your graveyard,
prayers seize your heart,
do you have one?
The death of dead,
screams its bleeding soul,
glittery anger, the grief,
feed your senses,
are you the villain or angel
from wonder?
Thrown from hell,

to purchase the dying,
sent from Eden,
the faces of your treacherous terrain.
Morbidity cloaks you,
freedom heralds you.
Death comes.
Death is I,
in Himself and in the Dead,
I am in You.

Earth day

Shreya Sharma, AIS Noida, VIII B

April 22 is a special day,
to thank our mother in every way.
Not the mother that gave you birth,
but the mother of mothers,
Mother Earth.
We pollute, we contaminate,
we litter the land,
but at least on this day we should
extend her a hand.
She's the one who supports life,
yet we've destroyed her beauty and
made her a ghastly sight.
Cleaning the water, cleaning the air,
are just some little signs to show
that we care.
Green is the colour she wears,
for our sake, how much she bears!
So on Earth Day, let's pledge this year,
to lock ourselves in the action gear,
march ahead without any fear,
and save the beloved earth which is
so very dear!

Tee quotes

T-shirts are like mobile billboards that turn the street into world's biggest art gallery! So, go grab one and flaunt some witty and head-turning one liners.

Jumble Bumble

Put these jumbled-up proverbs in the right order

- The other side is always on the greener grass.
- A thousand words is worth a picture.
- The beholder lies in the eyes of beauty.
- A book can't judge its cover by you.

Answers- 1) The grass is always greener on the other side. 2) A picture is worth a thousand words. 3) Beauty lies in the eyes of the beholder. 4) You can't judge a book by its cover.

Brush 'n' Easel

Shruti Sinha
AIS Vas 6, X

Sudoku 55

3		2		5	6	4
	4	8	1		3	
6			5		8	
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	5			6		
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5	9			2		
8		2	1	9		
9	2	6		8		5

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The tale of the most expensive mango

Illustration: Tanisha Karmakar, AIS Noida, V F



Tanisha Karmakar, AIS Noida, V F

Once there lived a miser named Raman. He was rich, but hardly spent any money. His wife was tired of his miserliness. Once Raman’s friend threw a feast and invited Raman. Raman ate as much as he could, but he liked the mango pudding

the best. When he asked his wife to make pudding for him, she said, “You hardly spend any money, at least get some mangoes to make the pudding.” Raman went to the market. He saw a man selling mangoes, he asked him, “What’s the price for a kilo of mangoes? The seller replied, “Fifty rupees.” Raman was shocked. He asked the

A frightened Raman fell down and hurt himself badly. The guard spanked him and the dog bit him.

seller, “Can I get cheaper mangoes elsewhere?” The seller replied, “Ten kilometres away, mangoes are available for Rs forty a kg.” Raman thought if he walked a little he would be able to save ten rupees. Tired, Raman reached there, but found forty rupees too expensive. Then he saw a garden full of mangoes. He then decided to steal and have them all for free. As he climbed up the tree, he saw a watchman and his dog running towards him. A frightened Raman fell down and hurt himself badly. The guard spanked him and the dog bit him. Raman spent ten times the money on his treatment. He cursed himself for his miserliness and decided to change himself.

So, what did you learn today? Spend your money wisely, but don’t be a miser.



Papdi chaat

Dhaval Khanna, AIS Gur 46, II A

Ingredients

Maida papdi a few
Curd.....1 tsp
Potato (boiled)1
White chana (boiled)..... a few
Chaat masalato sprinkle
Salt.....to taste
Roasted cumin seeds a few
Green mint chutneyto taste
Tamarind chutneyto taste

Method

- Spread a few *papdis* on a plate.
- Beat the curd and spread it on the papdis.
- Dice the boiled potatoes into small cubes. Spread potatoes and *chana* on the papdi.
- Powder the roasted cumin seeds. Sprinkle on the papdi along with salt and *chaat masala*.
- Garnish with green *chutney* and tamarind *chutney*.

It’s Me

My name: Yashica Bisla
My school: AIS Gur 43
My Class: KG A
My birthday: June 18, 2008
I like: Painting & dancing
I dislike: Drinking milk
My hobby: Playing
My role model: Chota Bheem
My best friend: Kavya & Anirudh
My favourite book: Activity book
My favourite mall: Ambience mall
My favourite food: Pasta & noodles
My favourite teacher: Soni ma’am
My favourite poem: Twinkle twinkle
My favourite subject: Maths
I want to become a: Teacher
I want to feature in GT because: It makes me feel good.

My dream

Illustration: Khyati Naudiyal, AIS Noida, II B

I dream of being a fairy godmother to help people.
Once I dreamt of being a fairy godmother. I looked beautiful in a pink gown with silver wings and a magic wand. I was using magic to help people.
Khyati Naudiyal
AIS Noida, II B

POEMS

It's summer time!

Palaq Venkatesh, AIS Noida, VIII D

It's summer time,
school vacation has just begun!
Time for children to play,
and have fun in the sun.
Now the children
are out of school.
There is time to climb trees,
and go swimming in the pool.
And ample time to bond
with special friends.
With them time seems to run and
days just end.
But when summer vacation

is finally through,
it's time to read books again
and return to school.

I’m off on a hike!

Yash Pandey, AIS Vas 1, VI C

I’m off on a hike,
I’m off on a hike,
along with a tent and my bike!
And a sleeping bag too,
just for me and you.

I’ll hike near a farm,
with a bag in my arm.
I’m off on a hike,
along with a tent and my bike.

In my bag there are fruits,
not to forget the juice!
With the fresh air along,
I feel I’m on a cruise!

I’m off on a hike,
along with a tent and my bike!

I’m madly jumping and rolling and
dancing along,
and here I go singing a song!
I’m off on a hike!

Jokey Pokey

Tanishq Khurana
AIS Noida, VII I

Teacher: Pappu, join these two sentences together; I was cycling to school. I saw a dead body.
Pappu: I saw a dead body cycling to school.

■■■■

Monu: What do you call an aligator in a vest?
Sonu: Investigator
■■■■

Sonu: What do lawyers wear to court?
Monu: Lawsuits
■■■■

Monu: Which is the most hardworking part of the eye?
Sonu: Pupil
■■■■

Sonu: Who earns money by driving their customers away?
Monu: A taxi driver
■■■■

Monu: Why did the computer go to the doctor?
Sonu: Because it had virus.
■■■■

Sonu: Waiter, will my pizza be long?
Waiter: No sir, it will be round.

CAMERA CAPERS

Bhuvnesh Sharma, AIS Noida, VII D

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White mystery

Inspiring fear

Love underwater

fun in the sun

Fun and frolic had a new address this summer. Amies took a plunge into the creative pool to cool off their heels. Here is what they did this summer to make it more refreshing and enjoyable



Splash splash Aqua fun



Call of colours Creating rainbows



Circle time Fun time

Amiown Pushp Vihar

Nidhi Anand, Amiown Pushp Vihar, Teacher

Amies embarked on an adventurous and wonderful journey on May 12, 2014 to 'The mysterious sands' to learn more about hot and cold desert through interesting workshops. Bubbling with enthusiasm, they packed their bags and discussed the requisites for a vacation with their teachers. They also learnt about packing a suitcase and buying train/air tickets to travel from one place to another. The little ones were then introduced to the concept of a desert through different pictures, models, etc.

Exploring golden desert of Rajasthan: The second week of the

workshop saw little ones set out on a journey to Thar Desert in Rajasthan. To give them an idea of how it feels to be in the hot desert, children were taken to a sand pit to play, where they could feel the texture of sand and make castles and also explore the commonly found animals there. They learnt to greet and welcome each other in the local dialect. It was a treat to watch the little ones dance to the tunes of *Aao ji padhaaro mare des...* Children participated in craft activities, wherein the boys made *pagris* and girls made beautiful necklaces.

Ladakh calling: Amies had a lot of fun exploring the high mountains, valleys, lakes and glaciers in the cold desert of Ladakh in the third week of the workshop. It was fun to see them greet each other by saying 'Jule' which means 'Hello' in Tibetan language. They enhanced their culinary skills by making scrumptious treats and also learnt a new song 'She'll be coming around...' The workshop concluded with everyone coming together to have a great time. They indulged in different activities like circle time, camel ride, music and movement, snack time, etc.

They enjoyed newspaper craft and puppet making. The children were also familiarised with long forgotten games like snakes and ladders, *kho-kho*, *gitti-phod*, blind fold, etc. To enhance the fine motor skills of little ones, the children were asked to make *rangoli* using coloured powder and flowers. Fun science activities gave the young minds an opportunity to explore the world scientifically.

Amiown Noida

Monica Sharda, Amiown Noida, Teacher

Amiown Noida turned into a hub of creativity this summer. A host of activities like creative factory, flameless cooking and science fun kept the kids busy. The three week long workshop, beginning May 12, gave children the opportunity to don their creative hats and extend their thinking across multiple patterns of intelligence. They stretched their imagination skills to come up with something unique. It was pure delight to see children dish out scrumptious recipes. The little Einsteins also explored their immediate environment. A theatre workshop was another major draw. The children in the age group of 4-14 years participated in two plays. The camp provided a sea of learning opportunities to the little ones.



Joy ride
Desert king

Amiown Gurgaon

Sunita Palliwal, Amiown Gurgaon, Teacher

Amies channelised their energy constructively in a three-week long programme, beginning May 12, that saw the kids being involved in various activities. They began their day on a spiritual note by listening to mythological tales and participating in yoga sessions to improve concentration and to stay calm and relaxed. Art and expression classes helped children dole out their creativity using different techniques of painting like noodle, thread, salt and pebble painting.



Yummy for tummy Little chefs in action



Healthy, wealthy and wise Exercise time



Art & craft Let's create something



Creative corner Li'l artists at work



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Orienting parents

Orientations familiarise parents with ethos of the school



Chairperson addressing parents



A beautiful glimpse into Class I

Nursery: To provide an insight into their new school, parent orientation for Nursery was held on April 4-5, 2014. Dr Kanika K Ahuja, professor of psychology, Lady Shri Ram College graced the occasion as the guest speaker. School principal Renu Singh welcomed the parents while Soma Mukherjee, vice principal, primary section, outlined the unique teaching methodology. Shivani Khanna, coordinator, touched upon the school’s daily routine. The graduates, now in KG, gave a glimpse into the co-curricular activities and experiential learning. Dr Ahuja shared valuable tips on parenting.

Class I: Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools,

graced the orientation programme for Class I on April 11, 2014. In her address to the parents, she shed light on the school’s ethos and achievements. The principal entreated the parents to foster their children’s originality and inventiveness with constant motivation. Soma Mukherjee detailed the teaching methodology. Neelu Khanna, coordinator, gave a comprehensive view of the curriculum. The graduates gave a sneak preview of the co-curricular activities. Guest speaker, Dr Shakuntala Dawesar, a prominent practitioner of family medicine and counseling, gave tips on positive parenting in an interactive session.

Class V: At the orientation on April 19, 2014, parents were explained the CCE style grading. Rita Tiwary, coordinator, shared useful parenting tips. The gradu-

ates of Class V shared their experience. Dr Kanika K Ahuja gave interesting insights on how to inculcate values like integrity, forgiveness, etc in children.

Class XII: Parent orientation was held on April 17, 2014. The school principal guided parents on the importance of keeping the communication channels open during this crucial phase. Aparna Seebaluck, vice principal, provided an insight into the teaching and assessment pattern. Meera Agarwal, HoD, computer science, briefed the audience about Amitranet parent section. Class XII graduates expressed their gratitude to the school for all the support and encouragement. Ruchi Choudhary, senior counselling psychologist, offered tips on stress management. This was followed by an interactive session.



A traditional welcome



Amity-Danish MUN in full swing

Date with Denmark

Prolific exchange of ideas mark the unique Amity-Danish mini MUN

AERC

Under the guidance and leadership of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools, AIS Noida hosted a unique Indo – Danish MUN conference on April 24-25, 2014. The theme was Millennium Development Goals. 28 students accompanied by their English professor Peter B Rosenkjaer from Sankt Anne Gymnasium, Copenhagen, Denmark participated in the conference. Renu Singh, principal, AIS Noida, welcomed the guests as Chairperson shared nuggets of wisdom. Jyoti Arora, head, AERC, introduced the delegates and presented a detailed report on Amity’s strong links with Denmark. A workshop on Danish didactics was organised for the faculty. Students assigned to six committees touched upon diverse topics such as gender

equality, eradication of poverty, universal primary education, etc. Danish delegates highlighted the differences between the policies of India and Denmark. Best delegate awards were bestowed on one Amitian and a Danish delegate from each committee. The conference culminated with the presentation by SAG group from Denmark. The students learnt a lot about the political scenario and culture of both the countries. The Danish delegation visited Amitasha Noida on April 25, 2014. The interaction began with an introductory session, followed by fun activities. Amitasha and Danish students hummed songs. Amitasha students also told them about the famous tourist spots in India. Dr Manorama Saxena, coordinator, Amitasha Schools, presented the Danish professor an Amitasha trophy as a token of love.

Polishing oratory skills



Smartly dressed anchors read out news from around the world

AIS Lucknow

Public speaking

Public speaking is an essential skill for enhancing self esteem and self confidence. Keeping this in perspective, AIS Lucknow organised an inter-house news reading competition on April 11, 2014 in which students of Class II - V showcased their confidence and competitive spirit. The stage was transformed into a news-room with well-dressed anchors, knowledgeable weathermen and enthusiastic reporters vying for space. For the competition, the students had prepared PowerPoint presentations and gathered extensive information. They were judged on the basis of stage

presentation, confidence and content. Mandakini House won the first prize, while Alaknanda House bagged the second spot. The event was successful in helping the students overcome their inhibitions while speaking on a public platform.

Just a Minute

Another competition, ‘Just a Minute’ was held in the school, on April 16, 2014 to boost the oratory skills of the students. Students of Class II - IV participated in the event. The participants were required to speak impromptu for a minute on diverse topics. Rupal Agarwal, Class II, Gargi Chaturvedi, Class III and Alisha Ojha, Class IV were declared winners.



Aqua fun party

Summers brought a lot of fun as aqua fun party gave kids time to revel in joy

AIS Saket

What better way to soak in some summer fun than having an aqua fun party? Even the weather played along as a gentle breeze blew past the tiny tots of KG who soaked in the spirit of a rain dance party on May 6, 2014. From polka dots to stripes to neon colours, the school field saw a burst of colour as children came dressed up in vibrant outfits with appropriate accessories to enjoy the party. The kids enjoyed getting wet and dancing in the field, and even posed for happy pictures. The concept of ‘wet’ and ‘dry’ was explained to them in a play way method. Children had a lot of fun, indulging in colouring, dabbing, sticking and tearing-and-pasting activities. The aqua fun party ended with a sumptuous lunch thoroughly relished by the children. In the spirit of summer, ice cream was the perfect accompaniment for the fun filled day. Tired and overwhelmed, the students changed into casuals, restlessly awaiting dispersal, to go home and share the stories with parents.



Floral fashion at AIS Vas 6

AIS Vasundhara 6

The tiny tots of Nursery and KG of AIS Vasundhara 6 welcomed the summer season with glee, colour and merriment. Dressed in floral frocks and shirts with marigold garlands around their necks and straw hats to beat the heat, the toddlers recited poems and sang songs in the rain dance party. Children enjoyed the rain dance, splashed with abandon in the cool blue splash pool, soaking the feel of water and enjoying every minute of it. After two hours of playfulness, they relished ice-creams and lemonade. What a nice way to usher in summers!

Mango mania

AIS Lucknow

Cashing on the mango season in full swing, AIS Lucknow organised a picnic to a mango orchard on May 9, 2014. Students of Nursery to Class V, accompanied by their teachers, went to a lush mango orchard situated at Amity University. Children were overjoyed at the sight of the open space and began to play, run, skip and hop in the shade of the green mango trees which had tempting mangoes dangling from their branches! Delectable snacks and cool juices added to the excitement. Later, children could be seen swaying and dancing to foot tapping music. It was a day full of fun, merriment and joy!



Juicy fun at mango orchard



Big B to set tele on fire

All pics: Ravinder Gusain, GT Network



The cast and crew of Yudh poses for the shutterbugs during the press conference

With legendary actor Amitabh Bachchan all set to test the waters with his first fiction television show, 'Yudh' on Sony Television, **Smita Jain**, GT Network brings you a rendezvous with the megastar at a press conference in the capital to promote the show.

Is your role in 'Yudh' an extension of the role you played in 'Zanjeer'?

'Zanjeer' was made around 30-40 years ago and I have aged considerably since that time. It is very difficult to say that you will see glimpses of 'Zan-

I think the vastness and scope of the character, and the issues that he has to deal with are the different tributaries in his life.

jeer' in this serial. While I would not reveal much about the character, I'd say that I play a construction baron, on whose shoulders rests the livelihood of 10,000 people. The protagonist faces challenges from his business rivals, deals with complicated family relationships, but the greatest threat he faces is the terminal illness he is suffering from.

What is the USP of the show- the cast or the script?

It is the story that scores above everything. The screenplay writer and director have a crucial role to play in the success of a daily soap so much so that even the actors owe their existence to them. It is the director who guides us on acting and delivering the lines. We are nothing but puppets in their hands.

How different is acting on the small screen as compared to acting for 70 mm?

Well, I think that the medium is just the same. You have a story, dialogues, camera, co-actors and a director for both TV and films. Having said that, I think one good thing about television is that we are given a lot of time to express ourselves, while in cinema, the director wants you to quickly move to the next scene. Besides, for television, shooting is done using a digital camera so there are no stoppages or loss of film.

After starring in some mega blockbusters, how does it feel to go back to television?

I don't consider myself a superstar. Allowing that feeling to set in will mean the death of an artist. For anyone in the creative field, one should never allow the feeling of satisfaction to settle in.

How challenging is your role in 'Yudh'?

I think the vastness and scope of the character, and the issues that he has to deal with are the different tributaries in his life. The reactions and relationships, political ups and downs in his family life, only make his character more intense. Once you see the show, you will learn there are many issues that he has to address. I doubt that I could have played such a character in a film which had so many shades.



In this first of its kind product, people will see cinema as a television series. **Shoojit Sircar**, creative director, Yudh



This show will make the audience put aside everything and watch this show. **Anurag Kashyap**, creative director, Yudh



I never thought I would be associated with this magnum opus. It's a great platform to showcase my talent. **Sarika**, cast, Yudh



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GT Travels to Dubai



Saisha Gupta, AIS Saket, II A, holds her copy of The Global Times in front of Burj Khalifa, Dubai, the tallest building in the world. The opening ceremony of Burj Khalifa was held on January 4, 2010. The ceremony featured a display of 10,000 fireworks, light beams projected on and around the tower along with sound, light and water effects.

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