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**The rains, the mud,
the wind, and more...
The craziness & petrichor!**

Dear readers,

First shower of rains is like a celebration; and the June 2022 edition of the SquarePetals Global Webzine will be adding to your enjoyment. We have it all for you, the advantages of perusing purpose over profit in the Personal Development section, about helicopter ride, and the recipe of delicious mathari rasgulla recipe, and of course your favorite page 'Top Trend'.

On the other side, SquarePetals Global Webzine urges for peace between Russia & Ukraine. At home, we humbly suggest that it is wiser to build new masterpieces of greatness as being blessed with the resources now, rather than digging out hatred and crying over spilt milk.

So hope you will love this package of infotainment from SquarePetals. Do write to us and let us know your feedback here : squarepetalsmedia@gmail.com

Meet you soon with the next edition in July 2022. Till then keep smiling & keep shining.

Love & regards.

Sansriti Johri

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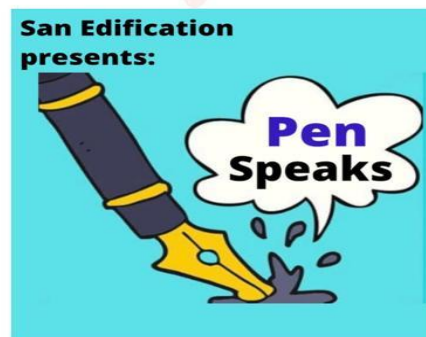
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The Handsome Hunk : Mr. India 2019,
and now a successful model & actor :

Mr. Dharam Savlani.

Dharam Savlani from Gujarat is a Model & Style icon. He works hard spending two to three hours in the gym daily, for the killer physique he has, and eats a low carb high protein diet. He reveals that it hasn't been a cakewalk for him. It was hard training and focusing on diet while not earning enough in the starting years, which was worrystore for his

family. Dharam Savlani is from a middle class family and, he is a man of actions.

Dharam Savlani says that his life has been a rollercoaster ride into the wild woods, through the light and darkness. Finally, things are going great for him! He is loving the ups and downs with God's grace and hard work. He has been working for so many big brands and feels grateful and blessed.

Dharam Savlani is a dedicated hard working person. He also invests in himself wisely, starting from managing



finance to taking care of his family and himself. He strongly believes that one can do wonders if one sticks to the goals. Dharam talks about choosing modelling as a career, he has completed his graduation but modelling has been his first priority for him; it is his passion. From convincing my family to constantly motivating himself he has come quite far from where he had started. Dharam defines a model as someone who knows to communicate well and constantly improve upon the personality. He thinks this makes the X factor that he possesses. For him, things got stamped with his pageants and work-life.

Dharam's achievements at this young stage are impressive:

Mr India 2019

Mr Gujarat 2016

Mr Ahmedabad 2016

One web series

One Gujarati Movie (Lead Role)

A few album songs

And more than thousands campaign shoots.

His self confidence reflects on his face and in his stylish walk that steals hearts of many!!



fashion statement. In addition to this, fashion is not just about clothes, it is more about how well you carry yourself.

Talking about his preferences when signing an assignment, Dharam affirms that he never takes any assignment that does not allow him to grow in his field. Dharam Savlani always opts for quality work. Dharam Savlani either wins or he

Dharam says one should not stick to one type of fashion, and there should be a variety. Just like we don't and should not stick to one menu in flooding, similarly we should not stick to one

learns - this is Mr India 2019 Dharam Savlani. He is a passionate model dedicated towards his goal. SquarePetals Global Webzine wishes him success in all his future endeavours.



THE FINAL DRAFT

AJAY SINGH

'Twelve Stories of great Power and Imagination, lyrically told'

Sunday Guardian

The title story "The Final Draft" explores a brilliant writer dying of cancer who is obsessed with completing his magnum opus before his death. His wife helps him in what would be the last work of his life and amazingly, they help keep the cancer at bay.

The story traces the individual thoughts and journey of the two key characters till the shock ending, which hits like a punch in the solar plexus. Does he complete his work, and what happens when he does?



The war in Ukraine has now been on for three months. There is no gainsaying that Russia has made some gains but the Ukrainian resistance seems to have taken them by surprise and a swift victory that the Russians were perhaps hoping for has eluded them. It is unlikely that the war will end any time soon.

When the Russian offensive moved into Ukraine on 24 February, the ambitious offensive comprised three prongs, one emerging from Crimea towards the coastal region of the South; one from the East directed towards Kharkiv and perhaps headed for the line of the Dnieper River. Both these thrusts were complemented with an offensive launched by separatists' forces and Russian troops in the Donbas. Yet, the major thrust came in from the North which was headed for Kyiv – the capital and nerve center of Ukrainian resistance. After over a month of limited gains, the Russians abruptly withdrew forces from Kyiv to focus on the Donbas – 'the original aim of the campaign'. The pull back of over 20-30,000 troops from Kyiv was marked by allegations of atrocities in towns such as Bucha and Irpin, but the Russians moved back in relatively good order. In many ways, it was the correct decision. The Russian thrust towards Kyiv had overstretched their resources and it was clear that they would not be in a position to capture the large town. Moving away from Kyiv and focusing on the East was possibly the brain child of Gen Alexandr Dvirnikov, the newly appointed overall commander of the offensive. This veteran of the Chechen and Syrian wars is reportedly close to Putin and perhaps he used his experience and clout to shorten the front and make the offensive more manageable. The Russians paused for a week or so in the first week of April, ostensibly to regroup and re-organize their forces, and more importantly to make up their losses in the first phase of the war. Then preceded by the usual missile and artillery bombardments – a renewed offensive was launched in the East and South. The Next Phase of the War To understand the significance of the shift in strategic direction,

we must understand the geography of Eastern Ukraine. The Donbas region, comprising of the Luhansk and Donetsk provinces are the Eastern most areas of Ukraine, virtually abutting into Russia. Most of the population is Russian speaking and have strong ethnic ties. In 2014, when Ukraine announced its intentions to join NATO and EU, Russia responded by fomenting separatism in the Donbas region – including sending in fighters and arms. The fighting in the Donbas continued for over seven years till it was agreed in Dec 2021 to strengthen the ceasefire agreement of 22 July 2020. But the Donbas remained restive. The long turmoil had sucked in almost 30% of the Ukrainian army there. When the Russians launched their offensive, the Eastern thrust went in towards Kharkiv, from the North of the Donbas. The Southern thrust line moved from the South west of the Luhansk region towards the coastal areas. The Donbas was girdled by the two thrust lines, from where a complementary thrust line was also launched with pro-Russian separatist groups and the Russian 22 Army Corps. Taken together, this offensive could virtually carve out the entire area of South and Eastern Ukraine. The key to the operation lay in the capture of the towns of Kharkiv and Mariupol. And as the operations progressed, the Russians did achieve a major success by capturing much of the Southern areas – including Mariupol. But in the East their offensive stalled. Let us have a look at how the battles progressed and what lies ahead. The Battle for the South In the Southern areas the Russians debouched from Crimea and succeeded in capturing a vast swath of area across the coastline along the Sea of Azov. Kherson – the major town in the East had fallen, and the towns of Mariupol, Melitopol

The capture of Mariupol is one of the notable Russian successes of the war. With this, the land route all along the coast to Crimea is open. It now gives the Russians full control of the Sea of Azov coastline in an unbroken stretch right up to Crimea and till the Black Sea

and others had been invested in the first phase of the operation itself. The key however, lay in the capture of Mariupol. The city of Mariupol is the largest city on the Sea of Azov, and a major industrial hub. Located just 30 kilometers from Donetsk, it is vital to Russia as it links the coastal areas to the breakaway Donetsk and Luhansk Provinces and is essential to provide a land bridge to the Crimea. The Russians attacked Mariupol on 25th February itself, with a force from the Donetsk along with an amphibious assault that landed West of Mariupol. The Russians converged on Mariupol from two directions and surrounded it by 28 February. Invested and besieged, the town was pounded by missiles, artillery and naval fire, but the city refused to surrender. It was only around early April that the Russians could establish a foothold on the town. But the defenders from the fanatical Azov Battalion and the 36 Marine Brigade, though overwhelmed refused to give up and the remnants moved to the Azovstal Steel Plant – called ‘The fortress within the city’. In scenes reminiscent of the battle of Stalingrad – Russian and Ukrainians fought in streets and bombed out buildings, at times just 40 meters away from each other. Even as the fighting in the plant continued, the Russians began clearing the streets, and on 09 May – Russia’s Victory Day – held a victory parade in the streets of Mariupol. The siege of Mariupol finally ended on 17 May when the

remnants of the Azovstal Steel Plant surrendered and the 82-day long battle of Mariupol came to an end. The capture of Mariupol is one of the notable Russian successes of the war. With this, the land route all along the coast to Crimea is open. It now gives the Russians full control of the Sea of Azov coastline in an unbroken stretch right up to Crimea and till the Black Sea. The capture of Mariupol also freed around 12000 Russian troops which could be used elsewhere. Mariupol also provided the base, from where Russians could advance northwards to link up with the Eastern thrust, or even develop operations further West along the coast – towards the prize of Odesa. The capture of Odesa was severely curtailed by the loss of the MOSKVA – the flagship of the Black Sea fleet. Its loss will hinder Russian plans to launch operations against Odesa but could come about at a later juncture. The capture of Odesa – if it comes about - will give Russia control over the complete coast and make Ukraine a land-locked country. It will also lead to opening the door to Moldova and Transnistria – which are now emerging as the long-term objectives. Transnistria is a breakaway state within Moldova lying to the West of Ukraine. Like the Donbas, its people have strong Russian affinities. If Russia succeeds in moving all the way to Transnistria, it can then declare it independent and occupy an area along the entire Southern region, leaving Ukraine as a



which they struck at over 300 military targets on one day. The focus seemed to be to capture the Donetsk and the Luhansk regions in their entirety and also capture Kharkiv. The Russian offensive intensified around end April – perhaps hoping to have some tangible gains by 9 May – Russia’s Victory Day. And yet, while they did succeed in capturing towns and villages in the Donbas, their offensive gradually ground down

land locked rump.

The Eastern Thrust The fall of Mariupol and the seizure of the entire Southern region gives Russia the base from where it can move northwards to link up with the Eastern thrust going towards Kharkiv. The Russian aim was probably to seize Kharkiv and Mariupol as the Northern and Southern shoulders of their offensive and launch prongs moving south and north that would link up in the area of Izyum – in a move that would enable them to cut off the entire Southern and Eastern regions of Ukraine and trap over 30 – 40% of the Ukrainian army there. (In a maneuver that would be reminiscent of the classical German encirclements of Soviet forces in World War II) Perhaps they could also plan a larger encirclement that would move further West along the line of the Dnieper River and cut off the rich areas to the east of the river. The offensive in the East began in mid-April as the Russians pummeled Ukraine in one of the largest barrages of fire seen during the war in

into a war of attrition, with villages changing hands, and limited gains of just a few kilometers every day. The major battles were fought in the towns of Izyum and Severodonetz – key junctions that were essential for the link up of their Eastern and Southern thrust lines. Izyum saw the major fighting of this sector and was subjected to 17 attacks, but though the outlying villages were captured, the town held on. By mid-May, the Russians had succeeded in securing almost 80 percent of the Donbas. Their advance in the Donetsk and Luhansk provinces, which comprise the Donbas, was aided by the pro-Russia militia the DPR. But in other sectors, their offensive met with little success. The Ukrainians not only held on to their areas – forcing the Russians into towns and villages - but actually went on the offensive with their strength bolstered by an infusion of Western arms and a surge of reservists. With their lines holding, the Ukrainians launched a counter attack on Kharkiv, retaking over 60 villages around the town. They also reached East of

the town and Ukrainian troops even advanced as far as the Russian frontier. Troops of their 227 Battalion put up much-publicized selfies of themselves standing by the border posts. The Ukrainian counterattack, threatened the Russian supply lines from Belgorad, and by 15 May, the Russians began withdrawing from Kharkiv, to prevent being cut off. That pullback was indicative of the fact, that the Russian offensive in the East had perhaps spent itself. Just as the Russians withdrew from Kyiv to shorten the front, their withdrawal from Kharkiv enabled them to focus on the Donbas region and the South and consolidate their positions there. The gains in these areas are quite considerable. They have made inroads of almost 200 kilometers across a frontage of over 800 kilometers and seized an area larger

Russian supply lines. As of now, the war seems to have reached a dangerous stalemate, with no definite end in sight.

Likely future Scenario

With neither side fully attaining their aims, there is no clear end to the war. Negotiations between Ukraine and Russia have virtually broken down, with the Russian insistence that it would hold on to its captured territories and the Ukrainian insistence (rightly) that they vacate all areas occupied by them. The original aim of the war (of Ukraine forswearing NATO membership) now seems to be lost and both sides look for an end-state which will enable them to terminate the conflict on favorable terms. For Ukraine, the end-state is clear. They want a return of all areas captured

by the Russians (plus around \$500 Billion in damages caused). It is unlikely that they will be able to get it, and in the short term would be forced to merely restrict further Russian advances – and launch local counter attacks to improve their positions. A full-scale counter offensive to evict the Russians does not seem within their capabilities as of now. Russia seems to have given up (for the time being)



than Britain. But how long will they be able to hold on to it is different. After all, the Ukrainians have proved themselves to be doughty and determined fighters and could continue to launch local counter attacks and cut off

in their aims in both Kyiv and in the Eastern sector towards Kharkiv. But their gains in Donbas and in the South are considerable and they would hold on to it. They could annex the area in much the same way they annexed

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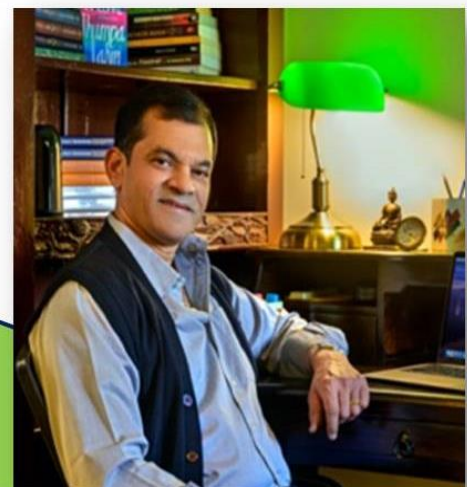
Crimea in 2014. But then what? The Ukrainians and the rest of the world would never formally acknowledge it and this conflict could then become an interminable 'frozen conflict' and linger on in much the same manner that the conflict has lingered on since 2014. It all hinges on the staying power of both Russia and Ukraine. Russia has also suffered immense attrition to men and equipment – with an estimated 20 percent of its force being hors de combat. Making up those losses and still retaining the momentum for the offensive will be difficult. It is unlikely that the Russians will be able to achieve their long term aim of seizing Odesa and moving all the way to Transnistria, nor can they hope to rejuvenate their eastern thrust. But they could take over all of Donbas, and the Southern areas and then hold on to them. The Ukrainians have suffered greatly as well, but their losses have

been made up by reservists (approximately 30 – 40,000 have already been inducted) and their equipment is being rapidly replenished by the Western nations, which helps make up their losses. They too will aim to push the Russians back from key areas to improve their defensive posture, but the recapture of their lost cities or even the areas of Donbas seem unlikely. As per analysts, the Russians will exhaust themselves by around August or so, and it is quite likely that the war will take a turn after that. But at the moment, the war lingers on as a long and bloody battle of attrition, in which neither side seems fully capable of attaining their goals.

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**A renowned writer and historian ,
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PURSUE PURPOSE NOT PROFIT

When the purpose of a thing is not known. Abuse is evitable. Many people live their lives based on profit not purpose. When we focus more on profit making than living on our purpose we miss it in life. The essence of living is in fulfilling our purpose. Our purpose is the reason why we are here on earth. Everyone of us has a purpose for living. Many people merely exist. The only existing for the sake of living. Just as the cancer cells has no purpose for enhancing our lives. They grow just for the sake of growth. This is how many people are perishing in life. People who attain greatness are people who navigated through their purposes. You must navigate through life with your purpose. Any life that is not lived on purpose is a waste. Don't waste your life looking for security and profit. Focus on fulfilling your purpose. Moses was a man of purpose. He discovered his purpose at a later part of his life. Moses grew up in the Egyptian palace. He was educated in Egypt. He enjoyed and got whatever he wanted. He lived most of his life on luxury. When he killed an Egyptian who wanted to oppress his Israelite brother. He began the fulfilment of his purpose unknown to him.

Something motivated him to have compassion for the Israelites. He had to go on exile to avoid been killed. While he was in exile, his purpose was revealed to him. His purpose was to deliver his people from slavery in Egypt. You must discover and understand your purpose. Your purpose is stronger and greater than you can possibly imagine.

Navigate through life on purpose.

Don't live like someone without a purpose in life. Don't be carried away with security and profit and lose your purpose. Everything that you will ever need in life to be great is tied to your purpose. There are more benefits in living on purpose than living for profit. We are not here to just make money, get married and raise children. There is more to be done in life. You must be aligned to your purpose. Your purpose gives you hope and motivation for greater accomplishments. An athlete doesn't run a race for nothing. An athlete runs with a purpose in mind to win a medal. Your purpose is your driving force for greatness. Your purpose should be able to push you off your limits. It should be powerful enough to get you going when the going gets tough. Your purpose is what makes you stand out in life. In as much as it is the will of the Lord that you fulfil your destiny, whether it happens or not depends on you. In other words, maximizing greatness will require your personal commitment. It is only those who have a purpose and are prepared to pursue it that fulfill destiny. If you don't have a purpose, you can't pursue it and you can't maximize greatness.

Friends, everything created by God is for a purpose. You are alive for a purpose. God saved your life for a purpose.



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Water: The fast-diminishing element

Water is life in a broader sense, and survival is dependent on it. It serves as a foundation for the social and economic progress of any country. Every single cell of the living body needs water to survive. About 66-75 % of the human body is made up of water. Just 4 % water loss from the body leads to dehydration and 15 % loss may be fatal. A human can survive for a month without food, but only four days without water.

Water has become a matter of concern around the world and the United Nations observes 'World Water Day' on 22 March, every year to raise awareness about the importance of freshwater and to create a water-secure world. A water-secure world can offer sustainable development, eventually effective in reducing poverty, curbing environmental problems, and increasing living standards. The scarcity of water is the biggest challenge for humans. The existing water supplies, worldwide are inadequate to meet all of the needs of inhabitants, industrial, agricultural, and environmental demands. The rapidly

increasing population and climate change have exacerbated problems of water scarcity and water stress around the world. The other known reasons are increased human consumption, natural calamities (droughts and floods, cyclones), overuse and wastage of water, poor water management, and water pollution. According to the United Nations, over the previous century, water use has increased at a rate more than twice that of population growth. As per UNDP estimate, the average domestic consumption of water (in liters/day/head) is about 575 in the United States, 490 in Australia, 360 in Mexico, 322 in Japan, 131 in China and 200–300 in most European countries. In India consumption is 135 liters per capita per day, according to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs. Simultaneously intensive competition for water resources by agricultural and industrial sectors has led to a sharp increase in stress on water reservoirs. Over-pumping of aquifers and slow recharge by water percolation have been seen in every part of the world. Nearly 30 percent of Earth's freshwater lies underground in aquifers and is extracted daily for farming, drinking, cleaning, sanitation and industrial purposes at dangerously unsustainable rates. Global warming is another major reason for diminishing water reservoirs. The rising ambient temperature put a toll on glaciers. Because one-third of global water supplies are obtained from such glaciers, any change in the melting time will have serious repercussions. The consequences of water scarcities may include food insecurity, health issues, increased human conflicts, disturbed biodiversity and the extinction of wetlands and marshlands. The United Nations advocates free access to freshwater as a basic right of

human beings. Despite this, about 884 million people in the world do not have access to safe drinking water. Proper water management through water resource management, water rights, industrial water use, wetland restoration, and domestic water supplies, can narrow water scarcity. Infrastructure repairing and maintenance of water channels can prevent water loss to a great extent. Leaking pipes and sewage systems lead to water wastage and contamination, A significant amount of water is lost in almost all regions of the world due to leakages and sewer contamination, hence, creating water shortages. Taking it further, the RO plants in every household, are also a reason for the wastage of potable water while filtering a substantial amount of water gets wasted. The wastewater should be reutilized for cleaning purposes.

Water conservation is one of the most effective ways to manage water scarcity. It is an indirect approach to reducing water demands and is usually critical in maintaining the supply-demand balance. Rain is an important part of the water cycle that contributes to depositing the majority of the world's freshwater reservoirs. Fixing rainwater harvesting systems at residences and

commercial establishments is the best, and most prudent idea to save natural water. The Indian government is pursuing a drive 'catch the rain when it falls, where it falls' with an aim to encourage states and other stakeholders to build Rain Water Harvesting Structures (RWHS) that are appropriate for the climatic conditions and sub-soil strata before the monsoon. Using low-water-demanding toilets and washing machines are some common techniques to avoid wastage of water. Besides, adopting natural farming, and using technology in the agriculture sector to improve the water retention capacity of the soil, developing less water-consuming crop cultivars, will be a boon to aquifers.

Last but not least small changes in attitude and behavior can make a big difference. Individuals, governments, corporations, non-governmental organizations, and schools must all be involved in a revolutionary water conservation movement. If every household of four members decides to save at least one liter of water in a week, nearly 150 ml per day or 35 ml per person per day, 48 liters of water in a year, can be saved. This can genuinely establish that the saying "drops make an ocean" is true.



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Mother's Day: A Story

"Mamma!" Arun exclaimed as he heard footsteps nearing the entrance, "I'm home —" he leapt on her. "Calm down, Arun..." she put him down. "What happened?"

"Welcome back, Mamma!"

"Thank you, my dear! Now carry these bags.

Today, we are having your favourite dish.

Guess what?"

"Masala Dosa?"

Arun put down the bags.

"Idli Dosa?"

"No," she said, "bring me the apron, beta."

"So then, um, Aalu

Paratha?"

"No, it is," she took out a masala packet, "Paneer Makhni! Your SUPER favourite!"

"Wow!" he threw both hands in air. "Thank you sooo much Mamma!"

They had dinner that night. There was something amiss. She didn't look as cheerful, for she lost her husband to cancer.

It was already 7 months since he passed away.

"I am going for work," she wore her sandals, "goodbye beta!"

"Mamma," he held her hand, "at what time will you be home tonight?"

"Around 8 o'clock...what's up? You need something?"

"No. Mamma, goodbye! And don't worry about me."

"Okay," she left with a lingering thought. "Hello Payal!"+ "Arun called her best friend. "Can you come home right now?" "Now?" she gasped. "But I have to complete my



housework, so..."

"Listen," and Arun explained his plan to her.

"Okay, I will talk to Mummy. See you!"

"Thank you! You are the sweetest!"

"Bye!" a smile appeared on her face. "I'm home!" his mother came that night around 8:07 PM.

"Happy Mother's Day!" Arun welcomed her with a party confetti. "What is all this?"

"Just come inside, Mamma," Arun led her in by the arm. "Mamma, today's Mother's Day and I wanted to surprise you, and see you smile, so I planned all this. Payal also helped me."

"Hello auntie!" she smiled at her. "I hope you liked our surprise."

"O yes, I'm pleased to meet you. So you are one Arun talks about."

"Eh?" Payal blushed. "Arun"

"Mamma! No Payal, she's just joking..."

"Come on!" she winked at Payal. "The other day you asked me what would be the best gift for a girl."

"B-because she's my best friend."

"Okay, okay,"

"Do it now, Payal!" Arun smirked. The lights went off. "Power cut? Let me call the Board, Arun." Arun covered her eyes and said,

"Mamma, don't open your eyes right now."

"Okay"

"You can open your eyes now Mamma!"

"A cake?" she looked at a leaning cake, whose cream was oozing out of its centre and a written in bold letters: "Mamma, I Love You!"

"We made it together, Mamma. It will taste good, despite its shape."

"Let me try it." she ate a spoonful. "Mmm! WOW! This is so good! Did you really make it, Arun?"

"Yeah," he went red all over, "but Payal baked the cake and I decorated it."

"Really, Payal?"

"Y-yes, Mrs Khanna," she stuttered, "but Arun was very serious while making the cake."

"Aww! So cute!"

"I-I just wanted to make you happy," he looked away, "I know you were missing Papa, so, I made this to cheer you up."

"I love you so much, Arun!" she hugged him.

"Papa would be so proud of you. You are taking good care for me, Arun."

"Please don't cry, Mamma," he sniffled, "otherwise, I bill alzo cry...hic!"

"Thank you, Payal, for being friends with Arun. Let's eat the cake. We will eat out today".

"Thank you, auntie!"

And so, they enjoyed the party. We all go through pain, and we all need to brave it. For that all we need is someone who can say, "It will be alright. I'm here for you."



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Ahmedabad helicopter joyride: A never before experience!!

Almost all of us have seen videos of various cities which are clicked from helicopters and we often wonder what it would feel like, sitting in one of these machines and enjoying such breathtaking view from the skies. Well, wonder no more for this article talks about just that.

Aerotrans Services Pvt. Limited, with the support of the Government of Gujarat has commenced operations of a helicopter joyride in Ahmedabad, in order to give a bird's eye perspective of the city that Ahmedabad is! So read on, to know everything there is to know about it.

As someone who always has a special place for helicopters in his heart, I booked myself a ticket for this experience, at my earliest convenience. The tickets can be booked online at their website, booking.aerotrans.in. The per person cost of a ticket is INR 2,360 which is inclusive of 18% GST.

The aircraft used to operate this joyride is a 5-seater Bell 407, which is one of the most reliable and popular helicopters. The joyride starts from Paldi helipad, which is located besides the Water Aerodrome at Ranna Park, Paldi in Ahmedabad.

Upon successful booking, you will be sent the booking confirmation and boarding pass on your email, which you have provided. Save a PDF of the same as failure to present it at the time of entry will result in the entry being denied.

Once you have booked the tickets, you are expected to reach 45 minutes prior to your time of flight. Let's say for example that your flight is scheduled at 3:10 PM, you need to reach the aerodrome at least by 2:25 pm on the day of the flight. Parking facilities are not available within the aerodrome premises, hence you need to park your vehicle on the open plot of land which is beside the aerodrome. While you can definitely go earlier than the mandatory 45 minute time span, but

you will only be allowed entry into the aerodrome only 45 minutes before the flight. After your name for the joyride is confirmed on the list of passengers by the police on guard duty at the aerodrome, you will be entering the aerodrome building where your name will be verified by the operations department of AeroTrans and your government approved ID card will also be checked for confirmation of your Identity.

Upon successful completion of this, you will be asked to present your Covid-19 vaccination status on the Aarogya Setu application. Once these formalities are completed, you will proceed for security checking and then, a lounge will be waiting for you to be seated comfortably as you wait for your turn to proceed for the joyride.

At this stage, you will be handed over a waiver form for your signature, which is a recognition of you participating in the activity voluntarily and that you are aware of the inherent risks involved in helicopter joyrides. Fill in your details in the form, sign it and then hand it over to the members of the team there. Upon your name being called, which is going to be approximately two flights before your turn, you will proceed from the lounge gate on to the side of the helipad, where a member of the operations crew will carry out the mandatory safety briefing and explain all the do's and don'ts which need to be adhered to at all times when operating around the helicopter and when on the helipad.

Once your briefing is completed, you will be escorted to the helipad where you will be waiting for the aircraft to arrive. Once the helicopter has landed, you will be made to sit

in the aircraft after the previous batch has disembarked. Following the boarding, the helicopter will take to the skies as you enjoy the breathtaking views of the city of Ahmedabad.

The route which the aircraft will be taking showcases the Sabarmati riverfront, old Ahmedabad city, Doordarshan TV tower, Patang hotel, Sabarmati railway station, Ahmedabad airport, Narendra Modi stadium and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel cricket stadium across a flight which will last for about 8 minutes.

So what are you waiting for? Book yourself a ticket to this never before experience which I am sure, is going to leave a lasting impression in your minds as well as your hearts.



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Catala , catala , messipi
catala , Abramufaso ,
Abramufaso , Dadi neo ,
Dadi neo ,
Babsco,Babsco" and
they shouted on their
high voice, "Mahantra !
! Mahantra! Mahantra!
In the land of
Dagbon, the time of
peace, the time of
magic, the destiny of a
great kingdom rest on
the shoulders of the

THE MYSTIC MAGIC HOUSE

*Chanting heavily, "Hakuna Mataata,
Hakuna Mataata" and Blast! Blast!
Blast! Blast! Blast! Blast!
"Abracadabra, Ajji Majji la, Tarajji
Alakazam, Hocus pocus, Jantar Mantar,
Jadu Mantar.*

**ABRACADABRA,
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powerful witches called, SEKOA, IKOA,
DEBRA and CENWIH. As powern'va ends
so does the kingdom of Dagbon n'va
ends. On the outskirts low land of the
sea, there lays Dagbon which shares its
boundaries with the coastal belt of the
sea. After the Dagbon kingdom, behind it
is a great monsoon thick rain forest with
big trees and wild animals. This forest
was the sacred forest and the heart of
the Dagbon kingdom. The forest served
as the back bone of the entire Dagbon
kingdom. In the Eastern middle part of
the forest, there existed the mystic
magic house of the witches who
protected the great kingdom Dagbon
.

Dagbon is a kingdom consisting of more
than one million people with different
identities living together as one people.
Once in the history of great Dagbon, the
warriors, the lion hunters, the kingdom

that fights back and n'va returns until it has claim its victory, was led by the then king called , king PALAGO MUFASA. King PALAGO was not an easy king; indeed he was a great warrior, the unpredictable, the originator, who was able to fight and visit the province of the witches, and that made him the king of the entire kingdom. After his succession as the king, there was no war and his kingdom flourished to the extent that, he couldn't control his wealth! Throughout the life cycle of the king, he got married to four wives. With all the pleasures and necessities he had in women, he had problem with giving birth. Time came and time passed but still, there was no good news.

This made the king to journey to the great witches of the kingdom to seek for solutions, for he was growing old. They received and welcome him, since he was not new to them. They asked "what brought your here our son"? He responded "my great helpers, you who have made me the great king of this great kingdom may your days be long on earth. Since I succeeded the throne and got married to my four wives." "Four wives!?" The witches asked. "Yes my lord four wives. I have not given birth to any child and am growing old day in and day out." "Hmmm; Is a big issue but not a big issue to solve. We will cast a spell and your first wife will give birth to twins.

Remember that, for every spell cast, demands a sacrifice. For the sacrifice is that, you will die when your sons get to their twenties ages." " bed with your first wife at the beginning of the month when there is a full moon and your wish will be granted", he did as the witches commanded him and his wife conceived and gave birth to two boys as they had said. The children were lucky and grew up to the liking of their Parents. But there was a problem which arose. The elderly son was liked by the father and the other was liked by the mother. The elderly son was close to the father since he was the person to succeed his father's throne when he is not alive. This made the mother to develop hate relationship towards the elderly son. When the children grew up and got to their twenties ages, within the month, their father passed away as was declared by the witches. The entire kingdom mourned and celebrated the death of their great king until the last day he was buried.

As per the traditions of the kingdom, the son of the king must succeed the throne but before that, the person must visit the sacred forest to meet the witches and when he was able to return, you will be made the king. But due to the envying attitude of the mother, she never accepted the decisions of the elders in the kingdom. She said "since

the boys are twins and were born together, they must all go to the forest together and who ever returns will be made the king”.

Under normal circumstances the elderly son is supposed to visit the forest alone since he is the elderly son, still the elders granted them permission to both of them to go since that was the dream of their mother. Nobody knew the road to the place, but the sacred person who is supposed to be the successor will be guided by the great powers of the Throne.

They dressed them up in the midnight, covered their eyes and set them off into forest. Nobody knew the road to the mystic magic house when going there but they would know the road while coming back. It's was three days journey of return and after three days, if one is not back, one would be conceded as

dead.

On the third day, the elders and the people of the kingdom, gathered together and were waiting for them to return. Out of the blue, the elderly son came out from the outskirts of the forest and the people ran to meet him and carried him on their shoulders, singing praises and joy to him, but he was sad, because he lost his brother. The mother sitting there quietly burst into tears. The elder son was declared the king of the great Dagbon kingdom and his kingdom flourished like the times of his father. He made great history in his time and got recognition from other kingdoms too. He said “the soul of the righteous person keeps the pace and nobody can n’va harass that pace “N’va let envy lead you to distraction but let He who the cap fits lead.



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BAKED MATHRI RASGULLA CHAAT

INGREDIENTS :-

For Mathri:

1 cup wheat flour
1 table-spoon ghee
Salt as per taste
1 table-spoon carom seeds

For Rasgulle
Chaat

4 Rasgulle (Squeeze out Sugar Syrup)
1/2 cup yogurt
2 table-spoon tamarind-jaggery chutney
2 Tbsp coriander-mint chutney
1/2 tea-spoon chaat masala
1/2 tea-spoon red chilli powder
1/4 tea spoon roasted cumin seeds powder
Salt- as per taste
2 table-spoon fine sev
2 table-spoon pomegranate arils
2 table-spoon chopped coriander

For Colourful curd:

Beetroot Powder, Turmeric powder

DIRECTIONS:

1. Take a bowl, add wheat flour, salt, carom seeds and ghee. Mix it well and then add some water to make a smooth dough. Now keep it aside for 10 minutes.

2. After 10 minutes take a ball size dough from it and roll like a chapati and pierce holes with fork.

3. Now bake this Mathri for 10 minutes at 180°C . Mathri is ready.

For Rasgulla Chaat:

1. Take each Rasgulla and gently squeeze out all the sugar syrup. Take a bowl of clean water and keep all the squeezed Rasgullas in that.

2. Take some curd in 3 bowls, add turmeric powder in one bowl, Beetroot powder in another bowl and let the contents of 3rd bowl remain white.

3. Spread the colourful curd on the baked Mathri, keep

the rasgullas squeeze out from sugar syrup on top of it.

4. Spread different curd, tamarind chutney, green chutney over it. Sprinkle Salt, chilli powder, cumin powder on it.

5. Garnish with pomegranate arils and coriander leaves.

6. Baked Mathri Rasgulla Chaat is ready to serve.



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