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# VIKRAM AMBALAL SARABHAI

**SPUR** 

Vikram Ambalal Sarabhai born on 12 August 1919 was an Indian scientist and innovator widely regarded as the father of India's space programme. Sarabhai received the Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Medal in 1962. The nation honoured him by awarding Padma Bhushan in 1966 and Padma Vibhushan in 1972.

Son of Ambalal Sarabhai, he came from the famous Sarabhai family of India who were major industrialists committed to the Indian independence movement. Vikram Sarabhai married the classical dancer Mrinalini in 1942. The couple had two children. His daughter Mallika gained prominence as an actress and activist, and his son Kartikeya Sarabhai too became an active person in



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science. During his lifetime, he practiced Jainism and belonged to the Shrimal Jain community of Ahmedabad.

Known as the cradle of space sciences in India, the Physical Research Laboratory (PRL) was founded in 1947 by Vikram Sarabhai. PRL had a modest beginning at his residence, the RETREAT, with research on cosmic rays.

The institute was formally established at the M.G. Science Institute, Ahmedabad, on 11 November 1947 with support from the Karmkshetra Educational Foundation and the Ahmedabad Education Society. Prof. Kalpathi Ramakrishna Ramanathan was the first Director of the institute. The initial focus was research on cosmic rays and the properties of the upper atmosphere. Research areas were expanded to include theoretical physics and radio

Atomic Energy Commission.

He led the Sarabhai family's His interests varied from set up Operations Research research organization in the many institutes he helped set Development in Ahmedabad, Ahmedabad (IIMA), the **Research** Association with his wife Mrinalini Academy of Performing Arts. him include the Faster



physics later with grants from the

diverse business conglomerate. science to sports to statistics. He Group (ORG), the first market country. Most notable among the up are the Nehru Foundation for the Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad Textile Industry's (ATIRA) and the (CEPT). Along Sarabhai, he founded the Darpana Other institutions established by Breeder Test Reactor (FBTR) in

Kalpakkam, Variable Energy Cyclotron Project in Calcutta, Electronics Corporation of India Limited (ECIL) in Hyderabad and Uranium Corporation of India Limited (UCIL) in Jaduguda, Jharkhand.

Sarabhai started a project for the fabrication and launch of an Indian satellite. As a result, the first Indian satellite, Aryabhata, was put in orbit in 1975 from a Russian cosmodrome.

### **Distinguished positions**

- President of the Physics section, Indian Science Congress (1962)
- President of the General Conference of the I.A.E.A., Vienna (1970)
- Vice-President, Fourth UN Conference on 'Peaceful uses of Atomic Energy' (1971)
- Founder(1963) and Chairman (1963-1971), Space Applications Centre

### Legacy

The Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, (VSSC), which is the Indian Space Research Organization's



lead facility for launch vehicle development located in Thiruvananthapuram (Trivandrum), capital of Kerala state, is named in his memory.

• Along with other Ahmedabad-based industrialists, he played a major role in setting up of the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad.

 Indian Postal Department released a commemorative Postal Stamp On his first death anniversary (30 December 1972)

 In 1973, the International Astronomical Union decided that a lunar crater, Bessel A, in the Sea of Serenity will be known as the Sarabhai crater.

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### EDUCATION IS NOT THE LEARNING OF FACTS BUT THE TRAINING OF THE MIND TO THINK

Being the father of two sons both studying in IDPS, when I read a message that popped up in my whtsapp from the School, calling for articles for the school magazine from parents, I felt an instant urge to contribute my part, not as an expert but as a concerned father, who holds the education of his children, to be of utmost priority. While visiting the school sometimes at its entrance gate my eyes always keep me glued to what has been inscribed on its outer wall, a quote of the great physicist, Albert Einstein, "Education is not the learning of facts but the training of the mind to think." This quote holds me in awe with its profound message. It sets the highest standard the educationists of today must aspire. Most certainly it should become the guiding light for the schools in their quest to provide the best possible learning to the students.

The classroom holds the single most important territory for a child where he can cultivate these skills to think. It is here, where the curiosity of the children can and must be aroused and their creativity nurtured. While the teacher would ensure the active participation of the children in every topic being taught and discussed, they need to be encouraged to ask questions with the idea being given that no question is trivial and unimportant. The teacher should make a deliberate attempt to trigger the imagination of the young minds taking them into the world of facts and ideas connected to the topics. By requiring the children to participate in classroom discussions and giving them room for imagination, they will be getting more involved and bring into play their cognitive skills which overtime will develop in their minds the desired goal of inclination for analytical and critical thinking. The ancient Greeks need to be referred here. No less than the great philosopher, Socrates, in his dialogues talks about the power of discussion and debates. He would urge the participants to put forth their side of arguments and each would point out the defects in the others argument, with the purpose that a meaningful perfect conclusion is arrived at. If applied to the classrooms of modern times, Socrates dialogues can facilitate thought provoking debates where children will get trained to analyse information critically, learn to listen actively and communicate their ideas effectively. A classroom environment where focus is on training the minds to think and debate with their peers, is sure to develop in them lifelong quest for learning things that go beyond mere facts and figures into the realm of ideas.

In these times of cut throat competition and fast changing modes of teaching it is vital for the schools to have their teachers trained and updated in the latest skills. Managing the classroom time to incorporate these ideas in their daily teaching would ensure that the children are not found lacking in having these skills developed in their formative years of learning. It's for the schools and its administrators, who are the experts in their fields, to look for innovative ideas to develop, foster an environment of teaching beyond facts. Writing as a parent and not skilled in the art of teaching, I could only jot down my ideas and aspiration while at the same expecting that due attention is given to the suggestions. It takes efforts to distinguish one self and if the dream is to be the best, thoughts like those of Einstein need to be applied not merely inscribed, otherwise we are just another institution lost in sea of mediocrity. Junaid I. Mir, KCS(J)

## **A SISTER LOVE FOR HER BROTHER**

In a world of chaos, where darkness can smother, There shines a light, a sister's love for her brother, Through thick and thin, they stand side by side, A bond so strong, it cannot be denied. Through laughter and tears, they've weathered the storm, A love so pure, it becomes the norm, With every step they take, they're hand in hand, A sister's love, the strongest in the land. A sister's love to his brother, unbreakable and true, Through every trial and tribulation, they'll sail through A guiding force, a shoulder to lean on, A love that's everlasting, even when they're gone. Through childhood days, they played and they dreamed, Building castles in the air, as a team. Through scraped knees and broken hearts, A sister's love, a healing balm that imparts. Through ups and downs, they've shared their fears, A bond so deep, it's lasted through all the years, With every hurdle they face, they'll never falter, A sister's love, a love that will not alter. A sister's love to his brother, unbreakable and true, Through every trial and tribulation, they'll sail through A guiding force, a shoulder to lean on, A love that's everlasting, even when they're gone. Through distance and time, they'll always be near, A connection so strong, it's crystal clear, No matter where life takes them, they'll be together, A sister's love, a bond that will last forever. A sister's love to his brother, unbreakable and true, Through every trial and tribulation, they'll see it through, A guiding force, a shoulder to lean on, A love that's everlasting, even when they're gone. So, let's celebrate this love, so rare to find, A sister's love to his brother, an eternal bind, Through thick and thin, they'll always be there, A sister's love, a love beyond any compare.

## **IMPORTANCE OF MORAL VALUE**

Moral values for kids are essential principles that children must learn from early childhood. They are like guidelines that assist a person in choosing between right from wrong or good from bad. Understanding these values is crucial for making honest, credible, and fair decisions in everyday life.

Following moral ideals can help children develop a likeable character and a pleasant personality. You, as a parent, and your family, play an important role in guiding, supporting, and hand-holding your children in the path of developing moral values.

### POSITIVE EFFECTS OF IMBIBING MORAL VALUES IN CHILDREN

1.Helps build a positive character with traits such as compassion, respect, kindness, and humility.

2.Makes the child distinguish between right and wrong or good and bad. It can eventually promote rational thinking and unbiased judgement

.3. Provides a perspective that shapes attitudes and beliefs towards various aspects of life. 4. Boosts their self-confidence and helps them stay positive even in difficult situations. 5. Allows children to channelize their energies in the right direction.

6.Works as a moral compass that helps them stay off the negative influence of peers, social media, or society in general, as they grow into teens or adults.

7. Aids in setting high standards of social living that help develop society at large.

From early childhood to adulthood, moral and character development undergoes continuous evolution through the family's support and guidance.

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## **HELP PREVENT ACCIDENTS AT HOME**

Safety is not a gadget but a state of mind."- Eleanor Everet . Accidents to children are a significant health issue, being a major cause of preventable death, serious injury and long-term disability across the globe.

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Age	Development	Advice
0-6 months	Wriggle and kick, grasp, suck, roll over.	Do not leave on a raised surface.
6mths-1 yr.	Stand, sit, crawl, put things in mouth.	Keep small objects and dangerous substances out of reach
1-2 years	Move about, reach things high up, and find hidden objects, walk, and climb.	Never leave alone, place hot drinks out of reach, use a fireguard and stairgates
2-3 years	Be adventurous, climb higher, pull and twist things, watch and copy. Be a good role model and be watchful.	Place matches and lighters out of sight and reach.
3-4 years	Use grown-up things, be helpful, understand instructions, be adventurous, explore, walk downstairs alone.	Continue to be a good role model, keep being watchful bu start safety training.
4-5 years	Play exciting games, can be independent, ride a bike, enjoy stories	They can actually plan to do things and carry it out. Rules are very important to them, as long as everybody keeps to the same ones. They enjoy learning. Continue safety training.
5-8 years	Will be subject to peer pressure and will still forget things.	Still need supervision, guidance and support.

Under-5s are particularly at risk of being injured in home accidents, with falls accounting for the majority of nonfatal accidents and threats to breathing such as suffocation, strangulation and choking causing the highest number of deaths. Most home accidents are preventable through increased awareness, improvements in the home environment and greater product safety. Safety and child development Children differ in their rate of development but the information below is a guide to development stages: Preventing accidents to children "A safe, secure and sustainable environment is a prerequisite for a healthy nation." 1 A combination of factors is required: Environment Improvement in planning and design results in safer homes and leisure areas. Adaptations such as fireguards and safety gates help to make the home environment safer. This involves increasing the awareness of the risk of accidents in a variety of settings and providing information on ways of minimizing these risks. General safety advice

Children should be supervised at all times

• Keep floors free of toys and obstructions that can be tripped over

 Always use a securely fitted safety harness in a pram, pushchair or highchair

Never leave babies unattended on raised surfaces

· Do not place baby bouncers on raised surfaces - they could fall off with the movement of the baby

 The use of baby-walkers and table-mounted high chairs is not recommended.

"A child that is treated with respect won't have to spend their adulthood learning; they are worthy of it."

> Mrs. Sakshi Singh (M/O Ms. Navika Rajput) Begonia - A

## THE IMPORTANCE OF CLEANLINESS

Cleanliness is important for both our personal health and the health of our environment. When we are clean, we are less likely to get sick. We also feel better about ourselves when we are clean. A clean environment is also important for our health. When we live in a clean environment, we are less likely to be exposed to harmful germs and pollutants. We also enjoy a more pleasant living space when our surroundings are clean. There are many things we can do to keep ourselves and our environment clean. Here are a few tips:

• Wash your hands often with soap and water. This is one of the most important things you can do to prevent the spread of germs. • Take a shower or bath every day. This helps to remove dirt,

sweat, and bacteria from your body.

• Brush your teeth twice a day. This helps to keep your teeth and gums healthy.

· Clean your home regularly. This includes dusting, vacuuming, and mopping.

Dispose of trash properly. Don't litter!

• Recycle and compost. This helps to reduce waste and pollution. · Volunteer to clean up your community. This is a great way to make a difference and to teach others about the importance of cleanliness. Cleanliness is a habit that we can all learn and practice. By following these tips, we can help to keep ourselves and our environment healthy and clean. In addition to the tips above, here are some other ways that students can promote cleanliness in their school:

• Participate in school cleanliness campaigns. Many schools have programs that encourage students to keep their classrooms and school grounds clean. These programs can include things like trash clean-ups, recycling drives, and poster contests.

· Be a role model for other students. Set a good example by always being clean and tidy. If you see other students littering or not washing their hands, kindly remind them of the importance of cleanliness.

• Speak up if you see a problem. If you see something that is not clean, don't be afraid to say something. Let a teacher or staff member know so that they can take care of it. By working together, we can make our schools cleaner and healthier for everyone.

### Adhvik Mehra Begonia - C





# **PRACTICE OF GRATITUDE**













The Happiness/ Gratitude notes were put up on the Happiness Tree by Grade IV - X students.

Making gratitude fun and meaningful can introduce kids to a lifelong appreciation for the world around them and all that it has to offer.

Practice of gratitude not only teaches children to evoke positive emotions, it also provides opportunities to strengthen bonds among their peer groups and with teachers.

While teaching children to practice gratitude can be a bit of a task, the return on investment in their emotional well being is unlimited and long terms.









# **Virtual Foreign exchange with France**

Students around the world could meet their peers in other countries without ever leaving their classroom. This is becoming increasingly possible as students today are growing up in a world in which digital citizenship is gaining momentum.

The ability to interact with and understand individuals from different linguistic and cultural backgrounds (and the ability to comfortably communicate verbally and in writing via technology) is increasingly important.

An opportunity was given to the students of IDPS to interact in a Foreign Exchange Programme with France. Wherein they discussed Indo french relationship, friendship, school schedules, traditional cooking techniques and present Bollywood



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# **CAREER COUNSELLING**











The transition from high school tohigher education or the workforce can be daunting for many students, and we believe that equipping them with the necessary tools and knowledge is crucial for their success and personal fulfilment.









# **INTERNATIONAL GIRL CHILD DAY**











International Girl Child Day is dedicated to raising awareness about the unique challenges and opportunities that girls face, promoting gender equality, and empowering girls to reach their full potential.

The main objective of observing this day is to empower women and help them get their rights so that they can face challenges all over the world and fulfil their needs.

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# MANODARPAN







MANODARPAN - Mental health is integral to the broader vision of education, which is reflected in the focus on socio-emotional aspects of development as an important pre requisite for optimal learning across stages of education.

A Happiness Zone was created at IDPS, wherein a Happiness/ Wellness Session was conducted for the students of Grade XI and XII to build psychological resilience amongst them.





















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# MANODARPAN





An initiative to promote mental health and well being by Govt. of India. Yoga poses can help them learn to be calm, strengthen or stretch their muscles, or energize their bodies and focus their minds in an engaging way! On the occasion of World Mental Health Day, a refreshing Yoga session was conducted for Grade II & III students.



## **JAMMU DISTRICT WUSHU CHAMPIONSHIP 2023**



Riding the success wave, the dexterous IDPIANs are acing every competition with grit and gusto.With exultant approbation, we share the feats of our adept Martial Artists. Result of Jammu District Wushu Championship 2023

- 1. Hamza Khushal- Gold Medal
- 2. Sakshdeep Singh- Gold Medal
- 3. Gurneet Singh- Bronze Medal
- 4. Avikshhit Veer Rana- Silver Medal 5. Maryam Ayesha Nissa- 2 Bronze Medal

6. Abhavya Bali- Silver Medal Heartiest congratulations to the achievers on their stupendous success!



# Quiz

- 1.What's the diameter of a basketball hoop in inches?
- 2. The Olympics are held every how many years?
- 3. What sport is best known as the 'king of sports'?
- 4. What do you call it when a bowler makes three strikes in a row?
- 5. What's the national sport of Canada?
- 6. How many dimples does an average golf ball have?
- 7. Which country has competed the most times in the Summer Olympics yet hasn't won a gold medal?
- 8. The classic 1980 movie called Raging Bull is about which real-life boxer?
- 9. The Triple Crown award is given to a horse that wins which three races?
- 10. In the 1971 Olympics, Nadia Comaneci was the first gymnast to score a perfect score. Which country was she representing?
- 11. Who has won more tennis grand slam titles, Venus Williams or Serena Williams?
- 12. Which country has competed the most times in the Summer Olympics yet hasn't won any kind of medal? 13. Which boxer fought against Muhammad Ali and won?
- 14. Which golf tournament did Tiger Woods win by 12 strokes cementing his first-ever major championship win?
- 15. How many medals did China win at the Beijing Olympics?

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3. Soccer.
4. Turkey.
5. Lacrosse.
6. 336.
7. The Philippines.
8. Jake LaMotta.
9. The Kentucky Derby, Preakness Stakes, and Belmont Stakes.
10. Romania.
11. Serena Williams.
12. Liechtenstein

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13. Joe Frazier. 14. The Masters.

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# HEALTH



# **EFFECTS OF SMOKING**

**Circulation :** When you smoke, the poison from the tar in your cigarettes enter your blood. These poisons in your blood then:

• Make your blood thicker, and increase chances of clot formation.

• Increase your blood pressure and heart rate, making your heart work harder than normal.

• Narrow your arteries, reducing the amount of oxygen rich blood circulating to your organs.

Together, these changes to your body when you smoke increase the chance of your arteries narrowing and clots forming, which can cause a heart attack or stroke.

**Heart :** Smoking damages your heart and your blood circulation, increasing the risk of conditions such as coronary heart disease, heart attack, stroke, peripheral vascular disease (damaged blood vessels) and cerebrovascular disease (damaged arteries that supply blood to your brain).

Carbon monoxide from the smoke and nicotine both put a strain on the heart by making it work faster. They also increase your risk of blood clots. Other chemicals in cigarette smoke damage the lining of your coronary arteries, leading to furring of the arteries. In fact, smoking doubles your risk of having a heart attack, and if you smoke you have twice the risk of dying from coronary heart disease than lifetime non-smokers.

The good news is that after only one year of not smoking, your risk is reduced by half. After stopping for 15 years, your risk is similar to that of someone who has never smoked.

**Stomach :** Smokers have an increased chance of getting stomach cancer or ulcers. Smoking can weaken the muscle that controls the lower end of your gullet (oesophagus) and allow acid from the stomach to travel in the wrong direction back up your gullet, a process known as reflux.

Smoking is a significant risk factor for developing kidney cancer, and the more you smoke the greater the risk. For example, research has shown that if you regularly smoke 10 cigarettes a day, you are one and a half times more likely to develop kidney cancer compared with a non-smoker. This is increased to twice as likely if you smoke 20 or more cigarettes a day.

**Skin** : Smoking reduces the amount of oxygen that gets to your skin. This means that if you smoke, your skin ages more quickly and looks grey and dull. The toxins in your body also cause cellulite.

Smoking prematurely ages your skin by between 10 and 20 years, and makes it three times more likely you'll get facial wrinkling, particularly around the eyes and mouth. \_\_\_\_\_\_ Smoking even gives you a sallow, yellow-

grey complexion and hollow cheeks, good news is that once you stop smoking, skin caused by smoking.

**Bones :** Smoking can cause your bones be especially careful as they are more (osteoporosis) than non-smokers.

**Brain :** If you smoke, you are more likely smoke. In fact, smoking increases your which can cause brain damage and risk of dying from a stroke. One way that by increasing your chances of developing vessel caused by a weakness in the blood will lead to an extremely serious condition which is a type of stroke, and can cause good news is that within two years of reduced to half that of a smoker and smoker.



Smoking even gives you a sallow, yellowwhich can cause you to look gaunt. The you will prevent further deterioration to your

to become weak and brittle. Women need to likely to suffer from brittle bones

to have a stroke than someone who doesn't risk of having a stroke by at least 50%, death. And, by smoking, you double your smoking can increase your risk of a stroke is a brain aneurysm. This is a bulge in a blood vessel wall. This can rupture or burst which known as a subarachnoid haemorrhage, extensive brain damage and death. The stopping smoking, your risk of stroke is within five years it will be the same as a non-

**Lungs :** Your lungs can be very badly affected by smoking. Coughs, colds, wheezing and asthma are just the start. Smoking can cause fatal diseases such as pneumonia, emphysema and lung cancer. Smoking causes 84% of deaths from lung cancer and 83% of deaths from chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).

COPD, a progressive and debilitating disease, is the name for a collection of lung diseases including chronic bronchitis and emphysema. People with COPD have difficulties breathing, primarily due to the narrowing of their airways and destruction of lung tissue. Typical symptoms of COPD include: increasing breathlessness when active, a persistent cough with phlegm and frequent chest infections. Whilst the early signs of COPD can often be dismissed as a 'smoker's cough', if people continue smoking and the condition worsens, it can greatly impact on their quality of life. You can slow down the progression of the disease and stopping smoking is the most effective way to do this.

**Mouth and throat :** Smoking causes unattractive problems such as bad breath and stained teeth, and can also cause gum disease and damage your sense of taste. The most serious damage smoking causes in your mouth and throat is an increased risk of cancer in your lips, tongue, throat, voice box and gullet (oesophagus). More than 93% of oropharyngeal cancers (cancer in part of the throat) are caused by smoking. The good news is that when you stop using tobacco, even after many years of use, you can greatly reduce your risk of developing head and neck cancer. Once you've been smoke free for 20 years, your risk of head and neck cancer is reduced to that of a non-smoker.

**Reproduction and fertility :** Smoking can cause male impotence, as it damages the blood vessels that supply blood to the penis. It can also damage sperm, reduce sperm count and cause testicular cancer. Up to 120,000 men from the UK in their 20s and 30s are impotent as a direct result of smoking, and men who smoke have a lower sperm count than those who are non-smokers. For women, smoking can reduce fertility. One study found that smokers were over three times more likely than non-smokers to have taken more than one year to conceive. The study estimated that the fertility of smoking women was 72% that of non-smokers. Smoking also increases your risk of cervical cancer. People who smoke are less able to get rid of the HPV infection from the body, which can develop into cancer. Smoking while you are pregnant can lead to miscarriage, premature birth, stillbirth and illness, and it increases the risk of cot death by at least 25%.

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### Oldest Dog



The world's oldest dog lived to 29.5 years old.



Its not about how much you do, but how much love you put into what you do that counts.

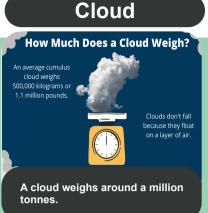


Identical twins don't have the same fingerprints

Flamingoes



Flamingoes aren't born pink.



Universe



The Universe's average colour is called 'Cosmic latte'.



### **PRIYA JHINGAN**

With a dream to be in the Indian Army, Priyan Jhingan became the first Indian woman to join the Indian Army in 1993.

## WORD MEANING



# SURRENDER

Word: SURRENDER

Meaning: give up; agree to stop fighting or resisting

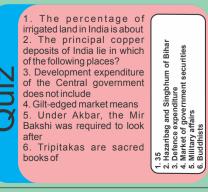
Sentence: "The last Taleban fighters finally surrendered"

## **COLOURINGPI CTURE**





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# INVENTION

Self-sanitizing door handle Sun Ming Wong aged 17, and King Pon<u>g Li. aae</u>d 18, developed a bacferia-killing door handle. The knew microbes teens that are spread through contact, from door handles to shopping carts. They decided to look for a material that would adequately kill bacteria in situ.

Their search proved fruitful after using titanium oxide. Their handles not only have a coating of titanium oxide but also an LED light integrated into the handle to activate the compound. It is said their solution can destroy 99.8% of all bacteria and viruses.

The entire device also only costs around \$13, making it an affordable choice for most.

Cast



# **CURRENT AFFAIRS**

1. Indonesian President Joko Widodo officially inaugurated Southeast Asia's first high-speed railway on Monday, marking a significant milestone for the nation's infrastructure development. The ambitious project, known as the "Whoosh" high-speed railway, is a key component of China's Belt and Road Initiative and is poised to dramatically reduce travel times between two vital Indonesian cities: Jakarta & Bandung. "Whoosh", which stands for 'Waktu Hemat, Operasi Optimal, Sistem Handal'in the Indonesian language, translates to 'timesaving, optimal operation, reliable system.' This name reflects the project's commitment to efficiency and reliability.

2. Renowned author, philanthropist and the wife of Infosys co-founder N.R. Narayana Murthy, Sudha Murthy, was honored with the prestigious Global Indian Award by the Canada India Foundation (CIF) at a grand Indo-Canadian gala in Toronto.

The award, which carries a value of \$50,000, is presented annually to an outstanding Indian personality who has left an indelible mark in their respective field. Sudha Murty's exceptional contributions to literature, philanthropy and her dedication to giving back to society made her a fitting recipient for this esteemed award. In a touching and generous gesture, Sudha Murthy donated \$50,000 award money to The Field Institute at the University of Toronto. The institute is renowned internationally for its efforts in strengthening collaborations, innovation and learning in mathematics and various other disciplines.

3. The tallest statue of the 'Architect of the Indian Constitution,' B.R. Ambedkar, known as the 'Statue of Equality,' is set to be unveiled in Maryland on October 14. The memorial symbolizes the enduring ideals of equality and human rights, reflecting the core principles that Dr. B.R. Ambedkar stood for throughout his life. Standing at a towering height of 19 feet, the 'Statue of Equality' is a testament to the enduring impact of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's work. This monumental sculpture is poised to become the largest statue of Babasaheb outside of India.

4. Basohli Pashmina, an age-old traditional craft originating from the picturesque district of Kathua in Jammu and Kashmir, has recently earned the prestigious Geographical Indication (GI) tag. Basohli Pashmina is renowned for its exceptional softness, fineness, and feather-like weight. Crafted by skilled artisans using traditional hand-spinning techniques, this exquisite fabric has been a symbol of luxury and elegance for over a century. Its hallmark is its remarkable ability to provide warmth without adding bulk, making it an ideal choice for cold climates and discerning fashion enthusiasts.

5. India's Annu Rani won the gold medal in the women's javelin throw with a 69.92m throw at the Asian Games 2023 in Hangzhou. She became the first Indian woman to win a javelin gold in Asian Games history. Rani started with a 56.99m throw in her first attempt and followed it with a 60+ in the next one. Her 61.28m throw in the second attempt put her in the medal contention but her 62.92m throw in the fourth attempt turned out to be sufficient for a gold. Rani's first-place finish secured India its 15th gold.

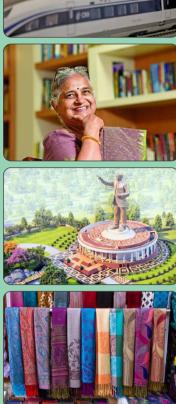
6. India is set to host the upcoming Bharat Tex 2024 Expo, scheduled to take place from February 26-29, next year. The event will showcase India's capabilities as a reliable supplier of textile products, spanning the entire value chain, all under one roof. With an exhibition area spread across 2,00,000 square meters, Bharat Tex 2024 Expo has been conceived as the largest textile fair in the world in terms of exhibition area

7. Previously known as RapidX, country's first semi-high-speed regional rail service, Namo Bharat marks the introduction of the Regional Rapid Train Service (RRTS) in India. These trains are designed with the utmost passenger convenience and safety in mind. Moreover, these trains offer features such as overhead luggage racks, Wi-Fi connectivity, and mobile and laptop charging outlets at every seat. Fare structures for Namo Bharat have been meticulously designed, taking into account the distance or stations covered. The minimum fare for the premium coach is set at Rs 40, with a maximum fare of Rs 100. For the five standard coaches operating on the priority section, fares range from a minimum of Rs 20 to a maximum of Rs 50.

8. On October 17, the Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Force (JMSDF) in collaboration with the Acquisition Technology & Logistics Agency (ATLA), a division of the Japanese Ministry of Defense, successfully test-fired a medium-caliber maritime electromagnetic railgun from an offshore platform. This remarkable feat marks the first time any nation has managed to launch a railgun from an offshore platform. Typically, railguns are mounted on ships, but Japan aspires to employ this technology both on land and at sea, making this test an unprecedented advancement in the field.

9. Tech giant Google has taken a proactive step to address the growing concern of online financial frauds in India. Through its new program, DigiKavach, Google aims to combat these fraudulent activities by understanding the strategies. Google's DigiKavach program involves a comprehensive study of the methods and modus operandi used by online scammers. By gaining insights into the tactics employed by fraudsters, Google can better develop strategies to counter these fraudulent activities.

10. The Tata Group has taken a significant step towards manufacturing and assembling Apple iPhones in India for both domestic and international markets by acquiring Wistron's operations in India.Union Minister Rajeev Chandrasekhar announced this major venture, which highlights the Tata Group's ambition to establish itself as a key player in the global electronics industry. The Tata Group has set an ambitious timeline to commence iPhone production within just two and a half years. This endeavor is expected to bolster India's position as a prominent hub for smartphone manufacturing.









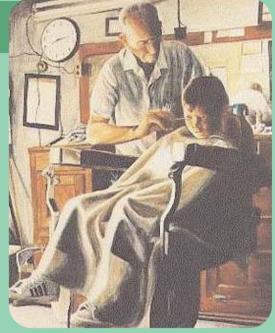




# CHRONICLE

# **GOD EXISTS**

A man went to a barbershop to have his hair and his beard cut as always. He started to have a good conversation with the barber who attended him. They talked about so many things on various subjects. Suddenly, they touched the subject of God. The barber said: "Look man, I don't believe that God exists as you say so." "Why do you say that?" Asked the client. Well, it's so easy; you just have to go out in the street to realize that God does not exist. Oh, tell me, if God existed, would there be so many sick people? Would there be abandoned children? If God existed, there would be neither suffering nor pain. "I can't think of a God who permits all of these things." The client stopped for a moment thinking but he didn't want to respond so as to prevent an argument. The barber finished his job and the client went out of the shop. Just after he left the barbershop, he saw a man in the street with a long hair and beard (it seems that it had been a long time since he had his cut and he looked so untidy). Then the client again entered the barbershop and he said to the



barber: "know what? Barbers do not exist." "How come they don't exist?" asked the barber. "Well I am here and I am a barber." "No!" - the client exclaimed. "They don't exist because if they did there would be no people with long hair and beard like that man who walks in the street." "Ah, barbers do exist, what happens is that people do not come to us." "Exactly!" - Affirmed the client. "That's the point. God does exist, what happens is people don't go to him and do not look for him that's why there's so much pain and suffering in the world."

### IDPIANS outshined in the INTER SCHOOL COMPETITION AT TODDLERS WORLD



Congratulations team IDPS as IDPIANs outshined in the Inter School COMPETITION at TODDLERS WORLD - A unit of JK PUBLIC SCHOOL.

LEARNING FIESTA FRENZY - Congratulations team IDPS... Sadaf - GRADE I secured 2nd position, Kaho Kahani - Katha Vachak, Group Dance -BUDS secured Consolation prize, Fancy Dress Competition- COMMUNITY HELPER, Blossoms secured 1st PRIZE, Heartiest congratulations to all!



We are delighted to announce that our Team - Jasmandeep Singh and Divij Singh qualified the Round-II and secured a position in the Quarter Finals of the G-20 Thinq, The Indian Navy Quiz. Kudos and we wish them all the best for their further rounds! I Hope we continue to work collectively for the betterment of the coming generations so that they live in a world where "knowledge is power and head is held high"



FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK Ms. Suman Kour Chief Media Editor

Our Institute has emerged to be the one with the highly eminent name in terms of education and guiding kinship. It has stood tall with its fundamental principles of honesty, sincerity, factuality and the basic ethics that are being inculcated among the children. We teach our children to thrust into very real, very scary but also very amazing world. It has served as a launch pad for the children's creative urges to blossom naturally hence allowing them to roam free in the realm of imagination and experience. We take pride in being modern about the infrastructure as well the facilities that we provide while staying true to our beloved tradition. Our motive is to emphasize on skills of the children while brushing on all the extra curriculum activities to keep the children strong physically as well as mentally.

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