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E-learning - Changing Lives for Better?

Ritanjali Hastir, Associate Editor, May, Shimla -- Digital India the Dream of PM Modi under the current light of COVID-19 has seen a new horizon as lockdown compelled all educational institutes to turn to virtual classrooms.

One cannot deny the fact that the most effective learning takes place in the classroom, where one can easily raise your hand, engage in spontaneous discussions with classmates and faculty, turn to the person next to you to ask for clarification, or approach the teacher after class or during school hours to ask questions or exchange viewpoints in a way that practically guarantees an instant response and is not constrained by typing, software interfaces, or waiting for a response.

However, during the present times, e-learning has come up as a knight in shining armour to save the education system whether one may like it or not yet none can afford to ignore it. As shared by Anuja, a

Mathematics and IT teacher, "In the online math class, there was almost no meaningful student/teacher or student/student interaction. To equate this type of online learning with a real-world classroom experience is a major stretch. To teach students what they need to know online, we have to talk to them offline."

On the other hand, we even have teachers who are not technology savvy and for them, it is a big challenge to make ends meet. As one of the teachers shared Anil (name changed)," For people like me it is a completely new world, where it is baffling to connect to the student. Like many others, I might have mastered my subject but lacking on the technological front my entire confidence is lost and I fail to deliver my best. Each student has a different environment at their homes and with these online classes everything coalesces shaking my confidence to its core."

Amidst the challenges still, other factors that are troubling teachers are the connectivity as the Himachal populace mostly belongs to rural areas, where connectivity is very less. The efforts being put in by teachers do not hit the bull's eye.

With the growing popularity in e-learning, one should contemplate on the fact that the 'E' should mean more than electronic, especially if we are going to call it e-learning, it should be effective, efficient, and engaging for students.



Gauge Situation before Opening Schools : Bhardwaj

Keekli Bureau, May, Shimla -- Due to COVID-19 the entire country is forced to contemplate upon the future of their children as even the education sector has been badly hit by it. During a press conference Education Minister Suresh Bhardwaj said that they are considering the possibility to open schools as per the situation in various part of the state.

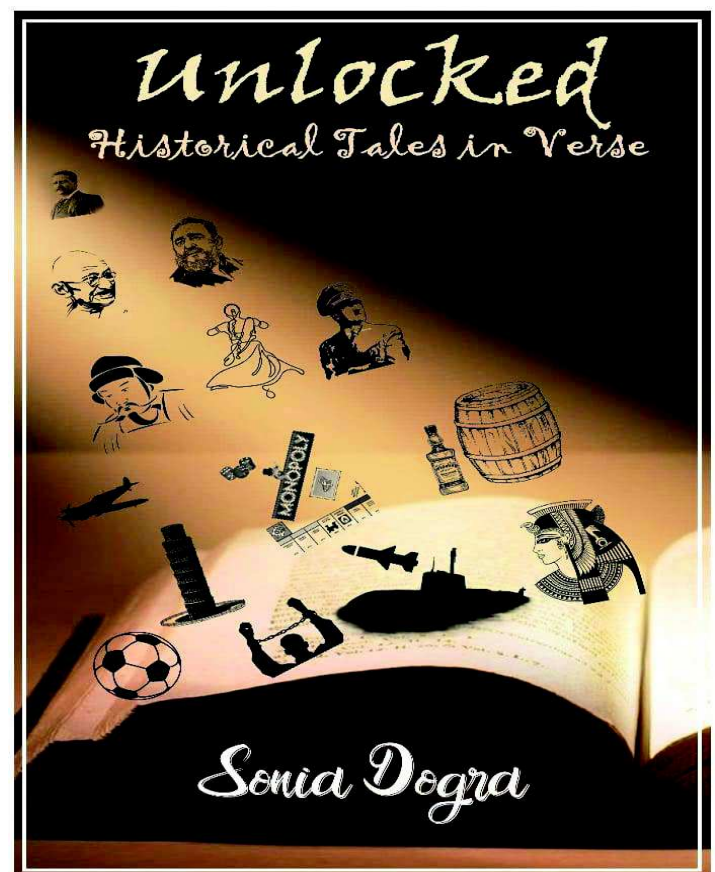
As there is a direct connection of transport, primary school that are often inapproachable distance and have less strength, which makes social distancing pos-

sible can be considered to resume classes by coming June or September as per UGC directions, whereas the higher schools might be with alternative day classes and in shifts depending upon the strength of students.

Morning assembly will remain suspended and games that need physical contact will be avoided for the time being and in place of it other games like badminton and TT can be considered.

Competitive exams will be taken on priority basis and we are trying that by August the new sessions begin and we do not need to extend the academic sessions.

Schools have been directed not to ask for a fee during the lockdown and they cannot even penalize parents or students in any way due to late fee submission.



Governor Honours Nurses on International Nurses Day

Keekli Bureau, May, Shimla -- On the occasion of International Nurses Day Governor Bandaru Dattatraya honoured nurses at Raj Bhavan. He said that efforts and dedication put forward by nurses during the COVID-19 pandemic are impeccable. The nurses have risked their own life to save the lives of others. He said it is important to salute the contribution of nurses on the International Nurses Day on 12th May and added that the year 2020 was being also celebrated as the 'International Nurses Year'.

Remembering the dedication of Florence Nightingale, the Governor expressed gratitude towards all Corona warriors associated with this profession. The Governor honoured Principal of Sister Nivedita Government Nursing College (SNGNC), Shimla Usha Mehta, Matron of

Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Zonal Hospital, Shimla Parveen Sood, Nursing Superintendent of Kamla Nehru Hospital, Shimla Veena Kaundal and Nursing Superintendent of Indira Gandhi

Medical College, Shimla Sunita Sharma.

Secretary to the Governor Rakesh Kanwar was also present on the occasion.



Helpline 'Bharosa' on Cognitive Emotional Rehabilitation Services

Shimla/New Delhi (PIB), May -- To relieve the distress of student community during the troubled time of the COVID-19 pandemic, Union HRD Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' launched Central University of Odisha Helpline "Bharosa" and its Helpline Number 08046801010 through a virtual platform in New Delhi. The helpline aims at providing Cognitive Emotional Rehabilitation Services to all University Students of Odisha. Odisha State Minister, Dept of Higher Education, Government of Odisha, Dr. Arun Kumar Sahoo was also present during the occasion. The programme was coordinated by Vice Chancellor, Prof I Ramabrahmam, Central University of Odisha.

Nishank said that the nation is going through a difficult phase due to the onslaught of the COVID-19 pandemic and appreciated the Government of India's efforts to contain the epidemic under the dynamic leadership of Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi. He outlined the efforts of the Ministry of HRD in safeguarding the future of students. He emphasized on the steps taken with regard to the new academic calendar and virtual mode of education.

He asserted that the mental health concern of the students is of great importance and the Helpline launched by the Central University of Odisha is a great step towards that. He formally launched the Helpline and announced its number for the benefit of the students and their parents, amongst others. The Union Minister extended his best wishes to the dignitaries present at the Helpline launch function including the Vice Chancellors, Heads of Institutions, Registrars and Faculty of various institutions in Odisha. He also urged the Central and State Universities and other Institutions of Higher Education across the country to emulate the Bharosa initiative.

The Vice Chancellor of CUO Prof I Ramabrahmam highlighted the major features and services of the CUOs Helpline 'Bharosa' that seeks to address the problems of distressed students in the wake of COVID-19. He reiterated the fact that the CUO Helpline 'Bharosa' addresses the concerns of any student of any University in Odisha and added that over 400 calls have been received in the Pilot phase of the CUO Helpline. Madhusudan Mishra, Collector and District Magistrate, Koraput was instrumental in Piloting the 'Bharosa' initiative of CUO before its formal launch. Dr. Arun Kumar Sahoo, Minister, Dept of Higher Education, Government of Odisha lauded the efforts of the Central University of Odisha and expressed hope that it will help the students in distress during COVID-19.

Receipt of Nominations for Gandhi Peace Prize 2020 Extended

Shimla/New Delhi, (UNI), May -- Due to COVID-19 lockdown throughout the country, the last date for receipt of nominations for the Gandhi Peace Prize 2020 has now been extended upto and including June 15, 2020, the Ministry of Culture said. For the year 2020, last date for receiving the nominations was 30th April 2020.

The Ministry of Culture invites nominations for awarding Gandhi Peace Prize every year. The nominations are to be made in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Procedure for Gandhi Peace Prize which is available on Ministry of Culture, Government of India's website: www.indiaculture.nic.in.

The nominations/recommendations in prescribed proforma are to be sent by mail / e-mail to Joint Secretary of the culture ministry Nirupama Kotru.



EK BHARAT SHRESHTHA BHARAT CAMPAIGN

EBSB holds Poster Making Competition for Students

Shimla/New Delhi (PIB) May -- To celebrate the spirit of Unity in Diversity of our Nation, the Government is running Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Campaign. The Ministry for HRD is the nodal ministry for EBSB campaign which is run along with several other partner ministries and states. To keep up the momentum of the campaign inspite of lockdown due to Covid-19, the Indian Institute of Information Technology Guwahati recently organised a Poster Making Competition. The students were asked to participate from their homes for the competition held online due to lockdown.

The topic of the competition was "RAJASTHAN TOURISM AND TRAVELS".

Due to the Covid-19, many of Institute activities got disrupted as students, staff and few faculties vacated the campus. The activities IITG pertaining to EBSB also got affected. However, IITG managed to organise the monthly event of April, 2020 for EBSB on 1st May, 2020. IITG is committed to conduct the events under the banner of EBSB to promote knowledge on the paired state Rajasthan among our students.

Students from Kalrav-Literary Club, IIT Guwahati spearheaded the event. Both Meghna Singh and Priyanka Kumari, 1st year B.Tech student and an active member of the club coordinated the online/remote event. This

poster making event was held in two categories-Digital and Handmade category. A total of 14 participants (Nine in the digital category and five in the handmade category.) participated from their homes across the country. Students participated under Digital poster making category are Atik, K.N, G Pranay, Priyanka Kumari, Amitesh Kumar, Gurnoor Singh, Priyam Raj, Richa, Sai Kumar Medha, Utkarsh Kumar. Students participated under Handmade poster making event are J. Pujita, Rohit Jain, Sayantani Dutta, Jishu Yadav, Ananya. Both Digital and Handmade posters were judged on its Design, Contents and Creativity, Originality. Institute received exceptional posters. All the students worked really hard and made wonderful posters depicting RAJASTHAN AND ITS BEAUTY. In digital poster making competition Atik Kamleshwar Das got first, G. Pranay got second and Priyanka Kumari got third place. In handmade poster category Jadi Punita got first and Rohit Jain got second place.





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Adopt Decarbonization Strategy Based on HDI Levels

Shimla/Mumbai (PIB), May -- India needs a 30-fold increase in renewable energy, 30-fold increase in nuclear energy and doubling of thermal energy, making 70% of energy carbon-free: Dr. Anil Kakodkar. On the occasion of National Technology Day, a day which marks the anniversary of Pokhran Nuclear Tests of 1998, Former Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission and Chairman, Rajiv Gandhi Science & Technology Commission, Padma Vibhushan Dr. Anil Kakodkar, has conveyed a message to the people of India, about Dealing with Energy Needs in the Context of Climate Crisis.

'National Technology Day is celebrated to commemorate the nuclear test that took place 22 years ago, that brought us national security', he said in his online lockdown lecture organised by Nehru Science Centre, Mumbai, while talking about India's progress in the field of science and technology. After that India has entered into many International agreements with various countries to promote nuclear commerce for peaceful purposes. The idea was to secure energy security through nuclear energy, he added.

In his presentation, he explained about the correlation between Human Development Index (HDI) and Per Capita Energy Consumption all over the world. As per the statistics, countries with higher HDI where citizens enjoy high quality of life have higher per capita consumption of energy.

However with the rising climate issues, a developing country like India faces the challenge where we are caught between energy security on one side and climate security on the other. "The need of the hour is to strike a balance between enhancing the quality of human life as well as keeping a control over the climate crisis."

Researchers across the globe are studying about climate change on how to control CO2 emissions, which is a serious threat to the environment. As per the report of Inter Governmental Panel on Climate Change, "staying below 1.5 degree increase in 2,100 will require cuts in Green House Gas (GHG) emissions of 45% below 2010 levels by 2030 and to net zero by 2050";

which means we have only 10 years left to realise deep CO2 emission cuts while ensuring development aspirations of many countries across the world.

To achieve this, the world has to act now by leveraging available/rapidly deployable technologies. This is where the requirement of nuclear energy, which can easily meet the 'zero emission' target, arises. With the contribution of nuclear energy, the cost of deep decarbonisation can be reduced. Decarbonising means reducing carbon intensity, i.e. reducing the emissions per unit of electricity generated (often given in grams of carbon dioxide per kilowatt-hour).

shows we need better plans to control the same.

In order to control CO2 emission, different levels of consumption strategy need to be observed by different countries based on their HDI. For example, those countries with high Human Development Index, should reduce their energy consumption since it may not affect their HDI, much. In addition to this they should also decarbonise their electricity generation. And the countries with moderate HDI should focus on non-fossil electricity consumption while countries with low HDI should be able to provide subsidised source of cleaner energy to their citizens. This way every country can actively contribute towards low / zero emission.

Japan is a country which has seen the brunt of the negatives of nuclear energy - the cruellest nuclear bombing at Hiroshima and Nagasaki that raised the global sensitivity of nuclear energy. But still the country has drafted an energy plan, to generate 20% to 22% of their total energy consumption as nuclear energy, to reduce CO2 emissions by 2030. Countries like Germany and Japan are already planning to cut GHG emission by 2020 and 2030 respectively which has allotted huge amount on production of renewable energy.

For a country like India, in order to decarbonise the energy consumption, we need a 30-fold increase in renewable energy, 30-fold increase in nuclear energy and doubling of thermal energy which would make 70% of energy carbon free.

To meet the energy requirements of the country, currently there are 66 units with the capacity of 49180 MWe (including projects that are operating, under planning, under construction and those that are approved).

Nuclear Waste:

The major concern that pops up now is of how to manage the nuclear wastes, that is produced during energy generation. Dr. Kakodkar said, India adopts the policy of 'Nuclear Recycle Technology' - where the nuclear fuel - Uranium, Plutonium etc, once used for generation of energy, is reused as a resource material by the commercial industries to be recycled. More than 99% of Nuclear waste is reused as the waste management program in India prioritises recycling.



NATIONAL TECHNOLOGY DAY

Decarbonisation of energy production in the country is essential since the demand for electric power from industries/commercial sector is high. Decarbonisation is possible by increasing the share of low-carbon energy sources, particularly renewables like solar, hydro and biomass together with nuclear which can greatly contribute in achieving zero emissions to a great extent.

Action Required:

Even when many countries are making active efforts in the field of energy efficiency the CO2 emission is still high when compared to preceding years. This

Steps to Monitor Queries, Grievances, Academic Matters of Students, Teachers & Institutions - UGC

Shimla/New Delhi (PIB), May -- The UGC has issued Guidelines on Examinations and Academic Calendar in view of COVID-19 Pandemic on 29th April, 2020. Accordingly, all universities have been advised to plan their academic activities keeping in view the safety and interest of all stakeholders, giving highest priority to the health of all concerned, while adopting and implementing the Guidelines. Universities have also been requested to establish a Cell for handling grievances of the students related to examinations and other academic activities arising due to this pandemic and notify the same to the students. Further, the UGC



arising due to COVID-19 pandemic:

1. A dedicated Help Line Number: 011-23236374 has been set up.
2. An email address: covid19help.ugc@gmail.com has been created.
3. Students can also lodge their grievances on the existing Online Students Grievance Redressal Portal of UGC at https://www.ugc.ac.in/grievance/student_reg.aspx

4. A Task Force has been constituted at UGC to monitor concerns/ grievances of students, teachers, and institutions, and redress them accordingly.

All the Universities and colleges are requested to upload a copy of this public notice on their official websites and also share it with the teaching and student community via e-mail and other digital media.

DRDO Lab Develops Automated UV Systems to Sanitise Electronic Gadgets, Currency Notes

Shimla/New Delhi (UNI), May -- Hyderabad-based Defence Research and Development (DRDO) premier lab, Research Centre Imarat (RCI), has developed an automated contactless UVC sanitisation cabinet, called Defence Research Ultraviolet Sanitiser (DRUVS). It has been designed to sanitise mobile phones, iPads, laptops, currency notes, cheque leafs, challans, passbooks, paper, envelopes, the Ministry of Defence said in a statement.

The DRUVS cabinet is having contactless operation which is very important to contain the spread of virus. The proximity sensor switches, clubbed with drawer opening and closing mechanism, makes its operation automatic and contactless. It provides 360-degree exposure of UVC to the objects placed inside the cabinet. Once the sanitisation is done, the system goes in sleep mode hence the operator need not wait or stand near the device.

The RCI has also developed an automated UVC currency sanitising device, called NOTESCLEAN. Bundles of currency notes can be sanitised using DRUVS, however disinfection of each currency notes using it will be a time consuming process. For that purpose, a sanitising technique has been developed, where one has to just place the loose currency notes at the input slot of the device. It picks the notes one by one and makes them pass through a series of UVC lamps for complete disinfection.

School Fee Waiver/Concessions

Student Parent Forum Write to Education Minister

Keekli Bureau, May, Shimla -- The social and economic crisis due to the Corona epidemic has taken away the happiness of the people. Citizens are facing huge social and economic difficulties, stated the Student Parent Forum, Shimla Office Bearer Vijender Mehra. He said that a large part of the people of the state, 5 lakh 13 thousand students studying in private schools and about 8 lakh of their parents are facing huge problems like other sections in this crisis. These 13 lakh people, who constitute 15 percent of the total population of the state, are facing heavy fees of private schools and are in a state of crisis for their payment. In this difficult situation, due to increase in fees done by private schools and lack of means of income, it has become unbearable for parents to pay the fees. He said that out of these 8 lakh parents, about 70% of the parents are labourers, planners, outsourced employees, small shopkeepers, taxi operators, businessmen, hotel operators and self-employed, etc., whose income means have stopped due to lock down and curfews.

Therefore stressing again on the demand of fee concession the forum of Shimla has written a nine pointer letter to the Education

Minister Suresh Bhardwaj, "The student guardian forum has raised these issues a dozens of times with the Chief Minister, Director of Education and Joint Director of Education, including you," stated the letter.

"On the lines of the Uttar Pradesh government, the increase in fees of 8 to 20% made by private schools in Himachal Pradesh this year should be immediately cancelled, they stated in the first point of the letter. Second that on the pattern of Delhi and Haryana Government, only tuition fee should be collected for the quarter from March to May. Of this, a complete ban should be imposed on annual charges, miscellaneous charges, smart classroom charges, computer fees, sports funds, development funds and all other charges. Tuition fees should not be levied from students studying in private schools where there are no online classes or small classes which are not being studied online", they added.

"In event of any parent losing their employment completely due to corona epidemic, their children should not be taken out of private school and their studies should be continued," stated Vijender Mehra of the forum.

He said that private schools are charging tuition fees as well as a hefty annual charge fee as part of tuition fees whereas the Himachal Pradesh High Court in its judgment in 2016, has stopped charging annual charges. Thereafter, this annual charge is recorded in the fees booklet of private schools under different heads than the tuition fees. Hence, complete ban should be imposed on the recovery of annual charge under the guise of tuition fees, he demanded. Adding that, three notifications were issued by the Director of Higher Education, Himachal Pradesh on 18 March, 8 April and 4 May 2019, to withdraw the huge fee hike made by private schools in the year 2019 and either to return it to parents or to be included. Which have not been implemented till date," added Mehra.

Adding, "Notifications issued by Higher Education Director Himachal Pradesh on 5 December 2019, 18 January 2020 and 12 March 2020 in respect of fees in private schools should be implemented in letter and spirit."

He said that from March to May 2020, the Directorate of Education of the State Government has issued a number of notifica-

tions and orders regarding the collection of fees in private schools in the middle of Corona, of which the order dated 25 April 2020 is the latest.

Despite these notifications and orders, private schools did not care and many private schools have been sending their parents frequent messages to collect fees and harass them, he informed. "These private schools, which are in violation of the orders of the state government, are being cheered for arbitrary and looting due to no action, even for repeatedly violating the orders. Therefore, action should be taken against these private schools in violation of government orders as per Epidemic Act and Disaster Management Act," demanded the forum.

They stated that the entire fees from March to May 2020 should be waived because no classes are being held in private schools in the period. Despite the orders of the state government, the much recovered fees of the year 2019 have not been returned to the parents through private schools. It should be included as fee from March to May 2020 and the entire fee for this period should be waived, they concluded.

Basics of Cyber Safety and Security -- Cyberbullying

Cyberbullying includes sending, posting or sharing negative, harmful, false or mean information and content about someone. It is a serious offence which is punishable under Cyber law.

What is Cyber Safety and Security?

Cyber safety is the safe and responsible use of information and communication technology. It is about keeping information safe and secure, but also about being responsible with that information, being respectful to other people online, and using good Internet etiquette. It includes body of technologies, processes and practices designed to protect networks, computers, programs and data from attack, damage or unauthorized access.

Cyber Bullying includes:

- Nasty comments on your posts or posts about you
- Someone creating a fake profile in your name and trying to defame you
- Threatening or abusive messages online or on the mobile phone
- Being excluded from online groups and forums
- Embarrassing photographs put online without your permission
- Rumours and lies about you on a site
- Stealing your account password and sending unwanted/inappropriate messages from your account
- off-ensive chat
- Fake online profiles created with an intent to defame you

Do the following if Cyber Bullied

Do Not Respond

If someone is cyber bullying you, do not respond or retaliate by doing the same thing back. Responding or retaliating to cyber bullying may make matter worse or even get you into trouble

Screenshot

Take a screenshot of anything that you think could be cyber bullying and keep a record of it.

Block and Report

Most online platforms have this feature, if someone bothers you, make sure you block and report the offender to the social media platform.

Talk About It

Cyber bullying may affect you in many different ways. Do not feel that you are alone. Let your parents and teachers

know what is going on. Never keep it to yourself.

Be Private

Keep your social media privacy settings high and do not connect with anybody who you do not know offline. You would not talk to random people on the street, so why do it online?

Be Aware

Remain updated with all the preventive and security measures in the cyber world.

Computer Safety and Security

- Log off- your Computer when not in use & don't leave them un-attended
- Do not plug the computer directly to the wall outlet as power surges may destroy computer. Instead, use a stabilizer to plug a computer
- Do not install pirated software
- Do not connect unknown devices to your computer as they may contain viruses
- Use only verified open source or licensed software and operating systems
- Check that antivirus software in each system is regularly updated
- Invest in a robust firewall
- Consider blocking of file extension such as .bat, .cmd, .exe, .pif by using content filtering software
- Have a password protocol with specific strong password guidelines, frequently change your passwords, prevents reuse of old passwords
- Ensure that computer system and labs are assist only by authorized personnel
- Discourage use of personal devices on the network, such as personal USBs or hard drives

Internet Safety and Ethics

- Respect other people's privacy
- Follow proper protocol in language use while chatting, blogging and emailing
- Do not log in to other people's email accounts
- Do not download and use copyrighted material
- Enable automatic browser update to ensure detection of malicious sites

Safe Email Practices

- Do not reply to emails from unknown sender even if it looks like a genuine email
- Do not provide personal information like name, date of

birth, school name, address, parent's names or any other information

- Do not fall for lucrative offers/discounts as they might be coming from unknown source and it may not be reliable. Ignore/delete those mails
 - Do not open attachments or click on links from unknown senders, since they may contain malicious files that might affect your device. Only click the links and downloads from websites that you trust
 - Beware of phishing websites - check the URL to confirm if the website is secure
 - Do not forward spam or suspicious emails to others
- #### Safe Social Networking
- Avoid revealing too much of your personal information like your age, address, telephone number, school name etc. as this can lead to identity theft
 - Do your privacy settings very carefully on social networking sites
 - Never reveal your password to anyone other than your parent or guardian
 - Communicate and collaborate only with people known to you
 - Do not post anything which hurts others feelings
 - Always be careful while posting photographs, videos and any other sensitive information in social networking sites as they leave digital footprints which stay online forever
 - Do not post your friends' information on networking sites, which may possibly put them at risk. Protect your friends' privacy by not posting the group photos, school names, locations, age, etc.
 - Avoid posting your plans and activities on networking sites
 - Do not create fake profiles for yourself on any social networking sites. If you suspect that your social networking account details have been compromised or stolen, report immediately to the support team of networking site
 - Do not forward anything that you read on social media without verifying it from a trusted source
 - Always avoid opening links and attachment through social networking sites
 - Never leave your account unattended after login, log out immediately when you are not using it



REASONING

Q.1 The Venetian traveler who travelled with his wife and reached Vijayawada around 1420 was....

- (A) Anthanasius Nikitin (B) Nicolo de Conti (C) Ibn Batuta (D) Ferishta

The correct answer is options B

Q.2 The Uprising of 1857 was described as the first Indian war of Independence by

- (A) S.N. Sen (B) R.C. Mazumdar (C) B.G. Tilak (D) V.D. Savakar

The correct answer is option D

Q.3 The Turko-Afghan rule in India lasted for about....

- (A) two centuries (B) three centuries (C) four centuries (D) a little over one century

The correct answer is option B.

Q.4 Though Ashoka had many sons, the inscriptions mentioned only one who is not mentioned in any other source. He is.....

- (A) Kunala (B) Tivara (C) Mahendra (D) Jalauka

The correct answer is option B

Q.5 The Vijayanagara king who employed skilled archers of the Turkish clan and raised the fighting capacity of his bowmen was.....

- (A) Bukka I (B) Devaraya I (C) Krishnadevaraya (D) Ramaraya

The correct answer is option B



GENERAL INTELLIGENCE

Direction (1-5): - S, R, N, L, M, T, O, & P are eight persons sitting in a circle facing the center. Their different occupations are-reporter, doctor, cricketer, teacher, accountant, shopkeeper, painter & Supervisor, but not necessarily in the same order as given.

M is third to the left of O. Doctor is at the immediate right of M & M is not a reporter. R is fourth to the right of P. None of R & P are the nearest neighbours of M. T is a teacher & sitting third to the right of doctor. A shopkeeper is sitting second to the left of the teacher. Painter is sitting second to the left of M. Cricketer S is sitting exactly between T & P. Accountant is sitting second to the right of a cricketer. N is third to the left of T.

Q.1. Who form the following is a reporter?

- (A) O (B) L (C) N (D) R (E) None of these

Ans - A

Q.2. What is the position of S regarding R?

- (A) Third to the right (B) Second to the right (C) Third to the left
(D) Second to the left (E) Fourth to the right.

Ans. A

Q.3. If we count in the anti-clockwise direction starting from N; then how many persons are sitting between P & N?

- (A) One (B) Two (C) Three (D) Four (E) None of these

Ans. D

Q.4. As per the position mentioned above; four of the following pairs are alike & so they form their group. Which one does not belong to this group?

- (A) Teacher-Painter (B) Supervisor - Shopkeeper (C) Cricketer - Reporter
(D) Doctor - Accountant (E) Shopkeeper - Doctor

Ans : E

Q.5. Which of the following statement is false regarding the above-mentioned arrangement?

- (A) N is at the immediate right of supervisor.
(B) Cricketer is third to the right of shopkeeper.
(C) Doctor is sitting exactly between supervisor & accountant
(D) L is neither a teacher nor a supervisor.
(E) Only three persons are between S & N.

Ans. C

One Word Substitutes List for "Research/Profession"

Q : Utopia

- (A) an imagined place or state of things in which everything is perfect
(B) an imagined place which is worst for human beings to live
(C) an imagined place where two lovers want to go
(D) an imagined place where everything is free

Answer : A

Q : Verbatim

- (A) a writing, which is never written before
(B) a writing word for word
(C) related to a war
(D) related to social projects

Answer : C

Q : Souvenir

- (A) a thing that is kept as a reminder of an event
(B) a thing given as a prize
(C) a thing which is related to quiz
(D) a thing which is related to religious matters

Answer : A

Q : Venial

- (A) a big fault that is forgiven
(B) a slight fault that cannot be forgiven
(C) a big fault that cannot be forgiven
(D) a slight fault that can be forgiven

Answer : D

Q : Soliloquy

- (A) a play or a drama
(B) a replay of the previous drama
(C) speech you make to yourself
(D) speech given to audience

Answer : C

Q : Sinecure

- (A) A honorary job
(B) A job with little responsibility but high salary
(C) A job with high responsibility but little salary
(D) A very promising job or carrier

Answer : B

Q : Sacrilege

- (A) Be a volunteer for country
(B) Making a disturbance
(C) Obeying a religious order
(D) Violation of what is regarded as sacred

Answer : D

WORDS USED IN ENGLISH

Russian

Beluga : The type of sturgeon comes from the Russian word 15;C30 (beluga), while the type of whale comes from 15;CE0 (beluhka). Both ultimately trace back to 15;K9 (belee), which means "white."

Disinformation : "Disinformation" comes from the Russian word 4578=D>@<0F8O (dezinformatsiya), which was the name of a KGB propaganda department.

Mammoth : "Mammoth" comes from the Russian word <0<>=B (mamont), which likely had Siberian roots.

Shaman: This word for a tribal priest comes from the Russian word H0<0= (shaman), which likely comes from the Evenki language of Siberia.

Spanish

A lot of English-language words can be traced back to the Spanish language. This is particularly common with ranching vocabulary. Names for foods, places, animals and weather patterns found in the Americas also have often passed through Spanish, though they also usually have indigenous roots. Here are a few words you might not have guessed have Spanish roots.

Savvy: The word "savvy" likely originates from the Spanish word *sabe*, which means "knows."

Tobacco : While the word is likely influenced by native languages, the English word "tobacco" was most likely derived from the Spanish word *tabaco*.

Vanilla: The English word "vanilla" likely comes from the Spanish word *vainilla*, which itself comes from the Latin word for "pod."

IDIOM AND PHRASES

Q.1 : Bolt from the blue

- 1.Thundering
- 2.A complete surprise
- 3.Inform something bad
- 4.No idea

Ans. B

Q.2 : Blue blood

- 1.Belonging to low class society
- 2.Give complain in written
- 3.Member of high class society
- 4.Complain give verbally

Ans. C

Q.3 : At Loggerheads

- 1.To differ strongly
- 2.To divide a job
- 3.To try hard
- 4.To get going

Ans . A

Q.4 : Keep your eyes peeled

- 1.To watch carefully
- 2.Searching someone
- 3.Looking forward
- 4.Running away

Ans . A

Q.5 : Head Over Heels

- 1.Study hard
- 2.Living in luxury
- 3.Very excited
- 4.Conflict

Ans . C

Q.6 : Get one's feet wet

- 1.To become serious
- 2.To understand correctly
- 3.To criticize
- 4.To begin gaining experience

Ans . D

Q.7 : Talk through one's hat

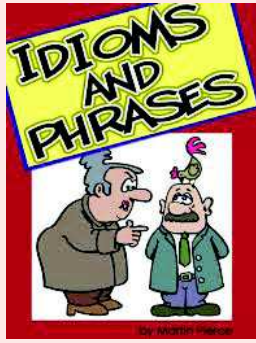
- 1.Talk good points
- 2.To talk secretly
- 3.Talk positively
- 4.Talk nonsense

Ans . D

Q.8 : Dead Ringer

- 1.Duplicate
- 2.Opposite
- 3.Looking Good
- 4.Something bad

Ans . A



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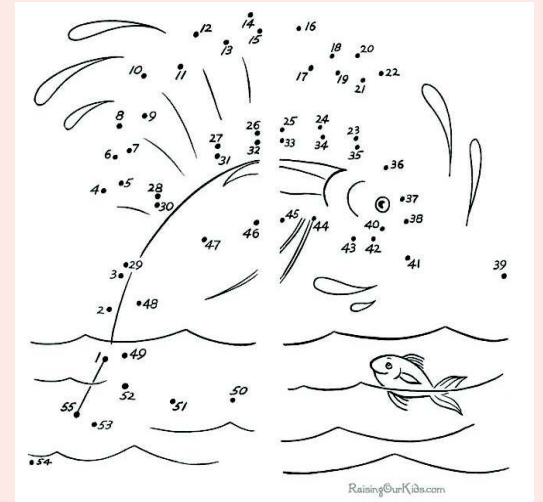
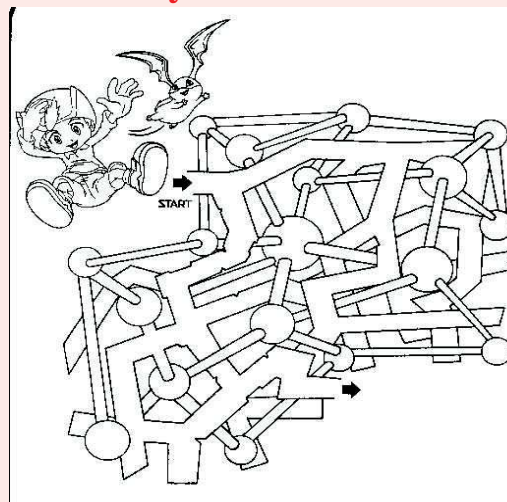
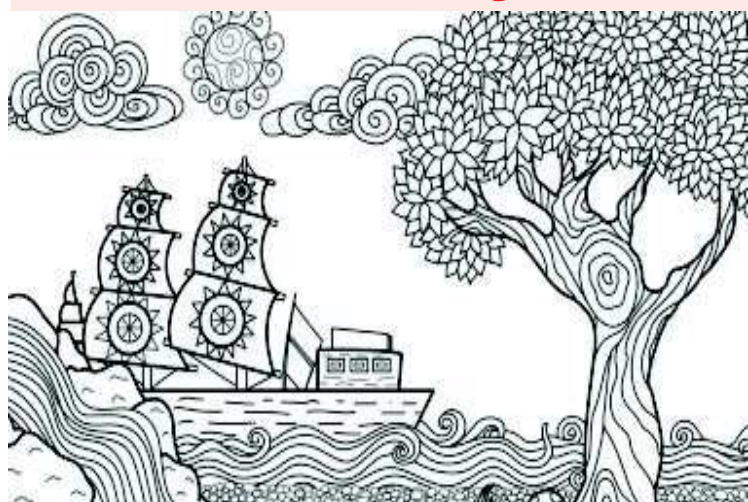
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THE PRIEST WHO GAMBLED WITH A LIFE (JATAKA TALES)

Once upon a time, there was a king who loved to gamble with his royal priest. When he threw the dice, he always recited this lucky charm:

"If tempted any woman will, for sure, give up her faithfulness and act impure."

Amazing as it may seem, by using this charm the king always won! Before long, the royal priest lost almost every penny he owned.

He thought, "I have lost almost all my wealth to the king. It must be because of his lucky charm. I need to find a way to break the spell and win back my money. I must find a pure woman who has never had anything to do with a man. Then I will lock her up in my mansion and force her to remain faithful to me!"

This seemed like a good plan to him. But then he started having doubts. He thought, "It would be nearly impossible to keep a woman pure after she had already become accustomed to men. Therefore I must find the purest woman possible - one who has never even seen a man!"

Just then he happened to see a poor woman passing by. She was pregnant. The royal priest was an expert in reading the meaning of marks on the body. So he could tell that the unborn baby was a girl. And the thought occurred to him, "Aha! Only an unborn baby girl has never seen a man!"

The royal priest was willing to do anything to beat the king at dice. So he paid the poor woman to stay in his house and have her baby there. When the wonderful little girl was born, the priest bought her from her mother. Then he made sure she was raised only by women. She never saw a man - except of course the royal priest himself. When she grew up, he still kept her completely under his control. It was just as if he owned the poor girl!

The cruel priest did all this only because of his gambling habit. While the girl was growing up, he had avoided playing dice with the king. Now that she was of age, and still his prisoner, he challenged the king to a game of dice once again. The king agreed. After they had made their bets, the king shook the dice and repeated his favourite lucky charm:

"If tempted any woman will, for sure, give up her faithfulness and act impure."

But just before he threw down the dice, the priest added: "Except my woman - faithful evermore!"

Lo and behold, the king's charm didn't work. He lost that bet, and from then on the priest won every throw of the dice.

The king was puzzled by this turn of events. After considering, he thought, "This priest must have a pure woman locked up at home, one who is forced to be faithful to him alone. That's why my lucky charm doesn't work anymore." He investigated and discovered what the cruel priest had done. So he sent for a well-known playboy character. He asked him if he could cause the lady's downfall. He replied, "No problem, my lord!" The king paid him handsomely and told him to do the job quickly.

The man bought a supply of the finest perfumes and cosmetics. He set up a shop just outside the royal priest's mansion. This mansion was seven stories high, with seven entrance gates - one on each floor. Women guarded each gate, and no man except the priest was allowed to enter.

Only one servant waited on the priest's lady. She carried everything in and out, including perfumes and cosmetics. The priest gave her money for her purchases.

The playboy saw the servant going in and out of the priest's mansion. Soon he realised she was the one who could get him inside. So he devised a plan and hired some cronies to help him.

The next morning, when the serving lady went out to do her

shopping, the playboy dramatically fell to the ground before her. Grabbing her knees he tearfully cried, "Oh my dear mother, it's so wonderful to see you again after such a long time!"

Then his cronies chimed in, "Yes, this must be she! She looks the same - her hands and feet and face and type of dress. Yes, this must be she!" They all kept saying how amazing it was that her looks had changed so little in all that time.

The poor woman must have had a long lost son, for soon she was convinced this must be he. She hugged the king's clever playboy, and both sobbed tears of joy over their miraculous reunion.

In between bouts of sobbing, the man was able to ask her, "Oh dear mother, where are you living now?" "I live next door," she said, "in the royal priest's mansion. Night and day I serve his young woman. Her beauty is without equal, like the mermaids sailors love to praise."

He asked, "Where are you going now, mother?" "I'm going shopping for her perfumes and cosmetics, my son." "There's no need, mother," he said, "from now on I will give you the best perfumes and cosmetics free of charge!" So he gave them to her, along with a bouquet of lovely flowers.

When the priest's lady saw all these, much better quality than usual, she asked why the priest was so happy with her. "No," said the serving woman, "these are not from the priest. I got them at my son's shop." From then on she got perfumes and cosmetics from the playboy's shop, and kept the priest's money.

After a while the playboy began the next part of his plan. He pretended to be sick and stayed in bed.

When the servant came to the shop she asked, "Where is my son?" She was told he was too sick to work, and was taken to see him. She began massaging his back and asked, "What happened to you, my son?" He replied, "Even if I were about to die, I couldn't tell you, my mother."

She continued, "If you can't tell me, whom can you tell?" Then, according to his plan, he broke down and admitted to her, "I was fine until you told me about your beautiful mistress - 'like the mermaids sailors love to praise'. Because of your description, I have fallen in love with her. I must have her. I can't live without her. I'm so depressed, without her I'll surely die!"

Then the woman said, "Don't worry, my son, leave it up to me." She took even more perfumes and cosmetics to the priest's lady. She said to her, "My lady, after my son heard from me about your beauty, he fell madly in love with you! I don't know what to do next!"

Since the priest was the only man she had ever seen, the lady was curious. And of course she resented being locked up by force. So she said, "If you sneak him into my room, it's all right with me!"

The woman guards at the seven gates searched everything the servant took in and out. So she had to have a plan. She swept up all the dust and dirt she could find in the whole mansion. Then she began taking some of it out each day in a large covered flower basket. Whenever she was searched, she made sure some of the dust and dirt got on the guard women's faces. This made them sneeze and cough. Pretty soon they stopped searching her when she went in and out. Finally one day she hid the playboy in her covered flower basket. He was trim and fit, not heavy at all. She was able to sneak him past all seven guarded gates, and into the priest's lady's private chamber. The two lovers stayed together for several days and nights. So the playboy was able to destroy her perfect faithfulness, which had been forced on her by the cold-hearted priest.

Eventually she told him it was time to go. He said, "I will go. But first, since the old priest has been so mean to you, let me give him one good blow to the head!" She agreed and hid him in a closet. This too was part of his secret plan.

When the priest arrived, his lady said, "My lord and master, I'm so happy today! I'd like to dance while you play the guitar."

The priest said, "Of course, my beauty." "But I'm too shy to dance in front of you," she added, "so please wear this blindfold while I dance." Again he agreed to her request and she put a blindfold over his eyes.

The priest played a pretty tune on his complicated Indian guitar, while his lady danced. After a bit she said, "As part of my dance, won't you let me give you a tap on the head?" "As you wish, my dear," he said.

Then she motioned to the playboy, who came out of the closet, snuck up from behind, and hit the old priest on the head! His eyes nearly popped out, and a bump began rising from the blow. He cried out and the lady put her hand in his. He said, "Such a soft hand sure can deliver a wallop, my dear!"

The playboy returned to the closet. The lady removed the priest's blindfold and put some ointment on his bump. When he had left, the serving woman hid the playboy in her flower basket and smuggled him out of the mansion. He went immediately to the king and told him the whole story, in a very boastful way of course.

The next day the royal priest went to the palace as usual. The king said, "Shall we gamble on the throw of the dice?" The priest, expecting to win once more, agreed. Just as before, the king recited his lucky charm:

"If tempted any woman will, for sure, give up her faithfulness and act impure."

As usual the priest added:

"Except my woman - faithful evermore!"

But lo and behold the dice fell in the king's favour and he took the priest's money. The king said, "Oh priest, your woman is no exception! True faithfulness cannot be forced! Your plan was to snatch a newborn baby girl, lock her up behind seven gates guarded by seven guards, and force her to be good. But you have failed. Any prisoner's greatest wish is freedom! "She blindfolded you and then her playboy lover gave you that bump on your old bald head - which proves your gates and guards were useless!"

The priest returned home and accused his lady. But in the meantime, she had come up with a plan of her own. She said, "No, my lord, I have been completely faithful to you. No man has ever touched me except you! And I will prove it in a trial by fire. I will walk on fire without being burned to prove I speak the truth."

She ordered the old servant woman to fetch her son, the playboy. She was to tell him to take the lady by the hand and prevent her from stepping in the flames. This the woman did. On the day of the trial by fire, the priest's lady said to the crowd of onlookers, "I have never been touched by any man except this priest, my master. By this truth, may the fire have no power over me."

Then, just as she was about to step into the fire, the playboy leaped from the crowd and grabbed her hand. He shouted, "Stop! Stop! How can this priest be so cruel as to force this tender young lady into a raging fire!"

She shook her hand free and said to the priest, "My lord, since this man has touched my hand, the trial by fire is useless. But you can see my good intention!"

The priest realised he had been tricked. He beat her as he drove her away forever. At last she was free of him and mistress of her own fate.