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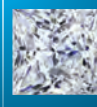
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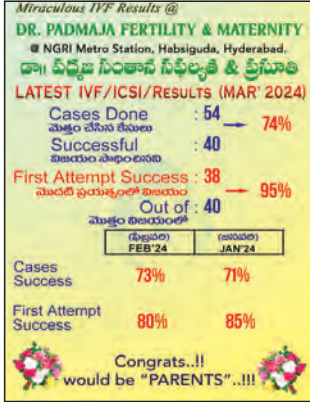


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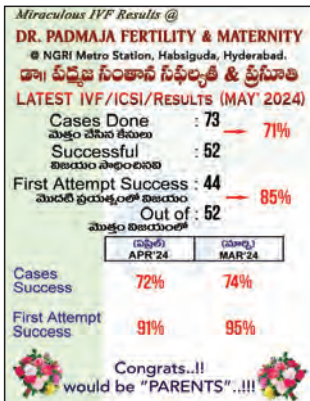
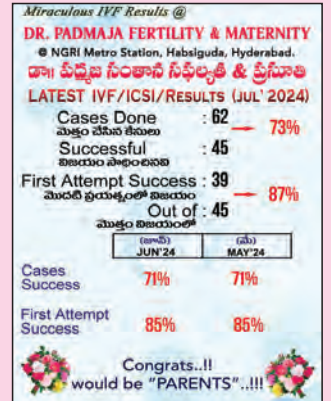
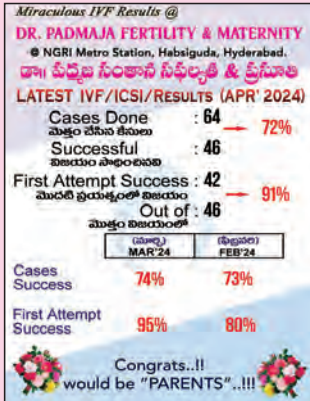
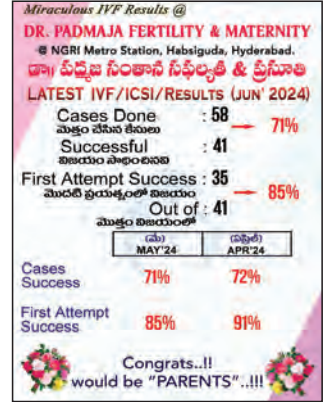
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A visionary leader and pioneering entrepreneur, Shri Ratan Tata dedicated his life to building modern India through innovation and social responsibility. His extraordinary contributions to Indian industry and society have shaped the nation we know today, emphasising excellence, integrity and compassion. We extend our deepest condolences to the Tata Group, his family and to all who loved him. May his indomitable spirit continue to inspire generations to come.

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The Real Estate Banker

A glorious 2 decades of managing multi-billion-dollar P&Ls across the UAE, Mr. Jalil's leadership has been instrumental in shaping some of the region's most iconic Portfolios. Aamad's career trajectory showcases his strong capabilities in financial structuring, relationship management and deal-making. With his expertise and strategic mindset, he has navigated large-scale portfolios worth billions of dollars for a diverse range of clients, including Local and International Financial Institutions, Banks, and Property Developments.



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AJ as a Visionary Leader

Aamad's journey highlights his commitment to delivering innovative solutions in the eco system of Real Estate and Financial Structuring, while also demonstrating his ability to lead teams, manage complex projects, and foster long-term partnerships. His influence continues to shape the business landscape, solidifying his position as a standout leader in the industry. As Aamad often says: “Success is not only about numbers, its about building relationships and creating value that lasts.”

Real Estate Banker takes on Leadership for a multi Billion dollar project

As the Senior Executive Officer of DECA Properties, a Leading Development Management Company, exclusively managing the sales and distribution rights for the mega Arabian Hills Estate project, Aamad has been the driving force behind bringing both parties together to ensure the project's success, due to his relationship management skills and unrelenting commitment to structuring complex deals.

Arabian Hills Estate represents much more than just a real estate development—it reflects the incredible teamwork and dedication that has turned ambitious dreams into a tangible reality. Aamad's strong leadership, with the full backing of DECA's Board and Management team, has been a key factor in the triumph of Arabian Hills Estate, a true gem in UAE's real estate landscape.

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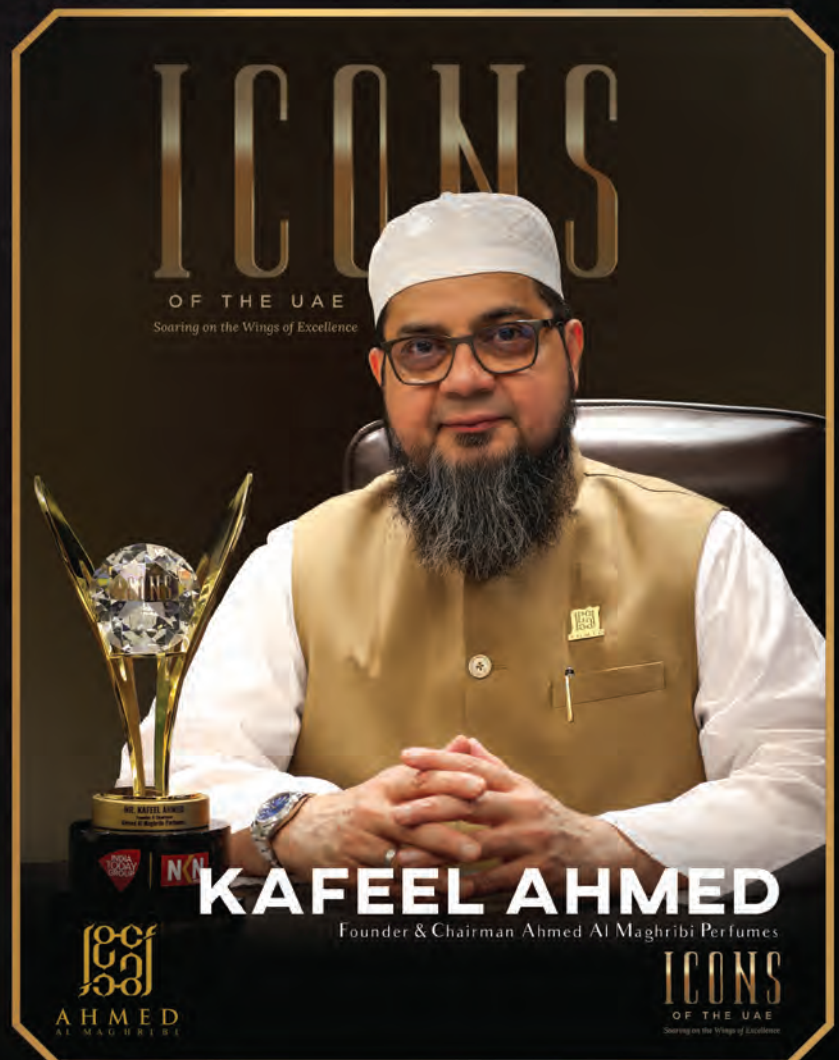
The Scent of Success – Mr. Kafeel Ahmed's Journey from Mumbai to the UAE

Mr. Kafeel Ahmed's journey began in the bustling streets of Mumbai, where dreams were often overshadowed by struggles. Like many, Mr. Kafeel worked various jobs to support his family, but his heart found solace in the world of fragrances. His passion for perfumes was ignited while working in a perfume retail company in the UAE, and soon, he dreamed of turning this passion into a profession. However, with limited resources, this seemed almost impossible.

Determined to pursue his dreams, Mr. Kafeel took a bold step by starting his own perfume business. With just one shop and a small house factory, Ahmed al Maghribi Perfumes was born. The path was not easy starting a business in a foreign country came with its challenges but Mr. Kafeel's unwavering commitment to quality and unique fragrances kept him going.

Today, Ahmed al Maghribi Perfumes stands tall with 180 branches across the GCC. It is more than just a perfume brand; it's a celebration of the art of fragrance. Mr. Kafeel believes that every scent tells a story, and his mission is to create fragrances that resonate with people's personalities and memories.

Mr. Kafeel's dedication to crafting high-quality perfumes with precision has made Ahmed al Maghribi Perfumes a beloved name in the region. His journey from the struggles of Mumbai to becoming a successful entrepreneur is a testament to passion, perseverance, and the power of dreams. Through his brand, Mr. Kafeel continues to create moments and memories, ensuring that the legacy of Ahmed al Maghribi Perfumes endures, one fragrance at a time.





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Important Legal Considerations for Travelers: Medications, Cash Declarations, and Overbooking Rules

What medications must be declared in the UAE, and what are the penalties for not doing so?

When traveling to countries such as the UAE, it is imperative to declare medications, including but not limited to opioids, psychiatric drugs, cough syrups, and sleeping pills. Failure to declare controlled substances may result in severe consequences, including arrest, fines, confiscation of the medication, or imprisonment. Even minor quantities of undeclared medications can lead to legal trouble. UAE drug laws are strictly enforced, so it's crucial to carry valid prescriptions, declare the medications at customs, and comply with all local regulations to avoid potential legal issues—unless your travel bucket list includes experiencing the UAE's legal system.

How can travelers avoid penalties for carrying medications abroad?

To ensure compliance, travelers should carry a valid prescription that includes the doctor's contact information and specific details about the medication. Medications should remain in their original packaging with clear labels. Travelers should use the red customs channel to declare controlled substances. For highly regulated medications, obtaining prior approval from health authorities is advised, particularly in the UAE, where the Ministry of Health and Prevention (MOHAP) can provide guidance. Adhering to local regulations and being fully prepared will help prevent legal complications.

What are the cash declaration rules in India and the UAE?

Before you start practicing your poker face at customs, remember that sneaking through with large sums could leave you in a legal bind. In India, the declaration of foreign exchange or currency must be made to customs officers in the following situations: (a) when the value of foreign currency notes exceeds USD 5,000 or its equivalent, and (b) when the total value of foreign exchange, including currency notes, exceeds USD 10,000 or its equivalent. In the UAE, passengers traveling out of or entering the UAE with more than AED 60,000 (approximately USD 16,300) in cash, or an equivalent amount in other currencies, financial instruments, precious metals, or valuable stones, must declare it to the Federal Authority for Identity, Citizenship, Customs & Ports Security (ICP). Failure to declare large sums of cash can result in confiscation, fines, or even criminal investigations. To avoid such penalties, travelers should ensure compliance with local currency declaration laws by accurately declaring their cash.

What are the compensation rules for overbooking in India & UAE?

Airlines often overbook flights, which can result in passengers being involuntarily denied boarding. Both the UAE and India have established specific regulations to protect passengers in these situations.

India

In India, the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) governs the rights of passengers regarding denied boarding. Key points include:

- **Compensation:** If you are denied boarding due to overbooking and the airline cannot place you on an alternate flight within one hour, you are entitled to compensation of up to 200% of the booked one-way basic fare plus the airline's fuel charge, subject to a maximum of INR 10,000. For any delay beyond 24 hours, compensation increases to up to INR 20,000. If the airline arranges an alternative flight scheduled to depart more than 24 hours after the original scheduled departure, you may be eligible for compensation of up to 400% of the booked one-way basic fare plus the airline's fuel charge, with a maximum of INR 20,000.
- **Alternative Flight:** The airline is required to put you on the next available flight or offer you a full refund for your ticket if you choose not to travel.
- **Additional Benefits:** Airlines must provide meals and refreshments while you wait for your alternate flight, along with transportation if the next flight departs from a different terminal or airport.

UAE

In the UAE, if you're denied boarding due to an overbooked flight, the General Civil Aviation Authority (GCAA) ensures you have specific rights:

- **Compensation:** If you cannot be accommodated on an alternative flight within one hour, you may be entitled to monetary compensation, which can vary based on the airline's policies.
- **Re-routing Options:** The airline must offer to re-route you on the next available flight or refund your ticket within seven days, without additional costs for re-routing.
- **Passenger Care:** Airlines are required to assist you by providing:
 - Meals and refreshments based on your wait time.
 - Two free communication methods (like calls or emails).
 - Hotel accommodation and transport if an overnight stay is necessary.
- **Notification of Rights:** Airlines must inform you about your rights and the compensation policies when denied boarding.

Exclusions: Compensation does not apply in cases of extraordinary circumstances, like natural disasters or political issues.

In conclusion, whether you're waiting for your flight in the UAE or India, remember: patience is a virtue, but a little compensation never hurts!



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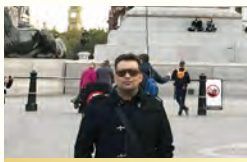


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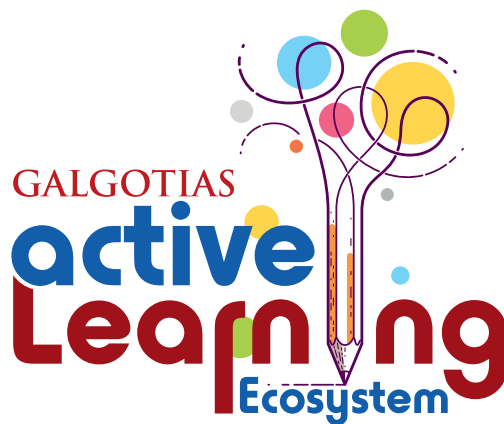
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Dugasta Properties Unveils Ambitious Dh1.5 Billion Project Pipeline

Dugasta Properties, a prominent player in Dubai's real estate sector, is set to transform the city's skyline with Dh1.5 billion worth of new projects. This initiative marks a significant milestone for the company, which has also expanded its network by onboarding over 7,000 real estate agents to spearhead sales efforts.



Our success is built on a foundation of trust. By fostering these connections, we ensure that our ventures thrive and set new industry benchmarks."

Founder and Chairman Tauseef Khan announced the bold move at a high-profile event attended by industry leaders. He emphasized the role of teamwork and collaboration in driving the company's success: "Today, we celebrate the collective triumph of our partners and extended team. Their unwavering support has been instrumental in reaching this remarkable juncture."

These upcoming projects will include residential, commercial, and mixed-use spaces, reflecting Dugasta Properties' commitment to innovation and growth. Mr. Khan highlighted the importance of strong relationships with agents and partners. "Our success is built on a foundation of trust. By fostering these connections, we ensure that our ventures thrive and set new industry benchmarks."



Winner of Icons of the UAE Award 2024

As Chairman, Mr. Khan has redefined Dubai's real estate sector, driven by strategic vision and an unwavering passion for excellence. His journey, from his education at AMU in Aligarh to founding City Tower Real Estate, showcases his determination and innovative spirit.

In a further testament to his leadership, Tauseef Khan was honored at the **Icons of the UAE Awards 2024**, presented by NKN Media and **India Today**. The award, felicitated by Mr. Sachin Pilot, recognized Mr. Khan's remarkable contributions to the real estate industry. This accolade underscores his influence as a key figure shaping Dubai's future skyline.

Mr. Khan also introduced the groundbreaking "10 on 10" scheme, guaranteeing a 10 percent return on investment for 10 years. This initiative provides investors with confidence and security, attracting both seasoned professionals and first-time buyers to Dubai's real estate market.

As Dugasta Properties enters this exciting new phase, it invites investors and stakeholders to join in shaping the future of Dubai's skyline.

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Samak Landscape, one of the country's leading landscapers focused on creating a deeper connection with nature, has unveiled 22 newly refurbished accommodations at its 17-year-old Botanix Nature Resort, a 40-acre bio-educational park near Damdama Lake, Gurgaon, dedicated to creating unique and immersive experiences for nature lovers, from farm tourism to adventure camp experiences. The resort now includes a Hydroponic Garden, a Glass House (a banquet hall with a capacity of 200-250 people), and a Bulbous Garden with an abundance of flora.



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Navigating Excellence

The Inspirational Journey of Mr. Ayoosh Nakkra

From Marine Engineer to Global Industry Icon

In the world of maritime services, Mr. Ayoosh Nakkra, Founder and Chairman of ARC SHIP Group, has charted a remarkable journey from a marine engineer to a global business leader. Recently honored as one of the Icons of the UAE 2024, Mr. Nakkra's story is one of resilience, vision, and a commitment to excellence. Under his leadership, ARC SHIP Group has evolved into a diversified conglomerate and is a finalist for the prestigious Maritime Standard Awards, reinforcing its reputation in the industry.

A Leader's Journey: From the Engine Room to the Boardroom

Mr. Ayoosh began his career as a Mechanical and Marine Engineer, working on oil tankers and gaining hands-on experience that shaped his strategic thinking. After relocating to the UAE a decade ago, he took on the role of Technical Director, overseeing key maritime operations with expertise and precision.

In 2018, driven by a passion to elevate maritime services, Mr. Ayoosh founded ARC SHIP. What started as a specialized marine service provider has since grown into ARC SHIP Group, a powerhouse comprising 25 companies across industries such as marine services, ship management, life-saving equipment manufacturing, hospitality, restaurants, printing, and real estate.



Global Expansion and Industry Recognition

ARC SHIP Group's rapid expansion is a testament to Mr. Ayoosh's visionary leadership. Starting in the UAE, the Group has successfully established a presence in Oman, India, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, Hong Kong, Thailand, Malaysia, and Singapore. This global reach, achieved within just one year, highlights the Group's strategic foresight and Mr. Ayoosh's leadership.

In 2024, ARC SHIP achieved another milestone by being listed as a public limited company in India. This achievement, alongside its upcoming strategic investment in Dubai for ship manufacturing and dry docking, cements ARC SHIP's leadership in the maritime industry. ARC SHIP's nomination as a finalist for the prestigious Maritime Standard Awards further solidifies its standing in the sector.

Empowering Communities Through the ARC SHIP Foundation

Beyond business success, ARC SHIP Group is deeply committed to social responsibility. Under Mr. Ayoosh's leadership, the ARC SHIP Foundation focuses on empowering communities, particularly women in India, by providing them with opportunities to learn new skills such as stitching and weaving.



This initiative allows women to become self-reliant and contributes to reducing unemployment by hiring and training fresh talent.

Sailing Success: The Podcast That Inspires

Further showcasing Mr. Ayoosh's commitment to sharing knowledge and inspiring others, ARC SHIP launched its podcast channel, Sailing Success with ARC SHIP. The podcast features a series of interviews where leaders and professionals from various industries share their success stories and insights on how they made it large in life. The platform aims to motivate listeners by offering real-world examples of resilience, determination, and leadership.

A Visionary Leader with Global Perspective

Mr. Ayoosh Nakkra's leadership extends beyond business growth to innovation and social responsibility. His global perspective and commitment to excellence have allowed ARC SHIP to diversify its offerings and expand internationally. With services ranging from ship management to the manufacturing of emergency food and water, ARC SHIP has become synonymous with trust, quality, and client satisfaction.

In line with its innovative spirit, ARC SHIP has also ventured into the FMCG market, starting with the manufacturing of bottled drinking water and soon launching flavored sodas. This strategic move marks the Group's expansion into consumer goods, furtherbroadening its impact across industries.

Navigating the Future: Strategic Growth and Innovation

ARC SHIP Group's future is as bold as its past. Under Mr. Ayoosh's guidance, the Group has ambitious plans to expand into 15 additional countries, strengthening its global footprint. The upcoming IPO and the company's venture into ship manufacturing and dry docking signal continued growth and leadership in the maritime sector.

“ARC SHIP Group, under the visionary leadership of Mr. Ayoosh Nakkra, is not just a business—it is a symbol of innovation, ambition, and social responsibility. As the Group continues to expand and evolve, its focus on excellence and impact remains at the core of everything it does.”

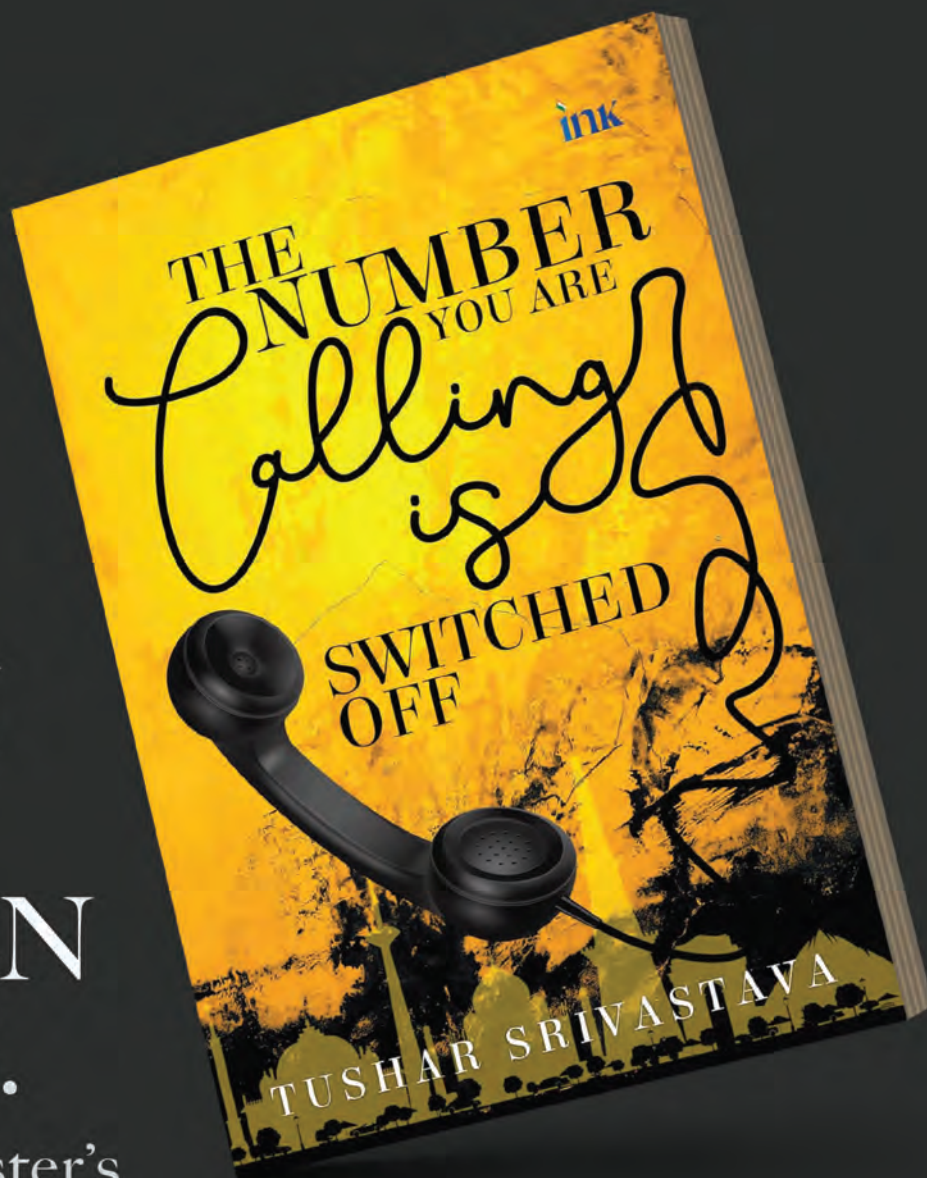


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In the bustling heart of Kolkata, Keya Biswas is quietly yet powerfully reshaping the world around her. At the young age of 26, this trailblazing entrepreneur is writing a story of transformation—one not merely of business acumen, but of unshakeable vision, empathy, and tireless commitment. With each venture, Biswas breathes life into communities, uplifting those who are often overlooked by the very systems meant to empower them.

So much more than a learning space, her Training Centre is a sanctuary for dreamers and doers alike. Here, individuals don't just acquire skills—they're handed the tools to reimagine their futures in an increasingly digital world. Biswas' dedication to education shines through her donations of computers and educational materials to local children, opening doors with endless possibilities to illuminate their futures with brighter avenues of growth.

Her unwavering dedication to sustainability mirrors her deep-rooted love for community. By collaborating with local artisans, Biswas blends eco-consciousness with aesthetics in her interior design projects, proving that style and substance are not mutually exclusive. These aren't mere interiors—they're living ecosystems, where culture, beauty, and environmental stewardship harmoniously coexist.

Understanding the power of a united community, she also spearheaded the creation of a youth centre—a vibrant hub where young souls are nurtured, guided, and inspired under the watchful eyes of dedicated mentors. As the city's lights dim and winter's chill creeps in, Biswas' warmth extends further. Through her community



Ms Keya Biswas
Entrepreneur and Philanthropist

kitchen and winter outreach, she ensures no one is left behind, nourishing not only the body, but also the spirit of the needy. Blankets, meals, and kindness flow from her initiatives: a testament to her belief that business must ultimately serve the soul.

Biswas' culinary ventures are equally enriching. 'Blue Nile' and the much-lauded 'Flamboyant' on Park Street are not just dining venues—they are immersive journeys, where food, festivity, and a shared sense of community come together in a celebration of the senses.

Her relentless spirit and impactful initiatives have garnered numerous

prestigious accolades, including the Kanya Shri Award from KIIT University (2024) and the Indian Excellence Award from the Abhigyan Foundation (2024). Last year she won the F&B Leaders Award 2023 by Economics Times Optimal Media and Best Woman Entrepreneur of the Year 2024, Emirates Award Excellence 3rd Edition in Dubai. Yet, her legacy isn't confined to trophies—it's found in the futures she helps shape every day.

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In recent years, the Indian wedding landscape has undergone a remarkable transformation, with couples opting for bespoke weddings featuring themes that reflect their unique stories and values. This departure from tradition speaks of a broader cultural shift, where personalisation and individuality take centre stage in life's most important celebrations.

The rising popularity of unconventional yet deeply meaningful wedding themes—almost unheard of a few years back—is a testament to this evolution. These new-age themes push the boundaries of tradition, allowing couples to create an experience that is uniquely their own. From forest-inspired affairs to eco-conscious celebrations, the diversity in wedding styles is at a peak, thanks to the creative and evolving preferences of modern Indian couples, who aren't shying away from taking the offbeat route to their big day.





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One of the themes making waves is the forest or safari wedding, a ceremony with a dash of adventure. Perfect for couples with a deep connection to nature, these weddings are set in the wilderness, surrounded by lush greenery, and exotic flora and fauna. Think candlelit paths leading through a jungle, with arboreal yet elegant décor like leafy garlands, soft lighting, and elements incorporating wood. For many, this theme channels their love of the outdoors, and embraces the untamed beauty of nature. Popular in national parks or private nature reserves, such weddings allow couples to exchange vows under towering trees or alongside wild animals, creating a dramatic yet otherworldly atmosphere that mirrors their free-spirited nature.

Nestled in the Himalayan foothills, Jim Corbett National Park is a popular forest venue with stunning riverside locations. Similarly, in Madhya Pradesh, one can choose between the Kanha and Bandhavgarh National Parks to curate majestic weddings with safari themes. Another option is Ranthambore National Park in Rajasthan, famous for its tiger reserves, regal heritage properties within the jungle area, and rustic settings. Before planning a jungle wedding, remember to sort out the permissions beforehand for a hassle-free experience. Also note that the wedding venues are mostly outside the buffer zone.



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Sustainability has become a priority for modern couples who are increasingly choosing eco-friendly weddings that echo their concern for the planet. This theme prioritises ethical choices over everything else, whether it's selecting local and organic food, using recycled or biodegradable materials for décor, or even opting for digital invitations instead of paper ones. Venues with a green footprint—like farmhouses or eco-resorts—are the preferred choice for these celebrations. From organic floral arrangements to tree-planting ceremonies, these weddings blend beauty with purpose, proving that luxury and responsibility can co-exist, and setting an inspiring example for future generations. The sustainability theme is especially popular among Gen Z folks and millennials.

Kerala, aka God's Own Country, is an excellent choice with its backwaters, houseboats and lush hill stations. It is ideal for those desiring an infused-in-nature and tranquil celebration, one with lifestyle offerings that are both sustainable and meaningful. And with their crystal-clear waters, exotic beaches, and private resorts embracing a nature-friendly vibe, the Andaman and Nicobar Islands are perfect for those planning a wedding in a remote destination.



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DREAMY HILLSIDE WEDDINGS

WHEN THE MOUNTAINS ARE YOUR CALLING

For couples drawn to the majesty of the mountains, hillside weddings offer a serene and breathtaking backdrop. Whether it's the verdant hills of Kerala, the towering Himalayas, or the misty landscapes of Meghalaya, hillside weddings immerse guests in nature's grandeur. The quiet setting contrasts beautifully with the emotion of the ceremony, offering panoramic views that elevate the entire experience. Rustic elements like wooden benches, earthy tones and wildflowers dominate the décor, allowing the surrounding beauty to speak for itself. Couples who opt for this theme often share a deep bond with the mountains, and their union becomes a celebration of nature's awe-inspiring power.

Known as the Queen of the Hills, Mussoorie is a great spot for a wedding, boasting as she does stunning views of the Himalayas—and a placid atmosphere to boot. When in Uttarakhand, check out the untouched Kumaon hills for luxury resorts ideal for intimate celebrations under starry skies. A classic favourite, Shimla in Himachal Pradesh is renowned for its colonial charm, and its scenic landscapes make it a magical destination for couples seeking a blend of nature and history. And if you decide to go further up, check out the snow-capped mountains and riverside resorts in Manali, all providing a picturesque and peaceful setting for an ethereal wedding.



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Mountain weddings in the Himalayas are increasing in popularity

Dreamy candlelit venues act as the perfect background for new beginnings

Weddings away from cities are the new normal



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BOHEMIAN WEDDINGS FOR THE QUIRKY AND FREE-SPIRITED

Bohemian weddings continue to capture the imagination of couples who prefer quirky décor, offbeat locations, and an atmosphere that is laid-back and free-spirited. These celebrations often feature eclectic and vibrant details, like mismatched furniture, colourful textiles, and artisanal crafts. Unusual locations, such as an ancient temple, artistically designed barn, or a quaint coastal town, add to the charm. With a mix of cultures, colours and textures, boho weddings exude a carefree yet evocative vibe that resonates with couples who favour individuality over convention. Whether it's a barefoot beach wedding or an intimate ceremony in a historic courtyard, the bohemian wedding celebrates creativity and the couple's unique journey in a relaxed yet artistic way.

Coorg is famously known as the 'Scotland of India,' and the beautiful rolling hills and coffee plantations here offer a romantic and earthy backdrop for a unique wedding. One can also explore the Kabini River, and the forest reserves in Karnataka, to plan a wedding experience that is secluded, scenic and surreal all at the same time. And with the Ganges providing a spiritual backdrop, Rishikesh in Uttarakhand is becoming a favourite for couples seeking a wedding that's peaceful and soulful ●



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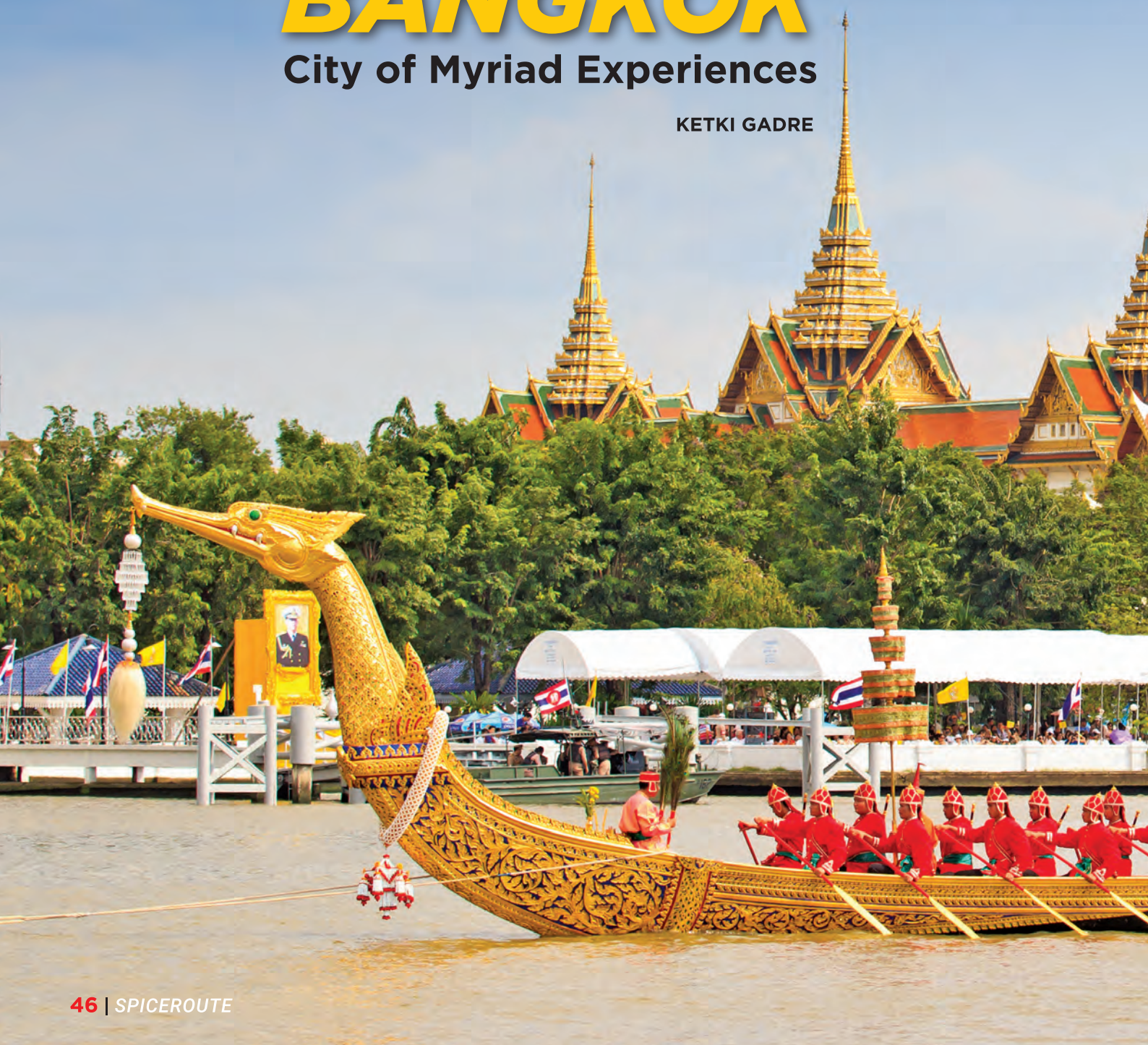
From riverside nuptials and bohemian weddings to personalised experiences, weddings are changing, and changing fast



BANGKOK

City of Myriad Experiences

KETKI GADRE



Bangkok, one of SpiceJet's popular destinations, offers a unique way to experience the city's chaotic energy and vibrant culture. Hail a tuk-tuk and hop on for an exhilarating journey through the heart of the Thai capital, to discover breathtaking palaces, historic temples, dynamic nightlife, and the bustling food bazaars.

7:00 AM

CONNECT WITH NATURE AT LUMPHINI PARK

Spend your morning in the lush environs of Lumphini Park, a 58-acre expanse of green that has an artificial lake, manicured lawns, walking paths, and abundant tree cover. Lumphini features a huge population of monitor lizards that are often seen lazing around. The park is a relaxing place for locals and tourists to enjoy outdoor leisure activities, picnics, birdwatching – or simply some restorative forest therapy.

9:00 AM

GET AWED BY THE GRAND PALACE

The Grand Palace is a magnificent complex of ornate buildings highlighting traditional Thai architecture, which served as the royal residence from the 16th to 18th centuries. Spanning 94.5 hectares, it houses over 100 structures, including the revered Wat Phra Kaew (Temple of the Emerald Buddha), reflecting 200 years of royal history and architectural evolution.





12:00 PM

GET A PHOTOSHOOT AT WAT ARUN

Wat Arun Ratchawaram Ratchawaramahawihan, a 17th-century Buddhist temple located along the Chao Phraya River, boasts an exterior adorned with over a million resplendent ceramic tiles, salvaged from a shipwreck and used to decorate the structure. An offbeat way to study the temple's intricate details is by having a photoshoot in traditional Thai attire while wandering through its many nooks and corners. A Thai costume and photographer can be rented right outside the temple.

3:00 PM

BANGKOK CANAL TOUR

See a side of Bangkok that most travellers don't get to, as you cruise along the city's canals (*klong*). Canal excursions here offer a quintessential and immersive experience where long-tail boats glide gracefully through the intricate network of waterways, offering a unique perspective on daily life, bustling markets, local culture, and the city's historical roots. This journey unveils a side of Bangkok that contrasts with the modern skyscrapers and busy streets.

5:30 PM

SHOP TILL YOU DROP

Platinum Fashion Mall is a popular shopping destination known for its vast selection of wholesale fashion items.

Spanning multiple floors, it presents a variety of clothing, accessories and footwear at affordable prices. The mall attracts both locals and tourists seeking trendy, budget-friendly apparel and fashion finds. Also, try coconut ice cream sold right outside the mall, to rejuvenate from the shopping overindulgence.

7:30 PM

STROLL ALONG KHAO SAN ROAD

A stroll on Khao San Road is a must to check out the lively nightlife, sample the delicious street food, and shop for souvenirs. Once known as the backpacker's street, Khao San is lined with bars, shops, cafés, food stalls, tattoo parlours and hostels, a stretch that explodes with a variety of smells, sounds and tastes in the evening. You can fulfil your wackiest food fantasy here – from fried insects to roasted crocodiles, and from scorpion-on-a-stick to chicken satay, everything is available on Khao San Road.

10:00 PM

DINNER & COCKTAILS

Located on the 40th floor, the Bar.Yard is a resto-bar that promises to tantalise guests with a range of Thai and global delicacies and meticulously crafted cocktails. Perched against the serene backdrop of Bangkok's skyline, the award-winning bar offers a feast for the senses, delivering a stunning visual and auditory experience. Live performances or a DJ will get you moving to the latest hits, creating an atmosphere that's impossible to resist



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BEST TIME TO VISIT

Although Bangkok is an all-year-round tourist destination, the best time to explore the city is between the months of **November and February**, when it has dry and cool weather. If you are looking to avoid the crowds, the shoulder season of March-April is also comfortable.



WHAT TO EAT

Som Tam, a spicy papaya salad, **Pad Thai**, a stir-fried rice-noodle dish, **Tom Yum Goong**, a hot-and-sour shrimp soup, **Mango Sticky Rice**, **Thai Milk Tea** and **Satay Skewers** are some of the must-try dishes. Street food in Bangkok is a treasure trove of flavourful delights and the best way to enjoy it is to gather around plastic tables, and immerse yourself in the communal joy of indulging in the city's authentic (and legendary) street food.

WHERE TO STAY

Bangkok offers all sorts of accommodation for every budget, ranging from luxurious hotels to hostels and homestays. **Kimpton Maa-Lai** – for a luxury stay overlooking the Bangkok skyline – **Anantara**, an opulent riverside resort, **Sleep Box Sukhumvit** (a cosy hostel), and **Mooncome Homestay** for a home away from home, are just some of the options.



SpiceJet Launches UDAN Flights Connecting Shivamogga with Chennai and Hyderabad

First new station added after SpiceJet's successful INR 3,000 Crore QIP

Announces Double Daily Flights Between Chennai and Kochi

SpiceJet is pleased to announce the commencement of new UDAN flights connecting Shivamogga in Karnataka with Chennai and Hyderabad, starting from October 10, 2024.

This launch marks Shivamogga's addition as a new station on SpiceJet's domestic network and is the airline's first new destination following its successful INR 3,000 Crore Qualified Institutional Placement (QIP), which has bolstered the airline's expansion and growth plans.

The new flights will operate daily, except Tuesdays, providing convenient travel options for passengers between Shivamogga and major metro cities, thereby encouraging tourism, trade, and regional development.

Additionally, SpiceJet is launching a double daily flight service connecting the key cities of Chennai and Kochi, also starting from October 10, 2024. This increased frequency will cater to the high demand for travel between these two important destinations.

Debojo Maharshi, Chief Business Officer, SpiceJet, said: "We are excited to add Shivamogga to

our network and connect it with Chennai and Hyderabad, two major economic hubs. This expansion reinforces our commitment to improving regional connectivity under the UDAN scheme and offering affordable, seamless travel options to more passengers across India. Additionally, the double daily flights between Chennai and Kochi demonstrate our commitment to meeting the strong demand on this route. We are proud to be bringing more cities closer together, fostering greater economic opportunities."

Shivamogga, a picturesque city in Karnataka, is known for its rich heritage, natural beauty, and rapidly developing infrastructure. With its addition to SpiceJet's network, the airline aims to meet the rising demand for affordable air travel from Tier-2 cities and bring them closer to major urban centres.

The airline will deploy its 78-seater De Havilland Canada Q-400 aircraft on these routes. Bookings are now open on www.spicejet.com, SpiceJet's mobile app and through online travel portals and travel agents.



Mcleodganj

A PLACE TO PAUSE AND RESET

FLORINA SOREN

A trip to the hills is always rejuvenating, but this one with old friends turned out to be most memorable. Some things are just meant to be and this trip was one among them. Having landed in Pathankot, the nearest rail head, we were still undecided where to go; the choice was between Dalhousie and Mcleodganj. And it was a flip of a coin that made us turn our direction to Mcleodganj, near Dharamshala - the seat of His Holiness the Dalai Lama in Himachal Pradesh.

Mcleodganj, also known as Little Lhasa, is one hill station straight from a travel postcard. After all, a place

visited by luminaries from across the globe, including Richard Gere, Pierce Brosnan and many others, has to be truly special. The iconic monastery perched high at one end, the long road with shops on both sides, the mountain views on all sides, and the sight of Tibetan monks, old and young, in their deep maroon robes, Mcleodganj is simply magical. This quaint hill station is a little short of 10kms from Dharamshala. Once you reach Dharamshala, the road gets steeper and the scenery more amazing. As we set our eyes on the mesmerizing church, 'St. John's in the Wilderness', we knew our destination was round the corner. Quite literally,

this historic church built in 1852, was standing beautifully tall and isolated in the midst of tall pine trees. And just after rounding a sharp incline, we were at Mcleodganj - a place I have been planning to visit for a long time.

There is something about Mcleodganj that is mystical, something that tells you to pause, breathe and take it easy. Our hotel was at the end of the road and very close to the monastery. The morning sight was most welcoming. The sun was above us yet not harsh on us, the cool wind with that very special mountain mist already had a soothing effect. Tourists in their full force were yet to come out, so the roads were







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**We sat down to
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empty, the shops yet to open; only the roadside vendors were getting ready to display their wares, and a few monks were walking peacefully. This was such a contrast from my hurried mornings in the city. Soaking in the morning magic and beauty of this much sought-after hill station, we settled into our hotel.

In Mcleodganj, at 6,831 feet, it is always about walking up an incline or going down; you will rarely have a straight path before you. So we climbed our way to the impressive monastery. The calmness around is something that will catch your attention and also most certainly calm you down. It is as if the place is an oasis of quietude and tranquility, surrounded by the breathtaking mountains on all sides. No wonder people from all over the world come here, I am sure in search of the much-needed peace and calmness. It was mid-February and we could see the spellbinding glaciers along the mountain sides - a sight that is rare and simply bewitching. We sat down to soak in the morning prayers, the

rhythmic chants casting a spell of peace, as if the world and its chaos do not matter at all. We did the parikrama, rotating the prayer wheels all along, with prayers in our hearts, and sat again only because we did not want to leave this place, which had the power to make you put everything aside. A special Tibetan butter tea was served along with bread - we enjoyed this hot drink, which also gave us a reason to hang on.

After spending nearly three hours at the monastery, when we came out, the sight was completely different. The roads were filled with tourists, locals too were up and about, and in general, there was a lot more activity around the marketplace. Since we wanted this trip to be a little offbeat, we decided to give Bhagsu, one of the 'must-visits', a skip and instead head to Dharamkot - a quaint hamlet, a few kilometres above Mcleodganj. It was a zip-zap-zoom ride through sharp turns and equally sharp inclined that brought us to Dharamkot within 20 minutes. It is another place where time has just stopped. What caught my attention here is that Dharamkot is quite literally offering 'happiness' and 'peace' on a platter. The walls here are inundated with posters offering Vipassana courses, Yoga classes, Singing Bowl therapy, and a lot more. Also, what is most striking is that here you will find more foreigners than Indians. While some are seen taking music classes from Indian gurus, others are learning how to make dreamcatchers. It's all quite magical, for nobody seems to be in a hurry here. After stopping for some tea and quick snacks, we attempted a long and relaxing climb up to the Gallu Devi temple, the base for the very popular Triund trek. With the sun going down and hiding itself behind the lush green mountains afar, it was time to head back. A day well spent, Mcleodganj will always fill a corner of my heart simply because this trip had the most calming effect ●

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“Faster success brings arrogance, slow success brings humility. The legendary Ratan Tata must have said it for people like Kumud Mishra, an ace actor who began his career with theatre, skated to television, glided smoothly to parallel and commercial Hindi cinema, and now stands tall in web series!”

The Allahabad-born actor walks us through the journey of his life and career that is dotted with countless plays, films like *Sardari Begum* (Shyam Benegal), *Rockstar*, *Kuttey*, *Tiger*, and powerful roles in director Anubhav Sinha's *Mulk*, *Thappad*, *Article 15*, and the latest web series, *IC 184: The Kandahar Hijack*.

From a village in UP to Bollywood. How did the journey unfold?

We come from Dhawaiyya, a small village near the Ganga at Allahabad. My father, Mr. C L Mishra, had joined the Army after running away from home as the family was financially not too sound. My father continued his education in the Army; he was an avid reader, loved theatre, music, and was an amazing orator and performer too. He gave immense importance to the education of his children, and perhaps that was the beginning of a new era for us.

Taapsee Pannu and Kumud Mishra in a still from the popular movie, Thappad

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Dibyendu Bhattacharya, Manoj Pahwa, Arvind Swamy and Kumud Mishra in a still from popular Netflix series, IC 814: The Kandahar Hijack

Your education and interest in theatre?

I studied at Army School in Belgaum. As a child, I only knew of two professions - the Army and the Civil Services. Then when I went to Bhopal, my father introduced me to a theatre workshop at Bharat Bhawan. It was fascinating and opened a completely new world for me. My next destination was the National School of Drama, Delhi.

Your career graph had a long pause after Sardari Begum in 1996. Cut to the 2020s, and you are everywhere.

This is because I started getting wonderful roles in television - Swabhimaan, Mahayagya, Zameen Aasman. Also I was fully immersed in theatre which I have not left till date. I was fortunate that I was doing plays by Satyadev Dubey, former NSD director, in Mumbai. But I had thought I would go back to Delhi and continue doing plays. I was not ambitious to do films. But fortunately, Shyam Benegal chose me for Sardari Begum in 1996. It was like a dream come true. Post that, plays and serials were fetching me enough money to survive and also send money to my parents, until one day when I decided to get married. Then the

realization that I need to earn more. That is when I moved to films.

You married Ayesha Raza. Was there a lot of resistance?

I saw her in 'Karodon Mein Aik' and 'Shakkar Ke Paanch Daane', plays that she was publicising across the globe. She had a very strong stage presence despite having few lines in a two-hour play. I was spellbound. We met a few times and I knew this was it. I told my parents, persuaded my paternal uncles, and except my grandfather, who was a traditionalist, everyone ultimately came around. Ayesha also adapted all the Hindu rituals with ease! Even our pandit ji said, 'Village girls should learn how to maintain traditions from the city girls these days'. If only he knew which religion she was from!' (Laughs). It was a cakewalk after that.

The OTT platform popularized you faster while you did more films and serials. How do you take it?

Yes. It's because of the rise of social media. While actually, I have not done much on OTT except Dr. Arora, TVF Tripling and IC 184: The Kandahar Hijack. It could be because during lockdown few of my films got released

on OTT. People noticed me better and faster. OTT is a liberal platform which has given a new lease of life to sidelined talented actors, new stories, and methods of storytelling.

How important is travel in your life?

I feel solo travel is the best. I have been biking for over 16 years. It is relieving as you are alone with yourself and your thoughts.

When I travel by air, I ask God, 'Dekh lena bhai. (Please take care of me)!' (Laughs).

What is your next venture?

I am doing many plays for the Ranga Shankara Festival, and also for the Prithvi Festival - 'Khichik' on Nov 9 and 'Purane Chawal' on Nov 27. I'll be performing in Bareilly (Kaumudi) in January, and at Kamani, Delhi (Sleuth), in March. I have shot two films with big directors but they have not announced it, so it would be improper for me to name them. There are a couple of films ready to be released, including Behisaab, though I am not sure of the dates ●

Rann *Utsav*



Clockwise from Top:
Camels in the salt desert;
pink flamingos standing out
against the water; the bright
colours and crafts of the Rann
of Kutch; and the tent city
coming alive at dusk

Credit: Gujarat Tourism



An annual event that has been capturing the attention of travellers from across the world, the Rann Utsav is round the corner. A kaleidoscope of culture, art, music and the majestic beauty of the White Rann is something that all must experience once in a lifetime. It is magic under the blue sky where people come in huge numbers and spend a few days soaking in the mesmerizing beauty of nature while relishing the gourmet delights served at the fair and indulging in high octane celebrations.

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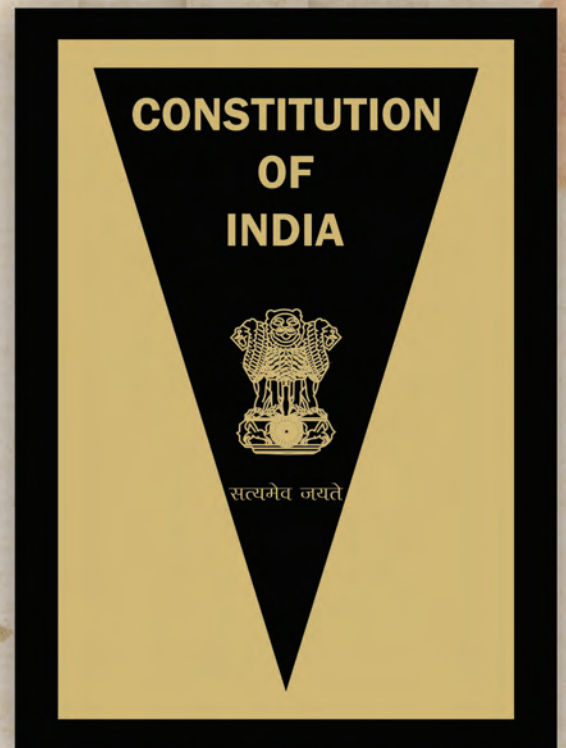
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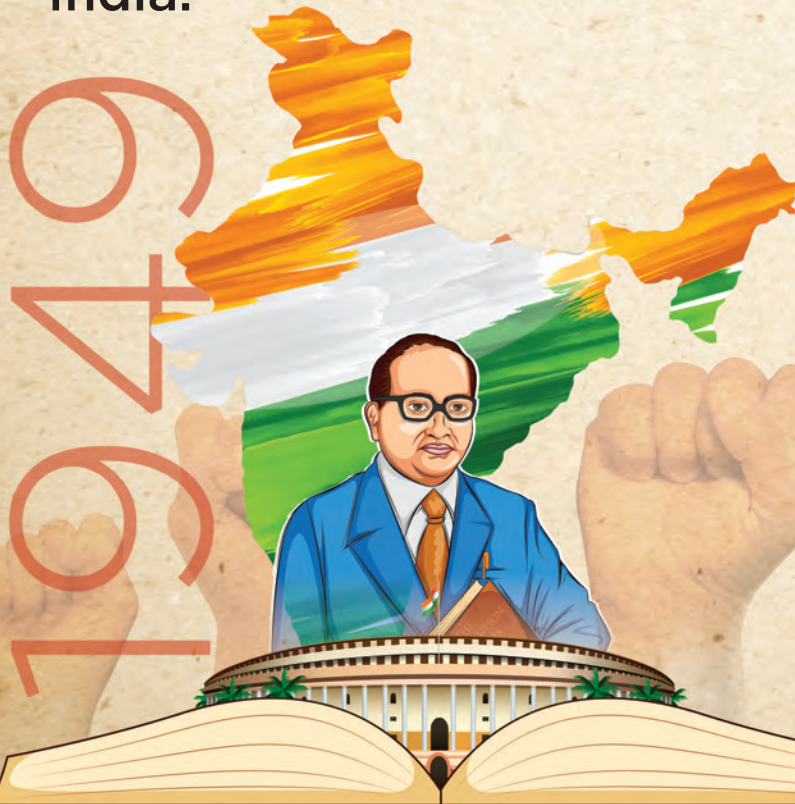
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CONSTITUTION DAY

Constitution Day on 26 November, also known as **Samvidhan Divas**, brings the whole nation together to celebrate the values of the Constitution of India.



On **26th November 1949**, the Constituent Assembly of India adopted the Constitution of India.



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Government of India

The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment on 19th November 2015 notified the decision of the Government of India to celebrate the **26th day of November** every year as **Constitution Day** in order to promote Constitution values among citizens.

All government departments, schools, colleges and institutes organise various programmes and activities to promote the values penned down in the Constitution of India.





My Town

In our series, we travel to various Indian destinations with a SpiceJet family member. This time, Mary – Senior Cabin Crew (Base-Delhi) – takes us around her home state, Mizoram.



MS. MARY LALNUNZIRI VAIPHEI
SENIOR CABIN CREW

Are you originally from Mizoram?

Yes – I was born and raised in this paradise. Nestled amid lush greenery at the southern tip of Northeast India, Mizoram is my haven.

How would you describe the quality of life here?

It's widely regarded as superior in comparison with many other regions in India, particularly due to its strong social structure and sustainability practices. Mizoram offers an exceptional standard of living, characterised by a pristine ecology, deep-rooted community values, and a rich cultural heritage. Its serene atmosphere and robust social fabric make it a highly desirable place to reside for many.

What do you like best about the state?

What I admire most about Mizoram is its natural beauty and community spirit. The verdant landscapes, rolling hills, dense forests and clean air present a tranquil environment that is rare to find. The state's commitment to preserving its ecosystem and natural resources is commendable. In addition, the strong sense of social harmony here is something I find unique.

The people of Mizoram are known for their hospitality, egalitarian values, and the emphasis they place on unity and mutual respect. The state's cultural heritage, with music, traditional dances and vibrant festivals, adds to the allure of its beauty. The combination of peaceful surroundings and a close-knit,

supportive community makes Mizoram stand out in a special way.

What lifestyle does Mizoram have to offer?

It is distinct from big cities, with a closer connection to nature, clean air, and slower pace of life. Life here is simpler, less materialistic, and culturally rich, with festivals (like Chapchar Kut) and customs being integral to daily life. Unlike what you find in a commercialised urban environment, Mizoram's focus is on local markets and traditional crafts. And the work-life balance is healthier, with less pressure compared to the fast-paced, high-stress lifestyle of larger cities.



What is the night scene here like?

Calm and serene, with limited nightlife compared to big cities. Most areas wind down early, with restaurants and cafés closing soon after sunset. Social gatherings, family time, and cultural events dominate the evenings. While night markets may appear in some towns, the overall atmosphere is peaceful. Low light pollution makes it perfect for stargazing, and the streets remain safe after dark, though most people prefer staying indoors.

Which is your favourite restaurant in Mizoram?

I am a big-time foodie and since I visited Aizawl Peak Restaurant, it quickly became my favourite café in all of India. The hilltop location is absolutely breathtaking, providing a panoramic view of the entire city while you dine. The optimal time to

visit is just before sunset, allowing you to witness the stunning transition from day to dusk. The food, while simple, is satisfying; it is meticulously prepared, flavourful, and reasonably priced. Overall, dining here makes for an extraordinary experience, blending delicious food and a cozy ambience with warm hospitality, attentive service and unforgettable vistas.

What's your favourite dish at Aizawl Peak?

'Bai' is something I can eat at any given time. It is a hearty, comforting stew that's a staple of Mizo cuisine. The key factor in this dish is that it is prepared

using lots of locally available herbs and spices. The main ingredients include pork, bamboo shoot, and steamed vegetables.

What are the best places to visit in Mizoram?

Known as 'Land of the Blue Mountains,' Mizoram offers many picturesque hangout spots. In Aizawl, I recommend **Durtlang Hills** or **Aizawl Peak** for scenic views. **Reiek** offers great trekking and stunning vistas, while **Vantawng Falls** and **Tam Dil Lake** are a nature lover's paradise. **Rih Dil** is a culturally significant lake with tranquil vibes, while **Hmuifang** makes for a wonderful camping and picnic destination. **Champhai** boasts beautiful views of rice fields, and **Bara Bazar** in Aizawl is a lively spot for shopping and local food. For adventure, head to **Phawngpui** (Blue Mountain), the highest peak in Mizoram.

NEARBY MUST-VISIT PLACES

Shillong, Meghalaya: Often called the 'Scotland of the East,' it boasts of spots like Elephant Falls and Shillong Peak

Cherrapunji, Meghalaya: Famous for its remarkable living root bridges and Nohkalikai Falls



Silchar, Assam: A quiet town with beautiful tea gardens

Imphal, Manipur: Kangla Fort stands out in this city rich with history; just over an hour's drive from Imphal is the serene Loktak Lake in Moirang

Agartala, Tripura: A charming city featuring the magnificent Ujjayanta Palace and the tranquil Sepahijala Wildlife Sanctuary in Bishalgarh (around 45 minutes from Agartala)

Dawki, Meghalaya: Known for its crystal-clear Umngot River, perfect for a relaxing boat ride

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I am writing this feedback/ appreciation on behalf of my mother who recently travelled with

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I would like to praise the cabin crew staff on the above mentioned flight. The team was lead by Mr. Harshit Mishra, assisted by Madhuri, Madhuri Kumari and Pooja Bhadauria.

My mother managed to get the names of the crew.

They all were so helpful and nature was so humble and friendly with all the passengers.

The crew had continuous attentiveness and politeness towards all the passengers.

My mother was seated at 13D also she was travelling alone so I was a but curious about her travel journey.

The crew made sure she had all the comfort during her flight.

Despite, the flight was completely packed up, the crew Continuous prompt actions of serving her and all the passengers were so perfect. And by seeing the dedication of the crew towards their work got me to put up an appreciation mail for your team. Really team like these, make a far step further then travelling with any other reputed airlines.

Want to thank your entire team for making my mother's journey so comfortable and safe.

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Internal Appreciation

Balamurali is a very reliable person and a great team player who has been consistent in his endeavours. He is friendly and ready to take on challenges at all times. His commitment to his duties, hard work and positive attitude are noteworthy qualities that make him an asset to the team and the organisation as a whole. His efforts are much appreciated.



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My 13 years with SpiceJet has been a blessing. I have graduated from being a trainer to an auditor and have grown significantly in my profession. Tough times have made me stronger and more resilient. I feel really happy and satisfied to see safe flights with smiling SpiceJet passengers. Getting a call for help from the staff gives me a feeling of being fruitful.

Internal Appreciation

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Training

Experience with SpiceJet

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Internal Appreciation

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Edible flowers have always been a part of culinary traditions worldwide, valued not only for their aesthetic appeal but also for their flavour and medicinal properties. And India has a long and luminous history of using flowers in cooking, also in wedding menus, both for their flavour and their significance in traditional medicine and religious rituals, as well as in beauty practices.

FLOWER POWER

Historically, lavender, roses and violets have played noteworthy roles in international cuisines. Lavender adds a subtle floral aroma to desserts and teas, while roses are used in a wide range of dishes, from Middle Eastern rosewater-infused delicacies to Indian sweets. Violets have been used in European desserts and as natural dyes.

Radhakrishna Shenoi – Assistant Vice President, Operations, CGH Earth – says, “In Indian cuisine, flowers like gulab (rose), marigold, and lotus (kamal phool) have been widely used for their flavour and symbolic and medicinal significance. The marigold, for example, is appreciated for its vibrant colour and antiseptic properties. In South Indian cooking, banana blossoms (vazhaipoo), moringa flowers (murungai poo), and pumpkin blossoms (poosanikai poo) are popular in various traditional recipes. Other regional favorites include the hibiscus flower (chembarathi poo), neem flowers (veppam poo), and the butterfly pea flower (sangu pushpam), known for its striking blue hue and health benefits. These flowers, rooted in ancient traditions, continue to bring flavour, colour, and health to modern dishes.”

The Mughal dynasty, which ruled much of India between the 16th and 19th centuries, played a crucial role in popularising the use of these flavour-packed flowers in food, particularly in the royal kitchens, where dishes were infused with rose, jasmine, and other floral essences.



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butterfly pea and saffron are steeped to impart vibrant colours and subtle floral notes to dishes and beverages. “Flowers can also be used in preserves, such as rose petal jam or violet syrup, allowing their delicate flavours to be enjoyed long after their bloom. In savoury dishes, flowers like squash blossoms, chive flowers, and nasturtiums bring depth and complexity. They are commonly added to salads, soups, and stuffings for a burst of flavour and texture. In beverages, flowers such as hibiscus, elderflower, and lavender are widely used to make teas, cocktails, and fermented drinks like kombucha, infusing refreshing floral elements into every sip,” explains Shenoi.

ENHANCE THE EXPERIENCE

Flowers can add flavour, colour and texture to a wide variety of dishes. Candied flowers are used in cakes and pastries. Flowers like hibiscus or rose petals are sometimes used to flavour and add a unique floral aroma to ice creams and sorbets. Edible flowers such as nasturtiums, pansies or calendula add colour, texture and flavour to salads. Rose, elderflower or violet make great jams and jellies. “Some flowers, such as daylilies and squash blossoms, can be used in soups for both flavour and presentation. Squash blossoms are often used in Mexican cuisine – for example, in soups or quesadillas – and in Italian cuisines, often stuffed with ricotta or cheese, battered, and fried for a savoury dish. Saffron (from the crocus flower) and cloves (from the buds of a flower) are widely used as spices in many cuisines around the world,” adds Das.

So, remember to choose your flowers well so that you ensure both safety and an enjoyable culinary experience ●

DO IT RIGHT

When cooking with flowers, it is important to follow a few essential guidelines to ensure safety and quality. Firstly, use only edible flowers as not all flowers are safe to eat, especially foxglove, oleander and daffodils, which are toxic. And choose only flowers that have been grown organically – and without the use of pesticides or herbicides – since these do not have any harmful chemicals that can make their way into your dishes.

Flowers lose their flavour and texture quickly, so it is best to use them as fresh as possible to retain their aesthetic and taste appeal. Pistils and stamens can sometimes be bitter or cause allergic reactions. Unless a recipe specifies otherwise, only the petals should be used. Some individuals may have allergic reactions to flowers, much like they do to pollen. It is wise to introduce them in small amounts to test for any potential sensitivities.

“Flowers from florists or garden centres may be treated with harmful substances that are not safe for consumption. Know the flavour profile – different flowers have distinct flavours, from sweet to spicy to bitter. For example, lavender is floral and sweet, while nasturtiums have a peppery taste. Many edible flowers have strong flavours, so use them in moderation to avoid overpowering your dish. They should enhance, not dominate, the flavours,” advises Chef Vikas Das, Aramness Gir.

BEYOND GARNISHES

Edible flowers can be used in a variety of culinary applications, enhancing both colour and flavour in unique ways. Infusions are a popular method, where flowers like



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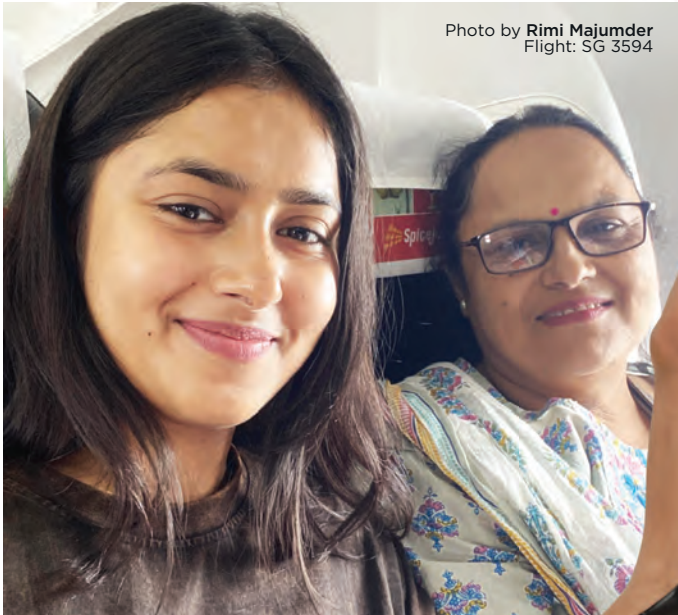


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Children's Day is celebrated on 14 November, the date of birth of India's first Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, whose fondness for children was widely acknowledged. On this day every year, campaigns are run to raise awareness on the rights, education and welfare of children, and activities organised to illuminate the joys and wonders of childhood.

Since the 1940s, and for the best part of two decades, Nehru's birthday has been celebrated across the country, and also by Indian communities abroad. On this day, public meetings would be held in his honour, and games organised for kids. But it was in 1954 that November 14 was first given over to Children's Day, when some 50,000 girls and boys

participated in the festivities at the National Stadium in Delhi. And in 1957, a special government decree officially declared November 14 as Children's Day, on which occasion the government's Department of Posts and Telegraphs brought out first-day covers and three commemorative stamps on Bal Din (Children's Day).

Also in 1957, and memorably so, white pigeons were released during a ceremony at the National Stadium, one of which returned and sat on the head of the Prime Minister.

Nehru was affectionately referred to as Chacha (uncle) Nehru by India's kids, a term of endearment that pleased him no end. According to M.O. Mathai, the PM's private secretary, "Nehru saw in their innocent faces and sparkling eyes the future of India. He was convinced that no amount of money spent on children and their mothers was too much, and that it was a sound investment for the future," wrote Mathai in his memoirs, *My Days With Nehru*.

When interviewed in 1958, Nehru himself said, "I have always felt that the children of today will make the India of tomorrow, and the way we bring them up will determine the future of the country."

Every year on Bal Diwas (Children's Day), a slew of programmes, both educational and motivational, are conducted all over India, focusing on the importance of fostering and protecting the rights and well-being of India's children. Private schools hold fairs for their students, and some schools, especially those run by the government, announce a holiday ●





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ARIES

This month, be a little attentive at work. Managing your finances and adhering to a strict budget should be a priority. Things might appear to be moving a bit slower than expected on the business front. Being regular at workout will help keep ailments away. There is a fair chance of encountering someone you generally try to avoid.

Lucky No.: 22

Lucky Colour:
Navy Blue



TAURUS

Workload is likely to increase, but you will be able to deal with it efficiently. Your advice on some project may not hit the bull's eye, but it will be close. You will need to take some steps on the financial front. Tapping multiple sources of income is on the cards. Spending some quality time with loved ones will make you feel better.

Lucky No.: 11

Lucky Colour:
Sea Green



GEMINI

Too much work on your platter may make you commit mistakes, so be careful. Hire someone only if you are sure the person will be helpful to you for your projects. Some financial concerns might keep you worried. Weakness for junk food threatens to play havoc with your health. Differences are likely to even out with your loved one.

Lucky No.: 4

Lucky Colour:
Turquoise



CANCER

Someone important is likely to make you happy by paying you a compliment! You may remain confused regarding a healthy diet, so don't start until you are convinced about it. Romantic front is set to brighten up. A property deal is likely to turn out in your favour. There is a distinct possibility of making a short, but interesting, trip.

Lucky No.: 7

Lucky Colour:
Orange



LEO

Don't take anyone for granted but invest your time wisely in people. A confrontation with your spouse or an elder is possible, but you will be able to diffuse the situation. Recognition on the academic front is foreseen for some. A new skill enhancement course may keep some of you busy. A financial crisis will be handled well.

Lucky No.: 4

Lucky Colour: Dark
Slate Grey



VIRGO

Many things may be happening at once and may tie you up a little. You are likely to set a perfect example on the professional front for others to follow. Excelling on the academic front is possible for some. Keeping yourself physically active will be your key to maintaining excellent health. Financially, you will focus on limiting unnecessary expenditure.

Lucky No.: 1

Lucky Colour: Peach



LIBRA

You may have to make special efforts at work. Take only that much work which you can conveniently handle. Also, teamwork will help you complete your job in good time. Financial problems for some may need to be solved on priority. Incomplete paperwork may cause delay in getting a loan. You will need to overcome your weakness for junk food.

Lucky No.: 5

Lucky Colour:
Bluish Green



SCORPIO

There might be a sudden travel plan by friends, so keep other options open. Monetarily, you are set to grow strong. Your helpful nature will make you a favorite in your social circle. You are likely to render help to someone in dire need of money. Health remains satisfactory and you will not have anything to worry about.

Lucky No.: 7

Lucky Colour:
Off White



SAGITTARIUS

This month, luck is going to be in your favour, so keep your fingers crossed! Your professional competence is likely to be appreciated by all at work. Success is foretold for those venturing into something new on the business front. Financial gain is expected in whatever you undertake this month. Exercise and good dietary control will help you enjoy good health.

Lucky No.: 1

Lucky Colour: Golden



CAPRICORN

This is the right time to put up your request at work! A training schedule or a course will help you hone your professional skills. A distinct improvement in monetary condition will help you look beyond. Your bargaining skills will help you save money on products or services. Someone will repose full faith in you.

Lucky No.: 5

Lucky Colour:
Turquoise



AQUARIUS

You may have to be a bit firm with someone and not toe their line. Carelessness threatens to mar your performance at work. Someone may resist your attempts to make changes at home which may lead to confrontation. Refrain from impulse buying. Taking time off from work for romance is possible.

Lucky No.: 7

Lucky Colour:
Maroon



PISCES

Differences of opinion may lead to a showdown with your spouse, so be careful. You may find it difficult to grab new opportunities coming your way. Performance on the academic front may leave much to be desired. You may have to foot the bill of someone close, but little you can do about it! It is best to go along with your lover's plans.

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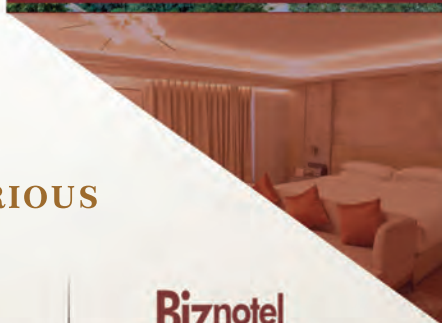
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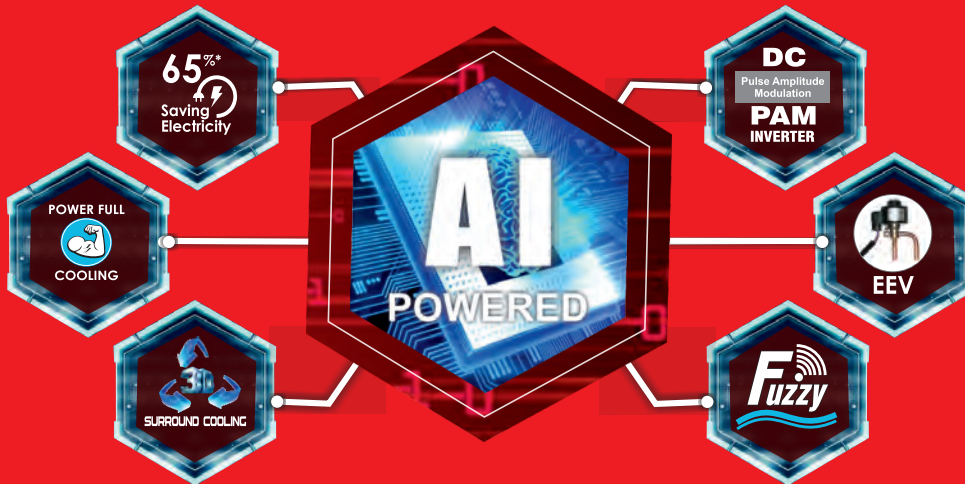
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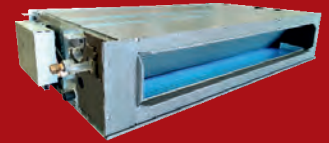
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