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Key to Human Values

There may be many heirs to our property, but we alone are responsible for our actions. We ourselves have to bear the consequences. If our actions are good then the results of our actions will also be good. Results and actions are anyway interconnected.

In the months of October-December 1973, Hansti Duniya magazine was released for the first time. The readers who got associated with it from childhood or youth must have entered old age by now and there must have been a radical change in their thoughts and actions because Hansti Duniya upholds the values of family, society, morality, universal brotherhood and spirituality. At this point of time, people of every class and age can definitely learn something for themselves from this magazine.

Many articles, columns, motivational stories, educational and spiritual stories, poems, cartoons, science quizzes, humorous stories etc. of this magazine not only develop our intellect but also bring positive changes in our habits and values. These also prove helpful

in achieving success in society, family, business and every other field of life. The change is visible in our actions and also in our behavior. The main objective of this magazine is to help keep ourselves and others joyful and happy, help as much as possible, address the youngsters affectionately, respect elders, parents and teachers, stay away from criticism and arrogance, to live a simple life and adopt the doctrine of humanity. Only a good human being can become a living example of humanity, an ideal citizen and a true human being.

Some selected works are being published in this month's magazine from some of the works published in the past years so that new readers can get to know the reason due to which today Hansti Duniya is published in many languages.

On the occasion of its fiftieth year (Golden Jubilee), we are grateful for the cooperation of all those who have made a record of completing 50 years of this magazine, through which the values of countless people have changed. Qualified people became experts and children, students and people of every section of society learned the art of living.

We pray to Almighty God for wellbeing of all of you. May you as well as Hansti Duniya continue to progress.

– Vimlesh Ahuja

SAMPURAN AVTAR BANI



IK TU HI NIRANKAR 188

DHRIGAKAR HAI OHNAN TAIN JO VI KUFAR KAMAVANGE;
SACH NA JEKAR DIL VICH VASIA PAK KIVEN HO JAVANGE.
DHRIGAKAR HAI US JEEVAN NOON PAVE NA JO RABI DAT;
SUKK SAD JANDI HAI OH KHETI HOVE NA JITHE BARSAT.
DHRIGAKAR HAI SHOOM DI DAULAT JO NA VARTI JA SAKKE;
DHRIGAKAR HAI SUNDAR TAN TE PI NOON JO NA BHA SAKKE.
DHRIGAKAR HAI OHNAN NOON JO ANDRON BAHRON GANDE NE;
SADH SHARAN JO AA NA SAKKAN BHAG OHNAN DE MANDE NE.
JINHAN NOON CHA RAB VEKHAN DA VADDE BHAGAN WALE NE;
AVTAR JINHAN NOON SATGUR LABHA REHMAT GODI PALE NE.

THOU FORMLESS ONE 188

Cursed are those whosoever indulge in blasphemy;
How can they become pure unless the Truth dwells in their heart.
Cursed is that life which does not attain this divine gift;
The crop that does not receive the rainfall, withers and decays.
Cursed is the wealth of a miser that cannot be put to any use;
Cursed is the beautiful body that fails to fascinate the loved one.
Cursed are those who are impure from within and without;
Those who are unable to seek the shelter of the True Master are the unfortunate ones.
Fortunate are those who have the urge to perceive God;
Avtar says, those who have found the True Master are nurtured in the lap of divine Grace.

Light of True Knowledge

—Naresh Ahuja

Sonu came from school and told his father, that they were told in school about forthcoming Diwali festival and how to celebrate it. On being asked by his father he told that they would wear new clothes, light lamps, decorate the house, eat sweets, worship and have holidays. Father further enquired if they were told something else about Diwali. Sonu answered that they were also told that this was the day of victory of truth over falsehood. Shri Ram returned to Ayodhya and the people welcomed him by lighting lamps and distributing sweets etc. Father asked why he acted to the contrary. Sonu answered that they all overpower truth and the truth itself becomes helpless. Truth goes unheard.

Hearing this, father was upset and made Sonu understand lovingly that truth is the light of knowledge which enlightens the life of people who come in its contact. One who lights the lamp he gets the light

as well as brings light to others. The darkness disperses and everything can be seen clearly. Truth prevails; truth is immortal, ever lasting and indestructible. Truth remains the same in all times. The realization of Truth is called knowledge. One who realizes it gets filled with inner light and sees everything in a clear manner.

Dear friends! We have to enlighten our inner-self. This world is only our reflection. If we want we can beautify it more by keeping our houses, cities as well as our minds clean and pure. Let us always translate the feeling of Truth in our lives, then we don't have to wait for Diwali, every day will be Diwali. To impart this true knowledge, the Annual Nirankari Sant Samagam was being celebrated on 28-31 October in Samalkha. We must enlighten our minds and souls and see the formless God in form and make our lives worthy. ●



Books

—Lenore Hetrick

I feel there's just one song to sing -
And that's a song of books!
I can't think of another thing,
Except them and their looks.

All year companions, these bleak soldiers
Never left my side.
Summer evenings, winter dawns
With me they did abide,

Books! Books! Right and left!
Knowledge by the yard.
Books! Books! Build and heft,
And problems daunting hard.



Books with dates and books with songs,
And books that make you cry.
Books that like great city throngs
Went ever surging by.
Awake it was a world of books!

Every Living Being Has Different Qualities

—Dr. Ghamandilal Agarwal

The rooster crowed (cock-a-doodle-do). Tanishk opened his eyes, got up from his bed and went running to his mother.

He asked his mother, 'Why does this rooster crow at this time every day?'

'To wake you up, otherwise you are not going to get up early?' Mom replied, caressing Tanishk's head.

Tanishk said, 'That is why it is also called a clock that gives accurate time. Isn't it mom?'

'Yes son.' Mom's answer was short.

Every day Tanishk was full of enthusiasm and excitement in the beautiful environment of the village. He happily completed his daily routine. Along with his parents, he also enjoyed the company of his grandparents.

After some time, Tanishk went to the terrace of the house to enjoy the cool, mild and fragrant air. He was overjoyed, when he saw something enchanting there. Actually, for a long time a peacock was dancing joyfully with its wings spread. Tanishk started looking at it. Mother called out, 'Tanishk, please take grains on the roof for the birds.'

'Yes mom, I shall just come.' He went downstairs to his mother in the room and brought a bowl full of corn, wheat, millets and gram. He scattered these grains on the roof. The peacock ate some grains and flew away. But the



charming posture of the peacock was flashing before Tanishk's eyes.

Meanwhile, grandfather called Tanishk, 'Tanishk ! Don't you want to go for a walk?'

'I am coming, grandfather', replied Tanishk.



Tanishk came down from the terrace and started walking along with grandfather. As soon as they came out of the house, Tommy followed them wagging his tail. When they saw Tommy doing this, grandfather said to Tanishk, 'Look, how much this silent creature loves us! He has great affection for us. Stories about its loyalty are popular all over the world. That is why it is called 'vigilant guard.'

'Yes, Grandpa! Tanishk agreed with grandfather. Both of them started moving fast. They had just walked a short distance when they saw a cuckoo

sitting on a tree that was singing (cooing) a sweet song. It was a feast to Tanishk's ears. He stood and listened attentively. Grandfather could gauge his feelings. He also stood close to Tanishk.

Grandfather told Tanishk, 'This is a male cuckoo whose sweet voice is captivating you.'

"Male cuckoo? Don't female cuckoos sing?' Tanishk asked curiously.

'No, the female cuckoo does not sing and the cuckoo is also very clever. It never descends to the ground, it stays only on trees. This is the 'State Bird' of Jharkhand state', said grandfather.



how the plants get fruits', grandfather satisfied Tanishk's curiosity.

'Okay grandfather', said Tanishk. Meanwhile, Tanishk saw a herd of sheep. They were enjoying themselves. The shepherd was walking along with the sheep carrying a stick on his shoulder.

Tanishk had a question.

He said, 'Grandfather! How do sheep remember their route?'

'Wow Grandpa! Strange are the ways of God', Tanishk looked at grandfather smilingly.

He saw some bumble bees hovering over some plants under a tree.

Tanishk couldn't stop himself. He said, 'Grandfather! Why are these bumble bees hovering over these plants?'

'They hover over the flowers for pollination. That is



'They always move in groups one after the other', grandfather answered. 'They also remain safe in the herd', grandfather spoke again.

This is also referred to as 'Mob Mentality ', Tanishk laughed.

It was quite some time. They started back towards home. After sometime they reached home.

They saw a crow sitting on the parapet and cawing.

Tanishk said, 'Grandfather! Why do crows caw?'

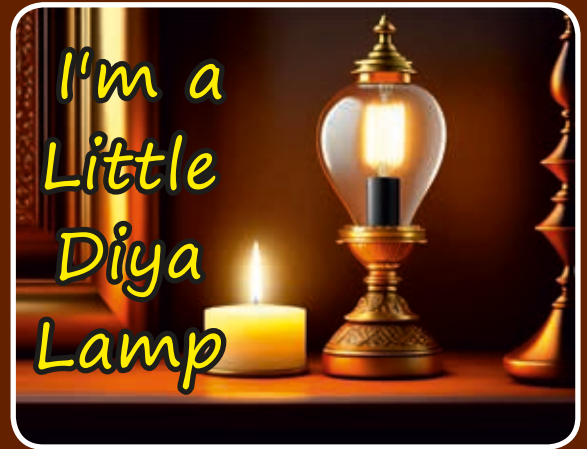
Grandfather replied, 'When a crow makes a cawing sound, there is an old belief that a guest is about to come to the house.'

They heard Tanishk's mother telling his father that she had forgotten to tell him that Tanishk's uncle was coming that day.

'See the crow's prediction has also come true', Tanishk said to his grandfather after listening to his mother. Along with Tanishk, grandfather also could not stop laughing.

Today Tanishk had understood very well that every living being has different qualities that is why there is life on earth.

'It will be wise if we also maintain our qualities', grandfather gave valuable advice to Tanishk. ●



I'm a Little Diva Lamp
Short and stout.
Here's my candle,
Here's my spout,
When it is Diwali time,
Hear them shout,
Happy Diwali
All about.

Diwali

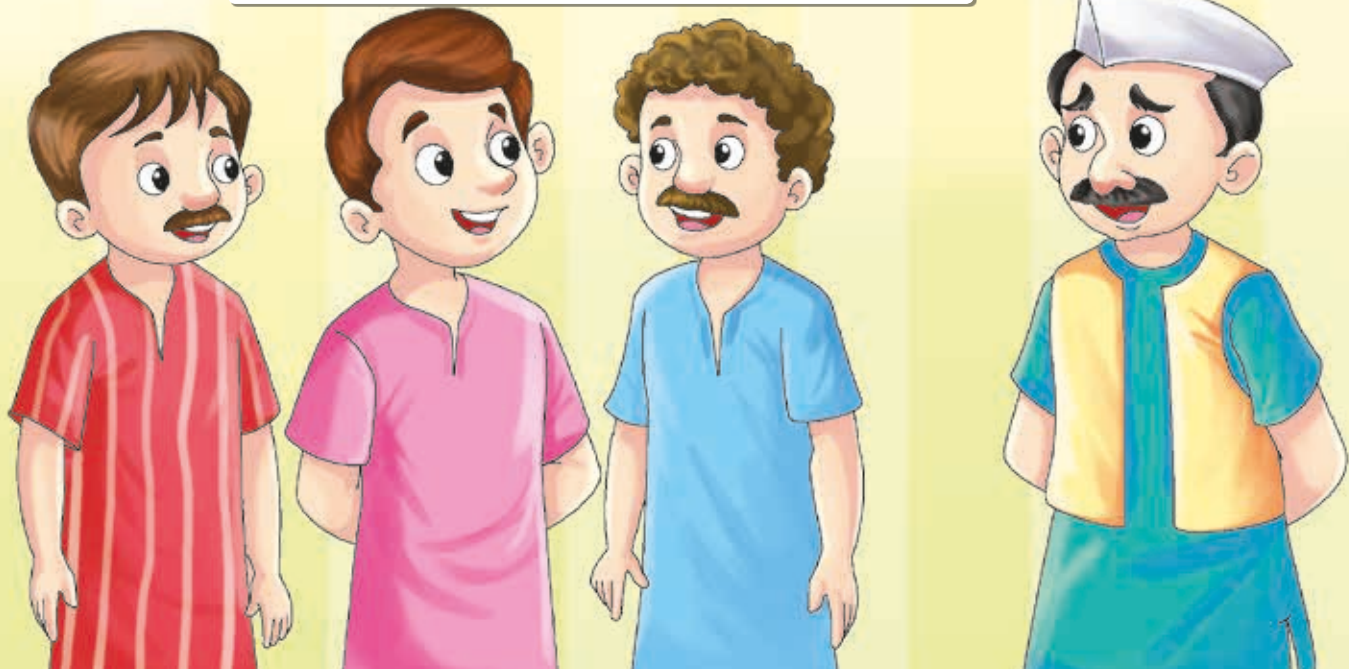
Diwali is here,
Happiness arrives,
Happiness here,
Diyas lighted in every house,
Rangoli patterns in every house.
Diwali is here,
Diwali is here,
Happiness arrives,
Happiness here.

—Unknown

Grandpa

Story & Illustration
—Ajay Kalra

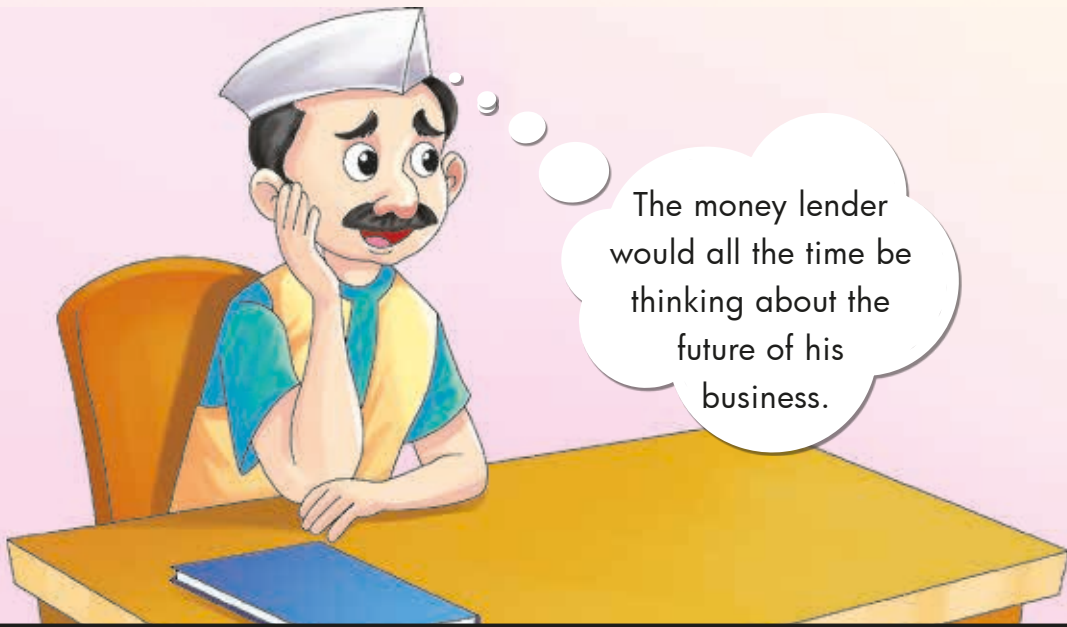
Once upon a time a money lender had three sons.



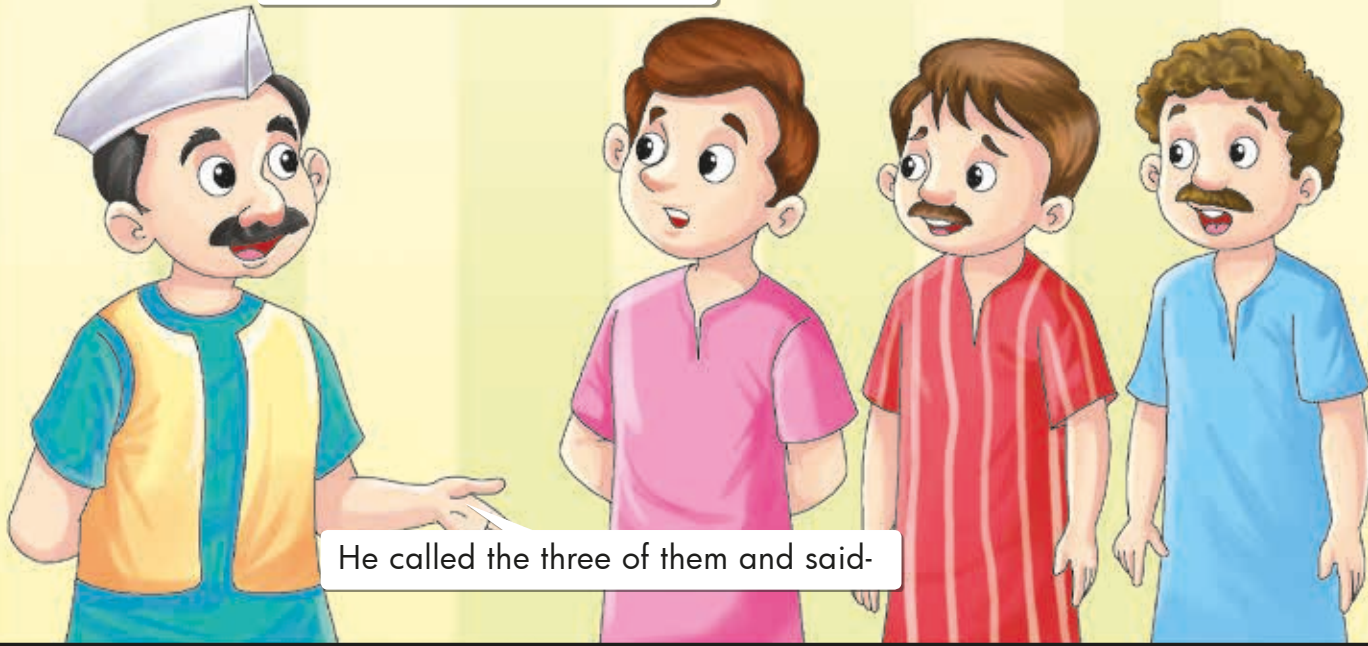
All Three of them were all the time frolicking around.



They were not aware of their responsibilities at all.



One day he thought of a plan.



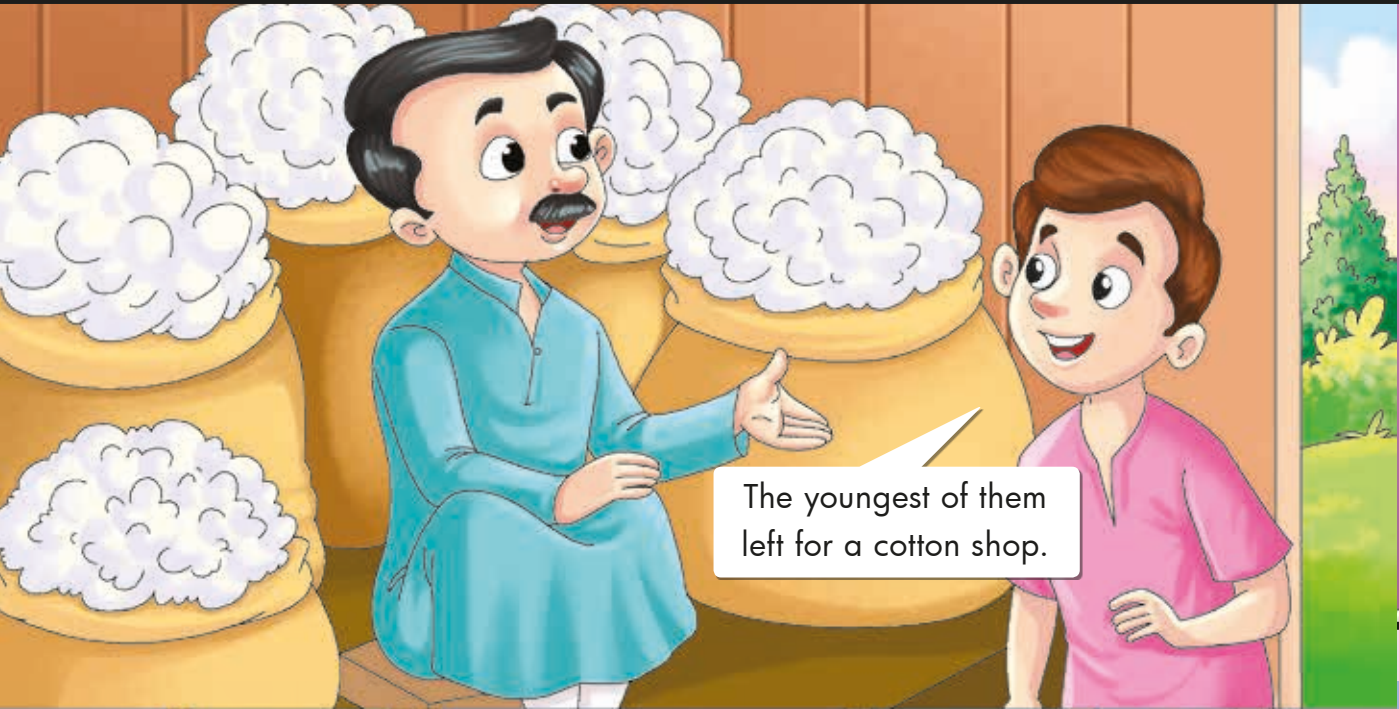
He called the three of them and said-

Who so ever will fill my entire room vsing minimum amount of money shall inherit my business.





Three of them left in different directions.



The youngest of them left for a cotton shop.



Father! I filled the entire room by spending just rupees 2000.



What is this?

Father! I just spent rupees 1000 and filled your entire room with flowers, leaves and wood.



Oh! Why are you standing in the dark?

Father! Just see I shall fill the entire room with light by just lightening a candle.



Very good son.

You are capable enough to inherit my business.

Children! Can you see a wise and capable person lone is the rightful heir.

The Festival of Lights

— Nehal Khatri, Gangtok, Sikkim

Diwali, also known as 'Deepavali' (a row of lamps), is one of the most fervently celebrated festivals of India. Diwali is often called the 'Festival of Lights', and is celebrated by lighting lamps, and bursting crackers and fireworks. It is a festival which commemorates the victorious return of Lord Rama from a 14 year exile to Ayodhya after saving his wife Sita from the demon king Ravana. This religious festival represents the triumph of good over evil and light over darkness. On Rama's return, the people of Ayodhya lit diyas to welcome him and celebrate his victory. According to the Puranas, Goddess Lakshmi took birth on the day of the new moon during Kartik month. This day is also celebrated in the form of Goddess Lakshmi's birthday by performing different rituals.

People all over India celebrate Diwali by lighting earthen oil lamps and decorating their houses with lights of different colors and sizes. All these lights transform streets across India into

a mesmerizing sight to behold. Kids celebrate the occasion by bursting crackers and different fireworks. Some also believe in discarding old things and buying new ones. This also involves discarding unused old items at home and buying new ones on Diwali, so the festival brings in everything fresh and new.

Diwali is derived from the Sanskrit word Deepavali which means row of lights. So, this festival is celebrated by lighting lamps (usually earthen lamps) all around the house/office. It also symbolizes light as the victory over darkness. It is celebrated exactly 20 days after the festival of Vijayadashami or the end of Dusshera.

Generally Diwali celebrations go on for five days however it may vary for different regions and customs. The five days are Dhanteras, Naraka Chaturdashi, Lakshmi Pooja, Govardhan Pooja, and Bhai Dooj. The first day of the Diwali celebration marks 'Dhanteras' or the worship of wealth.

On this day, Goddess Lakshmi is worshipped, and there is a custom to purchase something precious. The second day of the Diwali celebration marks Naraka Chaturdashi or Chhoti Diwali. On this day, people wake up early in the morning and apply aromatic oils to them before taking a bath to remove all sins and impurities from their life. The third day is the main festival. On this day, Lakshmi (God of wealth) is worshipped



with great devotion. People wear new clothes, offer Puja, and enjoy by lighting diyas and bursting a few crackers. The fourth day of the Diwali celebration marks Govardhan Puja or Padva. It is said that Lord Krishna defeated Indra on this day by lifting the massive Govardhan Mountain. Using cow dung, people make a small hillock that symbolizes Govardhan and worship it. The fifth day of Diwali celebration marks Bhai Dooj. On this day, sisters visit their brother's house

and perform a 'tilak' ceremony. Sisters pray for their brother's long and happy life while the brothers give precious gifts to their sisters.

Diwali is one of the most important festivals celebrated in both north and southern parts of India. This festival signifies brotherhood, togetherness and joy. As all festivals bring us immense amount of joy it is our responsibility to celebrate our festivals traditionally while keeping in mind safety for others, our mother earth and the environment. ●

National Constitution Day

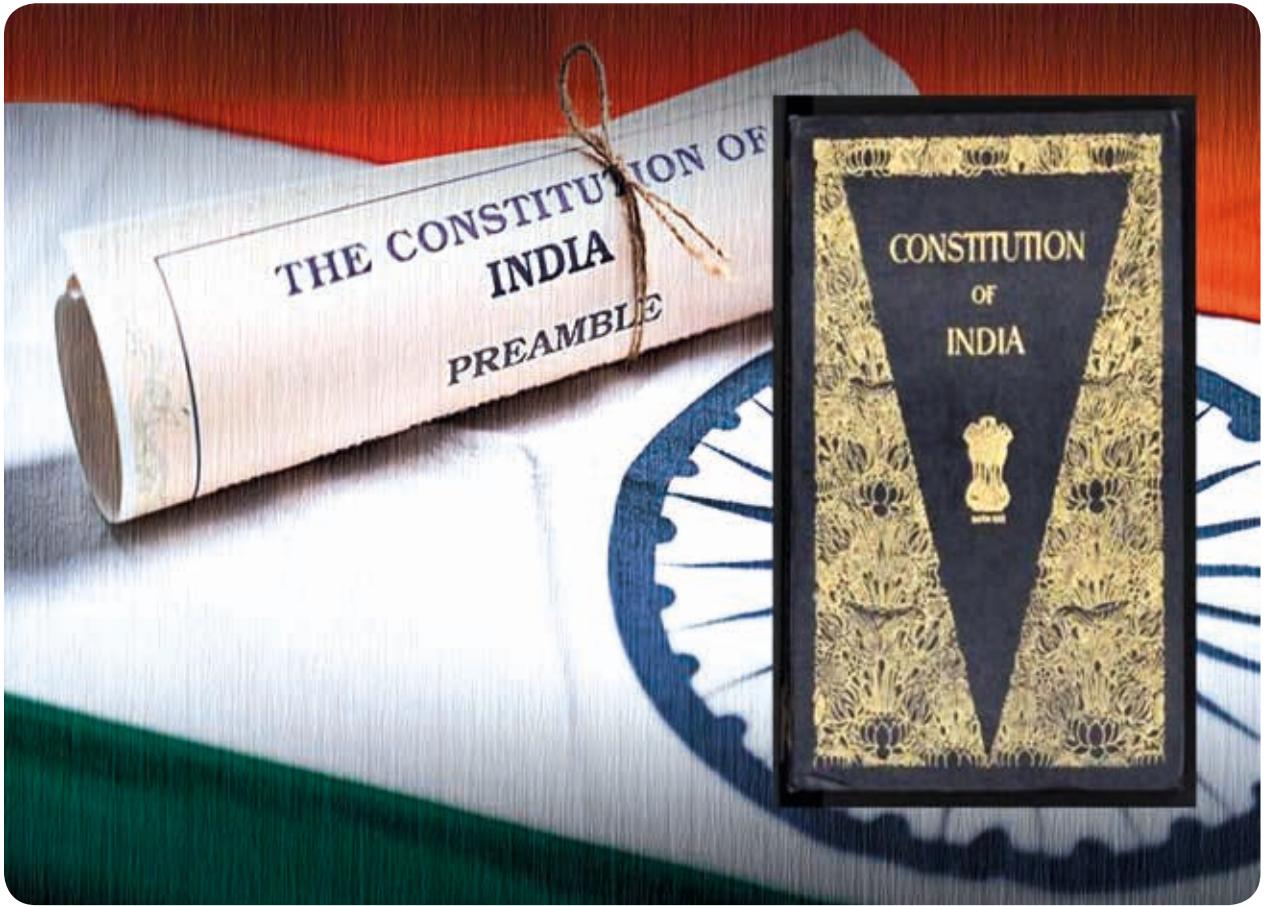
— Nehal

National Constitution Day also known as the 'Samvidhan Divas' is celebrated on the 26th of November every year to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India. On 26th November 1949, the Constituent Assembly of India adopted the Constitution of India, which came into effect from 26th January 1950. Prime Minister Narendra Modi was the one who came up with the idea of celebrating Constitution Day in India. In 2015, the Prime Minister wanted to commemorate Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's, the father of the constitution, 125th birth anniversary as a big occasion. As a result, on November 19th, the government issued an official gazette recognising November 26th as Constitution Day of India.

Constitution is the only backbone of the country which has kept the country together, with many diverse cultures, various languages, and ethnicities, for 76 years. Constitution is a set of rules and regulations guiding the administration of a country. The Constitution of India

begins with a Preamble which contains the basic ideals and principles of the constitution. It lays down the objectives of the constitution.

The Indian Constitution is one of the lengthiest constitutions in the whole world as the creator of the constitution took the essence of the constitution from the American, British, Japanese and several other constitutions. The Constitution of India comprises of 448 articles. It has 5 appendices, 12 schedules and 25 parts. The constitution of India was drafted on 26th November 1949 after almost three years (two years and eleven months) of rigorous hard work by the drafting committee. The committee was headed by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar who played a key role in drafting our constitution. A Drafting Committee was set up by the Constituent Assembly to draft the Indian Constitution. This committee comprised of seven members. These were Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, Kanaiyalal Maneklal Munshi, N. Gopalaswami Ayengar, B.L. Mitter, Alladi Krishnaswamy



Iyer, Mohammad Saadullah and DP Khaitan. After the drafting committee presented the final draft, more than 2000 amendments were made before it was finally approved. These amendments were made after a lot of discussion. The Constitution of India was handwritten and carefully calligraphed. It was written in both English and Hindi languages. There are 104 amendments means it is partly rigid and partly flexible. Owing to this, it can easily change and grow with the change of times.

Constitution Day reconnects us to our basic origins and makes us appreciate the importance of the country's constitution. It should be honored with unprecedented passion and excitement by all segments of society, not just government departments. It is celebrated to spread the awareness and celebrate our leaders and their vision for a great country like India. It is not only a set of rules and regulation but also path way to make this county and its citizens responsible, respectful to our county and each other. ●

Lack of Wisdom



— Radhey Lal Navchakr

Four birds lived together on a banyan tree - a pigeon, a crow, a heron and a parrot. All four were good friends. All the chores were done together. They were happy.

But whenever something went wrong, the pigeon was held responsible. The pigeon was truthful and simple in nature. Even if he was not at fault, he would accept it, for the sake of their friendship.

One day food was being prepared. The heron added less salt to the curry. When it came to know that salt was less, the heron immediately clarified. "What



could I do? The pigeon did not bring the salt on time, what ever little was available I put in the curry."

The pigeon did not show any reaction to the heron's words just remained silent. The salt had already been brought. It was sealed in a separate packet. Out of laziness, heron did not open the new packet and add salt to the curry. The pigeon did not give his explanation. He thought the heron would feel bad. Friendship may break. He thought it best to remain silent.

Once, due to the carelessness of crow, an oil barrel rolled over.

Immediately he rebuked the pigeon, "Why do you keep an open can of oil? All the oil spilled out and got wasted away."

The pigeon could have said, "The can was placed at the right place. One should be careful while working. Hurry makes curry." But he did not say that. He remained silent. The crow would have become sad if an issue was made. Friendship would have been in danger.

Similarly, one day the parrot bought some fruit from the market.



The fruit turned out to be rotten. The parrot blamed the pigeon for this, "The pigeon gave me the money late; it was dark by the time I reached the market. The fruit seller took advantage of the darkness and gave me rotten fruits."

It was not like that. The pigeon had given the money much earlier. The parrot went late to the market.

The parrot knew that whatever he said, the pigeon would never oppose him, will accept easily. Therefore, without any hesitation, he put the blame on the pigeon. The pigeon accepted it by remaining silent for the sake of mutual love and friendship. In this way all was going well. Years passed by.

Once the pigeon went out for two weeks for some important work. When he returned, he became very much worried when he did not see anyone on that tree. He started searching for all three. When he met heron he came to know that all three were fighting all the time due to mutual differences. They separated from each other. Friendship broke.

The pigeon then gathered everyone at one place and said, "There is only one bad thing about us due to which our friendship broke.

"What's that?" Everyone spoke together.

"We don't want to admit our mistakes. We try to impose our mistakes

on others. This is not a good habit. Our problems have increased and we are more sad than before. Due to this we lost our friendship. There is bliss and joy in living together, there can never be loneliness.

Everyone accepted.

If we wish then we can again live together and live a happy and joyful life. But there is one condition. Whenever any one of us commits a mistake, we should never blame it on the other person. Accept your mistake easily. This will not make us small, rather it will add to our greatness. This will have a positive effect on our friendship. It will keep getting deeper. Everyone's life will be happy and joyful. Everyone makes mistakes in life. Only by accepting it, can we improve it. The pigeon looked questioningly at all three.

"Surely came the mixed voice of all three. "You know, not accepting your mistake is not wisdom, it is the biggest foolishness. Because of this foolishness, we got separated from each other and lost our happiness, peace and joy. Our life has become hell." The pigeon completed his sentence.

"Now we will not commit such foolishness. We will stay together." All of them spoke together. ●



THE DARK NEEDS TO GO AWAY

— SAKSHI BATRA (SINGAPORE)

The dark needs to go away
The clouds need to sway
The emptiness needs to
fill itself To the brim
until it creates a new way

The love needs to flow
Chasing the sadness and the sorrow
Happiness needs to knock
On the doors that house
the bad thoughts
Creating a new tomorrow

The house needs smiles
Trashing the tears and the pain
Laughter needs to echo
In places that are full of complaints
Through the joy it gains

Life needs a new turn
Seeking the almighty
Creating new sparkles
And inspirations
Getting more lively!



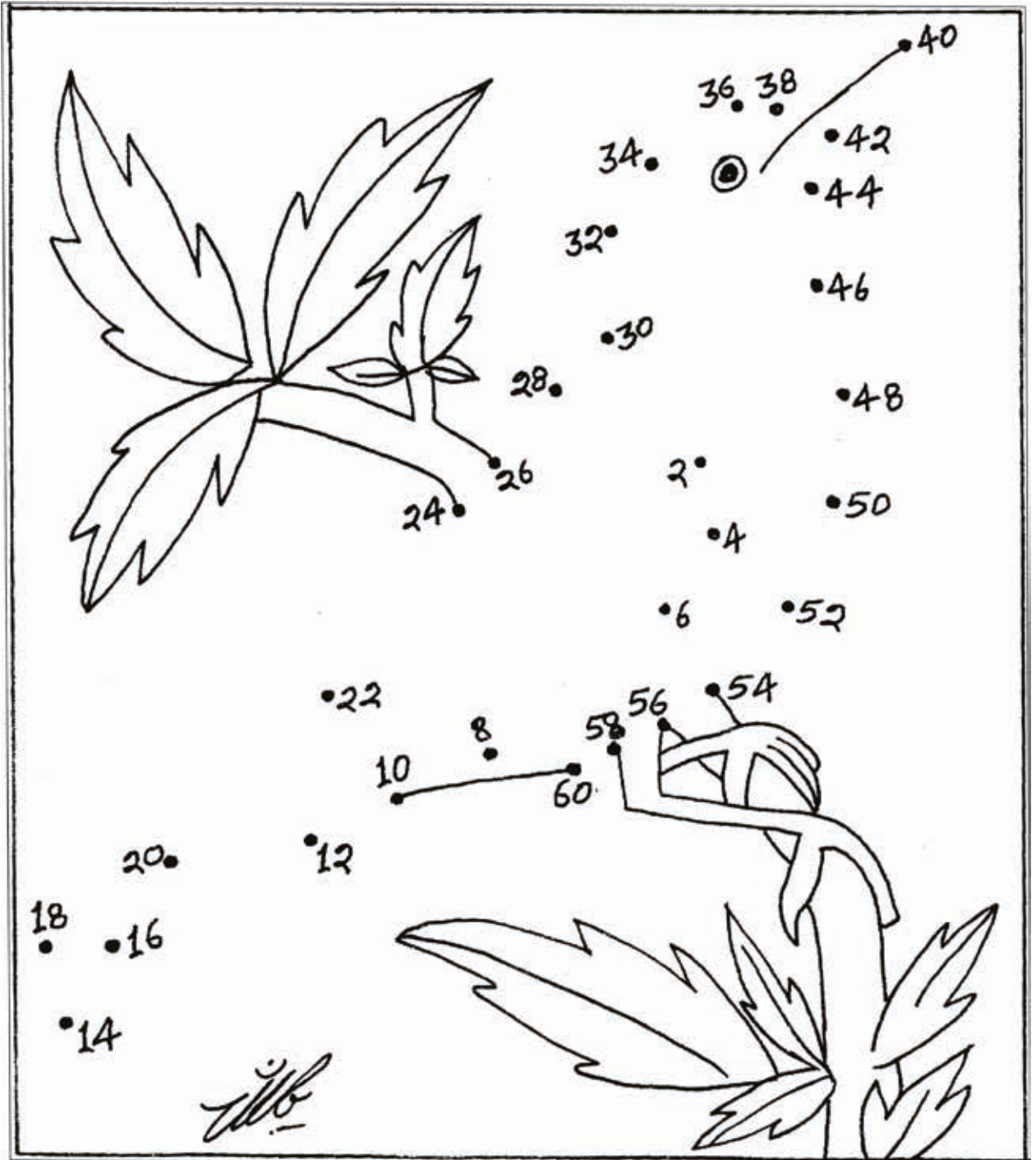
1. Which state is famous for oranges in India?
2. Litti Chokha is famous food of which state of India?
3. From which country did coffee originate?
4. Which oil is used for cooking in South India?
5. What is the main ingredient in the popular Middle Eastern dish 'Hummus'?
6. Which is one of the only native fruits of North America often consumed during thanks giving and Christmas?
7. Which is the most consumed fruit in the world?
8. Which vegetable has the maximum water content?
9. Which is the cheapest vegetable?
10. Which acid is present in cold drinks?

Answers

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| 1. Maharashtra | 5. Chickpeas | 9. Potatoes |
| 2. Bihar | 6. Cranberry | 10. Carbonic acid |
| 3. Ethiopia | 7. Bananas | |
| 4. Coconut oil | 8. Cucumber | |

Make The Picture and Colour it.

Dear friends! Speak out the table of 2 and join the points serial wise.
Thus make a beautiful bird and colour it.



Diwali Celebration

—Lalit Shaurya

Coco the cat was very much fond of bursting crackers. Every year she eagerly waited for Diwali. She would save money throughout the year to celebrate Diwali. On Diwali she would buy a bagful of crackers.

'What is the program for Diwali this year? Ratty the mouse asked Coco. "This time too, like every year, I will buy a lot of crackers", Coco replied shrugging her shoulders.

"Oh, that means we are in the mood for late-night fireworks this year too", said Ratty.

"Yes, of course. There will be lots of crackers and fireworks till late night", said Coco.

"I think, too many fireworks are not good. Didn't you hear what Ma'am said in the environment class in school? This will harm our environment. A lot of harm is done as the air becomes polluted", Ratty tried to explain.

"I just want to burst firecrackers. That's fun", said Coco and went away from there.

Diwali was approaching. Everyone was busy shopping. Coco was also

making a list of her crackers. She opened her piggy bank and took out the money. This time twenty-five hundred rupees had come out





of her piggy bank. She was going to spend the entire money on crackers and colorful fireworks.

On the other hand, Ratty and his friends were busy making some special preparations for Diwali.

"This time we want to make Diwali a happy Diwali which brings happiness to us as well as others", said Ratty to his friends.

"But how is this possible? What do we have to do?" said Fatty the mouse. "This will happen only if we will work to bring smile on someone's face", said Ratty. "That's what I want to ask. How will this happen?" Said Fatty.

"We will collect all the money and distribute sparklers, sweets and clothes to those children who are unable to buy them. There are many animals living in the colony near our colony who are very poor. We should celebrate Diwali with them so that they can feel good. We will also be happy" said Ratty while explaining his plan.

"This is a very good idea. We should definitely do this. My mother also says that we should always be ready to help others", said Monty the rat. "Yes, we will celebrate a different Diwali this time. We will bring a smile on someone's face", everyone said unanimously.

They planned to meet at the same place the next day along with the money.

Coco was also ready with her plan. She had to buy a lot of fireworks but she wanted to know about Ratty and his friends' plan.

Next day she reached the place where meeting was to be held. She was listening to the plan.

"We are buying lamps, sweets, clothes and sparklers for the poor animals living in the colony near our colony. So that they all can also celebrate Diwali", said Ratty.

"We will all buy sweets, clothes and sparklers today itself to distribute to the needy." said Ratty." Fatty collected money from everyone.

Coco was not able to understand, for whom the clothes, sweets and sparklers were being bought. She was curious to know all this. She went straight to Ratty.

"What's the matter? For whom are you buying the goods? Won't you all enjoy the fireworks? Are you not going to market to buy firecrackers", asked Coco.

"No, we are not buying crackers", said Ratty. "What will you do if you don't buy crackers? How will you celebrate Diwali?" Asked Coco.

"We are celebrating Diwali differently this time. We are buying lamps, sweets, clothes and sparklers for the less privileged animals residing in the colony near our colony so that they can also celebrate Diwali.

Coco did not say anything after hearing this. She started thinking that Ratty and his friends were doing very good work. It was better to help poor animals than wasting money on fireworks. She also thought of supporting them.

"I am also with you. I shall also contribute money", said Coco smilingly.

Hearing Coco's words, Ratty and his friends started dancing with joy. They liked Coco's initiative. They included her also in their plan.

On Diwali day, they all met in the colony ground. They went to the market and bought a lot many items and headed towards another colony. Clothes, sweets, sparklers and lamps were distributed to the poor animals. Coco derived great pleasure by doing this. Her joy knew no bounds. Everyone lit lamps there and thus a memorable Diwali was celebrated. ●

The World shall Smile One Day

—Abhedika Dhanrajani

O fellow earth and worldly residents
 Don't you notice this façade, and mess
 Created by all your egocentric friends
 Why fight, when there exists humanness

All your lies, all your guns planning the end
 Of this world that was once a peaceful blend
 Of diversity and cultures, of norms and values
 What's our purpose? For what were we sent?

We were here to preserve the beauty that lies
 In the eyes of the beholder, we're here to serve
 Not for blaming others for the tears that we cry
 But to surrender when the darkness swerves

You fight for money, you fight for a false dream
 Something that will vanish, that is just obscene
 The reality is you noticing behind the scenes
 So let's all try to be united to ensure peace

When there is one supreme residing in us all
 What is the point of fighting amongst at all?
 This world needs a rain of new ideological call
 Enough humans! Stop fighting fire with fireball

The wars and conflicts of this mighty mind Shall end one day
 The wars and conflict of the armies confined Shall end one day.
 We hope for the future, with honesty we sign
 The world shall smile one day



CONDUCT IS THE MIRROR OF MAN'S WISDOM

— Dr. Om Prakash Setia

Once there was a vacancy for the post of a Sanskrit grammar teacher in Sanskrit college of Calcutta. The principle of the college thought of Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar as the most befitting and suitable candidate for the said post and sent him a letter of appointment. It was requested in the appointment letter that he should accept the post of Sanskrit teacher for which the college would feel obliged and proud. By accepting this offer Ishwarchander Vidyasagar would have had good salary and respect.

All were expecting Ishwarchander Vidyasagar to soon start teaching in the college but he thought for a while and sent his refusal in writing. He had written that he was not the most suitable individual in the city for teaching Sanskrit grammar in the college. He also mentioned that his friend Tarak Vachaspati was more talented than

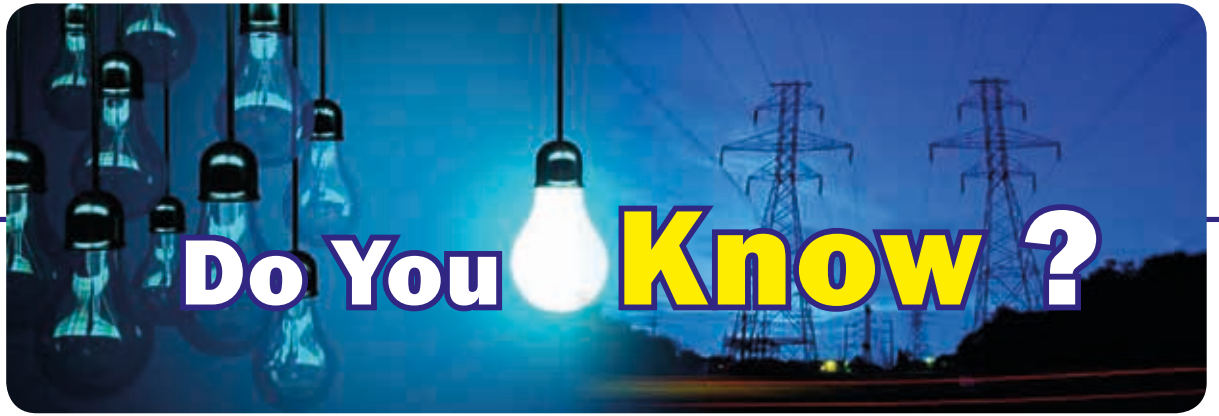


him and if the college selected Tarak Vachaspati for the post as he was the best Sanskrit grammar teacher, college would be more benefitted.

Ishwarchander Vidyasagar's letter reached the college administrator. When he read the letter, he bowed down his head for his greatness. He started thinking as to how great Ishwarchander Vidyasagar was who was not proud of his educational qualification; and had no greed for any honour and money?" The wise man, who considers another man superior to him, is a man of great virtue and large heart. The Managing Committee of the College happily accepted the proposal of Ishwarchander Vidyasagar.

Tarak Vachaspati was surprised to receive his appointment letter for the post of Sanskrit grammar teacher, as he had not even submitted his application for the post. Ishwarchander Vidyasagar apprised him of the facts. Vachaspati embraced Ishwarchander Vidyasagar and said, "I am proud of you Ishwarchander Vidyasagar and surprised to find that even in to-day's world, there are humble, wise, service oriented and well-wishing people like you."

Moral: Being wise is not enough, the grace of a wise man lies in his noble conduct. ●



Do You Know?

Q . What is electricity?

A. Electricity is a form of energy. It is produced when electrons, tiny atomic particles, move from one atom to another. Although scientists had known that this mysterious energy existed, its working was not understood until the secrets of the atom began to be revealed about a century ago. Without electricity, our lives would be very different. We would have no radios or televisions, no telephones, no computers. Our streets and homes would be lit by oil or gas lamps and we would have none of the gadgets that we take for granted today

Q . How can objects be electrically charged?

A . All matter is made up of atoms Normally, each atom has the same number of electrons and protons. The positive charge of the protons and the negative charge of the electrons cancel each other out. But if this balance is upset, the object becomes electrically charged For example, if a balloon is rubbed with cloth, electrons pass from the cloth to the balloon. The balloon becomes negatively charged, and the cloth having lost electrons, becomes positively charged. Unlike charges always attract each other, so the cloth clings to the balloon.

Q. What is a conductor?

A. Conductor is a material through which electricity can pass. Electricity travels more easily through some materials than others. Metals are good conductors of electricity. Lightning conductors are made of copper, which conducts electricity easily. ●

The Outcome of Greed

— Rajkumar Rajan

Jheengu and Dheengu, two rats were great friends. Both of them lived in a burrow at the bottom of a thick banyan tree. Jheengu was sober and disciplined while Dheengu was irritable and greedy.

Sometimes Jheengu would bring fresh walnuts for Dheengu and at another time Dheengu brought fresh peanuts for Jheengu. They also helped each other at difficult times. Jheengu remained upset

because of irritable temperament of Dheengu. He tried to counsel him many times.

One evening when they returned to the burrow, Dheengu's stomach was in great pain. In fact when he had gone out in the morning in search of food in the adjoining field, he found a heap of peanuts.

He entered the field and ate peanuts much more than his hunger. Peanuts are difficult to digest therefore in the evening he had stomach ache. The whole night he cried out of pain.

In the morning Jheengu said, "Today we shall not go out in search of food. You rest for a while. I shall cook Khichdi. You will feel better when you eat light."



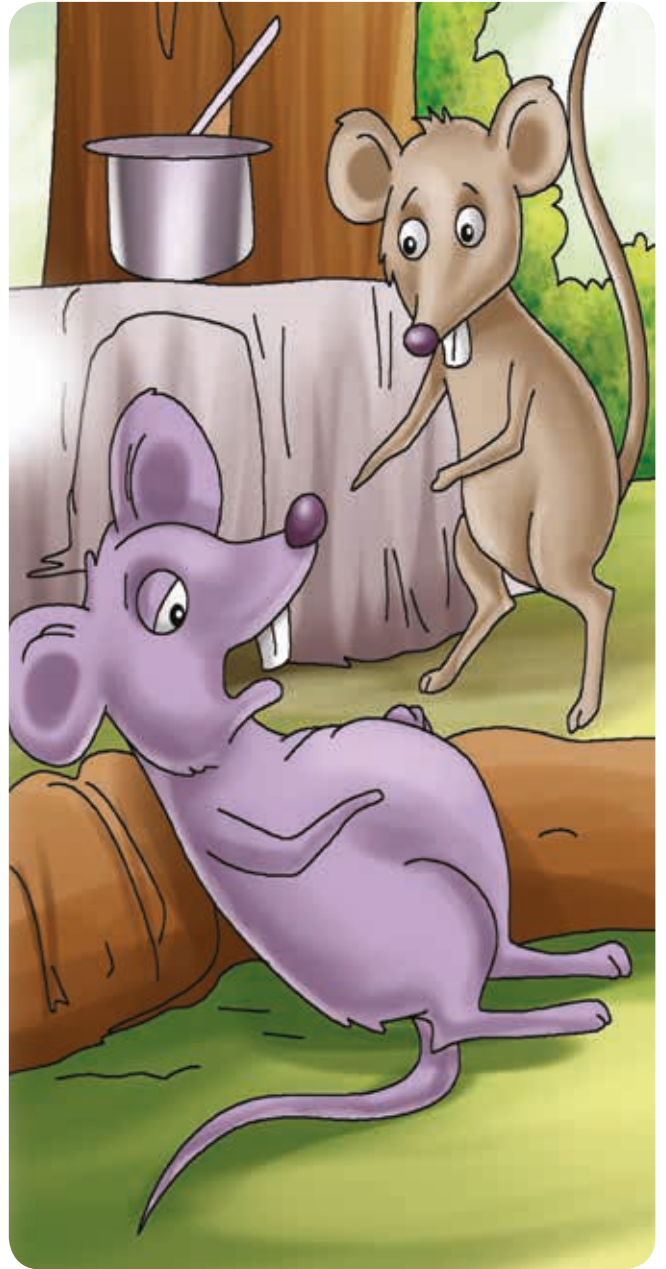
He worked hard and managed to get ingredients for Khichdi. He got lentils from Bulbul the Squirrel and Chimpu rabbit gave him salt and ghee. Golu pigeon gave vessel for cooking and Muniya hen brought fire. Rice were already there in the burrow. Jheengu brought water from the nearby river. He really worked hard to cook Khichdi.

When Khichdi got ready, Jheengu said, "I shall come back fast after having a bath then we shall eat together. Till then you rest." When Jheengu went out to have a bath, Dheengu thought of tasting the Khichdi because there was time for Jheengu to come back. Khichdi was very tasty therefore he ate a little more. Greedy as he was, he ate the entire Khichdi of his share.

He was still not satiated. Therefore he ate Jheengu's share too. He already had an upset stomach, now that he had eaten the whole Khichdi his stomach was bloated. He started crying out of pain.

When Jheengu returned, he found Dheengu crying with pain. Without giving a second thought, he went out to call the doctor cat. He totally forgot about the Khichdi.

Dheengu drank a lot of water because of pain. So his belly burst



out and he immediately died. When Jheengu came back and saw Dheengu in that state, his eyes watered and he felt very sorry for Dheengu. He thought, if he had not eaten his share of Khichdi he would not have been in that state.

Moral : Greediness is a curse. ●



Kitty

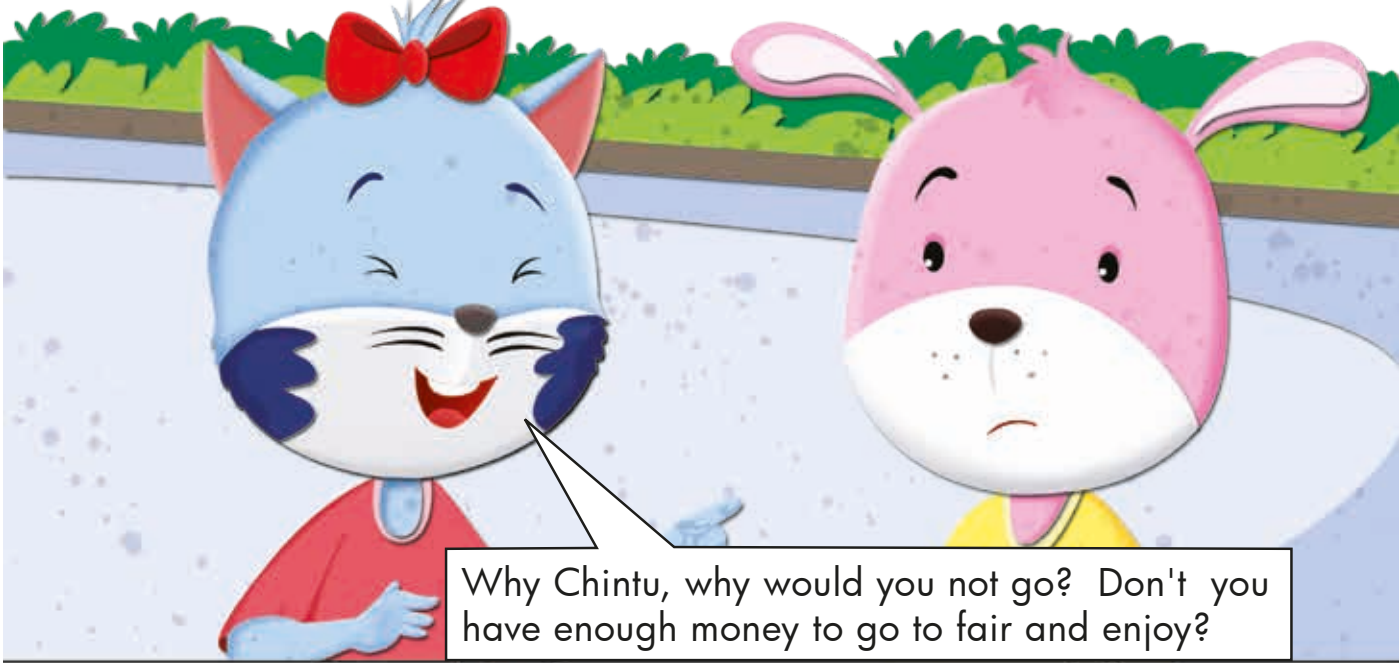
Story & Illustration
—Ajay Kalara

Tomorrow, it is Diwali, we shall all go to see Diwali-fair.



Oh yes! Tomorrow its Diwali , but I won't be able to go to see Diwali-fair. There is some problem.






Why Chintu, why would you not go? Don't you have enough money to go to fair and enjoy?




Oh! Kitty, you are making fun of me.




Kitty, you must not make fun of anyone like this.



See, my new purse. It has lot of money. We shall enjoy a lot in the fair.



Kitty! You keep your purse carefully, There is huge crowd in the fair.



Don't worry, I know how to keep my purse safe. We shall first eat ice cream.



Brother! You give one ice-cream each to all. Oh! Where is my money? Somebody has taken all the money from my purse. What will happen now?



Yes, Yes! Montu, you are right, I don't know how to keep my purse safe.

I have learnt a lesson- "not to make fun of anyone's poverty."





Honesty is The Best Policy

— Om Prakash Setia

Peshwa Bajirao was the supreme adviser and army commander of Chhattarpatti Shivaji. He was not only a great warrior but also famous for his nobility.

Once, Bajirao Peshwa attacked Malwa Pradesh, became victorious and got into his possession vast area of Malwa Pradesh. After the victory, when Bajirao Peshwa was returning, he found that rations of his army soldiers had exhausted. Bajirao sent one of his officers with the soldiers to the nearby villages in search of food. Calamity by war, was distinctly visible. So even after great search, the soldiers could not find

any food grains in the fields. The army officer got angry. Instantly, an old man appeared at the scene. The army officer vehemently uttered, "O! Old man, we are brave soldiers of Bajirao Peshwa, we need food grains. Tell us about some rich fields of food grains."

The old man requested the army officer, along with the soldiers to accompany him. After covering some distance, the army officer, along with the old man, located a field with grand crop of food grains. Instantly, the army officer ordered his soldiers, "Here is the field, full

of flourishing food grains. So immediately cut off the food grains from this field." However, the old man said, "Sir, please follow me a bit further. I will show you a larger field, full of wheat crop." The old man took the army officer and his soldiers to another field. Here, though the field was very large, but the crop was not good. The army officer angrily shouted at the old man, "You have cheated us by bringing us to a third class field of food grains." The old man politely answered, "Sir, the earlier field was someone else's and the present one is mine. There is no problem if the whole crop of food grains from this field is taken away but I have no right to take away the grains from the former field."

The army officer took that old man to Peshwa Bajirao and told him the entire incident. On hearing this , Bajirao Peshwa was very much impressed. He honoured the old man and appointed him as his Secretary. Later on, the same old man earned fame in history, by the name of Ram Shastri, as the renowned secretary of Bajirao Peshwa.

Moral : A clear conscience is far more valuable than money. ●



—Ashwani Kumar Jatan

God created heaven and earth,
In god's hand death and birth,

God did everything right,
He think about our future's bright,

God makes the European and Asian,
And he also makes Arican and Russian,

All the human being is their son,
And whole the work he has done,

Search the god he's with in reach,
But you can not find him a river or beach,

God is one they not are two,
You meet Satguru and then view.

Thoughts

On this Diwali Say

No to Crackers (Protect the Environment)

- ❖ Diwali is not just a celebration but also a reminder to take the best care of our surroundings.
- ❖ The greatest threat to our planet is the belief that someone else will save it. — Robert Swan
- ❖ When the last tree is cut , the last fish is caught, and the last river is polluted: when to breathe the air is sickening you will realise too late that wealth is not in bank accounts and that you cannot eat money. — Alanis Obomsawin
- ❖ We only have one earth. Let's take care of it. — Deb Haaland
- ❖ Let us nurture nature so that we can have a better future.
- ❖ The world is not to be put in order. The world is in order. It is for us to put ourselves in unison with this order.—Henry Miller
- ❖ Earth provides enough to satisfy every man's needs, but not every man's greed. —Mahatma Gandhi
- ❖ It is not yours. It is not mine. It is ours. So protect your mother who protected you.
- ❖ Let's do our small bit to make the world a cleaner and healthier place. — Unknown



PRESERVE NATURE

This story by **Kshitij S. Nagaonwkar**
S/o Sh. Shailesh Nagaonwkar Hackewsaur New
 Jersey (USA) has been adjudged the best. Congratulations.

What is this all around? Why I am not able to breathe? I'm breathing with so much difficulty. Oh! It is all smog. (A mixture of smoke and fog) This must be the state of so many of my friends. Please take me to a place where there is some fresh air. These were the words of an elderly person who was coughing continuously.

His son took him to a green belt of the city because he got frustrated due to the pollution in the city. As he walked he heard chirping of birds and saw lot of greenery. His mind was very much relaxed because of the beautiful sounds of the birds the quietness of nature and the purity of air.

My dear son! I don't want to go to the same polluted place again. As

such Diwali is round the corner. People will burst firecrackers mindlessly. So many people are admitted to hospitals for breathlessness on this night and it goes on for many days. Do you know even animals like cattle, birds and cats are too much disturbed by the noise of firecrackers and pollution caused by these. Why are we not trying to preserve mother nature. Why do we burst firecrackers? Is it not our responsibility to care for the happiness and health of our own selves by teaching our friends and family to not upset the beautiful environment that the creator has blessed us with. We should stop polluting the air and rivers and start planting more and more trees not cutting them. ●



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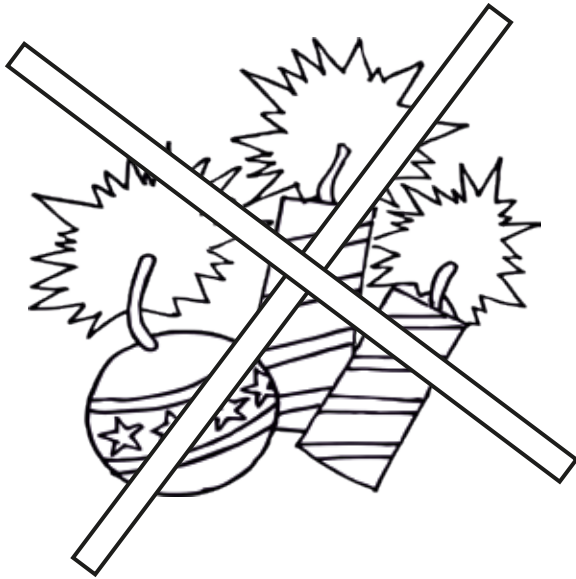
Colour it for November Issue

On page 45, a beautiful picture is given; colour it and send it to us latest by **December 20, 2023**. Office address: HANSTI DUNIYA, Nirankari Complex, Near Nirankari Sarover, Nirankari Colony. Delhi - 110009

The result will appear in January 2024 issue. Full name and address should be mentioned clearly at the prescribed place. Children up to the age of 15 years only are eligible to participate.

Colour it

NO, CRACKERS



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Laughing Time

Doctor : What is your wish?

Patient : Nothing, just want to update my facebook status.

Maths teacher : If you had 13 apples, 12 grapes, 3 pineapples and 3 strawberries, what would you have?

Rohan : A delicious fruit salad!

Raju comes home from his first day of school.

Mother : What did you learn today?

Raju : Not enough. They said, "I have to come back tomorrow."

Golu : Why was the teacher wearing sunglasses to school?

Bholu : I don't know.

Golu : Because she had bright students.

Dad : Let me see your report card.

Johnny : I don't have it.

Dad : Why not?

Johnny : My friend borrowed it. He wants to scare his parents.

Praveen : Yesterday the police arrested me for tampering with the ATM

Rita : What did you do?

Geeta : It asked me to insert the pin, I inserted safety pin.

Madam (speaking on the Mobile)
You say Suraj has a cold and can't come to school today. To whom am I speaking?

Voice : This is my father.

Q : Why was school easier for cave men?

A : Because there was no history to study.



Rohan : How do you like the guitar you got for your birthday?

Sohan : I love it. It's making me rich.

Rohan : Really? How come?

Sohan : Whenever I don't play it, my dad gives me Rs.50.

Ram : What kind of school do you go to if you're a giant?

Ramu : I don't know.

Rahul : High school!

A teacher asked one of her pupils:

"What's the capital of America?"

The reply was Washington D.C.

On being asked what the D.C stood for, the pupil added, Dot Com.

Mother : Montu! You must not be rough in your speech.

Montu : I think we are all down to earth.

Mother : How come?

Montu : Gravity pulls us down.

Mother : Wake up, son, you are going to be late for school.

Son : I don't want to go to school.

Mother : Why is that?

Son : All the kids are mean and they are always fighting.

Mother : But you have to go to school!

Son : Why?

Mother : Because you are the principal.

Ram : My life would have been much better if I had listened to my mother.

Sham : What did she say?

Ram : I never listened to her.

Ajay : (to elder brother) Do you know from where do snowflakes come?

Brother : No.

Ajay : Clouds.

Brother : How come?

Ajay : I think they don't shampoo regularly. They have dandruff. Suggest a good shampoo for dandruff.

CHACHA NEHRU'S BIRTHDAY

Abhedika Dhanrajani



"The children of today will shape the India of tomorrow. The way we nurture them will determine the nation's future."

– Jawaharlal Nehru

Children's Day is celebrated every year on Jawaharlal Nehru's birth anniversary. It is observed to create awareness on children's education, rights and to see that proper care is accessible to all. This day was chosen to celebrate as Children's Day after the death of India's first Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, adorably referred to as Chacha Nehru. Jawaharlal Nehru celebrated his birthday on November

14. Sh. Jawaharlal Nehru was a great advocate for children's rights and for an all-inclusive education system where knowledge is accessible to all. He believed that children are the future of the country and the foundation of a society, and hence, everyone's well-being should be taken care of.

The celebration of Children's Day in India is not just about giving gifts or throwing parties for children. It is a day to acknowledge the unique needs and talents of every child and to create a safe and supportive environment for them to thrive. On this day, schools and institutions organize various cultural events, competitions, and workshops for children to showcase their talents and creativity. It is also an opportunity for parents and teachers to reflect on the progress of children and to identify areas where they need more support.

Moreover, the essence of Children's Day also lies in not differentiating between a girl and a boy child. Our message to the youth must be to not succumb to peer pressure, to perform as per their ability, and to not shy away from asking for help with stress-causing psychological situations and issues. The new India is now open to opportunities, with respect to academics, ideas, and growth. Our youth, driven by passion

and enthusiasm is well opinionated, the way they can be helped is by giving them an inclination and direction to pursue their interests.

It is a day to reflect on the significance of children's freedom, education and rights put forward to secure the future of the society, to make them intellectual and spiritual so that the world has less susceptibility of turning into a barren with no humanity left and also to keep these pure souls alive and innocent through their kind deeds and positive outlook in lives.

It is important for the nation to understand that devoting one day to the children's needs and paying attention to nurturing their journey is not enough. It is a day to remind, that for the upcoming days of the months and years, it is important to teach your children values and ethics of being responsible citizens and better human beings to ensure that they can bring bright future for the world with more open minds and non-stereotyping mindsets. For the sustaining development of the world, it is going to be very important for the nation to promote the sustainment of these qualities in children, through value-based teaching in both academic excellence and spiritual enlightenment. ●



Wonders of Nature

— Nishtha Kawrani

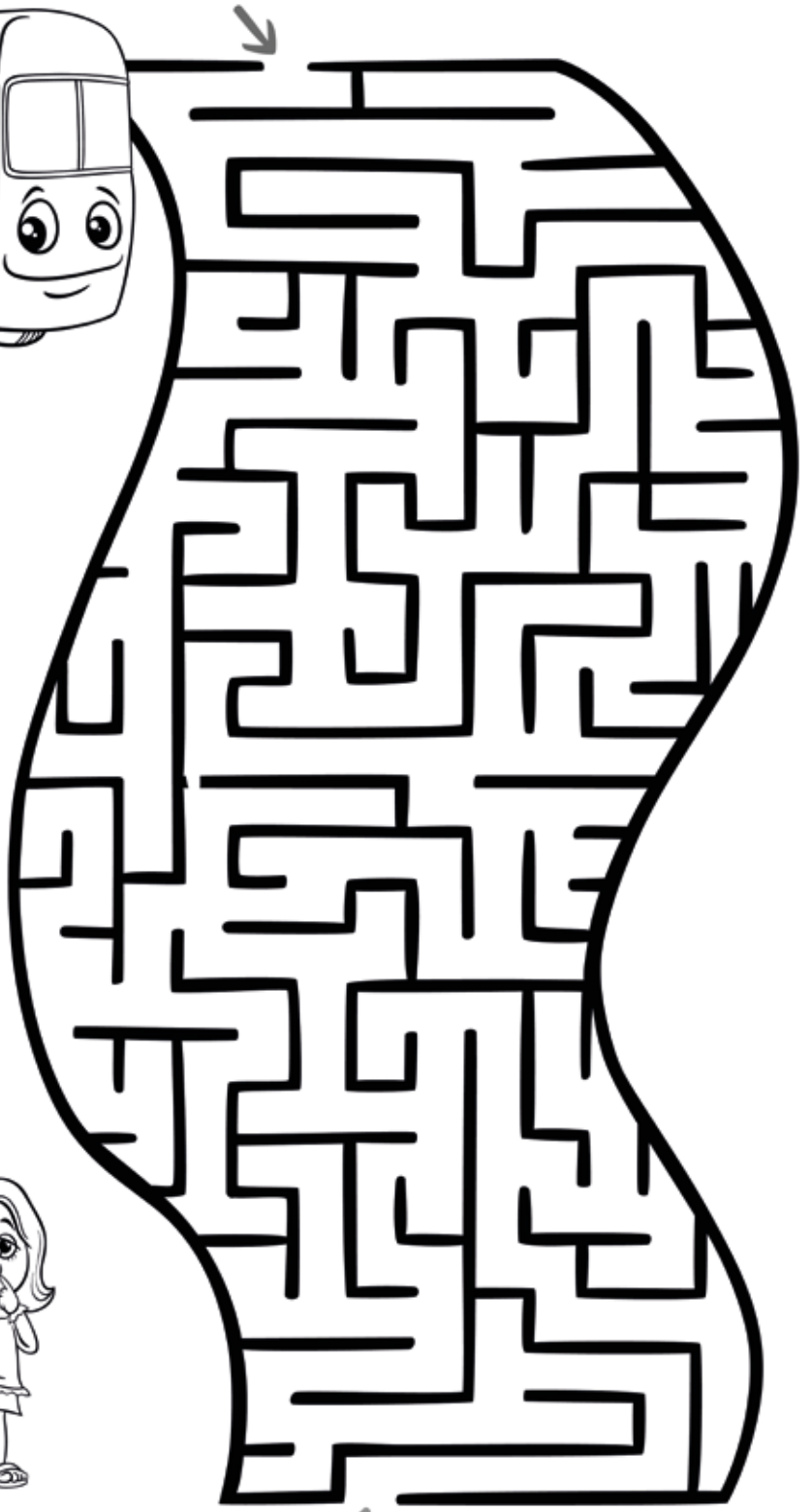
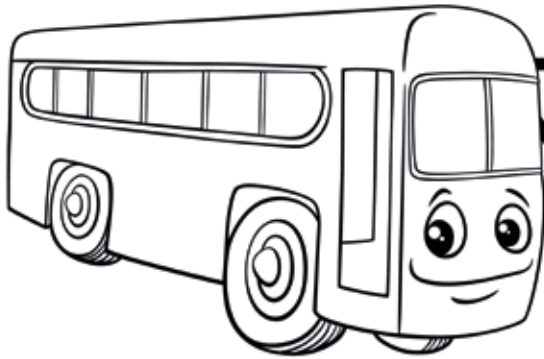
Wonders of nature
got thunders of rain,
making us happy in
the monsoon days.
I saw birds chirping with delight
as if they will have a
dinner on clouds tonight.

Nature is God's
loveliest gift
but humans are
creating risk to it.

It is a gift to
admire and thank
but not to misuse
and to make scrap.

So thank God for
what he has given
do not question Him
for what he has not.

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