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Naomi is definitely a role model. Japan should be proud of her; she can definitely break down walls.

- Priyanka Yoshikawa, Former Miss Japan (On Naomi Osaka's historic US Open victory)

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Is the Supreme Court verdict on Aadhaar Card being made non-mandatory the correct decision?

a) Yes

b) No

c) Can't say

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Yes

No

Can't Say

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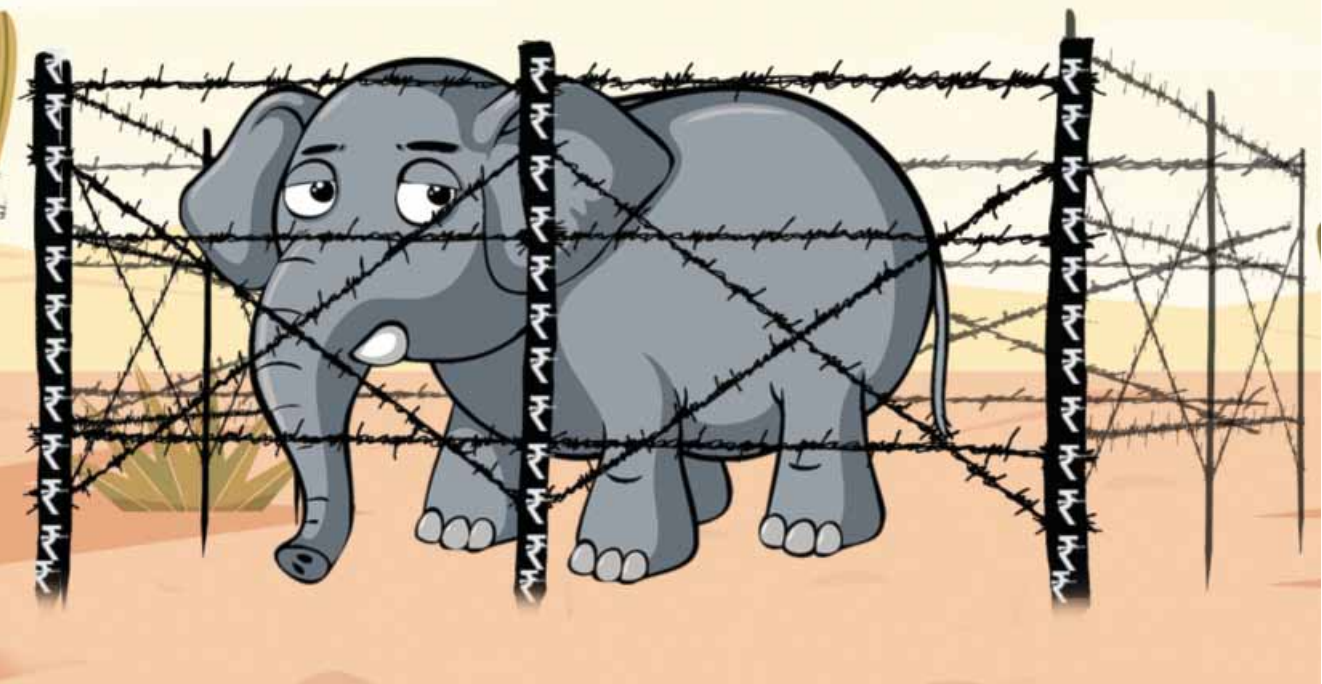
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Lets manage waste

The elephant in the room

This Wildlife Week, Look At Large Animal Shrinking To Small Numbers

Imaging: Pankaj Mallik, GT Network



Samridhi Rastogi, AIESR, AUUP
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Some 50 years ago, the capital was home to over 200 elephants. Adorned with garlands, they were the indisputable symbol of royalty. Today, their number has come down to a single digit – six, so has their royal status as now they are a part of shunned, nearly endangered species trying to save the last of its own. The tale of our beloved *haathi* is no different across the borders either. Whether it was an outcry for a fresh lease of life for Lammie, the elephant battling loneliness at Johannesburg zoo or the four elephants still awaiting a home, following an order by Delhi High Court; the large animal with large heartedness cannot seem to find a home anywhere. So, the question remains – are we willing to address the elephant in the room?

Haathi raja bahut bade

Elephants have always been a part of the traditions of various cultures, often projected as deities symbolising strength and wisdom. The most obvious example is of Lord Ganesha. Various deities like Lakshmi, Brihaspati, Shachi and Indra were also known to use elephant as a *vahana* which represented wisdom and power. Japanese Buddhism's adaptation of Ganesha presents an elephant-headed pair who are collectively thought of as the 'deva of bliss'. In African culture, elephant is seen as a symbol of power. Sri Lanka considers elephants a national treasure and they are protected by law.

Daant chupa kar kahan chale

Imagine the reaction of all these deities on knowing that their friend is being hunted

to extinction for illegal poaching of ivory. 487 kg of ivory, worth INR 12 crore in black market was seized from just one dealer in Kerala. More than 85 elephants were killed in last 3 years and such cruel actions have reduced the number of Asian elephants to around 30,000 in the world and if we do not stop, their extinction is not so far away.

Muh jhuka kar kaha chale

An elephant requires about 1.25 acres to live freely. What they are offered instead is sidewalks in Delhi, where they walk amidst traffic which to their sensitive hearing abilities is as peaceful as being at a rock concert. While most elephants bow in to this torture, some lose control. Masini, an 11 year old elephant hit headlines as she trampled over her mahout to

death in Tamil Nadu. The reason? She was separated from her herd and made to live in isolation, resulting in behavioural changes. And so the wild animal perhaps was left with no option but to go wild.

Mere ghar bhi aao na

Lucy, the elephant is a six storey elephant structure in the town of Margate, England. What the Eiffel Tower is to Paris is what this elephant is to the town of Margate. To say that the animal is in the loved and lost category wouldn't entirely be true. To create awareness about the 'right to passage' for elephants who are the victims of industrialisation infringing their habitat, Wildlife Trust of India, Ministry of Environment, and various NGOs came together to organise 'Gaj Mahostav', a 4 day event in New Delhi in August. The geo-

graphical range for elephants has shrunk by 70% since 1960s in India and to combat that the event saw 101 installations of elephants, film screenings, artworks, concerts and dance performances which promoted respect for elephants.

Aise tum mat jao na

A study reveals that around 60 elephants have been killed in last 10 months in Assam. North East India, which was once home to over 10,000 elephants has now lost half of them. When human-elephant conflicts increased in the entire country, leading to elephants killing men, enraged humans responded by killing 12,000 of them. Elephant, nature's greatest masterpiece have started to walk away to the land of extinction. The question now remains - Is this what we really want? 🇮🇳



Manu Bhatnagar, Principal Director, Natural Heritage Division of NGO, Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH)

A talk to remember

To Save Environment, We Must Save Our Natural Abode

Keya Bharat, ASCO, AUUP, Alumnus

For more than two decades, Manu Bhatnagar, Principal Director, Natural Heritage Division of NGO, Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH), has initiated various environmental programs including revival of several water bodies, lakes and monuments in our country. He talks about his journey with environment whilst spreading the motto 'Nature truly is the foundation of our culture'.

N for Nation

India is a diverse nation. Our culture is considered rich and unique all around the world. Even within the national boundaries, the culture and traditions of each state is different and the reason is, difference in geographical conditions. India takes its culture from the natural environment around. This is why it is important to preserve our nature, so that we can preserve our nation.

A for Achievements

It has been a tough journey, but I am glad that we have some commendable feats. For example, the revival of Hauz Khas lake is a proud achievement for us. When we started working on it, many people complained about the fact that it was sewage based, but today most of the urban lakes are sewage based only. We at INTACH

believe in doing our job whilst keeping our integrity intact. We have to face a handful of ordeals for every project but we try our best to achieve as much as we can.

T for The Start

I wasn't working in the field of environment from the start. When I started my career, I was an architect, but I always felt like I had a responsibility towards nature. So, in 1996, I decided that it was time for me to fulfill my responsibility and I joined INTACH, and haven't looked back ever since. The first project that I worked on was the supply of clean water, and I am still working to ensure that everyone in our country has access to clean water.

U for Unity

We can bring a tangible change by realising the power of our unity. Together, we can carve a better path for future. India loses quite a number of fertile farmlands every year, so we started a rooftop farm in our office where we use solar power. The entire office came to help which is when I realised the power of unity. If we all pledge to be environment friendly, we can make better the environment in which we live. Nature has a lot to teach us, but we can only learn if we pay attention.

R for Rivers

Our rivers are in a extremely poor condition and to help them we need to understand the two major issues that they are facing. The first one is the very visible issue of pollution. The rivers look black, smell foul and are no longer safe for fishes to live

Pic: Mayank Singh, ASCO, AUUP



Manu Bhatnagar with Keya Bharat

in. Another problem that our rivers face is how we keep extracting water from them. Because of all of these reasons the biodiversity of our rivers is affected which directly affects our own existence.

E for Efficiency

To help our rivers, the first step we must take is regulate water usage. If we use water efficiently, our rivers will be perennial. India uses five or six times the water Canada uses for irrigation and production. We need to use water intelligently so that our efficiency is increased and our wastage is lowered. Hence, to preserve our nature an important aspect of our culture, we need to act now to preserve it for the future. 🇮🇳

INTACH is an organisation working towards conservation of heritage based on the belief that living in harmony with it enhances the quality of life and it is the duty of every citizen of India as mentioned in the Constitution of India.

AIMUN was special for me because it made me believe in myself. It taught me to adjust with people from different cultural backgrounds.

Anshika Kamra, AIS Vas 1, XII



Will the jumbos find a home?

Neither Here Nor There, The Poor Elephants Can't Seem To Find Home Anywhere

Imaging: Dinesh Kumar, GT Network



Pihu Yadav, GT Network

Recently, six out of seven elephants were captured by Delhi Forest Department after the orders from Delhi High Court. But finding refuge for them has been a real challenge. While two of them have been sent to Rajaji National Park, the other four failed to find home due to their poor health and have been sent back to their mahouts. Neither Delhi nor Haryana authorities are willing to take them in, considering the amount of money their treatment will require. They are left uncared for with no one willing to take their responsibility. When little Amitians heard of this, they were distraught and decided to share their feelings for loving elephants with us.

"I feel very connected with elephants. They feel very intensely, exactly like humans do. They help each other in distress, grieve for the dead and feel joyous when they are around their family and friends—just like us. They are the most expressive animals of the lot and that makes them very special to me. They are a pleasure to look at when

they are in a happy mood."

Akshita Rathore

AIS MV, III A

"I would love to adopt an elephant someday. They are so calm and friendly. If no one else will, I will definitely try to take care of these homeless and sick animals. I also like elephant rides.

Elephants' big ears seem very cute to me. I hope to adopt an elephant some time soon."

Ashita

Bansal

AIS Saket, IV C

"I had seen elephants when I visited Chowki Dhani, Jaipur. I think that Delhi is not a good place for them to stay. It is such a busy, polluted and congested place for the world's largest animal species. These animals cannot adapt to this climate and temperature. They need cool, dense forests where they can roam freely and do as they please with their families. Here, people treat elephants very poorly and that makes me sad."

Kamakshi Khandelwal

AIS Gur 43, V C

"My favourite story is 'The Elephant and The Dog' from Panchatantra Tales. The reason why

I like the story is because it shows how friendship is more important than fine food and living high life. Elephants are one of the most social animals on planet. They form incredible bonds with one another and this story shows awe-inspiring friendship between two animals—an elephant and a dog."

Navya Puri

AIS Saket, IV A

"Elephants are kept in cities like New Delhi for selfish human needs. People don't think how they are distorting the natural order by taking elephants away from their natural habitat. They say that 'elephants never forget.' So, will they forget the cruelty and meanness that we shower upon them?"

Aradhya Sharma

AIS Gur 43, V C

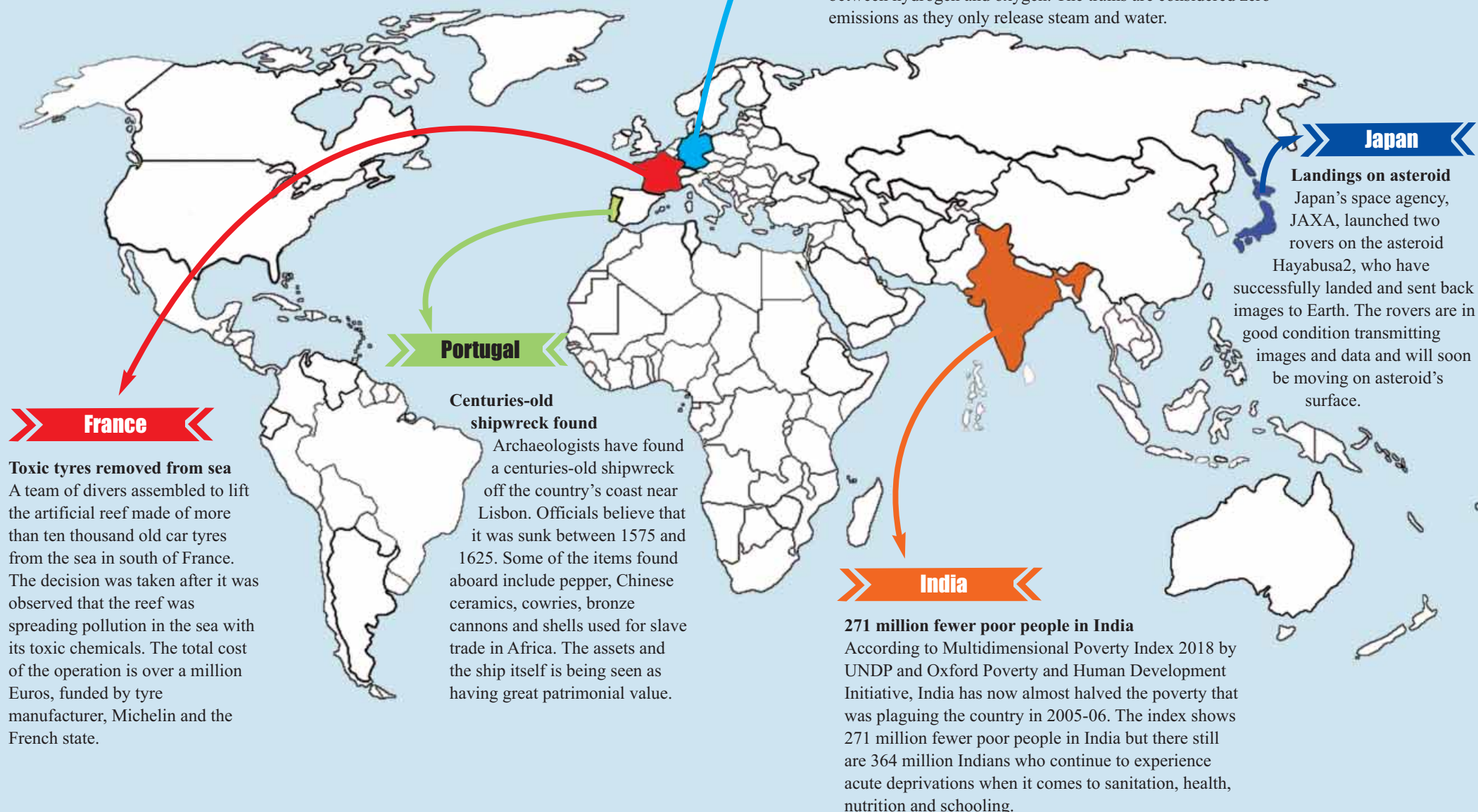
"Unlike humans, elephants don't have orphanages to reside. Maybe in future there would be an animal care centre for them but at present, there is nothing like that. So, these elephants would be forced to remain homeless until authorities take some responsibility or there are well maintained animal centers everywhere in our city."

Akash Aggarwal

AIS MV, IV A

World at a glance

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





During AIMUN, I learned how to enjoy while being in discipline, a tactic that will always come in handy.
Varalika Raizada, AIS Noida, XI

Parivaar ya paathshala

The school is one big family, that bears a close familiarity to members of our household

Damini Mehta, AIS Gur 43, XII D

First day in school, bawling and not wanting to leave our mother's side. And now, we hate leaving school when the dispersal bell rings. The years spent in school, forming bonds with our classmates, teachers and other people around school makes us a part of a huge family – a family formed through silly antics, lame jokes and a lot of scolding. Let's delve into our very own 'Modern Family'.

Pairi pauna bauji

Every family has a 'head' without whom none of the decisions are taken.

Every school has a 'Principal' figure who takes the final call, a call that everyone has to adhere.

S/he is the first person we go to take blessings from before leaving for any major battle aka competitions. The ones in front of whom even the parents shiver. They are like the beloved senior most member of the family - the school principal. Just like the head of the family leads and holds the fort, you will often find the school principal settling disputes between warring factions and steering the entire family towards one common goal, in this case – excellence.

Beta tumhari bhalai chahte hai

Every family has 'hard on the outside, soft on the inside' parents.

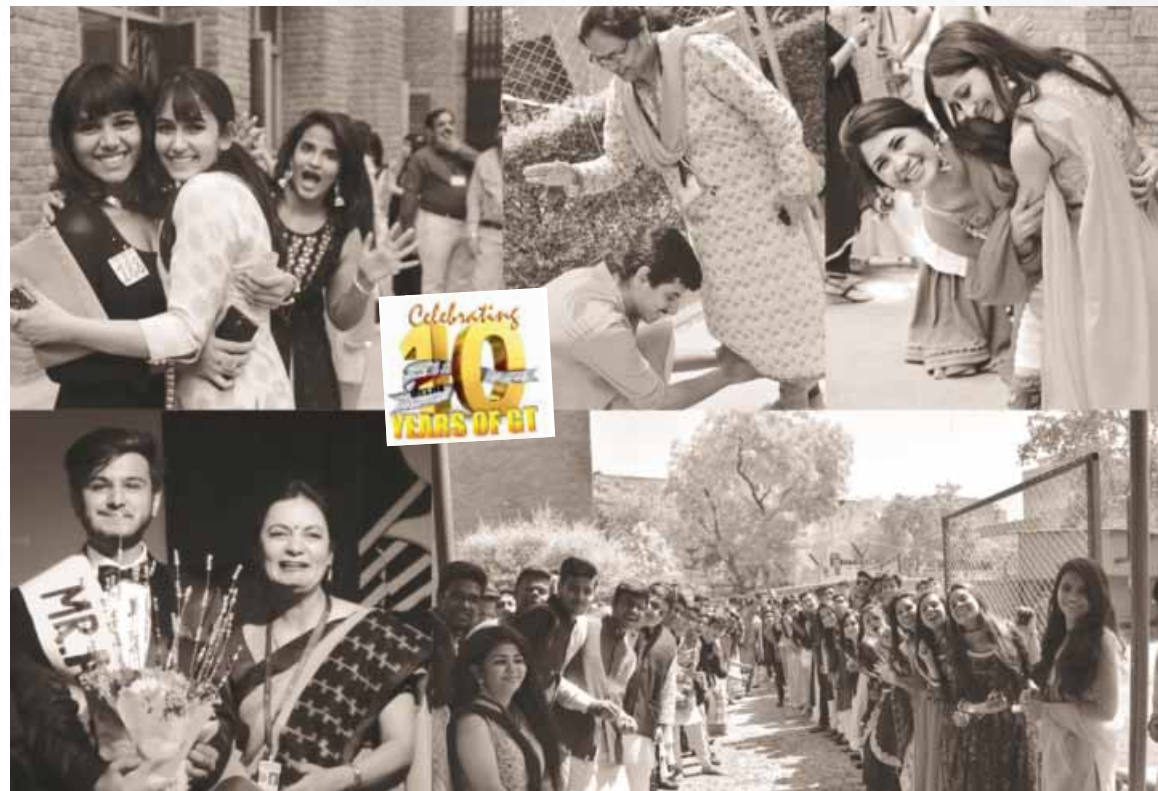
Every school has strict yet lenient teachers.

They nurture us like a parent does, even scold us when we step out of line. Our 'ma'am (s)' embody motherly figures, while our 'sir (s)' put up a tough and strict demeanour, but have hearts of gold. Interacting with the students on a day-to-day basis, they help a child grow step by step, or let's say class by class. Feeling stuck? Need counselling? Low on confidence? Just like a parent, they are your go-to for every problem, big or small.

Also starring...

Every family has a person who is at your service.

Every school has a bhaiyya/didi without whom no



work can be accomplished.

The people who may not be in the lead roles, but the story can never be complete without them. Our *bhaiyyas* and *didis* are just the same, hidden in the background, but an eminent part of the family. Your teacher will not be able to show her presentation, if the *bhaiyya* does not put up the projector. Remember how the *didis* escorted you to the washrooms when you were a toddler? Anyone thinking Farida Jalal from Kabhi Khushi Kabhi Gam ?

Shaitano ki toli!

Every family has a 'Vanar Sena'.

Every school has a group of miscreants.

They make us giggle when we're being scolded. The ones we can 'pretend to be adults' with. The ones to

whom we can give orders, when we know nobody else will listen to us. They're our batchmates, our juniors and seniors who never let us feel the luxury of being the 'only child'. They scare us by acting all experienced and pretend to give advice like "Abhi toh maze karo, badi class mein aaoge toh mehnat karni padegi", but always extend a helping hand when the need arises. 🇮🇳

(With inputs from **Sweta Sahu**, AIS Gur 43, Alumnus)

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Presents



Brainleaks-255
FOR CLASS IX-X

A lattice point is a point with integer coordinates. A (-6,-5) straight line is drawn between points A and B (24, 19). Including the endpoints, how many points on straight line segment AB are lattice points?

(a) 5
(b) 7
(c) 8
(d) 12

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Students donate blood for a noble cause

Blood donation drive

AUUP

Amity has always been a step ahead in contributing towards noble causes. In one such endeavour, AUUP launched a Mega Blood Donation Camp wherein 400 units of blood were donated. The donors included students, faculty members and other staff of Amity. The blood donation camp inauguration ceremony was graced by Rotarians from Rotary Club Delhi- (Rtn) Rupak Jain, Former District Governor; Rtn Sudesh Chopra, President; Rtn Amita Mohindru, President Elect; Rtn D K Parashar; Rtn Sonu Singh; Mr Ajay Chauhan, Trustee, Amity Education Group and Dr Balvinder Shukla, VC, AUUP.

Speaking on the occasion, Rotarian (Rtn) Rupak Jain, shared that the club was started with a

motive that no one should lose their life because of unavailability of blood. He apprised about the need of volunteers to reach ones in need. Therefore, he urged the students to volunteer in such causes.

Mr Ajay Chauhan expressed his joy over the huge participation of around 1500 students on the first day itself as donors and volunteers. He remembered the time when Amity commenced with blood donation in 2002 and the students were unaware about the necessity of blood donation. Therefore, Rotarians had to go from class to class creating awareness and debunking the myths regarding blood donation. He called upon the students to come forward and save precious lives.

The blood camp gave Amitians an opportunity to render high-level service to humanity.

(Courtesy: Amity Media Cell)

Peace building workshop

Understanding Different Perspectives And Possibilities



Students participate in activities during the workshop



Amanpreet Kaur briefs students about the session

AUMP

A three-day workshop on 'Peace Building and Conflict Resolution' was organised at ASCO, Amity University Madhya Pradesh from August 13-15, 2018. It was jointly conducted by Amanpreet Kaur, Programme Officer, William J Clinton Fellowship for Service in India & KAICIID fellow, 2017-18 and Dr Sumit Narula, Director, ASCO.

Day 1

The workshop commenced with an introductory speech by Dr Sumit Narula, sharing the details, through an ice breaking session

wherein students had to call out their names loudly while doing actions like raising hands in air, clapping and stomping feet. In the next activity, students sat in a circle and shared the meanings of their names and its history. During this activity, the students were curious to know the meanings of unique names which ranged from being sweet and sentimental to even bizarre. The students were also asked if they would ever like to change their names.

Day 2

The next day, students engaged in another fun filled activity, wherein a student was supposed

to hold a ball of wool by the strand and throw it towards anyone in the circle, call out the name of the person, mention a good quality about him/her. Towards the end of the activity, a web had been formed amidst the participants which had to be held tightly lest the woollen thread should slip from their hands. The activity was used to draw thoughtful conclusions and useful lessons.

Next, a 'self-portrait' activity was organised and the students were asked to draw any object they felt connected with and stating why they chose it. Yet again, the students came up with amazing stories and reasons.

Day 3

On the last day of the workshop 'Johari Window' activity was conducted. A large plus sign was made on the floor with the help of a woollen thread and four paper sheets were placed on all the four ends. Each page had some or the other thing written on it such as 'self-blame', 'blaming others', 'understanding ourselves' and 'understanding others'. This activity resulted in a healthy discussion of several notions of 'self understanding'.

Towards the end of the workshop students were introduced to new aspects and encouraged to explore new horizons. 🇮🇳

The simulation game

What If The Reality That We Have Been Living Is Actually A Computer Game?

Deeksha Puri, AIS PV, XI F

As I put MySims to sleep, my mind started to wander on a venture of its own. My midnight epiphanies, accelerated by cups of coffee, proposed that everyone complains about the daily monotony they have to repeat over and over again. But what if we're the pixelated puppets in the hands of intrigued puppeteers, amusing themselves with our seemingly trivial matters? If we're able to create simulation universes and control virtual characters, isn't it possible for post-human evolved organisms to do so as well or to do even better?

The Hypothesis

Simulation hypothesis is a belief which proposes that all the reality, including earth and the universe is in fact a computer simulation. It argues that the world is a simulated reality, a proposed technology that would seem realistic enough to convince its inhabitants that the simulation was real. There is a long philosophical and scientific history to this underlying thesis that reality is an illusion. It can be traced back to butterfly dream of Zhuangzi, or the Indian philosophy of *Maya*. The idea of simula-



tion hypothesis has also gained a lot of attention because of prominent figures like Elon Musk openly discussing the idea. Philip K Dick, a sci-fi writer, already believes that we live in a simulation. Ray Kurzweil, computer scientist and futurist believes that we can download our consciousness into a silicon device, making us all a form of digital information. Ox-

ford lecturer Nick Bostrom thinks we are artificially simulated consciousness living inside such a simulation already!

Sci-fi or reality?

Simulation hypothesis is not something completely unheard of as the concept has been explored and popularised by various fictional movies, TV shows, and


books. Starting from Simulacron-3, a 1964 novel by Daniel F. Galouye to the movie Total Recall (1990) to Matrix (1999) and so many more that we have lost count; the idea has been explored in various fictional works, making it a part of popular consciousness. Various video game designers and computer scientists argue that the possibility of this

idea is not that crazy. Using Quantum Physics, they provide various questions about the objective and subjective nature of reality. They believe that such a civilization could exist which is centuries ahead of us in terms of science and technology.

Are we a Sim?

Elon Musk argues how the future

generation will create such high resolution simulations that the difference between reality and video games will get nullified. Today's virtual reality is already extremely advanced and these new generation video games give an illusion of a 'free world' with more open spaces and grounds to cover unlike the old world Pac-Man and its likes. But these illusions only seem free, which presents a question that our 'free world' might not truly be free at all. There are also a lot of Eastern traditions which have ideas that are actually pretty consistent with this hypothesis. Many mystical traditions like Buddhism and Hinduism teach the world around us is actually an illusion. *Maya*, the Sanskrit word for illusion is used to describe the world we see and *Bramhaan* is the real world. In Buddhism, the idea is to 'wake up' to recognise the world around us as an illusion. In fact, the term 'Buddha' literally means 'awake'.

So, the real question remains of what we think because until we get a solid answer, we can only continue to create different hypotheses and have these midnight epiphanies. Maybe our puppeteer wants our simulation to raise questions. 

DRINKING CANDLE

Let Us Look At The Phenomenon Behind Water Rising Up In The Flask

Science Experiment

Aarav Mathur, AIS Noida, V

Aim: To understand how gases respond to change in temperature

Material required: Water, plate, small candle, matchbox, conical flask, food colour

Procedure



Step 1 - Take half a glass of water, mix food colour in it and pour in the plate.



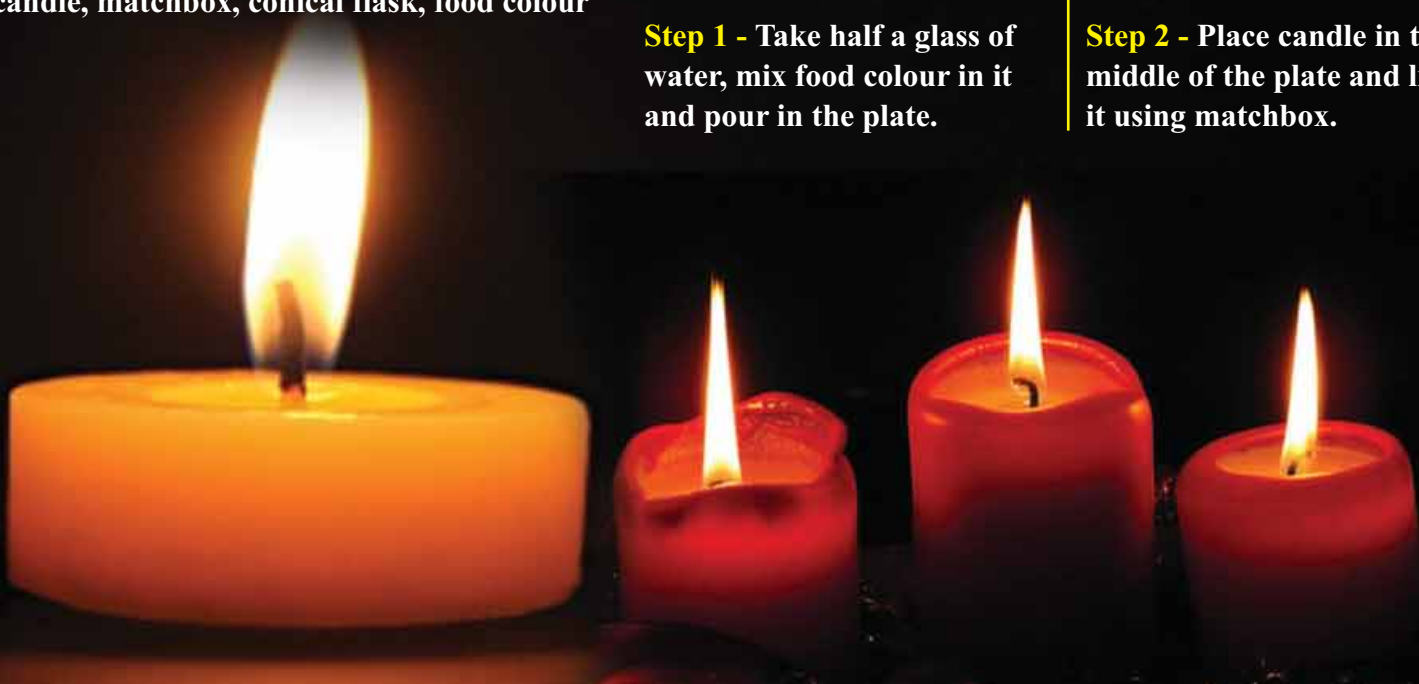
Step 2 - Place candle in the middle of the plate and light it using matchbox.



Step 3 - Place the conical flask over the burning candle upside down very carefully and observe.

Observation: You will see that the flame eventually goes out and water begins to enter the glass.

What Science says? The flame heats air inside the glass and hot air expands. When the flame goes off, the air inside the glass cools down. The cooler air starts contracting therefore, creating low pressure area. This low pressure area creates a pull for the water inside the glass.





MUN newsletter was very informative. I enjoyed reading it, the Global Press team did an amazing job.

Yashvardhan Jain, AIS Saket, VIII

Learning with AIMUN



Dr Amita Chauhan
Chairperson

The recently concluded AIMUN Singapore -2018 marked the second International AIMUN, has been an extraordinary display of diplomacy, negotiations and democratic solutions. What made it even more special was the fact that it brought together young leaders from two young dynamic, thinking and progressive nations – India and Philippines, on a foreign land to understand the world of politics and the need for right arbitration and conciliation skills, for global peace.

These thought leaders deliberated upon two current issues which have afflicted the world. While perusing through the committee reports and the solutions arrived at, I was amazed to see the depth of the thought process of these young minds and their willingness to herald peace. The solutions spoke out loud and clear about humanity, care, compassion, love and peace.

This really is a dream come true for me because when I envisioned AIMUN, I had a dream of giving to this world leaders and global citizens who are modern in thought but infused with values and tradition. I am happy to see my Amities growing up and evolving into change makers who are world ready and embrace the entire world as a family. For the first time at AIMUN, a workshop was organised ‘Career Discovery Programme’, to enable the young potential citizens learn to make smart and informed choices about their field of study and path ahead. AIMUN Singapore has truly set a benchmark for international programs focussing on global understanding. I look forward to more of my Amities making the best use of this platform. 🇮🇳🇵🇭

E for elephant



Vira Sharma
Managing Editor

...so went the teacher and we all gleefully ranted with her. Who doesn't get excited at the sight of an elephant in a zoo, national park or on the road. India and elephants share a deep bonding through heritage, culture, tradition and religion. Our Republic Day is never complete without colourfully decked up elephants parading. Elephant festival of Jaipur is known for its festooned elephants. In Kerala, no ceremony is complete without decorated elephants. Ganesh Chaturathi is the biggest symbolism of how much respect we have for Elephant God. Off shores, the Surin festival of Thailand is famous for its exhibition of beautifully decked up elephants, their races, games and other competitions.

Fascinated with these giant Pachyderms, I was amazed to read that we human beings can actually draw many lessons from their life. A family of elephant lives in a herd which is very democratic. Sometimes they also adopt a non-family elephant into the herd. Matriach, the leader of the herd is the oldest and most experienced female. Every time elephants meet, they extend their trunk in greeting. They display huge understanding of each other's emotions and even if one member of the herd is in distress, the entire herd would make efforts to set things right. With this way of living, they teach us a lot about values like respect for elders, importance of family and friends, care and compassion for fellows and surroundings, ensuring the safety and security of all. This world wild life week as we delve into lives of elephants let's make it a point to adopt these values in our lives and let Ganesha reflect through our thoughts and deeds. 🇮🇳🇵🇭

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The happiness within

If You Want Real Happiness, Just Look Inside!

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Once upon a time, there was a king whose mother fell ill and had to be hospitalized. In her absence, she requested her son to take care of the plants in the garden. He assured her they will receive proper care. And thus, every day the king brushed dust off the plants and wiped flowers, without ever watering them. When his mother returned, she found all the plants in a dry and devastating condition. She explained to him that his hard work did not pay off as he only paid attention to clean them from outside instead of making them strong internally. Human beings also suffer from a similar fate. It is only we who can decide whether we wither or bloom.

In our society, one of the biggest misconceptions that we live in is that happiness comes from external sources. We live our life expecting relationships, jobs and material

things to bestow ‘happiness’ upon us that we have been waiting for. It is only towards the end that we realise, we were so busy participating in the rat race that we passed the stall of happiness without even knowing. We focus so much on material things, dusting and wiping them, thinking they will grant our life a purpose. And in the process, we forget to water our own souls and are surprised when we overwork and are still not happy.

When asked to name the things that make us happy, almost all of us will list down things like having someone who loves you, drinking a good cup of coffee, having a job that pays well, eating a nice meal and other such things. But we need to realise that all these phenomena exist outside us and do not cause actual happiness. They might be correlated, that their occurrence and our happiness might exist at the same time, but it is not and should never be a cause and effect relationship. Even

if a good cup of coffee gives us happiness, it does not come from that cup but rather from our efforts of acknowledging and appreciating the drink. The same coffee can be given to different people and their reactions would vary which is the result of how they view it, rather than how the coffee actually is. Frederick Keonig once rightly said, “We tend to forget that happiness doesn't come as a result of getting something we don't have, but rather as a result of recognising and appreciating what we already do have.”

True happiness comes from acknowledging and appreciating the things around us, what we already have and what we should not take for granted. Our happiness should only be affected by who we are rather than the things that are going on around us. It is only when we truly start following this process that we find the key to true happiness, which had always existed within us in the first place. 🇮🇳🇵🇭

A journey of experience

St Paul Delegates Chronicle A Journey: Philippines To AIMUN!

Joining an assembly with different people...from different places was absolutely fun! I thoroughly enjoyed AIMUN because I had an opportunity to meet new people and visit beautiful spots around Singapore.

On day one, students of Amity greeted us with warm smiles and big hearts. They were friendly and the stories they shared were equally engaging. Talking about our cultures was one of the highlights. It taught us about diversity and our similarities. All the teachers and mentors along with the students made us feel comfortable throughout AIMUN. The little gestures from students made me feel like I've known them for a lifetime. Lastly, I'm thankful to AIMUN because we were able to tour some of the renowned universities of Singapore. It was all so picturesque. We also had students from Multiple Intelligence International School, Philippines and it was a pleasure getting to know them as well. The whole experience of AIMUN has been amazing! I'm looking forward to more of such events.

-Neijhanne Coleene A Inofinada



Performance by delegates of St Paul at AIMUN

AIMUN 2018 can be broken into five words... leadership, nationalism, multiculturalism, diversity and realisation. It's been a month since AIMUN, but every bit of it is still fresh in my mind. It was an unforgettable experience. The students were given an opportunity to train their leadership skills while focusing more on the independence factor. I believe that independence has a bigger role to play. A country that is a member of many international organisations cannot always depend on those organisations. It must learn how to stand on its own. It also teaches the students to make wise decisions for their country.

Through AIMUN, I learned new

things, made new friends, gained confidence, exposure and learned about different cultures and traditions. It helped me improve as a student, as a leader and as a person. AIMUN is undoubtedly a foundation for future leaders. I know that I will carry the values that I've learned here forever. I hope people behind AIMUN continue this job and that SPCIS will send more delegates next year.

-Lovely May Azcueta

As the plane landed at Changi Airport...I felt butterflies in my stomach as it was my first time in a foreign country without my family. I was very nervous. When I first met

Rhythmic rendition

Khwaish Gupta
AIS Gur 46, XII



In this world where the sun sets
And dusk settles upon humans
We hope to wake to a new dawn
Giving global issues a conclusion

A lion looks upon the world
We are a family; 7 billion strong
We together have the power
To travel along on a road this long

As he roars aloud, he seems to revolt
And conquer the sounds of violence
Bombs dropping, refugees crying
And people protesting in silence

He thinks about several global issues
How poverty is a silent killer
Illiteracy a chronic disease
And global warming is a thriller

We are mere social animals
Without any formal wisdom
We seek so-called education
As a cure for our boredom

We metamorphose our mindsets
How gender equality isn't a myth
Industry oiling wheels of civilisation
Keeping the engine going to hold it with

But make sure it doesn't come
At a cost too expensive to pay
And for once make for your earth
An act of bestowing love and pray

Countries have taken this oath
That they shall always live together
In war and in peace as one
Till death separates them forever

They promise to never fight
Bringing the earth a new light
And so to heal the world
Roars the lion shining and bright!

The above slam poetry was presented by the Global Press team at the concluding ceremony of AIMUN Singapore.

GT M@il

Amities at the Amity tour, I was overwhelmed. I also met a very cheerful girl, Resham. Talking to her was like talking to an old friend. On the second day, we were supposed to attend a committee session, but couldn't. We were so clueless about what was going on. Kriti did her best to help us through the mess. She is a kind hearted girl. The third day was no less interesting. We visited Yale-NUS College, the first liberal arts college in Singapore. Once back, we participated in the last committee session where I represented Slovakia. A cultural program was scheduled later that day and all the performances left me awestruck. We also had workshops planned that taught us many new things. For the next two days, we traveled around the city and bonded over its beauty. This AIMUN made me realise that even teenagers can make the world a better place and they will, in fact, change the world. I thank Amity Group of Schools from my heart for making this AIMUN so great.

-Shella Guzman

AIMUN Singapore

The Second International Confluence Fostered A Cluster Of Future Diplomats

Khwaish Gupta
EIC IP, AIS Gur 46

The lion roared on July 25, 2018 and the tigers from Amity Group of Schools, India along with Multiple Intelligence International School and St Paul College, Philippines came together at Amity Global Institute (AGI), Singapore that hosted AIMUN Singapore, the 2nd edition of Amity International Model United Nations (AIMUN) abroad. The vision of Founder President, Dr Ashok K Chauhan, Amity Universe and Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF, Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, became a reality with the best of hospitality offered under the guidance of Dr Aseem Chauhan, Chancellor, host institute. Dr Easwaramoorthy Rangaswamy, Principal, AGI, Singapore graced the opening ceremony as chief guest. Other eminent people to grace the occasion were **Amity Alumnus** Saloni Kapur, Global Client Sales Strategist, LinkedIn; Farah Siddiqui, Former Faculty, Amity and Swapnil Chugh from INSEAD.

AIMUN– The beginning
The ceremony commenced with welcome of the delegates through traditional Lion dance. It was followed by chanting of *Gayatri Mantra*, in which even the Filipino delegates took part. All the delegates were then taken down a memory lane of a decade long journey of AIMUN since its inception by Jyoti Arora, Charge d'affaires, AIMUN Singapore. On the occasion, student ambassadors walked on the stage to express their gratitude towards



Traditional Chinese dance at the opening ceremony



International delegates from Philippines with guests, mentors and Amity alumnus

Amity for creating AIMUN, a global boulevard of leadership development and other opportunities. The chief guest in his address shared how it is more important to be aware, to be able to think and have the right skills to negotiate amicably. The students aptly sang 'We are the world' melodiously, following which gavels were presented to the secretariat. Members of Global Press and Executive Board too gained recognition in the ceremony. Palak Yadav, Secretary General, AIMUN shared her vision with delegates and declared the two day conference open with the bang of the gavel.

AIMUN – Era continues
Two days of intense discussions and debates came to an end on July 26 2018. After pouring in their heart and soul in the two-day conference, delegates twiddled their thumbs for the results during closing ceremony. All participating schools and teams presented various cultural programmes like dances, vocal and musical renditions, slam poetry, etc. The highlight was finale video presented by USG IT Pratham Maheshwari, showcasing memories of the conference that filled the auditorium with nostalgia. Awards and appreciation certificates were given away to delegates and teams. The

Global Press gave away titles to delegates for perfectly portraying the world leaders of today. Delegates expressed their gratitude to AGI Singapore for their warm hospitality. Singing the national anthem of India and Philippines marked the end of conference and a step towards '*Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam*'.



Chairperson ma'am presented with a memento



Faculty receives memento on behalf of Chairperson



Jyoti Arora presents memento to the Chief Guest

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AGENDA: Security situation in Korean Peninsula

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At a glance: AIMUN Singapore 2018

Date
July 25 - 26, 2018

Website
http://www.aimunsingapore.com

Venue & co-host
Amity Global Institute, Singapore

Session
2nd International MUN

Convener and vision
Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF

Department
Amity Educational Resource Centre

Organizer
AERC + Amity Schools

Highlight
Launch of Career Discovery Programme & Meeting with Amity Alumni

Charge d'affaires
Jyoti Arora, Director AERC

Chef d'Cabinet
Sumedh Kapoor

Sec Gen
Palak Yadav, AIS Gur 46

Dy Sec Gen
Kriti Panwar, AIS Gur 46

Dir General
Resham Talwar, AIS Saket

No of delegates
51

Committees
United Nations Security Council & European Union

International School
Multiple Intelligence International School, Philippines & St Paul College, Philippines

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Special Mention
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Special Mention
Darsh Tripathi, AIS Noida (UK)

Best Delegate
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Ganya Dua, AIS Gur 46 (UK)

High Commendation
Multiple Intelligence International School, Philippines (Kazakhstan)

Toyam Khanna, AIS Gur 46 (Japan)

Special Mention
Hridyanshu, AIS Saket (USA)

Aryan Gupta, AIS Gur 46 (Peoples Republic of China)

Vidushi Yaksh
Reporter, GP, AIS Saket

"The entire United States is within the range of our nuclear weapons, and a nuclear button is always on my desk. This is reality, not a threat," Kim Jong Un recently declared to emphasise his stance which was talked about later in UNSC committee of AIMUN held at Singapore. The agenda was based on the problems of security arising due to nuclear situation in Korean Peninsula. Problems of utilisation of illegal nuclear weapons, details of the Non-Proliferation Treaty and IAEA were discussed, questioned and analysed.

On the second day, all the countries came together to draw a consensus based on mutual respect and trust that each country would abide by its role to improve the situation. A working paper was drafted and three resolutions were passed by the committee during the session. Kuwait, Bolivia, DPRK, Kazakhstan and UK emphasised on the need for UN and international community to support consolidation of mutual trust between the two parties- DPRK and ROK. They also recalled all the relevant resolutions that had been made in the past and deliberated that member states should resolve the situation in accordance with the Charter.

Tanishi Adhikari
Reporter, GP, AIS Saket

The first day commenced with delegates focussing on their country's stand about refugees. Towards the end of discussions, agreements were drawn in order to maintain harmony among European nations. The committee exchanged ways on how to control the influx of refugees and how to tackle the possible threats. They also discussed the issue of identifying refugees and their mental illnesses. They felt that it was necessary in order to check the influx of terrorists and other sabotaging elements. To this some nations pointed out the deplorable conditions of refugees and wanted committee to look into softer issues as well. So, the committee also debated over issues like improving the condition of refugees and their economic benefits. Delegates of Italy were bit rigid about providing help as their economy was affected because of such infiltration. Finally, the committee agreed that refugees will be provided with basic facilities like education and clothes. Nations will provide safe passage to refugees so that they can travel from one region to another and lastly, a part of the Corsica islands will be made a neutral ground where OPFRA will supervise the distribution of medical aid, food, water and supplies.

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Career Discovery Programme

Exploring Vistas Of Future

Vidushi Yaksh
Reporter, GP, AIS Saket

The first ever Career Discovery Programme organised under motivational leadership of Chairperson clubbed with the first ever AIMUN Singapore, created the first ever unique educational summer camp experience. The programme organised under the aegis of Amity Career Counselling and Guidance Cell (ACCGC) for the students of Class IX to XII, who are focused and exploring higher education opportunities was aimed at enabling them to make informed career decisions in the 'Harvard of the East'. Through this programme students got to visit famous universities of Singapore like Amity Global Institute (AGI), NTU, YALE-NUS and INSEAD with a mission to adopt and imbibe world class holistic learning and

knowledge. AGI played host to let the learners explore and choose their future field of study through many hands-on workshops on topics like 'Fashion marketing - Best practices' conducted by Michael Chance; 'Emotional intelligence and workplace relationships' by Marta Ciach and 'Big data analytics in business intelligence' by Dr Raymond Tham. At NTU, the first ranking university of Asia and Singapore, students were shown a presentation which summed up everything one needs to know and follow to get admission. The students also attended an orientation programme for careers in material science and business administration at the university. The visit to INSEAD mainly focused on the tour of the campus with an insightful talk about entrepreneurship and how to start a start-up. It was indeed an experience of a lifetime.



Students attend a workshop at INSEAD



Workshop on EI organised by Amity Global Institute, Singapore



Team Career Discovery at YALE-NUS



An educational tour to NTU

Glimpses



Sec Gen Palak Yadav receives the gavel



Performance by MIIS, Philippines



Dy Sec Gen Kriti makes a point



Dir Gen Resham Talwar's address

AIMUN Travelogues

Merlion: The official mascot of Singapore

Gardens by the Bay: A nature park spanning 101 hectares

Jurong Bird Park: An aviary and tourist attraction

I loved being at NTU. The first introductory workshop helped me widen my horizons and now I can aim to go there for my higher education.

Khwaish Gupta, AIS Gur 46, XII



The pangs of guilt

Storywala



Sanskriti Dev

AIS Gur 43, X B

“Rebecca Wood met with an accident in the parking lot of her apartment building. She and her sister Brittany were having dinner together when something triggered her to jump off the balcony. She is currently admitted in the ICU, nobody knows how long her coma will last..” Brit-

tany sat in a corner sobbing as her therapist read the news out loud. “Tell me what really happened, Brittany; how did she fall?” “She fell because of me, my stupid prank.” Brittany yelled in between her sobs. “What do you mean?” “Rebecca and I were having dinner. I went to get some water. When I came back, she was sitting on the edge of our balcony, which she liked doing. Her back was towards me.

I reached behind her and yelled boo. She got scared and lost her balance. Before I could comprehend the situation, she fell to the ground...and...” She sobbed louder with each word. Brittany’s guilt was consuming her. She sat outside the ICU day and night, replaying the incident in her head over and over. In her dreams, she tried to stretch her hand out to her sister, but she always woke up feeling helpless

“She got scared and lost her balance. Before I could comprehend the situation, she fell to the ground...and...”

and guilty. She had not eaten since the last three days. As the therapist bombarded her with more questions, her head suddenly became heavy and she felt herself falling to the floor, losing consciousness. When she opened her eyes, her sister was in front of her. “Rebec-ca, I’m-I’m sorry,” Brittany sobbed. “Brittany, it was not your fault. I tripped on my own,” echoed Rebecca’s voice. “I’m sorry. I’m sorry. I’m sorry.” “It’s okay. I forgive you and I will always love you,” said Rebecca, slowly fading away. Brittany felt everything around her go hazy. She woke up in a hospital bed, and the doctors came to tell her that Rebecca has been saved. She then realised the meaning of her dream, that her sister had forgiven her. With this, her guilt eventually faded away and the sisters’ bond became stronger than ever. 🇮🇳



Crème caramel

Suhani Srivastava

AIS PV, IX

You will need

Sugar1/2 cup
Milkmaid2/3 cup
Eggs2
Vanilla essence1 tsp
Milk.....1 cup
Baking powder.....1 tsp

Method

■ Heat the sugar in a pan for 10-12 minutes. Once it begins to melt, reduce the heat and stir. When the syrup turns golden-brown, continue to cook for 2 minutes.

■ Pour the hot caramelized sugar in an ungreased soufflé dish and coat the bottom evenly. Leave it to rest.
■ Mix milk, eggs, milkmaid, baking powder and vanilla together in a blender for 15 seconds only. Then, pour the batter into the syrup.
■ Place the soufflé dish in a large baking pan and pour 1 inch of boiling water in the bigger pan. Bake at 350 degrees for about an hour.
■ Cover the dish and place it in the refrigerator overnight.
■ Wake up to a fresh caramel flan and serve for dessert.

Read Play and Win

Reading your favourite GT can fetch you a prize too. Complete all the boxes below. Click a picture and send it to editor@theglobaltimes.in or submit it to your GT Teacher Coordinator. 3 lucky winners will win a prize every week!



Q: What is the name of the science experiment?

Ans:

Q: What is the ame of the story written by Vedika Saini, AIS Noida, X J?

Ans:

Q: Who is the writer of the poem named ‘Firefly’?

Ans:

Q: What kind of art has been shown in the DIY?

Ans:

Q: Who is the writer of the story ‘Power of prayer’?

Ans:

Q: Which school organised the rally for rivers on Aug 9, 2018?

Ans:

Q: How many students were selected for Khelo India Scholarship?

Ans:

Q: What is the name of the six-storey elephant structure in Margate?

Ans:

Q: Which country launched two mini space rovers on the asteroid Hayabusa2?

Ans:

Name:.....Class:.....School:.....

Results of 63: Afifa Siddiqui, AIS Gur 43, I B; Vidushi Srivastava, AIS Vas 1, V B; Aahana Singhal; AIS Noida, III F

WORDS VERSE



Nature is an artist

Syeda M., AIS Noida, VIII M

As I sit by the solitary window
Feeling bliss as the wind blows

The big lush green lawn
Filled with sweet dew by dawn

Smell of fresh earth excites me
Clear blue sky as far as I can see

Whistling winds and chirpy birds

All so beautiful beyond words

I step outside as it starts to rain
Slowly, I walk down the lane

I embrace it all with closed eyes
For artistry, God deserves a prize

There’s every possible colour
It’s huge and I’m much smaller

The hues look like a painting
The sunset’s colours are tainting

All this makes life worth living
Gives breath to man’s being 🇮🇳

Firefly

Suzan Ghorai

AIS Gur 43, IX D

When I lay down last night
I saw a light shining bright
It showed me a million things
And wait, the light has wings!

I tried to catch it, it flew high
Who knew lights can also fly?
I got annoyed and tried to sleep
And dreamt of the ocean deep

That’s when I heard the buzzing
I woke up to find nothing
Until I paused to look down
At fireflies dancing all around

I played all night in their glow
It was such a fascinating show
When sun rose they disappeared
I went thinking, “Huh, weird” 🇮🇳



Jokey Pokey

Mansi Dangi

AIS Noida, X C

Q. What is green and jumpy?
A. A grasshopper with hiccups.

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Q. Why did the tomato blush?
A. Because it saw the salad dressing.

🇮🇳🇮🇳🇮🇳

Q. Which letters two letters of the alphabet are nothing?
A. MT(empty)

🇮🇳🇮🇳🇮🇳

Q. What do cows read?
A. Cattle-logs.

🇮🇳🇮🇳🇮🇳

Q. What washes up on tiny beaches?
A. Microwaves.

🇮🇳🇮🇳🇮🇳

Q. Why did the picture go to jail?
A. It was framed!

🇮🇳🇮🇳🇮🇳



CAMERA CAPERS

Indranil Majumdar, AIS Gur 46, X J

Send in your entries to cameracapers@theglobaltimes.in



The grass is greener where you water it



The best shape is a result of hard work



Keep moving amidst the chaos

Power of prayer

Illustration: Ravinder Gusain, GT Network

Wisdom tale



Kishika Kanodia, AIS Noida, VI

It was a cold winter evening. A little boy named Roy, 10 years old, was standing across the street from a fancy shoe store. He was looking at the shining leather shoes inside the store. His gaze went to the children who were trying them on and then towards their parents who were buying their kids such pretty shoes. Roy had nothing – neither shoes nor parents who could buy him such gifts. He then looked down at his own feet. He was barefoot and in such a freezing

weather, he couldn't even feel them. "I wish I could afford those warm shoes," he sighed as he bumped into a lady. "Oh dear boy! What are you doing out in this weather?" Roy looked at her sadly, apologised and began to walk away. The lady's gaze followed. "Wait," she said. "Come along with me." The lady took the little boy by hand and went inside the store. To him, the store was nothing short of a wonderland. There were shoes of every colour and designs beyond imagination. The fresh smell of leather filled his nos-

trils. He closed his eyes to absorb the feeling, to know that it was real and he wasn't dreaming. When he opened his eyes, it was hard to believe that it was true. The kind lady asked a salesman at the store to get six pairs of socks for the boy. The salesman gave Roy a dirty look and went to get the socks. The lady noticed this and hurried outside the store leaving the boy alone. Once again, loneliness and awkwardness overcame him. Everybody in the store was staring at him. He wanted to run away but couldn't move.

He closed his eyes to absorb the feeling, to know that it was real and he wasn't dreaming. When he opened his eyes, it was hard to believe that it was true.

A pat on his shoulder broke his daze. It was the lady. She brought with her a bowl of warm water and a towel. She asked Roy to sit, took off her gloves and started to wash his dirty feet. Everybody in the store saw this, even the judgmental salesman. He realised his wrongdoing and rushed to get those socks. When the boy's feet were clean and dried, the lady gave him a pair of socks to wear and the rest for backup. Next, she asked the salesman to show them some nice shoes for the little boy. Roy couldn't fathom any of this. Next thing he knew, he had his favourite shoes on his feet – handsome and warm. The kind he'd prayed for. Then it suddenly hit him. The lady held the boy's hand as they walked out of the store together. She asked him, "Does your feet feel better now?" The boy looked at her with tears in his eyes and said, "Thank you for answering my prayer, God." 🇮🇳

So what did you learn today?
True prayers from our heart are always answered.



Warli art bag

Abhay Sharma, AIS Vas 1, V B

Material required

- Card board
- Nylon yarn
- Sketch pens
- Punching machine



Procedure

- Cut two identical pieces of cardboard in the shape of heart, which are rounded at the bottom.
- Cut out a long strip of cardboard 2 inches wide, and with enough length to cover the other two pieces end to end (as shown in the picture).
- Draw Warli art (as shown) on both the pieces and the long piece of cardboard and colour them.
- Punch holes (1 inch apart) around the bottom edge of both the heart-shaped pieces.
- Now place one of the cardboard heart flat on a table with the blank side facing upwards.
- Place the cardboard strip perpendicularly on the heart and fold it so that it takes a curved shape along the edge of the heart.
- Now, sew both the pieces together using a nylon thread, inserting and taking the thread out from one hole to the other. Secure the thread in a knot once you are done sewing.
- Now, sew the other free side of the cardboard strip with the second heart shaped cardboard following the same process.
- Punch two holes at the top of either side of the bag. Tie a thread, making a handle to carry it.
- Your beautiful artsy bag is ready!

Riddle Fiddle

Bhavya Singh, AIS MV, II

1. This five letter word becomes shorter when you add two letters to it?
2. The more you take, the more you leave behind. What am I?
3. I'm an odd number, take away an alphabet, I become even. Who am I?
4. If there are four apples and you take away three, how many do you have?
5. What has a head and a tail?

Answers: 1. Short 2. Foot-steps 3. Seven 4. Three 5. A penny

POEMS

My school

Anmol Sinha, AIS Vas 6, IV

Amity gave us amazing memories
Loving friends, dedicated teachers
And a number of funny stories!

Every day is so much fun at school
From the first period to the last
We always try to act like we're cool!



We work hard and we play too
To get all the good remarks
We cram till our faces are blue!

At Amity, things are new everyday
We fall, we learn and we grow
As we move along the way! 🇮🇳

Be change

Diya S Nair, AIS Vas 1, III C

Be the change you want to see
A better world for you and me

Someday I'll be on top of this world
Bring on change with a single word

Money only a way to buy what we need
Not a mere cause for wrong deeds

Plant a few trees, make someone smile



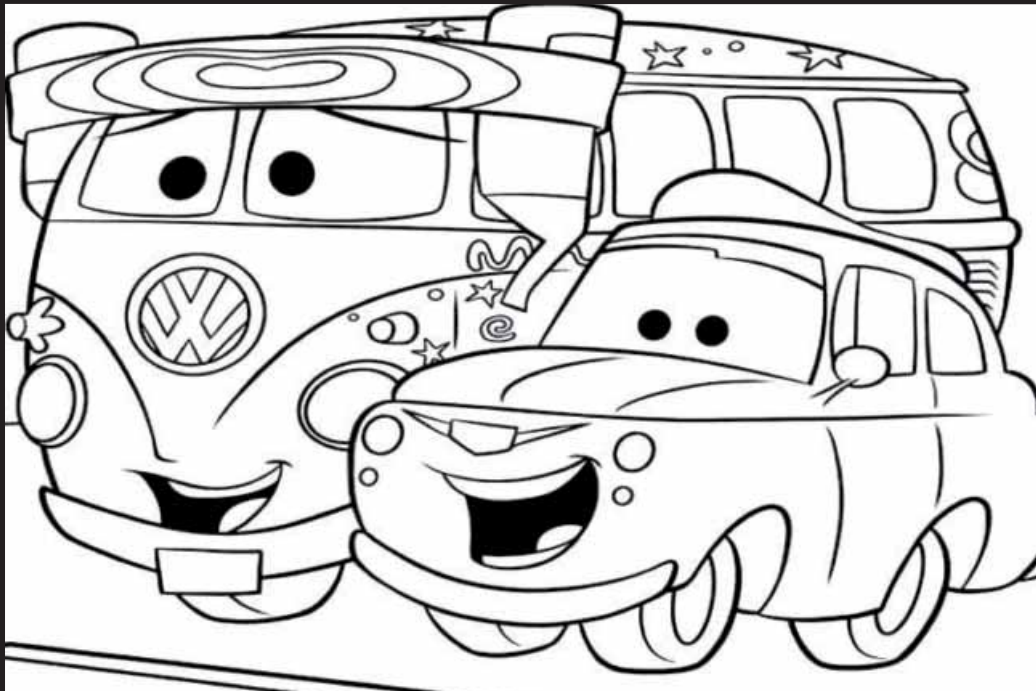
Honesty should always be your style

Make rivals shake their hands
Hug each other and end the clans

Open your mind, let the thoughts flow
In happiness, you'll see the glow

Be the change you want to see
A better world for you and me 🇮🇳

COLOURING FUN



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It's Us

We are: Aahana and Aaliyah Agarwal
School: Amity International School, Saket
Class: I B (Aahana) and I C (Aaliyah)
Birthday: April 28
We like: Running mini marathons and acting
We dislike: Sitting idle
Our hobbies: Playing tennis, dancing and painting
Our role model: Meher, our elder sister
Our best friends: Jaiteg and Aarika
Our favourite book: Jack And the Beanstalk
Our favourite game: Pictureka
Our favourite Mall: Ambience Mall, VK
Our favourite food: Rajma rice and Dal makhni with naan
Our favourite teachers: Preeti ma'am and Reena ma'am
Our favourite poem: You are my sunshine
Our favourite subject: Maths
Our goals: Teacher (Aahana) and Actress (Aaliyah)
We want to feature in GT because: We want Amity students to know us and see our pictures.





Considerate children made little bird houses to feed their winged friends with food and water.

Caring Amies

Part-2

The concluding part

Caring Aashima loves to look at the green leaves of her money plant and waters them daily.



Thoughtful Amies carefully collect and segregate waste in proper bins to make compost for plants.

Amies Care For Their Environment And Animals



Benevolent Kyrah fills the bird water feeder with water to quench the thirst of her winged friends.



Grateful Aanya Buttan waters her plants every day to say her 'thanks' for giving us food and oxygen.



Go green, go organic, live healthy says the Amies as they use waste to make compost for plants.



Doting Shaurya loves to plant flower saplings to keep his environment clean, green and beautiful.

Compassion and care are two basic values which make a human being a beautiful person. Little Amies at Amiown are inspired to care and share. Right from the stories they tell or listen to the deeds they do in school or at home; their every gesture and every action speaks volumes of the values they imbibe to being caring and respectful towards everything. Be it people, animals, environment or any other life form, amies love and respect them all. GT brings you some candid moments shared by parents about love and care that little Amies harbour in their hearts for their environment and animals around them.



Concerned Vivaan always throws trash into proper bin so as to keep his surroundings neat and clean.



Warm hearted Pratyush loves to take care of his cute little bunny as they are best of friends.



Earth saviour Amies follow the rule of 3Rs - Reuse, Reduce and Recycle to save their environment.

Kind hearted Viraj feeds dogs living in his neighbourhood as he feels for stray animals a lot.



Compassionate Sarvin carries a paper bag to grocery store so as to save his environment from plastic menace.



Generous Yuvam adores birds and feeds them daily. He likes watching them fly.

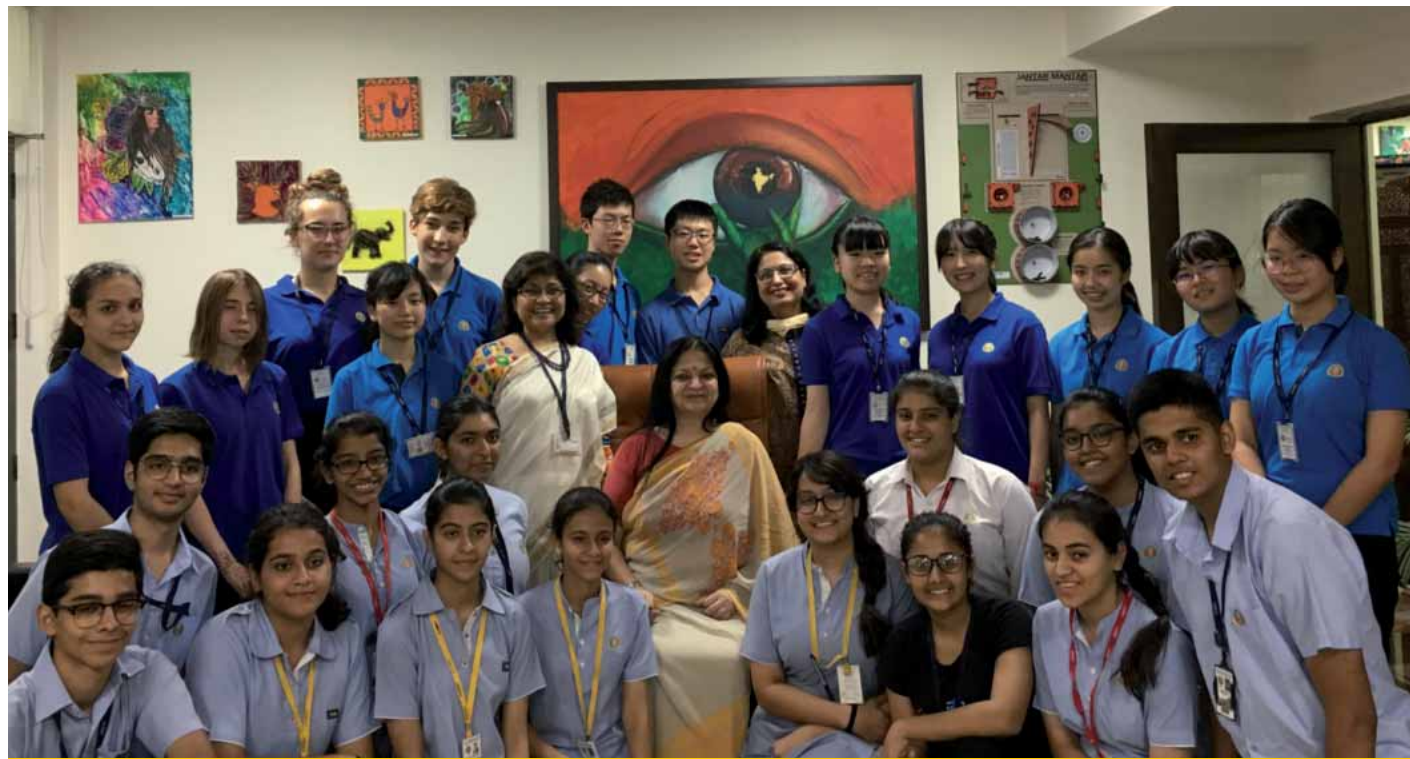




I loved all the places we visited during AIMUN. I enjoyed the light and sound show the most. I couldn't take my eyes off it.
Darsh Tripathi, AIS Noida, IX

English for exploring

IPEN-2018 Was All About Language And A Lot More



Chairperson with IPEN - 2018 students from Italy, Japan and students of host school

AERC

Amity International School, Pushp Vihar hosted the fifth batch of the *'Intensive Programme in English Language' (IPEN-2018) from July 14 - August 16, 2018. The programme organised under the aegis of Amity Educational Resource Centre (AERC) is a unique movement in the field of meaningful education, to give education a global perspective. An initiative of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools and RBEF, this

programme is a part of several student and teachers exchange programmes held throughout the year as part of regular school curriculum that provides holistic education, organised by AERC. The fifth batch of IPEN was attended by 13 students comprising 9 Japanese and 4 Italians. As part of the programme, students were taught concepts of English through a special curriculum which was designed by English faculty. It focussed at making students efficient in reading and writing the newly learnt language. Along with academics,

students also got an exposure to the rich culture of India through cooking classes, yoga, theatre, art and craft and Independence Day celebrations, etc. The IPEN students not only imbibed English language skills and Indian culture, but they also taught and shared their knowledge with Amitians, making it a true exchange programme. They took origami sessions with students of host school, Atulasha - an initiative for less privileged boys and Amitasha, an initiative for less privileged girls. During the course of programme,

students stayed with host families of the students of Amity, thereby getting a feel of Indian hospitality, savouring Indian home cooked food and experiencing Indian culture. The programme concluded with IPEN students giving presentation on topics assigned to them and thanking Amity for all the learning extended and a promise to come back. **Amity Group of Schools was the first school to implement IPEN in India in 2013 with the support of AFS and Japanese Embassy.*



Students participate in Spellathon competition

Spellathon Quiz To Enrich Vocabulary

AIS Gwalior

The school organised an English Spellathon quiz competition for Class I - II on September 15, 2018. The quiz, held in respective classrooms was divided into seven rounds viz identify the picture, unjumble the letters, choose the correctly spelled word, pronounce it, synonyms, antonyms and make a sentence. The competition saw lively and encouraging participation where all the students were well prepared and excited. Every team displayed its best linguistic skills to win the competition. The objective of this class quiz was to

enhance and enrich english vocabulary of children and improve their pronunciation. In Class I, team D comprising Akhya Singh, Abhay Singh, Shristi, Trisha, Naitik Sharma bagged the first position; team E comprising Mirgya, Naitik Solanki, Niles, Pragma secured second position and team C comprising Virat, Kavya, Janvi, Shresth, Yash Saroj won third position. Similarly in Class II, team D with its members Kivnoor, Shamika, Kushagra, Shivam bagged first prize; team C with Aadhy, Sachin, Dushyant, Kushagra stood second and team E with members Anika, Krishiv, Atin, Shivansh secured third position.

Champion of the cube

Speedcuber Wins It All

AIS Noida (Synchro)

Arnav Arora, Class XI student of Amity International School, Noida (Synchro) added a new 'silver' colour in his cube when he won the recently concluded Asian Championship, organised by *WCA- World Cube Association. He did his school and country proud by bagging a silver medal in 2x2x2 cube event and secured first rank in Asia. This victory is

his personal best and has set the latest Asian record of solving 2x2x2 cube in a shocking 1.52 seconds. Having started only two years ago in 2016, Arnav has amassed many achievements and accolades for himself in this field already. He holds 2 Asian as well as 3 national records in 2x2x2 cube category. Besides this, he also has 40 gold, 19 silver and 18 bronze medals to his credit. Already a member of WCA*, he is also the member of the Indian Cube Association - Indian Capital Cube, which aims to spread the necessary awareness about this sport in India. When asked about what he aims to do next; it is not surprising to know that he has his eyes set on breaking the world record someday. **WCA is an international organisation which organises and regulates all the competitions related to the use any kind of mechanical puzzles which are operated by twisting and positioning groups of pieces often referred to as the Twisty puzzles; the most famous of them being the Rubik's cube.*



Arnav with his coveted trophy

Mad for ad

Quest To Create The Best

AIS VKC Lucknow

An inter-house advertisement competition was held on August 10, 2018, with an objective to boost creativity and imagination of students. The competition saw students come up with innovative advertisements under two categories ie 'Science fiction magic kit' for juniors and 'Selling sand

to the Arabs' for seniors. What made the competition truly 'Mad Ad' were unbound thoughts and innovations of the students that added to their comfort and happiness quotient. The advertisement competition concluded with the declaration of results judged on various parameters such as innovativeness, creativity, utility, presentation, creating brand



Participants present their act during the competition

awareness, information and product marketing, etc. Bhagirathi house bagged first position in junior category followed by Pawani house at second position. In senior category, Pawani house bagged first prize. The second position in this category was shared by Bhagirathi house and Mandakini house.

Save water to save lives

Amitians Rally For Water

AIS Gurugram 46

'Water is precious' - this is an age old slogan we have been listening to. Now is the time to save every drop of this precious elixir is what the students of AIS Gurugram 46, conveyed through a rally held on August 9, 2018. The aim of the rally was to create awareness about, 'Saving water and preventing wastage of water'. Almost 150 students participated in the rally as they marched along in the streets of Sector 46 Gurugram, holding banners and

chanting slogans like 'water is precious', 'save water save life', covering a distance of almost 2 kms around their school premises. Teachers and other staff members also took part in the rally. The students took an oath along with the participants from general public to check the wastage of water and save every drop. They also distributed stickers and pamphlets to the onlookers. At the end of the rally, students planted saplings inside as well as outside the school premises and pledged to keep planet earth pollution free. School Principal, Arti



Young volunteers raise voice to save water

Chopra appreciated the efforts of students in spreading awareness about water conservation through the rally by using poster and slogans. The students were also told about the importance of saving environment and encouraged to save water, plant more trees and save earth through small and big initiatives.

Archers of Amity

Winners Of KITDS Carry The Legacy of Brilliance With The Sport Of The Gods

Stuti Kalra, GT Network

With the brilliance that Amity has showered upon the world, we are yet to find what the students do not excel at, whether it is in the school building or on the grounds. Three archers from Amity International Schools have proved that they have the eye of a tiger as they participated in the first ever Khelo India School Games - an interschool sports event, launched by PM Narendra Modi himself. From there, they were selected for Khelo India Talent Identification Development Scheme (KITDS) which nurtures exceptional sports talent. First introduced at AIS Gurugram 46 by Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools and RBEF in 2012 and in all branches since 2014, archery has found a place in the hearts of Amitians and our three exceptional students are proof. As they undergo rigorous training at Khelo India Sports Academy, Sonapat, they prove that with their love for the game and resolution to win, there is nothing they cannot achieve. Their daily training comprises six to seven hours of practice, one hour of exercise, leaving them with just three to four hours to manage academics. GT brings you the success tales of these three Arjuna's of Amity who aim for the same thing - Gold for India.

An archer with brilliance

The ace international archer, **Sanchita Tiwari** from **AIS Vas 1** was the one to declare open the first ever edition of Khelo India School Games 2018 and graced the front page of The Times of India, so what else can be expected from her but brilliance? For Sanchita, archery is not a sport, but an answer to the questions that run wild in her mind. She first picked up a bow in Class VII and has never looked back. Blessings from the Chairperson, teachers, coach and parents keep her focussed. When she doesn't have her arrows slung back, she spends time doing Kathak, yoga or studies. She scored a whopping 92% in Class X, proving her expertise in balancing her passion with academics. She credits her school for the amazing results. "My teachers have gone out of way, especially in Class X, when I was training for my game at Sonapat. They recorded lessons, regularly sent notes and even if I called them at midnight they would always answer and clarify my doubts. My parents and coach were my spine, supporting me emotionally. They even motivated me to choose Science stream in Class XI and continue my passion as well."

The victory: Sanchita has brought home laurels of national and international repute including bronze medal at World Archery Youth Championship held in Argentina and rank 16 at Senior Indoor World Cup Bangkok. On national level, she bagged gold at 36th Sub-Junior National Archery Championship and silver at 39th Junior National Archery Championship.

An archer with undoubted love

It is only with time that your love grows stronger. **Rishabh Yadav** from **AIS Gur 43** and his love for archery, which blossomed when he was in class IV, proved all that and more. He first met the magnificent bow when he attended a summer camp in his school and knew right away that this world of arrows and bows will forever be his first calling and he needed to answer them. This summer romance truly flowered into a fiery passion and has now forged itself as a bond that will last forever. With the aim of being numero uno archer of the world, Rishabh proudly claims that he could not have done it without the support of his school: "My school has been extremely supportive. Whether it was my exams clashing with my competition or I needed an early leave, they have never refused anything, and have always cooperated."

The victory: Rishabh's first international debut was when he represented India at the 3rd South Asian Archery Championship (2018) held in Dhaka, Bangladesh and won a silver medal. He was also ranked 9 in the games. He made his mark as an ace national archer when he won a silver and a bronze medal in the CBSE Nationals. He bagged 2 bronze medals at National Archery Championship held by SGFI games 2017-18. Also, for under-14 age category, he bagged 3 gold and 1 bronze medal at National Archery Championship held by SGFI.

An archer with fiery passion

Her love for archery is no less than a Bollywood love story. **Krishi Bhat** from **AIS Vas 6** bumped into it while on a visit to Yamuna Sports Complex for a summer camp back in Class VII. Her passion for the sport ignited from there and has now slowly grown into a full-fledged love story. Her coach, Lokesh Chandra Pal added oil to the fire already building inside her, providing her with further encouragement and motivation to win at all costs. Her family, especially her mother and grandmother turned out to be her biggest cheerleaders. Krishi expressed her gratitude to her school for letting her run behind the train of her dreams with a minimum number of obstacles. She is also a trained and avid classical dancer, having learnt the dance form of Bharatnatyam. As she consistently keeps registering victories in every competition that she participates in, whether it be the Delhi State Championship or the National Level Championships, she is able to maintain a high confidence within herself. For her, archery is and will always remain her one true love and the sport she wants to spend her life with as a career as well as a life choice.

The victory: Her first major victory was when she bagged gold in 36th Sub-Junior Archery Championship by Amateur Archery Association of India in 2015. In 2016, she bagged a total of 3 gold medals (U-14) at Inter-school CBSE Sports and Games.

KITDS Achievement Sojourn

- 734 players were selected for the prestigious scheme.
- A high level identification committee comprising Arjuna and Dronacharya Awardees perused and selected the athletes.
- The selected athletes will now be mentored by Sports Authority of India.
- All the expenses including training, development, boarding, lodging and tournament exposure will be looked after by Sports Authority of India.
- The selected athletes shall be given an annual stipend of Rs 5,00,000 (5 lakh) for the next 10 years for all their miscellaneous expenses, subject to performance and win at Khelo India School Games.



GT Travels to AGI Singapore



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