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How Vietnam Kept Its Coronavirus Death Toll at Zero

When the world looked to Asia for successful examples in handling the novel coronavirus outbreak, much attention and plaudits were paid to South Korea, Taiwan and Hong Kong.

But there's one overlooked success story -- Vietnam. The country of 97 million people has not reported a single coronavirus-related death and on Saturday had just 328 confirmed cases, despite its long border with China and the millions of Chinese visitors it receives each year.

This is all the more remarkable considering Vietnam is a low-middle income country with a much less-advanced healthcare system than others in the region. It only has 8 doctors for every 10,000 people, a third of the ratio in South Korea, according to the World Bank.

After a three-week nationwide lockdown, Vietnam lifted social distancing rules in late April. It hasn't reported any local infections for more than 40 days. Businesses and schools have reopened, and life is gradually returning to normal.

To skeptics, Vietnam's official numbers may seem too good to be true. But Guy Thwaites, an infectious disease doctor who works in one of the main hospitals designated by the Vietnamese government to treat Covid-19 patients, said the numbers matched the reality on the ground.

"I go to the wards every day, I know the cases, I know there has been no death," said Thwaites, who also heads the Oxford University Clinical Research Unit in Ho Chi Minh City.

"If you had unreported or uncontrolled community transmission, then we'll be seeing cases in our hospital, people coming in with chest infections perhaps not diag-

nosed -- that has never happened," he said.

So how has Vietnam seemingly bucked the global trend and largely escaped the scourge of the coronavirus? The answer, according to public health experts, lies in a combination of factors, from the government's swift, early response to prevent its spread, to rigorous contact-tracing and quarantining and effective public communication.

Acting early

Vietnam started preparing for a coronavirus outbreak weeks before its first case was detected.

At the time, the Chinese authorities and the World Health Organization had both maintained that there was no "clear evidence" for human-to-human transmission. But Vietnam was not taking any chances.

"We were not only waiting for guidelines from WHO. We used the data we gathered from outside and inside (the country to) decide to take action early," said Pham Quang Thai, deputy head of the Infection Control Department at the National Institute of Hygiene and Epidemiology in Hanoi.

By early January, temperature screening was already in place for passengers arriving from Wuhan at Hanoi's international airport. Travelers found with a fever were isolated and closely monitored, the country's national broadcaster reported at the time.

By mid-January, Deputy Prime Minister Vu Duc Dam was ordering government agencies to take "drastic measures" to prevent the disease from spreading into Vietnam, strengthening medical quarantine at border gates, airports and seaports.



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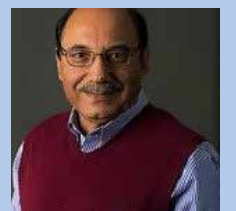
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Dr Faheem Younus
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Now something practical and honest from the :
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- 1. We may have to live with C19 for months or years. Let's not deny it or panic. Let's not make our lives useless. Let's learn to live with this fact.
- 2. You can't destroy C19 viruses that have penetrated cell walls, drinking gallons of hot water - you'll just go to the bathroom more often.
- 3. Washing hands and maintaining a two-metre physical distance is the best method for your protection.
- 4. If you don't have a C19 patient at home, there's no need to disinfect the surfaces at your house.
- 5. Packaged cargo, gas pumps, shopping carts and ATMs do not cause infection. Wash your hands, live your life as usual.
- 6. C19 is not a food infection. It is associated with drops of infection like the 'flu. There is no demonstrated risk that C19 is transmitted by ordering food.
- 7. You can lose your sense of smell with a

lot of allergies and viral infections. This is only a non-specific symptom of C19.

8. Once at home, you don't need to change your clothes urgently and go shower! Purity is a virtue, paranoia is not!

9. The C19 virus doesn't hang in the air. This is a respiratory droplet infection that requires close contact.

10. The air is clean, you can walk through the gardens (just keeping your physical protection distance), through parks.

11. It is sufficient to use normal soap against C19, not antibacterial soap. This is a virus, not a bacteria.

12. You don't have to worry about your

food orders. But you can heat it all up in the microwave, if you wish.

13. The chances of bringing C19 home with your shoes is like being struck by lightning twice in a day. I've been working against viruses for 20 years - drop infections don't spread like that!

14. You can't be protected from the virus by taking vinegar, sugarcane juice and ginger! These are for immunity not a cure.

15. Wearing a mask for long periods interferes with your breathing and oxygen levels. Wear it only in crowds.

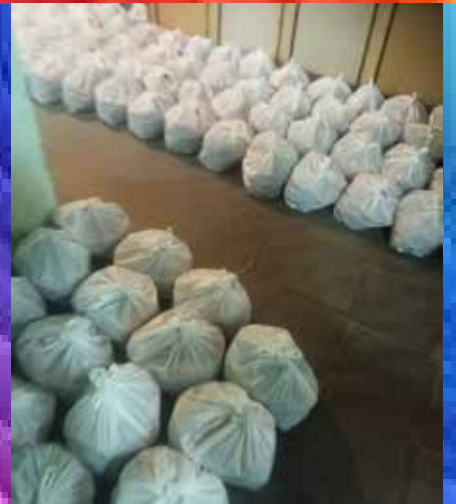
16. Wearing gloves is also a bad idea; the virus can accumulate into the glove and be easily transmitted if you touch your face. Better just to wash your hands regularly.

17. Immunity is greatly weakened by always staying in a sterile environment. Even if you eat immunity boosting foods, please go out of your house regularly to any park/ beach.

Immunity is increased by EXPOSURE TO PATHOGENS, not by sitting at home and consuming fried/spicy/sugary food and aerated drinks.
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Coronavirus pandemic conspiracy theories; facts and myths

M. Basheer Ahmed M.D

Corona virus pandemic is a unique unbelievable experience that this generation from newborns to 100 year olds is experiencing for the first time in their lives. There is so much we don't know about this infection. People facing immediate danger want clear instructions from experts about how they should prepare and that all will be well. Unfortunately, even the experts are baffled with this new illness and cannot answer the questions with clarity and authenticity.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) is a new virus which has quickly spread around the world infecting 4 million people all around the world and resulting in the death of 250,000 people (May-2020). Most people who get COVID-19 will have a mild form of the illness and recover without needing medical care. 80% will have mild symptoms. 15% of the people will become severely ill, need hospital care, 5% will become critically ill and 1% will die.

Anyone can get COVID-19, regardless of age, race or ethnicity. Children are not immune to the corona virus. Older people and people with other health conditions, such as asthma, heart diseases and diabetes, are more at risk of getting seriously ill.

When people do not get satisfactory answers, their curious mind wavers in different directions. I am neither a scientist nor a virologist; I am just a student of human thinking and behavior and am attempting to explain the bizarre thinking in even the most highly educated people. We are using big data and statistical modeling to search for the answers just like when predicting snowstorms for school closings. Since the experts' predictions are less than accurate most of the time, there is a lack of confidence in both the news media and the government. We do not know the answers to many questions such as how many people will fall ill, how should we test them, how should we treat them and how lucky are we in developing a vaccine or treatment. The changing data and changing answers made us realize how inadequate our knowledge is for making wise decisions and anticipating consequences. The health specialists and public officials are in no position to make accurate predictions and we should stop being disappointed when their predictions turn out to be wrong.

From this experience we need to learn humility to accept that we do not have all the answers. It might also help reconcile us to the uncertainty in which we are always living.

While many people are dying, we are discussing multiple conspiracy theories as a cause of this pandemic. In all theories we see unlimited imagination based on scanty facts. That's why I call it Mythology. "17 richest families want to control the world". Rich people always control the world. The latest theory is that Bill Gates is the culprit behind the spread of the disease as he will invent the vaccine and become the richest man of all and control the world.

The novel coronavirus is a bioweapon. There isn't any evidence that this virus has been engineered or that it is different from something that has been found in nature, or that the new coronavirus was deliberately created and released by people.

Maybe it is China who wants to establish superiority over the US and released this deadly virus from their labs. Or, it is 5G radiation which is the major reason for this virus pandemic. 5G mobile networks DO NOT spread COVID-19. Viruses cannot travel on radio waves/mobile networks. COVID-19 is spreading in many countries that do not have 5G mobile networks.

There are seven variants of coronavirus known to infect humans. SARS and COVID-19 are the most closely related versions. In the case of SARS, scientists were clearly able to show that the virus is associated with people and the disease and the specific virus were isolated from these patients and introduced to animals for research purposes. Similarly, scientists can expose the coronavirus to ani-

mals to see if it causes a disease like SARS.

For centuries humans have accepted mythology when they did not have answers to naturally occurring disasters and now conspiracy theories substitute mythology to satisfy the curious mind. The human mind is programmed to believe in mythology and therefore there is a conspiracy theory for every occasion. Go to any major library and you will find hundreds of books on conspiracy theories from the assassination of John F. Kennedy to 9/11. The Spanish flu epidemic was real, and Ebola and HIV infections were real and so were all of the virus epidemics in the past hundreds of years. The real and fake news are travelling all over the world faster than the speed of light through digital media making us victims of confusion and false assumptions, causing more anxiety and discomfort.

MYTHS AND FACTS RELATED TO COVID-19:

Thermal scanners are effective in detecting people who have a fever. They cannot detect people who are infected with COVID-19.

Being able to hold your breath for 10 seconds or more without coughing or feeling discomfort DOES NOT mean you are free from the coronavirus disease. The best way to confirm if you have COVID-19 disease is with a laboratory test.

There is no drink, hot or cold, that will protect you from COVID-19 or cure the illness. At the moment there is no proven cure for COVID-19, including Chloroquine but most people will recover on their own. Although chloroquine and hydroxychloroquine have been mentioned as possible treatments for COVID-19, it is a dangerous, lethal poison if not used correctly and without a physician's consultation.

The virus can be in someone's body for up to 14 days before they get symptoms, and some people will not have any symptoms even after infected. The virus can remain viable on surfaces for variable periods of time from a few hours for cloth to up to two or three days on hard surfaces like stainless steel and certain types of plastic.

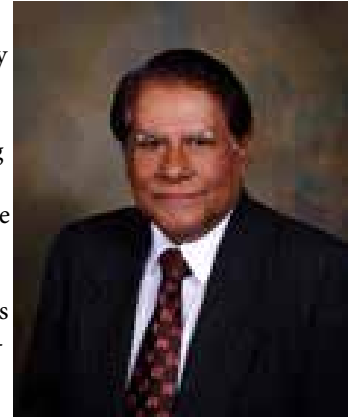
That's why hand washing, avoiding crowds and social distancing are necessary. People should wash their hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available. Clean and disinfect objects and surfaces that may have germs.

Hand dryers are not effective in killing the 2019-nCoV. Ultra-violet (UV) lamps should not be used to disinfect hands or other areas of your skin. There is no evidence that regularly rinsing the nose with saline has protected

people from infection with the new coronavirus. Taking a hot bath will not prevent catching COVID-19. Never attempt to self-treat or prevent COVID-19 by rubbing or bathing with bleach, disinfectants or rubbing alcohol anywhere on your body. Methanol, ethanol, and bleach are disinfectants used to kill the virus on surfaces. Drinking them can lead to disability and death. COVID-19 can survive temperatures higher than 25C. Exposing yourself to the sun or to temperatures higher than 25C degrees does not prevent the coronavirus disease. The COVID-19 virus can be transmitted in areas with hot and humid climates and there is no reason to believe that cold weather can kill the coronavirus

There is no evidence that you can boost your immune system by eating sweet potatoes, taking specific vitamins or supplements, or ingesting silver. Adding pepper to your soup or other meals does not prevent or cure COVID-19. Garlic

is a healthy food that may have some antimicrobial properties however there is no evidence that eating garlic or drinking lemon juice has protected people from the new coronavirus. There is no harm in taking spices and herbs as most of them are antioxidants and may boost immunity though they may not cure the illness.



The coronavirus remains in the throat for 4 days, causing sore throat and coughing before it reaches the lungs. Drinking a lot of water and gargling with warm water and salt or vinegar may not have any direct effect on the virus."

Medications and vaccines: There is no evidence that taking available anti-viral drugs are effective. So far, there's no proven cure for COVID-19 but most people recover by themselves. Taking paracetamol, drinking lots of liquids, and getting enough rest can help you manage your symptoms.

The drug Remdesivir was quickly authorized by the Food and Drug Administration for treatment of coronavirus patients. Remdesivir shortened the hospital stay from 15 to 11 days. Given the high mortality rate despite the use of Remdesivir, it is clear that treatment with an antiviral drug alone is not likely to be sufficient.

A vaccine won't be available until late this year or early next year. Between now and then, the vaccine will have to endure more research trials, involving hundreds of people. Drugs that look good in small, initial studies were often found to be not effective when they're tested in more people. Vaccines should not have side effects that cause more damage than the virus itself. Vaccines are also the subject of conspiracy theories and people may not take vaccines which actually work.

While the entire world is suffering due to economic losses, a few companies are taking advantage of the vulnerable condition we are in. Moderna, a biotech company which claims to produce a successful vaccine, almost behaved criminally by false reporting of "successful" initial trials (reporting in only 4 patient positive response out of 41). The company executives sold their

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Know the power of Istighfar!

{"Astaghfirallah" - I seek forgiveness of Allah}

"If anyone constantly seeks pardon (from Allah), Allah will appoint for him a way out of every distress and a relief from every anxiety, and will provide sustenance for him from where he expects not."

(Abu Dawood)

Cornavirus And Importance Of Life Insurance

In my 15 years as an insurance agent, I haven't seen the level of panic about life insurance like I have experienced during the past couple of months; both from my existing as well as prospective clients. My clients want assurance that their insurance provides death coverage for Coronavirus of Covid-19 and prospective clients want life insurance for themselves and their families as soon as possible. This week deVere Group, one of the world's largest financial advisory firms, recorded a 76% jump in demand for will in the two weeks to the end of March. Meanwhile, life insurers have reported a spike in the new business of as much as 50%.

I know from my experience that life insurance does not necessarily sit on the top of the to-do list but during the COVID-19 pandemic, people are seeking those policies more than ever. People should think of ways to protect their families and any traditional policy, such as term insurance that provides a great financial safety net. No matter what has brought you to the tipping point for buying life insurance, the important thing is to take action. We are not getting any younger and run into unexpected health issues which will increase the cost of purchasing insurance. It is important to lock your insurability and your loved one's if you haven't already done.

" The modern life insurance policy covers death by any cause at any time in any place, except for suicide within the first two policy years" says Bob Bland, CEO of LifeQuotes. " If you find yourself panic shopping for life insurance, stop and focus instead on getting the right amount of coverage for the right length of time, don't focus on the possible manner of death because that's impossible to predict, " says, Bob Bland, CEO of Life Quotes.

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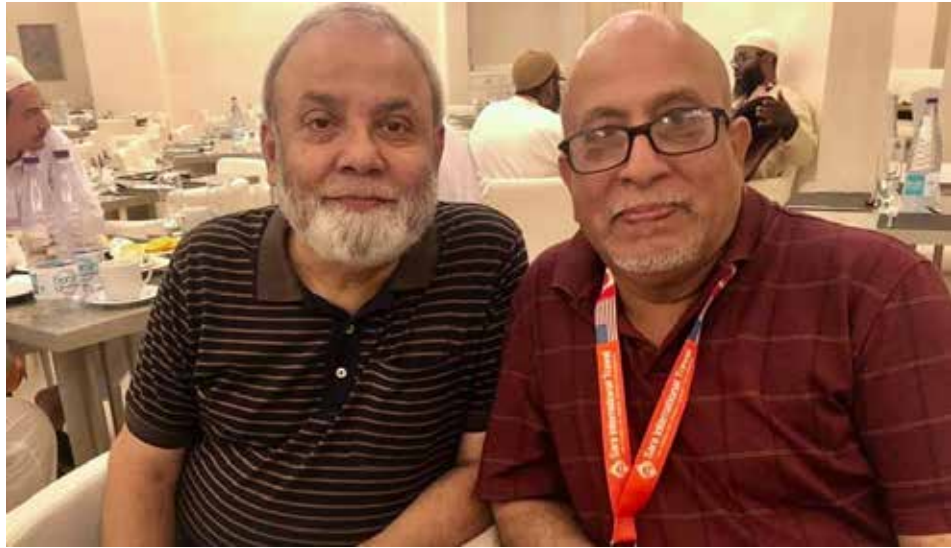
INSTEAD, DO THIS ✅

Treat this as an extended Spring Break vacation.	Treat this as the public health crisis that it is, and act accordingly.
Gather in social groups for any reason.	Only gather with members of your household.
Use public park spaces as a gathering place.	Use public park spaces as an outlet for mental and physical health, practicing social distancing from those around you at all times.
Invite over a group of friends to catch up.	Plan a video or phone conference hangout to catch up with your friends virtually.
Attend a gathering of your neighbors.	Check in on your neighbors by calling or messaging them online.
Gather together with a group of any size to go to the park together.	Go to the park with members of your family unit only, while practicing social distancing from others.
Visit the grocery store every day.	Send one member (if possible) of your household to the grocery store to pick up essentials once a week.
Gather with a group outside of your household for dinner.	Support local businesses by ordering take-out or delivery from restaurant to enjoy at home with your household.

Do not gather in groups of any size. Stay home as much as possible.

From: Mujahid Ghazi

I couldn't push him out of my mind. My friend Dr. Inam called me at 4:30 am and said Dr. Mahmood Ahmed is no more with us. After a 3 day fight with Covid-19 he lost and have departed for his final journey. Inna Lillahi wa Inna Alaihi Rajioon. Mahmood was always on top of my favorite colleagues from my college days. He was always smiling and throwing witty short jolly responses in any kind of discussions. "Babbey" It's getting late I better go." Those were his last words I heard in the hotel Lobby during my Hajj in August 2019. We had dinner together and we talked for almost an hour. Whenever I visited Makkah I always met him. He spent all his professional life in that holy city and now died and buried there. He was a gem. May Allah grant him the highest place in Jannah and forgive his shortcomings. Aameen



From: Syed Faiz Ahmad, Riyadh, KSA

Our Brother Abdul Karim Khan Passed Away this Morning in Riyadh. He had contracted Coronavirus last week and was on ventilator in Shamesi Hospital in Riyadh. Abdul Karim Khan was a kind & caring person with immense qualities. He was a very well-known personality in Riyadh - with that extension in Saudi Arabia - both a brave and bold person and a person of a very nice deminure. He remained at the helm of PPP leadership in Saudi Arabia for a long time. He was in a way face of PPP in Saudi Arabia. He was very close to Mohtarma Shaheed Benazir Bhutto and also to Asif Ali Zardari. He was a good friend mine and I am very proud of his friendship. May God rest his soul in peace and Award Him with an Exalted Place in Paradise, Amen!!! Also, may God bestow upon his family, friends, neighbours, fans & admirers enough fortitude and forbearance to bear griefs from this colossal loss, Amen!!!!



China and India move troops as border tensions escalate

Tensions between China and India over their Himalayan border have escalated, with China accused of moving thousands of troops into disputed territory and expanding a military airbase in the region.

Thousands of Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA) troops are reported to have moved into sensitive areas along the eastern Ladakh border, setting up tents and stationing vehicles and heavy machinery in what India considers to be its territory.

In response, the Indian army has moved several battalions from an infantry division usually based in the Ladakh city of Leh to "operational alert areas" along the border, and reinforcement troops have been brought in.

The aggressive military posturing follows two skirmishes between the two sides on 5 and 9 May in the contested areas around Pangong Lake and North Sikkim, in which more than 100 soldiers from both sides were injured.

On Wednesday Donald Trump waded into the heightened standoff, claiming that he had "informed both India and China that the United States is ready, willing and able to mediate or arbitrate their now raging border dispute".

The high-altitude border has been aggressively contested and heavily militarised since 1962 when China launched an offensive into Indian territory, sparking a short but bloody war.

Ashok K Kantha, a former Indian ambassador to China and now director of the Institute of Chinese Studies based in Delhi, said the recent incursions and border aggressions from China were "far from routine occurrences".

He said: "This escalation is serious; I don't think this is just a localised incident. China's behaviour is more aggressive this time, backed up by a fairly large number of troops, which is not typical of this border where troop levels tend to be low on both sides. It could be a territorial claim or part of a wider messaging to India that they need to be more mindful of China on sensitive geopolitical issues."

Kantha said it was "in the interest of both India and China to keep the situation under control and maintain relative peace".

China's actions appear to be a response to India's construction of roads and airstrips adjacent to the Line of Actual Control (LAC), which will improve connectivity and enable easier mobility for Indian troops in the area. Construction has paused during the coronavirus lockdown but is due to resume imminently.

There have been diplomatic discussions as well as multiple meetings on a local level in an attempt to defuse the tensions.

On Tuesday India's prime minister, Narendra Modi, held a meeting with his national security adviser, Ajit Doval, plus his chief of defence staff and three security chiefs to discuss "bolstering India's military preparedness to deal with external security challenges".

According to satellite footage published by the Indian news channel NDTV, there has been large-scale construction work at a Chinese military airbase less than 120 miles from the border in recent weeks, including the building of a new runway suitable for warplanes.

Zhao Lijian, spokesman for the foreign ministry, told reporters in Beijing that the two countries have channels for resolving such issues. "At present, the situation along the border between China and India is generally stable and controllable," he said.

"China is committed to safeguarding the security of its national territorial sovereignty, as well as safeguarding peace and stability in the China-India border areas," a Chinese foreign ministry statement said.

In a recent statement, India's external affairs ministry blamed China for provoking the military escalation. "In fact, it is the Chinese side that has recently undertaken activity hindering India's normal patrolling patterns," the statement said. "The Indian side has always taken a very responsible approach towards border management."

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Oh Corona

Oh Corona, everyone got a scare,
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Staying away from each other,
Even if it's your brother.
Are you bored at home?
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As Ramadan comes to a close; I want to say two things to all our Muslim friends and neighbours, here in the Jubail, KSA, and around the world. A heartfelt "Eid Mubarak", of course. But also a very big "thank you."



But if we keep going, if we stay alert even as restrictions begin to ease, we will control this virus and we will save lives.

And as that happens I am sure we will all see, once again, the incredible contribution that Muslims make to life in this country something that, even in these challenging times, is always something we should celebrate. I am sending my warmest wishes to all Muslim communities in around the world, this Eid al-Fitr. Thank you for the huge contribution you all make to our society, which is particularly valued during these challenging times.

I wish you a happy, peaceful and safe Eid Mubarak.- IQNEWS

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Kareemullah H. Biyabani with Mr. Rodolphe Saade (Chairman & CEO, CMA CGM - France based International Shipping Company) at their launching ceremony & luncheon in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia at Fairmount Hotel "Ball Room", Riyadh, KSA.



Kareemullah H. Biyabani with Mr. Waqas Ahmed (Shipping & Logistics Manager, GAP Polymers - Jeddah)- at the Ball Room of Fairmount Hotel, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia during the launching + luncheon ceremony of CMA CGM (France based International Shipping Company).

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Prominent Saudi Businessman, Saleh Abdullah Kamel, Dies at 79

prominent Saudi businessman, Saleh Abdullah Kamel, passed away at 79 after long struggle with disease, according to Saudi media reports.

He was one of the most key investors in the mass media field; he was the owner of the Arab Radio and Television Network (ART), which was founded in the 1990's. He was the founder and chairman Dallah al Baraka Group (DBHC), which is one of the largest conglomerates in the Middle East.

He also was the Chairman of Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry & Agriculture (ICCIA) as well as General Council for Islamic Banks and Financial Institutions (CIBAFI).

Saudi Sheikh Saleh Kamel in lines.... Saleh Kamel was born 1941 in Saudi Arabia. He was a billionaire businessman. He had a net worth estimated at US\$2.3 billion.

He was called "the father of contemporary Islamic fi-



nance", receiving Malaysia's Royal Award for Islamic Finance in November 2010. He was involved in efforts to significantly expand trade among member states of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation countries.

He had led numerous projects to promote the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) as a regional economic force.

Kamel sought to combine the efforts of his DBHC and the Chamber of commerce with ongoing mega-infrastructure projects such as King Abdullah Port, the Economic City, the new railways, and the King Abdullah International Airport to catalyze domestic business across the Kingdom. Kamel was also a



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member of the boards of trustees and directors in many social, charitable and cultural societies and foundations such as the Arab Thought Foundation, King Abdul Aziz and His Companions Foundation for Gifted, the international academy for info & Media Sciences, Arab Academy for Financial & Banking and the Islamic Solidarity fund.

Kamel was also the president of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce & Industry, the General Council for Islamic Banks and Financial Institutions, Jeddah Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Council of Saudi Chambers and Federation of GCC Chambers.

Crown Prince, Putin hold talks on global oil market stability

JEDDAH — Crown Prince Muhammad Bin Salman, deputy premier and minister of defense, received a phone call from Russian President Vladimir Putin on Wednesday, Saudi Press Agency reported.

"The President spoke by telephone with the Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia about joint efforts to reach agreements in the OPEC+ format," read a tweet from the Russian president's official handle.

The telephone conversation between the two leaders took place just two weeks before an online oil conference. Saudi Gazette report



During the call, both the leaders agreed to coordinate efforts for the stability in the global oil market. The Russia president lauded the Kingdom's key role and efforts for the landmark OPEC+ agreement last month. They also discussed issues of mutual concern and means to develop bilateral relations.

"The sides continued their discussion of the developments on the global energy market. Both sides noted the importance of the joint efforts to reach the OPEC+ agreements on reducing oil production in April. They agreed to continue close coordination on this issue between the energy ministries," the Kremlin said in a press statement.

Interior Ministry outlines precautionary measures in several sectors

RIYADH — The Minister of Interior has approved the precautionary and preventive measures for the wholesales, retail, industry, and construction sectors, an official source at the Ministry of Interior, the Saudi Press Agency (SPA) reported.

materials, store, and warehouse, means of tracking and reporting, awareness and implementing regulations in the wholesale and retail sectors. It also covers small shops, malls, commercial centers and public benefit markets.

The measures were adopted after it was prepared, planned and reviewed by a committee that included members from the Ministries of Energy, Health, Finance, Human Resources and Social Development, and Industry and Mineral Resources.

The precautionary and preventive measures in the construction sector encompass labor accommodation, elevators, lifters, stairs and other equipment, means of tracking and reporting, awareness and implementing regulations.

The precautionary and preventive measures covers customer, employee, ma-

The measures taken in the industrial sector that targets the industrial and min-

ing entities and facilities licensed by the Ministry of Industry and Mineral Resources include prevention in the facility, prevention in warehouses and logistics services, prevention while working, in addition to means of tracking and reporting, awareness and implementing regulations.

These measures also include the owner of the industrial license or the mining investment license. SAUDI ARABIA



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- spoiled relations with Sri Lanka over internal (to Sri Lanka) civil war
- spoiled relations with Nepal, resulting China moving troops on the Indian Border
- spoiled relations with OIC (Organization of Islamic Countries), which never happened anytime before in Indian history - Kuwait prepares to take India to International court over the issues of minority lynchings by right-wing nationalists in India

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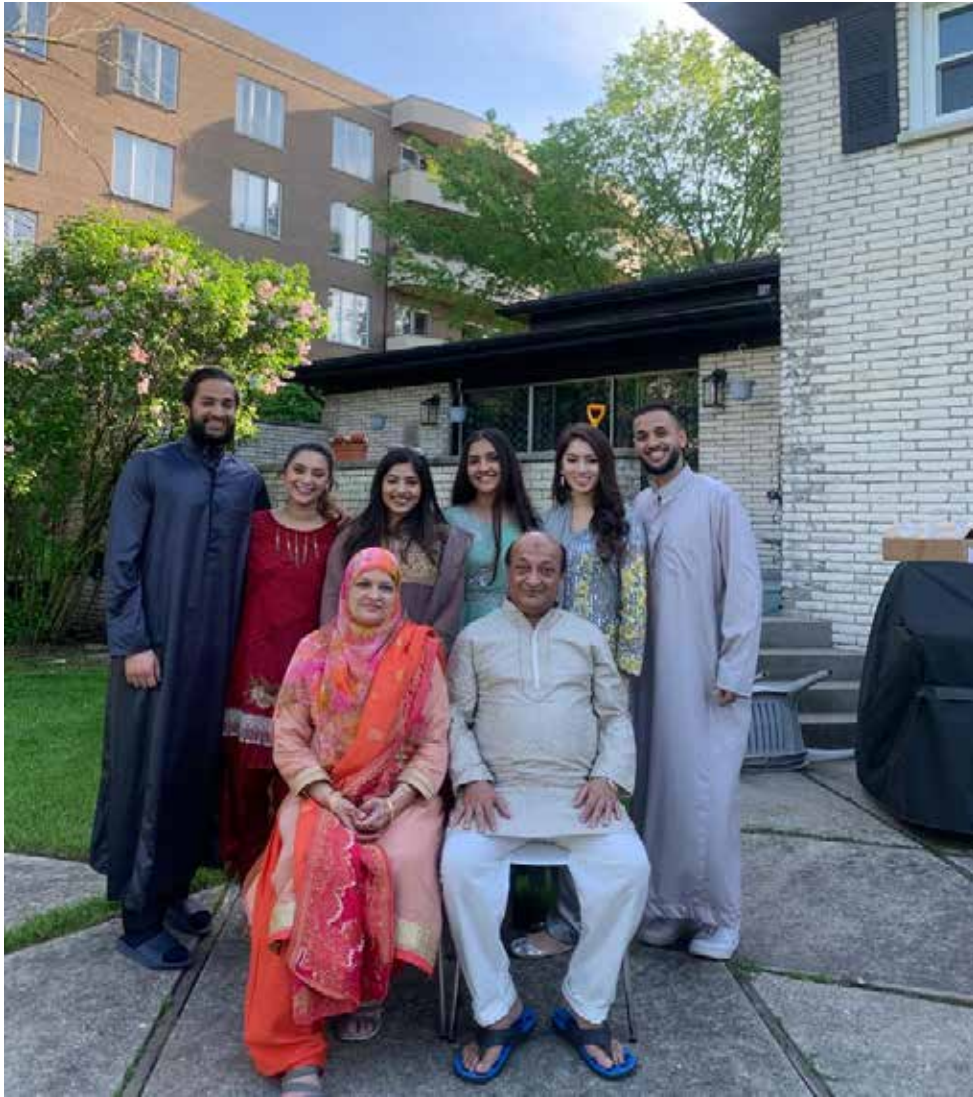
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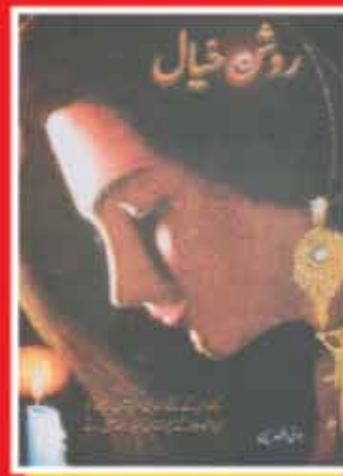
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We Are All-Prepared To Give China A Lesson, Says General Naravane

As India – China border tension escalates, there seems to be an environment of ultra watchfulness as both armies have ramped up their troop presence.

Countering the spread of COVID-19 virus is the leading target for the country at the moment, says, Chief General MM Naravane, who is the chief of the 1.3 million-strong Army.

In an exclusive interview to Praveen K Singh over email, General Naravane spoke about the current status at Indo-Sino border and about the consequence of spread of COVID-19 on the Army, its attentiveness and contingency planning.

The challenge of countering the spread of COVID-19 virus has brought in every individual as well as every system of the government, including the armed forces, at the forefront of this fight.

In the middle of coronavirus spread as well tensions on the Indo-Sino border, how Indian Army is prepared operationally and in terms of other paraphernalia and strategies?

It is the ardent liability of the Indian Army to keep the borders safe and sound whereas the country is preparing and fighting COVID-19. We are embarking on our operational tasks like before and there is no effect on operational attentiveness.

While we are carefully and assiduously attending the requirements at the Himalyan borders, within the country we are taking various measures and have disseminated with respect to restricting the movement of personnel, cancellation of conferences/ seminars, postings and other activities in view of spread of COVID-19. These measures are a must to prevent any further spread of COVID-19 and in sync with various directions and advisory issued by the Government of India.

There are emergency plans in place and spread of COVID-19 will not affect the fundamental and principal competence of the Indian Army. The momentary phase of postponing our routine activities will soon be overcome by rescheduling them as and when the situation stabilises. For now, our focus will be to combat COVID-19 forcefully and uncompromisingly by taking safety measures, following lockdown and curfew measures effectively and preparing own resources for future scenario.

We are all set and glad to pronounce that there is an exceptional symphony between all organs of the government and Indian Army is prepared to stumble upon any sort of environment.

From the attentiveness and preparedness point of view, what is contingency plan the Indian Army is prepared with? What is arrangement in different bodies of the Indian Army – AMC, field units and in others?

At this juncture, it is difficult to say how the situation will develop. However, after having analysed the impact of COVID-19 over last two-three months in other countries, one can start planning and preparing for difficult times.

The Indian Army has certain inherent capability to rise up to various emergency situations by virtue of organisational structure and training. And in keeping with that, the Indian Army is planning and preparing to fight COVID-19.

In case of worsening of the situation, how army will undertake the emergency roles in terms of help to the civil administration?

If the situation worsens and there is likely to be an in-

crease in demand for medical services for both infected/ suspected cases within the Indian Army as also requisition from civil administration in the coming days. Necessary instructions have been passed to Command Headquarters to augment medical facilities and infrastructure. Including, increasing the capacity for surveillance/ isolation at MH/BH/CH. All Field Hospitals have been instructed to be ready to set up a 45-bed isolation facility and create 10 bed ICU facilities exclusively for COVID-19 at six hours' notice. Vacant KLPs/ existing infrastructure are earmarked for the same.

Thirty per cent of field hospitals have been kept on standby for constructing COVID hospitals in COVID hotspots. Responsive and agile Quick Reaction Medical Teams (QRMTs) to be ready to mobilise at six hours' notice to meet the requirements of the hospitals/ civil administration.

On day to day basis, how do you prepare the brass for this



fight and how things are moving on the ground?

I have been reviewing the situation on a day after day basis. I am in touch with the Army Commanders and PSOs. Various advisories and instructions have been issued to the environment to create awareness and contain spread of COVID-19. Command wise COVID-19 helpline numbers have also been given. Overall, I am satisfied with the planning and preparations undertaken by the Indian Army so far. As I mentioned in my reply to a previous question, six hours' notice has been given to medical units at different levels.

How do you see Pakistan's agenda of pushing terrorists into Jammu and Kashmir, and our mild response? What's your view on Handwara encounter and when do you think Pakistan will give up its policy of state sponsored terrorism?

India will give proportionate response to all acts of infringement of ceasefire and support to terrorism by Pakistan. We are proud of the five security personnel who laid down their lives saving civilians from terrorists at a village in North Kashmir locality and particularly complimented Col Ashutosh Sharma who led the operation.

I would like to emphasise that Indian Army will give proportionate response to all acts of infringement of ceasefire and its (Pakistan's) support to terrorism. The onus remains with Pakistan to bring peace in the region. Unless Pakistan gives up its policy of state sponsored terrorism, we will continue to respond appropriately and with precision.

The recent infiltration attempts by Pakistan along the Line of Control in Jammu and Kashmir showed that Pakistan is not interested in battling the coronavirus pandemic and is still following its own myopic and limited agenda of pushing terrorists inside India.

The low priority given to the Pakistani citizens by its own government and the army is apparent by the exponential rise in cases and massive shortages of medical equipment and supplies in Pakistan.

During the SAARC video conference also, Pakistan's narrow-mindedness was on full display when it used the platform to complain about "non-existent" violations of human rights in Kashmir instead of finding ways to keep its citizens safe from the pandemic. The increased intensity of ceasefire violations by the Pakistan army, where its targets innocent civilians on the LoC, just shows that the country is a global risk and is not interested in providing

relief to its own citizens.

In fact, Pakistan's removal of names of hardcore terrorists from the terror watch list just proves that it still believes in exporting terrorism as an instrument of state policy.

Pakistan has sought to blindside the international community by making superficial changes and amendments to its non-existent checks on terror financing and money laundering. It still continues to employ proxies to inflict terror and violence not only inside India but also in Afghanistan where it supports the Taliban militarily and financially.

In the fight against Coronavirus, what is your message to the nation at this point of time as the Army Chief?

In a military language, I would say that at present COVID-19 is still in the intermediate stage of impact in India and we are making concerted efforts to prevent COVID-19 from establishing a firm base. Concurrently, we are preparing for stringent countermeasures, should COVID-19 manage to regain a foothold. Next few weeks will be crucial to prevent negative effects of this deadly mutant virus.

The Indian government is taking all precautions and doing the necessary preparations to tackle the outbreak of COVID-19. I would only request my fellow citizens to abide by the instructions given by the Government and help India emerge victorious in the fight against COVID-19.

Covid-19 is a global problem, requires global solution, reiterates PM Imran

Prime Minister Imran Khan reiterated that Covid-19 pandemic is a global problem that requires a global solution, urging the developed world to “put their minds together”.

The premier was addressing a virtual United Nations event on Financing for Development in the Covid-19 era and Beyond. The event was hosted by the UN secretary general and the Canadian and Jamaican prime ministers.

Addressing the event via video link, Imran said that when Pakistan imposed lockdown measures to curb the spread of the virus, everything came to standstill, as it did in most economies of the world.

“When everything came to a standstill, the biggest issue for us was how to look after the most vulnerable section of our population, and the people affected in the non-formal sector of our economy.

“Out of a population of 220 million, almost 150 million are counted among the most vulnerable section [...] non-formal sector, daily wagers, weekly wagers, whose families are dependent on them earning money so that they could eat.”

Talking about the Ehsaas programme, the premier said: “[Therefore] we started this cash handout programme, one of the biggest in Pakistan’s history. We doled out \$8 billion to stimulate

our economy and to give cash to the most vulnerable section of our society.

“But the problem was and the problem is, that we have falling exports and remittances. We had big, ambitious plans to revive our tourism sector and all this took a nose dive.” He added that while these problems have been faced by most countries, the developing world has taken a larger hit.

“To put things into perspective, the total amount of stimulus we could afford to give to our economy — which was the biggest stimulus ever in our history — we managed to give \$8 billion.”

He maintained that when compared with the stimulus packages of other developed countries, the developing world has only given \$7 trillion to stimulate their economies.

“We don’t have the fiscal space to revive our economy, to look after the most vulnerable section of our society.

“In Pakistan’s case, we have this huge, ambitious programme of fighting climate change by planting 10 billion trees. All this money [was] diverted into dealing with the effects of the coronavirus lockdown.

He added that when he spoke to the leaders of Ethiopia, Nigeria and Egypt, he was informed that the countries



were facing problems similar to those being faced by Pakistan.

“Therefore, I really welcome the G20’s initiative,” Imran said, talking about the grouping’s decision to include all countries under the World Bank’s International Development Association (IDA) to be eligible for debt relief.

“But bear in mind, this has to be thought through [...] I’m afraid it has to be much bigger than is so far being envisaged.

“You have the developed world with 1.5 billion people, but the developing world with a population of six billion people.

“Unless the problem is dealt with holistically as a global problem with global solutions, the world is not going to recover from this recession if the

bigger part of the world’s population is wallowing in poverty.”

Concluding his address, the prime minister urged the UN secretary general and the Canadian and Jamaican prime ministers to “pursue these initiatives”.

“It is very important that the world that became insular when the pandemic hit, it’s very important that the world now looks at this whole issue globally.

“If developed countries put their minds together and treat this as a global situation, I think we will all come out of it unscathed. Right now things look bleak, but if we treat it as a global issue the world will come out of it.”

Dawn.com

Top banker survives Pakistan plane crash as scores die

KARACHI, Pakistan — At least two passengers had a miraculous escape after their ill-fated Pakistan International Airlines plane carrying nearly 100 people crashed into a residential neighborhood in the southern city of Karachi. One of the survivors has been identified as Zafar Masood. He is the president of the Bank of Punjab.

More than 60 bodies have been recovered, according to officials from the provincial government.

It is, however, unclear if the deceased were all onboard the flight or include area residents as well where the crash took place.

A PIA spokesperson said that the A320 Airbus was carrying 91 passengers and 8 crew members from Lahore to Karachi on PK 8303. Eyewitnesses said the Airbus A320 appeared to attempt to land two or three times before crashing.

“The airplane first hit a mobile tower and

crashed over houses,” witness Shakeel Ahmed said near the site, just a few kilometers short of the airport, according to Reuters.

Faisal Edhi, who heads the charitable Edhi Foundation that was assisting rescuers said 42 bodies had been recovered from the area, AFP reported.

“As per our estimates there are around 50 more dead bodies under the debris,” Edhi said in a live television broadcast.

The disaster comes as Pakistanis across the country are preparing to celebrate the end of Ramadan and the beginning of Eid Al-Fitr, with many traveling back to their homes in cities and villages.

Footage showed plumes of smoke rising from the site of the crash within the congested residential area. Ambulances and rescue officials arrived at the scene to help residents.

Saudi Gazett



Awful data show US economy is in deep trouble

Washington (AFP) - Newly released economic data showed the US economy is in a terrible state and may not rebound quickly even when the devastating lockdowns imposed to stop the coronavirus pandemic are lifted.

Data tracking industrial production and the vital retail sector released Friday showed record declines in April, the first full month of lockdowns to stop the spread of COVID-19 virus that has killed nearly 86,000 people and caused around 36.5 million people to lose their jobs in the world's largest economy.

With millions of people filing new claims for unemployment benefits every week since the lockdowns began in mid-March, analysts fear the US faces a months-long slog out of the downturn, with no shortage of possible setbacks.

The consumer pullback was "truly staggering," Oxford Economics said in an analysis of the retail sales data.

"The combination of elevated unemployment, depressed income, frail consumer confidence will continue to weigh on consumer's appetite for spending."

Consumer spending has been a crucial part of the US economy, and the Commerce Department reported retail sales sunk by 16.4 percent in April, the largest one-month fall on record.

The decline reversed years of growth and brought the index back to approximately where it was in August 2012.

The hardest-hit businesses were those that relied on shoppers at brick-and-mortar stores, like clothing, which collapsed 78.8 percent, electronics and appliances, which

plunged 60.6 percent, and furniture, down 58.7 percent.

Non-store retailers, such as those doing business online, were one of the only bright spots, growing by 8.4 percent.

"Overall this is a dire set of numbers," said Neil Saunders, managing director of GlobalData Retail. "May will not be a month of celebration. Nor will June. Nor July. Nor probably the rest of this year."

"Retail's recovery will be slow and, in our view, it won't be until 2021 before trade starts to return to more normal patterns," he said.

On the other end of the supply chain, the Federal Reserve's industrial production index dropped a record 11.2 percent in April, the largest monthly fall in its 101-year history.

The auto sector took the biggest hit, plunging more than 70 percent, according to the report, while overall manufacturing output fell 13.8 percent in the month, putting it 18 percent below April of last year.

Oil and gas well drilling fell 28 percent, its largest drop on record dating back to 1972 as demand for energy collapsed, while decreases of around 20 percent were recorded in primary metal products, aerospace and miscellaneous transportation equipment, and furniture and related products.

A New York Federal Reserve Bank survey of manufacturers in the New York region, home to one of the worst outbreaks of COVID-19, showed the index recovered by 30 points in May compared to April, but was still deep underwater at -48.5 percent.



Meanwhile, a nationwide industry poll showed majority of US manufacturing and services firms expect revenues to decline sharply this year amid the lockdowns, pushing any recovery back to 2021.

And many more companies in both sectors anticipate cutting employment this year than in the December survey, according to the Semiannual Economic Forecast by the Institute for Supply Management (ISM).

"It won't be a V-shaped recovery by any stretch," Timothy Fiore, head of ISM's manufacturing survey told reporters.

The changing nature of business, given social-distancing requirements, uncertain consumer sentiment and jobs outlook, all will weigh on the sector, he said.

One bright spot in the data was that consumers who have been central to the US economy were slightly more upbeat this month. The University of Michigan monthly survey released Friday showed

sentiment improved slightly, ticking up to 73.7 percent from 71.8 percent in April.

The report said money paid directly to individuals and families by the massive \$2.2 trillion CARES act passed by Congress in March improved consumers' situations.

But the survey's chief economist Richard Curtin warned personal financial prospects had fallen to their lowest level in six years, with higher-income households reporting significant drops.

In a separate survey, the Bureau of Labor statistics reported collapsing job openings and surging layoffs in March, the month during which lockdowns became widespread.

The number of people who were laid off, fired or forced out of employment jumped by a record 9.5 million that month, while job openings fell by 813,000. The largest share of the declines in both metrics was in the accommodation and food services sector.

Chris Stein
,AFP

China calls on US to pay its debts to the United Nation

China on Friday issued a statement calling on all UN member states to "actively fulfill their financial obligations to the United Nations," stressing that Washington owes the organization more than \$2 billion.

"As of May 14, the total unpaid assessments under the UN regular budget and peacekeeping budget amount to 1.63 billion and 2.14 billion US dollars respectively," the Chinese statement said, citing a report from the UN Secretary-General's office and a meeting held on Thursday.

Including arrears that stretch back several years, "the United States is the largest debtor, owing 1.165 billion and 1.332 billion US dollars respectively," China added.

The US is the biggest contributor to the UN budget, paying 22 percent of its annual running costs, a bill which adds up to around \$3 billion; and 25 percent of its peacekeeping operations, which amount to some \$6 billion a year.

Officially, Washington is meant to pay 27.89 percent of the peacekeeping budget, but a decision made by Congress and

implemented by President Donald Trump in 2017 cut that payment to 25 percent, meaning Washington runs up an annual shortfall of \$200 million.

The United States also has a fiscal year that runs from October to October, which can make it look like an even bigger debtor at certain times of the year.

The US mission to the UN dismissed the call, saying China is "eager to distract attention from its cover-up and mismanagement of the COVID-19 crisis, and this is yet another example."

It continued: "The United States recently made a payment of \$726 million toward its peacekeeping assessment, and per practice will pay the bulk of its assessment at the end of the calendar year."

It said the total peacekeeping arrears was \$888 million, adding: "Roughly two-thirds of this amount is the result of payment at the rate of 25 percent from 2017 through the present."

The payment of contributions by member countries for peacekeeping operations has



a direct impact on the reimbursements the UN pays to countries that contribute troops to the 15 or so missions around the world.

In a report on May 11, Secretary-General Antonio Guterres warned that "there may be significant delays towards the middle of the year, unless the cash position across missions improves significantly."

On Thursday, around 50 of the 193 member states, including China, paid their contributions in full, which Beijing -- the second largest contributor, far behind the United States -- noted in its statement.

China pays around 12 percent of the UN's running costs and around 15 percent of the peacekeeping budget.

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This Mini Taj Mahal goes viral through TikTok

Bulandshahr: The mini Taj Mahal built by Faizul Hasan Qadri in memory of his wife to keep her love alive, has gone viral through Tik Tok app. Ever since US President Donald Trump has visited the Taj Mahal in Agra, people have gone crazy for Quadri's mini Taj Mahal.

As reported by BBC Samachar, Mini Taj Mahal has 1.5 lakh followers and more than six lakh people have seen it so far. Two lakh people have shared videos of Mini Taj Mahal. Videos and photos of Mini Taj Mahal are being shared across Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, China and other countries.

Faizul Hasan Quadri built the mini Taj Mahal in the village in memory of his wife Tajammuli. Quadri was a resident of Kaser Kala, village of Dibai tehsil of Bulandshahr district, adjacent to Delhi. He was a postmaster in Qadri village itself. Quadri started building mini Taj Mahal in his farm in 2012 on the tomb of his wife Tajammuli. However, six years after that Quadri died in a road accident in November 2018. Fulfilling his wish, he was also laid to rest inside Mini Taj Mahal beside his wife.



New Indian roads, air strips triggered flare-up with China: analysts

NEW DELHI: A Himalayan border standoff between India and China was triggered by India's construction of roads and air strips in the region, observers said on Tuesday.

Soldiers from both sides have been camped out in the Galwan Valley in the high-altitude Ladakh region, accusing each other of trespassing over the disputed border, the trigger of a brief but bloody war in 1962.

About 80 to 100 tents have sprung up on the Chinese side and about 60 on the Indian side where soldiers are billeted, Indian officials briefed on the matter in New Delhi and in Ladakh's capital, Leh, said.

Both were digging defences and Chinese trucks have been moving equipment into the area, the officials said, raising concerns of a long faceoff.

"China is committed to safeguarding the security of its national territorial sovereignty, as well as safeguarding peace and stability in the China-India border areas," the Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson's office said in a statement.

"At present, the overall situation in the border areas is stable and controllable. There are sound mechanisms and channels of communication for border-related affairs, and the two sides are capable of properly resolving relevant issues through dialogue and consultation," the statement further added.

There was no immediate Indian foreign ministry comment. It said last week Chinese troops had hindered regular Indian patrols along the Line of Actual Control (LAC).

But interviews with former Indian military officials and diplomats suggest the trigger



for the flare-up is India's construction of roads and air strips.

"Today, with our infrastructure reach slowly extending into areas along the LAC, the Chinese threat perception is raised," said former Indian foreign secretary Nirupama Rao.

"Xi Jinping's China is the proponent of a hard-line on all matters of territory, sov-

ereignty. India is no less when it comes to these matters either," she said.

After years of inaction, Prime Minister Narendra Modi's government has pushed for improving connectivity and by 2022 plans to build 66 key roads along the Chinese territory. Dawn

MVA government in Maharashtra will complete its full term, says NCP's Nawab Malik

The three-party alliance has completed six months of its formation.

Mumbai: The Maha Vikas Aghadi government in Maharashtra, which has completed six months of its formation, is stable and strong and will definitely complete its five-year term, state minister Nawab Malik said on Thursday.

Shiv Sena president Uddhav Thackeray had taken oath as the state chief minister on November 28 last year along with six ministers, two each from his party, the NCP and the Congress, and the Cabinet was expanded later.

The opposition BJP earlier raised questions over the stability of the Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA) government, formed by three ideologically different parties. Some of the BJP leaders had reportedly said it will be a short-lived regime.

Referring to that, state Minority Affairs Minister and NCP's national spokesperson Nawab Malik said, The government has completed six months. It is stable and strong.

The BJP had said this government would be short-lived. But it will definitely complete its five-year stint."

Malik alleged that the BJP keeps gossiping about the stability of the government. "And the government will not come down just because they are gossiping, he quipped.

BJP MP Narayan Rane earlier this week met Maharashtra Governor B S Koshiyari and demanded imposition of President's rule in the state over the Thackeray-led government's "failure" in tackling the COVID-19 pandemic.

Malik said MVA was formed on the basis of a 'common minimum programme' drafted by the three parties, which are working unitedly.

"The government is currently combating the COVID-19 threat. We will overcome it and will run the government properly, he said.



The Shiv Sena, which has 56 seats in the state Assembly, forged an alliance with the once-rival parties NCP (having 54 MLAs) and Congress (44 MLAs) to form the government last year, after severing ties with long-term ally BJP.

After elections to the 288-member Maharashtra Assembly last year, the Shiv Sena and BJP fell out over sharing the chief ministerial post in the state on a rotational basis. Deccan Chronicle

MATRIMONY

Hijabi :yes
 Name: NF
 Age: 31
 Height: 5'6
 Residence :Houston,Texas
 Education: Bachelors in Medical Technol-
 ogy
 Profession: -Medical Technologist
 Legal Status: - US Citizen
 Marital status : Single
 Ethnicity: Indian(Hyderabad)
 Religious Sect: Sunni, Muslim
 Family: Two sisters and One brother
 Elder Sister- Pharmacist
 Younger - Medical Technologist
 Language: English,Urdu, Hindi

LOOKING FOR: Male

Age : 31-34
 Height: 5'9 and above
 Residence: Hyderabad willing to Relocate
 to Houston
 Education: Masters
 Profession: IT,Finance and other.
 Legal Status: Green Card, H1 or Citizen
 Marital Status: Unmarried
 Religious Sect: Sunni
 Ethnicity: Indian

Contact : 7138535567 Whatsapp Only

Hijabi: Yes
 Age: 25
 Height: 5"4
 Education: Dental Assistant, B.Sc in Psy-
 chology
 Profession: Student
 Residence: Canada
 Legal Status: Canadian Citizen
 Marital status: Single
 Religious Sect: Sunni
 Language: Urdu, English
 Ethnicity: Indian
 Family: Parents, 2 sisters, 3 brothers

LOOKING FOR:
 MALE

Age: 25 - 30
 Height: 5"6 and above
 Education: Masters
 Profession: Medical, Engineer, IT
 Residence: Canada or USA
 Legal Status: Citizen or immigrant
 Marital Status: single, never married
 Religious Sect: Sunni
 Ethnicity: Indian

Contact: Mother
 WhatsApp # : 6472858517

Hijabi
 Age: 18
 Height: 5'5"
 Education: Starting university
 Profession:Student
 Residence: Uk
 Legal Status: UK citizen
 Marital status: Never married
 Religious Sect:Sunni Hanafi Muslim
 Language: Urdu and English
 Ethnicity: Indian (Hyderabadi)
 Family: Parents 1 Brother and 1 Sister

LOOKING FOR: MALE WITH RELI-
 GIOUS BACKGROUND

Beard: Yes
 Age: 21 -24
 Height: 5'10" - 6'
 Education: Graduate, Post Graduate
 Profession: Any
 Residence: UK
 Legal Status: UK Citizen, Student Visa
 holder or Work permit (UK)
 Marital Status: Never married
 Religious Sect: Sunni Hanafi Muslim
 Ethnicity: Hyderabadi, Indian
 WhatsApp #00447525923310

Hijabi:Yes
 Name: NF
 Age: 21
 Height: 5.4"
 Education:Bachelor of
 pharmacy(professional graduate)
 Residence: Hyderabad; India
 Legal Status: Indian
 Marital status: never married
 Religious Sect:Sunni muslim
 Language: English,urdu
 Ethnicity: Indian/hyderabad
 Family:
 Father:-reside in Makkah,KSA
 Mother:-Homemaker
 1 Brother(unmarried)-BE;IT;(student)
 LOOKING FOR: MALE
 Pious,well educated,simple,good character
 boy from an excellent,decent & loving
 family.
 Age: 25-29Height:5.7" & above
 Education:Professional
 graduate,professional post
 graduate;MS,Masters.
 Profession:job holder/visa holder
 Residence:Saudi Arabia/Qatar/UAE/Cana-
 da/US/Australia.
 Legal Status:citizen/PR
 Marital Status:never married
 Religious Sect:Sunni Muslim
 Ethnicity: Indian(hyderabad)

Contact:+91-9985874351

Non Hijabi
 Age: 31 yrs
 Height: 5'3
 Education: Master's in Speech & Language
 Pathology (currently finishing 1st yr Ph.d
 at UT, Austin in Speech & Communica-
 tion Disorders)
 Profession: Speech & Language Patholo-
 gist
 Residence: USA
 Legal Status: US Citizen
 Marital status: Divorced
 Religious Sect: Sunni Muslim
 Language: Speaks English & Urdu
 Ethnicity: Asian
 Family: Indian Origin (Hyderabadi
 Background)

LOOKING FOR: MALE

Beard: No
 Age: 32-37yrs
 Height: 5'6 or taller
 Education: Prefer a Professional Degree or
 Master's
 Profession:
 Residence: USA
 Legal Status:
 Marital Status: Single or Divorced (prefer
 no children)
 Religious Sect: Sunni
 Ethnicity: India or Pakistan
 Contact: (765)7427324
 WhatsApp # (775)7427324

DOCTOR FEMALE:
 Name:Dr. xyz
 Age:22 yrs
 Height:5'7
 Hijabi:yes
 Complexion. Very very fair
 Residence:Hyderabad,India
 Education:MBBS (preparing for Usmlc
 steps)
 Marital status: unmarried
 Citizenship: Indian citizen
 Ethnicity : Indian
 Religious sect: Sunni Muslim
 Family: 1. Father: Central govt employee
 2. Mother : Doctor
 3. Elder sister:Married, Doctor(USA)
 4.Brother in law:Doctor(USA, Louis-
 ville, Kentucky)
 Language: English, Urdu, Hindi
 Hobbies: Cooking ,Spending time with
 family
 Looking for:
 Male
 Age: 28-30
 Height : 5'10 n above
 Residence: USA
 Education: MBBS , MD(USA)
 Profession: Doctor
 Legal status: US citizen/ J1 visa
 Marital status: unmarried
 Religious sect: Sunni muslim
 Ethnicity: Indian

Contact: 9848554720
 7901454721
 Email:drallianceusa@gmail.com

Hijabi :Yes
 Age:25
 Height:5"3
 Education:Bachelor's in Commerce
 Profession:Auditor
 Residence:Memphis,Tennessee
 Legal Status:Green card holder
 Marital Status:Divorced (3 year old son)
 Religious Sect:Sunni
 Language:English,Urdu
 Ethnicity:Asian (Hyderabad,India)

LOOKING FOR : MALE

Age:25-34
 Height:Anything above 5"3
 Education:preferably master's
 Profession:well settled in any jayaz profes-
 sion
 Residence:USA
 Legal Status:US citizen, Green card, H1
 Marital Status:Bachelor, divorced
 Religious Sect:Sunni
 Ethnicity:Asian

Contact WhatsApp
 India-9704009200
 USA-2243816930(Brother)

Hijabi : Yes
 Name: JM
 Age:18
 Height: 4"11
 Residence : Hyderabad, India
 Legal Status: Indian citizen
 Marital status : never married
 Ethnicity: Indian hyderabadi
 Religious Sect: Sunni
 Family: Parents and Two younger brothers
 Language: Hindi, Urdu and English
 Hobbies: Traveling, Painting, spending
 time with the family

LOOKING FOR: Religious, educated and
 Family oriented Groom.

Age : 20 - 26
 Height:5"3 and above
 Residence: US/ Canada
 Education: Masters, Bachelors
 Profession: IT, Engineer or Medical Field
 Legal Status: H1B, OPT, Green card and
 Citizen
 Marital Status: Never married
 Religious Sect: Sunni
 Ethnicity:Indian(Hyderabadi)

Contact : 613- 222-2443

MATRIMONY

Name: MS
 Age: 28
 Gender: Male
 Height: 5' 5"
 Marital Status: Never Married
 Residence: California, USA
 Education: Masters Graduate
 Profession: IT Professional
 Legal Status: H-1B(GC in process)
 Religious belief: Sunni
 Ethnicity: Indian(Hyd)
 Language: Urdu, English, Hindi

LOOKING FOR: Practicing Muslima who have well balanced in between deen and duniya, honest and with family values.
 Age: 18-28
 Height:5.0-5.6
 Marital Status: Never Married
 Education: Any
 Profession: Any
 Religion: Sunni
 Ethnicity/Legal Status:
 Indian - (USA GC/Citizen)/ Born abroad/
 Gulf
 Pakistani - (USA GC/Citizen)

Contact : +1 (361)228-3059

Beard:—Yes
 Age:—26Years
 brought up in UAE
 Height:—5.7"
 Education:—BE(Mech)MS(Industrial Engineering)
 From Florida University USA
 Job:— in Toyota company Dallas USA
 Residence:—USA
 Legal status:—H1 on process in sha Allah
 Marital status:—never married
 Religious sect:-Sunni Hanafi
 Language:- Arabic English Urdu
 Ethnicity:—Indian Hyderabad
 Family:—Father mother sisters brother lives in
 Migration to USA
 LOOKING FOR FEMALE

 Hijabi:—Yes
 Age:—22—25 years
 Height5.2"—5.5"
 Education:—Any
 Residence:—Any
 Legal status:—Citizens of USA or GC or Canada or Gulf borne
 Marital status—never married
 Religious sect:—sunni Muslim
 Ethnicity:—Indian/Pakistani
 Contact:—971 507116717

Beard:No
 Age: 30
 Height: 5.9ft
 Education:Post Graduate
 Profession:Chef
 Residence: British Columbia
 Legal Status: Work Permit
 Marital status: Single/ Never married
 Religious Sect:Muslim Sunni
 Language: English,Hindi,Urdu
 Ethnicity: Indian/Mumbai
 Family:Parents/2 brother's/Grandmother

LOOKING FOR: FEMALE
 Hijabi- Yes /No
 Age: 23-28
 Height:5.4/5.7
 Education:Any
 Profession:Any
 Residence:Canada/USA
 Legal Status:Permanent residency
 Marital Status:Single/Never Married
 Religious Sect:Muslim Sunni
 Ethnicity:Indian/Pak
 Contact:+1 250 938 5512
 WhatsApp # 2509385512

Male
 Age: 30
 Height: 5"11
 Education:MBA from Hyderabad (India) and Masters in IT from USA
 Profession: looking for a job in IT Profession and at the same time working full time for an odd job
 Residence: USA
 Legal Status: Work permit(USA)
 Marital status: Never married
 Religious Sect:Sunni- Muslim
 Language: Urdu, Hindi and English
 Ethnicity: Indian(Hyderabad)

LOOKING FOR: FEMALE
 We are looking for a Hijaabi bride.

Age: 18-27
 Height:5"1-5"10
 Education:any
 Profession:any
 Residence:any
 Legal Status:USA Citizen
 Marital Status: Never married
 Religious Sect: Sunni-Muslim
 Ethnicity: Hyderabad, Indian
 Contact Sister, message or call on what's app only:6132222443

1 Male
 Beard:No
 Age: 30
 Height: 5.9ft
 Education:Post Graduate
 Profession:Chef
 Residence: British Columbia
 Legal Status: Work Permit
 Marital status: Single/ Never married
 Religious Sect:Muslim Sunni
 Language: English,Hindi,Urdu
 Ethnicity: Indian/Mumbai
 Family:Parents/2 brother's/Grandmother

LOOKING FOR: FEMALE
 Hijabi- Yes /No
 Age: 23-28
 Height:5.4/5.7
 Education:Any
 Profession:Any
 Residence:Canada/USA
 Legal Status:Permanent residency
 Marital Status:Single/Never Married
 Religious Sect:Muslim Sunni
 Ethnicity:Indian/Pak
 Contact:+1 250 938 5512
 WhatsApp # 2509385512

Male
 Age: 30
 Height: 5"11
 Education:MBA from Hyderabad (India) and Masters in IT from USA
 Profession: IT professional
 Residence: USA
 Legal Status: Work permit(USA)
 Marital status: Never married
 Religious Sect:Sunni- Muslim
 Language: Urdu, Hindi and English
 Ethnicity: Indian(Hyderabad)

LOOKING FOR: FEMALE
 We are looking for Religious HIJABI, simple and family oriented bride.
 Age: 18-27
 Height:5"1-5"10
 Education:any
 Profession:any
 Residence:any
 Legal Status:USA Citizen
 Marital Status: Never married
 Religious Sect: Sunni-Muslim
 Ethnicity: Hyderabad
 Contact:6132222443

Gender: - Male
 Age: - 33
 Height : - 5'11
 Residence - Chicago
 Work: Systems Engineer
 Citizenship / Status: - H1b(GC under processing)
 Marital Status: -Single (never married)
 Ethnic Background: - indian hyderabad
 Languages Spoken: -English, Urdu
 Religious Sect: - Sunni
 Highest degree obtained: - Masters in Electrical and Computers from SUNY
 Interest/hobbies: - Loves sports, travelling ,reading, watching movies.
 Defining Personality: - Alhamdulillah intelligent, kind, humble, understanding and hardworking.

Looking for: -
 Age 23 to 31
 Education: Bachelors
 Profession: any
 Other Preferences..US citizen, Greencard, H1
 Hijabi - preferable
 Marital Status - Never Married
 Ethnicity: any
 Contact:
 WhatsApp:+18472191258

Name: Khaleeluddin Mohammed
 Age: 26
 Residence: Chicago,IL
 Education: High school Graduate (Going to College for Bachelor)
 Height: 5'11"
 Professional: Going for job
 Legal status: permeant Resident (Applying for citizenship)
 Marital status:Single
 Ethnicity: Hyderabad, India
 Religious Sect:Sunni Muslim
 Family: Parents both 1Elder brother 1younger sister (Married Sister)
 Languages: English,Hindi,Urdu
 Hobbies: Traveling, movies, shopping, Eating.

Looking for

Age:18 to 22
 Height:5.4" to 5.7"
 Residence: USA or Canada
 Education: High school Graduate going to college
 Profession: Any
 Legal status: Citizen or Residence (Green card)
 Built: Slim or Average
 Hijabi : Any
 Ethnicity: Hyderabad, India

Contact
 Father:Maqdoom Ziauddin
 Phone no: (847)443 0408

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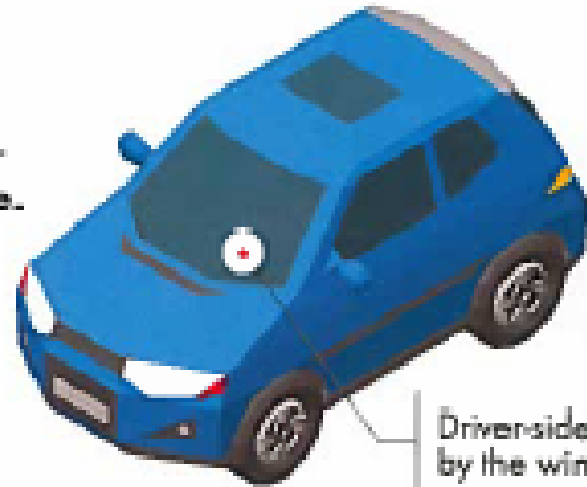
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or

Enter a license plate or VIN manually

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Amitabh Bachchan Was Not Recognized When he Walked Around Lucknow During Gulabo Sitabo

Shoojit Sircar's upcoming film, Gulabo Sitabo, starring Amitabh Bachchan and Ayushmann Khurrana in the lead, dropped its trailer a few days back. Set in Lucknow, the film is a comical and endearing story about a tenant and his landlord.

Shoojit revealed that when they were shooting for the film in the heart of Lucknow, Amitabh was able to walk around the streets with no one recognizing him! He shared that the aim was to achieve a look where the legendary actor was not recognizable.

IANS quoted Shoojit as saying, "As we wanted every scene to be absolutely

authentic and real, there were many shots situated in the absolute heart and congested streets of Hazratganj and Chowk, it is quite unbelievable to contemplate shooting scenes there! We used to shoot in the tiny charming alleys and gully of old Lucknow. We would get ready, and try to finish the shoots within an hour or so, so as not to draw too many crowds in the small lanes."

"Very few people realized what was happening and mostly nobody recognized Mr Bachchan, which was our aim. I did not want him to look like Amitabh Bachchan in the film, I wanted him to look and

sound like Mirza, and that was what we achieved. Yes, after our shoots wrapped, he would often stroll around in the bylanes, chatting with the local people and experiencing the city, with nobody recognizing who he was," he added.

Gulabo Sitabo was earlier scheduled for release in theatres on April 17, 2020. However, it will now release on Amazon Prime Video on June 12, 2020. The film has been written by Juhi Chaturvedi, and produced by Ron-



nie Lahiri and Sheel Kumar Srushti Jayadev Filmibeat

Parineeti Chopra Shares Throwback Pic with Aditya Roy Kapur, Katrina Kaif, Varun Dhawan

Bollywood actress Parineeti Chopra on Tuesday took to her Instagram story section to add a throwback picture of herself having breakfast with her friends from the industry.

In the picture, Parineeti along with Alia Bhatt, Varun Dhawan, Katrina Kaif, Sidharth Malhotra, Shaheen Bhatt and Aditya Roy Kapur can be seen sitting across a table in a restaurant and posing for the camera.

Captioning the image, the Shuddh Desi Romance actress wrote, "The days of no social distancing and 9 am pancakes on Katrina's orders" and tagged Alia, Varun, Sidharth, Aditya, Katrina and Shaheen in her post. Soon after sharing the post, Katrina took a screengrab of the major miss-

ing and added it to her Instagram story section, and wrote, "YASSSS please (sic)." Later on, Parineeti also captured a screenshot of Katrina's story and wrote, "I miss you Katy (sic)."

Earlier, Parineeti had uploaded a picture of her National Award and had expressed her gratitude for her 2012 film Ishaqzaade for which she had bagged the award.

Meanwhile, on the professional front, Parineeti Chopra has Sandeep Aur Pinky Faraar and The Girl On The Train. Parineeti will also be seen in the biopic of ace Badminton player Saina Nehwal. In the movie, the 31-year-old actress will be portraying the titular role Yahoo lifestyl



Exclusive: Akshay Kumar's Laxmmi Bomb Sold For Rs 145 Crore To Disney Plus Hotstar!

Akshay Kumar and Kiara Advani-starrer Laxmmi Bomb, which was set to release on 22 May 2020 in theatres, is just one of the films still awaiting release while the novel coronavirus wreaks havoc around the world. Since mid-March 2020, films have not released in theatres in India, and producers are now turning to over-the-top (OTT) platforms for releasing them. Major films like Gulabo Sitabo and Shakuntala Devi will release on streaming platforms. Reports in April 2020 suggested that Akshay Kumar's Laxmmi Bomb will also release on a digital platform. A source told FilmiBeat that Laxmmi Bomb has been sold for Rs 145 crore to Hotstar!

A report in Pinkvilla also that the film will now release on Disney Plus Hotstar. "It's true that the film will now be premiering on Hotstar. Although there was a bit of disagreement initially, everyone is on the same page now. The movie will indeed be releasing online," read the report.

Laxmmi Bomb First Look

The source also revealed that the official announcement of the same has been kept

on hold and added, "The team needs a month to prepare the project. A bit of post-production work remains and they are waiting for the lockdown to get over. The producers have taken a joint decision on calling the most minimum number of people to get their film ready. So the film won't hit the OTT platforms at least till a month after the lockdown is lifted. So the release date isn't decided yet."

Laxmmi Bomb Sold At Rs 145 Crore But the film has fetched them a lot of money already. "Usually digital rights of a big film get sold at record prices of Rs 60-70 crore max. But since this film won't have a theatrical release and will be straightaway sold to digital, they have fetched a huge price. Laxmmi Bomb has been sold for a staggering Rs 125 crore. But while the number is huge considering digital rates, what one must not forget is that it had the potential of earning over 200 crore at the box office, despite a clash with Salman Khan's Radhe. So the total revenue that the team will make out of it, is much less," the report quoted the source



as saying.

While Pinkvilla sources claim the film was sold for Rs 125 Crore, FilmiBeat sources revealed that Laxmmi Bomb has been sold for a whopping amount of Rs 145 crore! Laxmmi Bomb To Release On Disney Plus Hotstar

Laxmmi Bomb, written and directed by

Raghava Lawrence, is produced by Shabina Khan and Tusshar Kapoor. The horror-comedy is the official Hindi remake of the 2011 Tamil film titled, Muni 2: Kanchana, which was also written and directed by Lawrence. He also produced and starred in the 2011 film. Yahoostyle

Not far from the LAC, satellite picks up Chinese armour, artillery

As Delhi and Beijing turn to their working mechanism at the level of diplomats to reduce military tensions along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in eastern Ladakh, there's evidence of the Chinese having deployed towed artillery and mechanised elements on their side of the LAC opposite the Galwan valley.

Highly placed sources told The Indian Express that a detailed analysis of satellite images has shown extensive deployment of towed artillery and mechanised elements on the Chinese side, bringing Indian deployments within striking distance.

Satellite images also show the presence of at least 16 tanks with a mix of infantry combat vehicles, though camouflaged. Flatbed trucks, excavator machines, dumper trucks too have been identified in the imagery, sources said, adding that these suggest permanent defences are being prepared by the Chinese in the area

"Bunkers, troops on ground and machine gun emplacements can also be seen which may also show that the Chinese have been anticipating an offensive and have made defensive positions too," sources said.

"Suitable" counter-deployments, sources said, have also been done on the Indian side of the LAC to neutralise any advantage that the Chinese may accrue due to the deployments they have done in depth.

At Pangong Tso, where Chinese and Indian troops came to blows on May 5-6, the Indian side, sources said, has been concerned about the Chinese occupation of a place called Foxhole Point, the southern-most point on the northern banks of the lake. This is located between Finger 3 and Finger 4, giving the Chinese an advantage in area domination.

As reported by The Indian Express, Chinese forces have moved into Indian territory by crossing the LAC at some places in eastern Ladakh: in the Pangong Tso area, and at three separate locations in the Hot Springs sector.

The perception of the two sides about the LAC has been different at Pangong Tso, leading to tensions and disputes on the lake and on the northern banks. But the locations that saw Chinese incursions in Hot Springs – Gogra, Patrolling Point-14, PP-15 – have not been disputed so far, and they have come in 2-3 km ahead of the LAC.

The Indian side is also concerned about the threat posed to the strategic Darbuk-Shyok-Daulat Beg Oldie (DS-DBO) road by the Chinese deployment, opposite the Galwan river on its side of the LAC. The 255-km road was thrown open last year by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh who inaugurated a 1400-foot bridge on Shyok river to the north of this area.

Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development

Council Executive Councillor (Education) Konchok Stanzin said: "While it is difficult to say how many Chinese troops have intruded inside Indian territory in Pangong Tso area, they are camping in Four Finger and Green Top areas also, apart from Patrolling Point 14-15."

Stanzin represents Chushul constituency in Leh district. "People in a number of villages like Merak, Lukung, Urung, Man, Spangmik and Kakstel along the Pangong lake are worried over the Chinese intrusions. I have come to reassure people in the villages," he said.

The Indian Army has not commented on the Chinese incursions, but for a statement denying reports that an Indian patrol had been detained by the Chinese soldiers last week. It has, however, acknowledged that soldiers from both sides clashed on the night of May 5/6 in Pangong Tso and on May 9 at Naku La in Sikkim.

the Chinese Foreign Ministry struck a conciliatory tone, saying the "border area situation is overall stable and controllable". Sun Weidong, Beijing's envoy to Delhi, too said: "We should never allow our differences to shadow the overall development of our relations... We should gradually seek understanding through communication and constantly resolve differences."



The Indian establishment is still waiting for signs of any de-escalation by the Chinese in eastern Ladakh.

"The next 72 hours are crucial in which we have to watch for any reduction in the soldiers and equipment from the Chinese side. So far (as on Thursday afternoon), there has been no change in their deployment. Our side also remains on high alert, we haven't changed anything either," an official told The Indian Express.

"The progress so far has been achieved at diplomatic levels in Beijing. Both the sides are talking, but we are holding our military position. That has not changed," the official said.

On the ground situation in the Galwan valley area, another official said: "The situation is presently at a standstill and both sides are dug-in, awaiting the next move from the opposite side."

Written by Man Aman Singh Chhina, Arun Sharma, Sushant Singh | Chandigarh, Jammu, New Delhi

Muslims in India, Bangladesh celebrate Eid subdued by virus

DHAKA, Bangladesh (AP) — Muslims in India and Bangladesh joined prayers to celebrate a subdued Eid-al Fitr on Monday, marking the end of the Ramadan holy month by seeking blessings for a world free from coronavirus.

Across India, government leaders and imams appealed to Eid celebrants to follow lockdown norms and maintain social distance. Bangladesh's leader stressed public safety in her Eid greetings.

The three-day holiday that begins by the sighting of the moon is usually a time of travel, family gatherings and feasts after weeks of dawn-to-dusk fasting. But this year, Muslims were praying at home, their celebrations quieter and tinged with worry about the virus and the impact of lockdowns and other restrictions to curb the spread of the virus.

Outside New Delhi's iconic Mughal-era Jamia mosque, closed as part of a ban on religious congregations, security officers patrolled the streets and almost all shops were closed barring a sweet shop. Police made rounds on motorbikes and a mini

police camp stood just outside a gate.

"It's been 1,400 years since the Islam religion was founded, ... even our elders could never imagine that we will have to celebrate Eid in such a way," said businessman Shehzad Khan.

He said money typically spent buying new clothes to wear for Eid was sent to the poor, who have lost livelihoods due to the virus and the measures taken to contain it. "That money we have given them so that they too can celebrate Eid with us," Khan said.

In Bangladesh, authorities asked people to avoid mass prayers in open fields, which draw tens of thousands normally. Devotees could join prayers at mosques by maintaining safe distances.

On Monday morning, those praying in the country's more than 300,000 mosques wore masks, and many wore gloves as well.

In the capital's main Baitul Mokarram mosque, thousands joined the prayers in phases as authorities allowed them to en-

ter in groups and prayers were held every hour. Many waited in lines for more than an hour to enter the premises.

"This is a new experience. We never felt like this," government official Abdul Halim said after attending the prayer in Dhaka.

"I did not bring my two sons for the prayers, they are staying home. My family could not visit my parents this time," he said.

India has climbed to among the world's largest outbreaks with more than 138,000 cases and 4,000 deaths. It has eased its strict lockdown in recent weeks, including allowing domestic flights to resume.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi extended his greetings to Muslims.

"Eid Mubarak!" Modi tweeted. "May this special occasion further the spirit of compassion, brotherhood and harmony. May everyone be healthy and prosperous,"



he said.

New cases and deaths from COVID-19 are rising in Bangladesh, which has confirmed 35,585 cases and 501 deaths.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina offered Eid greetings but stressed the need for maintaining health guidelines and for individuals to stay safe.

"Your safety is in your hands. Remember that if you remain safe, you are also keeping your family, neighbors and the country safe," she said in an address to the nation.

JULHAS ALAM
,Associated Press

HEALTH

Protect yourself and your family from The dangers of Lyme disease

In 1991, only 9465 cases of Lyme disease were reported to the CDC. Now data suggests there are as many as 400,000 cases a year. The tick season is longer. The range is wider. The highest rates of Lyme disease are occurring with 8-14 year-olds and adults 60-80.

This report is for people who love being outdoors...love taking the kids to the park...backyard gardening...or just enjoying a daily walk.

Lyme disease is, quite frankly, something to be aware of, not scared of. You can take steps to prevent ticks and to assure effective, swift countermeasures should a tick-borne illness occur.

This guide shares specific ways to reduce contact with eight common types of ticks. It reveals the essentials of an accurate diagnosis. And it briefs you on the most effective treat-

ment protocols.

Smart and simple steps to deter, detach, and defeat ticks

In this downloadable report, you'll find proven tips to prevent a tick bite. You'll discover two easy-to-use products that repel ticks from clothing. You'll learn a slick trick to loosen a tick's grasp ...the five most common bite areas (including the two that are often overlooked)...and one step that can successfully and quickly prevent a Lyme infection if one is considered likely.

The smartest tools and tests for detecting Lyme — even without the bull's eye!

The bull's eye rash appears in as few as 60% of Lyme cases. An early blood test will not be positive even if you are infected. So how do

you get a reliable test? The Report will tell you. You'll find an antibody test that's nearly 100% accurate. You'll learn the Stage 2 symptoms doctors look for...an internet test kit you should avoid...and the CDC's latest testing recommendations.

Treatment choice to ease and end symptoms quickly and completely.

This Harvard Medical School guide offers clear guidance for working with your physician to initiate the best treatment. You'll find the preferred antibiotics for Lyme disease. You'll discover healing strategies for late Lyme disease...a multidisciplinary approach to speed recovery from a chronic Lyme condition...and more.

Plus, protective measures to guard against 9 other tick-borne illnesses.



You'll learn where Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever is the greatest danger (It's not the West.) You'll be alerted to one disease that requires a precise combination of antibiotics...a tick infection that mimics malaria...and the one tick-triggered disease with infection rates that spike in winter.

I have inflammatory bowel disease (IBD). What should I eat?

One of the most frequent questions that patients with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) ask is: what should I eat?

It is clear that in addition to genetic factors, certain environmental factors, including diet, may trigger the excessive immune activity that leads to intestinal inflammation in IBD, which includes both Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis (UC). However, the limited number and high variability of studies have made it difficult to confidently advise patients regarding which specific foods might be harmful and which are safe or may actually provide a protective benefit.

New IBD dietary guidelines

To help patients and providers navigate these nutritional questions, the International Organization of IBD (IOIBD) recently reviewed the best current evidence to develop expert recommendations regarding dietary measures that might help to control and prevent relapse of IBD. In particular, the group focused on the dietary components and additives that they felt were the most important to consider because they comprise a large proportion of the diets that IBD patients may follow.

The group also identified areas where there was insufficient evidence to come to a conclusion, highlighting the critical need for further studies. Foods for which there was insufficient evidence to generate a recommendation for both UC and Crohn's disease included refined sugars and carbohydrates, wheat/gluten, poultry, pasteurized dairy products, and alcoholic beverages.

How would observing these guidelines help?

The recommendations were developed with the aim of reducing symptoms and inflammation. The ways in which altering the intake of particular foods may trigger or reduce inflammation are quite diverse, and the mechanisms are better understood

for certain foods than others.

For example, fruits and vegetables are generally higher in fiber, which is fermented by bacterial enzymes within the colon. This fermentation produces short-chain fatty acids (SCFAs) that provide beneficial effects to the cells lining the colon. Patients with active IBD have been observed to have decreased SCFAs, so increasing the intake of plant-based fiber may work, in part, by boosting the production of SCFAs.

However, it is important to note disease-specific considerations that might be relevant to your particular situation.

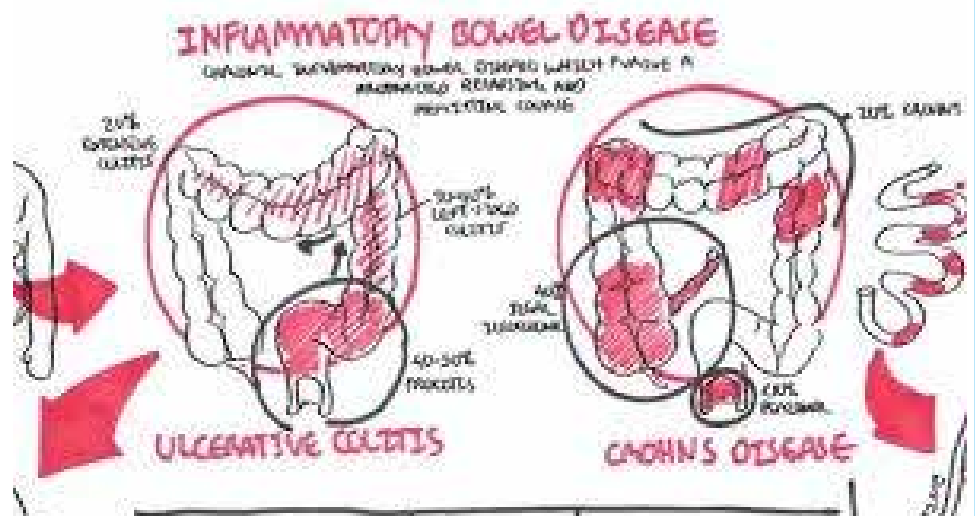
For example, about one-third of Crohn's disease patients will develop an area of intestinal narrowing, called a stricture, within the first 10 years of diagnosis. Insoluble fiber can worsen symptoms and, in some cases, lead to intestinal blockage if a stricture is present. So, while increasing consumption of fruits and vegetable is generally beneficial for Crohn's disease, patients with a stricture should limit their intake of insoluble fiber.

Specific diets for IBD?

A number of specific diets have been explored for IBD, including the Mediterranean diet, specific carbohydrate diet, Crohn's disease exclusion diet, autoimmune protocol diet, and a diet low in fermentable oligo-, di-, monosaccharides, and polyols (FODMAPs).

Although the IOIBD group initially set out to evaluate some of these diets, they did not find enough high-quality trials that specifically studied them. Therefore, they limited their recommendations to individual dietary components. Stronger recommendations may be possible once additional trials of these dietary patterns become available. For the time being, we generally encourage our patients to monitor for correlations of specific foods to their symptoms. In some cases, patients may explore some of these specific diets to see if they help.

Food	If you have Crohn's disease	If you have ulcerative colitis
Fruits	increase intake	insufficient evidence
Vegetables	increase intake	insufficient evidence
Red/processed meat	insufficient evidence	decrease intake
Unpasteurized dairy products	best to avoid	best to avoid
Dietary fat	decrease intake of saturated fats and avoid trans fats	decrease consumption of myristic acid (palm, coconut, dairy fat), avoid trans fats, and increase intake of omega-3 (from marine fish but not dietary supplements)
Food additives	decrease intake of maltodextrin-containing foods	decrease intake of maltodextrin-containing foods
Thickeners	decrease intake of carboxymethylcellulose	decrease intake of carboxymethylcellulose
Carrageenan (a thickener extracted from seaweed)	decrease intake	decrease intake
Titanium dioxide (a food colorant and preservative)	decrease intake	decrease intake
Sulfites (flavor enhancer	decrease intake	decrease intake



John Garber, MD Contributor



INDIAN AMERICAN MUSLIM COUNCIL

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Congressional Briefing calls for US action amid rapidly escalating violence against minorities in India

Broad panel of experts urges the US government to implement the recommendations of the USCIRF

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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The Indian American Muslim Council (IAMC), an advocacy group dedicated to safeguarding India's pluralist and tolerant ethos, co-sponsored a virtual Congressional briefing yesterday, titled "USCIRF Recommendations on India - The Next Steps." With "Hindus for Human Rights (HfHR)," and "International Christian Concern (ICC)," as the other co-sponsors, the briefing was organized with the intent to analyze the recommendations made by the US Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF). USCIRF is an independent, bipartisan U.S. federal government commission that reviews religious freedom violations and makes policy recommendations to the US President, the Secretary of State, and Congress.

The briefing came on the heels of the USCIRF's momentous decision to list India as a "Country of Particular Concern (CPC)" under the International Religious Freedom Act in its 2020 Annual Report. The briefing was chaired by IAMC and included several USCIRF Commissioners as the main speakers along with representatives from Amnesty International, IAMC, HfHR, and ICC. Besides representatives of prominent human rights organizations, the attendees included activists, representatives from congressional offices, and people from all walks of life that are concerned about the rapidly escalating violence against religious minorities in India. The erosion of religious freedom is apparent in the abrogation of Article 370 and the horrific violations of human rights in Kashmir, a brutal clampdown on peaceful civil dissent against the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) and the National Register of Citizens (NRC) and the recent Delhi pogrom, among several other egregious instances of religious persecution.

Ms. Nadine Maenza, Vice-Chair of USCIRF, delivered the keynote address, with an incisive assessment of the existential crisis facing India's democratic polity. Ms. Maenza specifically bemoaned the "#CoronaJihad" social media campaign intended to scapegoat Muslims as responsible for the Covid-19 pandemic. She noted with alarm, the social and economic boycott of Muslims in some parts of the country as well as discrimination against Muslims in the context of medical treatment during the global pandemic.

Dr. Harrison Akins, South Asia policy analyst with USCIRF, while recognizing India as an ally of the United States, noted that "members of the ruling BJP have used the symbols of Hinduism and policies aimed at their protection as weapons against minority communities in their quest to further marginalize religious minorities and shape a Hindu nation." Mr. Akins further noted, "combined with the BJP's inflammatory rhetoric, these coordinated actions strengthen the perception that minorities, especially Muslims and Christians, are outsiders with no legitimate place in Indian history or society and, by their mere presence, a potential threat from within to the project of making India a Hindu nation."

Mr. Francisco Bencosme, Asia Pacific Advocacy Manager of Amnesty International USA, shared concerns expressed by other panelists and highlighted the issue of activists imprisoned for peaceful dissent. He made a special note of Ms. Safoora Zargar, a pregnant student jailed for speaking up against the draconian citizenship law recently enacted in India, and only recently released on bail. Mr. Bencosme remarked that "while the world faces a global pandemic, India has decided that now is the time to attack religious freedom."

Referring to the sinister design of the CAA-NRC-NPR, Mr. Aman Wadud, an attorney at the Gauhati High court in India, emphasized that the "right to a nationality is a basic human right which is fundamental to all accompanying political and civil rights. Deny-



ing individuals of fundamental recognition not only deprives them of their rights but also denies them the ability to participate in the political process and legalizes systematic discrimination and persecution." He elaborated on the rampant misuse of a draconian anti-terror law, the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA), under which the Indian government could designate any individual as a "terrorist" on mere suspicion. That the law was being used against students and journalists speaks volumes about the administration's overt alignment with fascism.

"Persecution, vigilantism, Hindutva and Hindu radicalism and the oppression of Christians is what characterizes India now," stated Mr. Jeff King, President of International Christian Concern (ICC). Mr. Raju Rajgopal, co-founder of Hindus For Human Rights, urged everyone to distinguish between Hinduism and Hindutva. The true concept of "Hindu Rashtra," as Mr. Rajgopal expounded, is actually one of inclusiveness and tolerance, while the "Hindutva Rashtra" that the RSS and its affiliates are clearly striving for, is violent, authoritarian and intolerant.

Mr. Sean Nelson, Legal Counsel for Global Religious Freedom with ADF International, spoke about anti-religious conversion laws in India which prohibit conversions of Indian Hindus to Christianity or Islam. He was dismayed and concerned about the violence faced by converts who also face 3 to 7 years of imprisonment for their voluntary religious conversion.

The briefing lasted for about 90 minutes and the panelists also took questions from the audience. IAMC, along with the other co-sponsors commended USCIRF for their crucial and important work in defending religious freedom around the world. They reiterated their commitment to petition the US government and lawmakers to foreground human rights, civil liberties, and religious freedom in US-India bilateral relations and dialogue. They also urged their grassroots organizers to reach out to their elected representatives to urge the US government to accept and implement the policy recommendations of USCIRF to categorize India as a "Country of Particular Concern" (CPC) and to impose sanctions against Indian officials for "engaging in and tolerating systematic, ongoing and egregious religious freedom violations."

IAMC is committed to the idea of an inclusive India and believes India's continued existence as a secular, democratic polity is essential for peace and stability in South Asia, and thus an imperative for US strategic interests in the region.

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Important Recall Info That MAY Affect Your Vehicle

Your vehicle MAY be involved in a safety recall and MAY create a safety risk for you or your passengers. If left unrepaired, a potential safety defect could lead to injury or even death. Safety defects must be repaired by a dealer at no cost to you

NHTSA Recall ID Number : 20V261

Manufacturer : Maintainer Corporation of Iowa, Inc.

Subject : Loose PTO May Cause Transmission Fluid Leak

Make Model	Model	Years
CHEVROLET SILVERADO MEDIUM DUTY		2019-2020
INTERNATIONAL CV		2019-2020

NHTSA Recall ID Number : 20V263

Manufacturer : Ford Motor Company

Subject : Out Of Park Warning Message and Chime Too Short

Make Model	Model	Years
FORD EXPEDITION		2019
FORD MUSTANG		2019-2020

NHTSA Recall ID Number : 20V266

Manufacturer : Blue Bird Body Company

Subject : Incorrectly Installed A/C Circuit Breaker

Make Model	Model	Years
BLUE BIRD AMERICAN	ALL	2020-2021
BLUE BIRD VISION		2020-2021

NHTSA Recall ID Number : 20V267

Manufacturer : Blue Bird Body Company

Subject : Incorrectly Installed A/C Circuit Breaker

Make Model	Model	Years
BLUE BIRD AMERICAN	ALL	2020-2021
BLUE BIRD VISION		2020-2021

NHTSA Recall ID Number : 20V269

Manufacturer : Forest River, Inc.

Subject : Refrigerator Vent May Be Missing

Make Model	Model	Years
FOREST RIVER VIBE		2020-2021

NHTSA Recall ID Number : 20V270

Manufacturer : Porsche Cars North America, Inc.

Subject : Fuel Line Quick Connector May Leak

Make Model	Model	Years
PORSCHE CAYENNE TURBO		2019-2020
PORSCHE CAYENNE TURBO COUPE		2020
PORSCHE CAYENNE TURBO S HYB COUPE		2020

NHTSA Recall ID Number : 20V272

Manufacturer : Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

Subject : Transmission Oil Pipe May Leak

Make Model	Model	Years
AUDI Q8		2020

NHTSA Recall ID Number : 20V273

Manufacturer : Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

Subject : Passenger Air Bag may Deploy Improperly

Make Model	Model	Years
AUDI Q3		2019

NHTSA Recall ID Number : 20V274

Manufacturer : Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

Subject : Improper deployment of Passenger Air Bag

Make Model	Model	Years
AUDI A6		2020
AUDI A7		2020
AUDI ALLROAD		2020

NHTSA Recall ID Number : 20V275

Manufacturer : Heartland Recreational Vehicles, LLC

Subject : U-Bolts for Spare Tire Carrier May Break

Make Model	Model	Years
HEARTLAND MALDEN		2020
HEARTLAND PROWLER		2020
HEARTLAND TRAIL RUNNER		2020
HEARTLAND WILDERNESS		2020

NHTSA Recall ID Number : 20V276

Manufacturer : Forest River, Inc.

Subject : Ramp Door May Come Loose

Make Model	Model	Years
FOREST RIVER XLR MICRO BOOST		2019-2020

NHTSA Recall ID Number : 20V280

Manufacturer : Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc.

Subject : Incorrectly Assembled Rear Seat Belt Assembly

Make Model	Model	Years
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MITSUBISHI OUTLANDER 2019-2020

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What is a recall?

When a manufacturer or the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) determines that a vehicle creates an unreasonable risk to safety or fails to meet minimum safety standards, the manufacturer is required to fix that vehicle at no cost to the owner. That can be done by repairing it, replacing it, offering a refund (for equipment) or, in rare cases, repurchasing the car.

What should I do if my vehicle is included in this recall?

If your vehicle is included in this recall, it is very important that you get it fixed as soon as possible given the potential danger to you and your passengers if it is not addressed. You should receive a separate letter in the mail from the vehicle manufacturer, notifying you of the recall and explaining when the remedy will be available, whom to contact to repair your vehicle, and to remind you that the repair will be done at no charge to you. If you believe your vehicle is included in the recall, but you do not receive a letter in the mail from the vehicle manufacturer, please call NHTSA's Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236, or contact your vehicle

Appellate tribunal of MahaRERA in place

(This story originally appeared in on May 16, 2018)

Pune: The Maharashtra Real Estate Regulatory Authority tribunal is finally in place with the state government approving an appellate authority of three members.

Retired high court judge Justice Indira Jain has been appointed its president. IAS officer S S Sandhu and Sumant Kolhe, associated with the judiciary earl have been appointed as members, administration/technical and judicial, respectively.

Sandhu is slated to retire on June 30. He will become the member of the appellate tribunal after retirement.

A search committee headed by Justice Shantanu Kemkar, additional chief secretary (housing) Sanjay Kumar and principal secretary of law and judiciary AM Jamadar was formed to set up the tribunal.

The permanent appellate tribunal will hear appeals against the orders passed by

the Maharashtra Real Estate Regulatory Authority (MahaRERA). Homebuyers and developers can approach it for overruling an order given by the MahaRERA.

A MahaRERA official said, "If a homebuyer or a developer is not satisfied with the RERA order, s/he can make an appeal to the appellate board instead of approaching the high court."

MahaRERA officials hailed the formation of the appellate tribunal, stating a permanent appellate authority was the need of the hour, as prescribed in the act. "We had a temporary one operating from the revenue tribunal. The formation of the permanent panel even after a year should help both consumers and developers," said an official.

MahaRERA has been operative from May 1, 2017. Till the permanent appellate authority was constituted, the temporary appellate tribunal disposed of nearly 58 cases. Officials believe that the perma-

nent appellate tribunal will help prevent consumers and developers from approaching the high court.

Shirish Deshpande of Mumbai Grahak Panchayat said, "We welcome the full-fledged appellate tribunal. Till now, there was a temporary tribunal. This is a tribunal for all MahaRera orders. So, finally the justice has been done." Deshpande had earlier written to the chief minister, requesting for speedy appointment of the appellate tribunal because many developers and consumers were approaching the high court.

Credai president Shantilal Kataria said though the state was first in setting up MahaRERA and its website, the formation of the tribunal was pending. "This will truly help developers and consumers because it will not only ensure speedy disposal of



cases but will be cost-effective," he said.

Several consumers feel while the appellate tribunal can address the cases, implementation of the orders issued by MahaRERA is more important
By Nisha Nambiar

A year of misgovernance: NDA govt has presided over an economic crisis, and handled pandemic poorly

Ghulam Nabi Azad writes: While the economy was struggling, the Modi government dedicated itself to destroying the secular fabric of society. It blatantly attacked the very foundations of the Constitution and destroyed the federal structure of the country.

As the Narendra Modi-led BJP government completes one year of its second successive term in office, India can only look back in distress as to how the nation has been brought to its knees in just 12 months. The last year has witnessed a total failure of the central government on administrative, economic, foreign affairs and social fronts. This year has been one where India has faced an economic crisis, job losses, cycles of violence and a pandemic that now threatens to blow out of control.

While the economy was struggling, the Modi government dedicated itself to destroying the secular fabric of society. It blatantly attacked the very foundations of the Constitution and destroyed the federal structure of the country.

PM Modi writes: A letter to the nation in the midst of a crisis that calls for firm resolve

Each and every institution is being used to further the political purposes of the BJP rather than for nation-building. The Constitution was subverted when the state of Jammu and Kashmir was divided, taking the entire world by surprise. This move destroyed the state politically and economically. The entire state was put under an unprecedented curfew, citizens' rights were taken away and hundreds of leaders, including former chief ministers, were arrested.

On the economic front, the government's failure has been pervasive. The January 2020 forecast by the National Statistical Office under the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation was that the Indian economy will grow at less than 5 per cent. The growth rate this year is the "lowest in 11 years".

The cascading effects of demonetisation continues to hurt business and cause job losses. The consistent fall in demand has affected all sectors. Yet, team Modi has not been able to offer a single solution to bring the economy back on the path of growth.

Adding to this crisis is the COVID-19 pandemic. While the pandemic itself is a massive challenge, its impact on the economy is going to be long-lasting.

The rate of unemployment has crossed all previous records, which the government has accepted. According to one estimate, in April 2020 alone, 12 crore people lost their jobs — the highest figure in almost half a century. Perhaps some of these troubles could have been mitigated had the Modi government listened to the opposition.

Had the lockdown been announced earlier, perhaps it would have helped to arrest the coronavirus threat. But the Modi-Shah duo wanted to topple the Congress government in Madhya Pradesh and capture power there. In the process, they put the entire nation at risk. Today, MP is among the top states in the grip of the pandemic.



And when the government did impose a lockdown, it did so without preparation, warning or planning. The economy was brought to a sudden halt. Millions of migrant workers were left to their fate. They faced hunger, starvation, infection and death.

There was no support for migrants in cities, and to survive, millions marched on foot to their villages hundreds of kilometres away. Many died before they reached the safety of their homes. The abject apathy of the Modi government towards suffering migrant workers has exposed its anti-poor attitude. Despite repeated demands by the Congress, the Modi government is yet to offer any economic aid to these hungry, jobless poor workers.

As the Modi government prepares to hold over 1,000 "online rallies", perhaps those offline millions of migrants and jobless workers and youth will recall a harrowing year of unemployment,

violence and the vision of a bleak future ahead.

The Congress demands that the Modi government immediately release direct financial support and provide immediate assistance to migrant workers in distress till the MSME sector is back on its feet and can offer the dignity of jobs once again to this crucial workforce.

This article first appeared in the print edition on May 30 under the title "A year of misgovernance". The writer is leader of Opposition in the Rajya Sabha, and former Union minister and chief minister of Jammu and Kashmir.

Urdu literature will badly miss legendary satirist Mujtaba Hussain

Mujtaba Hussain, a legendary Urdu satire and humour writer, passed away at his residence in Sun City, Hyderabad, on Wednesday, 27 May 2020, aged 84. A prolific writer who wrote columns, travelogues and essays which became highly popular, he had been ailing for a few years. Mujtaba Hussain was a man who was always a pleasure to meet and converse with. He befriended all whom he met and won them over by his extremely pleasing personality. He had a pleasant way of conveying his feelings, a trait which helped him become a highly respected and admired litterateur.

Having started his career in 1956 as a sub-editor of a daily news paper 'Siasat' of Hyderabad, he started writing satirical and humorous columns in 1962.

He perfected the craft of humour writing during a long journey of nearly six decades. He was the youngest of three brothers born to Maulvi Ahmed Hussain in Chincholi, a small village near Gulbarga which later became part of the state of Karnataka on its formation. The eldest brother, Mahboob Hussain Jigar, was the co-founder and joint editor of 'Siasat', an Urdu daily of repute. Ibrahim Jalees, the other brother, an accomplished and popular humour and satire writer in his own right, had migrated to Pakistan.

A regular column "Sheesha wa Tesh" used to be written for 'Siasat', by Shahid Siddiqui who was a journalist and poet. On his sudden death Mujtaba's elder brother Mahboob Hussain Jigar asked Mujtaba to write the column in place of Shahid Siddiqui. Mujtaba at first chose to write the column under a pen name 'Koh Paima' but later as the column became very popular and sought after Mujtaba started writing it under his own name. On the success of the column owing to the likeable style in which it was being written, Mujtaba was encouraged to extend his abilities to higher literary pursuits. Thus the Urdu literary world was enriched with creations which are now treated as a treasure.

Even though humour writing is generally regarded as lesser literature it needs a special talent and expertise. A satirist and humourist can bring instant laughter by his wit in words. He has the knack of

describing and relating an incident with sarcasm and sometimes ridicule, to not only amuse the reader but bring home a ponderable and serious point and at the same time, draw attention to a weakness or shortcoming in the society. With clever play of words and use of parody Mujtaba Hussain brought smiles and laughter to millions of his fans and admirers spanning a vast number of countries where Urdu is spoken and taught.

Urdu, a language which developed in the land of Punjab around the 12th century evolved in India when Persian and Arabic languages mixed with the regional language, to facilitate communication between the local inhabitants and Persian, Turkish, Arabic, traders and invaders. The Moghuls who were Persian speakers during their long rule established the influence of their language on the local language spoken around Delhi and other parts of North India. Punjabi, Hindi and Braj Bhasha provided the base and common grammar. Urdu travelled from the north to the Deccan and then to other centers. Now spoken read and written not only all over the Indian Sub-Continent Urdu is taught and studied as far as Europe, China, Japan, Middle East and many more parts of the world.

Mujtaba Hussain lived for a large part of his life in Hyderabad where Urdu was very prevalent and entrenched in its culture. He thus had a very appropriate environment to carry on his literary work.

Mujtaba Hussain can be counted at par with many other writers who excelled in the field of satire and humour. In fact he was one of the best in the art. Urdu produced many such writers, like Mustafa Yusufi, Pitras Bukhari, Shauqat Thanvi, Shafiq Ur Rehman, Fikr Taunsvi, Kanahiya Lal Kapoor and many others.

Mujtaba Hussain not only served Urdu literature with his outstanding writings, he also worked towards propagation and progress of his art. In 1966 he was instrumental in arranging a successful conference presided over by the well known writer Makhdoom Mohiuddin and inaugurated by legendary Krishan Chander. The conference dealt exclusively with the subject of 'Tanz o Mizah' meaning 'Satire



and Humour'. This conference was only one among many others held on the same art, in which Mujtaba Hussain was a key figure.

He was of the belief that in spite of a world class collection of satirical and humorous Urdu literature available with our present generation, very few are showing passionate and strong interest in this art. This he thought is happening not only with one but almost all languages. People are unable to devote time for achieving command over languages. A mastery over language and a strong stamina is needed to create literature. Engrossment in the fast moving

technological advancements does not leave time and energy to produce high class literature. Speed of life is taking the toll. Mujtaba Hussain devoted his life, energy and passion to Urdu literature. His memory will remain forever for those who will take the time to read and savour his creations.

Aazim Kohli writer, poet, ex-member, Sahitya Akademi, Urdu advisory board

Aazim Kohli
SundayGuardain

Why only 5% investors make money in market when returns are available to all

A Crisil report of 2017 said the average return of a diversified equity investment in India has been around 18 per cent CAGR since 1997

Another report by Dalbar Associates, which compared the returns provided by S&P500 and actual average return attained by investors, found a significant gap between the trajectories of these two returns. Over last 40 years, investors have historically managed to get less than half the return that was otherwise freely offered by S&P500. The same story holds true also from Indian perspective, where the market

has provided an equal and free-of-cost opportunity to all investors, yet, the majority of them have not been able to get it. Why?

To analyse this, let's understand how equity performs and generates returns. In the long run, equity market returns depend on corporate earnings; as earnings rise, prices of shares also rise. This is a simple proposition. However, in the short term, it is the sentiment that drives the market. So share prices become equal to earnings + sentiment. Earnings are declared every three

months, but share prices change every day, every minute and this happens because of a change in sentiment. One investor gets good returns from the stock while another suffers a loss on the same.

Why does this happen?

The most successful investor in history, Warren Buffett, became the richest person by investing in equities which were available for all, his shareholding list was available to all, and even today, his equity holdings and all the other information are easily

available to industry experts for in-depth analysis. But very few investors get equal returns by investing in the same shares. So it's not about research, market analysis, or knowledge, but rather it's our sentiment which decides our returns. That's perhaps the reason that most successful investors talk more about behaviour and sentiments than research.

Invest slowly, nothing is changing in the next three months: Samir Arora

The fact that our equity markets will underperform the US market for this year is more or less given, says the Founder and fund manager, Helios Capital.

If I look at what is happening in the world versus our markets, we are underperforming. Do you think the underperformance is here to stay and it is real?

Yes it is here to stay and it is real. The fact that our equity markets will underperform the US market for this year is more or less given. It is widely expected and reasonably so. One reason for the market per se is that we do not seem to have clear beneficiaries of this problem unlike the US where you could say Amazon is a beneficiary, Netflix is a beneficiary, Google may be a beneficiary or some pharma companies which are finding Covid-related issues are clear beneficiaries. Even gaming companies or Zoom.

India does not seem to have clear beneficiaries, maybe Bharti Airtel and a little bit RelianceNSE -0.53 %. For the rest, we are only looking at what is less badly affected. We do not have that breadth or companies which are benefitting from this.

What does one do in this kind of market? We are in for the worst contraction in the history of India. How does one go about investing in this market because on one side, you have to fight fundamentals and on the other, you have to fight the Fed. Who will win the final battle?

For an Indian investor there are two things: a) that equity should beat debt and b) believe in the history of markets. Markets are forward looking and they have discounting mechanisms. You need not tota totally panic at the bottom because things look bleak. Things have a way of turning around or new sectors emerge or new stocks emerge.

In India's case, suddenly Bharti and Reliance seem to be leading. One year ago, nobody was buying Bharti Airtel. So you will have markets in the end reverting back to history because they are forward looking. Six months later we will say that the economy has turned up from the bottom and that is happening. The GDP which was down 45%, next quarter might be down 5% and after one quarter flat and the markets will look forward.

Therefore the idea is that you can take your time in making new investments, you can choose new stocks, you can choose new sectors. But broadly, the lesson of the last 100 years and across markets is that you do not leave the market per se and try to say that I know something which others do not. But broadly it is true that India has less room for fiscal and the attitude towards the corporate sector in terms of trying to support it aggressively, which is what the US is doing. Plus, the US has a different mix of companies and also technology companies and gaming companies. These are in-home beneficiaries where you are spending

more time although India does not have that. That is why India is underperforming but it will do okay compared to the choices that Indian investors have.

This entire narrative which everyone has is this is the time to go underweight on financials. They are over owned by institutional investors, they have redemptions and they are checking their exposure. Should one seriously look at reducing exposure to financials and especially banks? What about good old HDFC and Kotak Mahindra Banks which have created a lot of wealth for shareholders?

We do not believe so. Let us look at the big picture. When a stock falls by half, for a year or two, there are bad earnings. Nobody is saying that they will make losses as a company they have made. Suppose their earnings growth is zero or minus 10%, for one year nobody is imagining more than that. So you have basically written off 50% of the company as if the company's life was two years and your one is bad.

Also look at it differently. If a stock is down 50% and another consumer company stock is up 20-25%, that means the consumer company is now worth 125% more because this 100 has become 50 and the other 100 has become say 125. So 125 divided by 50 is the new relative valuation. But we have also not bought new financials because we have always had and in fact we have also reduced in the last month, month and a half, some of our NBFCs and even two smaller private sector banks. But to say at every point that it will underperform because it is over owned or under owned is just an excuse. After all, it did not underperform for 20 years while it was always over owned.

But everything has to be done with discipline now because that massive sector run that was there is over. But stocks still do well as we have seen in the last three or four bull markets. In every bull market that I have seen since the 90s that the private sector banks outperformed in all the three bull runs JPMorgan has done the same in the US. So the good stocks will do well but there is no need to jump in today. You can take your time for a new investment but to run away and say that now I will buy something which is up 25% because this quarter people bought because they were sitting at home and ate more chocolates or noodles or others, does not make sense.

Coming to the IT sector, I was just looking at some of these names. They are cheap as well but clearly lack the spunk. Do you think the Indian IT sector can really try and grab a share of the digitisation that we are going to see world over post Covid?

They have not shown any such initiative before. Maybe the only thing they can do is help the US companies because Indian companies would not hire them. They can help the US and global companies adapt

to work from home and make and make that secure. When TCS says that we will have X percent of our employees working from home, that will be their model to sell that service or maybe they are already selling it to others. But to have true innovation in terms of creating new products is like saying that India should do this and should do that. We bet on what will happen and not what should happen.

On the chocolates and noodles that you were talking about, we are consuming data and we are consuming food during the lockdown. Consumer companies are trading at 60 PEs. Do you still venture out and buy them fresh?

Well some of them we do not basically because if you are stocking up, then that itself affects the next quarter. Secondly, we have many consumer companies but I am just talking in general about super high ones because the idea is that your scenario for the future will always be like this which means say eight quarters, you will only be buying food at home and eating at home. That will mean the overall economy will be down, the market will be down and these stocks may outperform but are highly unlikely to really make you money even more than the interest rate.

If you are thinking that the economy will settle down in terms of bottoming out and then move up and then by definition other sectors which have been beaten up more and where the delta will be higher will outperform. We have already seen that for this quarter -- in April and May -- they are unlikely to have got any great sales because those in pipeline are gone and new production has not happened and the lockdown has not lifted. So, this quarter is going to be a disaster, then the results will come out and may disappoint many people.

Aviation sector is opening up from 25th May and the middle seat will not be left vacant. Multiplexes have been beaten black and blue. But some of the QSR companies have reported decent numbers and they have got very positive management commentary in the quarter gone by. Where will pent up demand be unleashed and vengeance buying make a comeback? Pent up demand will be only for the first one or two or three weeks depending on each sector but the overall demand has to be down because of A) loss of jobs; B) Cutting of salaries; C) Closing down of many small businesses, restaurants and all who are not selling you products but themselves are consumers.

The pent up demand will mislead all of us because in the first two weeks or one week you may find all of us wanting to go out to see what is happening and then may be because of some second wave or even otherwise because the nervousness is not over, it will retreat. Pent up demand should not be viewed as a predictable future.

So I would not bet on the first three days of people going to a movie hall or first twenty days of people taking flights because they may be stuck up in one city and they will want to return home and whatever the ticket price is even if it was not capped. But that does not show any consistency in demand coming back. The Chinese and Koreans are claiming that car sales have normalised; luxury car sales are back. Disney Land opened and was soon sold out. But you will not read too much into that? First of all please note that in China, one city called Wuhan was locked down and the rest of the country was not locked down. They have not lost as many jobs and as many businesses because it was not a large scale lockdown. The fact is in reality, we have had so many job losses and how can those jobs come back? In any case, over the last one or two years, more Indians were earning less in terms of incremental income and spending more which means they were reducing their savings to consume.

In the United States, among the people who have lost their jobs, more than 50% are earning more than what they were earning before as they get good unemployment money. This article in the Wall Street Journal about two weeks ago said 50% of the people who were fired or furloughed, are earning more than what they were earning when they were in a job. In theory, they are saving money right now because they are earning higher or equal to what they were earning and they are not spending as much. So clearly, when the malls open, if they do not feel otherwise unsafe, people will buy and spend money.

In India, there is no such buffer. I am not negative on India. My fund runs on India and I sell India. But the point I am making is that to conclude that we are underperforming for a reason, let us not draw any conclusion. Just because Amazon results were good, the Nasdaq goes upland therefore, next day we have to go up because overnight the US was up, they are different stories.

On the way up, we have underperformed the world. On the way down, are we likely to outperform? I understand the Apples and the Amazons of the world are taking those markets higher but the US economy is also going to contract.

I am not seeing the market going down. I am saying it is not easily going up. If the US market goes up, we will go up a little less but we will mostly go up more than what the investors can earn in their debt and other investments. I am not saying that we have to go down more than the US is going down. I am just saying that this idea that this pent up demand will help consumer stocks may not be the case.

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June 2020 Monthly Horoscope

GEMINI (May 21 – June 20)
The June 2020 Horoscope will bring a change both in your general outlook and in the pace of your life. You'll begin to feel more settled and serious-minded (this could apply either to work or to your private life).

Whatever you achieve this year will stand you in good stead in years to come. Your inherent restlessness, which can always take hold if things become a little slow-loving and stodgy, will be less evident, and you'll feel that your general progress has become steady and positive. There is a definite accent on commitment and the achievement of ambitions – though this won't occur overnight, and a little patience (dread word!) will be necessary. Financially, things should move ahead steadily if not spectacularly – and your love-life should be steadily positive, too, with a relationship deepened. So not bad, altogether – but remember not to get too exhausted; keep some vitamins for days when you feel your energy needs a boost. 70% positive.

CANCER (June 21 – July 21)
Cancerians generally love entertaining, and this month you'll definitely feel like giving your friends a good time, in one way or another. Don't worry about all those things you should be doing; let them go hang for a while, or delegate them – none of them are likely to be life-threateningly important.

One way and another there'll be plenty of opportunities to enjoy life with whoever you want to be with – and everyone will appreciate the treats you arrange for them. Don't forget to relax and enjoy things yourself, too – perhaps especially when they're over and you can stop worrying about organising things! Enjoy – that's the word for June's Horoscope!

LEO (July 22 – August 21)
Though June is peppered with indications which suggest a lively social life, and the whole month is likely to be pretty frenetic in one way or another, you should cope as well as usual, while in the middle of the month your career should really take off – it looks as though you may develop a close and advantageous relationship with a colleague, perhaps a new one. Take the time to listen to other people rather than exercising your Leo determination to take your own line about things; and if you don't agree with whatever they propose, tact will get you much further than stubbornness. A cunning plan will occur to you on

the 21st – no doubt that'll be the New Moon putting her oar in.

VIRGO (August 23 – September 23)
You're no stranger to nervous tension, and between the 4th and 13th you may be specially prone to it – so make careful plans for what you have to do at that time, and then revise them cutting out absolutely everything that you haven't GOT to do. Otherwise you'll find yourself trying to crowd far too much into the day, and feeling the worse for it – then your digestion will start to suffer. Fortunately, after the 13th you'll be into a much more relaxed and calm phase, and the following weeks will be considerably more productive, rewarding and enjoyable. Venus indicates connections with people from overseas, and this month of June may bring them to your door. If you're studying, beware of too many enticing distractions!

LIBRA (September 24 – October 23)
An emphasis on money this month – and a positive one which suggests that an investment of some kind will pay off. This doesn't necessarily mean the stock exchange: maybe a lucky bet, or just an unexpected windfall from a chance you took ages ago. But this same astrological indication could be interpreted to suggest that you'll make a wonderfully advantageous and profitable purchase – and even if you spend more money than you want, or even than you have, you'll find that whatever you bought will in the end be more than worthwhile. Sorry we can't be more specific – but you'll soon know which way Venus is going to reward you, this month – she's shining specially brilliantly for you at the moment.

SCORPIO (October 24 – November 21)
Those emotions of yours could drop you right in it this month unless you make a real effort to keep them under control. It seems most likely that you'll just lose your sense of perspective about something, and become far less logical than it's in your power to be. Try not to jump to conclusions – no, correction, DON'T jump to conclusions; if you do, you'll say more than you should, and more strongly than you should. This will be specially true if that cursed jealous streak of yours is involved. Be specially careful if that's the case, because we're here to tell you that it's 100-1 that it'll be completely unjustified. If we could give you a minus score on that count, we could; bet

it's say – oh, what about 5% positive?

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 – December 20)
If you have the slightest hint of a gambling streak, it'll surface this month, whether in connection with sport of some kind or just with a tendency to take risks in one way or another. We guess that it's most likely that sex will be involved – you'll perhaps just set eyes on that delicious girl or that gorgeous hunk, and leap as soon as you've looked. Well, fine; but be prepared for a put-down if you're tactless or overforceful. However, the chances are that he or she will fancy you as strongly as you fancy them, and what could be more promising than that? So yes, take that gamble, and see how things turn out. The world's smiling at you at the moment: smile right back. 95% positive.

CAPRICORN (December 21 – January 19)
Life may feel just a tad uneasy this June – something to do with events beyond your control, which during the first fortnight of the month will add to your work-load and may contribute to some sort of breakdown in communication. If you double-check on all arrangements (especially if you're planning to travel) you should be able to avoid disaster, or even any serious build-up of stress – but while these negative trends are around, they should be centred on your working life, and time at home with the family or with your lover should be well spent, enjoyable and restorative. The irritating indications will end on June 12st.

AQUARIUS (January 20 – February 18)
Life really should be extremely pleasant and enjoyable for you at the moment – it's a good time of year for you in general, but this year will be specially so, provided you don't rely too much on other people. There are also chances of an irritating delay of some kind – maybe connected with clothes. Alright, yes, that sounds strange and unlikely, but if you have ordered something, taken something to the cleaner's – that sort of thing – be prepared for an unexpected delay which could in some way contribute to social difficulties (the laundry losing one half of that lingerie set, or mincing up your favourite pair of erotic briefs?) 50% positive.

PISCES (February 19 – March 20)
Things will be somewhat trying both at home and at work: at home there'll be delays of one sort or another – tremendous progress will be made, but you'll get involved in almost endless discussions (sounds to us as though you're redecorating but having problems with colours or patterns). While at work, you'll be very busy indeed, and not to able to solve problems nearly as quickly or easily as you'd hoped. Try not to get irritated or exhausted by these delays; save your energy for coping when the decisions have been made. A friend or acquaintance will be specially encouraging, kind and complimentary.

ARIES (March 21 – April 20)
The positive indications which were at work in May continue through June, especially where your love-life is concerned – you'll feel well settled and in tune with your partner. The financial situation looks set fair, too – unless you allow a particularly generous impulse to get the better of you! If anything does start bugging you, give vent to your feelings rather than bottling them up, and direct your comments straight at the person with whom they'll take most effect. Your words won't fall on deaf ears, though maybe the ears will turn light red with irritation because their possessor will know that you're in the right! You'll make most effect if you speak out between the 12th and 15th.

TAURUS (April 21 – May 20)
Bliss! – what a wonderfully warm, sentimental time you'll have of it this month, when Moon and June will definitely rhyme! You'll have no difficulty at all in expressing your feelings, whether on paper or more intimately, and your own special he or she will positively shiver with pleasure. If you're thinking of making a declaration of love, then if you can bear to wait until the 6th you'll find that Venus, beginning a journey through your Sun-sign, will warm things even more – and the day of the New Moon will give such a seductive turn to things that . . . no, no, this mustn't become an astrology porn column. 101% p

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Charlotte leaders declare state of emergency after protests over George Floyd death

Charlotte Mayor Vi Lyles and Mecklenburg County commissioners chair George Dunlap declared a state of emergency on Saturday.

The move came after demonstrators protesting the killing of George Floyd slashed tires on a police cruiser, smashed windows at a Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department substation, broke into a grocery store and pelted officers with water bottles along Beatties Ford Road in west Charlotte on Friday night.

“We want protests to be heard. We want it to be safe,” Lyles told reporters Saturday evening. “We want to do it in a way that protects our residents, our neighborhoods, our communities.”

The emergency declaration, which Lyles said she hopes leaders don't need to use, would allow Charlotte-Mecklenburg to access resources from the state.

Demonstrators said more protests were planned over the next several days.

CMPD Deputy Chief Jeff Estes said Saturday's state of emergency may be “very brief” compared to the other emergency proclamation still in effect due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

“Last night started out with peaceful protests that we support, and in fact, agree with,” Estes told reporters. “We hope that today, that the peaceful voices will be heard and not be drowned out by violence action. That's our goal.”

Lyles and Dunlap signed the joint order Saturday morning “to assist law enforcement efforts to respond to the protests,” according to an email County Manager Dena Diorio sent to top county leaders shortly after noon Saturday.

“I think it's fair for people to vent their frustrations but they need to do it in a peaceful way,” Dunlap told the Observer.

There is not a curfew in effect for Charlotte and Mecklenburg County, Lyles emphasized. But if a curfew is necessary under the state of emergency, Lyles said, sufficient notice would be given to area residents.

The National Guard, which has already been deployed to Charlotte to assist with the public health crisis, could be used to protect property during protests, Dunlap said.

‘BUILDING COMMUNITY’

Protests — mostly peaceful, sometimes destructive — have sprung up around the country since a viral video detailed how a white police officer on May 25 in Minneapolis pinned Floyd to the ground face down and pressed his knee into his neck. Floyd, a 46-year-old African American, can be heard saying “I can't breathe.”

The officer has been fired and charged with third-degree murder.

On Friday night, three officers in Charlotte suffered minor injuries and multiple police vehicles sustained damaged during protests, CMPD said.

Police said someone discharged a firearm during the demonstrations. A suspect was identified and arrested, CMPD said.

Lyles and Estes couldn't say which out-of-town organizers may have been behind Friday's protests around Beatties Ford Road. Estes said as long as protesters remain peaceful, it's “irrelevant” if they are from Charlotte or elsewhere.

The mayor reminded Charlotte residents that destruction to convenience stores or small restaurants could make a “huge difference” amid the pandemic.



“When we are talking about building community, we have to build it with an understanding of everyone's perspective and everyone's place in that community,” Lyles said.

COUNCIL MEMBER ARRESTED

City Council member Braxton Winston was among the protesters arrested Friday. He tweeted at 1:40 a.m. Saturday that he was “home safe.” And he stood with Lyles and fellow City Council members at the Government Center on Saturday evening. Earlier, County Commissioner Mark Jerrell condemned Winston's arrest.

“When you don't leverage your community leaders and somebody who is as respected as Braxton, it's a complete misstep — it's a complete miscalculation,” Jerrell told the Observer Saturday afternoon. “It shouldn't be done, especially when he, as an elected official, is out putting himself in harm's way and trying to protect both sides.”

Jerrell said he understands the pain and frustration among protesters, as they witness police brutality unfold “time after time after time.” But he said people must stay constructive, not destructive.

“I want us to look at policies that we can implement that dismantle these institutional structures and barriers that perpetuate racism and inequity in our society,” Jerrell said.

County Commissioner Vilma Leake, whose district includes the Beatties Ford Road, told the Observer she will try to join demonstrators on Saturday evening. But it's unclear if protests will again gather in the same area — near a Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police substation where windows were broken.

But Leake also urged residents to stay at home with their families and “set some agenda” to pave the way for positive change. And she pleaded with out-of-town protesters to avoid returning to Charlotte and causing additional destruction this weekend.

“Marching and demonstrating, it's fine,” Leake said. “But when we begin to destroy the property within the confines of our community, I cannot support that and I do not support that.”

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ISNA CONDEMNS KILLING OF GEORGE FLOYD

ISNA Unequivocally Condemns the Tragic Death of George Floyd

On Monday, May 25, a tragic event took place in Minneapolis, Minnesota. George Floyd, a black man, 46, was handcuffed and pinned down to the ground by a Minneapolis Police officer. Officer Derek Chauvin knelt on George Floyd's neck for at least five minutes, as a result of which he died. In the video, George Floyd is heard saying, “I can't breathe”. The four officers involved in this incident have been fired and former Officer Chauvin is in custody and has been charged with third degree murder and manslaughter. Protests have erupted in cities across the country with curfew and a state of emergency being enacted in Portland. Tragic incidents like this bring back bitter memories of Eric Garner's death in 2014 in New York and many others.

The Islamic Society of North America unequivocally condemns the horrific death of George Floyd and appeals to Minnesota Governor, Tim Walz, to conduct a full inquiry of this incident. While the arrest and charges against Derek Chauvin are the first steps towards justice, a full investigation to rule out any other motivations, must be conducted. Tragedies like this put us on a slippery slope which threaten the very core of our nation, our democracy, and our values.

ISNA President, Dr. Sayyid Syeed said that, “Incidents like this go against the very fabric of our nation and the ideals we hold so dear.” Executive Director, Basharat Saleem, added, “to ensure that our future generations live in a nation that holds the ideals of truth and justice, we must speak up and do everything possible to condemn incidents like this.”



ISNA sends thoughts and prayers to the family of George Floyd. May his soul rest in peace.



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AIMDC-AN OVERVIEW:

All India Muslim Development Council (AIMDC) was formed following the National Conference held on 28th October 2018 at Bengaluru with the theme "Indian Muslims, Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow" to recognize the problems and to play a pro-active role in all round development of Muslim community in India. The conference was attended by community leaders and prominent personalities across India such as Ulemas, Political Leaders, Business Leaders, Organizational Heads, Intellectuals, and Professionals.

VISION: Transform the Indian Muslim Community into a socially, educationally and economically advanced Community and thereby enable the members of the Community to contribute significantly to the unity and prosperity of the Indian society.

MISSION: Providing every possible guidance and assistance to the Community in the process of achieving effective progress, prosperity and empowerment through the following ways:

- Motivate the maximum number of young members of the Community to assume the role of committed social activists.
- Persuade all the Community based institutions to adopt a highly focused, modern, sensitive, pragmatic and organized approach.
- Execute the project 'Masjid One Movement' and thereby revive the original role of Masjids as 'Community Development Centers' and pave the way for the progress of the Community.
- Develop a network of 'Think Tank' at various levels to provide intellectual and practical guidance to the individuals, groups, institutions and organizations of the Community in various domains.

MASJID ONE MOVEMENT:

The Principal objective of the movement is to transform the masjid as a community development center and establish an integrated network of Masjids and thereby establish a broad-based link between the members of the Indian Muslim Community across the country. Such a network would facilitate Data collection regarding the status of the community in the fields of Social, Education, Economic, Employment, Housing, Skill and Trades, Enrolment to Govt. schemes and necessary documentation of the people etc. The collected data will be used to analyse vital information and deliver guidance and assistance to the community on the shortcomings through correction strategy and a development plan



INITIATIVES UNDER MASJID ONE MOVEMENT



STRATEGIC

1. DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS
2. FAMILY TRUST
3. GOVT. WELFARE SCHEME ASSISTANCE
4. SKILL AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT
5. VOTER ID, AADHAR ETC. ENROLMENT
6. AREA NEWS MONITORING

SOCIAL UPLIFTMENT & NATION BUILDING

7. COUNSELLING (PRE-MARRIAGE & ANTI DRUG)
8. INTER MASJID ACTIVITIES
9. MOTIVATE TO TAKE UP MILITARY & POLICE SERVICE
10. HARMONY WITH OTHER FAITHS
11. NEIGHBOR'S DAY
12. NATION BUILDING ACTIVITIES
13. PROGRAM FOR OTHER STATE WORKERS
14. MASJID DAY PROGRAM
15. MUSAFIR KHANA / HOSTEL/ SUBSIDISED FOOD

CHILD & YOUTH

16. CAREER GUIDANCE
17. CHILDREN LITERACY DRIVE/PLAYSCHOOL
18. SCOUTS AND GUIDES
19. YOUTH AND CHILDREN CLUB
20. IAS/IPS PREPARATION
21. SPORTS CLUB AND TALENT HUNT
22. MASJID LIBRARY
23. MASJID COACHING CENTER

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24. SUPPORT FAMILY / STUDENTS
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No Juma-tul-Wida prayers in Hyderabad for first time in 423 yrs

Hyderabad: For the first time in 423 years the historic precincts of Mecca Masjid, Jama Masjid and Charminar will not witness the congregational Juma-tul-Wida prayers on Friday due to the coronavirus induced lockdown. The landmark monuments of Hyderabad will not reverberate with the prayers and supplication of the devout on May 22, the last Friday of Ramzan.

Charminar was the first mosque after the city was founded in 1591 CE. Seven years later Jama Masjid, the first congregational mosque was constructed and the Mecca Masjid joined these two in 1694. For the last four centuries, these three iconic structures have always been the centre of the observance of the fasting month of Ramzan, Eid shopping and prayers.

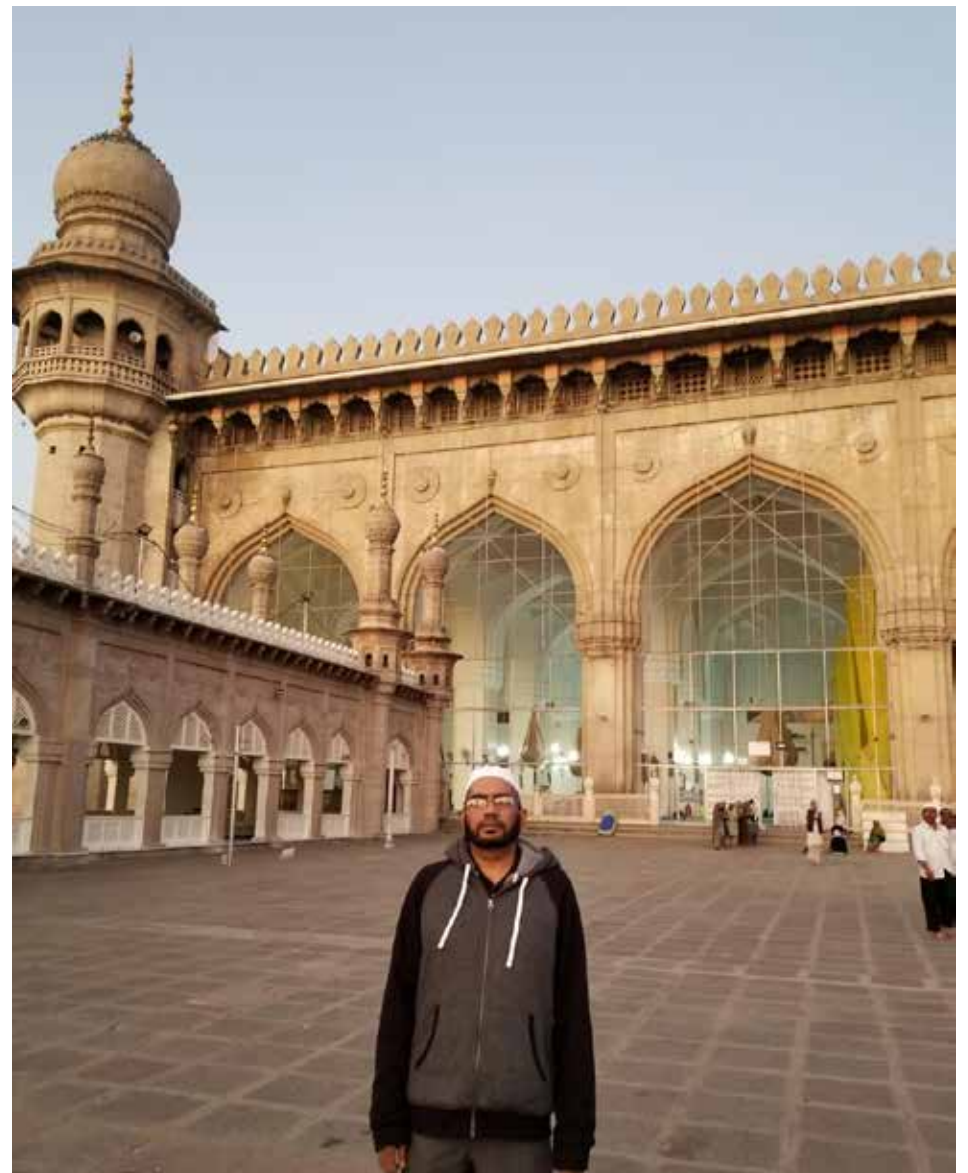
Though there had been three instances of mosques being closed during Ramzan in 429 years of Hyderabad — due to outbreaks of plague, Spanish influenza and cholera — there are no such records to show that the two grand mosques — Mecca Masjid and Jama Masjid — were closed. Even during major calamities including 1908 Musi Deluge and the breakout of World War I in 1914 in which princely Hyderabad had actively supported the British. When the kingdom of Golconda was under siege by the Mughal army led by Aurangzeb in 1687, congregational prayers were offered at the Jama Masjid

adjoining Charminar. The Mecca Masjid was still under construction then.

A look at historical data reveals that Juma-tul-Wida coincided with the siege of Golconda that lasted for about eight months. The siege ended on September 22, 1687. That year Ramzan began on July 11 and Juma-tul-Wida fell on August 8. Aurangzeb and his army had camped at what is now Fateh Maidan and drank water from the Hussainsagar lake.

The siege and associated political uncertainty and military tension did not deter people from offering congregational prayers.

While Juma-tul-Wida occurred on August 21, 1914 after World War I began on July 28. Ramzan occurred two months after the World War II began on September 1, 1939 and Juma-tul-Wida fell on November 10 that year. The Ramzan of 1948 was observed under tension and threat of military action in 1948. Forty-seven days after Juma-tul-Wida the Police Action began leading to the merger of princely Hyderabad with Indian Union. On all these occasions the prayers went on at the three historic monuments — Charminar, Mecca Masjid and Jama Masjid.



Chief Minister Sri K. Chandrashekar Rao held a review meeting at Pragathi Bhavan

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on the State's economic situation. He discussed about the strategy to be planned due to the steep decrease in the state's income. Chief Secretary to the government Sri Somesh Kumar, Principal Secretary (Finance) Sri Ramakrishna Rao, CM Principal Secretary Sri Narsing Rao and other senior officials participated.

“Telangana state should get Rs 12,000 Crore income every month. But the entire income fell flat due to the lockdown. In May month, the State received Rs 3,100Crore, which includes the state's share in the central taxes, which is Rs 982 Crore. Though, the state government has given some relaxations to the lockdown guidelines, but the income did not increase substantially. Income from Transport, registration and other departments was also not much. As a result the government received only some income. We have to cater to all our needs with

this meagre income. The state government has to pay debt installments to the tune of Rs 37,400 Crore per year. These installments to be paid every month without fail. The State has requested the centre to re-schedule the loans. But the Centre did not take any action in this regard. With this, the state has no option but to pay the installments. Though there was an increase in the FRBM Limits by the Centre, but the conditions imposed by the Central government additional loans could not be raised. If salaries of the employees and pensions were paid, the expenditure would be more than Rs 3000 Crore. The entire treasury will be empty. Henceforth no payment can be made nor any work can be undertaken. Hence we have to adapt a proper strategy,” the CM said.

Due to the severe economic situation in the State, the government has taken the following decisions:

- To pay promptly the loan instalments.



from May.

- To pay Asara pensions as it is
- To give the poor 12 Kgs of rice during May in the backdrop of the lockdown.
- Due to relaxations given to the lockdown guidelines, labourers and workers will get their daily work; hence Rs 1500 cash will not be paid to them
- The deduction of 75 per cent in the salaries of the public representatives, 60 per cent of the All India Service officers, 50 per cent of the government employees salaries, 25 per cent of the pensions will continue in the month of May also. For outsourcing and contract workers, there will be a 10 per cent cut in their salaries in May too.

All Saints: Beacon of Hyderabad schools cricket



Hyderabad: Nestling in the by lanes of Gunfoundry in Abids is the 165 year old All Saints High School. The school has produced a long list of luminaries from various fields, including former Indian captain Mohammad Azharuddin, politician Sitaram Yechury, Bollywood singer Mohd Irfan among others

However, All Saints High School is more synonymous with cricket – more so schools cricket. It is in this school's tiny ground with its hard and bare surface that Indian cricketers such as Mohammed Azharuddin, Abid Ali, Venkatapathy Raju, Syed Kirmani, Noel David, blossomed. Brother KM Joseph, who had a big role to play in the development of sport in All Saints, from 1969 to 1986, said the school's association with sports dates back to 1940s. "The School always believed that sports helps in character building. The ground was one of the busiest places. We were one of the few school teams to participate in the Hyderabad cricket league."

Since it was a small ground, it had some crazy rules. When the ball hit the side walls it was declared as two, a full toss hit on the side wall was a four. If the ball hit above a line on the school building it was a six. The cricketers made the best of their modest resources. Whenever the team won, it would celebrate with puffs and soft drinks at Bombay bakery or John's Bakery sponsored by Brother Joseph and when they lost, the team got an earful.

'But I never compromised on education,' said Brother KM Joseph. 'We used to conduct special classes for the cricketers.'

Mohd Azharuddin, one of the top cricketers from All Saints.

Brother Joseph remembers Azhar as a young shy boy. "He showed a lot of a talent from a young age. He was humble, sincere and disciplined. Even on

this hard, bare ground, he would dive and stop the ball. MV Sridhar was a dedicated student and a good cricketer. Noel David was a chirpy character."

Denzil Balm, former coach, said cricket was top priority. "We encouraged boys to take to sport from young age. It was All Saints that introduced Brother of John tournament for under-10. In olden times we had Abid Ali, Sultan Saleem, Syed Kirmani. At one a time we had three cricketers _ Conrad Sruell, Inder Raj and Sarvar Ahmed who played for Indian Schools."

Cricketers from All Saints rose to great heights. "Somehow those days there was a reputation that if you play for All Saints, you will go on to represent the State or even the country," said Leonard Justin, the former coach but now settled in USA.

Venkatapathy Raju, who passed his tenth from here, said when he joined the school in ninth class, it was on one condition that they should win the Basalat Jah tournament. "We kept our promise but unfortunately we won the final without a ball being bowled. We went four times to the ground but HPS Begumpet did not turn up. The unique thing is that Brother Joseph always believed in playing and winning the match."

The rivalry between HPS Begumpet and All Saints was well known. Former Hyderabad fast bowler P Harimohan, whose book 'The Men Within' (made into Telugu film 'Golconda High School') is based on All Saints cricket, recalled one particular match they played against HPS. "They had some big names in their team and we were clear underdogs. But our Principal motivated us on the morning of the match and told us that if we win, he would give us whatever we asked for. We were bowled out for 126. We had given up on the match but things changed after lunch and we bowled out them for 70. Our Principal

treated us to the film 'Jaws' and dinner at Mohini with extra ice cream."

Noel David said it was a carnival atmosphere. "Even in the canteen it was all about cricket. Ragada samosa was very famous in Ashok's canteen." For those



who played schools cricket in Hyderabad, All Saints High School, and its cricketing culture remains a nostalgic memory.

Telangana Today

Janab Mujtaba Hussain passed away in Hyderabad

Well-known Urdu author, humorist and satirist from the city, Mujtaba Hussain, passed away in Sun City here around 9 am on Wednesday. He was 87 years old.

Mujtaba Hussain was awarded the Padma Shri in 2007, and was known for his humourous writings, columns in Urdu newspapers and books.

Hussain's satirical works were translated into Oriya, Kannada, Hindi, English, Russian and Japanese languages. His career spanned almost 54 years. His travelogue 'Japan Chalo, Japan Chalo' was one of the unique contributions to Urdu literature. His book 'America Ghaans Kaat Raha Hai', a take on US foreign policy received good response.

Around 12 PhDs were done on Hussain by different scholars from across India during his lifetime. He also hit headlines in 2019 when he decided to return the Padma Shri following the atmosphere of hate across the country.

Hadi Hussain, son of late Mujtaba Hussain speaking over the phone, said, "My father passed away today at around 8:45 AM due to cardiac arrest."

Condolence by HE Ausaf Sayeed:

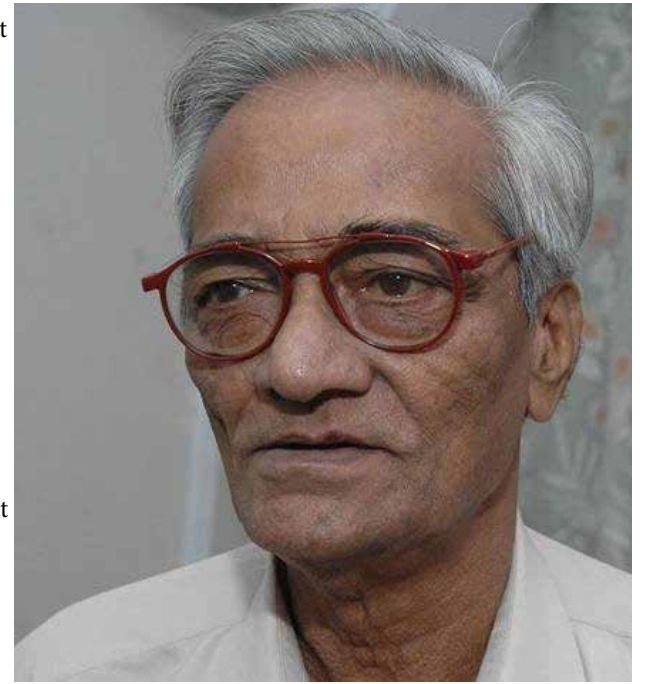
The passing away of well-known Urdu author, humorist and satirist from Hyderabad, Janab Mujtaba Hussain this morning at the age of 87 is a huge loss to the Urdu literature and Urdu journalism.

Janab Mujtaba Hussain's significant contribution to Urdu will be remembered for a long time. He was a legend who will be difficult to be replaced.

May the departed soul rest in peace and reach the highest abodes in heaven!

I shared several memoral moments with Janab Mujtaba Hussain Sahab as he was one of the close friends of my father Awaz Sayeed and my uncle Mughni Tabassum.

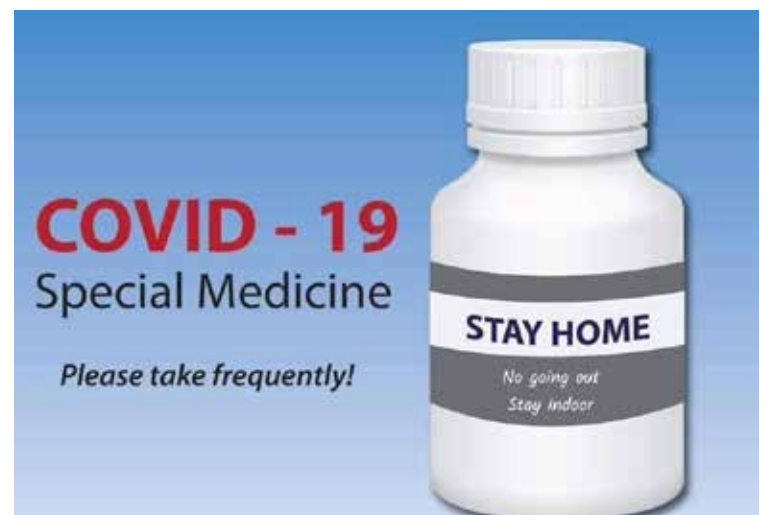
I take pleasure in sharing some memorable photographs as well as an article written by Janab Mujtaba Hussain Sahab on my father.



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Ahmed Idrees Shareef Sir and
Ararat Educational Society
Ahmed Hussain Sir
Both has distributed 100 Ration kits to poor
and deserving people of Nawab sahab kunta
Jahanuma in today's morning



Dr. Luqman Hussaini Director of Gyanam Junior College, & Professor Amirullah Khan, Academy advisor of Gyanam Academy along with Mr Mahmood Ali, Home minister of TS — at Gyanam Junior College.



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ڈاکٹر توفیق انصاری احمد



حضرت شیخ سعدی شیرازی رضی اللہ عنہ

④ قناعت بادشاہی ہے

اُردو حکایت: ایک بادشاہ کی کوئی اولاد نہ تھی۔ اُس نے وصیت کر دی کہ کل

صبح جو شخص سب سے پہلے شہر میں داخل ہوگا اُس کو بادشاہ بنا دیا جائے گا۔

دوسرے دن ایک خستہ حال بھکاری شہر میں داخل ہوا جس کو بادشاہ بنا دیا گیا۔ کچھ دن تک سب ٹھیک چلتا رہا پھر بعض امیروں کی سرکشی کی وجہ حکومت میں خلل پڑا اور ملک کا ایک حصہ قبضہ سے نکل گیا۔ ان ہی دنوں اس نئے بادشاہ کا ایک پرانا ساتھی شہر میں داخل ہوا اور بادشاہ کا شاہانہ کروفر دیکھ کر بہت خوش ہوا اور مبارکباد دیتے ہوئے بولا کہ اللہ کا احسان ہے قسمت نے تیرا ساتھ دیا اور تیرا پھول کانٹے سے اور کانٹا تیرے پیر سے نکل گیا۔ بیشک تنگی کے ساتھ آسانی ہے۔ بادشاہ نے کہا۔ ”اے عزیز! یہ مبارک باد دینے کا نہیں بلکہ ماتم پُرسی کا موقع ہے؛ جب میں تیرا ساتھی تھا اُس وقت مجھے صرف ایک روٹی کی فکر ہوتی اور رات کو چین سے سوتا تھا اور اب ایک ملک کی فکر ہے نہ دن کو چین ہے اور نہ رات کو آرام۔“

منظوم ترجمہ:

ساتھ غربت تھی تو، بس تھی ایک ہی روٹی کی فکر
اب یہ عالم ہے کہ سارا ملک ہے سر پر سوار



دانائے مشرق، بلبل شیراز، حضرت شیخ سعدی شیرازی رضی اللہ عنہ فارسی زبان کے عالمی شہرت یافتہ ادیب، شاعر، سیاح و دانشور گزرے ہیں۔ آپ کی پیدائش تقریباً آٹھ سو سال قبل سادات کے اک معزز گھرانے میں ہوئی جو برسوں پہلے مکہ سے ہجرت کر کے شیراز میں آسا تھا۔ خاندان میں دینداری کا بول بالا تھا اس لئے ابتدائی تعلیم گھر پر ہوئی اور چھوٹی سی عمر میں تمام ضروری دینی مسائل یاد ہو گئے جس کے ساتھ عبادت، شب بیداری اور تلاوت کلام پاک کا شوق پیدا ہو گیا۔ گیارہ سال کی عمر میں کلام مجید حفظ کر لیا۔ تفسیر، فقہ، حدیث اور صرف و نحو کی ابتدائی کتابیں پڑھیں اور سن بلوغ کو پہنچنے سے پہلے ہی نہایت اعلیٰ و ارفع اخلاق و کردار کے مالک بن گئے۔ ان کی سلیقہ مندی، زہد و تقویٰ، ذہانت و دانشمندی کا ہر طرف چرچا ہو جائے گا۔ نوعمری میں والدین کے ساتھ پہلا حج کیا اور اپنی زندگی میں چودہ حج پاپیادہ کئے۔ بغداد کے مدرسہ نظامیہ میں تقریباً تیس سال تک مشہور زمانہ علمائے کرام سے تحصیل علم و فیض صحت حاصل کر کے قرآن، حدیث، تفسیر، منطق، فلسفہ، ریاضی اور دیگر علوم پر عبور حاصل کیا۔ ساتھ ہی کئی اجنبی زبانوں میں بھی مہارت حاصل کر لی۔ تحصیل علم سے فارغ ہو کر حضرت سعدی شیرازی نے سیاحت پر کمر باندھ لی اور عمر کا بیشتر حصہ ایشیاء، آفریقہ اور دُنیا کے دیگر ممالک کی سیرو سیاحت میں بسر کیا۔ کہا جاتا ہے کہ مشرقی سیاحوں میں ابن بطوطہ کے سوا شیخ سعدی سے بڑھ کر کوئی اور سیاح نہیں۔ انہوں نے سیاحت کے دوران بڑی صعوبتیں اٹھائیں اور بڑے تجربے حاصل کئے۔ ایک اندازے کے مطابق شیخ سعدی کی تصانیف تیس سے متجاوز اور ایک سے بڑھ کر ایک ہیں لیکن ان کی دو

کتابوں گلستاں اور بوستاں نے لازوال عالمی شہرت حاصل کی اور حضرت سعدی کے مقام کو بلند و بالا کر کے اور کمال پر پہنچا دیا۔ گلستاں اور بوستاں کی بنیاد قرآن، حدیث، تربیت، اخلاقیات، تجربات، دور رس اور دانشوری پر رکھی ہوئی ہے۔ ان دو کتابوں کی حکایات میں کچھ ایسا سبق پوشیدہ ہے کہ جس کو پڑھنے کے بعد آدمی اپنے علم و عمل سے انسانیت کے اعلیٰ مقام پر پہنچ سکتا ہے اس لئے ان کا مطالعہ بنی نوع انسان کے لئے نہایت فائدہ مند ہے۔

اُردو ادب کے ممتاز ادیب و شاعر ڈاکٹر توفیق انصاری احمد نے حضرت شیخ سعدی شیرازی کی سدا بہار فارسی تصانیف گلستاں و بوستاں کی افادیت کو پیش نظر رکھتے ہوئے ان دونوں کتابوں کی منتخب حکایات کے نثری و منظوم ترجمہ کا کام کئی برس پہلے شروع کیا تھا جس کی اشاعت و رسم اجرائی کا اہتمام زیر ترتیب ہے۔ ویسے تو گلستاں و بوستاں کے تراجم دُنیا کی تقریباً تمام بڑی زبانوں میں ہو چکے ہیں لیکن صرف انگریزی و عربی میں نثر کا ترجمہ نثر اور نظم کا ترجمہ نظم میں کیا گیا ہے۔ اُردو زبان میں موثر اور مفید ترجمہ کی ایسی کوئی مثال نہیں ملتی۔ ”گل بو“ (گلستاں سے گل اور بوستاں سے بو) گلستاں اور بوستاں کی منتخب مثالی حکایتوں کا اور ڈاکٹر توفیق انصاری احمد کا زیر ترتیب اُردو زبان کا وہ سب سے پہلا شاہکار مشترکہ و منفرد گلدستہ ہے جس میں فارسی نثر کا ترجمہ اُردو نثر میں اور فارسی نظم کا ترجمہ اُردو نظم میں کیا گیا ہے۔ ”گل بو کی حکایت“ کے عنوان سے ہم گلستاں و بوستاں کی حکایات کو عوامی استفادہ کی خاطر ”ایشیا ٹائمز کی الیکٹرانک اشاعتوں میں ثواب جاریہ کی نیت سے سلسلہ وار شائع کر رہے ہیں۔ (ادارہ)



ولی الدین

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ہر کوئی Busy ہے ملاقات نہیں ہوتی اور تو اور فون پر بھی بات نہیں ہوتی جب بھی فون ملاؤ - Mail - Voice آجاتا ہے Sunday کو چھوڑو Message جواب Monday کو آتا ہے آپ آسانی سے Visit کریں E-mail پر صبح و شام بس یاد رکھیں میرا ای میل وی ایٹ اسٹیز و ڈاٹ کام

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ولی الدین

مبارک عید کی دینے، مری جاں زوم پر آنا

رضوان حسنی مسلم



نئے ہیں طور ملنے کے، مری جاں زوم پر آنا مبارک عید کی دینے، مری جاں زوم پر آنا بڑی مدت ہوئی دیکھے ترا وہ چاند سا چہرا ہلال عید کے صدقے، مری جاں زوم پر آنا گلی میں عید ملنا بھی نہیں ممکن ہے یاروں سے اشاروں سے گلے ملنے، مری جاں زوم پر آنا سؤیوں کی طرح سے خم، ترے گیسو کے دیکھیں ہم کبھی تو زلف سر ہونے، مری جاں زوم پر آنا بنا میرے تمہاری عید ادھوری سی ہی رہتی ہے یہی چپکے سے تم کہنے، مری جاں زوم پر آنا کسی تہوار کی محتاج کیوں ہو دوستی اپنی اسی اتوار تم ملنے، مری جاں زوم پر آنا

ترک کہاوت ہے کہ

”اگر تمہاری مساجد میں جماعت کی پچھلی صفوں میں بچوں کا شور نہیں آ رہا تو اپنے دین کے مستقبل کی فکر کرو“

اپنے بچوں کو اُردو پڑھائیے

اُردو ایک زندہ زبان ہے اس کی تشہیر کیجئے



”دنگے کیوں کراتے ہو۔۔۔!“

کلیم حیدر آبادی

ابوالعباس کریم اللہ بیابانی

دنگے کیوں کراتے ہو تم خود اپنے شہر میں کبھی دیر نہیں ہوتی ہے سُنو رب کے قہر میں یہ جوش و ولولہ ہے فقط، ایک پانی کا بلبلہ کزور نہیں مظلوم کی فریاد اثر میں ہر قائد میں چھپا ہے یہاں مغرور آدمی نہ گھریے یوں زہر کو پھر اور زہر میں قتل ہو گیا آج پھر ایک مشکوک غریب! سویا تھا کل جو تھک کر پچھلے پہر میں اب رات کی تاریکی میں پھرتے ہیں شیاطین بخدا! تاخیر کیوں ہوتی ہے اب روز سحر میں؟

یارب عنایت کر ہمیں وہ امن کی گھڑی! انسان بلند تر ہو جب انسان کی نظر میں مجروح کر کے دل کو یہیں قاتل نہیں رکا! خنجر کو پھیرتا تھا وہ چاک جگر میں مذہب کی چاشنی میں کروا اب پیار محلت لگتے نہیں ہے پھل کبھی نفرت کے شجر میں گر گنگو کرو، تو بہت پختگی کے ساتھ کچھ دم نہیں ہوتا ہے لفظ مگر میں سوتا رہا کلیم، جب جلتا رہا چن اے کاش کے اٹھتا تو اگر روز فجر میں

خوشخبری

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سو سے زیادہ بیماریوں سے شفاء ہے

یہ کلونجی سے بنی دوا ہے

اس میں ان تمام بیماریوں سے شفاء ہے۔

جیسے: فالج، شوگر (ذیابیطیس) بوسیر، کھوڑ، گھٹیا، ہاضمہ کا نہ ہونا، نیند نہیں آنا، رگوں کی شکایت وغیرہ

یہ دوا بلا پرہیز اور بے ضرور ہے

اس دوا کو حاملہ عورتیں اور زچہ بھی استعمال کر سکتی ہیں

مزید معلومات کے لئے رابطہ کریں

سکندر علی : 9347814088 حیدرآباد۔

حنا خان کی پہلی فلم ہیکڈ کا ٹریلر جاری، سات فروری کو ریلیز ہوگی فلم

کرن جوہر کے بیٹے نے انہیں کرن جوکر کہا، فلم میکرنے سوشل میڈیا پر بتائی وجہ

چھوٹی اسکرین پر نشر ہونے والے سیریل پر شہرت حنا کے اپوزٹ ہیں، 19 سال کے نوجوان کا کیا کہلاتا ہے؟ اپنے اداکاری کا آغاز کرنے کر دار ادا کر رہے ہیں۔ روہن کو حنا سے یکطرفہ



والی معروف اداکارہ حنا خان کی پہلی فلم 'ہیکڈ' بڑے پردے پر دستک دینے کے لئے تیار ہے۔ سائبر کرائم پر مبنی اس فلم کا ٹریلر پیر کے روز جاری ہو گیا ہے۔ فلم کے اسس ٹریلر کو ڈائریکٹر وکرم بھٹ نے سوشل میڈیا پر شیئر کیا ہے۔ وکرم بھٹ نے ٹویٹ کیا۔ آپ پر نظر رکھی جا رہی ہے۔ اگر آپ اپنا صبر کھوتے ہیں تو آب سب کچھ کھودیتے ہیں۔ ہیکڈ کا ٹریلر جاری ہو گیا ہے۔ فلم میں حنا خان کے علاوہ روہن شاہ، موہت ملبھوترا اور سڈھ مکڑ بھی اہم کردار میں ہیں۔ یہ ایک تھرلر فلم ہے۔ فلم کے اس ٹریلر کو اداکارہ حنا خان نے بھی ٹویٹ پر شیئر کیا ہے۔ مسلم میں حنا خان ایک فیشن میگزین کی ایڈیٹر کے کردار میں ہیں۔ فلم میں ان کا کردار کافی گلیمرس ہے۔ مسلم کے ٹریلر میں دکھایا گیا ہے کہ روہن شاہ جو فلم میں

پیار ہو جاتا ہے۔ ٹریلر میں روہن کا حنا کے تئیں عشق کے جنون کو بخوبی دکھایا گیا ہے۔ اس کے ساتھ ہی ٹریلر میں سائبر کرائم کو بھی دکھایا گیا ہے۔ ٹریلر میں دکھایا گیا ہے کہ کے ذریعہ روہن کے عشق کو ٹھکرانے پر، حنا کو سبق سکھانے کے لئے وہ کس طرح سوشل میڈیا پر حنا کے سارے اکاؤنٹ ہیک کر لیتا ہے اور اس کا غلط استعمال کرتا ہے۔ ٹریلر میں آئے دن ہورہے سائبر کرائم کے تئیں خبردار کیا گیا ہے اور بتایا گیا ہے کہ ویب میں اپنی ہر چھوٹی بڑی چیزوں کا اشتراک کس حد تک نقصان دہ ہو سکتا ہے۔ وکرم بھٹ کی ہدایت میں بنی فلم 'ہیکڈ' کو امرپی ٹھکر اور کرشنا بھٹ پروڈیوس کر رہے ہیں۔ ہیکڈ 7 فروری، 2020 کو سینما گھروں میں ریلیز ہوگی۔

میڈیا پر بھی فعال رہتے ہیں۔ اس بار کرن اپنے بیٹے کو لے کر بحث میں ہیں۔ سوشل میڈیا پر کرن جوہر کا ایک ٹویٹ وائرل ہو رہا ہے۔ حال ہی میں کرن نے فلم شیر شاہ کا پوسٹ شیئر کیا تھا۔ اس کے بعد کرن نے ٹویٹ پر طنز و مزاح پوسٹ کیا۔ کرن نے انکشاف کیا کہ ان کے بیٹے لیش جوہر نے کرن جوہر کے بجائے کرن جوکر کہا تھا اور ان کا بچہ انسٹاگرام پر ان کو فالو کر رہا ہے۔ کرن اپنے مداحوں کو سوشل میڈیا پر فلموں سے متعلق اعلانات کے ساتھ ساتھ اپنی روز مرہ کی سرگرمیوں کے بارے میں اپ ڈیٹ رکھنا پسند کرتے ہیں۔ کرن جوہر نے ٹویٹ کیا۔ میرے بیٹے نے مجھے صرف کرن جوکر کہا! مجھے لگتا ہے کہ وہ مجھے انسٹاگرام پر فالو کرتا ہے!۔

چار سال بعد لیڈی گاگا کا میوزک ایلبم ریلیز

درجنوں سنگل گانے بھی جاری کر رکھے ہیں۔ گلوکاری کے علاوہ لیڈی گاگا نے 2018 میں فلم ڈیپو بھی کیا تھا اور ساتھ ہی انہیں عالمی فیشن آئیکن کے طور پر بھی شہرت حاصل ہے اور جلد ہی وہ دوسری فلم میں بھی دکھائی دیں گی۔ لیڈی گاگا کو ان کی بولڈ پرفارمنس، جنسیت پر ابھارنے والی شاعری و مناظر پیش کرنے سمیت تنازع لباس پہننے کی وجہ سے بھی شہرت حاصل ہے اور نئے ایلبم کی تصویریں اور ویڈیو جھلکیوں سے بھی اندازہ ہوتا ہے کہ وہ ایک بار پھر اپنی بولڈ اور روایتی ڈانس پرفارمنس سے شائقین کو محظوظ کریں گی۔ لیڈی گاگا نے گزشتہ برس فروری میں اپنی منگنی محض 90 روز بعد ہی ختم کر دی تھی، انہوں نے 19 اکتوبر 2018 کو خود سے 17 سال بڑے اور ٹیلنٹ ایجنٹ 49 سالہ کرسٹین کریو سے خاموشی سے منگنی کی تھی۔



یہ بھی پڑھیں: آخری بار کب نہایا تھا یا نہیں، اگرچہ لیڈی گاگا نے اب تک 6 ہی آڈیو میوزک ایلبم ریلیز کیے ہیں، تاہم انہوں نے 2 ری میکس میوزک ایلبم ریلیز کرنے سمیت تین ویڈیو ایلبمز بھی ریلیز کر رکھے ہیں جب کہ انہوں نے

شہرت یافتہ امریکی پاپ گلوکارہ 34 سالہ لیڈی گاگا نے طویل انتظار اور تاخیر کے بعد بالآخر اپنا نیا میوزک ایلبم ریلیز کر دیا۔ لیڈی گاگا کا آخری اور پانچواں میوزک ایلبم 'جاؤ نے' 2016 میں ریلیز ہوا تھا، ان کا چوتھا ایلبم 2014، تیسرا ایلبم 2013، دوسرا ایلبم 2011 اور پہلا ایلبم 2008 میں ریلیز ہوا تھا۔ لیڈی گاگا نے گزشتہ برس سے ہی اپنے چھٹے میوزک ایلبم کے حوالے سے سوشل میڈیا کے ذریعے باتیں کرنا شروع کی تھیں، تاہم انہوں نے رواں برس تصدیق کی تھی کہ وہ اپریل 2020 میں چھٹا میوزک ایلبم ریلیز کریں گی، تاہم پھر کورونا کی وبا کے باعث انہوں نے میوزک ایلبم کی ریلیز کو ملتوی کر دیا تھا۔ لیکن اب انہوں نے طویل انتظار اور تاخیر کے بعد اپنا چھٹا میوزک ایلبم 'کرو مائیکا' 29 مئی کو ریلیز

اعلان کیا۔

نیا کورونا وائرس کیا ہے؟

میں مبتلا ہو چکا ہے۔ یہ بات ذہن نشین کر لینا ضروری ہے کہ نزلے زکام اور کووڈ-19 کی حفاظتی تدابیر ایک جیسی ہیں۔ مثال کے طور پر بار بار ہاتھ دھونا اور سانس لینے کے نظام کی صحت کا خیال رکھنا (کھانسی کرتے اور چھینکتے وقت اپنا منہ کہنی موڑ کر یا پھر ٹشو یا رومال سے ڈھانپ لینا اور استعمال شدہ رومال یا ٹشو کو ایسے کوڑا دان میں ضائع کرنا جو ڈھکن سے بند ہو سکتا ہو)۔ نزلہ زکام کی ویکسین دستیاب ہے، اس لئے ضروری ہے کہ آپ خود کو اور اپنے بیویوں کو ویکسین کی مدد

کے معلوماتی حصے میں آپ کو اکثر پوچھے جانے والے سوالات کے جوابات بھی مل سکتے ہیں۔ آپ کو یہ مشورہ دیا جاتا ہے کہ سفر اور تعلیم کے موضوع پر فراہم کی جانے والی مشاورت اور رہنمائی کے ساتھ ساتھ مقامی حکام کی طرف سے جاری کردہ نئی خبروں اور احتیاطی تدابیر سے مسلسل باخبر رہیں۔

کووڈ-19 وائرس کیسے پھیلتا ہے؟ یہ وائرس متاثرہ شخص کی کھانسی یا چھینک سے خارج ہونے والے رطوبتوں کے چھوٹے

کرکورونا وائرس کی منتقلی کی روک تھام کے ساتھ ساتھ بچوں اور خاندانوں کو اس سے محفوظ رکھنے کے لئے بھی مسلسل سرگرم رہے گا۔ انٹرنیٹ پر کورونا وائرس کے بارے میں کافی زیادہ معلومات موجود ہیں۔ مجھے کیا کرنا چاہیے؟ انٹرنیٹ پر کورونا وائرس کے بارے میں بہت سی غلط معلومات اور بے بنیاد باتیں پھیلائی جارہی ہیں۔ مثال کے طور پر یہ بتایا جا رہا ہے کہ کووڈ-19 نامی بیماری کیسے پھیلتی ہے، اس سے بچنے کے کیا طریقے ہیں اور آپ کو کیا کرنا

اس نئے کورونا وائرس سے ہونے والی بیماری کی پہلی بار شناخت چین کے شہر وہان میں ہوئی اور اسے کورونا وائرس سے ہونے والی بیماری کو 2019 (کووڈ-19) کا نام دیا گیا۔ بیماری کے اس نام میں 'کو' کا مطلب 'کورونا' 'وی' کا مطلب 'وائرس' جبکہ 'ڈ' کا مطلب disease یعنی بیماری ہے۔ اس سے قبل اس بیماری کو 2019 نیا کورونا وائرس یا '2019 این کو' کا نام بھی دیا گیا تھا۔ کووڈ-19 حال ہی میں سامنے آنے والا



بخار، کھانسی اور سانس لینے میں دشواری کی صورت میں اپنے ڈاکٹر سے فوری رجوع کریں سے محفوظ رہیں۔



کھانسی یا چھینک کی صورت میں اپنے منہ کو ڈھکن سے محفوظ رکھیں۔



ایسے افراد سے دور رہیں جنہیں نزلہ یا زکام ہو



باقاعدگی سے صابن کے ساتھ ہاتھ دھوئیں

قطروں اور ایسے چیزوں کی ریح کو چھونے سے پھیلتا ہے جو کورونا وائرس سے آلودہ ہو چکی ہوں۔ کورونا وائرس ان چیزوں کی سطح پر کئی گھنٹے تک زندہ رہ سکتا ہے لیکن اسے عام جراثیم کش ماحول سے بھی ختم کیا جاسکتا ہے۔ کورونا وائرس کی علامات کون سی ہیں؟ کورونا وائرس کی علامات میں بخار، کھانسی اور سانس لینے میں مشکل پیش آنا شامل ہیں۔ بیماری کی شدت کی صورت میں نمونیہ اور سانس لینے میں بہت زیادہ مشکل کا سامنا بھی ہو سکتا ہے۔ یہ بیماری بہت کم صورتوں میں جان لیوا ثابت ہوتی ہے۔

چاہیے اگر آپ پریشان ہوں کہ آپ کو کورونا وائرس سے ہونے والی بیماری میں مبتلا ہیں۔ معلومات حاصل کرتے ہوئے یہ احتیاط کرنے کی ضرورت ہے کہ آپ یہ معلومات اور مشورے کہاں سے حاصل کر رہے ہیں۔ یہ وضاحتی مواد آپ کو ضروری معلومات اور احتیاطی تدابیر فراہم کرنے کے لئے تیار کیا گیا ہے۔ اس کے ذریعے آپ جان سکیں گے کہ آپ کو کورونا وائرس سے ہونے والی بیماری کے خطرات کو کم کرنے کی ضرورت ہے اور اگر آپ سفر پر نکل رہے ہوں تو آپ کو کون حفاظتی اقدامات کی ضرورت ہے۔ اس کے علاوہ یونیسیف نے انٹرنیٹ پر ایک معلوماتی پورٹل بھی فراہم کر دیا ہے جہاں سے آپ کووڈ-19 کے بارے میں مزید معلومات اور رہنمائی حاصل کر سکتے ہیں۔ اس کے علاوہ عالمی ادارہ صحت (WHO) کی ویب سائٹ

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وائرس ہے جس کا تعلق کورونا وائرس کے اسی خاندان سے ہے جو نظام تنفس کی شدید ترین بیماری کی مجموعی علامات (سارس) اور نزلہ زکام کی عام اقسام پھیلانے کا باعث بنا تھا۔ کووڈ-19 کو عالمی ادارہ صحت نے عالمی باقاعدگی سے اس کا کیا مطلب ہے؟ کووڈ-19 کو عالمی باقاعدگی سے اس کا کیا مطلب ہے؟ کووڈ-19 کو عالمی باقاعدگی سے اس کا کیا مطلب ہے؟ کووڈ-19 کو عالمی باقاعدگی سے اس کا کیا مطلب ہے؟

دوسرا قدم: ہاتھوں پر اتنا صابن لگائیں کہ آپ کے گیلے ہاتھ پوری طرح صابن کی جھاگ میں چھپ جائیں۔ تیسرا قدم: ہاتھوں کی دونوں جانب سطح، انگلیوں کے درمیان اور ناخنوں کے اندرونی حصوں کو اچھی طرح رگڑیں۔ چوتھا قدم: ہاتھوں کو پانی سے اپنے ہاتھ اچھی طرح دھولیں۔ پانچواں قدم: اپنے گیلے ہاتھ کسی صاف کپڑے یا ایسے تولیے سے صاف کر لیں جو صرف آپ کے استعمال میں ہو۔

اس بیماری کی عام علامات زکام (فلو) یا عام نزلے سے ملتی جلتی ہیں جو کہ کووڈ-19 کی نسبت بہت عام بیماریاں ہیں۔ اس لئے بیماری کی درست تشخیص کے لئے عام طور پر معائنے (ٹیسٹ) کی ضرورت پڑتی ہے تاکہ اس بات کی تصدیق ہو سکے کہ مریض واقعی کووڈ-19

یہ دیکھتے ہوئے کہ یہ بیماری کسی بھی ملک میں بچوں، خاندانوں اور انسانی آبادیوں میں پھیل سکتی ہے، یونیسیف دنیا بھر میں کووڈ-19 کی وبا سے نمٹنے کی تیاری اور بیماری کے جوابی اقدامات میں مصروف عمل ہے۔ یونیسیف دنیا بھر کی حکومتوں اور شراکت داروں کے ساتھ مل

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آم کے حیران کن فوائد

آم نظام ہاضمہ کے لیے بھی انتہائی مفید ہے جو خوراک کو ہضم کرنے میں مددگار ثابت ہوتے ہیں جبکہ آم بھوک کو بھی بڑھاتا ہے۔ آم میں موجود ریٹینول جنہیں فائبر کہا جاتا ہے آنتوں کی صفائی اور ورم کے خطرے کو کم کرتے ہیں۔

ذیابیطس کا علاج

آم میں مٹھاس کی زیادہ مقدار پائی جاتی ہے جس کے بارے میں خدشات تھے کہ یہ ذیابیطس کے مریضوں کے لیے نقصان دہ ثابت ہو سکتا ہے لیکن اب نئی تحقیق سے ثابت ہوا ہے کہ آج ذیابیطس کے مریضوں کے لیے انتہائی مفید ہے۔ اس میں کافی مقدار میں منرلز اور وٹامنز پائے جاتے ہیں اور آسانی سے جسم میں جذب ہو کر خون میں گلوکوز کی مقدار کو معتدل رکھتے ہیں۔

انیمیا کا علاج

آم میں آئرن کی کافی مقدار پائی جاتی ہے



جو انیمیا کی تکلیف میں مبتلا لوگوں کے لیے زبردست علاج ہے۔ روزانہ ایک آم کا استعمال جسم میں سرخ خون کے سیل کی مقدار بڑھاتا ہے جو انیمیا کے خطرے کو کم کرتا ہے۔

کمزور ہڈیوں کا علاج

آم کا استعمال ہڈیوں کی بیماریوں سے محفوظ رکھتا ہے اور اس میں موجود کیلشیم ہڈیوں کو مضبوط کرنے میں مددگار ثابت ہوتا ہے۔ آم کھانے سے ہڈیوں کی کمزوری کی امکانات انتہائی کم ہو جاتے ہیں۔

مدافعتی نظام کے لیے مفید

آم جسم میں مدافعتی نظام کو بڑھاتا ہے۔



آم کو پھلوں کا بادشاہ بھی کہا جاتا ہے۔ جسے مختلف ممالک اور خطے میں مختلف ناموں سے پکارا جاتا ہے۔ پھلوں کا بادشاہ ذائقہ سے بھرپور اور انتہائی میٹھا ہوتا ہے جس میں وٹامن اور معدنیات کثرت سے پائے جاتے ہیں جو صحت کے لیے انتہائی مفید ہیں۔

کینسر کا علاج

آم میں کورسین، آئیسیکوز سیٹرن، اسٹرگن، فیسن، گالک ایڈ اور میتھائل گلٹ جیسے کیمیکل پائے جاتے ہیں جو چھاتی کے کینسر سمیت ہر طرح کے کینسر کے مرض کو روکنے میں مددگار ثابت ہوتے ہیں۔

طبی ماہرین کے مطابق آم میں شامل اینٹی آکسیڈنٹ آنتوں اور خون کے کینسر کے خطرے کو کم کرتا ہے جب کہ گلے کے غدود کے کینسر کے خلاف بھی یہ مؤثر کردار ادا کرتا ہے۔ ہارورڈ یونیورسٹی کے ماہرین کے مطابق آم کو لون یا بڑی آنت کے سرطان کے خلاف ایک اہم مدافعتی ہتھیار ثابت ہوا ہے۔

وزن بڑھاتا ہے

کمزور افراد کے لیے آم بے انتہا مفید ہے کیونکہ یہ وزن کو بڑھاتا ہے۔ آم وزن بڑھانے کے لیے دیگر خوراکیوں کی نسبت سب سے آسان خوراک سمجھی جاتی ہے۔ 150 گرام آم میں 86 کیلو ریز پائی جاتی ہیں جو آسانی سے جسم میں جذب ہو جاتی ہیں۔

نظام ہاضمہ کے لیے مفید

آم کو پھلوں کا بادشاہ بھی کہا جاتا ہے۔ جسے مختلف ممالک اور خطے میں مختلف ناموں سے پکارا جاتا ہے۔ پھلوں کا بادشاہ ذائقہ سے بھرپور اور انتہائی میٹھا ہوتا ہے جس میں وٹامن اور معدنیات کثرت سے پائے جاتے ہیں جو صحت کے لیے انتہائی مفید ہیں۔

روزانہ ایک آم کھانے سے آپ پیٹ سمیت مختلف بیماریوں سے محفوظ اور صحت مند رہتے ہیں جبکہ آم دل کی بیماریوں اور کینسر جیسی موذی بیماریوں سے بھی محفوظ رکھتا ہے۔ آم بھارت کا قومی پھل ہے جسے وہ زندگی کی علامت بھی سمجھتے ہیں اور اسے مذہبی رسومات میں بہت زیادہ استعمال کیا جاتا ہے۔ بھارت میں آم کے پتوں کو مختلف تقریبات اور شادی میں سجاوٹ کے لیے بھی استعمال کیا جاتا ہے اور آم کی چٹنی بھی کھانوں میں استعمال کی جاتی ہے۔

آم کو مختلف کھانوں کے ساتھ بھی استعمال کیا جاتا ہے جبکہ آم سے جیلی، جام، اسکواش، اچار اور مصالے بھی بنائے جاتے ہیں۔

غذائیت سے بھرپور

آم میں چربی، کولیسٹرول اور سوڈیم کی مقدار بہت کم ہوتی ہے تاہم اس میں وٹامن بی 6 کے علاوہ وٹامن اے، وٹامن سی، وٹامن ای اور وٹامن کی بھی اچھی مقدار موجود ہوتی ہے۔ آم میں پوٹاشیم، میگنیشیم اور تانبے کی بھی بہترین

پنڈت دیاشکر نسیم لکھنوی

غزل

تکلف نہیں ہم سے زیبا تمہارا
تمہارے ہمارے ہمارے تمہارا
چلے ہم تو حسرت ہی لے کر رقیبو
مبارک رہے تم کو پیارا تمہارا
رقیبوں سے لڑنے کا قصہ نہ پونچھو
فضیحت ہماری تماشا تمہارا
نہ تحریر خط ہے نہ بیت ابویں ہیں
یہ مضمون ہمارا وہ فقرا تمہارا
میں اپنے ہی جذبہ کا قائل تھا لیکن
غضب ہے مری جان غصہ تمہارا
مجھے اور سے کیا میں عاشق ہوں پیارے
تمہارا تمہارا تمہارا تمہارا
سلیمان ہوں پر یوں اگر خاک ہو کر
عمل میں ہو نقش کف پا تمہارا
خفا ہوتے کیوں ہو کہ رکھتا ہے پیارے
نہ جذبہ ہمارا نہ جلوہ تمہارا
نسیم اس چمن میں گل تر کی صورت
پھٹے کپڑے رکھتے ہیں پردہ تمہارا

حیرت شملوی

غزل

آج یہ سوچنے بیٹھا ہوں کہ کل کیا ہوگا
اس سے بڑھ کر بھی کسی سر میں خلل کیا ہوگا
آج کچھ ہے تو سہی حال کسی کا بہتر
یہ خدا ہی کو ہے معلوم کہ کل کیا ہوگا
کام کی بات ہے کہنے کو تو کہہ دوں لیکن
فکر ہی جب نہیں کوئی تو عمل کیا ہوگا
ایک دن اس کی محبت میں فنا ہو جانا
اور اس عقدہ دشوار کا حل کیا ہوگا
یہ غم و رنج ہی قسمت میں اگر لکھا ہے
اس میں تدبیر سے بھی رد و بدل کیا ہوگا
جس میں اک سوز بھی ہو ساز بھی ہو اے حیرت
اس سے بڑھ کر کوئی انداز غزل کیا ہوگا

کلدیپ کمار

غزل

ایسا نہیں کے وصل کا لمحہ نہ آئے گا
لیکن اس انتظار کے جیسا نہ آئے گا
یہ لب ہی کیا یہ آنکھیں بھی اب پونچھنے لگیں
اس راستے میں کیا کوئی دریا نہ آئے گا
بیٹھے رہو اداس یوں زلفوں کو کھول کر
اس رت میں تو ہواؤں کا جھونکا نہ آئے گا
پہلے سے ہم بتا دیں کہ آئے گا سارا جسم
دل تم پہ آئے گا تو اکیلا نہ آئے گا
آئے نہیں کہ کرنے لگے لوٹنے کی بات
تم ہی بتاؤ ایسے میں غصہ نہ آئے گا
بستی کے سارے بچوں کو کیسے بتاؤں میں
اب وہ کھلونے بیچنے والا نہ آئے گا
سو جاؤ اے درختو کہ ڈھلنے لگی ہے رات
چھوڑو امید اب وہ پرندہ نہ آئے گا

کالی چرن سنگھ

غزل

تمام وحشتیں میری بڑھا کے چھوڑ گیا
وہ مجھ کو صحرا میں دریا دکھا کے چھوڑ گیا
ہوا بھی پردہ ہلائے تو ہو گماں اس کا
وہ جاتے جاتے یوں پردہ ہلا کے چھوڑ گیا
کوئی بتائے کہ کیسے گزارا ہو اپنا
ہمیں جہاں میں وہ اچھا بنا کے چھوڑ گیا
وفا پرست کہوں یا کہ بے وفا اس کو
عجیب شخص تھا وعدہ نبھا کے چھوڑ گیا
کل ایک خواب جو آیا تھا میری آنکھوں میں
تمہارے شہر کا نقشہ بنا کے چھوڑ گیا

حباید جیل

غزل

چپکے سے قریب آنا پھر دور نکل جانا
ہر پل کا مقدر ہے ماضی میں بدل جانا
کر کر کے تری باتیں پڑھ پڑھ کے تراچہرہ
ہر صنف سخن سیکھی ہر رنگ غزل جانا
اک فرض ہے ہستی پر ہر پل کی پذیرائی
تاریخ کا شیوہ ہے صدیوں کو نکل جانا
پڑتی ہیں پہاڑوں پر سورج کی شعاعیں جب
مشکل کہاں رہتا ہے پھر برف پگھل جانا
کردار ادا کرنا ہر شخص کو پڑتا ہے
آساں نہیں قوموں کی تقدیر بدل جانا
جاوید ضروری ہے دنیا میں اندھیرا بھی
ہے مصلحت یزداں یہ شام کا ڈھل جانا

آشوتوش تیواری

غزل

دل لگی کرنے سے یہ دل کہاں مانا ہوتا
تم نہ ملتے تو کہیں اور ٹھکانا ہوتا
اپنی مرضی کے موافق جو فسانہ ہوتا
وہ بھی دنیا کے مطابق ہی سنانا ہوتا
کاش ٹوٹی ہوئی کشتی کے کھویا بنتے
ہم کو دریا کے کسی پار تو جانا ہوتا
یہ کوئی بھولی کہانی ہے جو یاد آتی ہے
ایسی حالت میں کوئی دوست پرانا ہوتا
دل بیتاب ہمیں ضبط سے محروم نہ کر
مر نہ جاتے جو تری بات میں آنا ہوتا
تم کو بس چاہنے بھر سے کوئی کیوں مل جائے
ایسے تو سب کی ہی مٹھی میں زمانہ ہوتا
اجنبی تھا سو تغافل بھی نہیں کر پائے
رہتا ہوتا تو بچھڑنے کا بہانہ ہوتا
ٹھیک ہی ہے کہ یہ دنیا نہ کبھی دیکھے ہمیں
اس سے دیکھا نہیں جائے گا دیوانہ ہوتا

رابع بصری

غزل

محبت رائیگانی ہے سنبھل جا
اذیت کی کہانی ہے سنبھل جا
تجھے میراث میں ہجرت ملی ہے
تجھی تو لا مکانی ہے سنبھل جا
محبت جان کو آئی ہوئی ہے
بلائے ناگہانی ہے سنبھل جا
یہ برقی رابطے سے کٹ نہ جائے
یہ رشتہ آسمانی ہے سنبھل جا
اسے دریا سمجھ کر پار مت کر
مری آنکھوں کا پانی ہے سنبھل جا
یہ آنکھیں سرخ یہ پیروں کے چھالے
کسی کی مہربانی ہے سنبھل جا
وہ میرے گاؤں کے رستے میں ہوگا
ابھی بھی خوش گمانی ہے سنبھل جا

انتخار راغب

غزل

آگ کے ساتھ ہی پانی بھی بہم رکھنا تھا
دل میں تھا عشق تو آنکھوں کو بھی نم رکھنا تھا
مجھ کو معلوم تھا بدلی ہوئی رت کا انجام
پھر بھی بے تاب امتلوں کا بھرم رکھنا تھا
اب کہاں دل کی طلب عقل سے ہو کچھ امداد
اک ذرا سوچ کے پہلا ہی قدم رکھنا تھا
ان سے امید نہ رکھتا میں وفا کی کیسے
دست الفت میں محبت کا علم رکھنا تھا
شدت عشق میں کرنا تھا اضافہ راغب
اور بیتابی جذبات کو کم رکھنا تھا

ہماری صدی کا بوجھ

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تھا تو وہ بھی تو پاگل تھی، جنہیں پتہ ہے اس کے کالج کی فیس ادا کرنے کے لیے اس نے اپنے تمام زیور بیچ ڈالے تھے، اس کی چھوٹی چھوٹی فرمائش پوری کرنے کے لیے اکثر ہم بھوکے رہ جاتے اور فاقہ پراکتفا کر لینے لیکن کبھی اسے احساس نہیں ہونے دیتے کہ ہماری اتنی حیثیت نہیں کہ ہر روز اس کی فرمائش پوری کر سکیں۔ اس کی خوشی کے لیے ہم نے دنیا جہاں کی مصیبتیں برداشت کیں۔ ہماری حیثیت سے بڑھ کر ہم نے اس کی خواہشات کا خیال رکھا۔ عیدین پر اس کے لیے مہنگے سے مہنگے کپڑے خریدتے تاکہ اسے دوسرے بچوں کو دیکھ کر احساس کمتری نہ ہو۔۔۔ یہ کہتے کہتے ان کی آنکھوں میں آنسوؤں آگئے لیکن وہ حسب معمول آنسوؤں چھپاتے ہوئے بھرا آئی ہوئی آواز میں کہنے لگے کہ آج زمانہ بدل گیا ہے، آج میری فکر اسے نہ رہتی ہے میں جب اس سے پوچھتا ہوں کہ بیٹا کھانا کھا لیا؟ اس طرح کا سوال اس سے بار بار پوچھنے کے بعد بھی جواب نہیں ملتا، تب مجھے اپنے پوڑھاپے اور شفقتی کا احساس ہوتا ہے کہ شاید میری آواز اتنی کمزور ہو گئی ہے کہ اس کے کانوں تک پہنچ ہی نہیں پاتی۔ شاکر انکل کی تڑپ واضطراب دیکھ کر میری آنکھیں بھی نم ہو جاتیں۔

برسوں بعد آج انہیں مسکراتا دیکھ کر مجھے ایسا محسوس ہوا کہ وہ دل سے خوش ہیں اور لگا کر انہیں ان کے بیٹے کی محبت مل گئی لیکن ان کی غیر معمولی خوشی اور مسکراہٹ نے میرے دل میں تجسس آمیز سوال پیدا کر دیے اور اسی تجسس کو ختم کرنے کے لیے میں بنا کسی تامل کے شام ہوتے ہی ان کے گھر پہنچ گئی اور صابر بھائی سے کہنے لگانے لگی باتوں ہی باتوں میں نے پوچھا کہ آج کل انکل بڑے خوش لگے ہیں کیا بات ہے۔۔۔ میرے اس سوال پر صابر بھائی نے زوردار تہجد لگا لیا اور کہنے لگے اب تو خوش رہو، خدا کے فضل سے ان دنوں ایوب کی طبیعت بحال رہتی ہے، میں آج کل زیادہ سے زیادہ وقت ان کے ساتھ گزارتا ہوں نمازیں ساتھ پڑھتا ہوں رات کا کھانا ساتھ کھاتا ہوں اور خدا سے دعا بھی کرتا ہوں کہ خدا ان کی عمر دلا کر رکھے کبھی کبھی تو۔۔۔ یہ کہتے کہتے صابر بھائی خاموش ہو گئے اور ان کی خاموشی نے مجھے بولنے پر مجبور کر دیا کچھ ہو گیا تو۔۔۔ اس کا کیا مطلب ہوا۔ آپ بھی تو یہی چاہتے تھے، ان کا بے وقت بولنا آپ کو کہاں بھاتا، آپ کو تو Privacy چاہیے تھی ان کی بے لوث محبت کب آپ کو کوارا تھی آپ تو ان سے بے زار تھے اب کیا ہو گیا۔۔۔ میرے ان سوالات پر صابر بھائی لٹی میں سر ہلاتے ہوئے کہنے لگے وہ پچھلے مہینے کی بات تھی تم نے سنا نہیں ان دنوں مرنا بھی بڑا جرم بن گیا ہے ہر طرف کورونا وائرس نے تھمک چکيا ہوا ہے، مہلک مرض ہے جو سانس کے ذریعہ پھیل رہا ہے۔ خاص کر ضعیفوں اور بچوں کو بڑا خطرہ ہے۔ اس مرض سے تو سارا عالم پریشان ہے کبھی لوگ ڈرے ڈرے سے زہی زہی زندگی گزار رہے ہیں پھینک بھی آئے تو ٹھٹھ کیا چارہ ہے کہ کبھی کورونا تو نہیں، اس دہشت بھرے ماحول میں اگر موت آجائے تو لوگ یہی سمجھیں گے کہ ان کو کبھی کورونا وائرس تھا اگر ایسا ہوتا تو ایک مصیبت ختم ہو گئی تو دوسری شروع ہو جائے گی یہ کہتے ہوئے صابر بھائی کا چہرہ زرد پڑ گیا موت کا خوف ان کے چہرے پر صاف عیاں تھا خنڈی آہ بھرتے ہوئے انفرودگی سے کہنے لگے کہ پھر تو ہمیں بھی قرنطینہ بھیج دیا جائے گا۔ غیر ضروری میں ان جھیلوں میں نہیں پڑنا چاہتا اس لیے خدا سے دعا گو ہوں کہ انہیں کچھ نہ ہو، خیر ختم سناؤ تمہارے یہاں سب خیریت۔۔۔ ان کے اس سوال کا جواب دینا مجھے ناگوار گذرا اور میں دل میں انہیں برا بھلا کہتے وہاں سے چلی آئی۔

رات بھرا انہی کا خیال اور باتیں مجھے پریشان کرتی رہی میں کروٹیں بدلتے ہوئے یہی سوچتی رہی کہ کیا واقعی آج کا انسان اتنا بے حس ہو گیا ہے کہ اسے اپنے سوا کچھ نظر نہیں آتا؟ کیا میرا تعلق ایسی جزیشن سے ہے جس کے لیے والدین مصیبت بن گئے ہیں، کیا والدین کی بے لوث محبت اولاد کے لیے کوئی معنی نہیں رکھتی، صبح ہوتے ہوتے میں اس نتیجہ پر پہنچی کہ اچھائی اور برائی کا تعلق جزیشن سے نہیں بلکہ انسان کی شخصیت اور ذہنیت سے ہوتا ہے اچھے اور برے لوگ تو ہر دور میں رہے ہیں ہر دور کے فتنے و مسائل مختلف ہوتے ہیں لہذا میں نے فیصلہ کیا کہ اب میں ایسے گھر بھی نہیں جاؤں گی جہاں رشتوں کو مطلب کی عینک سے دیکھا جاتا ہے۔ اس واقعہ کو ہونے پورا ایک مہینہ ہو گیا تھا آج صبح میں حسب معمول اٹھ کر بالکوٹی میں سے باہر دیکھنے لگی باہر کا نظارہ دیکھ کر میرے دل میں ایسی آہی اور بے ساختہ زبان سے نکلا ہے چارے شاکر انکل۔۔۔ شاکر انکل کے گھر کے آگے شامیانہ لگا تھا گھر سے آواز زاری کی آوازیں تو نہیں آ رہی تھی لیکن ماتم چھایا ہوا تھا۔ میں نے دل میں کہا کہ بے چارے شاکر انکل خدا ان کی مغفرت فرمائے یہ دعا کرتے ہوئے میری نظر دور کھڑی ایوبیٹس پر پڑی اور ایوبیٹس میں بیٹھے افراد کو دیکھ کر میرے پیروں تلے زمین کھل گئی شاکر انکل اور ان کی بہو ماسک لگائے ایوبیٹس میں بیٹھے تھے اور پولیس کا جوان ان سے پوچھتا چھو کر ہاتھ۔ یہ منظر دیکھ کر میرے ہوش فاختہ ہو گئے اور میں اس معاملے کو سمجھنے کے لیے نیچا ترنے لگی۔ اچانک امی کی آواز نے مجھے روک دیا کہ کہاں جا رہی ہو؟ نیچے مت جاؤ! ہمیں سے دعا کرو کہ خدا تمہارے شاکر انکل کو صبر دے اور ان کے بیٹے صابر کی مغفرت فرمائے۔ بے چارہ کورونا وائرس کا شکار ہو گیا، اب ان کے کبھی گھروالوں کو قرنطینہ بھیجا جا رہا ہے۔۔۔ مجھ پر جیسے سکنہ طاری ہو گیا اور میں سوچنے لگی کہ کیا شاکر انکل اپنے کی ابدی جدائی برداشت کر پائیں گے۔۔۔؟

شاکر انکل کو آج مسکراتا ہوا دیکھ کر دل کو تسکین ہوتی کہ شاید خدا نے ان کی سن لی اور مدتوں بعد انہیں قلبی سکون میسر ہوا۔۔۔ شاکر انکل محلے کے پرانے نکس ہیں پٹھے سے معلم تھے۔ پچھلے چند برسوں سے ہم ان کے پڑوسی ہیں، اکثر خاص موقعوں پر ان کے یہاں آنا جانا لگتا رہتا ہے۔۔۔ آج سبزی مارکیٹ میں ان سے مل کر میرے دل کو واقعی بہت خوشی ہوئی چون کہ شاکر انکل اکثر اداس رہتے مجھ سے جب کبھی ملاقات ہوتی ماضی کی کتاب سے سہرے پنے کھول کر بیٹھ جاتے کہ ”صابر جس دن پیدا ہوا میری زندگی کا سب سے خوبصورت ترین دن تھا اس کی ولادت کا مژدہ میں نے ٹھٹھانیاں بانٹ بانٹ کر ساری دنیا کو سنایا تھا اور حقیقت اس کی پیدائش کے بعد مجھے احساس ہوا کہ اولاد خدا کی بیش قیمتی نعمت ہے یوں تو میں بہت سخت مزاج معلم واقع ہوا تھا لیکن صابر کی ولادت کے بعد میرا دل نرم ہو گیا میں جب کبھی کسی شاکر کو دیکھتی کرتا اچانک میری آنکھوں میں صابر کا مصوم چہرہ کھوٹنے لگتا۔ اور میرا غصہ پہلے بھر میں رفق ہو جاتا تھا۔ ہمیں پتہ ہے کہ اس نے میٹرک کے امتحان پاس کیا تو میں نے سارے خاندان اور محلے والوں کی دعوت کی، غریبوں اور یتیموں میں خیرات تقسیم کی تھی یوں تو زندگی میں کئی شیبہ و فراز آئے لیکن میں نے کبھی صابر کی ضرورتوں میں کئی نہیں کی۔۔۔ میلوں بھول چلا تھا کہ کچھ پیسے بچا کر صابر کی خواہشات پوری کر سکوں دنیا کی بڑی سے بڑی مصیبت اس کی مسکراہٹ کے آگے چھوٹی معلوم ہوتی میں ہر مصیبت میں یہ سوچ کر صبر کر لیتا کہ ایک دن مصیبتوں کے بادل چھٹ جائیں گے اور سکون کی برکھا آئے گی میں ہمیشہ سوچتا کہ صابر جب بڑا ہوگا تو وہ میرا سہارا بنے گا میری اس محبت سے پر دان چڑھا یہ شجر مجھے خوشیوں اور مسرتوں کے پٹھے پھل دے گا اور میں خدا سے دعا کرتا کہ خدا میرے صابر کو کامیاب ترین انسان بنائے اور اس کا مستقبل روشن اور نیک رہے۔ دیکھو! خدا نے میری سن لی آج وہ ملتی پھلتی کہنی میں بڑے عہدے پر فائز ہے۔ بڑے بڑے قابل لوگوں سے ہمیشہ گھرا رہتا ہے اتنا مصروف رہتا ہے کہ مجھ سے دو لمحے گفتگو کرنے، مجھے مسکرا کر دیکھنے تک اس کے پاس وقت نہیں ہے کہتے کہتے شاکر انکل کی آنکھیں بھیگ گئی لیکن وہ آنسوؤں کو چھپاتے ہوئے مسکرائے کی کوشش کرنے لگے۔ میں نے دل میں سوچا کہ واقعی خدا نے باپ کو دل کو سمندر جتنا وسیع بنایا ہے۔ جس میں اولاد کی تمام غلطیاں اور زیادتیوں کا غرق ہو جاتی ہیں۔۔۔ میں نے ان کی بہت دلجویی کرنے کی کوشش کی اور آخر میں ادب کر بھانہ کر کے چلی آئی۔ شاکر انکل کی زبانی صابر بھائی کی شان میں قصیدے سن کر کبھی کبھی مجھے کوڈت محسوس ہوتی کہ کوئی انسان جو زندگی کا ایک

بڑا حصہ دوسرے ہاتھ میں گزار چکا ہے وہ انسان کو پہچاننے سے کیسے قاصر ہے۔ خاص کر وہ اپنی اولاد کے دل کی کیفیت اس میں گہمی عیاری کیسے نہیں بھانپ سکتا۔۔۔ صابر جو شاکر انکل کا اکھوتا بیٹا ہے۔ اپنے باپ کی شفقتی اور ان کی غیر معمولی محبت سے ہمیشہ بے زار رہتا۔ جب کبھی میری ان سے سلام علیک ہوتی وہ کہتے کہ تمہارے یہاں سب اچھا ہے کوئی سردی نہیں، اب آج کل بڑا پریشان کرتے ہیں، انہیں لگتا ہے کہ میں اب بھی پانچ چھ برس کا بچہ ہوں جو ہر وقت ان سے چٹا رہوں، میری چھوٹی چھوٹی باتوں پر ایسے خوش ہوتے ہیں جیسے میں پچھلی مرتبہ بول رہا ہوں۔ اب تو تمہاری بھائی بھی میرا مذاق اڑا رہی ہے کہتی ہے کہ صابر جاؤ اور اپنے ابو کی اگلی تمام کر زندگی کا مزہ لو میرا کیا ہے کوئی Privacy دی ہے تم نے، تمہارے دفتر کے آنے کا وقت ہوتے ہی ابو گھڑی پر نظر میں جا کر بیٹھ جاتے ہیں ہر دو منٹ بعد کہتے ہیں کہ کیا ہوا صابر اب تک کیوں نہیں آیا۔ بے چاری ان کی عادتوں سے ہمیشہ پریشان رہتی ہے۔ میں بھی اب خدا سے یہی دعا کرتا ہوں کہ خدا انہیں یا تو عہد سلیم دے یا پھر زندگی سے آرام۔۔۔ پچھلے ہفتے کی ہی بات ہے آفس کے کچھ دوست ملنے آئے ان کے سامنے بھی ابو مجھے پیار کرنے لگے میرا ماتھا چوم کر یہ ثابت کرنے لگے کہ ان سے زیادہ مجھے کوئی اور محبت نہیں کر سکتا، میرے کبھی دوستوں سے ایسے سوالات پوچھ رہے تھے کہ جیسے کسی چھوٹے بچے کے ماں باپ اس کے دوستوں کی تفصیل لیتے ہیں اس واقعہ کے بعد سارے آفس میں یہی چرچے ہونے لگے کہ صابر کے ابو اس سے اتنی محبت کرتے ہیں کہ اسے آنکھوں سے اوجھل ہونے نہیں دیتے۔ میں ٹھٹھ آ گیا ہوں ان کی اس طرح کی استقامت جڑکتوں سے کبھی کبھی تو سوچتا ہوں کہ بنا سماج کی پرواہ کیے انہیں کسی اولاد تک ہم میں کبھی آؤں اور سکون کی سانس لوں۔۔۔ صابر بھائی کے چہرے پر غصہ اور نفرت کے طے چلے تاثرات دیکھ کر مجھے حیرت ہوئی کہ کیا باپ کی بے پناہ محبت اولاد کے لیے مصیبت بھی بن سکتی ہے۔۔۔ یہی سوال دل میں لیے میں گھر چلی آئی گھنٹوں تک میں سوچتی رہی کہ کیا آج کے دور میں محبت محض مطلب کے لیے ہوتی چاہیے۔ کیا والدین جب بوڑھے ہو جائیں تو انہیں اولاد سے محبت نہیں کرنا چاہیے کیا ایک باپ اپنے بچے کے آفس سے آنے کا انتظار نہیں کر سکتا۔۔۔ کیا بوڑھے ماں باپ اولاد کے لیے بوجھ ہیں۔۔۔ ان سوالات کے جواب تو مجھے نہیں ملے لیکن میں نے فیصلہ کر لیا کہ میں شاکر انکل سے اس موضوع پر ضرور گفتگو کرونگی اس کے بعد جب کبھی میرا شاکر انکل یہاں جانا ہوتا میں اس موضوع پر گفتگو کرنے اور ان کو سمجھانے کی کوشش کرتی لیکن شاکر انکل ایسے ٹال جاتے جیسے انہیں پہلے سے اس بات کا علم ہے کہ ان کا بیٹا اور بہو ان سے عاجز ہو چکے ہیں اور ان کی رحلت کا انتظار کر رہے ہیں۔ ان کی محبت سے اب ان کا دم کھٹنے لگا ہے اور وہ انہیں ایک لمحے کے لیے بھی برداشت نہیں کر سکتے، لیکن سماجی بندشوں اور رنجونی ساکھ نے انہیں مجبور کیا ہے اس لیے چپ ہیں۔۔۔ لیکن شاکر انکل مسکرا کر بات بدلنے ہوئے صابر بھائی کے بچپن کے قصے سناتے لگتے کہ جب میرا صابر مسکراتا تھا تو میں دنیا جہاں کے غم بھول جاتا، جب وہ کسی کھلوے کی فرمائش کرتا تو میں گھر کا سامان بیچ کر اس کے لیے کھلوے لاتا یا قرض لے کر اس کی خواہش پوری کرتا، میری اس محبت کو اس کی ماں پاگل پن کہتی، اگر میں پاگل



نیاز گلبرگوی
غزل

حق گوئی کا دعویٰ ہے نہ باطل کی طرح ہوں
محفل میں تری عقدہ مشکل کی طرح ہوں
آنکھوں میں لئے دید کا ارمان ازل سے
در پر ترے بیٹھا ہوا سائل کی طرح ہوں
مرتا ہوں نہ جیتا ہوں عجب جان کنی ہے
مقتل میں تڑپتا ہوا بسمل کی طرح ہوں
چل کر تو ذرا دیکھ مرے نقش قدم پر
میں رہ گزر شوق میں منزل کی طرح ہوں
واقف ہوں تری بزم کے ہر سر نہاں سے
انجان ہر اک چیز سے غافل کی طرح ہوں
چپ چاپ گھلتا ہوں نصیبوں پہ عدو کے
محفل میں کہاں رونق محفل کی طرح ہوں

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ڈاکٹر بانو طاہرہ سعید
غزل

انسانیت سے دور دریدہ دہن بھی ہیں
لیکن خدا کا شکر کہ شیریں سخن بھی ہیں
کوشش یہ ہو رہی ہے کہ ہم اجنبی بنیں
ان سازشوں کے بیچ رفیق کہن بھی ہیں
شاعر ہیں، پاک دل ہیں، وطن سے ہمیں ہے پیار
ہم لوگ سرفروش بھی ہیں کو کہن بھی ہیں
انسان کے سارے تلخ مسائل سے ہمکنار
تہا نہیں ہیں، اپنے میں ایک انجمن بھی ہیں
ایک دلنواز، جان سے بڑھ کر جو تھا عزیز
یادوں میں اس کی طاہرہ اکثر گن بھی ہیں

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خمار بارہ بکلی
غزل

ہزار رنج سر آنکھوں پہ بات ہی کیا ہے
تری خوشی کے تصدق مری خوشی کیا ہے
خدا بچائے تری مست مست آنکھوں سے
فرشتہ ہو تو بہک جائے آدمی کیا ہے
گزاردوں ترے غم میں جو عمر خضر ملے
ترے غم یہ دو دن کی زندگی کیا ہے
غم نہاں کا تصرف ارے معاذ اللہ
ہنسی کا خون ہے لب پر مرے ہنسی کیا ہے
بھری بہار کہاں اور قفس کہاں صیاد
سمجھ میں آج یہ آیا کہ بے بسی کیا ہے
وہ اور ہیں جو طلب گارِ غلد ہیں واعظ
نگاہ یار سلامت مجھے کمی کیا ہے
کھڑے ہوئے ہیں وہ کب سے نظر جھکائے ہوئے
خمار ہوش میں آؤ یہ بے خودی کیا ہے

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امیر احمد خسرو
غزل

وقت آتا ہے تو تقدیر بدل جاتی ہے
زندگی موت کے سائے میں بھی پل جاتی ہے
دن نکلتا ہے نئے درد کا سورج لے کر
رات کیوں آرزوئے صبح میں ڈھل جاتی ہے
صرف لفظوں سے بنائی ہوئی ہر اک تصویر
اپنی ہی گرمی گفتار سے جل جاتی ہے
کچھ نہ دیں آپ مگر دینے کا وعدہ تو کریں
آرزو، آپ کے وعدوں سے بہل جاتی ہے
وقت نے درد کے انداز بدل ڈالے ہیں
آہ کرتا ہوں تو نعمت میں ڈھل جاتی ہے
دو گھڑی کو جو کبھی اپنا خیال آتا ہے
دل کے نزدیک کوئی شمع سی جل جاتی ہے

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انور علی رومی
غزل

لوگ کہتے ہیں مجھے سودائی، کیا پڑتا ہے فرق
تیری اُلفت میں ہوئی رسوائی، کیا پڑتا ہے فرق
دل ہوا آباد اُس کی یاد سے تنہا کہاں!
تم کو گر محسوس ہو تنہائی، کیا پڑتا ہے فرق
پس اُسی کا ہے قصور حرز جاں میرے لئے
تخلیہ ہو یا ہو بزم آرائی، کیا پڑتا ہے فرق
رکھ دیا ہے رزم گاہ عشق میں ہم نے قدم
سرخروئی ہو کہ ہو پسپائی، کیا پڑتا ہے فرق
کہنے رومی بات وہ جو حق کی ہو پیغامبر
لوگ نہ سمجھیں اُسے دانائی، کیا پڑتا ہے فرق

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حشمت سہیل (شکاگو)
پاگل پن میں

بیوی تھیں پیار بہت تو شوہر لگ گئے پیار جتانے
لگے سنانے اپنی وفا کے اور محبت کے افسانے
بیگم جب تم ہی نہ رہوگی میں تو پاگل ہو جاؤں گا
کپڑے وپڑے پھاڑ کے اپنے جنگل کو میں نکل جاؤں گا
بیوی بولیں جھوٹ نہ بولو خوب سے تم کو جانتی ہوں میں
کتنی چاہت والے ہو تم اچھی طرح پہچانتی ہوں
میری آنکھیں بند ہوتے ہی دوسری عورت کراؤں گے
پاگل واگل کچھ نہیں ہو گے سہرا باندھ کے اٹھلاؤں گے
شوہر بولے کیا بتلاؤں کچھ بھی ممکن ہو سکتا ہے
پاگل پن میں پاگل انسان کوئی بھی حرکت کر سکتا ہے

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عبدالعزیز یاس چاند پوری
غزل

نہیں کسی سے محبت تو زندگی کیا ہے
نہ سر کے ساتھ جھکے دل تو بندگی کیا ہے؟
کرم ہے اُس کا جو کچھ بھی ہے عزت و توقیر
نہ وہ نوازے تو توفیق آدمی کیا ہے؟
سبھی پہ گریہ شبنم کا فیض ہے ورنہ
بہار حسن گلستاں کی تازگی کیا ہے؟
بھرا ہوا ہے تمہاری نظر سے صحن حیات
بہار آئے نہ آئے مجھے کمی کیا ہے؟
نگاہ لطف سے اتنا نہ تم مجھے دیکھو
سمجھ نہ پاؤں میں کہ ہوش و بخودی کیا ہے
پلا پلا کے مئے شوق کر دیا سرشار
بتاؤں کیسے کہ احساسِ تشنگی کیا ہے؟
ہر ایک گام پہ کرتا ہے رزم آرائی
حریف یاس بتا تجھ کو دشمنی کیا ہے؟

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سیماء ابدی
غزل

اٹے سیدھے خواب ستانے لگتے ہیں
اور آنکھوں کی نیند اڑانے لگتے ہیں
شہر کے ہنگامے کرتے ہیں خوفزدہ
شہر کے سناٹے بھی ڈرانے لگتے ہیں
صورت حال ہراساں کرنے لگتی ہے
اپنے آپ سے خود گھبرانے لگتے ہیں
روشنیاں نہ کم ہوں کبھی اس ڈر سے
دھیرے دھیرے خود کو جلانے لگتے ہیں
اس کو واپس آنا ہے پر دیکھتے ہیں
کتنے مہینے، سال، زمانے لگتے ہیں
گھر کی فضا پڑمردہ کہیں نہ ہو جائے
اپنا دکھ اپنے سے چھپانے لگتے ہیں
خوشیوں کا احساس فزوں تر ہوتا ہے
سیماء جب اس بزم میں جانے لگتے ہیں

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On the lighter side....

Two friends met after not seeing each other for a couple of months.

Bill: "Jack, you look like you not doing well?"

Jack (swiping the sweat off his brow): "I ain't been ill. It's the work doing me in. Working from seven in the morning till six at night. Only one hour for a break. Think of it. Very taxing on ones body."

Bill: "Wow, and how long has this been going on? How long you been working for that company?"

Jack: "Oh, I haven't been there yet. I begin tomorrow," he added gloomily

What's the difference between a golfer and a skydiver?

A golfer goes whack and then "Darn!" while a skydiver goes "Darn!" and then whack.

Two children ordered their mother to stay in bed one Mother's Day morning. As she lay there looking forward to being brought breakfast in bed, the smell of bacon floated up from the kitchen.

Finally, the children called her to come downstairs. She found them both sitting at the table eating bacon and eggs.

"As a surprise for Mother's Day," one explained, "we decided to cook our own breakfast."

Did you know that 97% of the world is dumb?

Luckily I'm in the other 5%!

One Sunday after services one of the ladies approached the pastor's wife and commented, "What nice buttons



you have sewed onto your sons jacket. My husband once had some like that on his suit."

The pastor's wife replies, "Why thank you for the comment. I get all my buttons out of the collection plate."

What do you use to catch a computer mouse?

Click bait.

Father: Didn't you promise to be a good boy?

Little Johnny: Yes, father.

Father: And didn't I promise to punish you if you weren't?

Little Johnny: Yes, father. But since I've broken my promise, you don't have to keep yours.

The real estate agent is following up with an elderly gentlemen after showing him a new home. Over the phone the agent indicated, "This house will be worth double what you paid for it in a few years."

The older gentleman laughs, "At my age, it's a risk buying green bananas."

They say you shouldn't go grocery shopping when you're hungry...

But I ran out of food a few days ago, and it's just getting worse!

At a girl's college dormitory, dates were permitted only on Saturday night. One young man showed up on a Tuesday evening, explaining to an older woman in the lobby of the dorm that it was imperative he see a certain young lady immediately.

"I want to surprise her. You see, I'm her brother."

"Oh, she'll be surprised all right," said the woman. "But think of how surprised I am, I'm her mother!"

I can't stand it when people don't know the difference between your and you're...

There so stupid!

The train was about to pull out of the station. A young man ran towards it and managed to throw his bag in and climb aboard just in time.

A fellow passenger looked at him and said, "Young man, you should be in better shape! At your age, I could catch the train by a gnat's whisker and still be fresh. Look at you, panting away."

The young man took a deep breath and said, "I missed this train at the last station."

Maddi: "But you've only known the man for two weeks! You're not thinking of marrying him are you?"

Julia: "Well it isn't as if he's a total stranger... I have a girlfriend that was engaged to him for several years."



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