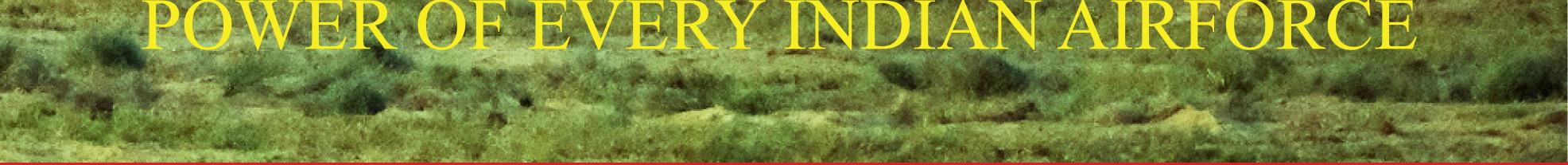
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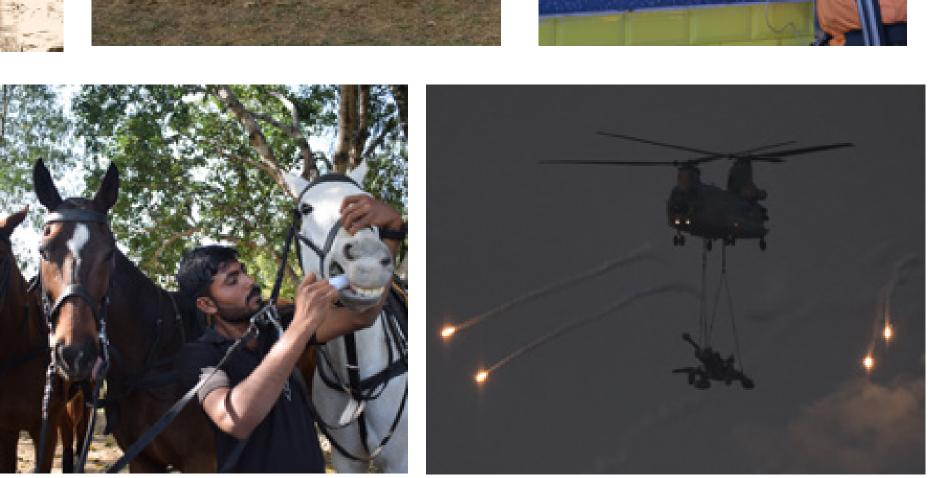


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EDITOR'S NOTE

India's Diplomatic Triumphs: Pioneering Global Harmony

In a diverse country like India, with many different religions coexisting, achieving peace and harmony is very important. India is made up of various religions like Hinduism, Islam, Christianity, Sikhism, Buddhism, Jainism, and more. Each of these adds to the country's rich cultural mix. In such a complex society with different religions, keeping peace and understanding among people is not only important within the country but also on the world stage. India is known for its diversity, where people from demonstrating its model of religious harmony, different religious backgrounds live together peace- India can inspire other countries facing religious fully, respecting each other's beliefs and traditions. conflicts. Participating in global initiatives focused But maintaining peace in such diversity requires on promoting dialogue between faiths and religious tolerance can also help India's voice be heard continuous effort and taking proactive steps. To keep peace within the country and show it to the as a supporter of peace. world, India needs to use different strategies. Moreover, India should actively work on diplo-First, it's important to encourage dialogue and un- macy to tackle religious extremism and violence derstanding among different faiths. India can lead worldwide. Working with other countries, internaby example by creating opportunities for people tional groups, and religious leaders to fight radical from various religious backgrounds to come toideas and promote dialogue can help create a more gether, talk about common issues, celebrate diverpeaceful world. Additionally, India can support development projsity, and find solutions to potential problems. By promoting dialogue and focusing on shared values ects that encourage social unity and economic like kindness, acceptance, and respect for everygrowth, especially in areas affected by religious one, India can strengthen the bond of unity among conflicts. By addressing underlying social and economic issues and promoting inclusive growth, Inits people. Second, education is crucial in promoting a culture dia can help prevent conflicts and contribute to of peace and harmony. Teaching students about re- long-term peace.

ligious tolerance, secularism, and respecting diver- In summary, India's diverse religious fabric is both sity can help instill these values from a young age. a strength and a responsibility. As a country that Also, organizing cultural exchanges and educavalues secularism and diversity, India must contional programs that highlight the contributions of tinue its efforts to promote peace and harmony at home and abroad. By encouraging dialogue, indifferent religions to India's culture can help people feel proud of the country's diverse identity. vesting in education, engaging in diplomacy, and On the international stage, India can use its disupporting development, India can play a key role versity as a diplomatic tool for peacebuilding. By in building a more peaceful and inclusive world.

(Purushottam Diwakar)









Ved Van: Unveiling Noida's Ancient Melodies in Modern Harmony

Photo and Story By: Kanishka



'n the heart of Noida, where the modern cityscape seems to reach for the sky, a sanctuary emerg-Les Ved Van Park, This extraordinary haven, the only of its kind in India is an exclusive masterpiece weaving the ancient threads of cultural heritage. This park, surrounded by the towering concrete of urban life, stands as a unique testament to the wisdom of the four Vedas and pays homage to the revered Rishi Munis. As you step into Ved Van Park, the air resonates with the chants of ancient hymns. Divided into seven sections, each dedicated to a luminary sage, the park immerses visitors in the timeless wisdom of Agastya, Atri, Bharadwaj, Vishwamitra, Gautam, and others.

Wandering through the park, one encounters sections dedicated to the four Vedas. Rigveda's expanse reflects the hymns of creation, Samaveda's groves resonate with melodic verses, Yajurveda's plazas embody ritualistic wisdom, and Atharvaveda's retreat blossoms with healing knowledge. Each area becomes a living page of Vedic scriptures, inviting visitors to delve into the profound teachings of ancient India.





The sculptures within Ved Van Park are not mere artistic expressions, they are portals to Vedic India. The Gurukul Siksha sculpture stands as an ode to the sacred tradition of education, portraying the guru-disciple relationship that characterized ancient learning. The Surya Siddhanta sculpture unfolds the celestial mysteries embedded in Vedic astronomy. Each sculpture, strategically placed, offers a glimpse into the essence of a bygone era.

As daylight fades, Ved Van Park transforms into a dreamscape. Every weekend, tage, though surrounded by urbanity, rea spectacular light and sound show envelops the park, narrating the tales of the

Vedas and the lives of Rishi Munis. The cosmic dance of light amid the greenery becomes a captivating saga, drawing visitors from different states who seek to unravel the mysteries of Vedic wisdom.

Ved Van Park is a paradox - a space where ancient echoes Blend with the cacophony of modernity. It tells a story of cultural continuity, where the Vedas and Rishi Munis are not relics of the past but living entities that shape the present. It is an everlasting reminder that our herimains eternally vibrant and relevant.

Embark on an Enlightening Journey:

Highlights from the 9th Jaipur Photojournalism Seminar held at the prestigious Rajasthan International Centre on November 29th, 2023. This year's seminar, themed "Thrill of Photojournalism," delved into the captivating tales behind impactful photographs and the myriad challenges faced by intrepid photojournalists.





Our seminar Drawing an diverse audience from various universities across Rajasthan, the event resonated with passionate college students and seasoned educators. The esteemed presence of renowned politician Shri Satish Poonia, who graced the occasion as the Chief Guest, added a touch of grandeur. His profound insights underscored the indispensable role of photojournalism in unraveling societal complexities and advocating for change, particularly within the political landscape according to the need of the people of our country.

Several distinguished speakers enriched the seminar with their expertise, offering a multifaceted exploration of the evolving landscape of photojournalism. From Mr. Ajay Umat, Group Editor of Ahmedabad Mirror and NavGujarat Samay, shedding light on transformative trends, to Gautam Kumawat, CEO of Hackingflix and Impact Billions Online, delving into the digital revolution's impact Each speaker shared very important information about photojournalism.



enriching the seminar's discourse. Anshuman Shastri, Director of the Centre of Artificial Intelligence at Banasthali Vidyapith, unraveled the intriguing inter- Support from esteemed organizations section of AI and photojournalism, while such as Wonder Cement, Anil Agarwal Rohit Parihar, Deputy Editor at India To- Foundation, Adfactors PR, and Banasthday, offered Poignant reflections drawn ali Vidyapith underscored the seminar's from his vast experiences in the field. significance in fostering meaningful dialogue and collaboration within the field. Veena Music's generous support further Furthermore, luminaries such as Ayodhya Prasad Gaur, General Manager of Corporate Communication at Cairn Oil and outreach.

enriched the event, amplifying its impact and Gas, and Hemjeet Maloo, Director of Veena Music, illuminated the indispens-In conclusion, the 9th Jaipur Photojourable role of photojournalism in corporate nalism Seminar emerged as a pivotal platform for meaningful discussions and procommunication and cultural expression, found insights into the power of visual respectively. Notably, the insights shared by Purushottam Diwakar, an Internation-storytelling. As we reflect on the thrill of al Photojournalist and Documentary Pho- photojournalism in shaping narratives tographer, provided a global perspective, and fostering awareness in our society.





Uman and Humanity Embracing Unity at Nizamuddin Dargah, New Delhi

Photo and Story By: Vidushi Mehrotra





n the heart of New Delhi, the Ni- ity, emphasizing the universal values zamuddin Dargah becomes a sym- that connect people beyond religious bol of communal harmony and unity affiliations. during the Festival of Human and Hu- The air is filled with the vibrant colors manity, celebrated with fervor on the of spring flowers, echoing the diversiauspicious occasion of Basant Pan- ty of the crowd gathered at Nizamudchami. This unique celebration tran- din Dargah. Devotees from different scends religious boundaries, bringing religions, backgrounds, and walks of people of all ebrate the spirit of humanity.

Basant Panchami, traditionally associated with the arrival of spring, is celebrated with great enthusiasm across various regions of India. At Nizamud- gious divides. din Dargah, this celebration takes on a special significance as it transforms into a Festival of Human and Human-

faiths together to cel- life unite to mark the occasion, transcending the boundaries of creed and caste. The atmosphere resonates with prayers, music, and a shared sense of community that goes beyond reli-

Pilgrims immerses in the joy of Basant Panchami celebrations at Nizamuddin Dargah



What makes this celebration distinctive is the collaborative effort of individuals from various religious communities who come together to honor the spirit of Basant Panchami. Hindus, Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, and people from other faiths join hands to celebrate the festival not as a religious event but as a celebration of humanity. The courtyard of Nizamuddin Dargah becomes a melting pot of cultures, where devotees offer prayers, share festive meals, and engage in joyous festivities. The Sufi music that reverberates through the air transcends language barriers, creating an environment of inclusivity and shared joy.

The Festival of Human and Humanity at Nizamuddin Dargah serves as a powerful reminder that beyond the differences in religious beliefs, there exists a common thread



of humanity that binds us all. It emphasizes the need to celebrate diversity and foster understanding among people of different backgrounds, fostering a sense of brotherhood and unity.

As the sun sets on this unique celebration, the message echoes far beyond the walls of Nizamuddin Dargah. It serves as an inspiration for communities worldwide to come together, setting aside religious differences to celebrate the shared humanity that unites us all. In a world often divided by boundaries, the Festival of Human and Humanity stands as a beacon of hope, promoting the idea that love, compassion, and understanding can bridge the gaps that divide us.









tion to the waterways that crisscross this hing calendar is marked by rituals and feseastern Indian state. Nestled amidst the tivals that celebrate the bounty of the walush greenery of the Gangetic plains and ters and seek blessings for a fruitful catch. the sprawling Sundarbans delta, fishing Women play a significant role in this cultuisn't just an occupation here; it's a way of re too, often involved in tasks like sorting, life that has been passed down through ge- cleaning, and drying the day's catch. Their nerations.

In West Bengal's rural communities, fis- adds richness to the culinary heritage of hing is not just about catching fish; it's the region. about a symbiotic relationship with the ri- Despite modernization and changing ecovers, ponds, and estuaries that sustain both nomic landscapes, the rural culture of fislivelihoods and traditions. Fishermen, of- hing in West Bengal remains a resilient forten using age-old techniques handed down ce, embodying the spirit of a people whose from their ancestors, venture out into the lives are inseparable from the rhythms of waters at dawn, their boats gliding silently the water. It serves as a reminder of the over the rippling surface as they cast their enduring bond between humanity and the nets or traditional fishing gears like ,jal' or natural world, a bond that has sustained ,bair' traps.



he rural culture of fishing in The rhythms of life in these rural fishing West Bengal is a vibrant tape- communities are dictated by the ebb and stry woven with tradition, re- flow of the tides, the seasonal monsoons, silience, and a deep connec- and the migratory patterns of fish. The fisexpertise in preparing various fish dishes

communities for centuries.



GAURANG'S GLORIOUS GOAL

A Journey Fuelled by Passion, Perseverance, and Unwavering Determination."

In the bustling city of Jaipur, amidst the dusty grounds of Ideal Multi Sports Club, a remarkable journey began for Gaurang Mathur, the captain and goalkeeper of the Rajasthan CP National Football Team. Gaurang's story is not just one of athletic prowess but of sheer determination, fuelled by the vision of his coach and his own unwavering spirit. In the bustling city of Jaipur, amidst the took him under his wing, initiating football coaching sessions at the Ideal Multi Sports Club in Jaipur. Despite his physical challenges, Gaurang chose football as his passion and embarked on a journey that would lead him to the pinnacle of state and national level competitions. Photo and Story By: Shruti Jain

It all started in 2015 when football coach Raquim Khan spotted Gaurang playing on the field, despite his foot disability. Recognizing Gaurang's potential, Khan

Leading a team where disability knows no boundaries, Gaurang serves as a beacon of inspiration. Both sides of the field are adorned with players facing similar challenges, yet their passion for the sport transcends their limitations. Gaurang's leadership not only propels his team forward but also challenges societal norms, proving that disabilities are no hindrance to success.

Balancing academics and football was no easy feat for Gaurang. Unable to manage both simultaneously, he made the courageous decision to complete his 12th grade through open schooling, dedicating himself entirely to his football career. His commitment and perseverance paid off as he represented his state and eventually the nation in football tournaments, showcasing his talent and determination on the field. Beyond the football pitch, Gaurang's influence extends into the heart of his community through his mother's NGO, the AHAN FOUNDATION. Here, disabled children are provided with training and motivation, empowering them to pursue their dreams relentlessly. This initiative is particularly significant as it aligns with the government's policy offering job opportunities under the out-of-turn category for

success.

those excelling at the national level.. Gaurang's mother, along with dedicated trainers, instils in these children the belief that success knows no bounds, regardless of physical limitations.

Gaurang's journey is a testament to the resilience of the human spirit. In a society where complaints often overshadow gratitude and challenges deter progress, Gaurang and his team exemplify the power of determination and perseverance. Their unwavering dedication serves as a reminder that obstacles are merely stepping stones to

As Gaurang continues to lead his team with pride and determination, his story resonates as a source of inspiration for all who encounter it. Through his journey, he not only defies the odds but also encourages others to embrace their own challenges and pursue their passions relentlessly. Truly, Gaurang Mathur is a symbol of courage, resilience, and the indomitable spirit of human endeavour.



Gaurang Mathur kicking a football with his disabled foot

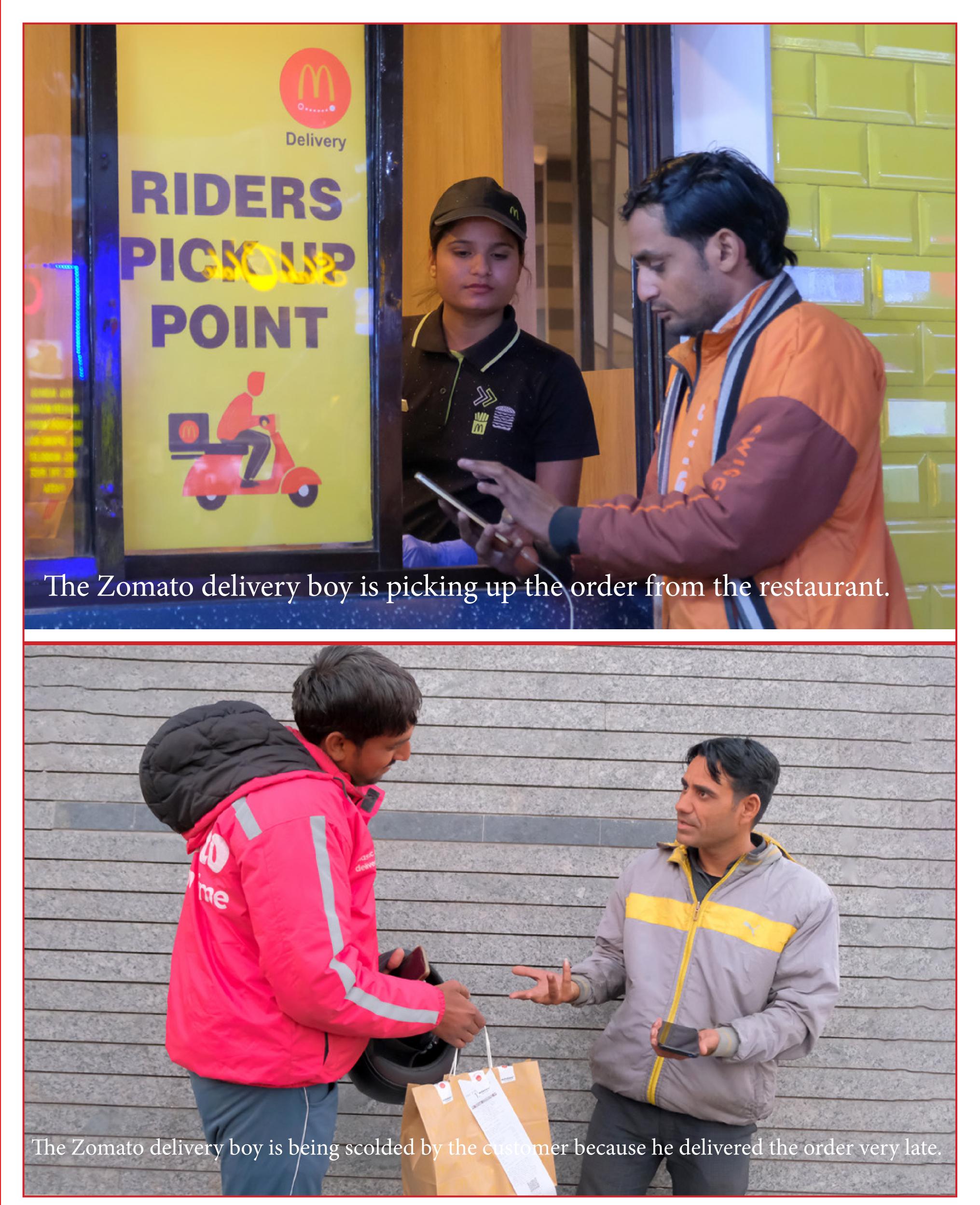




Food Delivery for Food **Understanding the Unsung Heroes** The Struggles of Food Delivery Partners

Photo and Story By: Diksha Banga





In today's digital age, where everything is just a click away, the convenience of ordering food online has become second nature to many of us. We rely on food delivery partners to bring our meals right to our doorsteps, often without considering the challenges they face.

It's effortless for us to place an order while we luxuriate in the comfort of our homes, have we ever paused to think about the struggles of these delivery partners? More often than not, we demand prompt delivery and are quick to express our frustration if our order is even slightly delayed. But do we truly understand their situation? Imagine being stuck in heavy traffic or caught in a sudden downpour while trying to deliver food to a customer. These are just some of the obstacles that delivery partners encounter on a daily basis. Yet, despite these challenges, they strive to fulfil their responsibilities, often putting their safety at risk in the process.

It's easy for us to become impatient and demanding, but perhaps it's time to shift our perspective. Instead of solely focusing on our own needs, let's take a moment to consider the person on the other end of the delivery. They are someone's son, daughter, spouse, or parent, sacrificing their time and effort to ensure that we receive our meals on time.

A simple gesture, such as offering a glass of water and a smile, can go a long way in showing appreciation for their hard work and dedication. It's about recognizing their humanity and acknowledging the challenges they face.

As we continue to enjoy the convenience of online food delivery, let's not forget the individuals who make it all possible. Let's strive to be more understanding, compassionate, and grateful towards the unsung heroes - the food delivery partners who work tirelessly to serve us each day.



Photo BY: Shruti Jain

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Guiding the way with grace and authority.



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Small Change, Big ImpactWoman of the family FixingBulb

In a world once bound by gender stereotypes, women are forging a new path, shattering glass ceilings and redefining societal norms. From the confines of office spaces to the bustling streets of metropolitan cities, women are asserting their presence and prowess, demanding equality in every aspect of life.

Those days are gone when household chores were solely assigned to women. Today, women are not only excelling in professional realms but also taking charge of traditionally male-dominated tasks at home. Picture this: a woman confidently changing a lightbulb, her determination illuminating the room as brightly as the bulb she's installing. It's a simple act, yet it symbolizes a significant shift in gender dynamics within the household.

However, the revolution doesn't stop there. In the streets, amidst the hustle and bustle of daily life, women are steering e-rickshaws, providing safe and reliable transportation to passengers. What was once considered a man's domain is now being navigated by women with skill and efficiency, challenging societal perceptions with every ride.



Fixing with power and grace! She's breaking barriers and owning the cycle repair Game!









In the heart of metropolitan cities, women are making their mark in the most unexpected places. No longer confined to the confines of traditional roles, they are now driving metro trains with precision and confidence. As passengers embark on their journeys, they are greeted by the reassuring presence of women at the helm, breaking barriers one station at a time. Moreover, within the walls of metro stations, women are not only performing desk jobs but also providing exemplary service to passengers, defying stereotypes and showcasing their aptitude for leadership and customer care. These remarkable women are not just breaking stereotypes; they are rewriting the narrative of gender equality. Their courage, resilience, and unwavering determination serve as beacons of hope, inspiring future generations to dream without limits and strive for a world where gender is no longer a barrier to success.

As women continue to carve out their space in every sphere of life, one thing becomes abundantly clear: the future of female, it's brighter than ever before.







POLO UNVEILED FROM ROYAL ROOTS TO BAMBOO MALLETS, OLYMPIC SURPRISES, AND CORPORATE ARENAS



Photo and Story By: Payal Singh

Dolo, also known as the "Sport of Kings," has captivated fans for ages. It was originated in ancient Persia, and has grown into an exciting and renowned sport that is practiced in many parts of the world. Consider the polo mallet, which appears to be a simple tool for striking the ball. Many people are unaware that this indispensable instrument is originally made of bamboo. Aside from its aesthetic appeal, bamboo provides a unique combination of flexibility and durability, emphasizing the meticulous craftsmanship that goes into polo equipment. When looking further into the equipment, the polo ball itself shows a secret intricacy. It is made of high-quality plastic and is meticulously manufactured to ensure consistency and precision. The number of holes in the ball, which is usually six or eight, affects the aero-



dynamics, adding an unexpected component to the game.

Polo ponies, renowned for their agility and speed, sometimes have dual lives. Many of these incredible equestrian athletes are former racehorses that have successfully transitioned from the racetrack to the polo field. This dual-purpose position demonstrates the flexibility and versatility of these wonderful creatures.

It is an ancient equestrian sport with a two-millennium history and is more than simply a game—it's a dynamic tapestry of tradition, evolution, and surprising twists. The sport once entered the Olympic stage in a surprise chapter of its illustrious history. The sport had appearances at the Summer Olympics in 1900, 1908, 1920, and 1924, demonstrating its brilliance on a worldwide scale. Pink City's link with polo lends nomic divides.

also with the intense competi- rent forms. tion of corporate teams. Corporate polo competitions have

However, due to a variety of evolved into a modern interpreobstacles, including the exor- tation of the sport, introducing bitant expense of maintaining a larger range of participants to polo fields and logistical issues, the thrilling world of this game. the sport was finally dropped Union Home Minister Amit from the official Olympic pro- Shah has made a substantial gram. Polo's withdrawal from contribution to the Indian polo the grandeur of the Olympic field in a historic development. Games signalled a short break. Under his direction, a new polo Jaipur, India's crown gem not- ground was built in Assam, ed for its regal legacy, has re- demonstrating a dedication to ceived the prestigious title of improving sports facilities and "Polo Capital of the World." promoting the growth of polo This dynamic city has a long in the region. This effort illushistory of drawing polo fans, trates the lasting fascination of bringing both players and spec- polo and its capacity to cross tators to renowned events. The geographical and socioecoan added element of majesty to Polo's evolution, from its roythe sport, serving as a symbol albeginnings to modern corpoof polo's regal attraction. rate competitions and the con-It has always been considered struction of new polo grounds, as a game for kings and nobili- demonstrates the sport's duraty, but the modern environment bility and flexibility. Polo is a has seen a transformation. Polo gripping and dynamic force on grounds nowadays reverber- the world athletic landscape as ate not just with the thunder- it evolves, embracing both its ous hooves of royal steeds, but historical grandeur and its cur-



SAVAR MASHIEFIRES AT POKERANE INDVANDIGENDIA DEFENSEON SEDV

Photo By: Purushottam Diwakar





IAF SHINES IN VAVU SHAKTI-24, DEMONSTRAT-ING "LIGHTNING STRIKE FROM THE SKY" THEME AT POKERAN, JARSALMER

Photo By: Leela Diwakar

C-130 J IS DROPPING PARA COMMANDOS IN THE ENEWY AREA.

Photo By: Leela Diwakar



GARUD COMMANDOS DESCEND FROM MI-17 HELICOPTER FOR URBAN INTERVENTION, SHOWCASING **ANTI-TERROR OPERATIONS** EXPERTISE.







CHINOOK HELICOPTERS AIRLIFTED 1555MM/39-CALIBER HOWITZERS TO DOKHRAN RANGE. Photo By: Leela Diwakar





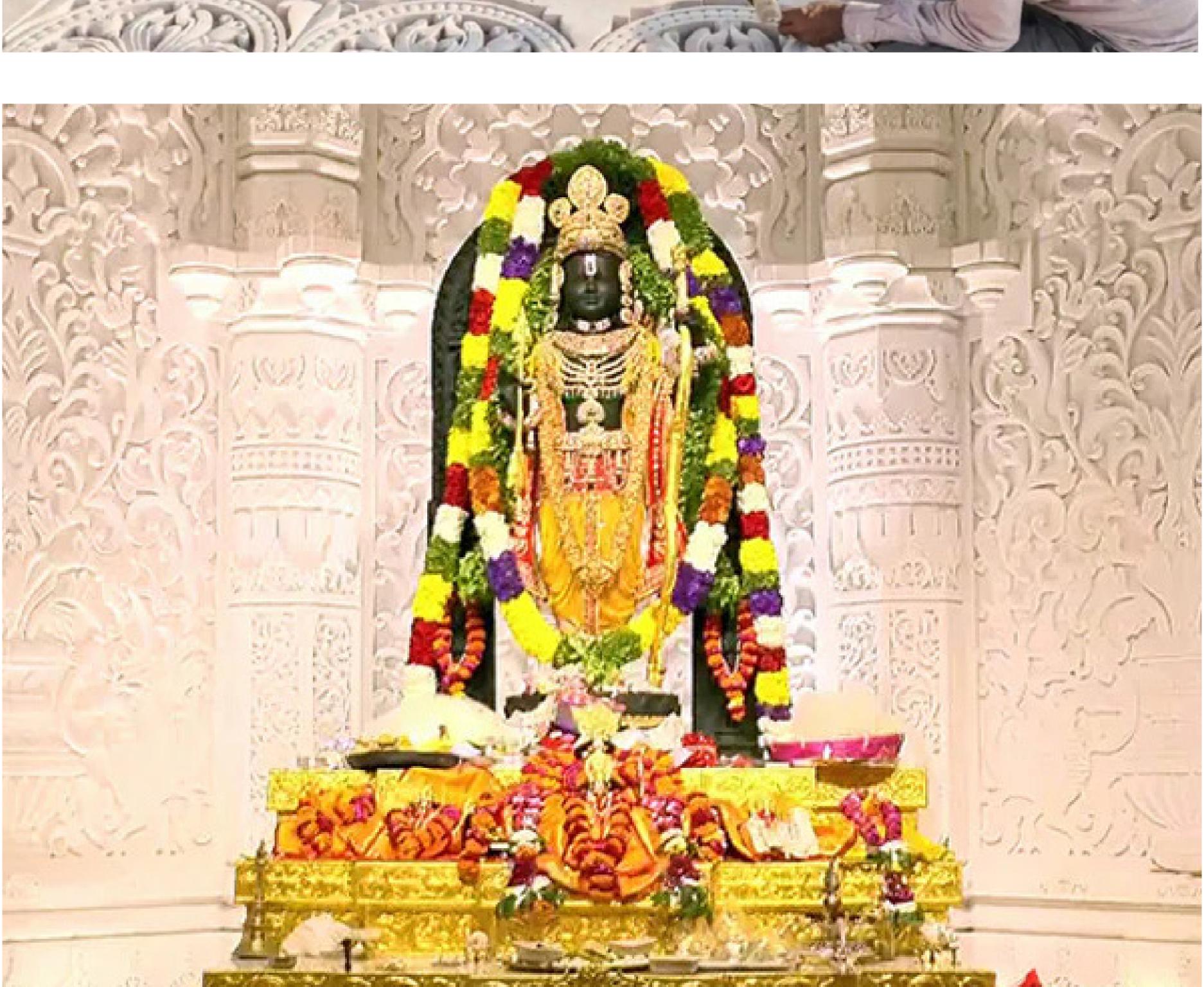


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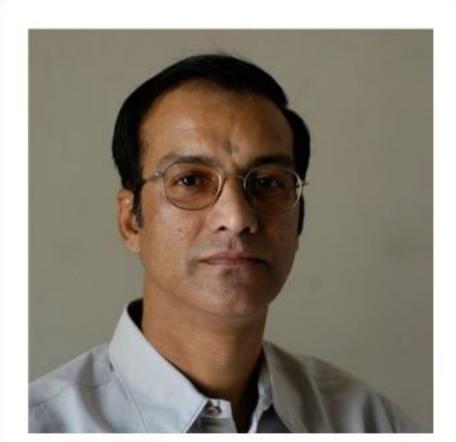


संपूर्ण विष्व में मनुश्य को जीवन यापन करने के लिए रोजगार की आवष्यकता होती है चाहे वो नौकरी के रूप मैं हो या व्यापार के रूप मैं और सफलता प्राप्त करने के लिए हर जाती धर्म के लोग मंदिर, गुरुद्व ारे, गिरजाघर, और मजीदो मैं अपनी सफलता की दुआ करने जाते है मगर क्या कभी सोचा है कि इन धार्मिक स्थलों के निर्माण के साथ–साथ कितने लोगो को स्थाई और अस्थाई रोजगार प्राप्त हो जाता है। किसी भी इमा. रत के निर्माण मैं लगने वाले धन का लगभग 40: हिस्सा तो निर्माण कार्य मैं लगे मजदूरो और कार्यगरों मैं ही वितरित कर दिया जाता है, हाल ही मैं हुए विष्व के सबसे बड़े राम मंदिर के निर्माण मैं लगभग 1800 करोड़ या उससे अधिक खर्च हुआ है और निर्माण मैं लगभग अनुमानित 30 साल का वक्त लगा और निर्माण कार्य अभी भी जारी है । इस 30 वर्श की यात्रा मैं घरों का चुला राम मंदिर के निर्माण के आधार पे ही जल रहा था और अब आने वाले दिनों मैं विष्व के हर कोने से अयोध्या पहुँचने वाले भक्तों के पर्यटन के लाभ पर कई घरों के चूले स्थाई रूप से राम मंदिर पे ही आ. श्रित हो जाएँगे। अजमेर दर्गा षरीफ हो, या अमृतसर का स्वर्ण मंदिर, या भारत वर्श की चार धाम यात्रा हो, या कोची का सेंट्स क्रूस बेसलिका, इस तरह से हर जाति और धर्म के लोगो का अपनी अपनी धार्मिक स्थलों पर यात्राओं की वजह से उन सारे क्षेत्रों मैं रोजगार के अवसर आम स्थानों के अनुपात मैं कई गुना बढ़ जाता है उसी कड़ी मैं अयोध्या मैं बने राम मंदिर भी हर जाति और समुदाय के लोगों के लिये रोजगार का एक बहुत बड़ा अवसर लेकर आया है और इस राम मंदिर मैं राम की प्रतिमा अपने साथ कई लोगो को स्थाई और अस्थाई रोजगार प्रदान भी कर रही है इसलिए हमे यह कहते हुए हर्श हो रहा है कि अयोध्या मैं राम मंदिर जिनका है वो रोजगार के राम है यानी राम रोजगार उपलब्ध करा रहे है।









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