A CELEBRATION OF PANCHATATVA WITH INDIA'S SANGEET RATNAS

PANCHTATAVA IS AN ENGAGING WAY OF RAISING AWARENESS ABOUT SUSTAINABILITY AND ENVIRONMENT. THIS PROGRESSIVE PRODUCTION INTERWOVE SFX, RIG VED SHLOKAS INTO LIVE CLASSICAL MUSIC
— Durga Jasraj

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Thousands of city folk turned up to witness a first of its kind musical extravaganza, *Panchatatva,* at Shilpakala Vedika on Sunday. As the auditorium filled up to full capacity, many members of the audience sat on the stairs or even stood at the entrance till the end, and took home a memorable musical experience.

The concert opened with the sonorous and meditative *alaps* by Rattan Mohan Sharma and Ankita Joshi, transporting the audience to *aakash* (the cosmos). This was followed by a *jugalbandi* by eminent flautists Shashank S and Pravin Godkhindi dedicated to *vayu* (air). The duo were a class apart as they explored various styles of playing the flute. Up next was a mesmerising ode to *agni* (fire). Taufiq Qureshi on djembe, Ramkumar Mishra on tabla, Sridhar Parthasarthy on mridangam, Bangalore Amrit on Khanjira set the stage on fire with rigorous beats. Pt Vishwa Mohan Bhatt who represented *jal* (water) created ripples in the hearts of the audience with his Mohan Veena. The faster his fingers pulsated on the strings, the stronger the waves of music became. Pt Jasraj's timeless voice explored the nuances of *prithvi* (earth) through a mellifluous rendition of the *sloka Samudra-Vasane Devi Parvata-Stana-Mannddale.*

The high point of the concert was when all the elements (read musicians) came together, to create life or *zindagi*. The magic that was spelled on the audience is meant to stay in their hearts forever. Panchatatva, as the name suggests, turned out to be a breathtaking celebration of five elements of nature.

"Since music is a powerful influencer, SBI-Panchtatava was an attempt at creating an engaging way of raising awareness about sustainability and environment. This progressive production interwove SFX and Rig Ved *shlokas* into live classical music," said Durga Jasraj, founder of India's first Phygital (physical & digital) Indian music company, Art And Artistes (I) Pvt. Ltd. that presents Indian music heritage and culture in a contemporary style, appealing to the next generation.

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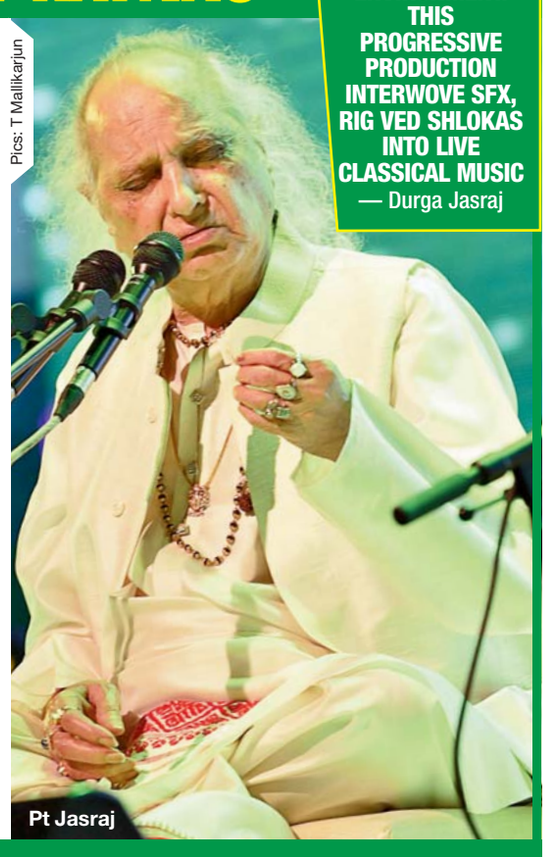
Pt Jasraj

'America Ammayi' Annick Chaymotty enthralls city folk

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Annick Devayani

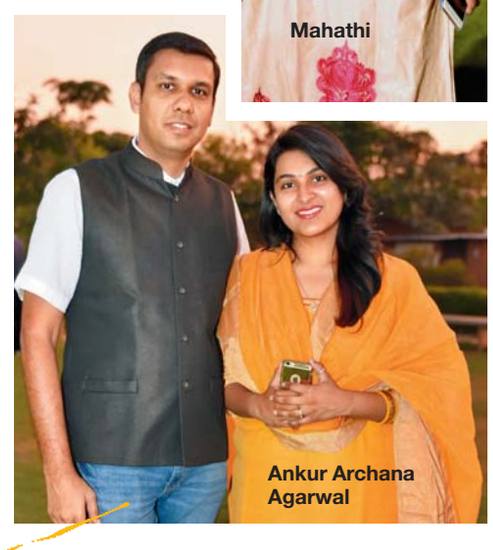
French-born Bharatanatyam exponent **Annick Chaymotty** aka Devayani was awarded in the city for her life-long work in 'Cross Cultural Understanding' on Monday. The classical dance exponent, who starred in the 1976 Telugu film *America Ammayi*, also performed at the event that saw attendance from culture enthusiasts. Spotted at the do was Tollywood veteran **K Vishwanath**.


Priyanka


Shivanghi


Mahathi


K Vishwanath


Ankur Archana Agarwal

UH-OH!

MANASA'S 'PROSE' GOES FOR A TOSS IN HER LOVE NOTE TO PK


Manasa with Pawan Kalyan

Working with Pawan Kalyan in *Katamarayudu* is evidently a big deal for *Romance* actress Manasa. The actress, who is pretty chuffed about being called the 'KatamaRayudu girl' has been inundating everyone's timelines with unintentionally funny posts, where she gets 'prose' and 'poetry' all mixed up. Sample this: "This is that man I fell in love with. Well, I actually wanted to prose poetry before posting, but I either am falling short of words or go blank to pen down mymixed emotions, every time I think of his personified figure and Aura!! The picture and happy me itself speaks for (sic)". Er, what? Looks like it's not just Manasa's heart, but her English too went for a toss at the sight of PK.

LEISURE

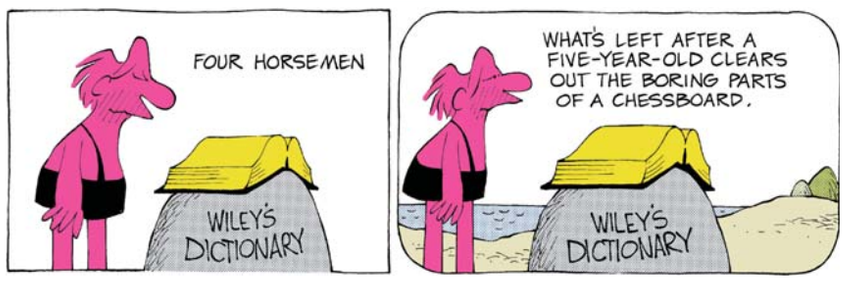
GARFIELD

ANIMAL CRACKERS

BEAU PEEP

BIG NATE

B.C.



MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

MUTT & JEFF

FACT OF THE MATTER

Rashtrapati Bhavan has more than 300 rooms including the Presidential office, guest rooms and staff rooms

WHATZIT?

Find the familiar phrase, saying or name in this arrangement of letters.

BUTTER

SOLUTION: Butterscotch

BETTER HALF

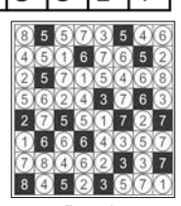
"The kids next door can't hear their music because you're snoring too loud."

TIMES HITORI

How To Play

1. A number may appear just once in each row or column. Eliminate repeat numbers by darkening cells. (see example)
2. Darkened cells must never be adjacent in a row or column.
3. Unmarked cells must create a single continuous area, undivided by darkened cells.
4. Every time you darken a cell, you can automatically circle its vertical and horizontal neighbours, which means they cannot be eliminated.
5. Any cell "sandwiched" between neighbours of the same value can be circled. (e.g. 6 4 6)
6. A "triple" is a special case of sandwich. Circle the centre cells, and darken the ends. (e.g. 6 6 6)

1	5	6	2	5	7	3	3
1	7	6	9	2	7	4	3
1	1	1	8	2	3	7	2
8	4	2	2	6	8	1	8
1	2	3	6	7	8	9	1
6	9	6	3	1	7	5	3
3	3	7	5	3	1	3	9
9	8	9	4	3	5	2	7

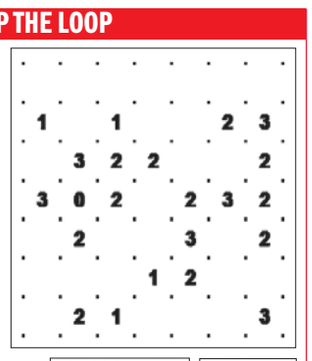

Example

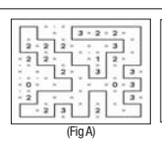
LOOP THE LOOP

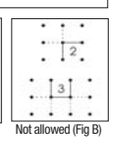
Rules
- Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop **(Fig A)**.
- Crossover's or branches are not allowed (As shown by the dotted lines in **Fig B**).
- Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines.
- You can't draw lines around zeroes.
- Each puzzle has just one unique solution.

How to begin: Example (Fig A) - Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B).




(Fig A)


Not allowed (Fig B)

SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters in the four word jumbles, one letter to each square/circle, to make four ordinary words

AOART
HOOTT
SYZZCU
EEORFH

How To Play
Now arrange the letters in the circles to form the answer to the riddle or to fill in the missing word as indicated.

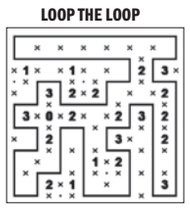
A play is fiction - and fiction is __ distilled into ____. - Edward Albee (4,..,5)

SOLUTIONS TO GAMES

TIMES SUDOKU

7	4	8	9	1	6	5	2	3
6	5	3	8	2	4	7	9	1
1	9	2	7	3	5	4	8	6
8	2	9	6	5	3	1	7	4
4	6	1	2	9	7	8	3	5
3	7	5	4	8	1	9	6	2
2	3	7	1	4	9	6	5	8
9	8	4	5	6	2	3	1	7
5	1	6	3	7	8	2	4	9

LOOP THE LOOP



TIMES HITORI

■	5	■	2	■	7	3	■
1	7	6	9	2	■	4	3
■	1	■	8	■	3	7	2
8	4	2	■	6	■	1	■
■	2	3	6	7	8	9	1
6	9	■	3	1	■	5	■
3	■	7	5	■	1	■	9
9	8	■	4	3	5	2	7

SCRAMBLE
Words: Aorta, tooth, scuzzy, hereof
Answer: A play is fiction - and fiction is fact distilled into truth. - Edward Albee

SPELLATHON
gory, gyro, orgy, porgy, PRODIGY, ropy

MINDBENDER
When the King opened the window, a bee flew in and landed on the only real flower to gather pollen.

Daily Forecast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ARIES March 20 - April 18 You know you haven't done anything wrong at work, but you might feel that you are being punished or ostracised for no reason. You will be more driven than you have been and far less emotional. But watch for overly confident behaviour that can be misunderstood by friends!

TAURUS April 19 - May 19 The way your home or your room looks will be important, so you might even discover the budding designer in you! Clear out of your room or home, and if possible, redecorate your environment. You will feel much more relaxed and yet more energised if your surroundings are fresh.

GEMINI May 20 - June 20 If you make friends with a donkey, expect to be kicked. Someone might be surprisingly stubborn just when you need that person's cooperation the most. You will need to exercise a certain amount of caution when it comes to communication.

CANCER June 21 - July 21 You may fail to make the most of your positive traits today and your efforts to impress someone will go unnoticed. If you let out your wackier side and have some confidence in yourself to make your opponents notice that you are more likely to succeed!

LEO July 22 - August 21 Something is likely to capture your imagination. The minor money worries of past are likely to ease significantly today. Finances could become a little bit of a touchy subject today. Your plans for the day may take over your budget, leading to a little stress.

VIRGO August 22 - September 21 You should certainly start looking more dynamic now. The impact on romance and matters of the heart are likely to be huge! Friends around you will appreciate your charm and charisma and your social life is likely to take an upward turn.

LIBRA September 22 - October 22 You could be feeling very sensitive and emotional today, which is probably in response to a recent romantic encounter. Usually you are upbeat when it comes to relationships. But you need to be careful not to seem too distant to those you love. Let your friends lift your mood with some fun in the evening.

SCORPIO October 23 - November 20 The day is yours to do what you want. Strong positive influences will boost your confidence. It is likely that you will inspire someone today with your insightful views. You may also want to have a chat with a close friend.

SAGITTARIUS November 21 - December 20 You could get too preoccupied with the more material things in life today. Your career related things are likely to become more intense, look for new opportunities now. It may be difficult to find a bridge over troubled waters now.

CAPRICORN December 21 - January 19 You must understand that the people you are in close contact with are keeping an eye on creating the best possible future, even when it seems that they are being willful or eccentric.

AQUARIUS January 20 - February 18 You are likely to feel a lot of restlessness. Do not let yourself overreact today, and you'll get through it. Just make sure that you don't overstretch yourself at work. Speak to a friend today who may well be able to help you think of some positive decisions.

PISCES February 19 - March 19 Your friends will be less keen on your personal matters. You might feel inclined to go off and do things your way. Any trespassers into your space will irritate you, so plan your day accordingly. This evening you may have to take part in family dos or get-togethers.

BIRTHDAY TODAY
Avoid giving unsolicited advice and maintain a distance from controversial issues.
Tip: Your lucky colours are orange and green. Your lucky gems are turquoise and opal.
You share your birthday with: Justin Bieber

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HEALTH CAPSULE

CAN POMEGRANATE HELP LOWER MY BLOOD PRESSURE?

POMEGRANATE

Punica granatum

FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS, POMEGRANATE HAS BEEN KNOWN AS THE "FRUIT OF LIFE." IN ONE STUDY, AFTER ONLY ONE MONTH, 8 OZ (250 ML) OF POMEGRANATE JUICE TAKEN DAILY DROPPED SYSTOLIC BLOOD PRESSURE IN PARTICIPANTS FROM AN AVERAGE OF 174 TO 162. AFTER A YEAR, THE NUMBER HAD DROPPED TO 152. THAT'S 22 POINTS!

MINDBENDER

In 1209, on a hot summer day there was a man who was ordered to be executed by king. The king was a nice king though, and he said that if the man could prove himself wise, he would let him go. The king filled a room with fake flowers, and only put in one real flower in the room. The king said the man had 20 seconds to find the real flower. The man said, "It's very stuffy in here. Could you open a window?" The king opened a window, and the man immediately knew which was the real flower. How did he know?

TIMES SUDOKU

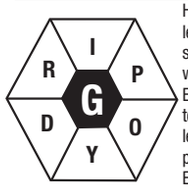
7	4			1		5		
		3	8				9	
1	9					4	8	
	2			5	3	1		
		5	4	8			6	
	3	7					5	8
	8				2	3		
		6		7			4	9

Level: Medium

How To Play
Fill in the grid so that every horizontal row, every vertical column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9, without repeating the numbers in the same row, column or box. You can't change the digits already given in the grid. Every puzzle has one solution.

SPELLATHON

Today's Ratings:
04-average | 05-good | 06-outstanding



How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown in today's puzzle? In making a word, each letter may be used once only. Each word must contain the central letter. There should be at least one seven letter word. Plurals, foreign words and proper names are not allowed. British English Dictionary is used as reference.