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Jagdeesh Chandra with the poster of First Miss India 2021 and First Miss India Teen. Also seen are (L-R) Ashok Raj Singh, Poonam Chauhan, Dimple Patel, Megha Sachdeva, Pratika Sood, Varsha Jaswani, Muskan Awasthi, Krithika Nair, Neeleshwari Basak, Gaurav Gaur, Tapas Das, Neeraj Pradhan, Mohit Behl, Rajdeep Chauhan, Arpit and Dr Maulik Shah



Dimple Patel

DELHI AUDITIONS

THE SEARCH BEGINS...

# FIRST MISS INDIA 2021

THE MUCH-AWAITED AUDITIONS OF FIRST MISS INDIA AND FIRST MISS INDIA

TEEN 2021 TOOK PLACE ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 AT HOTEL HOLIDAY INN, DELHI!



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The Delhi audition of the all India beauty pageant- First Miss India and First Miss India Teen 2021 was held on Sunday, September 5 at Holiday Inn, Mayur Vihar, New Delhi. More than 175 ravishing beauties from the Delhi NCR region participated in the audition with full enthusiasm and impressed the jury with their talent. A biosecure bubble was maintained to follow the covid protocols and ensure the safety of all.

Jagdeesh Chandra graced the occasion as the Chief Guest and motivated the participants. He added, "The show must go on! Every life event is the beginning and not the end."

Shweta Sharma, special correspondent of First India and CEO Humabooks; Megha Sachdeva, Miss Diva Universe Finalist and mentor of First Miss India; Pratika Sood, Renowned Anchor, Social media activist & traveller and designer Timsy Dhawan Ghai were the guest of honour for the event while the jury panel consisted of Dimple Patel (Miss India Globe, celebrity judge, pageant trainer and supermodel), Pallab Bose (Show host, event moderator and public speaking expert), Neeleshwari Basak (Director WIGP- Worldwide Institute of Grooming and pageants), Aziz (Founder Delhi Runway week) and Timsy Dhawan Ghai (designer and brand owner- RTR).

Many renowned personalities from the fashion industry like Neeraj Pradhan, Chairman Firoz Foundation; supermodel and mentor Muskan Awasthi and Varsha Jaswani, Robin Shrivastava (founder NG Production and talent associate of First Miss India), Creator's crew- MD and talent associate of First Miss India, Arpit; Director of Zee Music Delhi, Rituraj; Director DCT model management and fashion magazine, Tapas Das and supermodels and influencers Anmol Solanki, Shubhi Agarwal, Krithika



Poonam Singh and Timsy Dhawan



(L-R) Pratika Sood, Neeleshwari Basak and Megha Sachdeva



(L-R) Mohit Behl, Mrs Behl and Neeraj Pradhan

Nair, Ridhima, Baani Chitkara, Anushka Saxena, Heenakshi attended the glamorous event as special guests.

The event was successfully managed by the core team members Ashok Raj Singh, Gaurav Gaur and Dr Maulik Shah. After a large number of registrations and great response for the Delhi auditions, the organisation is all set to conduct auditions in Jaipur (September 19), Chandigarh (September 22), Kolkata (October 8) and Mumbai (October 10) to select the top 30 girls from all over India who will compete for the coveted title and the crown of First Miss India in the grand finale which will be held in Goa on October 30. The winner of First Miss India will get a cash prize of Rs 5 Lakh, while the 1st and 2nd runner up will get 2.51 lakh and 1.51 lakh respectively. On the other hand, the winner, 1st runner up and 2nd runner up of First Miss India Teen will get a cash prize of Rs 2.51 lakh, 1.51 lakh and 1 lakh respectively. Not only this, but they will also get a chance to represent India in the international beauty pageants.

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Anticlockwise: Varsha Jaswani, Megha Sachdeva, Muskan Awasthi and Shubhi Agarwal

City view from the terrace of the Haveli

# The magnificent Nawab Saheb Ki Haveli:

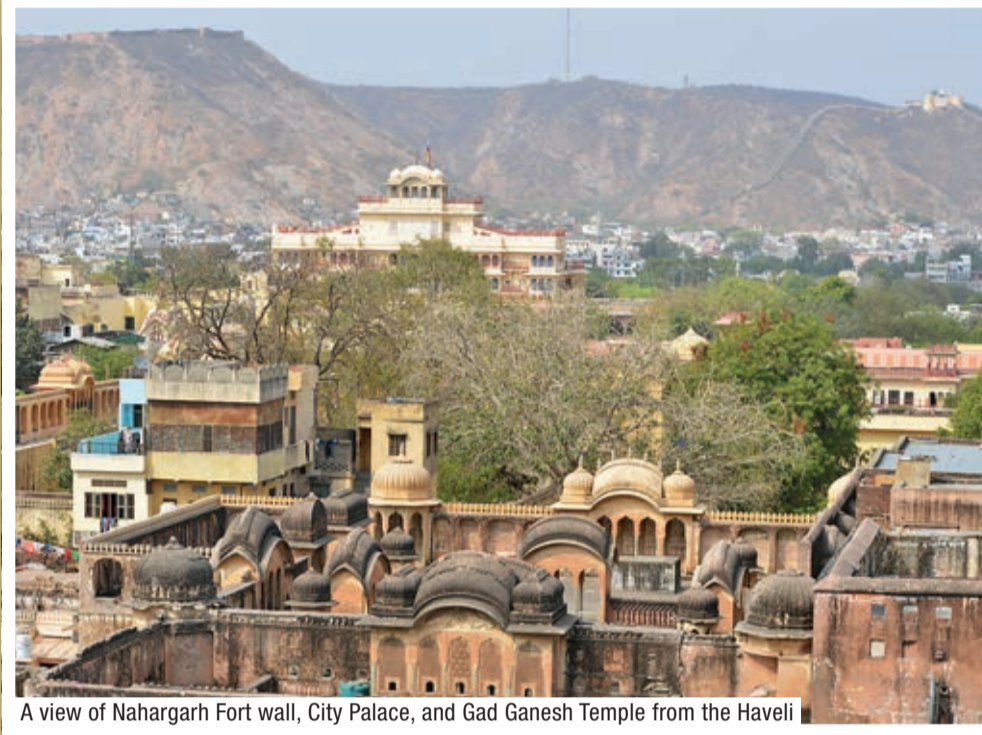


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# MIRROR OF PINK CITY

Over 40 Television teams from various countries and reporters have captured various tones of Jaipur from Nawab Saheb Ki Haveli. The famous photographer Raghu Rai has included photographs of 'Nawab Saheb Ki Haveli' in his internationally acclaimed book 'Dreams of India'. Likewise, seeing the popularity of the Haveli, National Geographic Channel also featured a series on it. India's former President Gyani Zail Singh and many other national international dignitaries visited the place.

Just as the Mughal Emperor Alauddin Khilji glimpsed the immensely beautiful Maharani Padmini through a mirror, the picturesque beauty of the entire walled city of Jaipur can be seen through rectangular shaped mirrors installed at the internationally renowned 18th-century Nawab Saheb Ki Haveli at Tripoliya Bazar near City Palace in Jaipur. Triloki Das Khandelwal, owner of 'Nawab Sahab ki Haveli' was quite old when I visited the Haveli and met him. He enthusiastically climbed the stairs of the



A view of Nahargarh Fort wall, City Palace, and Gad Ganesh Temple from the Haveli



Outer view of the Nawab Saheb Ki Haveli from the main street

## HISTORY

In 1987, this Haveli was included as the fifth top tourist spot of Jaipur in the guide books of the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, and Government of Rajasthan. This tallest mansion located at the heart of the city was constructed in the 18th century as the abode of Sawai Maharaja Jai Singh Ji's Minister and Chief Architect Vidyadhar Bhattacharya. Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh had decided to build Jaipur as the new capital for Rajasthan. So, the sole reason for building such a gigantic Haveli in the core of the city was to oversee the entire construction and development work of the city from one place. The haveli passed on from Maharaja Jai Singh to Maharaja Jagat Singh and from him to Maharaja Ram Singh II. Then he presented it to his Prime Minister Nawab Sir Faiz Ali Khan. Khan beautified the Haveli with big halls and gold paintings. The Haveli passed on to his descendants and as the last one, Mohammed Mukarrum did not have any son, it was again acquired by the Jaipur dynasty.



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Anubha Jain and Trilokidas Khandelwal

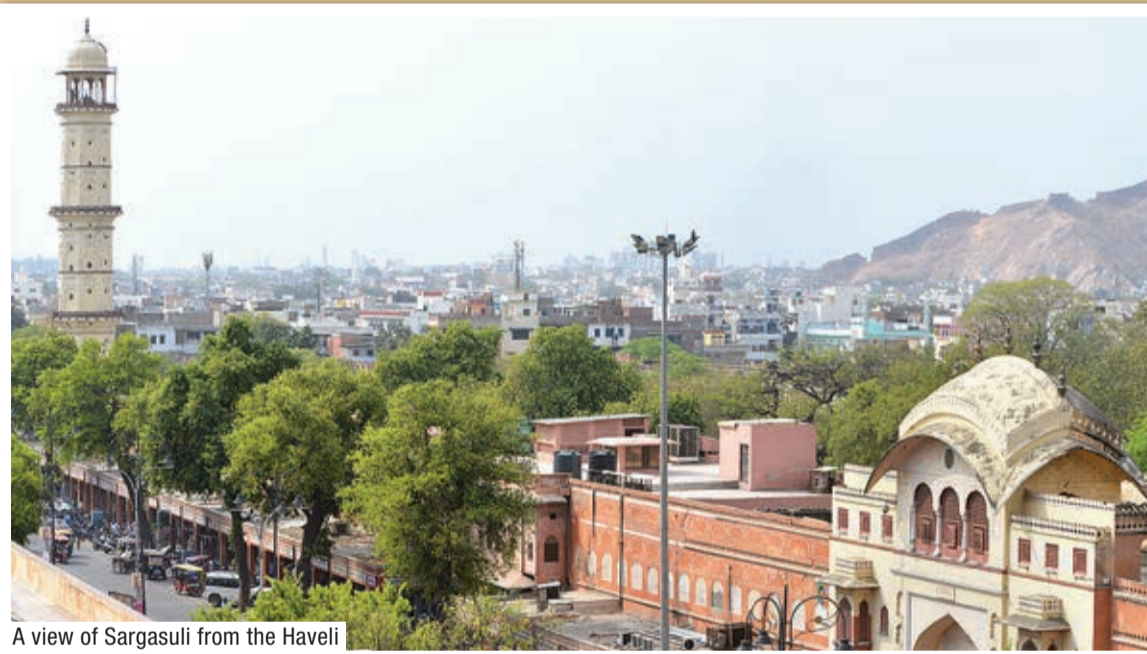
haveli and took me to the roof to show a panoramic view of the pink city. I witnessed this incredible sight and spotted about 25 historic monuments and places of Jaipur through the two mirrors on the terrace.

In the year 1958, Jaipur's renowned Iron ore businessman Trilokidas Khandelwal acquired the haveli in an auction. The Haveli has about 50 owners but the best portion of the Haveli where Chief Archi-

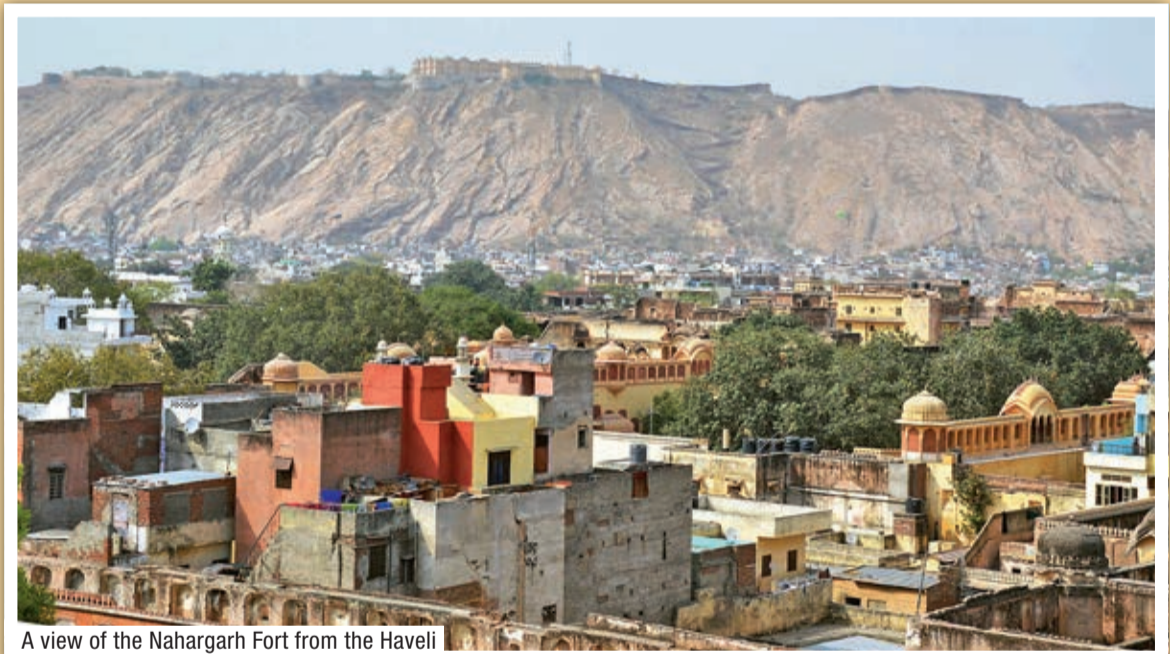
tect Vidyadhar stayed was with Khandelwal.

Through his imagination, Khandelwal installed two rectangular-shaped mirrors in 1983 on each end at Haveli's terrace. These mirrors can rotate 90 degrees and one can see almost every fort and other archaeological beauties of Jaipur like Pink City's crown Nahargarh Fort, Gad Ganesh, Jal mahal, Jantar Mantar, Hawa Mahal's front view, Huge cen-

otaph of Chandra Mahal, Sargasuli, Sawai Mansingh Town Hall, Jaigarh Fort, Albert Hall, Moti Doongri Ganesh Temple, and Birla Temple with other sky-high buildings of the city. Khandelwal who died in 2019 opened this place for tourists. People get a panoramic view of the city, its colourful markets, monuments, and roads with surroundings of hills, forts, and temples from this haveli.



A view of Sargasuli from the Haveli



A view of the Nahargarh Fort from the Haveli

**FACE OF THE DAY**

**PRIYANKA KHERA, Actor**

**YOUR DAY**  
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**ARIES**  
MAR 21 - APR 20  
Praise of a family member by someone will make you proud. Getting unwell due to changing weather cannot be ruled out for some. You may need to monitor your finances closely. You are likely to win the day on the professional front by your original ideas.

**LEO**  
JULY 24 - AUGUST 23  
A new health routine may start giving health benefits right away. You get well with a new acquaintance. Opportunities to further your career will come only if you make efforts. Self-discipline may help you achieve peak physical fitness. Financial scene is likely to stabilise.

**SAGITTARIUS**  
NOV 23 - DEC 22  
Positive steps may be required to be taken to restore perfect health. It will be in your interest to speed up a financial transaction. You will come out with flying colours in a competitive situation on the academic front. Appreciation on the professional front will make you happy.

**TAURUS**  
APR 21 - MAY 20  
Some of you may feel the home environment serene and restful. There is a fair chance of some property getting allotted to you. Good opportunities are likely to appear on the academic front. Good health is assured through own efforts. Healthy bank balance will help you.

**VIRGO**  
AUG 24 - SEP 23  
Things are likely to move favourably on the professional front. Health may become a concern. You will need to muster all your persuasive powers to swing a deal in your favour. Good negotiating skills are likely to bring a lucrative deal within your grasp professionally.

**CAPRICORN**  
DEC 23 - JAN 20  
Getting quality time at home will help in focussing on activities that appeal to you. Your efforts at work will be richly rewarded by getting noticed by those who matter. A balanced diet will be the first step in achieving good health, so stick to it. Help people out as much as you can.

**GEMINI**  
MAY 21 - JUNE 21  
You may find it difficult to convince a family member regarding something you want to achieve. Clarity of mind and retentive power will help you forge ahead on the academic front. Some of you can safely say goodbye to depression, as positivity enters your life once again.

**LIBRA**  
SEPT 24 - OCTOBER 22  
Your initiative will help mend fences with someone you were not in talking terms. Academic pursuits will be fruitful. Taking up a regular fitness routine will help you get into shape. Increase in household expenditure is possible, so take all steps to cut it down.

**AQUARIUS**  
JAN 21 - FEB 19  
Someone close may pay you a visit and brighten your day. You will get the opportunity to acquire new property at a good price. Health may become a concern. Think twice before investing in anything big. A healthy debate with someone in the known is likely to open up your mind.

**CANCER**  
JUNE 22 - JULY 23  
Your performance may leave you feeling good today on professional or academic front. A diet plan adopted recently will suit your system well. Maintain confidentiality regarding a property deal being negotiated by you. A chance for an outing with lover finally arrives.

**SCORPIO**  
OCT 23 - NOVEMBER 22  
A new plot, house or apartment can be acquired by some. Be more assertive in dealing with workplace issues, otherwise you can be taken for granted by others. Joining an online exercise routine is indicated and will prove beneficial. Luck favours you on the academic front.

**PISCES**  
FEB 20 - MARCH 20  
Do not misunderstand the motives of someone trying to help you. A friendly bet with a friend or a colleague may turn into a fight, so be careful. Will power, will be your key to remain in shape. An exciting time lies ahead as travelling with friends is foreseen. You are set to grow professionally.



# THE WOMAN OF MANY SHADES

Radhika Apte



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**C**andidly known as the Netflix girl, Radhika Apte celebrates her birthday today! We have admired her for her bold and strong character.

Radhika rose to fame with Badlapur, Hunterr and Manjhi-The Mountain Man. She isn't just an epitome of beauty, but, also an actress who tirelessly works one pro-

ject after another.

Her road to success hasn't been easy. She had to climb her way in order to get roles from which she was very often rejected. The actress

took a break from acting and learnt communication and ballet in London and came back with a surge of positivity. Since then, she hasn't lost her spirit.

One of her groundbreaking characters was Lajjo from the movie women-centric movie Parched. She was also seen in the English drama film, A Call to Spy.

She continues to astound her audience with her bold looks. A mystery in the making, Radhika has a long way to go. City First wishes her the best on this day!

## PUSHING THE LIMITS



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**A**ctor Samir Soni went above and beyond to justify his role in ALT-Balaji's most exciting show, Cartel, by eating a live octopus. Samir, who has been in the industry for a long time, has been known for his professional-

ism. He plays Dorabji, a business tycoon who is cunning, manipulative and outright evil. To prove the viciousness of the character Samir had a scene in the show where he had to eat a live octopus. He believed it was an essential scene and didn't shy away from doing that.

Samir said while recalling the entire experience, "I hate seafood and eating a live octopus! But it was a must for the character to show how heartless, vicious and villainous Dorabji is." ALTBalaji's upcoming drama Cartel with an ensemble cast of 137 actors is set in present-day Mumbai. It takes the viewers through the journey of 5 crime lords.



Mark Ronson's post

## The Greatest Year

**M**usician Mark Ronson is now married to Oscar-winning actress Meryl Streep's daughter Grace Gummer. The 'Uptown Funk' hitmaker, who confirmed his engagement to Streep's daughter in June, took to Instagram to share a picture from the couple's wedding ceremony. Ronson wrote a note alongside a black-and-white photograph of the newlyweds.

—Agency

# transcendental MEDITATION

**O**scar-winning actress Penelope Cruz uses transcendental meditation to minimise stress and face life struggles. The Spanish star first experimented with meditation when she was a teenager but she started taking it seriously to decompress from her film sets and to ease any worries she may have. Cruz said: "I practiced meditation as a teenager, I stopped for a while, then I took the transcendental meditation courses and I chose to dedicate myself to it." The actress, who has two children, son Leo and daughter Luna, with actor husband Javier Bardem, is always busy with her career and family and wants to devote herself as much as she can to her children.

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Penelope Cruz

## A HUGE LOSS

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**Y**aariyaan actor Himansh Kohli is among several people who found it hard to process Sidharth Shukla's untimely demise. He says that his death made him rethink all his long-term planning, "I don't think words can ever express the pain each one of us felt when we heard about the untimely demise of the National TV heart-throb, Sidharth Shukla. I didn't know him personally, but still, deep down I am deeply affected by this tragic news and I can't deny how much it made me rethink all my long-term planning."



Himansh Kohli

## SAD DEMISE



Late Sarah Harding



Late Rickie Lee Reynolds

**A**bright shining light from the music industry, Sarah Harding's passed away at the age of 39 from breast cancer. The 'Girls Aloud' singer had been battling breast cancer and lost her fight Sunday, TMZ confirmed on Wednesday. Sarah's mother in a statement informed the sad news. "It's with deep heartbreak that today I'm sharing the news that my beautiful daughter Sarah has sadly passed away.," her statement read.

Rickie Lee Reynolds, the guitarist for rock band Black Oak Arkansas, has died at 72. Reynolds' daughter, Amber Lee, confirmed the news of his death on Facebook.

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## Music Video Released



During the event

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**C**omposer and singer Chand Sadhwani has released her music video - HARI BOL that is dedicated to millions of Lord Krishna fans and bhajan lovers all over the world. Chand has been featured along with Bhajan Samrat Shree Anup Jaloti who has taken the music video to the higher levels of divine spirituality and peaceful rhythm. Apart from the chief guest Anup Jalota, the music video launch was graced by music directors Dilip Sen and Rajesh Srivastava.

## Indian Marvel fans rejoice!

**A**fter Black Widow and Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings' release, the highly-awaited third MCU Phase 4 movie, Eternals, finally has a confirmed release date in India. The Chloé Zhao directorial is slated to release on Diwali, i.e. November 5, which is the same day it comes out in the US. Interestingly, Eternals will be available in India in English, Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Kannada and Malayalam. Eternals' power-packed ensemble is headlined by Angelina Jolie as the fierce warrior Thena, Richard Madden as the all-powerful Ikaris, Kit Harrington among others.



Kit Harrington

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Angelina Jolie

## Electrifying Rural India

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**H**ero Electric, India's largest EV two-wheeler company today announced its collaboration with Wheels EMI Private Limited to offer easy financing options for the purchase of elec-

tric two-wheelers in India.

Hero Electric currently sells over 10,000 two-wheelers every month, of which 40% comes from rural pockets of India. With this partnership, the company expects a rise in sales and is projected to double them over last year by 2021. Elaborating on Hero

Electric's latest two-wheeler retail finance partnership Sohinder Gill-CEO, Hero Electric said, "Over the last few weeks, the awareness and demand for electric two-wheelers has been at its peak. The reasons could be varying, ranging from the revised FAME II & state policies."



HAPPY B'DAY!



The birthday of IAS Subir Kumar, IAS Kumari Renu Jaipal, IPS Dinesh MN and IPS Jai Yadav was on Monday, September 6. We wish them all the best!

# MISS INTERCONTINENTAL INDIA 2021



Yogesh Mishra, Mittali Kaur and Nimisha Mishra



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**M**ittali Kaur has made Rajasthan proud of her by winning the title of Miss Intercontinental India 2021, organised by Belle File India and Fusion Group on September 5. She will be representing India in Egypt in the grand finale of Miss Intercontinental. Yogesh Mishra, Gaurav Jetli and GK Agarwal crowned Mittali Kaur in the interview round of Miss Rajasthan 2021 at Hotel Regenta Inn by Royal Orchid, Jaipur. Earlier in the year 1997, Lara Dutta was crowned Miss Intercontinental India. For the first time a girl from Jaipur, Rajasthan will be representing India in such



Gaurav Jetli and Yogesh Mishra crowning Mittali Kaur

a prestigious beauty pageant. Mentor of the beauty queen Mittali, Yogesh Mishra shared that after securing the position of Runner Up at Miss Rajasthan 2019, she also won the title of Miss Global India 2020 and represented India in Mexico and now being crowned as Miss Intercontinental India, she has added another feather in the hat. This is a matter of pride for the entire state that she is the first model from Rajasthan

to represent India in two international pageants consequently. Mittali said, "I feel blessed to win this title, which has come with a lot of responsibilities. The credit of my success goes to my family and my mentors who have always supported me at every step." Her international journey of the pageant will begin on October 14 in Egypt while the grand finale will take place on October 29.



Mittali Kaur

## SIMPLICITY OVER COMPLEXITY

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**F**ICCI Ladies Organisation witnessed an impressive session on Friday as a tribute to the valuable contribution made by our teachers to society, the power of creative learning and the change in the

education system in the post-pandemic era. Seen as a tribute. And who can explain it better than a visionary, educationist, a social innovator, Ramji Raghavan! He is known to have changed the tables of the Indian education system with his innovative methods.



During the session

Raghavan is the founder and chairman of Agastya International Foundation and Ninth Innovation Foundation. He has received many awards for his selfless work. He has served as a member of the Central Advisory Board of Education, Government of India.

His vision is to build a nation of thinkers, problem solvers and creators. He shared, "Simplicity is the solution to complexity". He intended that we must create moments where people see new things that spark curiosity and creativity.

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### CELEBRATIONS!



The Children of RAYS- Aasha ki Ek Kiran, the NGO working for HIV+ kids celebrated the birthday of the co-founder Rashmi Kuchhal, who is fondly called Badi Ma at the NGO home in Jaipur over the weekend, they performed a play and a song and dance sequence.



## INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE FOR STUDENTS

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**O**n the occasion of this Teacher's Day, I would like to give this message to all art students. Drawing is creating a space on the page in which spirits can be experienced. Art can be used as a meditation aid as well as an enjoyable play of creativity and discovery. Each line which we draw creates an Artistic dance move around the page, making every drawing a personal adventure. Art is becoming a popular



**KAMNA KAUL,**  
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method of distressing. It has been shown to have a profound ef-

fect on relaxing both mind and body. The Joy of Art is that there is no right or wrong way to approach it. You can let your imagination go and mix your colours as you please. It is a great way to express yourself at the moment. There are no rules when creating your own unique piece of art. So children spread out your box of crayons, coloured pencils and paints on the floor and let their spirits play. Keep calm and be creative, is the biggest mantra of an artist.

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### WHAT'S HAPPENING!



Amit Asawa, Level 3 accredited coach of BCCI from Rajasthan has been nominated by the BCCI as teaching faculty for its Hybrid Level 2 Coaches Course to be held at National Cricket Academy, Bengaluru from September 6 to 16, 2021.



The electricity market at the Indian Energy Exchange achieved a new milestone with a record all-time high monthly volume of 9538 MU achieving 74 % YoY growth in August'21. According to the power demand data published by the National Load Dispatch Center, the national peak

demand in August'21 at 196 GW saw an increase of 17% YoY while the energy consumption at 129.51 BU also grew 17 % YoY.

### EVENTS!



The swearing-in ceremony of Rotary Club Jaipur Royal was held on September 5 at Hotel Nirvana Heritage Palace. Naresh Thakral, Special Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Rajasthan and Santosh Dular, Deputy General Manager, Bank of Maharashtra presided over as the special guests of the programme as the new cabinet took the oath to fulfil their duties with commitment. Outgoing President Hemendra Sharma informed that Jaipur Royal Club did a lot of service work due to which, the club received 36 awards.



The Bemisaal Badshah cooking competition organised by Badshah Masala to find cooking talent was held on August 29, 2021. The winners of the much-awaited competition were Dharti Unadkat and Avani. The first runner-up prize was given to Anjali Shah and Pratima Sanghvi, while the second runner-up were Shweta Singh and Aditi Raghav. Badshah Masala selected the famous chefs of Gujarat for this competition through the jury members chef Anand Kotak and Chef Surabhi Vasa.

## That Indian Wushu player who is making it big!



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**M**aking the country proud, one medal at a time, Rohit Jangid is an Indian athlete who has represented India at the International level. He has played in myriads of countries including Hong-kong, Georgia, Nepal and China. With 3 International Championships in his kitty and a monumental victory against Pakistan, Rohit Jangid is set to make a mark for India. Currently, he is serving as a policeman to the nation. Recently, he also pro-



Rohit Jangid

vided free self-defence training to 30,000 girls. In an exclusive conversation with First India, Jangid shared his experiences as a prominent sportsperson. Rohit was born and brought up in Jaipur to a middle-class family. His journey wasn't all roses as his family was extremely skeptical of his career choice. His relatives and friends often badgered him with criticism but, he converted this backlash into his strength. Today, Jangid's relatives are profusely famous by his name and the multiple laurels that come with it. It has been a decade for Jangid into the rigorous Wushu still, he is as deter-

mined as on his day one. A man of hard work and practice, he believes that his mentor, Rajesh Tailor, Indian team coach has played the most pivotal role in his journey. 3 times International level Wushu Player, Jangid has added many feathers to his cap. He has been awarded as the 'Rising Star' by the former CM, Vasundra Raje. He was presented with the prestigious Sports Marathon Award by Jyoti Khandelwal. He also bagged the bronze medal at the 12th Wushu international Championship Hong kong, 9th World International championship, Georgia and International Wushu Cup, Nepal.