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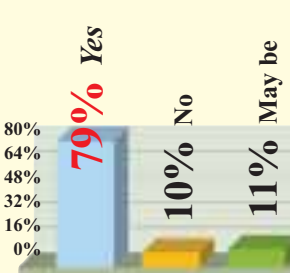
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### POLL RESULT

for GT issue October 31, 2011

Do ghazals have a future in India?



Results as on November 3, 2011

# ROARING ON MIND TRACKS...

F1 Indian Grand Prix mega spectacle may be over, but memories of burning rubber, growling engines, curvature of racing tracks and vrooming mean machines are here to stay

Pratiti Diddi, GT Network

India's inaugural Grand Prix on home turf was pulled off with elan and grandeur at its best. As we bid farewell to Formula One championship and await recreating the splendour and magic next year, we experience the adrenaline rush one more time.

### WINNING FORMULA

World champion Sebastian Vettel made history by winning India's first ever F1 Grand Prix, as Jenson Button and Fernando Alonso tightened their grip on the championship's second and third place respectively. Red Bull's reigning speed king Vettel, became the youngest driver in the world to win back to back world championships by clinching his 11th win this season. He seems to be all set to emulate his idol Michael Schumacher's record of winning 13 races in a year. Narain Karthikeyan, India's first ever F1 driver and racing at home for the first time secured the 17th position.



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### MOOLAH MANTRA

If you thought that just like IPL, F1 meant raining exorbitant money on drivers, you are in for a shock. Drivers didn't receive any prize money. In fact, the prize money would be paid out depending on the team's positions at the end of the year. Though the event was a great avenue for Formula One Management (FOM) to mint unbelievable amounts. Estimated earnings for FOM from the F1 Circuits in 2010 alone is approx. \$561 million.

### STAR VALUE

The Buddh International Circuit wasn't the only star of the show. From tennis ace Sania Mirza to Bollywood megastar Sharukh Khan, celebs too were in the paddocks to reel in the charm of maiden Indian GP. Sachin Tendulkar, F1 fan waved the checkered flag at the end of the inaugural India Grand Prix. And the best to go gaga for, was Lady Gaga's show. She performed her first ever show in India at the F1 afterhours party, celebrating India's first ever Grand Prix.

The razzmatazz of the three day mega event won high praise from race-car drivers and international media alike.

### INDIA ARRIVES

The cricket mad nation seems to have finally found liking for another glorious sport err motorsport. The argument that F1 is an elitist sport and shouldn't be encouraged doesn't cut much ice. Access to the sport itself might be limited but the fact remains that F1 creates massive economic opportunities, ensuring big returns on investments. According to ASSOCHAM, F1 could generate Rs 90,000 crore in revenues over the next decade and create 15 lakh technical job opportunities. India, already a big player in automobile industry has thus a lot to reap in from its move into F1. Besides, the success of the event has secured India a prominent position on the international sport map. Looks like, India has finally arrived.

As frenzied fans still reel in F1 fever, the wait for the next year's event has already begun. **GT**

# A spiritual awakening

Dr Rick Levy, a pioneer in the field of mind-body medicine and leading US based psychologist on his recent visit to Amity University delivered a talk on 'Positive Mental Health and Spirituality'. He interacted with the students of Amity Institute of Psychology & Allied Sciences and Amity Institute of Behavioural Health & Allied Science. Here are some excerpts from the interaction.

Mehjabin Haq, AIBHAS

**Towards Psychology:** I was the black sheep of my family. My family constituted of doctors and engineers and when I announced my decision to take up clinical psychology, everyone was horrified. There was very little awareness about it, so when I embarked on the chosen path I faced stiff opposition. But I continued undeterred and today I am proud of my decision.

**The power of mind:** The human mind has infinite power. One can achieve his goal with ease, if he is in the right frame of mind and possesses positive attitude. The power of mind can be guided and used for our betterment using meditation. Meditation is like a 'mental laboratory' which allows people to master their own mental and physical states.

**Mental mastery:** We all are blessed with an



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ability to reach the stage of enlightened awareness. The mind is a storehouse of energy. Most people rely only on their conscious minds (everyday thoughts and feelings) for insight and power, without realizing that the conscious mind is the weakest. The subconscious mind is three times more powerful than super conscious mind. To achieve mastery over the subconscious mind, we must practice scientific meditation.

**Healing is universal:** Healing is a universal concept. Even though, people across the globe have varied lifestyles, I found them to be same. Despite their socio-economic differences, they are all the

same. So, healing techniques deployed to heal them are also similar. The power of healing is such that it can help even the most traumatized. I have dealt with 9/11 terror victims, which was a very painful chapter of my life. People were highly traumatized. But human spirit is indomitable. We survive, we go on. One has to understand that terrorists are not enemies and counsel them. However, helping people who are obsessed with materialistic things and desires is more challenging.

**Miraculous Health:** My book "Miraculous Health" is about the power of the human mind, which is infinite. We can tap this power to heal our-

selves, our society and our planet. You can visit my website [www.powertoheal.it.com](http://www.powertoheal.it.com) to attain mental peace and state of bliss.

**Love for India and Amity:** I love coming to India. It is the spiritual capital of the world. Amity is like a second home to me. Dr Ashok K Chauhan, Founder President, Amity Universe, has been very gracious in extending invitation to me.

**Message for the Youth:** I would like the youth to pursue scientific meditation and develop a positive attitude to succeed in life. If they follow this mantra then a golden future beckons them. **GT**



# YOUTH POWER 2011-2012

I believe. Hence, I support. YP finalists share the sparks that fuelled them towards their journey. Lend an ear as they speak out on the cause close to their heart

## AIS Gurgaon 43





A field trip to a construction site was organized for students to understand better the condition of people working in the unorganized sector.

## Organizing for betterment

Unsystematic, muddled, heart rendering – these are the words that perhaps best describe the condition of the people working in the unorganized sector. From the domestic helps who work in our homes to the cobblers and casual labourers in the lanes of our localities, the unorganized sector amasses a gigantic portion of the work force.

The plight of little children at construction sites, who while away the day whilst their parents toil throughout the day to afford a two-square meal, is agonizing. You just can't avoid it. Forget human grounds; aggravation of such a situation would ultimately affect the country's economy; they have a 30% share in the same, after all. This is why we chose to work for the '**UP-LIFTMENT OF THE UNORGANIZED SECTOR**'.

The need of the hour is for the helpless to be helped and the oppressed to rise. Our YP project involves the coming together of our generation to help the partially skilled with the opportunity to earn a higher income.  

## AIS Noida





Students show posters made by them as a part of 'Poster making competition' to support the cause.

## Roar of the wild

**T**iger Nahi toh Jungle Nahi; Baarish, Nadiyaan aur Phasal Nahi; Toh Kya Hum Rahenge? A simple question, with an even simpler answer that led us all to scream out loud – '**SAVE THE TIGER**'.

The majestic predator plays a key role in maintaining the ecological balance. India is losing its tigers as those who want to save the tigers are in a minority. We are here to change just that - to convert that minority into a majority. Our team of four shares a passion to save the tiger and an unwavering resolve and concern to reinforce the urgent need to help it survive.



We appeal to you, "Remove those earplugs and listen to the roar of the wild before it is too late".  

## AIS Saket





The team spreads awareness by sticking messages on chips' packets, which were sold in the canteen.

## SHE is the future

**G**irls are the linchpins of their societies and of their communities. With education, skills and basic resources; they can become the catalysts for change. Girls can help build a better world for all. This is why the deteriorating state of the girl child needs public attention. The girl child is the future of our country. Unfortunately though, the future of the nation faces sheer ignorance. And we as the youth of the nation, could not see a dim future of the country. Consequentially, '**EMPOWER THE GIRL CHILD**' became our motto. We aim to fulfill our motto by touching upon areas like education, vocational training and overall development, as well as health and sanitation.  

## Technology for peace

**T**echnology can create or kill. But, with evil minds at work, technology is being used more for destruction rather than construction. Our desire to curb this destructive spree urged us to take up '**CYBER CRIME**' as our cause. A workshop in our own school on this subject apprised us with the gravity of this issue. The brutality that hackers show towards their victims shook us in more ways than one. And what's worst is that this crime affects youth, who are the future of the nation. Since youth is the most tech savvy, they are also the most vulnerable to cyber crime. Awakening and sensitizing them towards the issue is our motive.  

## AIS Vasundhara 6



The team leader making diyas, which were sold to raise money for the cause.

## Inhumane no more



### AIS Pushp Vihar



Explaining the importance of the cause to a visitor at their stall put up at Diwali Mela in Defence Colony.

**H**uman trafficking is a problem that mocks the idealism in the world; it

derides the farfetched aims of a world which exists on bonds forged by love and peace. It is downright inhumane and degrading. Victims of '**HUMAN TRAFFICKING**' can never piece their lives together again and remain forever broken. Even though they are alive, they are not really living. Every year about 6 to 8 lakh people are trafficked internationally and no major steps are being taken by the global community at large to combat it. The public needs to be made aware about the problem, and coaxed to be open enough to take a stand against it. To fight against the further occurrences of this heinous

crime, we founded the Anti Human Trafficking Activists Club (AHTAC). Some people say that we're a little too idealistic. Maybe yes, but isn't fierce idealism a pre requisite when you are out to combat something so inhumane?  

## AIS Gurgaon 46





Underprivileged kids make diyas as a part of a talent hunt. The diyas were later sold to generate funds for the cause.

## AIS Vasundhara-1



YP finalists teaching the underprivileged children.

## Spreading education



**W**e found English, Math and SST boring. But when we realized that there are only a fortunate few who have the privilege to get bored, we understood the significance of education. Speaking to the underprivileged, acquainted us with the gap that exists between their world and the practical world. The key to bridge this gap is '**EDUCATING THE POOR**'. Through YP we want to make education 'contagious'.  

## AIS Mayur Vihar



The team sells decor items made by school students during 'Best out of waste' competition in Diwali Mela.



## Valuable waste

**I**nspired by words of Mahatma Gandhi - "Be the change you want to see in the World", we set out to make the world a cleaner place that we wanted to see. And we took a simple but strong step towards our cause – '**SEGREGATION OF GARBAGE**'. What can be a better way to give back to mother nature than utilize the waste that we overload her with?  

## Discover the 'I'

"I believe that every person is born with a special talent."

-*Maya Angelou, American Poet*

The saying above holds reverence to a great extent, but unfortunately not everyone possess the abundance of opportunities, which can put their talent to display. That is what, we at 'Discover I' Foundation are here to change. Discover I, as the name suggests is an organization, which tries to do something which each child possesses, which makes that being special and different from others. And nurturing this talent, could put the child on a path that leads to a better and brighter future. We inaugurated our project a month back, and the progress has been rather heartwarming. Having interacted with underprivileged kids, held competitions, and discovered some talent, we now are doubly sure of the path we have chosen. But as they say 'miles to go before I sleep', the journey that begun with Youth Power has a long way to go. Youth Power is just the first step. Way too farfetched? Maybe, but we believe in dreams. Go ahead, dream and 'Discover the I' within you.  



There is only one happiness in life — to love and to be loved.

George Sand

# Amity's date with speed

Amity University revelled and basked in the golden opportunity of a rare insight into F1

A quick date with Mr Alex Burns, Team Williams, F1, was organized on October 31, in collaboration with the Institute of Engineering and Technology (IET, UK), heightened the excitement for motorsports at Amity University campus.

Burns, who introduced himself as an extremely passionate individual about advanced engineering, spoke at length about "The Technological Challenges of Formula 1" during the Lord Austin Lecture. Apprising the audience about the organizational culture of Williams, Burns said, "Decisions at Williams happen incredibly fast, things move at a breathtaking pace, not just the cars, but the whole business behind the cars. The main driv-





Alex Burns, CEO Williams F-1 delivers a lecture at AUP

ing force behind the success of Williams is the culture of the organization." The CEO shared that currently, more than 500 people were involved in designing and developing Formula 1 cars, and about another 100 in other parts of

the business. The company is growing at a rapid pace and has earned the distinction of being a steady engineering organization. Dwelling on the advanced technology of F1 and aerodynamics, Mr Burns averred, "Williams' core capabil-



ity is around aerodynamics. The aerodynamics is there to push the car into the road, these cars generate down force, which is several times the weight of the car itself and this allows the driver to corner very quickly in few seconds." Talking about motorsport in general and Formula 1 in particular, Mr Burns said, "In UK, motorsport is one of the major industries with an annual turnover of more than 5 billion Sterling and more than 50,000 employees. Essentially, Formula 1 is a business as much as it's a sport. Formula 1 is the biggest single sporting event. Olympics are held after every four years, but F1 happens every year from March to November."

The lecture ended with Maj Gen K.Jai. Singh- Vice Chancellor, Amity University, Dr Sanjay Srivastava- Head, Amity Business School and Dr Balvinder Shukla, Pro-VC (A), Amity University honouring Alex Burns with Amity Leadership Award for Innovation.  

## Amity Institute for Competitive Examinations

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## SCHOLASTIC ALERTS



**Institute:** National Institute of Design, Ahmedabad

**Course:** Graduate Diploma Programme in Design (GDPD)

**Eligibility Criteria:** Passed or Appearing for class XII under AISSCE/ IB/ ISC. Upper age Limit is 20 years as on June 1, 2012.

**Examination:** Design Aptitude Test for GDPD on January 7, 2012.

**Application Form:** Check [www.nid.edu](http://www.nid.edu)

**Last Date:** Nov 21, 2011

**Website:** [www.nid.edu](http://www.nid.edu)

**Institute/ College:** Maastricht University, The Netherlands

**Course:** All Bachelor's courses for Feb & Sep 2012 intake

**Eligibility:** Check University website

**Examination:** refer to website

**Application Form:** Online on: [www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/web/home.htm](http://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/web/home.htm)

**Last Date:** Feb 2012 intake is November 30, 2011

**Website:** [www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/web/home.htm](http://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/web/home.htm)

**Institute/ College:** Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology, Thiruvananthapuram

**Course:** BTech Programmes in Aerospace Engineering, Avionics and Physical Sciences

**Eligibility:** ISAT, 2012

**Examination Date:** April 21, 2012

**Application Form:** Online registration begins on November 1, 2011

**Last Date:** December 31, 2011

**Website:** [www.iist.ac.in/isat2012](http://www.iist.ac.in/isat2012) or <http://iist.isac.gov.in/iist>

**Taruna Barthwal, ACCGC, Career Counseling Coordinator**

# Striking Gold!

Excellent placement and fat pay cheques define the success scorecard of AITTM students and this year it got perkier with six of them undergoing advanced training with Ericsson in UK

Smita Jain, GT Network

The selection of six students of Amity Institute of Telecom Technology and Management (AITTM) for advanced technical training in UK under the Excel Certification program has given the premier institute a reason to celebrate.

The six B Tech students of 2007-11 batch who brought laurels to their institute include; Paras Sachdev, Mahak Sajid, Ritika Mehta, Anil Yadav, Lovely Gupta and Harshita Srivastava.

To begin a career with Ericsson is a dream come true for any student pursuing an engineering course in Electronics & Telecommunication. Last year 40 students were picked up from AITTM for Ericsson's EXCEL Professional certifica-





From left to right: Paras, Mahak, Ritika, Anil, Lovely, Harshita

tion program and this year 80 have been picked up and all of them are likely to be placed with Ericsson. The unique certification Program has helped our students to start and build a promising career with one of the best telecommunication multinationals in the world. It has also given Ericsson immense visibility among the telecom students.

EXCEL Certification program was launched in the year 2009 by President of Ericsson India Mr. Gowton Achaibar at AITTM. The program is not vendor specific and combines practical knowledge with simulated training to empower and equip young telecom engineers with the right skill set for the industry. It also helps to bridge the grow-

ing 'demand-supply' gap for telecom professionals. AITTM was the first institution in the country where EXCEL was launched. As a part of the program the students undergo high quality training on technologies like 2G, 3G, RF Planning, LTE etc. EXCEL helps the students to become industry-ready quickly and become productive in the initial phase of their career.

This is the first of its kind initiative in the telecom industry. The training program run by Ericsson is an ideal mix of web based training and seminars, adding up to 70 hours delivered through online learning, class room sessions, site visits and a certification examination by their own delivery experts. It is designed to provide students with internship and training opportunities at Ericsson.  



# Another Milestone

Amity University achieves another international feat by becoming first university in India to receive accreditation from Institute of Engineering & Technology, UK



After registering many firsts to its credits, Amity University has added another feather to its glorious cap by becoming India's first university to receive accreditation for its BTech degrees from Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET), UK.

The accreditation gives Amity University students pursuing BTech in Computer Science, Information Technology, Electronics & Technology and Electronics & Communication from Noida and Lucknow campuses the benefit of registering themselves as incorporated engineers. It would provide students a golden opportunity to join a network of professional engineers and enhance their career prospects across the globe. It would also enable them to register as Chartered Engineers after completing an

accredited Master's Degree. IET, UK is one of the world's leading professional bodies which carries out accreditation of degree courses in the area of Engineering and Technology. The institution known for its rigorous system awards accreditation to only outstanding institutions across the world, which meets all standards of quality education. Besides, the present international accreditation, Amity has been accredited by ASIC, UK, the list of International Association of Universities and Association of Commonwealth Universities and has received ISO 9001-2000 and ISO 14001-2004 certifications from BSI which is a testimony of Amity's adherence to global standards in curriculum, teaching pedagogy, contemporary infrastructure and cutting edge research.  

In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life. It goes on.

Robert Frost



# F1 Zip Zap Zoom

The much awaited event zipped, zapped and zoomed across the race tracks and our minds too, leaving us asking for more

Pics: Meghna Kaushik, XII, AIS Saket & Eklavya Malvai, XII, AIS Noida

## F1 TRIVIA

- F1 car is made up of **80,000** components. If a car is assembled **99.9%** correctly, it would still start with 80 components wrong.
- A F1 car can go from **0 to 160 kmph** and back to 0 in just four seconds.
- The engine of a F1 car lasts for only **2 hours**.
- F1 drivers lose **4 kgs** of weight, on an average, after a single race. This happens as a result of prolonged exposure to high G forces and temperatures. However, the weight is soon re-gained.
- On an average, a pit stop takes only **3 seconds** to change tyres and refuel.
- Most F1 drivers start their career in **karting**.
- The winner of the previous championship is assigned **number 1**, whereas his teammate his assigned number 2.
- The brake discs in an F1 car can withstand a temperature of approx. **1000 degrees Centigrade**.

## Check your formulas

Shaurya Pratap Sinha, AIS Noida, V F

A Red=Stop race, Black=Driver disqualified, Blue=You are going to be lapped

Q How many types of tyres are used in F1 ?

A Three – Wet, dry and intermediate

Q What is the maximum speed of F1 cars?

A Over 375 kmph.

Q Who was the first woman F1 driver ?

A Maria Terasa de Filippis in 1958

Q Which is the only F1 driver to have won 7 championships?

A Michael Schumacher

Q What do the red, black and blue flags indicate?

## The Right Formula

It's amazing. I love it. I wish I could marry a F1 racer.

Charvi Aggarwal, AIS Gur 46

The ushering in of Formula 1 into India is more than a historical event. It signifies the rapid pace of development in our nation too.

Prashant Rao, X C, AIS Gur 46

It's really fun, exciting and exhilarating to watch F1. The adrenalin rush when you hear the cars literally flying past is priceless. But that aside, Lady Gaga was THE best show stopper ever!

Labanya Maitra, X, AIS Saket

After the disastrous fallout of CWG, the success of F1 has proved to be a great deal of growth for the country.

Amlaan Kumar, VIII, AIS Noida

The speed, the excitement, the cheers of crazy fans and the stunning cars; F1 fever has taken over India and you just can't get enough

Kanika Mohan, IX A, AIS Noida



Ticket to thrill  
Eklavya Malvai  
XII, AIS Noida



# F1 India: Racing in our hearts

Aashna Agarwal, AIS Gurgaon-43, X A

Vettel...Massa...Alonso....Names heard, but soon forgotten. Michael Schumacher, a legend, but seeing him race was beyond the realm of imagination for most of us. My F1 experience isn't one to be forgotten so easily. Not being much of a 'car' person, I was a bit skeptical as I made my way to the much awaited event. On reaching the stadium, my parents had the satisfaction of watching my jaw drop as I gazed, awestruck, at the view in front of me. India had done it again. We had managed to produce an

incredible race track out of thin air in a remarkably short space of time. My spirits soared as I entered the grand stadium. It was impossible to be anything less than 'super-excited' when surrounded by an entire stadium full of people roaring and screaming in excitement and anticipation.

And as the race started, frenzied with excitement, the crowd screamed themselves hoarse. Despite their deafening cries, their voice was overshadowed by the thunderous roar of the F1 cars. Earplugs and cotton were instantly pulled and yet additional hands were required to cover our ears.

The race lasted for more than an hour and I was overwhelmed at how these 60 minutes, had managed to induce such high levels of excitement and thrill into the heart of everyone present there. This event had all the elements of a blockbuster: the thrill of victory, the tragedy of a wheel coming off and the rivalry between two racers. And of course, not to forget, the special appearance of Lady Gaga and our very own SRK aka Ra 1. With all this, could it be less than a super hit?

Vettel....Massa....Allonso....Names heard but now never to be forgotten.

**HIT** The F1 experience was really really amazing. The cars zooming by, the sweeet sounds of their engines....and not to mention, I saw Schumacher racing, which is like a dream come true in itself!

Meghna Kaushik, XII, AIS Saket

A flabbergasting and amazing experience. I feel proud to be an Indian.

**MISS** I wanted to go see and experience what I had dreamt of and played my entire life - cars zooming across the track, and the sheer thrill and kick one gets out of seeing pure Speed.

- Kaveri Modayil, X, AIS Pushp Vihar

Just looking at the thousands of statuses that crowded my facebook homepage, I felt horribly sad that I wasn't there to feel the excitement firsthand!

Snigdha Shahi, X, AIS Noida



# Music hits the rocks again

Delhi, surely houses a teeming crowd of music enthusiasts. But with Metallica gig bombing, the music lovers in the Capital may have to endure a long wait!

Chitra Jain, AIS Vas-6, XII

Seems like music fans in the Capital will have to wait for long to be able to experience the live performances of music moguls. After concerts of music biggies like Enrique Iglesias and Bryan Adams were called off, American heavy metal band Metallica followed suit by cancelling their 'biggest metal act in the world' at Leisure Valley, Gurgaon on October 28 at the n<sup>th</sup> hour.

The band, which was to perform in India to mark the inaugural of F1 in the country, first postponed the concert on account of technical hitches and finally



cancelled it, citing safety reasons. Sources claim the band was 'really unhappy' with the security arrangements and refused to perform. Postponing the show for a day, followed by final announcement of cancellation of the concert by the organisers, led the infuriated crowd to ransack the place, break and get through the barricades and demand the band to perform.

Vyom A, a banking executive in the city, who was excited to watch his favourite band perform live, says, "It's crazy enough that they cancelled at the last moment, but now they refuse to offer a refund!" Videos of angry fans vandaliz-

ing the stage area also landed on YouTube hours later, and fans took to voicing their opinion on Facebook and Twitter. Abhishek Durani, a bass guitarist of band Fused, posted on FB, "Metallica disappointed by the \*Mismanagement\* cancelled their show!"

After Bryan Adams performed to sold-out crowds in Mumbai, Pune and Bengaluru early this year, Metallica's show turned into a no-show in the Capital, when Delhi Police refused him an NOC, citing 'crowd control issues!' A breath of fresh air, however, engulfed the city when Delhites swayed to

Akon's voice in a heady gig by the best-selling pop singer. But with a hatrick of bombed concerts achieved with Metallica, looks like the jinx is back to haunt the deprived city!

Alas! fans may just have to live on music CDs and worn out posters before Delhi gets to host a successful music concert yet again!  



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## URBAN DICTIONARY

Komal Kaul, AIS Saket, X C


**Microwait:** Microwave+Wait  
**Meaning:** consequence of the lunchtime rush for the microwave in corporate settings  
**Sentence:** I'm going to eat lunch early today to avoid the microwait.

**Beardo:** Beard+ Weirdo  
**Meaning:** a weirdo with a beard  
**Sentence:** while travelling, I ensure to stay away from beardos

**Wikiot:** Wikipedia+Idiot  
**Meaning:** a fool who believes all information found on Wikipedia  
**Sentence:** my friend Ruhi is a wikiot

**Flexting:** Flirt+ Texting  
**Meaning:** to extensively text flirtatious messages  
**Sentence:** Rahul put down your phone and stop flexting

**Netlag:** Internet+Jetlag  
**Meaning:** a feeling like jet lag that happens after you use computer after sunset.  
**Sentence:** I was online uptill midnight last night and now I feel a netlag.

**Jazzercise:** Jazz + Exercise  
**Meaning:** Vigorous dancing to Jazz music as an exercise.  
**Sentence:** Jo is jazzercising these days to stay fit. 

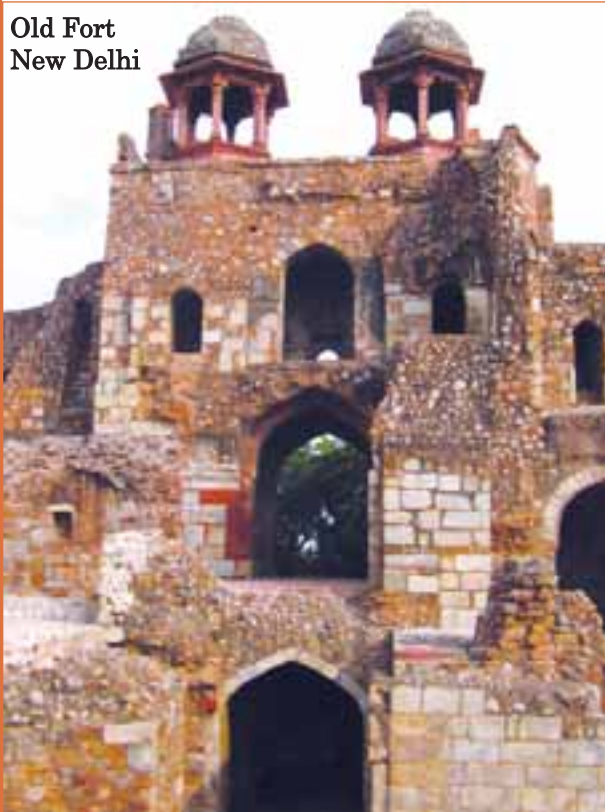
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## AMITY-UNESCO heritage series



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### Part-III

#### Monuments

Hello kids, in the last two Heritage Series, we discussed that monuments can be of many types like old buildings, religious buildings, bridges, graveyards, etc. However, not all monuments can be called Heritage. Invariably structures which are more than 100 years old are recognized by the Indian authorities as Heritage. Therefore if your grandparents' house or the community temple is more than 100 years old, then it is definitely Heritage. And it must be protected. This would mean that ideally the building cannot be destroyed, it cannot be restored without permission and even then it should be restored keeping the authenticity of the building architecture in mind. Often such buildings do not even figure in government lists.

#### Enlisting Protected Heritage

India has many monuments under its list of protected Heritage. The list is under the purview of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI). They have about 3600 monuments under this protected monuments list which are of national significance. Monuments which come under this category are the Taj Mahal, Red Fort, Purana Quila, etc. There are other monuments which are protected by the state archaeology department and there are several others that are not protected at all and are therefore under threat of being lost. Nobody can damage or build around these protected monuments but the unprotected ones usually are under threat due to constant pressures of encroachment,

vandalizing, etc. Other civil society organizations also work towards protecting them and listing old buildings.

#### Need to Protect and Preserve

Such old buildings are required to be protected and preserved because they are part of history and tell us a lot about our past, be it about the olden architecture, or how the people in those times lived or what happened during those times. It is therefore important to preserve these structures and also in their original form.

#### Student Activity

This time we would want you to find out about the place you live in. You could find out about both your ancestral home of your grandparents and the house that you live in currently. Try to find out how old is your building? Who built it? Is it a Heritage building? Is it protected by any agency? How long have you been living in the building? For how long have your parents been living there? Or even you grandparents? Try to find out who lived in the house before you. What was the use of the building? Was it always used for residential purpose? What was the use of the land in which your house or building is built?

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UNESCO – United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, is an organization, which was established in 1945 at the end of the Second World War with the aim to create peace through education, science and culture.

**How to participate?** We present the third part of 'Heritage Series', spread over ten parts. Cut out each series, complete the activity and design your own Heritage scrapbook. At the end of the series, submit your scrapbook to your school GT co-ordinator or post it at *The Global Times*, E-26, Defence Colony, New Delhi- 110024. Entries can also be mailed to [gtnmail@theglobaltimes.in](mailto:gtnmail@theglobaltimes.in). All complete & correct entries shall receive a participation certificate. One complete and best entry stands a chance to win the mega prize.

## Formula No 1



Dr. Amita Chauhan  
Chairperson

With the resounding success of Formula 1's foray into India, our country's position on the global map has upped several notches. The overflowing stands, the unprecedented euphoria, the warmth and hospitality, and the following smiles, made the Formula 1 event, a winner indeed.

F1 wasn't all about speed and thrill, it was about something deeper; it was about self discipline and self control. One minor spin off, and off the car would spin out of control. To be able to drive at such epic speeds, racers needed to be in total control of their vehicles, and themselves. They needed to be focused; no distractions, no emotions could sway them from the path to victory. Doesn't F1 bear an uncanny resemblance to life? In real life, everyone has to partake in some kind of race; whether it is the race to excel in a competition or the chase to complete a project or even the early morning race to catch the school bus. To compete in any of life's simple or complex races, the three Cs come into play: Commitment, Concentration and Control. Commitment, to complete the task at hand efficiently; Concentration, so that one doesn't lose sight of the goal; and Control on desires, so that one doesn't go off track.

But what is the number 1 formula for a successful life? If there's any formula for success, it lies in self discipline, hard work and perseverance. As Jean Paul Getty once said, "Formula for success: Rise early, work hard, strike oil." I hope my beloved Amitians remember this formula at all stages of life and become successful citizens of the world. 🇮🇳

## Celebrating Nargis



Vira Sharma  
Managing Editor

We have all grown up with stories of the birth of Gods and Goddesses who were born on earth to save us from the evil forces. Lord Rama was born to kill the demon Ravana. Every Indian household narrates the story of the birth of Lord Krishna and celebrates the day as

*Janmashtami* to commemorate his birth. He was born to free the people from the clutches of their cruel king Kansa. Be it the birth of Jesus or Vishnu's *dashavataar* (ten incarnations) as a preserver of the Universe from time to time, the purpose was to save the earth from evil threats.

But when the world celebrated the birth of Nargis, there were mixed emotions. The much awaited birth of the baby girl on Oct 31 in a small town in UP, marked the birth of the 7 billionth citizen. Does it call for a celebration? For India, which supports 18% of world population within a limited global landmass of 2.4%, it is definitely a clarion call to stabilize population.

Entering into a world that is marked with unpredictable changes in the environment, climate, demography, geopolitical sphere; the birth of Nargis marks both concerns and celebrations. The concern is the adverse impact of the growing population on the limited resources of earth. The celebration lies in hope. Nargis is not a goddess, but we celebrate her birth as she symbolizes hope - the hope that she will live in a world, where the girl child will grow up healthily, get education and pursue their dreams. Let's pray that this incarnation leads to earth's salvation.

**Warning:** According to the UN estimates, the world population will reach 8 billion by 2025 and 10 billion by 2083. 🇮🇳

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# Spreading Smiles

What happens when students don the mantle of social responsibility, it earns them enlightenment, happiness and a shower of smiles!

Prashant Kumar

Amity School of Engineering & Technology

Under the leadership of Vineet Singh (President TGC - NCR, B-Tech CSE 4th year), many students recently joined the NGO, The Guardian Circle (TGC) in an attempt to become socially responsible.

### Gurukul Calling

In one of the first steps to get an insight of the real world and make a difference in others lives, we organised a day long visit to *Gurukul*, a school for underprivileged orphans at Sector 33, Noida. The day at the school began with a *hawan*, followed by a lunch session for the school kids clad in white *kurta pyjamas*. Serving them with delicacies like *aloo sabji*, *puri & kheer* and seeing vibrant smiles on their faces gave us immense satisfaction.

The lunch session was followed by a discussion round with the students where we were joined by Mata Sarla Kalraji and our English Teacher- Eshani Saraswat. They shared with the students few words of wisdom and enlightenment. The session worked as a ice breaker and soon the kids started interacting with all of us. We organised

### Good Samaritan



Amitians spread awareness through a campaign

a talent hunt where kids presented songs and dances, and recited poetry both in English and Hindi.

We distributed gifts, books, games and chocolates to the children, which they liked immensely. This was for the first time that we were doing such a thing and rather than the 'planning' part, we were enjoying the unplanned 'activities' of the day. What we did, made kids smile but in the process, we ended up smiling all the more!

### Sheets for Streets

With winters knocking, we will soon get into the warmth of love, care and the blanket of protection. But there are those who don't have clothes to cover their bodies. Realizing the same, we organised - donate clothes campaign at Amity Campus (AUUP) from October 10-15. The campaign was a huge success, all thanks to 'Happy to help' Amitians who came in huge numbers to support the cause, many of whom

are now active members with TGC.

### For a Better Future

We are planning to undertake a few activities to ensure a bright future for the kids. Some of the activities in the pipeline are distributing games and toys, a fund raising event at EOD (Bowling), a visit to Uttarakhand for the children, and participation in the Pulse Polio campaign so that they are able to stand on their own feet. 🇮🇳

# The bribe tribe

Muskaan Rishi

AIS Noida, VI B

The word 'bribe' first came into my life when I was a 3 year old. "Beta! Do this and we'll give you a chocolate; beta, do this and we'll take you out for pizza."

Yes! The earliest and the simplest form of bribe was introduced to me by none other than my own parents! I went along getting things as incentives to do work or just to be a good child. And I learnt that this was easy!

This concept fascinated me as a child, but it disturbs me now. I just cannot get over this word called *bribe*.

Where ever I see, there are impatient, power hungry people who cannot wait for their turn, often giving bribes for the smallest of reasons, to get their work done. I have begun to realize that bribe has become a part of our system. I often hear my elders discuss, "You



cannot get any of your work done without bribing the concerned person either in cash or in kind. Whether it is getting a paper cleared from the

government or getting a big contract for business." I have come to understand that a major reason for this attitude is that we are losing our patience.

Patience to get the work done systematically, and in a dignified manner.

In a country where the population is over 1.3 billion, every one is running a race. In this race to come first there is a dominant feeling that no matter how much you run, you have to win the race. Bribery, leading to corruption, has seeped into every area of our lives. Infact the cancer of corruption is spreading at such a fast pace that it can eat up our whole system in the near future. The nation thus needs to come up with workable measures that ensures complete elimination of this evil practice from the roots itself.

The revolution has begun, it has to be now or never. Let us all take a pledge today, that we, as Indians, will work together to cure the terminal disease called bribery, before it kills the moral values of our country. Together we can, and together we will fight the evil of corruption. Jai Hind. 🇮🇳

## All are born equal

Hardik Bansal, AIS Gur 43

**Quote:** "If I don't want to be a master, I would never like to be a slave."

**Reality:** Abraham Lincoln, one of the most famous presidents of America, always fought against slavery. He was grounded, anybody could approach him for anything, at any time. Because of him, slaves could walk with their heads held high with dignity in the society. He also appreciated the dignity of labour. He translated the above quote into practical life, word by word.

### Pearls of Wisdom

**Quote:** "A journey of a thousand steps begins with a single step."

**Reality:** Nobody is born great. Though no one can claim perfection but very truly, practice makes one perfect. Late Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri had to swim across a river to go to school. Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar was born in a low class family. But who doesn't know him today for the pioneering work he did? All successful stories have ordi-

nary and small beginnings.

**Quote:** "It is true that liberty is precious, so precious that it must be rationed."

**Reality:** This famous quote was said by a renowned Russian revolutionary leader, Vladimir Ilyich Lenin, who wanted liberty for all. According to him, one should do everything s/he can, to attain liberty. If liberty is so precious to one, it is also precious for others. So liberty should be equal among everyone, irrespective of whether one is rich or poor. 🇮🇳

GT M@il

Dear Editor

My son Kreetik is a regular 8 year old with his own views about things. One of his staunch beliefs is to save paper, time, energy and primarily, words. He would rather calculate the whole sum in his mind and write only the answer. But he is a good photographer for his age. So I picked some of the good pics clicked by him during our trip to Leh and told him to write a paragraph on it and GT happened to print it too! That had him excited and now, he desires to write travelogues. Thanks GT for solving one of my major problems! 🇮🇳

Gargi Thakur, M/o Kreetik,  
AIS Noida, III A



# Donate an organ

## Gift a life

So, life after death is a reality after all. How else would you explain the magic of someone being able to see the beautiful world with your eyes?

**Rashika Sood, AIS Mayur Vihar, XI**

What if the Fairy Godmother granted you the most amazing wish- to live forever? Maybe, not literally, but if there is one thing that can bring this wish closest to reality, it is organ donation. Donating one's organs is the best way to achieve immortality. By donating an organ, you get the chance to leave an indelible mark on someone's life. You not only have the satisfaction that you saved someone's life, but also have the knowledge that a part of you continues to live, though, in another person's body.

**Give, so others can live:** Organ donation is the removal of the tissues of a human body from a person who has recently died, or from a living donor, for the purpose of transplanting them to a living recipient in need of it. Transplantable organs and tissues are removed in a surgical procedure, following a determination of organs suitable for transplantation, based on the donor's medical and social history. Such procedures are termed allotransplantations. People of all ages may be organ and tissue donors. Organ donation is akin to gifting someone a new life. In simple terms, it means that people pledge during their lifetime, that after death, organs from their bodies can be used for transplantation to help terminally ill patients, thus giving them a new lease of life. It is also possible to donate the entire body, known as cadaver donation, for the purpose of organ transplantation and research.

**Banking on life:** Just as you bank your valuables for the future, you can bank your eyes and other organs of your body for future generations. There are two main organizations for organ donations (ca-

daver):

- **MOHAN** (Multi Organ Harvesting Aid Network Foundation), based in Hyderabad.
- **ORBO** (Organ Retrieval Banking Organisation), the nodal centre for India, has been set up at AIIMS, Delhi to encourage organ donations, fair and equitable distribution and optimum utilization of human organs.

**I see you:** How lucky are we to be able to admire the beauty of colourful rainbows, the smile of loved ones and everything else around us! For most of us, our vision is something we take for granted. But, what about those who have never seen the light of the day? It is nothing short of a marvel for them to gain sight,

which is only possible by cornea implantation surgery. How can a person who you give your eyes to as a gift forget the act of kindness! Donating your eyes is the next best thing after cadaver donations.

### Eye Opener

- Anyone over the age of one is a potential eye donor.
- Poor eye sight, cataract, diseases like diabetes and asthma are of no consequence for eye donations.
- The cornea of those people who die due to unknown causes, or infection from rabies, acute leukaemia, tetanus, cholera, meningitis, encephalitis, rubella, syphilis, infectious hepatitis, septicemia or AIDS cannot be har-

vested.

- Eyes have to be removed within six hours of a person's death; only the cornea is removed, not the entire eye.
- The procedure, called enucleation, takes less than 20 minutes.
- There is no fear of disfigurement after enucleation.
- After removal, the eyes are transported to the eye bank in special containers.
- Renowned eye banks in Delhi/NCR are ICare Eye Hospital; Sir Ganga Ram Hospital; Safdarjung Hospital; Venu Eye Institute & Research Centre; Rotary Central Eye Bank; Guru Gobind Singh International Eye Bank, et al.

**Myths busted:** It is commonly believed

that the body gets disfigured after transplantation. This is not true. Human body is sacred. Transplantation does not disfigure it in any way, nor does it interfere with the customary funeral or burial arrangements. A highly skilled surgical transplant team removes the organ and tissues, which can be transplanted to other patients, after which, surgeons stitch up the body carefully, hence no disfigurement occurs.

**Live with Honour, Die with Pride:** When your body is left behind in this world, why shouldn't it benefit other people's suffering? Organ donation is our duty, it is our ability to show compassion, it is a nation's salvation and humanity's pride. What would it cost you to give someone your body parts and that too, after death? We all want to do good while we are alive, so why not die with a good deed? Death is a universal reality- then why not die with pride? Why not die saving someone's life?

"Let the wind that blows away your ashes, breathe life into someone before their life crashes."

*Rashika Sood took up the topic of Organ Donation in Youth Power 2010 and was adjudged the II Runners Up. A passionate crusader, she avers, "Organ Donation is a noble act. Why not gift a person eyesight or perhaps, 10 years more to enjoy with his family rather than burning your organs (body) into ashes? It is something everyone can do; it just needs more awareness. An appeal to my fellow students-go, sign the organ donor card and do the world some good. And convince your family to do the same!"* **GT**

## IT'S COOL TO DONATE

**Reported in TOI:** Globally, the bone is the second most commonly transplanted tissue after blood. However, not many Indians have come forward to pledge their bones. So far in 2011, the country's only full fledged bone bank at AIIMS has received just two donations!

Anyone, regardless of age, race or gender can become an organ and tissue donor. In your lifetime, you can pledge your organs for donation after your death, in the presence of two witnesses, and sign a



donor card. To be an eye donor, you can register with eye banks. However, if you are under the age of 18, you need to have the consent of your parent. Former Chief Minister of West Bengal, Jyoti Basu, donated his eyes for transplant, and his body for medical research. Aishwarya Rai Bachchan has pledged to donate her eyes, as have Amitabh Bachchan and Jaya Bachchan. Ustaaad Zakir Hussain and Pandit Hari Prasad Chaurasia are on that list too. Are you going to be next?

### ANYONE CAN BE A DONOR

■ Every 13 minutes, 1 person gets added to the list of people who need transplantation. Every day, 17 lose the battle.

■ Each year, 1,50,000 people require kidney transplants, with only 3,000 taking place; 50,000 require heart transplants, while on an average, only 26 receive them.

■ Living donors can donate the following organs: a kidney (one kidney is capable of maintaining the body function); a part of pancreas (half a pancreas is adequate for sustaining pancreatic functions); part of the liver (few segments that are donated will regenerate after a period of time).

■ One can donate all organs after death.

■ November 27 is Organ Donation Day.

### To Remember Me

Robert N. Test, American Poet

Give my sight to the man who has never seen a sunrise, a baby's face, or love in the eyes of a woman.  
Give my heart to a person whose own heart has caused nothing but endless days of pain.  
Give my blood to the teenager who was pulled from the wreckage of his car, so that he might live to see his grandchildren play.  
Give my kidneys to one who depends on a machine to exist from week to week.  
Take my bones, every muscle, every fiber and nerve in my body and find a way to make a crippled child walk.

If you must bury something, let it be my faults, my weaknesses, and all prejudice against my fellow man.  
Give my sins to the devil.  
Give my soul to God.

If, by chance, you wish to remember me, do it with a kind deed or word to someone who needs you. If you do all I have asked, I will live forever.



# Bonesgone's Alarm

Illustration: Ravinder Gusaian

Part-2



STORY WALA

Sumedha Sharma, AIS PV, X B

“That is not a silly game! It is ‘defeatator X95’, the latest edition, it comes free with the comic ‘Dungeon Schools’. And you can take your great army!”

‘Now, now Mr. Tyson!’, Mr Bonesgone warned, ‘You will change your mind about joining us. And if you do not, well, we have many monstrous mouths to feed.’ ‘Mmm, monstrous mouths?’ I muttered, he remained silent.

After a while, he looked at me and said,

‘Welcome to Hell!’ and the road on which we were walking began to melt, the blooming flowers started erupting like volcanoes and ‘Chadswood’ turned into ash. I was in deep shock.

It felt like I was completely out of my senses.

Some moments later, I looked around nervously as we reached a place where I could see only blood. Mr Bonesgone asked me to join the army again, but I



was confused. What freaked me out the most was the haircut, because to be in Bonesgone’s army, people had to have a haircut like him; on my left, I could see a deadly beast with spikes, scars and blood stains all over his body, jumping for fresh blood above the barriers.

But as it is, I wasn’t aware of what all was happening with me, so I refused to join his army. And just then, the clouds turned red and started to gather over me. They suddenly trapped me and threw me in one corner of the cage! I was already feeling dead because when I opened my eyes, all I could see was the hungry beast over me, pulling my leg..

As I was about to say goodbye to that world, I heard a shout ‘Tyson, Tyson,’ but there was no one except the beast. I was confused and suddenly, “BAM”. There was water on my face, and when I opened my eyes, I saw Blake and Luke staring at me.

I could feel the pain in my head which didn’t allow me to get up. Luke apologized for hitting me with a hard duster on my head. But I had never felt happier- I had never felt like hugging him more, after all, he had saved me from the worst nightmare! 🇮🇳

# Ode to a Mother



Aashna Sharma

Amity Global School, Gurgaon, I-B

I open my eyes to see you standing,  
In the morning light.  
I reach out to touch you  
I feel you near;  
But you're just a memory.  
A memory of warm smiles,  
The scent of rose and coffee;

A memory of quiet hugs-  
Through this abyss, it's still you  
that I see.  
A memory of comfort,  
Through a harsh, stormy winter  
so cold;  
A memory of beautiful eyes,  
Whose story was left untold.  
A memory in the wind,  
That guides me cautiously;  
A memory, when I close my eyes,  
I know is a part of me.  
A memory of love,  
That always holds me close;  
A memory of care,  
That somehow always knows.  
Even though you are right here,  
You know what keeps us far away.  
Even though you stand right by me,  
I can't speak all the words to you that I  
want to say.  
Mother, you are my guardian angel,  
The one who watches over me,  
But if I had one wish, I'd trade it all  
to have my guardian angel returned  
to me.  
*This poem is one of the winning entries  
at a poetry competition held at Amity  
Global School Gurgaon. 🇮🇳*

## PAINTING CORNER

Soham Paul, AIS Noida, VIII I



# Coconut Karanji



A famous sweet from Maharashtra, made especially during Diwali and Ganesh Chaturthi.

### Ingredients

#### For outer layer

Refined flour (maida) .....1 cup  
Semolina (rava) .....1 ½ tbsps  
Ghee .....1 tbsp  
Milk .....¼ cup

Water .....For kneading

#### For filling

Fresh grated coconut .....1 cup  
Raisins (chopped) .....15-20  
Jaggery (grated) .....1 cup  
Green cardamom powder.....½ tsp

### Method

1. Sieve flour into a large mixing bowl. Add semolina and ghee and mix well.

Knead into soft dough with milk and water. Cover the dough with a damp cloth and keep aside for half an hour.

2. To make the stuffing, roast the grated coconut in a thick-bottomed pan or kadai till golden-brown. Add the remaining stuffing ingredients and mix well. Leave to cool.

3. Knead the dough once more and divide into twelve small balls. Roll each ball out into a circle, taking care not to make it too thick or too thin.

4. Place 1 tsp of the filling in one half of the dough circle. Moisten the edges of the circle with a little water and fold over the other half, sealing in the mixture. Press the edges together to seal tightly. Repeat for all the other dough circles.

5. Deep fry in hot ghee on a low-medium heat until crisp and golden-brown.

6. Drain well and cool completely before storing in an airtight container.

**For a festive touch:** Serve the coconut karanjis slightly warm so the delicious stuffing melts in the mouth. Serve on small cut glass or silver platters. 🇮🇳

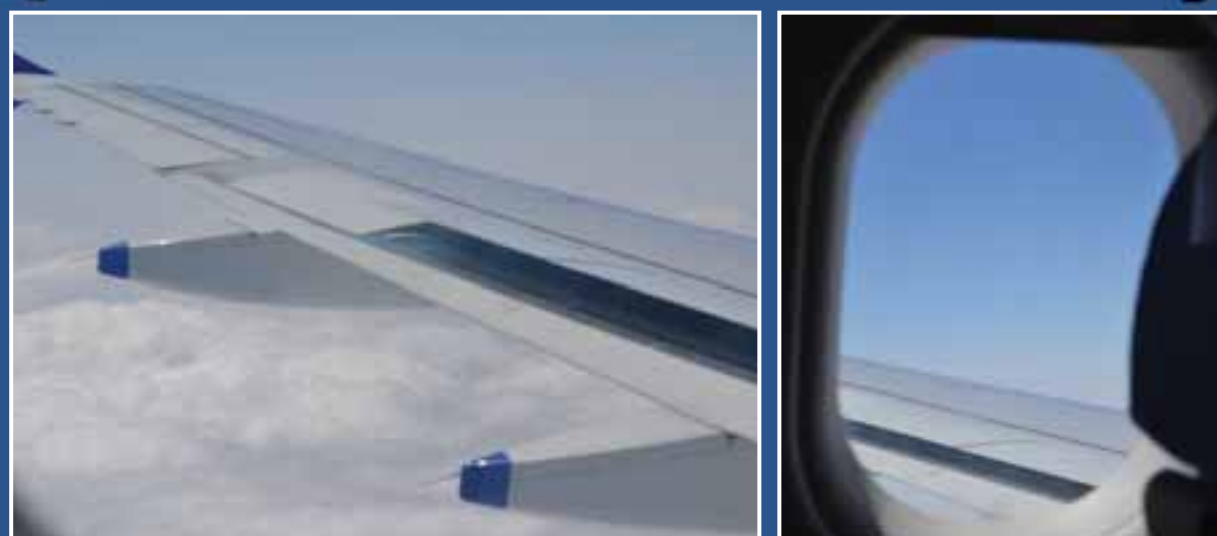
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Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind, don't matter; and those who matter, don't mind.

Dr. Seuss

# The tale of giving

## Wisdom Tales

Rahul Narang, AIS Vas-1, VIII A

A long time ago, there was a huge apple tree. A little boy loved to come and play around it every day. He climbed to the tree top, ate the apples, and took a nap under its shadow. He loved the tree and the tree loved to play with him. Time passed by. The little boy grew up, and he no longer played around the tree. One day, the boy came back to the tree with a sad look on his face. "Come and play with me," the tree said. "I am no longer a kid, I don't play around trees anymore. I want toys. I need money to buy them," the boy replied. "Sorry, I don't have money, but you can pick my apples and sell them so you will have money," said the tree. The boy grabbed all the apples and left happily. He did not come back after that and the tree became sad. One day, the boy returned and the tree got very excited. "Come and play with me," the



Imaging: Deepak Sharma



tree said. "I don't have time to play. I have to work for my family. We need a house. Can you help me?" the boy asked. "You can chop off my branches to build

your house," replied the tree. So, the boy cut all the branches off the tree and left happily. The tree was glad to see him happy, but the boy didn't come back afterward. The tree was again lonely.

One hot summer day, the boy returned again and the tree was delighted. "Come and play with me!" the tree said. The boy, now old said, "I am getting old. I want to go sailing. Can you give me a boat?" The tree replied, "Use my trunk to build your boat. You can sail far away and be happy."

So, the boy cut the trunk to make a boat. He went sailing and didn't come back for long.

Finally, the boy returned. "Sorry, my boy. But, I don't have anything for you anymore. The only thing left is my dying roots," the tree said. "I don't need much now, just a place to rest. I am tired. Your old roots are the best place to rest," the boy replied.

"Come sit down with me and rest," said the tree. The boy sat down under the tree and the tree was glad and had tears rolling with happiness.  

So, what did you learn today?  
Nature only gives and we must respect nature





## Veg Wraps

### Ingredients

- Cheese.....As required
- Flour Tortillas .....4
- Lettuce (shredded) .....1/2 cup
- Tomato (diced) .....1
- Carrots (grated) .....1/3
- Onion (cut into rings) ..... 2
- Salt .....As per taste
- Pepper .....As per taste

### Method

- Mix all the vegetables in a bowl and add salt & pepper to it.
  - Spread cheese on the tortilla.
  - Place vegetables on the tortillas and roll them diagonally.
  - Serve with ketchup or chutney.
- Tip:** These wraps taste best with salsa sauce.  

## POEM

# For my Teachers

Bhagyashree, AIS Lucknow, V





I look forward to meeting,  
you when I come to school.  
You are an awesome teacher,  
I think you are super cool.  
You are smart, fair and friendly,  
you help all of us.  
In short, you are A plus.

I knew it from the start.

I always love to attend your class,  
your teachings help me to learn.  
To have a happy life,  
learning is the key.  
You understand your students,  
you are sensitive and smart.  
You are a skilled teacher,

I am grateful for your wisdom,  
for the teacher that you are.  
You are a good person.  
And as a teacher,  
You are a star!

I am happy that you are my teacher,  
I enjoy each lesson that you teach.  
As my role model you inspire me,  
to dream, and to work, and to reach.  

Kabir Arora

AIS Pushp Vihar, VI A



**Teacher:** Name one important thing that we did not have 20 years ago.

**Student:** Me

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**Boy:** Which hand do you eat with?

**Girl:** My right hand.

**Boy:** That's strange, I use a spoon!

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**Q:** Why was Cinderella a bad football player?

**A:** Because she kept running away from the ball!

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**Girl:** Daddy, can you write in the dark?

**Father:** Maybe, what do you want me to write on?

**Girl:** I want you to sign my report card.

**Q:** When is a door not a door?

**A:** When it is A-JAR!!

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**Q:** What do you call a dirty fairy?

**A:** Stinkerbell!!


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**Q:** How can you make a tissue to dance?

**A:** Put a little bogey in it!

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**Q:** How can you prevent yourself from diseases caused by biting insects?

**A:** Don't bite any!  

## It's Me

**My Name:** Asya Kapur

**My School:** AIS Saket

**My Class:** I A

**My Birthday:** 17 November

**I Like:** Painting and dolls

**I Hate:** Waking up early

**My Hobby:** Dancing

**My Role Model:** My grandmother

**My Best Friend:** Fida and Vani

**My Favourite Book:** Bedtime stories

**My Favourite Game:** Lawn tennis

**My favourite Mall:** Select CityWalk



**My Favourite Food:** Pizza and burger

**My Favourite Teacher:** Kavita Ma'am and Reema Ma'am

**My Favourite Poem:** Mumma darling, papa darling

**My Favourite Subject:** Math

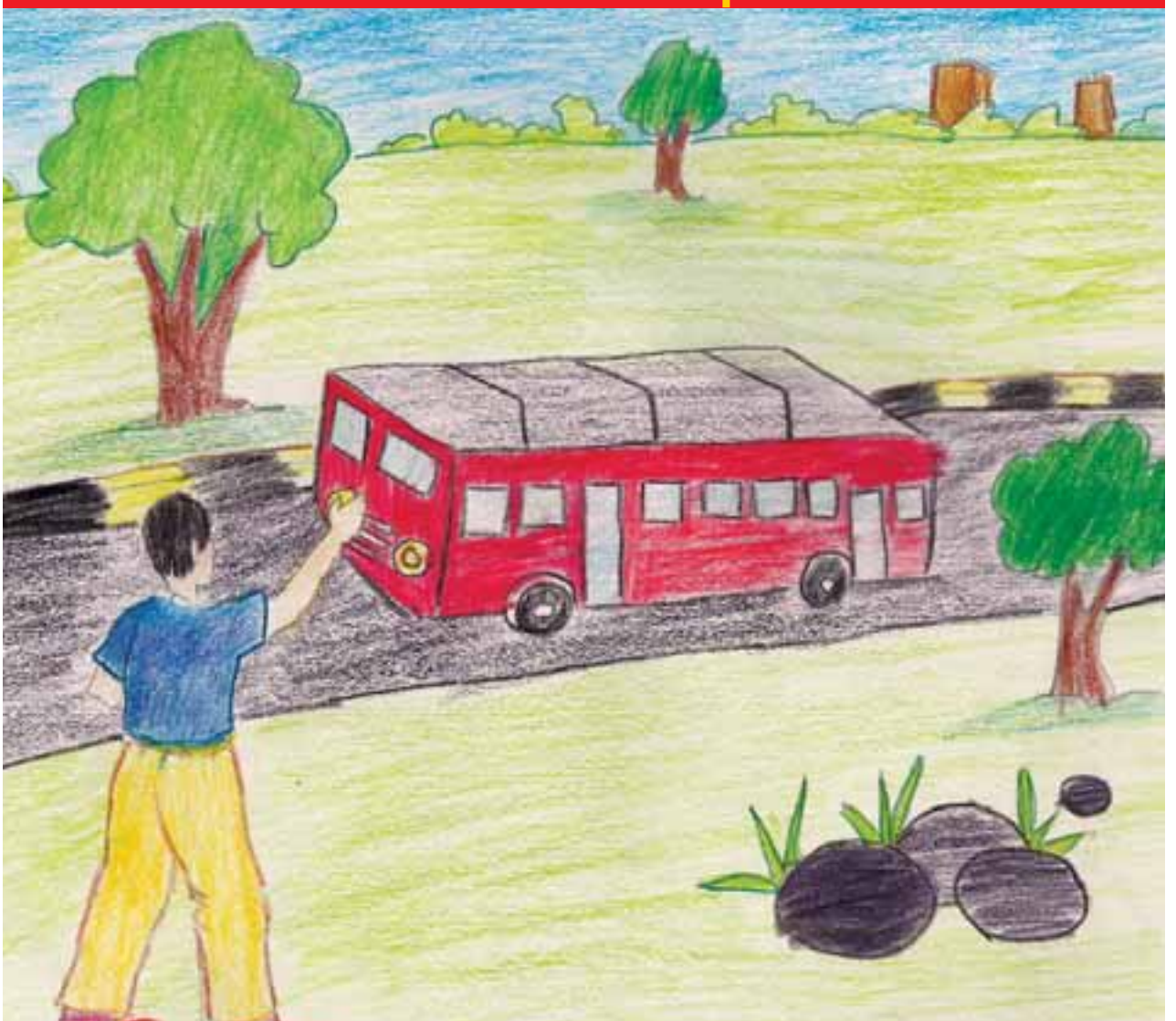
**I want to become:** A model and a classical dancer

**I want to feature in GT because:** It will be the first step toward being popular among all my friends.  



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Shrishti, AIS Pushp Vihar, IV D



# Amiown Gurgaon celebrates the month of October devoted to the theme of 'Festivals' **Illuminating Lives**



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Amiown believes in the holistic development of a child. Celebrations and festivities play a pivotal role in the social and emotional development of a child. With this aim, the theme for month of October was chosen as 'Festivals'. Before the festivities began, the children were explained about the significance of various festivals like Holi, Id, Christmas, etc. The festival of Diwali was celebrated with great zeal at Amiown Gurgaon. A lot of activities were designed keeping in mind the theme 'Festivals'. The activities designed not only included art and craft but also numerals, language development, etc. Even the rhymes and songs of the month were chosen appropriately.

**Clean n' clear:** To give an overview of how preparation of the festivals start, a mock class cleaning activity was organized. The idea behind the activity was to associate with how mothers initiate the preparation of the festival by cleaning the house. Activities were so devised that they not only focused primarily on the festivals but also covered the six domains of child development. Children learnt about seriation with the help of



Making kalash and torans



Seriating the candles

diyas and candles. Children were given diya cut-outs of different sizes and they learnt to seriate the same according to size. In another activity, children were made to stick stars on candles according to the corresponding number and then arrange them in the chronological order.

**Lighting up:** Festivities began with the dramatization of the *Ramayana* using animations and stick puppets. Having true faith in the fact that 'A small diya can illuminate the lives of many', children moulded potter's clay into beautiful diyas with their nimble but firm fingers. As days passed, children indulged in various collaborative activities like

painting and decorating diyas, making *kalash*, *toran* and garlands. The children also danced to the tune of the famous song *Diwali aayee, Diwali aayee!* as part of the celebrations.

**What an idea!** As a culmination of the theme, children were encouraged to give their suggestions as to how they would like to decorate their classrooms. It was fascinating to see the children give amazing inputs. Consequently, all the classes were aesthetically decorated, with children's hard work thereby also polishing their social and emotional skills as well as enjoying every aspect of the festival of lights. [GFI](#)

# Birthday Cheer!

Birthdays have always been joyous occasions for Amies. And when it comes to celebrating the B'day of their beloved Founder President Sir, the happiness is shared with prayers and warm wishes

Every year, Amity universe celebrates the birthday of Founder President, Dr Ashok K Chauhan as Founder's Day. In sync with the convention, Amiown Gurgaon celebrated Founder's Day on October 24, 2011 with great enthusiasm and fervour. The children performed *hawan* for the good health and long life of Founder Sir. They enjoyed a delicious group lunch which added to the joyous fervour and taught them the invaluable lesson of togetherness. Founder Sir is a role model for the children to aspire for. The teachers at Amiown organised several activities as part of the ongoing birthday celebrations, sharing his life experiences that inspire them to instill values that he lives for. The Amiown curriculum is heavily drawn from the Founder President's belief to instill values of hardwork, positive attitude, respect for elders, uncompromising faith in God, wisdom and a goal oriented mindset in every child. [GFI](#)



Amiown Gurgaon



Founder President shares stories from his life that teach invaluable lessons

Amies pray to God for their beloved Founder Presidents long life



Little ones welcome their Papa with the traditional tilak

# Fathers' Day Out

What better way to thank one's father than by dedicating a complete day to him? This is exactly what the little ones of Amiown Sector 27 Gurgaon had in mind, as they celebrated Father's Day on October 22, 2011 in the school premises where the fathers of Pre Nursery and Nursery children of Amiown Gurgaon enjoyed multifarious activities with their little ones.

### We love you, Daddy

The event kick started with the traditional welcome of the fathers with a small presentation, along with the 'Daddy song' by young Amionites. The fathers thoroughly enjoyed the shlokas and rhymes recited by the children and were elated to see them perform on the occasion.

### My Daddy Strongest!

As the day progressed, the children accompanied their fathers to different venues devised especially for the day, like 'Rapid Fire Round' which had questions related to their children. For eg. Which colour T- shirt does your

child wear on Monday? Which is your child's favourite fruit? Sports and art & craft activities showcased the perfect coordination between the children and their beloved dads. Later, the children presented hand made trophies to their fathers, which was quite an emotional and proud moment for them.

### Dad's The Word

The parents thoroughly enjoyed the program which was apparent in their witty remarks. When asked to show a photo of the child in his wallet or as the screen saver of his mobile during the Rapid Fire Round, Devansh Mishra's Grandfather, an active participant in the show quipped, "I have his picture in my heart, hope you can see it!" Father of Kritish Sinha, Nur. B, was heard saying, "The atmosphere is electrifying!" Naveen Sahni, parent of a Nur E child encouraged everyone, "This is an excellent event with outstanding conceptualization of activities."

The well executed event earned applause from one and all and the happy faces indicated a day well spent. [GFI](#)



Work like you don't need the money,  
love like you've never been hurt and  
dance like no one is watching.

Satchel Paige

# Harmony in Diversity



Students participate in 'Create a costume' activity

Babita Singh

Activity Coordinator, AGS, Gurgaon

Amity Global School, Gurgaon

On September 30, Amity Global School, Gurgaon, hosted its annual event 'Harmony in Diversity', a get together of Cambridge International Examinations (CIE) and International Baccalaureate (IB) International schools to share creativity and knowledge. Each school was represented by four students from Class IX-XII. The areas of interaction at the event included English extempore, mini math Olympiad and an on-the-spot create a costume contest.

For the English Extempore, every participant was allowed to speak for about three minutes on a particular topic, followed by a round of interjection from the other teams. All the participants spoke passionately, reflectively and analytically on topical issues. The top spot was bagged by Lancers International School.

The Math Quiz comprised two rounds, Math Ability test and a 'Rapid fire' round where one student had to answer all the eight questions in three minutes. Amity Global School, Noida, was de-

clared the winner of the 'Math Quiz'. In 'Create a Costume', contestants prepared costumes on themes given on-the-spot, using old newspapers, chart papers, staplers, pins and cello-tapes. The activity included creating a costume and also dressing up one of the team members as a model to display the costume in a catwalk. The costumes were designed on the themes as Ballerina, Gladiator, a cultural wedding and fashion modeling. The host school created an Alexander McQueen dress adorned with suitable accessories. The presentation and the ramp walk showcased by the school left everyone speechless. 🇮🇳

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## Gandhi Jayanti special assembly

Amity International School, Noida

Usha Verma, AIS Noida, Teacher

Patriotism peaked to coveted heights on September 30, 2011 at AIS Noida's Primary Wing, when students of Class V G observed the birthday of the Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi during a special assembly. The assembly commenced with a prayer, followed by a presentation of a historical account of Gandhiji's life. A brief enactment of the same, especially glimpses of certain incidents of

Gandhiji's childhood days delighted and educated the audience. Poem recitation of *Jana, Gana* and a dance performance on Bapuji's favourite *bhajan, Raghupati Raghav* had the children applauding loudly. The performances had a common underlined message of how Gandhian values of 'see no evil, speak no evil and hear no evil' should be adhered to in everyday life. The assembly added colour and vibrancy to the feeling of nationalism, which was further echoed by the message of School Principal, Mrs Renu Singh and Primary Consultant, Mrs Roopma Singh. 🇮🇳

# Ramleela revelry

Amity International School, Noida and Lucknow reenacts Ramleela in all its hues and shades. Join in



AIS Noida students enact Rama and Laxmana

Amity International School, Noida

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Children of class KG of Amity International School, Noida observed *Ramleela* from Sept 19 to 30, with fun, festivities and fiesta to mark the special occasion when good triumphs over evil. Dressed as characters from the Ramayana, they dramatised 10 exciting episodes from the Ramayana. The enactment was replete with fancy attire, dialogue along with fancy stage, sets and props. It was also a day for the monthly theme party when *masti* and learning went

hand in hand. On September 30, the final enactment *Vijaydashmi* was graced by the presence of Ammaji (She is the mother of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools).

Ammaji blessed the students and teachers and expressed her immense joy that the Pre Primary children were learning about the Ramayana in such a unique manner. School Principal Mrs Renu Singh and Primary Consultant Mrs Roopma Singh, were also present for the episode, when good triumphed over evil and appreciated the entire Ramleela enactment.

Amity International School, Lucknow

AIS Lucknow observed a week long Ramleela celebrations from September 27 to October 3. The students presented various episodes of *Ramkatha* through heart rendering enactments. The first episode enactment depicted glimpses of the birth of Lord Rama and varied incidents of his childhood days. Kids from the preparatory section delighted the audience with a beautiful dance performance on *Thumak chhalat Ramchandra* song. On the last day of the *Ramkatha* students enacted the episode of Lord Rama's *Rajyaabhishek* and sang rendition *Shriram Chandra Kripalu Bhajuman*.

Parents turned up huge numbers to applaud and motivate the efforts put in by the students. The event culminated with the burning of the effigies of Ravana in the school campus. Ramleela celebrations echoed the message *satyamev jayate* amongst students in a very unique and interesting manner. 🇮🇳

# Hindi Hai Hum

Amity International School, Saket

AIS Saket celebrated 'Hindi Diwas' on September 14, wherein the school conducted different events such as *Hasya Kavi Sammelan*, a debate and a drama. The Sammelan was presided over by the school Principal Dr Rekha Ranade, who read out to the students, the message of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools, as featured in



School Principal Dr Rekha Ranade interacts with students

a column of The Global Times. In her column she refers to the mother tongue (Hindi) as the pride of India and the best medium to come closer to Indian tradition, culture and heritage. Children of

Classes III and IV recited humorous poems with actions and props. Naman Gupta and Srishti Saxena from Class III and IV respectively were declared winners of the recitation competition. 🇮🇳

Amity Institute for Competitive Examinations

## Maths Science Olympiad Workshop

Giriraj Saxena, Amity Institute for Competitive Examinations

Amity Centre for Science Olympiads (ACSO) organized a Science and Mathematics Olympiad Workshop from Oct 1 to 8 at Amity University, Sector-125, Noida. The week long workshop, that required the students to stay in the campus away from the home; aimed to encourage young students to strive for excellence in Science and Mathematics and train them in developing skills essential for cracking national and international Olympiads. The workshop saw an active participation of over 120 students from more than 30 renowned schools from Delhi and NCR. The workshop served as a benchmark of unparalleled training and excellent guidance for the students.

Along with imparting theoretical knowledge, several lab visits were also arranged for enhancing the knowledge pool of the students in different departments of Amity University. The participants visited labs of Nanotechnology, Applied Sciences, Advanced Research Studies (M&D), Biotechnology department and were apprised with their functioning. There was more to the workshop than the mind-racking, problem-solving training

### Distinguished Educators

- Dr Ravi Bhattacharya, Physics Faculty, Khalsa College & National Coordinator for Physics Olympiad
- Dr Bapat, Department of Mathematics, ISI New Delhi
- National Coordinator for Mathematics Olympiad
- Dr S V Esvaran, HOD of Chemistry, St. Stephen's College, National Coordinator for international Chemistry Olympiad
- Dr Deepak Chandra, Physics department, Khalsa College
- Dr Rakesh Bhardwaj, Managing Committee Member, Indian Association of Physics Teachers

sessions. Students participated in activity sessions comprising yoga and rappelling, which helped them unwind. Amity Centre for Science Olympiads (ACSO) was established under the aegis of Amity Institute for Competitive Examinations (AICE) and is known for imparting expert training to numerous students in the competitive arena. 🇮🇳

## A piece on 'Peace'

Amity International School, Vas-1

Puja Saxena, AIS Vas -1, Teacher

Class KG D presented a special assembly on the theme 'Peace' on August 24. The assembly began with a beautiful 'Thought for the

day', followed by a prayer dance performance by girls dressed in beautiful white frocks. A child dressed up as Mahatma Gandhi shared his teachings on truth and non violence.

The assembly concluded with a beautiful song on peace by all the children of the class. 🇮🇳



# Promos

## Zara Hat ke



**Hit ya Miss? Today, promotions predict the fate of a movie even before its release!**

**Tulika Banerji, GT Network**

The days of actors associating with a social cause just before a movie releases (read the likes of Aamir Khan going all out to save river Narmada a la Arundhati Roy) are passé.

Welcome the brand new cult of promotional wizards who dare you to step into theatres to lap up their latest offerings. They lure the unsuspecting victim (read movie goer) with irresistibly innovative baits (read promotional strategies) and s/he falls bang into the trap. Bingo! The

movie opens to a packed house. Well, wasn't THAT the plan, in any case? Consider *Ra.One*. Ra games became the coolest new thing, much before the movie hit the screens. And their choice of victim—kids! When Shahrukh Khan launched 'RA.One – The Game', it had

**Mousumi Mahapatra**, mother of **Taran, Nur A, AIS Noida** brings home a valid point, "Getting the audience to notice films has become increasingly difficult. TV soaps, cricket, retail brands, etc force producers to spend much more to get the audience. Quantity has now replaced quality."



**Raghav Lal, MBA-IB, Amity International Business School (AIBS)**, feels the crowd pulling factor varies with each promo, "For in-



stance, Rockstar auditions are not so attractive for me. But if Ranbir Kapoor comes to the premier show, I'd be excited. Ra games are really cool. Gaming is big with youngsters and if it's about a superhero, it sure gets to you."

**Ritika Sharma, XI E (synchro), AIS Mayur Vihar** quips, "Promos are a great marketing idea, the more people you involve the more viewers you get. It's entertaining for us viewers. But yes, it's a real disappointment, when these films don't turn out to be as good as their promotional gimmicks."



movie buffs playing out of his hands (and paying out of their pockets!). In yet another first, Ra.One partnered with Homeshop18, to sell original movie merchandise through its 24-hours home shopping channel and ecommerce portal, www.homeshop18.com. Now, that was a hard-to-escape marketing blitzkrieg. The aftermath? Ra.One set new records at the box office! When *Zindagi Na Milegi Dobara* released, the entire star cast took on a road trip from Mumbai to Delhi to promote the movie. Considering the grand reception accorded to the stars as well as the movie, guess it did the trick! When an obscure *Love Breakups Zindagi* tied up with Yatra.com for exclusive travel packages, it might have generated a few extra coins. So here's the new fangled funda: if the initial draws aren't enough, you got to have a back up travel plan, so

that you can fly away on a broom stick to Neverland! \*Yawn\* But one wonders, why did Salman need to show off his Bodyguard antics on TV serial *Tarak Mehta ka Ooltah Chashma*? Peer pressure? Guess that's what got to *Mere Brother ki Dulhan*'s dashing duo Katrina and Imran, who made their way to KBC's hot seat with Katrina serenading Imran and the audience alike with her guitar strumming skills. If nothing else, they sure upped KBC's TRPs! Promos have been there from quite some time now, just that they've gone bigger and bolder by the day. From *Krishh* merchandise to Aamir giving *Ghajini* hair cuts, or the more recent *Rockstar* auditions, the buzz generated has mostly worked wonders. Guess, if business is good, it pays to advertise; but if business is bad, you've got to advertise! 📺

Pic: Namrata Gulati



Vir Sanghvi in an interaction with MasterChef India host Vikas Khanna

### The GT reporter in a brief tête-à-tête with Food Journalist Vir Sanghvi

**How has your journey of Journalism been?**  
 It's been about a lot of ups & downs. Downs, because at times, there was boredom. The upsides were opportunities of travelling, exploring and the excitement of it all.

**What advice would you give food journalists?**  
 It takes hours of hard work, training and above all, passion for food. Money should never motivate one to become a chef or food journalist.



Rahul Goyal with Vir Sanghvi

# "Let food be the hero of the show"

**Rahul Goyal, Amity School of Hospitality, III yr** brings excerpts of an exclusive chit chat between Chef Vikas Khanna, world renowned Chef, winner of several international accolades & host of MasterChef India and Vir Sanghvi, eminent Food Journalist. The occasion marked the launch of MasterChef India 2, Television's leading culinary competition, on October 20, at The Claridges Garden



**VS – What is the main difference between MasterChef India and MasterChef abroad?**

VK – Mothers in Australia never ask their children what they would like to have for lunch! That's my answer. For us, it's in our culture to express our love by food. Expect a lot of surprises and innovation this season.

**VS – Despite being natural at Punjabi food, your fortune changed because of a dhokla?**

VK – Right. I did not have a job and

somebody recommended me for a party of 200 people, where I had to cook one appetiser and I made a three layer dhokla, from where I moved to work at Salaam Bombay, my first proper job.

**VS – Are you a spiritual person?**

VK – I think spirituality is part of our daily lives. When our mothers and grandmothers cooked for us, they were always at peace. This tradition and culture makes us understand it's the same energy and peace that goes into the food. It is food that makes us all spiritual.

**VS – What have you learnt from the episodes that you have shot till now?**

VK – I feel that I still have a lot to learn about Indian food, as the contestants are very intelligent, talented and creative. Chef Kunal and Chef Ajay have also been very supportive throughout.

*(One thing every journalist at the press conference wanted to know was- Will the absence of star power affect the TRPs of Season 2? Vikas Khanna promptly replied- You know it's a food show, so let food be the hero of the show.) 📺*

## GT Travels to Kashmir



Aaditya Ganguly rides on the wave of delight as he reads his GT, while river Lidder in the serene town of Pahalgam, Jammu & Kashmir, flows by.

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