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BHARAT
MAHOTSAV
FESTIVAL OF ONE INDIA

DR. SANDHYA PURECHA
The Woman Of Substance

LONDON 2024

'Celebrating: Amrit kaal - Realising New India's Vision 2047, Our Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi introduced the concept of 'Amrit Kaal' or 'The Era of Elixir' to the entire nation on India's 75th Independence Day.

AN INITIATIVE BY CONFLUENCE

Mix & Master by : Arpan Arekar

Music & Lyrics : Rahul B Seth

BHARAT
— MANCH —
Presents

Mann ki Baat



2:39

4:18

Vocals by

Amy

Rahul B seth

Concieved by
Dr. Amitabh Shrivastav

"Through The Melody Of 'Mann Ki Baat,' Echoing Nationwide, Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji's Vision Finds Resonance, Fostering Unity And Progress With Each Note."

BHARAT MAHOTSAV

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SAVE THE DATES

15TH-18TH FEBRUARY 2024

EMINENT SPEAKERS

DISPLAY STALLS

SHOPPERS DELIGHTS

FASHION SHOW

FELICITATION

15TH FEBRUARY 2024

'SWADESHI MANCH' (Cultural Performances)

MUSIC CONCERT

DANCE PERFORMANCES/ DRAMAS

VENUE: THE BHAVAN, LONDON

16TH FEBRUARY 2024

'SWADESHI PARADE' (Fashion Show)

'SWADESHI MANCH'(Cultural Performance)

MUSIC CONCERT

DANCE PERFORMANCES

VENUE : THE NEHRU CENTRE, LONDON 8S

AUDLEY ST, LONDON W1K 1 HF, UNITED

KINGDOM

17TH FEBRUARY 2024

'BHARAT GAURAV SAMMAN'

(FELICITATIONS, GALA DINNER)

VENUE: HOUSE OF LORDS

(THE PARLIAMENT OF THE UNITED

KINGDOM) SW1 AOPW

18TH FEBRUARY 2024

RETURN TO INDIA

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FROM THE HONORARY CHIEF EDITOR'S DESK



'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam' or the 'whole world is family' is thought to have roots in Indian Culture. India's presidency of G20 also has a unique tag line that reflects this uniquely Indian views of this world i.e. One Earth, Our family, Our future, Our ability to unite, synthesize and Harmonise is an outcome of our philosophy towards the universe, our own plants and all its inhabitants including plants, animals, birds and ocean life. No wonder our ancient civilization survives and thrives.

In the 21st century the nation has started playing a global role Befitting its stature. While remaining the best of tradition and completely freeing itself from colonial mentality, India is making a place for itself as a modern nation with considerable economic clout whether it is space or IT, Education or Health services, Agriculture or Manufacturing India continues its global strides.

Moreover India's culture, tradition, music, drama, dance, films, Yoga and cuisine are riding a wave of genuine interest worldwide. The 32 million overseas Indians are proudly flying the Indian flag in over 150 countries. What is remarkable is the feat that currently ten persons of Indian origin are either head of state or head of Government - outside India. There are many numbers of celebrities, sports persons, writers, and industrialists of Indian origin who are shining due to their contribution.

'Swadeshi Connect' is entering the world that is witnessing a resurgent India that is known to spread the message of connectedness, brotherhood , collective co-existence, peace , happiness and wellbeing . This could be best achieved through bridges of friendship, exchange of culture and people. In a world that is facing the crisis of climate change , wars, inequality and terrorism promoting understanding between societies and nations is a mission that cannot be postponed to tomorrow.

I welcome this timely step we all are taking through 'Swadeshi Connect'. I have no doubt that in the coming months and years, it will evolve into a major reference point for building cultural bridges and serving humanity.

WISHING THE BEST,

Dr. DNYANESHWAR M MULAY

Diplomat In The Indian Foreign Service &
Former Secretary To The Government Of India

SANKALP SE SIDDHI - ONE INDIA PLEDGE

Let us together pledge for a New India In 1942, our freedom fighter had taken pledge of 'Quit India' and in 1947, India achieved Independence.

Come, let us together pledge for building a New India

Let us together pledge towards a clean India

Let us Together pledge Poverty - free India

Let us together pledge towards a Corruption - free India

Let us together pledge towards a Terrorism - free India

Let us together pledge towards a Communalism - free India

Let us together pledge towards Casteism - free India

Let us all strive in spirit and soul to accomplish

this pledge for building a New India

AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV



Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav is an initiative of the Government of India to celebrate and commemorate 75 years of progressive India and the glorious history of its people, culture and achievements.

This Mahotsav is dedicated to the people of India who have not only been instrumental in bringing India thus far in its evolutionary journey but also hold within them the power and potential to enable Prime Minister Modi's vision of activating India 2.0, fuelled by the spirit of Atmanirbhar Bharat.

Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav is an embodiment of all that is progressive about India's socio-cultural, political and economic identity. The official journey of "Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav" commences on 12th March, 2021 which starts a 75 week countdown to our 75th anniversary of Independence and will end post a year on 15th August, 2023.

THE EVENT

BHARAT MAHOTSAV FESTIVAL OF ONE INDIA

India is a land of festivals and fairs. Virtually celebrating each day of the year, there are more festivals celebrated in India than anywhere else in the world. Each festival pertains to different occasions, some welcome the seasons of the year, the harvest, the rains, or the full moon. Others celebrate religious occasions, the birthdays of divine beings and saints, or the advent of the New Year. A number of these festivals are common to most parts of India. However, they may be called by different names in various parts of the country or maybe celebrated in a different fashion. Some of the festivals celebrated all over India but this festival (Bharat Mahotsav) of New India a land of opportunities, land of biggest consumer base and a land of intellectual brains today, we want to celebrate the diversity in fashion, art, culture and business we intend to create this as a bridging festival of 2 nations.

ORGANISER



ABOUT

The Confluence NGO was established on the 21st of August 2017 as a Make In India Entrepreneur is in-line with the vision of Hon'ble Prime Minister of India to promote Khadi and the Handloom Industry's to Empower Women from rural villages has adopted a cluster of villages and artisans as a model sample to begin development of Khadi Textiles for manufacturing and marketing chain and bring synergy with development of Khadi and Handloom Industry.

Rising yarn prices, falling employment opportunities, declining wage rates, shrinking markets and idling looms, Indian weavers have nobody to take up cudgels on their behalf. Confluence is a charitable organization which registered body under Indian Trust Act 1882. Confluence offer's a fascinating model, which combines compassion and artistic acumen to scale solutions that are needed now more than ever. The mission and vision of Confluence is to organize these Handloom weavers into clusters and make them competitive by providing support for their long-term sustainability.

CONFLUENCE AIMS AT

To sustained employment.

To enhance the marketability of products of such clusters.

To equip traditional artisans of the associated clusters with improved skills.

To make provision for common facilities and improved tools and equipment for artisans.

CHOSEN CHARITY



BHARAT WIDOWS EMPOWERMENT FUND

Initiative of the Loomba Foundation

On 21st October, 2023, the Loomba Foundation launched its flagship initiative Bharat Widows Empowerment Fund, through which thousands of rural widows in all 28 states and eight union territories of India will be empowered to support themselves and their families in the coming years.

The Loomba Foundation is named after a remarkable lady, Shrimati Pushpa Wati Loomba, who had become a widow at the early age of 37 and who, in the face of many obstacles, made sure all seven of the family's children, boys and girls, completed their education and got the best opportunities to succeed in life.

When Mrs. Loomba passed away, her son Raj and his wife Veena, set up a charity in her memory with the express aim to make sure that the children of poor widows, who were in a less fortunate position, could also complete their education and over the decade that followed at least a hundred children in each state of India, and in many cases more, had their education paid for at least five years each, transforming not only their own lives but those of their families.

Raj in his mission to bring the plight of widows all over the world to the attention of the international community, the Loomba Foundation, in 2005, on Raj's initiative, launched International Widows Day, at the House of Lords in London, and Raj had picked 23 June, the date his mother had been widowed fifty-one years earlier, as the date on which every year there would be a global day of action. After a tireless campaign by the Loomba Foundation, the United Nations adopted 23rd June as UN International Widows Day in 2010.

Building on the success of its work to educate poor widows' children, the Loomba Foundation started its focus on economic empowerment – helping widows to become independent through skills training and supporting them in setting themselves up in a trade or a business, working with partners including Youth Business International, a charity that had been set up by King Charles III when he was Prince of Wales, Oxfam GB, Virgin Unite, to deliver skills training and equipment to thousands of widows across three continents, including in Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Syria, Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, South Africa, Malawi, Guatemala and Chile.

The Loomba Foundation wants to support the 46 million widows in India, particularly those who live in dire poverty and in rural areas. There can be no more valuable or important work than empowering widows who have been cast aside by society and left unable to look after themselves and their children, to give them the skills and the means to help themselves in a wide range of trades from hospitality to tourism, sewing and tailoring to beauty and healthcare, and food processing. These women have so much to give, if only we can give them the respect and the power to make their own contribution to society. They can educate their children and lead a life of dignity. The Loomba Foundation is registered under the Indian Trust Act, 1882 vide Registration No.752 Dated 29-07- 1998. All donations to the Loomba Foundation are exempted under Section 80G (5) (IV) of Income Tax Act, 1961. We will welcome corporates and individuals to come forward to help us to help rural widows in India through CSR and Philanthropy. Please visit the website: www.theloombafoundation.org or contact Mr. Hemant Sharma at hemant@theloombafoundation.org for more information.



LORD RAJ LOOMBA
 MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF LORDS
 LORD TEMPORAL
 THE LORD LOOMBA CBE

Lord Loomba CBE is Founder and Chairman of the Loomba Foundation, a UN accredited global charitable organisation, which promotes the fundamental freedoms and human rights of widows and their children around the world. Lord Loomba is widely known today as the Pioneer of Widows' Rights. Lord Loomba is recognised as an Instigator of International Widows Day, which takes place every year on 23rd June. Lord Loomba received the Pravasi Samaan Patra from the President of India on 9th January 2015 for his social services for Widows and philanthropy, highest award conferred on Non-Residents of India by the Government of India. Lord Loomba was invited by the Chief Minister of Punjab as State Guest on the Republic Day, 26th January 2015 and awarded the highest and prestigious award – Praman Patra.

United Nations New York Association conferred the Humanitarian Lifetime Achievement Award on Lord Loomba on UN Day 2014 in New York. UN Women named Lord Loomba as the first Founding Champion of the circle of Widows Rights in June 2013. Lord Loomba is an Independent Life Peer in the House of Lords in the United Kingdom. Lord Loomba received a CBE Excellence of Commander of British Empire from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth in her Birthday's Honour List in 2008.

Lord Loomba's campaigning achievements are founded on his successful business career as Founder of the Loomba Group of Companies, a fashion and clothing company, of which he is Executive Chairman. On May 11, 2016, Lord Loomba was invited to attend the UN Ambassadors lunch on as Guest of Honour and Keynote Speaker which was hosted by the Hospitality Committee of the United Nations Delegates in New York. Lord Loomba CBE is currently engaged in empowering Widows in India. He is also advocating for the welfare of widows in Rural India as they are poor, uneducated, and unable to get a job. Basically, they are dependent on their family members and community who often abuse them physically, psychologically and even sexually. They are living almost in Modern Slavery.



SMT. MEENAKSHI LEKHI
HONORABLE MINISTER OF STATE FOR
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND CULTURE OF INDIA

A Bhartiya Janata Party (BJP) leader from the national capital, Meenakshi Lekhi represents the New Delhi constituency in the 16th Lok Sabha. She is also the national spokesperson of the party and a Supreme Court lawyer.

She registered herself with the Bar Council in 1990, and started practicing in the Supreme Court and Delhi High Court. Lekhi's political career began in 2010, when she was made the national vice-president of the BJP's Mahila Morcha. In the 2014 Lok Sabha elections, she defeated Ajay Maken of the Congress by a margin of 270,000 votes. At present, she is a member of various parliamentary committees and also the chairperson of the Committee on Privileges. In the 2019 national elections, Lekhi was re-elected from the New Delhi seat, again after defeating Ajay Maken of the Congress.

She Actively associated with social & cultural activities for securing justice for women & children; Joint Secretary, Blind Relief Association. As a National Spokes person of the Bhartiya Janata Party (BJP), she has been successfully articulating, advocating and campaigning BJP's policies, programs and campaigns; and participates in various television shows on matters on National and International importance.





Dr. AMITABH SHRIVASTAV
MENTOR & CURATOR OF CONFLUENCE &
BHARAT MAHOTSAV
VISUAL ARTIST, BIONIC ART EXPERT,
MIX-MEDIA ARTIST OF GLOBAL ACCLAIM.
PRINCIPAL ART CONSULTANT- THE ART KOMMUNE
VISTING PROFESSOR IN SCHOOL OF PLANNING
& ARCHITECTURE-DELHI

Designers are sensitive to environmental issues and announce their willingness to confirm their practices. However, beyond appearances and words, critical scrutiny is essential. How can we, as designers, reconcile our role, which is closely linked with the market economy and overconsumption, with environmental and social awareness? With these thoughts Dr. Amitabh shrivastav dedicated his life towards the development of Biophillic Public Art and sustainable Design Practices.

A fine art graduate from Faculty of Visual Arts, Banaras Hindu University.
A visionary par excellence. He has garnered a kaleidoscope of expertise while travelling all around the world. From technical know how to pooling of resources he has successfully executed a plethora of Art projects all over INDIA,USA,EUROPE, MIDDLE EAST & FAR EAST.

Dr. Shrivastav has been redefining the ideas of Bionics, remoulding the notion of recycling and accommodating them in a form of artwork packed with green and sustainable development. He is the Founder of The Art Kommune, an art incubator as the creative catalyst for artists.



Dr. SMITA SHRIVASTAV
MAKE IN INDIA ACTIVIST
FOUNDER-PRESIDENT OF CONFLUENCE

Taking Inspiring from "Make in India", Smita Shrivastav evolved the idea of "Confluence" initiative with the simple thought of bridging the gap between art, artisans and the commoner. The quest was to create something meaningful and eccentric, streaming art for common people and simplifying art. Following the bugle of Make in India motto, Confluence initiative is also aiming to preserve and cherish the rich heritage of India in art and culture known since ancient times by our local folks. This helps industries to establish their manufacturing bases in India, create employment in India. Industries tend to develop a support ecosystem around them, thus empowering small business. Our quest is to take art to a common man's lobby and bringing more light to its beautification, give India art its be able to earn their livelihood. Keeping in mind, a wider spectrum we are eyeing Confluence gift gets the elevation and takes the corporate gifting option to a newer level. As a social entrepreneur, Smita is possessed by her idea and is swivelled around for realizing the dream. A similar obsession took over my thoughts, on realising that how much my idea of creating a bridge can make ethnic handicraft change lives too. Refusing to give away even the smallest opportunity that could change an artisan's life, Smita fervently plunged into the journey of making life better with their one skill.



Ms. SANDHYA PURECHA

"The Chairperson, Sangeet Natak Akademi
Govt of India.

"Although Sandhya's innovative choreography at times transcends the conventional vocabulary of Bharatanatyam to express the emotional content of their passionate Madhura Bhakti; Brahmanand was a mesmerising production ... ""Sandhya Purecha, the talented disciple of the Acharya and active collaborator in his research work performed the exacting... marathon. The incredible stamina with which she performed drew repeated applause. Her facial expressions were varied and vivid, and the postures statuesque. The other three aspects of Abhinaya viz. vachika, aharya and sattvika were also depicted with equal facility. The programme has succeeded in generating a more serious approach to the study of dance and a higher level of appreciation of the art form." "Sandhya Purecha's ... performance of Abhinaya Darpanam in Bombay gripped the attention of the audience right from the moment the curtains opened on a strikingly traditional stage decor. The intonation of the sacred syllable Aum created a mood of pious devotion."



Sangeet Natak Akademi, the apex body in the field of performing arts in the country, was set up in 1953 for the preservation and promotion of the vast intangible heritage of India's diverse culture expressed in forms of music, dance and drama. The management of the Akademi vests in its General Council. The Chairman of the Akademi is appointed by the President of India for a term of five years. The functions of the Akademi are set down in the Akademi's Memorandum of Association, adopted at its registration as a society on 11 September 1961. The registered office of the Akademi is at Rabindra Bhavan, 35 Feroze Shah Road, New Delhi. Sangeet Natak Akademi is an autonomous body of the Ministry of Culture, Government of India.

Sangeet Natak Akademi now has three constituent units, two of these being dance-teaching institutions: the Jawaharlal Nehru Manipur Dance Academy (JNMDA) at Imphal, and Kathak Kendra in Delhi. JNMDA has its origin in the Manipur Dance College established by the Government of India in April 1954. Funded by the Akademi since its inception, it became a constituent unit of the Akademi in 1957. Similarly Kathak Kendra is one of the leading teaching institutions in Kathak dance. Located in Delhi, it offers courses at various levels in Kathak dance and in vocal music and Pakhawaj.

Besides the constituent units, the Akademi presently has five centres:

1. Kutiyattam Kendra, Thiruvananthapuram for preserving and promoting the age-old Sanskrit theatre of Kerala, Kutiyattam.
2. Sattriya Kendra, Guwahati for promoting the Sattriya traditions of Assam.
3. North-East Centre, Guwahati for preserving the traditional and folk performing art traditions of north-eastern India.
4. North-East Documentation Centre, Agartala for festival and field documentation in the North-east.
5. Chhau Kendra, Chandankiyari for promoting the Chhau Dances of eastern India

The Sangeet Natak Akademi Awards are the highest national recognition conferred on practising artists. The Akademi also confers Fellowships on eminent artists and scholars of music, dance and drama; and has in 2006 instituted annual awards to young artists – the Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar. The Akademi's archive, comprising audio and video tapes, photographs, and films is one of the largest in the country and is extensively drawn upon for research in the performing arts.



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A non-profit organisation aiming to initiate provide services in various areas not limited to Charitable outreach services – namely, providing counseling services in the field of financial investments for foreign investors; as well as initiate several programs intending to assist NRIs including Adoption & Donations for Smart Village, Health & Medical Cultural Heritage Fairs, Preserving Vedic Cultural Heritage & Education, Youth Development & Education Program, Disabled & Underprivileged Child Support Program, Senior Center & Programs, Women Empowerment & Safety, etc. NRI Federation represents all overseas Indians living across the globe to create a United, safe and secure world Overseas Indians contribute a lot across the world specially as Doctors, Engineers, Businessman and highly known for their Information technology knowledge and contribution. Today overseas Indians are one of the highly literate, peaceful and prosperous citizens/ residents of the world . Our main objective is to unite all overseas Indians for the safety, security and prosperity of the community. We would like to invite all global Indian organizations and their members in one united organization – NRI Federation. Said emulation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, to making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under the section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code. The business activity for said organization IS OS follows: Homeless, Handicap and Old Age homes, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose



REDIO (Rescuing Every Distressed indian Overseas)

This is an initiative of Movement Of Positivity under the leadership and guidance of Hon Dr Dnyaneshwar Mulay. REDIO aims to help overseas Indians who get into distressed situations due to various factors .Over 30 million Indians are living abroad. A large number of them hold Indian citizenship . Many of them get in to trouble as mentioned in the beginning Government of India is helping them through ICWF in a proactive manner . However awareness among overseas Indians about govt assistance , relief available and how to contact Indian Missions is poor . Besides there are things that embassies or consulates cannot do due to rules and regulations. In such cases Redio is trying to help by building collaborative network of people who are already known for their track record for helping others . At present Redio's advisors in 22 countries are helping distressed Indians in various ways.

BHARAT MAHOTSAV

IN ASSOCIATION WITH



Your No 1 for London's Biggest Asian hits plays the biggest in Bollywood music including latest hits, 90s, 80s, 70s, UK Asian and Bhangra. London's only Retro Asian music station plays classic Bollywood as well as more speech based programmes. Lyca Radio and Lyca Gold combined cover the largest broadcast area in Greater London. Lyca Radio covers 8,038,386 Adults 15+ whilst Lyca Gold's average reach is 6,675,971. Adults 15+. (Source: Ofcom – Measured coverage Area coverage)



India Luxury Foundation (ILF) endeavors to be the nodal association promoting the interest and business of Luxury Industry in India. It also works towards facilitating larger international cooperation and exchange programs between India and the global luxury leaders. This specialized Industry body has been set up and will be working very closely with the Industry and for the Industry. 'Ease of Doing Business' should be accorded top priority and would greatly help states in attracting investment by analyzing the potential sectors and areas where there is scope for improvement in their respective departments and states.– Shri. Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India.

Prime Minister Modi's pragmatic governance approach has ensured that approvals for over 400 projects with investments over \$70 billion have been expedited. This will help expedite the approval of more than 400 projects with estimated investments exceeding US\$ 70bn. A crucial administrative reform that has happened is to abolish 30 Groups of Ministers (GoMs) and empowered GoMs (EGoMs) set up by the previous United Progressive Alliance (UPA) government to tackle cross-jurisdictional issues involving more than one ministry. These GoMs and EGoMs only slowed down decision-making considerably. Administrative aspects of such issues are now tackled by Cabinet Secretariat resulting in



The times have seen us address multifarious set of issues in the public administration domain. Started as New Delhi Social Workers Association by Sh. C. L. Grover, we've remained focussed on our core mission — 'building a healthy Indian society' while collaborating with the government, relevant ministries and mobilising citizens and corporate support to achieve our mission. While the aim of NDSWA was to become a vibrant nerve centre of activities, where in not even a single needy human being is left unattended.

NDSWA has gone a step further to encompass and address the society and individual's 360° needs where in their healthcare being a prominent one. NDSWA works in tandem with the government, social agencies, aiding agencies, donors and corporates to deliver awareness, sensitisation and benefit to society and individuals. We have been doing all this since last 70 years and have been excelling in meeting the program objectives. Little wonder then, our partners — government, donors, social agencies and corporates trust us to bring value to their objectives.



Unnati Singh, a leading brand in beauty, founded by the visionary Unnati Singh. Specializing in nail, hair, makeup, and skincare, the brand epitomizes excellence and innovation. The College of Beauty, an extension of the brand, sets industry standards for top-notch training in India. Elevate your beauty experience with Unnati Singh – where expertise meets artistry.

SPECIAL FEATURES:

- Make-UP Academy, London (UK)
- Make-Up Designing Trinity –Try-Color, Singapore
- Being a part of celebration 100 years of L'Oréal at Paris France)
- 1st Prize winner for Bride Make-Up Contest in 1997
 - 93 time judge for all leading contest
 - Life Member of Cosmetology Society of India
 - Trained more than lakhs professionals through workshops & seminar across the country



PADMA SHRI SHOVARA NARAYAN
Indian Kathak Dancer

Shovana Narayan is a recognised Indian Kathak dancer and a career officer with Indian Audit and Accounts Service. She performs in India and internationally, and has been awarded the Padma Shri. She trained under Birju Maharaj. Sadhna Bose in Kolkata and Guru Kundal Lal in Mumbai initiated Narayan into Kathak at the age of four. She studied at Miranda House in Delhi, India, graduating with a master's degree in physics in 1972. She completed M.Phil. in Defence and Strategic Studies from University of Madras in 2008 and MPhil in Social Sciences from Punjab University in 2001. She also worked as a career officer for the Indian Audits & Accounts Service and retired in 2010. She is married to Dr. Herbert Traxl, Austrian Ambassador to India (retired). As a "performer and guru," Shovana Narayan has performed widely in several prestigious national and international festivals and before several heads of state and governments and has trained several Kathak artists of the young generation.



Dr. SANJEEV CHAUDHARY
Consultant Chaudhary Hospital, Nagpur

An eminent Orthopaedic Surgeon, Dr. Sanjeev Chaudhary is a Chief Consultant at Chaudhary Hospital, Nagpur. Beginning career as Teacher of Orthopaedics, he soon became owner of Chaudhary Hospital, a 50 bedded hospital which earned reputation of providing best surgical facilities at affordable cost to poor and underprivileged people. Having performed more than 50,000 Surgeries he left foot prints of professional excellence and also earned recognition as a passionate social worker. Being associated with Government committee and NGO's, he introduced innovative concepts and strategies creating valuable impact in redefining public health. His outstanding contribution to society is HEATCO (Health Education And Tele consultation on Osteoporosis). This novel innovative emerged at a time when osteoporosis a silent and dangerous disease of bones have started gripping millions of Indians. Till now in 52 villages he empowered 8,792 susceptible women to fight the disease and placed on record a significant measurable outcome with 22.7% improvement in BMD. Dr. Chaudhary has been globally acclaimed for launching public awareness campaign on osteoporosis in "Nepal" and "Mauritius" and Middle East as part of his "Global Mission" to control osteoporosis. His efforts of empowering women with knowledge of health care with Mission "Strong Bones; Strong Women, Strong Women's; Strong India's" will influence designing of "National Health Policies and Programmes."

**Mr. DEEPAK OHRI**

Founder And CEO

Luxury Atelier Maison Happiness (Lamh)

Lamh Management Asia

Author

A Bridge Not Too Far

CEO : World Magazine

Deepak Ohri, the visionary founder and CEO of Luxury Atelier Maison Happiness (LAMH), has earned global recognition as an award-winning entrepreneur, reshaping the luxury hospitality landscape on an international scale. Deepak Ohri's journey in the hospitality sector spans over 30 years, during which he has consistently demonstrated a remarkable commitment to excellence, innovation, and leadership. One of the hallmarks of Deepak Ohri's career is his relentless pursuit of excellence in service. Under his leadership, several organizations have garnered numerous accolades and awards, becoming synonymous with unparalleled luxury and hospitality. His visionary approach has not only elevated the standards within the industry but has also set new benchmarks for customer satisfaction. Deepak Ohri's impact extends beyond the walls of his own organization. He has been a trailblazer in introducing innovative concepts and practices that have redefined the hospitality experience. From pioneering sustainability initiatives to embracing cutting-edge technology, he has consistently demonstrated a forward-thinking mindset that resonates throughout the industry.



Mr. SURESH YADAV
Senior Director -Office of the of
Secretary General of commonwealth

Suresh Yadav is Senior Director(a.i.) (Trade, Ocean and Natural Resources) as well as lead on AI and Digital Transformation in the Commonwealth. He is the Secretary of the Commonwealth AI consortium and working to promote development of AI and capacity building in the Commonwealth countries. Prior to this he had worked in the Board of World Bank Group as representative of India, Bangladesh, Bhutan and Sri Lanka. As a member of IRS in India, he had worked as an Officer on Special Duty to President of India and Director to Finance Minister of India. He is an author of a Book on FDI and passionately work for using AI and transformative technologies for development. He is working to bridge the compute and digital divide in the Commonwealth countries.



Mr. DEEPAK KAVADIA
Founder Of NRI Federation

Deepak Kavadia is committed to the health and strength of the local community, and has consistently demonstrated the compassion and care of someone who genuinely desires to make a difference in the lives of others. A long-time philanthropist in New York City, New York, Kavadia continues to lend a helping hand, or to make significant financial contributions, when and wherever he can.



DR. (PROF.) K. N. SRIVASTAVA
Director & Head
Deptt. of General & Minimal Access Surgery

Dr. (Prof.) K. N. Srivastava is a Director & Head of Deptt. of General & Minimal Access Surgery. He is currently working as Director & Head, Deptt of General & Minimal Access Surgery at BLK-MAX Super Speciality Hospital, New Delhi since 2011. Also Head of BLK-MAX Hernia Clinic and he is a First surgeon of Dr Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital New Delhi who started laparoscopic Surgery at the Hospital in June, 1997 and is continuously pursuing advanced Laparoscopic Surgery including Metabolic and Obesity Surgery. He has also experienced of Took Voluntary Retirement from the post of Prof. Surgery & Head of Surgical Unit, PGIMER, Dr Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, New Delhi in Nov 2011 Former Consultant Surgeon to the Prime Minister of India.



Ms. UNNATI SINGH

International Beauty Educator Celeb Makeup Artist, Social Worker,
Founder- Unnati Singh Salon

Ms. Unnati Singh embodies a unique blend of talent, compassion, and entrepreneurial spirit, establishing herself as a prominent figure in the beauty industry and beyond. As an international beauty educator and celebrated makeup artist to the stars, she has honed her craft to perfection, leaving a lasting impression with her impeccable artistry and innovative techniques. Beyond her contributions to the world of beauty, Singh is deeply committed to social causes, leveraging her platform to make a positive impact as a dedicated social worker. Her passion for empowering others led her to establish the renowned Unnati Singh Salon, a haven of beauty and self-care where clients are not only transformed on the outside but also nurtured on the inside. With an unwavering dedication to her craft and a heart for serving others, Ms. Unnati Singh continues to inspire and uplift both in the salon chair and in the community at large.



MS. NIVEDITA BASU
Senior Vice President, Atrangii

Nivedita Basu is The vice president content and business alliances at Atrangii and Indian television producer who was creative director at Balaji Telefilms. Nivedita turned producer in 2015 and owns a celebrity cricket team (Kolkata Baabu Moshayes) on the television reality show Box Cricket League Basu joined Balaji Telefilms in 2000. By 2004, she was a deputy creative director, and she became Ekta Kapoor's second, determining the fates of the characters of soaps Kasauti Zindagii Kay and Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi. She also worked on the series Hum Paanch, Kahaani Ghar Ghar Ki, Kavyanjali, Kusum, Kyaa Hoga Nimmo Kaa, Kutumb, Kasturi Kahin to Hoga, Karam Apnaa Apnaa, Kasamh Se, Kabhi Sautan Kabhi Saheli, Kohi Apna Sa, Kesar, Tujh Sang Preet Lagai Sajna, Kaahin Kissii Roz, Kahi To Milenge, Kya Hadsaa Kya Haqeeqat, K. Street Pali Hill, Kis Desh Mein Hai Meraa Dil, Kammal, Khwaish and many others.



Mr. BALI BRAHMBHATT

(Playback Singer, Composer, Radio Presenter and Event organiser).

Bali Brahmhatt is a household name known Universally for introducing the FIRST English-Gujarati combo RAP with his song "Patel Rap" ,The FIRST Hindi-English combo RAP through his Bollywood song "Lena Hai Lena Hai" (film 'Bomb Blast')Other film songs "Amma Dekh Tera Munda Bigda jaaye" (film 'Stuntman' , picturised on Jackie Shroff), The famous song Ussne Bola Kem Chhe (picturised on Govinda, film 'Jis Desh Mein Ganga Rehta Hai'). The song "AMCHI MUMBAI" (1998 film 'Badmaash' with Jackie Shroff) inspired the Shiv Sena Supremo, the late Baala Saheb Thackeray to change the name BOMBAY to MUMBAI...!!!Bali was very lucky to get his first 3 songs topping the charts amongst several other hits....With his original voice, his versatility of singing and rapping with his unique style, his friendly personality, his love for his roots, INDIA, and its culture won him a place in Bollywood and in people's hearts. He took lessons in Hindustani Classical music from Malay Bannerjee. A self taught Guitarist who also composes music besides singing.His famous Albums, released by Universal Records, are Gabbar Mix, Tere Bin Jeena Nahin, Asha Bhosle's "Songs of my Soul" (music recreated by Bali) and many more...Times Music released 2 albums ..BANJARA (video shot in Muscat, Oman) and "PUNJABI KAADA" (title song written by Kumar, music by DJ Arya, video shot at Trafalgar Square, London).



Ms. RUBY RAZA

Lyca Radio London, United Kingdom

Ruby's track record as an award-winning presenter speaks volumes about her expertise and prowess in the field. From her time as one of the most iconic voices on Sunrise Radio to being snapped up by Lyca Radio in 2014, Ruby is one of the most sought-after voices on UK Asian radio. Her weekend show on Lyca Gold Radio stands as a beacon of positivity, consistently uplifting and energizing audiences with its unique blend of entertainment and informative content. The way Ruby engages with listeners is nothing short of remarkable, creating an environment where every individual feels valued and heard.

Ruby is also Head Of Production, so the ability to create a script, get it voiced, edited and out on the airwaves of both radio stations, requires assertiveness, fast reactions and client control and patience which comes naturally to Ruby. Her outstanding contribution and experience with expertise has made her one of the most popular and most reliable persons at Lyca Radio and Lyca Gold Radio. Her modesty shows continuously and her selfless work for her colleagues has always been amazing and appreciated.



Ms. REEMA VIRDEE
Founder And Director Of Rvedaa
Limited - Uk And India

Reema Virdee, hailing from London with a notable presence in India, stands as the esteemed Founder and Director of Rvedaa Limited, a thriving venture operating across both the UK and India. Not only has she made her mark by crafting a successful health brand in the bustling streets of London, but she has also introduced Drive13, an innovative travel app that ingeniously encompasses the entirety of the hospitality and travel industry. With a profound belief that women require not empowerment but rather acknowledgment and appreciation for their endeavors, Reema has initiated the Sangini Woman Entrepreneur program. This program serves as a beacon of support and recognition, aiming to uplift and celebrate the accomplishments of women in the professional sphere. Through her visionary leadership and unwavering dedication, Reema Virdee continues to inspire and pave the way for women to thrive and excel in their entrepreneurial pursuits, both locally and globally.



Mr. SUJIT SINGH
Executive Director at One Horizon

Sujit Singh, the esteemed Executive Director at One Horizon, is an illustrious figure in the realm of hospitality, consistently charting new heights in his distinguished career. In his current role, he transcends the conventional trajectory of success, embodying not only a visionary in the industry but a compassionate leader deeply devoted to societal impact.

Distinguished by his innovative approach to hospitality, Sujit Singh not only stands out in the industry but serves as a catalyst for positive change. Beyond the accolades and professional milestones, he distinguishes himself through philanthropy and social work, revealing a leader focused not merely on personal success but deeply committed to making a meaningful impact on community welfare.

This narrative is marked by a steadfast commitment to effecting positive change, underscored by a holistic approach seamlessly aligned with the values and mission of community development. Sujit Singh's dedication to societal well-being resonates as a foundational pillar of his leadership philosophy. His distinctive fusion of professional success and compassionate leadership renders him an invaluable asset for any community initiative dedicated to creating a positive societal impact.



Ms. JYOTSNA BHEL
Director & Curator of Kiara Education Solution

Kiara Education Solution Private limited (KES) stand as a beacon of coaching, training and development expertise since its inception in 2013, headquartered in New Delhi. The driving force behind this transformative venture is none other than Dr. (Hon.) Jyotsna Bhel, an eminent Happiness Coach, and Behavioral change trainer, who assumed the role of CEO in 2016. A TEDx speaker and international strategic advisor, Jyotsna's mission is to empower individuals with insights, skills, and knowledge, fostering maximum satisfaction while catalysing inner change leading to be happily successful in the outer world. With a motto of "Be Happy by decision," KES, under Jyotsna's leadership, encourages individuals to make choices that lead to happiness. Leveraging 35 years of visionary leadership, including nearly two decades in International civil services with the world health organization, Jyotsna has garnered accolades for delivering results. Her expertise extends to critical areas such as happiness coaching, change management, health information and statistics, developing partnerships, building culturally diverse team, and market penetration strategies. Jyotsna's Impact extends beyond corporate realms; she has been instrumental in introducing computer education to 100+ schools since 1988 and now has an innovative vision for "Happy schools and colleges.". Jyotsna says " In 1988 the biggest





Mr. RAHUL B SETH

"Music Composer, Singer, Lyricist, Voice Actor, Writer, Live Performer"

Rahul, born in Lucknow, India, grew up in Zambia, Africa, where he was exposed to African Art & Music. He is the grandson of popular Veteran Punjabi-Hindi Film actor-director MAJNU. He is also the nephew of acclaimed Author Vikram Seth, & his Grand Aunt Smt. Leila Seth was India's 1st woman Chief Justice. His special song & Video dedicated to women empowerment titled "Main Hoon Naari Shakti" featuring 53 empowered women, has won 4 International Film Festival Awards.

Rahul's Global Anthem for World Peace titled "We'reTogether" has been played in over 30 countries, for an International Peace Movement... spearheaded by His Holiness The Dalai Lama & many Iconic Leaders from around the world. Rahul is part of a Global Tribute to Nelson Mandela, wherein, his personal hand written message is featured in a special tribute book "House Of Commons" alongside a message by Hollywood actor Will Smith and many other luminaries from around the world. He has composed music & lyrics & has sung for various Bollywood feature films like Heroes, Yamla Pagla Deewana, Vaada Raha, Dassehra, Khel. He also did an online promotional song for Shah Rukh Khan's film -FAN The Action Anthem written by him for Tiger Shroff's film BAAGHI-1 has 89 Million organic worldwide views. Rahul created a special song to "Save and Empower The Girl Child" for which he was felicitated by former C.M. of Maharashtra, Shri. Prithviraj Chavan.



Mr. SATISH KUMAR PARTHASARTHY
Astrologer, Vaastu Pandit & Numerologist

P. Satish Kumar is one of the most sought after astrologers in Tamil Nadu. He was working in India cements as an accountant and a cashier later he realized his passion for Astrology which made him quit the job and take up Astrology as a full time profession. He has more than 15 years of experience in the field. He has received 'Jyothish Pandit', 'Jyothhttps://websites.godaddy.com/reach-usish Visharath', 'Vastu Pandit', and 'Jyothish Booshan' titles. He is known for his most accurate predictions. He specializes in Special Marriage Match Making (Marriage Compatibility), Medical Astrology, Hebrew Pyramid (used for designing names for new start up firms), Vaastu Consultation, Relationship Advice (for youngsters), Physiological Advice based on Horoscope especially for students, Legal Advice and Family Counseling sessions with respect to Horoscope etc.



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Its story began in the Indian state of Uttarakhand and Bardez in Goa.

A tale of strangers becoming friends and friends becoming partners - both with a passion for unforgettable food and service.



Mr. VAIBHAV BHARGAVA
Celebrity Chef

Chef Vaibhav Bhargava's journey in the culinary world is nothing short of inspiring. His passion for food and cooking has driven him to achieve remarkable milestones in his career. His culinary odyssey began when he completed his graduation in hospitality and culinary skills at Chandigarh Institute of Hotel Management. From there, he embarked on a remarkable career, working with prestigious establishments like the ITC group of hotels. His roles as an Executive Sous Chef at the ITC Sheraton and at ITC Maurya allowed him to hone his skills and build a reputation for his exceptional culinary talent.

One of the defining moments in Chef Vaibhav's journey was his summer training at NOMA restaurant in Denmark, where he had the privilege of working alongside the world-renowned chef Rene Redzepi. This experience undoubtedly expanded his culinary horizons and contributed to his growth as a chef. Not only has Chef Vaibhav excelled in his career, but he has also given back to the culinary world. He has been a part of the Young Chef Association for Sustainable India and the Slow Food Chef Alliance, where he has represented the nation internationally.

His accolades, including the titles of Innovative Chef of the Year 2018 and Silver Medalist in the International Hospitality Fair 2010, speak to his exceptional talent and dedication to his craft. His achievements also extend to his role as a consultant chef, where he has curated menus for various projects. What truly sets Chef Vaibhav apart is his commitment to nurturing young talent and sharing his knowledge. His guest speaking engagements and role as a judge for upcoming talent demonstrate his dedication to the culinary community.

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—MANCH—



Lyrics by **Rahul B Seth**

Music Composed by **Rahul B Seth**

Produced by **Dr. Amitabh Shrivastav**
Music Programming, Mix and Master by **Arpan Arekar**



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RAHUL B. SETH

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Bharat Mahotsav Festivals LLP

Conceived by

Dr. Amitabh Shrivastav

Music Composed by

Rahul B Seth

Lyrics by

Vikki Nagar

Arpan Arekar



Mr. DUSTY LANE

Producer, Actor, Camera and Electrical Department

Mr. Dusty Lane, is known for being affiliated with "Art for Peace" and also affiliated with; "World Wide Youth Council," as the World Renowned, Dame Munni Irone, is the founder and the CEO of both of these most prestigious entities. Dusty, is promoting a better future for our youth of our one and only world... through Ms. Irone's motto; "From my heart to your heart, Love and Peace...We are ONE!" Mr Lane, is the CEO, of Stardust 3.2.1. Productions, a producer, an actor, a philanthropist and a humanitarian as well as known for his Shakespeare's awards for his American Poetry and his Philosophy writings. One of Dusty's philosophies is that; "If hate is within your heart ... there is no room for love and forgiveness... for there is only one race in our world and that is the human race!"



Ms. T.J. MYERS

Hollywood Actress, Producer and Director

Miss TJ Myers is CEO of the Darlene Johnson Foundation, a prestigious non profit corporation that helps special needs, adopted and impoverished children along with wounded military and police and their families. Also, TJ is the CEO of the awards, winning cone vision Entertainment corporation. Not only has her production company won awards, TJ Myers is a four time award winning actress known for her outstanding performances in the future films like, " The day of Miracles" and the " The boss man" along with television series like, " The Closer" and "The finder" plus over 30 more in her career. TJ has worked in productions with stars like Jim Carrey, Robin Williams, George Clooney, Mel Gibson, Tim Allen, Benicio Del Toro, Ice-T, Rob Schneider and rechel Mcadams to name a few.

The beautiful and talented TJ Myers is not only diligent;

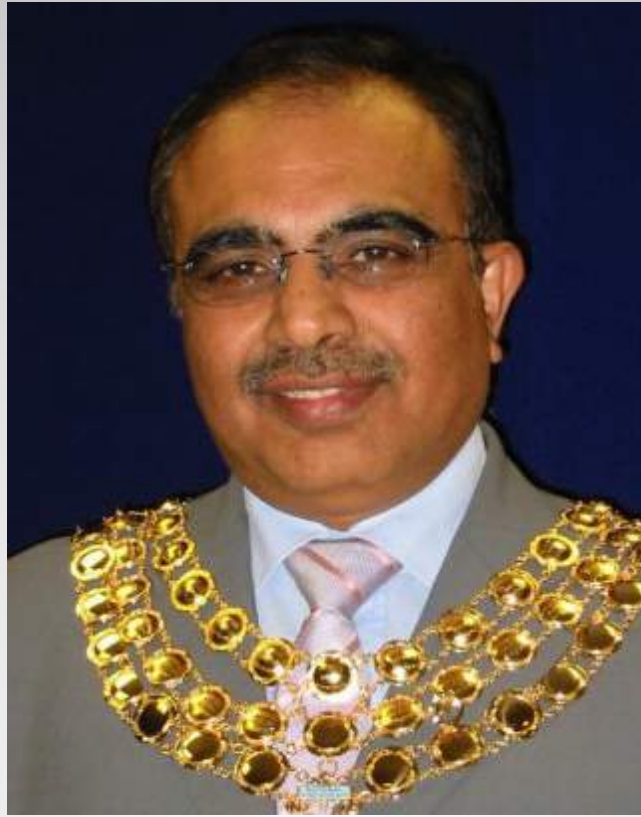


Dr. GAURAV GROVER
Chairman, NDSWA

He is a businessman with a cause. He is a social worker, a philanthropist, an advocate of nature and environmental sustainability, holistic wellness, and ecofriendly luxury consciousness. He holds a Doctorate of Philosophy (PhD) in “Promotion on Initiatives of Social & Corporate Governance” from Sorbon University, Paris, France. He has been working for the social welfare of the community since years — carrying forward the legacy of his late grandfather’s 75 - year old NGO called the New Delhi Social Workers Association (NDSWA), where he is Chairman. NDSWA - The People to People Connect. NDSWA regularly organises various events and promotes initiatives of Government of India and the United Nations and works in tandem with them. He is also the Founder and Chairman of the India Luxury Foundation (ILF), which promotes sustainability and sustainable fabrics across the globe. He has also been supporting underprivileged members of society through various hospitals in Delhi.

He serves as a consultant to many American and European corporate giants investing in and around Asia and he has played host at a series of diplomatic events on a cultural and business-to-business (B2B) level for governments, chambers, and patrons, all of who are support systems for many global communities.

He is well-connected with the who’s who among several influential networks (Government and business chambers) and industries, all of where one can seek his support and help. He has been part of the award-winning team at JRG Hospitality Pvt Ltd (Japanese Restaurant- Guppy) at Lodhi Colony in Delhi. In April 2022, he received the “Bharat Gaurav Samman” for his social initiatives from the House of Lords, Parliament of the United Kingdom. The Lord Loomba, Member of House of Lords (United Kingdom) and Commander of the British Empire (CBE), hosted the evening while celebrating “Azaadi ka Amrit Mahotsav” and 75 years of Indian independence. He had also received the “Times Hospitality Icons Hospitality Entrepreneur of the Year 2021” award from Times of India Group and has been a recipient of many other awards and accolades from the world over.



Mr. MAHENDRASINH C JADEJA (DADA)
International Business
Consultant & Social Activist

Mahendra's motto has always been "to serve". Over the last 3 decades he has dedicated his time to serve the community. A Proud Gujarati and British Community representative, always looking at how the community can lead a more happy and prosperous life to provide a better future for future generations not just in London but across the UK. With BREXIT on the horizon, Mahendra is working tirelessly to further develop and reinforce the ties between the UK and India.

A much-respected community leader, Mahendra is a National Executive Council Member of the National Congress of Gujarati Organisations of the UK (NCGO UK) and served the maximum term as General Secretary for the NCGO UK. As the national organisation which presides over the various regional organisations, responsible in supporting over 800,000 Gujarati origin community members in the UK. From helping with providing guidance in relation to health to the old and infirm, to careers, helping individuals secure employment.

Fundraising for charitable and special causes have always been close to Mahendra and he has both personally and by lobbying to the many community groups Mahendra served. He is proud to have establish fund raising campaigns for great Ormond street children hospital, BAPS Swaminaran, Loomba foundation for widows. In 2001 when the massive earthquake struck Gujarat in India, Mahendra raised funds to aid the relief efforts. The next big effort starts this year in the Summer of 2017 when Mahendra will be driving from London to Delhi in aid of the Loomba foundation which supports widows.



Mr. DARSHAN SINGH GREWAL
BJP VICE president (overseas)
& former mayor of Hounslow

Darshan Grewal, a prominent figure in the political landscape, serves as the Vice President of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Overseas. With a rich history of civic engagement, Grewal previously held the esteemed position of Mayor of Hounslow from 2005 to 2006, leaving an indelible mark on the community. His commitment to public service extends beyond party lines, as evidenced by his tenure as a Labour councillor for the Hounslow Health Ward. Grewal's leadership transcends borders, advocating for the interests of overseas Indians while leveraging his experience in local governance to drive positive change on a global scale. Through his multi-faceted roles, Grewal continues to be a driving force for progress, uniting communities and championing inclusive policies that resonate both locally and internationally.



Mr. DEVENDER TYAGI
Entrepreneur & hotelier

Devinder Tyagi London-based Indian-origin personality has been honoured for his contributions to strengthening the bond between India and the UK and promoting Indian cultural activities throughout the year. He has been actively involved in various initiatives to support the Indian diaspora, the High Commission of India, and the BJP-led government in India.



Dr. MOHAMMAD AMIN
Former Joint Director of
Election Commission of India.

Dr. Mohammad Amin is Former Joint Director of Election Commission of India. He was worked as PS/Ad.PS/APS/Protocol Officer with MOS/Cabinet Ministers Ad. PS to for External Affairs, South Block, New Delhi (2004-2009). Was a member of the Indian Government Haj Goodwill Delegation 2006-II. Special Coordinator for Haj 2006 in Consulate General of India, Jeddah. A.P.S. to Minister of Civil Aviation, Govt. of India, A.P.S. to Minister of Coal, Govt. of India. Human Resource Development, Govt. of India, State for Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India, State for Food Processing Industries, Govt. of India, State for Food & Consumer, Affairs, Govt. of India. Assistant Haj Officer, Jeddah, Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India, A.P.S. to Minister of Rural Areas & Employment, Govt. of India, Personal Assistant to Minister of State for Home Affairs, Govt. of India. At Present Executive Director Governing Council Confluence. President (NRI Ferdration India Chapter)



Mr. MOHAN SINGH VERMA

Ex.metropolitan councilor- Oslo norway convener-
bjp Scandinaviancountries
(Norway,sweden,
Denmark & Finland)

Chairman - Federation of Indian Organizations, Norway
CEO, Scaniabiz A.S., Norway. President, Federation of Indian Organizations, Norway. Ex- Founder
President, Gopio Norway. Ex- 2x Metropolitan Councilor, Oslo, Norway. Ex- Founder President
Immigrants, Party, Norway.



Ms. CRYSTAL DAIVA
Entrepreneur Perfumes and
Swarovski Jewellery Maker

Crystal Daiva- a unique Lithuanian brand from the Great Britain, that allows you to escape the ordinary. An exclusive collection of couture fragrances and jewellery that perfectly capture the exotic essence of Royal Middle East, adorns world celebrities and representatives of the Arabian royal family. Crystal Daiva is proud to cross the continents to connect those with passion for fashion and exquisite taste, Born in Lithuania, Perfected in London, Crafted in Dubai.



Mr. ROBY GASPAR
Fashion Designer

Roby Gaspar Roberto Gaspar, better known as Roby Gaspar, was born on April 30, 1978, in Funchal, studied on the Madeira Island and left for the City of Londrina where he was lucky to be able to work for two of the most luxurious houses in the world of fashion. (Harrods and Harvey-Nichols) then this experience is not intended for this and partiu route to Switzerland for the city of Zurich where you have the privilege of working for great fashion references where you work in the creation and launches of new trends and different styles; Later I was responsible for the looks of various celebrities and worked several years with different artists; After these fantastic experiences Roby Gaspar was hired by an American artist to work solely for her, and one day later he returned to Madeira Island where he also dedicated himself to two of his hobbies linked to fashion and beauty and there he opened his company (Hey -Hair Express Yourself) where they launched many new products and were pioneers in some brands, and reached the goal of publishing in two of the most prestigious magazines, international fashion magazines, where one of them was a magazine layer, and started from there and launched their own collections. Named as Hey Design on the Madeira Island on July 1, 2014, since then its path has been to create various types of fashion, but these have been more commercialized abroad, where during this year it will launch a launch of a avant-garde collection that will be presented in Porto, Spain, Germany and Switzerland. Their shows are most internationally known, always marked by attention to detail and level of characterization. Roby Gaspar promises to continue this path in the world of fashion, learning and risking more and more, demonstrating all his commitment and professionalism.



Ms. ROJA AFROZA

Fashion Designer and Chairman of LORATO.

I have founded LORATO to establish a Bangladeshi brand on a worldwide scale. Our company is well-known throughout the world because of our luxurious designer gowns. In 2013, after completing my Bachelor's Degree in Fashion Designing from London Kings College and University Scotland, I have started working with Curvy Brides as a Fashion Designer in Munich, Germany. Curvy bride is a London based fashion company, who work for the bridal solution starting from their fashion to organizing the entire wedding ceremony.

In curvy brides, I designed gowns for the bride. I mostly designed runaway gowns and ball gowns. Use of feather make my gowns unique and more Exquisite than usual. Every design I do over there has a unique signature, which is tailored for the specific customer. Since 2021, Lorato has been working from Bangladesh to establish the brand in Bangladesh and Europe. During this time, Lorato has successfully organised Fashion Shows fashion shows and product sales in nations like Bangladesh, United Kingdom, Italy, Portugal, Turkey and USA.

We have expanded our business in London in 2022. We intend to open branches in Turkey, Portugal and Dubai soon. We represent a Bangladeshi brand on a global stage. Our goal is to establish this multinational Bangladeshi company as a worldwide brand.

Achievements

- Friends View Star Award- Best Designer of the Year 2021, Bangladesh
- Art and Fashion- International Fashion Designer Award 2021, Italy
- Real Heroes Award- Best International Fashion Designer Award -2021, Bangladesh
- Istanbul Fashion Connection- Best Bangladeshi Fashion Brand Award 2022, Turkey
- Queen's Jubilee Celebration- Best Fashion Designer Award 2022, London



Ms. ALEAH LEIGH WOODS
Owner of Integrity magazine

Aleah Leigh Woods, the Owner and Founder of Integrity Magazine, wears multiple hats as a model mentor, production house crew manager, and seasoned first aider, leveraging over 17 years of extensive experience in the fashion, film, and music industry. Her resonant slogan, "anything can be everything, it's up to you to create it," encapsulates her professional journey that commenced as a junior Olympian with national victories, branching into diverse fields such as modeling, fashion design, music, and film.

Illustrating a profound creative acumen, Aleah upholds her dedication to community service by organizing complimentary workshops for various age groups through Integrity Magazine and Dragon Lady Productions. These workshops serve as a guiding beacon, navigating participants through the intricate realms of fashion, film, and music, with an unwavering commitment to prioritizing safety. Acknowledging the inherent challenges and potential pitfalls within these dynamic industries, Integrity steadfastly offers free advice to parents and adults, ensuring informed decisions and guarding against potential misguidance. Through Integrity, a platform that unites emerging talent with established artists worldwide, Aleah continues to foster collaboration and innovation within the creative sphere.



Ms. NINA NAUSTDAL
Entrepreneur, Fashion Icon & Model

Nina is a global renown and recognised award winning entrepreneur and fashion Icon. She has been awarded 9 awards for her business and as a business woman over the past 10 years. The most recent one was; Most Inspirational Business Woman and Fashion House Of The Year 2020 by Business Awards in partnership with The Times. They award the most ambitious business leaders who inspire to success.

Born in Norway and residing in London, Nina is a well recognised face in the media and on the red carpet around the world. She attributes her high-performance business mindset to her early years as an elite athlete, competing for Norway on the European athletics circuit. She is a proud mother of 3 children and a philanthropist. Nina is known for her star studded fashion shows around the world and for building a business from an idea to its financial goals.

She is used to dealing with businesses on the highest level like royals, celebrities and the top elite. As the CEO of Nina Naustdal LTD and entering the cinema and the music industry, Nina aims to bring an incisive commercial acumen a unique contact base. Above all a sincere passion for humanitarian development is the core of her business.



Mr. JAIME CORREIA

Aesthetics specialises in non-invasive aesthetics treatments, fillers, skincare and cellulite removal.

Jaime Correia Aesthetics was founded by aesthetic practitioner Jaime Correia, who has over 14 years of experience in the aesthetics industry. With years of practice, he decided to establish his own clinic where he can offer the best treatments for his clients.

Jaime founded his clinic to help those who want a little bit of change in their appearance or keeping their youthful looks. His clinic is dedicated to providing a confidential, individualised, professional, quality and friendly service to all of his clients. With the high demand and popularity of aesthetics,

Jaime gained a list of trusted clients, including celebrities within the UK as well as abroad. He provides his customers with treatments as well as aftercare and continuous contact. are based in Manchester, and cover the whole North West with our mobile service. Jaime is also one of the main aesthetic tutors for a well known north west aesthetics academy. Jaime has shared his expertise & guidance with now qualified students all over the UK.

With Jaime Correia Aesthetics, you are guaranteed five star treatments that will leave you feeling more confident than ever before.



PADMA SHRI. MAHABIR SINGH GUDDU
Haryanvi Folk Artist

Mahabir Guddu is a multitalented traditional folk artist from Haryana. He started performing on stage during his college days. In these last five decades Mahabir Guddu has brightened the Haryanvi Culture worldwide. He has been awarded for the title “Haryana Icon” and “Haryan Gaurav” on international stage in England. Mahabir Guddu is a simple man who is well attached to art and culture of Haryana. The songs of Mahabir are very popular everywhere and appreciated by all. He really connects to the people by heart through his appealing voice when he is on stage. Now the youth of Haryana are inspired and motivated by his multifaceted personality and most of them are following his footsteps.



Ms. RAGASUDHA VINJAMURI
Founder, Sanskruti Centre For
Cultural Excellence

Ragasudha Vinjamuri is currently Associate Lecturer at the University of Sunderland in London. Disciple of Guru Dr. Uma Ramarao in Hyderabad, Ragasudha has made substantial contributions to Art, Culture and Heritage scene in the UK beyond her usual job of a university educator, and has been appreciated and awarded for the same. She has carved a niche for herself and broken barriers in taking Indian dancing to a variety of subjects and occasions and used dance as a tool to create awareness on several matters of social and cultural importance. She initiated "Jalaanjali" for spreading awareness about water management and has been holding panel discussions on the subject at the Houses of British Parliament. She has been actively highlighting folk/tribal dance forms of India, lesser-seen and lesser-known in Britain and has showcased rare dances from Arunachal Pradesh (Miji and Nyishi), Telangana (Mathuri), Manipur (Rongmei), Meghalaya (Garo), Chhattisgarh (Gabar), Ladakh (Shondol) for the first time on British soil. She, through her Sanskruti Centre for Cultural Excellence, has also been instrumental in promoting linguistic diversity of India, highlighting different languages including Maithili, Bishnupriya Manipuri, Saurashtra, to name a few.



Ms. RADHIKA VEKARIA
International World Music Artist

Radhika Vekaria's journey is a harmonious blend of her diverse cultural heritage and her unwavering passion for music. Named after Radha, the Vedic symbol of love and devotion, Radhika embodies these qualities in her personal and artistic pursuits. Hailing from a rich tapestry of Indian, East African, and British roots, Radhika's music reflects the vibrant mosaic of her upbringing. Influenced profoundly by the strong, free-spirited women in her life—her mother, grandmothers, and her father, a connoisseur of classical Indian music—Radhika's musical odyssey began in infancy. Her career soared as she took center stage in Franco Dragone's illustrious production "INDIA" in Germany, collaborating closely with industry luminaries like Brian Burke, known for his work on "America's Got Talent" and productions in Las Vegas. Radhika's repertoire spans from Peter Gabriel to A. R. Rahman, showcasing her versatility and mastery of phonetically intricate compositions in Tamil, Hindi, and Bengali.

Immersed in the world of Eastern music, Radhika's journey led her to the United States, where she honed her craft at the esteemed Ali Akbar Khan College of Music. Today, she resides in Los Angeles, where she infuses her music with the wisdom of ancient Sanskrit narratives, blending tradition with innovation. As an award-winning multi-instrumentalist and sensory artist, Radhika creates transformative experiences for her audience, transcending boundaries of time and culture. Collaborating with Grammy-nominated producer George Landress, she redefines the perception of ancient music, her soulful voice serving as a conduit to unite hearts and minds. Radhika's influence extends far beyond the stage, as she reaches over 100,000 listeners worldwide with her moon and mantra meditations. Her performances at prestigious events like the Summer Gala for the International Center for Missing and Exploited Children in New York and her historic appearance as the first-ever mantra artist at SXSW (the world's largest music and entertainment conference) attest to her global impact.



Dr. KAMLA KAUSHIK
Folk Performer

I am Dr. Kamla Kaushik working in Baba Mast Nath University Rohatak Haryana as Professor 10 Students are doing PH D under my supervision. I am retired professor from Delhi University Satyawati College Delhi. I have written 21 books in Bhasha Vigyan and Lok Sahitya. I am Folk Singer & Stage Performer for the last 20 Years. I am performing in Ramleela as Koushlya, Mandodari, Parvati etc for the last 20 years in various stages in Delhi and outside Delhi.

**Mr. JOSH MORELAND**

International recording artist,
writer and performer

Josh Moreland is an International recording artist, writer and performer, whose tour and opening show collaborations include acts such as Jason Derulo, Stevie Wonder, Charlie Puth, Rick Ross, Ludacris and Far East Movement. Moreland's most recent tour was in South Korea on Jeju Island, which he held a residency for 7 months equalling to 182 Shows for the duration. Moreland's sound and performance have been referenced to Imagine Dragons, John Legend, and Kanye West. His fan base stretches across the U.S., Canada, Eastern Asia and Europe with international tour performances and residencies.



Mr. VISHAL SRIVASTAV

Singer

As a Passionate and talented singer, Vishal Shrivastav, was raised in the bustling city of new Delhi. India, with ancestral roots tracing back to Kanpur. Life in the slum during his formative years was not easy. Especially after losing my mother at a young age. However, his Father and Friends were his pillars of support, and even in those early days. He Found solace in his deep love for singing. I always dream of standing on a stage and sharing his voice with the world. Adverse Family conditions pushed him to take up petty jobs to make ends meet, and for a decade, he navigated the busy streets of new Delhi driving a hand rickshaw. Little did he Know that this ordinary autorickshaw ride to drop a passenger in Noida in 2011 would turn out to be the turning point of his life. There, he stumbled upon the audition in X factor India. Now he is a Great Singer and his latest song is Jai Shri Ram lala of Political War & the the other one is Ram lala A gaye with Anuradha podwal Tweeted by Modi ji.



Mr. SANDIP SOPARRKAR

Dancer, Bollywood Choreographer & Actor.

Sandip Soparrkar is a world renowned Indian Latin and ballroom dancer, Bollywood choreographer, actor, columnist, Philanthropist, Dance Reality Show judge, Radio Jockey and a Ted X speaker, who holds a doctorate in World Mythology Folklore from Pacifica Graduate Institute United States and also an Honorary Doctorate in Performing arts from The National American University. He has been honoured with 3 National Excellence Awards and 1 National Achievement Award by the Government of India, he is also the recipient of the Rabindranath Tagore Literary Prize for Social Achievement and the prestigious Bharat Gaurav Samaan given by the Ministry of Culture at The House of Lords, London, UK. He is also a recipient of the Prestigious Shakti Samman given to him in form of a Sword by the Ministry of Culture, Government of India. The renowned 'Dance Today' Magazine, USA, rates Sandip as one of the '100 most influential dancers in the world'. He has also been crowned as the 'King of Art4Peace' by the Art4Peace Organisation, Beverly Hill, USA

**Dr. VAISHALI SANJEEV CHAUDHARY**

Chief Consultant Anaesthesiologist Chaudhary Hospital n
post graduate institute of orthopaedics Nagpur

Gold medal in Anaesthesia Trained Bharatnatyam performer.Has managed more than 50000 high risk,-
complex orthopaedic and other specialty surgeries with great conviction n ease .Having expertise in
Regional Anaesthesia as an area of great interest.Performed very vital role in management of covid vacci-
nation center at Chaudhary Hospital in very tough catastrophic corona virus phase.Social Activities-Or-
ganised various health check up camps and educational programs in rural areas.part of HEATCO project
for postmenopausal women. Yearly giving exemplary services in advanced Laparoscopic surgery camps
at Lok Biradari prakalp at Hemalkasa Bhamaragadh.

**Mr. FRANCIS CARDOSO**

Choreographer Dancer
singer actor model

Francis Cardoso is a true Renaissance talent, excelling in multiple creative disciplines as a choreographer, dancer, singer, actor, and model. As the CEO of Madeira Fashion Weekend, he brings innovation and flair to the fashion industry, showcasing his unique vision and expertise. With a passion for dance education, Cardoso also serves as a dance teacher at the prestigious Pineapple Dance Studios in the UK, inspiring the next generation of performers with his knowledge and skill. His remarkable journey in the spotlight includes memorable appearances as a semifinalist on Britain's Got Talent in 2010 and as a contestant on X Factor UK in 2011. Additionally, he showcased his culinary talents on Come Dine with Me Couples UK, demonstrating his versatility both on and off the stage. Cardoso's international career began at the young age of 14, and he has since traveled the world, leaving a trail of achievements and awards in his wake, from Dubai to Portugal to the UK. With an impressive array of accomplishments under his belt, Cardoso continues to captivate audiences with his boundless creativity and passion for the arts.

**Ms. SIMRAN AHUJA**

Ms. India, Actress,
International Celebrity Anchor,
Cultural Ambassador of Folk Dance.

Simran Ahuja is a fashionista, titled Ms. MWI International 2022 at Chicago, USA.. Multifaceted magnificence in so many immeasurable endeavours as an Actress, TV Talk Show Host, Global Emcee, International Celebrity, a Folk Dance Icon, an illustrious Author, Cultural Designer, and now receiving accolades as the lead Actress of the Film 'Simran'..She's qualified Masters in Finance with First Grade, and Doctorate in Naturopathy with first grade, and is famous for her 108 Suryanamaskaras along with Chanting, where 2,00,000 beautiful Souls joined her on Facebook from across the World.. She is known as 'Soulful Simran', Join her at UK and USA for the Bharat Mahotsav by the world renowned 'Confluence'..



Ms. RINA DHAKA

International Fashion Designer

Rina Dhaka is a fashion designer and entrepreneur, who made a promising entry in the Indian fashion scene around late eighties, and from there on she became one of the most creative and dynamic fashion designers India has ever witnessed. She has been a dreamer ever since her childhood and this has translated into her style of work. After completing her graduation, she did a training project with Intercraft and also trained under Evan Grandhal. She had opened up a salwar kameez boutique for one of her friends. It was also around this time that Mutiny and Ensemble were coming up as fashion houses. Rina started designing for these fashion houses and her designs were well received by the people. Today she is referred as the Gautier of the East by BBC, perfectly apt for her innovative and in depth research based collections. She is the fashion crusader of combining traditional Indian garments with 20th century modern fabrics like Lycra and jersey. She is best known for stand out elements of a collection, western wear remains an area of dominance though she also designs ethnic and conventional ensembles.



Ms. SMITA SHRIVASTAV
Fashion Designer

“A premium collection of New India Products“

Banaras is considered to be one of the oldest city and very much popular for Silk fabrics of unique designs. It has powerful force of skilled weavers of handlooms to produce intricate design on fabrics Banarasi silk is a great example of magnificent artistry. Banarasi silk fabric is a fine quality silk variant originating from Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh. Banarasi silk has its roots deep in the rich history of India. Saree woven from silk is known as Banarasi silk Saree, which is an extremely famous fabric all over India and the world. Originally designed for royalty, Banarasi fabric was designed with pure gold and silver threads, taking more than a year to make Being a confluence of diverse cultures, India has absorbed different styles of clothing and fashion from across the world. Indians have a unique advantage with regard to fashion accessories. We do not have to worry about whether our accessories go with our dress or keep up with the current trends in the fashion world. All we have to do is adapt our traditional accessories to go with our attire! And ta-da! You will be standing out of the crowd.

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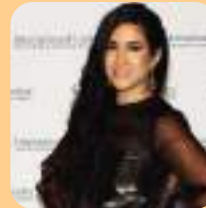
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Shovana Narayan
Indian Kathak dancer



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DR. MAHABIR SINGH GUDDU
President Awardee in Folk Art
and Culture. Singer, Performer,
Folk Art, Add. Dir- Haryana
Kala Parishad.



Radhika Vekaria
Musical artist



Sandeep Soparkar
Dancer, Actor,
Bollywood Choreographer



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16TH FEBRUARY 2024

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'SWADESHI MANCH' (Cultural Performances)
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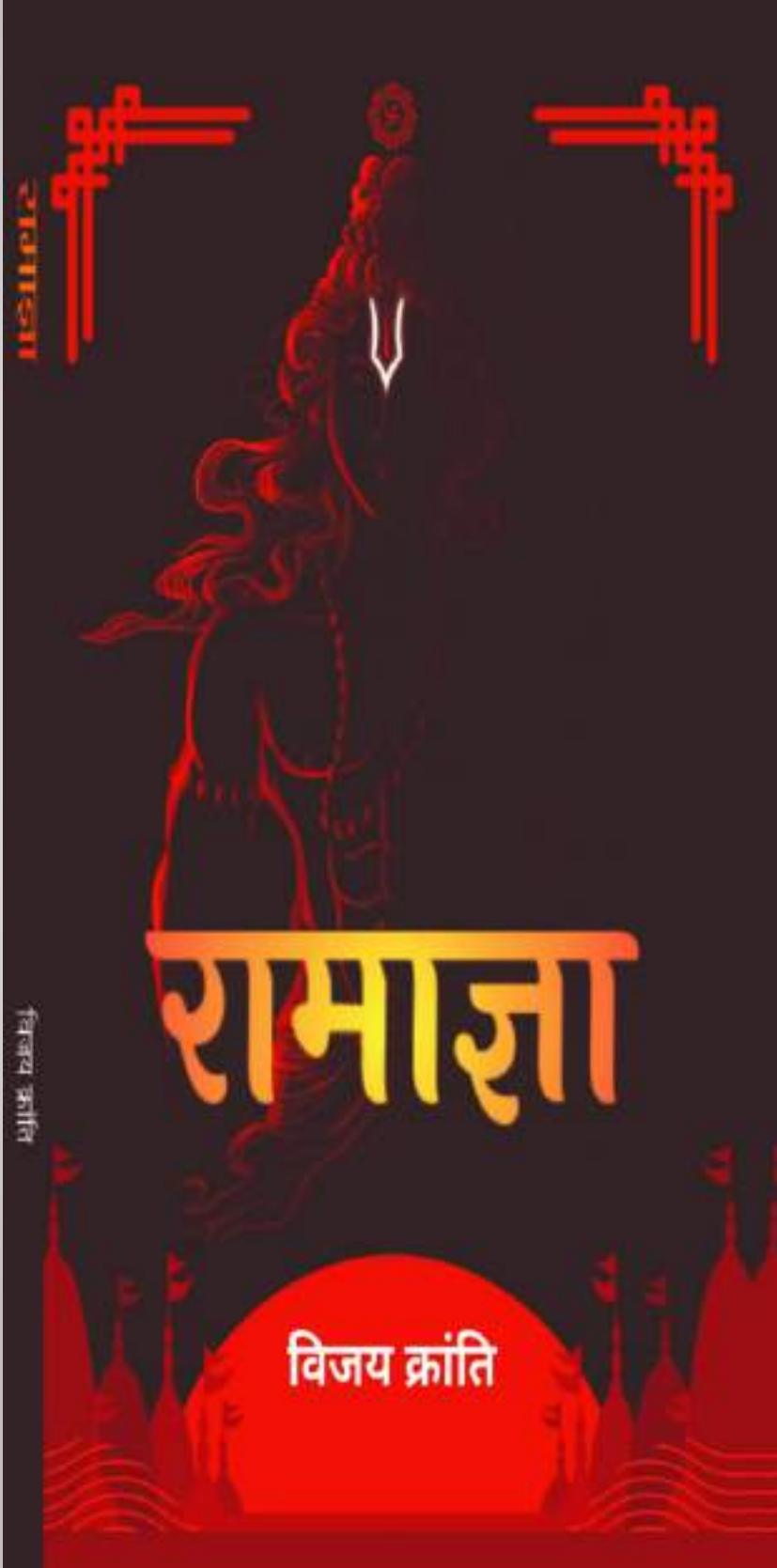
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VIJAY SRIVASTAVA



Vijay Kranti

.Name : Vijay Kumar Srivastava

Birth Place : Varanasi

Education : Science Graduate , PGDBA ,
POORWANCHAL UNIVERSITY

LAND OF ACTION: NOIDA, DELHI
(SELF EMPLOYED)

HOBBY : ART/ POETRY

AWARDS & ACCOLADES:

BHARAT GOURAV SAMMAN

(BHARAT MAHOTSAV CONFLUENCE)

Vijay Kranti, the junior son of an ordinary family and highly cultured parents, was born in Mangari block (Babatpur) of Banaras.

He Had great interest in art and poem writing since childhood. In the absence of stage and coincidence, poems also continued to look for the path of stage and coincidence.

Some of works on Country , Society and Some historical pages which have been written but are yet to be threaded into a necklace. Nothing is possible without God's will. "Ramagya" is his first book, The essence of Ramayana has been poeticized in his own style. Attention of all you readers is requested.

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 व्यथा ! कैकेई लालसा ।
 निःस्तब्ध ! वात्सल्य वर्ष चौदह,
 विरह वियोग उर्मिला ।
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 मित्रता प्रमाणित रामायण ।
 नहीं पल, विहंगावलोकन !
 विश्राम पल, प्रेम शबरी ।
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 प्रणाम ! रामायण कथा ॥

MYRA GROVER



Myra Grover is a student at the University of Manchester, United Kingdom and pursuing a degree in Liberal Arts. She belongs to a generation of proactive change-makers for whom the personal is the political and the political is the personal. As one of the youngest members of the New Delhi Social Workers Association as well as the India Luxury Foundation, Myra has actively campaigned for the eradication of single-use plastic as well as the furthering of several sustainable practices in fashion and the environment. Yet, what defines her is the way she puts her heart and soul and emotion into every cause that she works towards implementing — be it civic welfare or our mental health or our holistic wellbeing. This blend between the personal and the professional is what is the real essence of today's youth.



Ms. ARUSHI SHRIVASTAV
Co- president queen
Mary Indian Society.

Arushi Shrivastav is a 20 year old student who completed her A-levels for education. She aspires to become a doctor in future. Arushi has done classical dance “kathak” for 5 years and has participated in many dance events and competitions throughout. She also has professional training in Indian vocal for 3 years and has participated in various events and school functions. Arushi also knows how to play the Violin, she has played in orchestras for three consecutive years. In sports Arushi has diligently played Lawn Tennis for 5 straight years and was in the school Basketball team as well. She has always had a passion for helping people in need, Arushi has done community service for 60 hours in India throughout her summer vacations. Arushi has also participated in every olympiads asset test and national science test in her school, she even got merit in science asset test. Arushi is also inclined towards the art field, she makes extraordinary paintings and sketches, her paintings and best out of waste sculptures were portrayed in her school exhibition.



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