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## MYSORE VARSITY CONVOCATION

Mysore- The University of Mysore that has Many firsts to its credit held its 98th Annual Convocation at Crawford Hall in a break in tradition, both Governor Vajubhai Rudabhai Vala, who is the Chancellor of University and Minister for Higher Education Basavaraja Rayareddi, who is the pro-chancellor of the university, stayed away from the ceremony. There was another break in tradition as no Honorary Doctorates were awarded this time.

Though the Governor's Name was not printed in invitation and the University authorities had earlier stated that the Governor will not attend the convocation, the absence of pro-Chancellor raised many eyebrows. However, the saving grace was the august presence of former Karnataka Lokayukta Justice N.Santhosh Hegde, Who delivered the convocation



address and inspired the students to excel in academics and in Life.

The convocation was held in the presence of Incharge Vice-chancellor Prof.C.Basavaraju, Registrar D.Bharati, Registrar(Evaluation) Prof.J.Somashekar and a host of

Syndicate and academic Council members, Who were wearing the traditional Mysore Peta. The entire event got over in just one and a half hours, again a break in tradition as it would otherwise that take at least five to six hours at the sprawling Crawford Hall with degree and

Ph.D. holders dressed up for the occasion.

In all, 27,502 students, 62% of them women, were awarded different degrees ; 575 research got their Ph.Ds ; 348 students secured medals and 168 students bagged various prizes while 7,576 students got

Post-Graduate degrees. Degrees and medals were presented to the some students by justice Santosh Hegde

“Education is a continuing process and never ending. Obtaining a degree today is not the end of your education. If one thinks that he is completely educated at any time in his life, he must be a naïve person. If you keep your mind open you will be surprise to know how much more you have learnt from the previous day”..

Speaking on wealth, the former Lokayukta, who had sent shivers down the spine of the corrupt, Said, “Earning wealth is one of the goals of your life Legally and Morally earned wealth is no product of sin. But you must learn to enjoy that wealth piously and not sinfully. Sharing your wealth with needy is the greatest virtue a man can have.”

## UOM HOSTEL BAN ON PORN, ALCOHOL



MYSURU: The draft hostel manual prepared by the student welfare department of the University of Mysore (UoM) has proposed some restrictions on the student fraternity staying in the university hostels. According to the draft manual, there is a proposal to ban watching of pornography, and consumption of alcohol inside the hostel. Another proposal is that students must be present in the

hostel by 7.30pm, and those who can't come in by this time must take prior permission from the teacher-guide, or action will be initiated. The draft proposal also wants hostel inmates to wear "appropriate clothes" inside the hostel. According to the draft proposal sent for student feedback and suggestions, the student welfare department of the UoM has proposed 33 guidelines for the hostel inmates.

## RAPPER CHANDAN SHETTY BATS FOR THE EYE DONATION

Mysuru - Kannada rapper Chandan Shetty, also winner of 'Big Boss' programme, enthralled Mysureans with his performance at Open Air Theatre, Manasagangothri, here, on Saturday.

The musical evening was organised by VSP Entertainment, in association with Kannada daily 'Prajavani', a sister publication of Deccan Herald, to create awareness about eye donation. Shetty and troupe entertained people with a variety of events.

The programme, with the slogan 'Netradana-Mahadana', aimed at promoting eye donations. Registration for donations to visually-impaired persons were made through Divyajyothi Charitable Trust. On the occasion, the organisers

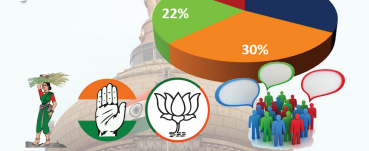


appealed to the audience to take an oath to donate their eyes. The organisers targeted 5,000 people to get their names registered for the cause. Around 21,000 people created a record by getting their names registered for donating their eyes at a programme in Gujarat. A similar start is being made in Mysuru, the organisers said.

## WOMENS DAY

On the occasion of women's day in the presence of motivating personalities and the women within the University of Mysore formed an organisation named “Mythri” which was inaugurated by the women faculty.

## Karnataka Elections 2018 Opinion Polls



This year (in 2018) the legislative assembly election are expected to be held during the months of April-May in order to elect members from the 224 constituencies. Since years, Indian National Congress (INC), Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and Janata Dal (Secular) (JDS) have been the most dominant political parties in Karnataka.





## EDITORIAL

### ASSAULT ON MEDIA

**FIR against TOI reporter highlights dangers of governments determining 'fake news'**



Prime Minister Narendra Modi may have put the lid on the I&B ministry's threat to withdraw accreditation of journalists in a bid supposedly to contain fake news. But attempts to exploit the fake news scare to suppress media freedom are by no means buried. A few months back the Vasundhara Raje government in Rajasthan sought to bring in a law that would curb media from investigating public servants. And now the Jammu and Kashmir government appears to have borrowed from I&B minister Smriti Irani's playbook by lodging an FIR against a reporter of this newspaper, for reporting on stone pelters injuring tourists.

The incident highlights the dangers of governments arrogating to themselves the right to determine what

constitutes fake news, if any such illustration was needed. The J&K government is right to be concerned about attacks on tourists, as it could dry up the flow of more tourists and hurt livelihoods in the state. But the problem cannot be addressed by curbing the freedom of mainstream media to report on events. That would lead not to the elimination but to the dominance of fake news and rumours as there will be little else to challenge them – not helpful to anybody, including to governments.

PDP and National Conference have been beset by a version of the 'prisoner's dilemma' in the Valley: both parties indulge separatist sentiment out of fear that if they don't the other party will capture votes and come out ahead. But it's tough to inordinately sympathise with stone pelters while simultaneously seeking to confine their activities; the latter are liable to spin out of control. The larger lesson – and this is by no means confined to J&K – is that poor governance and leadership can lead to bad outcomes, and those outcomes will only worsen if the response of authorities is to shoot the messenger and remain in denial.

### AIR MOST FOUL

A gas chamber the footage of Delhi engulfed in smoke is worrying. The capital city is like a gas chamber which should set off emergency measures such as sprinkling water, banning construction and stopping the entry of trucks carrying non-essential goods to check pollution. Poised to be a super power, but are how near adopting a method to dispose of crop waste after the harvest without causing pollution. An alternative to stubble burning for a 'measly' 300 crore.

- Abel

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### ON E-READING

Like other things, e-reading has its pros and cons too ("Teach students to e-read") with the advent of internet, the education system has undergone drastic changes. Though e-reading helps us in reducing our dependence on the print media, its is taking away valuable assets analytical thinking. Absorbing, analysing and criticising are essential.

- Mahesha

## TIMES OF MYSORE

### WILL WOMEN OUTCLASS MEN?

- AMAL MAQBOOL

A woman is a prestigious symbol for patience, tolerance, motherhood and what not. A being that brings a balance to the fountain of emotions that jump out of any individual that she terms to be her loved ones. The soft, humble, the beautiful more over flower like qualities of the women are indeed praised through out the world. But in this fast changing world nothing lasts for long, there comes improvements and updates in every step of life. So is it in the case of women. Today women are competing in the same sectors of life like men. Education has varied the concepts of the world and also the individuality of every woman. Women has the confidence to stand on their own feet and talk for their own rights.

They have registered their names in the political, entertainment and also the sports diaries throughout the world. Let it be even the minds of the stereotypical thinkers in Indian society. In the recent Rio Olympics 2016, Women in India has even outcast men as India had attained three medals and all three were awarded for women. Sports

which is meant for the physically strong men as per the old schools have now seen a wide range of difference. It has literally become a cup of tea for women.

Mithali Raj, the current captain of the Indian Women Cricket Team has basically succeeded in not only bringing achievements to her as well as the team but also an awe of interest to the people of our country who has brought up a new



passion of watching women cricket.

Saina Nehwal and P.V Sindhu the Olympian Medallists have set an example of strong and motivational women in the field of sports from India to the entire world. Now these two women are actually ruling over the new phase of badminton in India. Their excel-

lent results and let it be Sindhu's aggressiveness it has all created a new outlook for women.

From a nation that criticized on what a woman should wear to changing the mind-sets of the people within the society. A lot has changed within the world as well as in India particularly. There was a time when Sania Mirza was brutally put down due to her dressing but today every parent is trying to bring out their children to the levels and achievements of Sania Mirza.

As a world that believes in equality and now a world that is formed with equality were women is formed with equality were women has no more to be forcefully raised to were men is; women seems to be unstoppable and they may even outclass men in the upcoming generations! The need of the hour is indeed education which has resulted in such a change in the mental aspects of the society. Women are growing strong globally in all aspects and they intend to grow stronger. The flower like women has indeed broken its shackles to call itself a rose, beautiful and with thorns!

### A NATIONAL TOURISM BILL

**Tourism an important engine of growth in new economy, we need an Incredible India 2.0**

- Anurag Thakur

"If I were asked under what sky the human mind has most fully developed some of its choicest gifts ... I should point to India," wrote renowned Orientalist F Max Mueller talking about India. Perhaps this development of human minds spilled out as amazing architectural marvels, traditions and festivals across India.

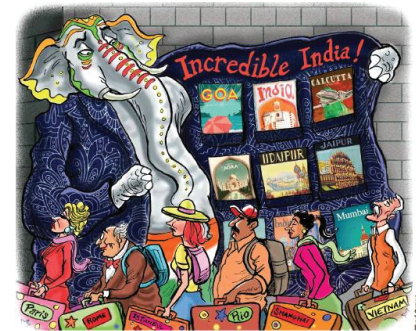
However, many of us within India are unaware of India's cultural heritage, let alone foreigners. I believe, in this context, it's high time we channelise our tourism policy and create an Incredible India 2.0.

Tourism is one of the largest sectors today in the world economy. It accounts for around 9% of world GDP and contributed to some 200 million jobs globally. It is clear that tourism today is a very well defined economic sector. And this warrants that tourism receive as much government, private sector and media attention as do sectors like manufacturing and finance.

For India, tourism can be a game

changer industry. The Modi government, aware of this fact, has made several efforts towards boosting tourism in India. These include visas-on-arrival, e-tourist visas, development of different tourism circuits and central support to tourism institutes. Not to forget the PM's consistent pitch to make India clean through Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.

Moreover, tremendous work on developing road and air infrastructure has also contributed to tourism in India. The result has been that while the world tourist growth was 4%, India saw an aggressive 9.7% foreign tourist arrivals growth in 2016. Our foreign exchange from tourism grew at 8.8% to \$23 billion.



However, if we need to turn tourism into an important engine of economic growth, there's a need to create a cooperative federal body like GST Council. The success of

GST Council has showed us that there's a possibility of creating similar pan-India forums for developing and implementing different policy verticals, among them tourism.

One issue observed in my state, Himachal Pradesh, is that tourists are concentrated in a few destinations while many other regions go unexplored. For example Dalhousie, Kullu-Manali, Shimla and Dharamshala are amongst the most popular destinations, but adventure tourist destinations such as Kaza, Pangri and Lahaul-Spiti go unexplored. By focussing on these destinations, government can provide adequate connectivity and infrastructure which will ease pressure from the most popular destinations. Consulting with the private sector is very important because they will provide us with innovative solutions and opportunities to create employment.

During the golden era of Indian civilisation, everyone who knew about it wanted to visit it for different reasons. It was a must-go school for the insatiable mind; it was an opportunity for the mercantile class; and it was a heaven for many others. It is time we make that happen again.





Senior Karnataka administrative Service(KAS) officer D.Bharathi is the first women Registrar of the additional Regional commissioner in Mysore. She is of the opinion that women should not feel inferior and must not fully depend on law to protect them. Instead, they should know to protect and empower themselves.

**You pursued your education in the university in this University and now you are the Registrar of the same university. How do you feel ?**

Bharati : I actually studied at a Hunsure college which was under University of Mysore. I was a student back then but now occupying this post at the very same University makes me happy and I took forward to deliver my best.

**Being the First lady Officer to hold this post in the 100 year old University. How does it feel ?**

Bharati : I got here because of a government transfer. But in the 100 year old university, I being the

## BARATI, REGISTRAR OF UOM UPLIFTING WOMEN.



first lady to hold this officer clearly shows that options for ladies are limited. Women should be empowered and given opportunities. If you look back at the Vice chancellor's post also, I guess there was only one lady to hold that post till date.

**How you been gaining acceptance of the staff ?**

Bharati : I am enjoying my job and have no pressure at all. I am happy

to be here and they are happy to be working with me. We are getting well.

**UoM is mostly male dominated. Do you find it difficult to have a final say ?**

Bharati : The entire society is male dominated. But here at this post, I don't think that I am a woman or a lady. We are humans and we need to do our job. I am the registrar and

I am here to do my duties. So with that mindset I work. To give you statistics, about 70% of the student here are ladies.

**Being a woman, what conveniences have you brought to girl students?**

Bharati : The warden system and hostel have been improved. Good facilities have been provided for their care. Ladies oriented issues

are being addressed regularly. We have regular meetings to address their problems and concerns too.

A mother, wife, a daughter, a sister, a friend, a teacher... Womanhood comes in various forms. March 8th was celebrated as international Woman's day where people all around the globe thanked them for being women. Well, this celebration should not be a mockery of valuing them only on this day and ignoring their presence on the rest of the days. The amount of sacrifices, work and their contribution in various fields is immense. And one must not forget that without women, evolution and existence of life is simply impossible. India has been striving hard and making gradual progress in bringing equality for women, but the question here is how we bring down the stereotype of the male-dominated society that still seems prevalent. The thinking and attitude of people is under transition and in the near soon future, equality for women will definitely be gained. This International Woman's day 2018 campaign theme is 'Push for progress' motivating women to make big strides in their lives and be the 'Wonder Woman' they want to be.

- Aqil Ahmed

## KUKKARAHALLI WITH A BEAUTY OF ITS KIND

MYSORE

The Kukkarahalli Lake is a magnificent place to see different varieties of Birds and Insects. Especially the migrating birds and insects. It will be interesting for Zoology students and tourists. During the morning and early evening to take a walk around the lake in the heart of the city that will net you with a rich haul of birds, and also the Peaceful well defined walking track around lake makes it easy for all age groups to enjoy the peace and quietness while also getting some exercise within. But, it is not so safe to be around this place during the late evening because of some insects



that may behave parasitic to the human body, like mosquitos. The lake is surrounded by lush green cover of trees. It's 3kms of walk inside and one feels that they are walking in middle of the jungle. The lake is situated quite within the city. One can as well just spend some time sitting by the lake to ease their minds of which some people have been spotted doing yoga and meditation around the lake. A play area for children keeps them coming back for more. The greenery and expanse of water soothes the weary eye. This place is one of the fast vanishing green spots of the lovely heritage city of Mysore, it is known for its avian visitors. Varieties of birds from different countries flock here, nest, breed and move on. The lake also provides

boating facility by which you can see the amazing view of lake surroundings and many kinds of birds and fishes can be visualized well.

Other pathways have also been improved. Stone benches under the shades of bougainvillea creepers are also made for visitors to relax amid the rejuvenating beauty of the lake. Decent lighting arrangements have also been done for visitors' benefits. The aquaculture has been increased along with cleaning of the lake and adaption of varied techniques for keeping the ecosystem undamaged.

- Kalanji Abel



## Paradise of Memories

The morning scene where you find girls with new determination, confidence, thoughts. It looks like they have decided to choose happiness for the day. The consciousness to be fit is at one side and at the other side are the people who are super lazy.

But there will not be conscious about what you wear, how you walk and how you look. Girls not being conscious on looks? What place it might be...

Yes it is the girls PG hostel situated behind the canteen in the campus of Manasa Gangotri. I wanted to write about something where it should have love, care, fight, affection, belongingness, hatred, jealous, humour etc.

Hostel is the place where we curse sometimes to stay but love most of the times. Sometimes is a paradise where we find new families other than ours and sometimes a jail where no independence is given. It is really a different world inside. Just imagine all the girls in one place who has no restrictions and boundaries to hang out or do what they want in a day. No mom's command to do work. These though we pretend that we won't. But late night conversations about everything



and nothing, hearing friends love story and feeling for them, fighting over silly things, to handle the queue for bathrooms. We laugh, cry, share, fight and mostly all the emotions are let out in this beautiful place and a jail also sometimes. It gives best friends for the lifetime, and sometimes a sister who can understand everything without saying, a frenemy (friend + enemy) who ditches out and teaches a lesson and a topper and a nerd who sometimes inspire us and make realize that we are forgetting our academics. It's a must have experience for any girl to enjoy, learn and discover yourself and, makes you capable of handling all the responsibilities. Teaches how to enjoy the laziness, value of parents and food, loneliness and the joy of being extrovert and introvert too.

- Aishwarya





## SPORTS

## IPL: CSK, RR - RETURN OF THE PRODIGALS



At a time when ICC is striving to pull crowds to watch Test cricket, Chennai Super Kings and MS Dhoni have attracted close to 15,000 spectators just for their practice sessions! Chepauk is roaring again after a gap of two years.

The return of IPL champions Rajasthan Royals and CSK has definitely garnered greater interest among fans. Both franchisees have ensured that the group they have put together is more of a family reunion. Stephen Fleming's calmness and an ebullient Shane Warne bring a lot to the dugout for CSK and RR respectively. There were no better candidates than MS Dhoni and Steve Smith to build on the overall brand value, which the

teams had enjoyed in the past, and also bring joy to their loyal fans who have celebrated their return in a crazy manner.

Dhoni, who hasn't led a cricket team since 2016, will be determined to prove that he is still the king of the jungle and it was evident when he hit the ground running in a three-member option-

al practice session on the very first day.

But for Royals, things haven't gone according to plan. The ball-tampering saga involving 'Golden Boy' Smith and his subsequent ban has thrown a spanner in the works. It remains to be seen whether Ajinkya Rahane, the vice-captain of the Indian Test

team, can step up to the leadership challenge in his maiden stint as IPL captain.

"The incident in Cape Town has certainly disturbed the cricket world. Steve believes given the current circumstances, it's in the best interest of the Royals that he steps down as captain so that the team can get ready for the start of the IPL without the ongoing distractions," said Zubin Bharucha, Royals head of cricket.

While Royals strive to "protect the values and integrity of the game" post 'Sandpaper' gate, CSK's focus is firmly on recreating the success they have achieved over eight years. "We will try and recreate some of the success that CSK had in the first eight years. Everything is familiar ... right back to the first hotel where we formed our friendships and got a lot of success as a team," Fleming mentioned.

IPL 2018 SCHEDULE, TIME TABLE, MATCH LIST			
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## HIGHLIGHTS

\* In the women's double trap finals, Shreyasi Singh won a landmark gold medal

\* Om Mitharval and Ankur Mittal shot bronze medals respectively in their events

\* Reigning Asian champion MC Mary Kom entered the final of the women's 45-48kg event

## LESSONS IN HARMONY FROM UOM MEDIA STUDENTS

AMAL MAQBOOL

Youth has indeed been following a particular pattern of misconceptions in their behaviour in love. Akash Krishna, from Tamil Nadu a final-year student at the Department of Journalism and Communication at the University of Mysore (UoM) conceptualised and directed a film about the need for social action among the young. The movie was shot within the campus, alongside the help of his media mates. They gave wings to his ideas and made his task easier by shaping his screenplay and dialogues. The result was a short film called 3P+3L=1S. Explaining the title of the film, Navya Venkatesh, the assistant director of the movie says, "It simply means '3 persons+ 3 love stories= 1 Story'". "The film which is of 14 minutes duration revolves around today's younger generation – their love, misunderstandings, repentance and ultimately the dawning of realisation. We believe that social media has given the film a big boost as it reaches a large number of people in a short time and promotes films such as ours through shares and clicks," says Akash. Actors in the film are students who are amateurs with no prior experience in the same. Chandan, who plays one of the

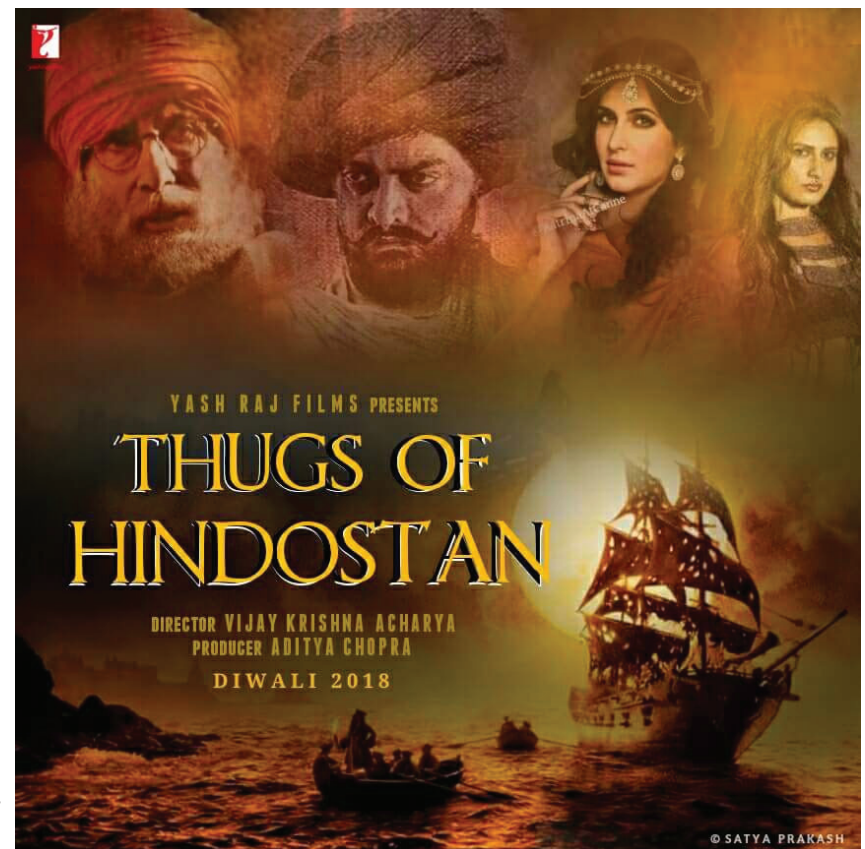


The Short film team - dept of Journalism, Manasagangotri, UoM

characters in the movie says action was directed by TN watching movies and serials give him confidence that he too can act and through practice, he says, it clicked. The film was shot in just two days after an intense brain storming session with like-minded students in the department. Akshay, the editor of the says, "Made with a minimal budget, the film has given the team very good exposure in film making. Continuing further Akshay says, editing was a very difficult task. "It took months to bring out the final product. Ultimately we succeed in completing it. The movie was screened first time for the students in the campus recently, and there was no bound to our happiness, when we received appreciation for it," he adds.

The team comprises of Pavan, the script writer, who is also the narrator in the movie. Other actors include Nandini, Ponnamma, Narendra, Aqil Ahmed and Shwetha. A sequel has been planned. Movie about social

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