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World's first science-Sanskrit film on 'Mangalyaan' set for premiere

The first science-Sanskrit film in the history of world cinema, 'Yaanam' that revolves around India's successful Mangalyaan mission, is all set to reach audiences this month. The much-awaited science documentary in the classical language, revolving around the success story of India's historic 'Mars Orbiter Mission (MOM) alias 'Mangalyaan', would be premiered before a selected audience on August 21 in Chennai. ISRO Chairman Somanath would launch the premiere at Chennai in a function, which would also be attended by former chairman of the space agency K Radhakrishnan and the present VSSC Director S Unnikrishnan Nair

'Yaanam' is based on Radhakrishnan's book 'My Odyssey: Memoirs of the Man Behind the Mangalyaan Mission'



MOM was successfully launched in 2013 by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)

India to send humans 6,000 metres deep into ocean

X-PLAINED SAMUDRAYAAN



To unlock the mysteries in the heart of the deep sea waters, India undertook a mega ocean mission 'Samudrayaan' in October 2021. Now, the country aims to send a team of experts into the deep sea to carry out various deep underwater studies.

WHAT IS SAMUDRAYAAN: Derived from the word, samudra, meaning sea or ocean, Samudrayaan Mission is aimed to develop a self-propelled manned submersible (a vehicle designed to operate while submerged) to carry three human beings to a water depth of 6,000 metres in the ocean with a suite of scientific sensors and tools for deep ocean exploration. It has an endurance of 12 hours of operational period and 96 hours in case of emergency. The manned submersible will allow scientific personnel to observe and understand unexplored

deep-sea areas by direct interventions. Further, it will enhance the capability for deep sea manned vehicle development.

HOW WILL IT WORK: MATSYA 6000, a manned submersible vehicle, developed indigenously, will facilitate the ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES) in conducting deep ocean exploration. The underwater vehicles are essential for carrying out subsea activities, such as high resolution bathymetry, biodiversity assessment, geo-scientific observation, search activities, salvage operation and engineering support. Even though unmanned underwater vehicles have improved manoeuvring and excellent vision systems resembling direct observation, manned submersibles provide a feel of direct physical presence for researchers, and have better intervention capability.

WHAT IS THE SIGNIFICANCE

For India, it is a huge opportunity, as it will place India in a unique maritime position. With a 7,517 km-long coastline, India is home to nine coastal states and 1,382 islands. With the government focusing the Blue Economy as one of the 10 core dimensions of growth, it will help in carrying out deep ocean exploration of the non-living resources, such as polymetallic manganese nodules, gas hydrates, hydro-thermal sulphides, and cobalt crusts, located at a depth between 1,000 and 5,500 metres

Moreover, as India is surrounded by the oceans from three sides, and around 30% of the nation's population live in coastal areas, coastal regions play a major economic factor. It supports fisheries and aquaculture, tourism, livelihoods, etc

With the launch of the unique ocean mission 'Samudrayaan' in October 2021, India joined the elite club of nations, such as the US, Russia, Japan, France, and China to have niche technology and vehicles to carry out subsea activities

Oceans, which cover 70 per cent of the globe, remain a key part of our life. About 95 per cent of the Deep Ocean still remains unexplored



Jagdeep Dhankhar is the Vice President of India



Former West Bengal Governor Jagdeep Dhankhar has been elected as the 14th Vice President of India. Born on May 18, 1951, in an agrarian household in a village in Rajasthan's Jhunjhunu district, Dhankhar completed his school education from Sainik School, Chittorgarh. After finishing his graduation in physics, he pursued LLB from the University of Rajasthan. Vice President-elect Dhankhar will take the oath of office on August 11, a day after the term of the incumbent Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu ends.

The Vice President is also the Chairman of Rajya Sabha. Dhankhar will preside over the proceedings of the Upper House of Parliament at a time when there are apparent divisions between the treasury benches and opposition

With Dhankhar's election as Vice-President, the presiding officers of both Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha will be from Rajasthan

India invites US singer Mary Millben to perform at Independence Day celebrations

India has invited African-American singer Mary Millben to attend and perform at the celebrations of the country's 75th anniversary of Independence. Millben, known for her moving rendition of 'Om Jai Jagadish Hare' and 'Jana Gana Mana', will be the first American artiste to be invited by ICCR to India at Independence Day celebrations. She will be an official guest representing the US, the statement said. Millben will also perform in India for the first time, making an appearance at the Indiaspora Global Forum to celebrate the 75th year of the country's Independence and 10th year of Indiaspora.

Invited by Indiaspora Founder M R Rangaswami, Millben will open the forum by singing the Indian national anthem and then jointly perform with International piano prodigy Lydian Nadhaswaram on the evening of August 10

Nadhaswaram is a young musician from Chennai, Tamil Nadu who won 'The World's Best' on CBS, earning a prize money of \$1 million



WhatsApp working on new feature that will allow admins to delete messages for everyone in group

WhatsApp, the instant messaging platform, is currently working on a new update, which it will start rolling out soon through the Google Play Beta Program that will allow group admins to delete messages by everyone. As per the report, the new feature will let admins delete group messages sent by anyone in order to moderate the group in an easier way.

When you delete a message for everyone, sent by another group participant, other people can always see that you have deleted that message since your name shows up within the chat bubble. Meanwhile, WhatsApp is working on a new update that will let users keep disappearing messages even after they have expired.

WhatsApp will start displaying a new section on the platform called 'Kept messages', which will appear within chat info

All the messages that have disappeared can be viewed in that section and is accessible to all the people part of the conversation, according to WABetaInfo.

Boxers Amit Panghal, Nitu Ganghas win Gold as India's medal rush continues



Boxers Amit Panghal and Nitu Ganghas bagged gold medals for India in the men's flyweight and women's minimum weight categories, respectively

PV Sindhu won her semi-final in straight games to reach the women's singles final

India also won the bronze medal in women's hockey after beating New Zealand in

a shootout Earlier on Saturday, Olympic silver medalist Ravi Kumar Dahiya, star woman grappler Vinesh Phogat and 19-year-old wrestler Naveen claimed gold medals as the Indian juggernaut gathered pace on the shoulder of the mighty wrestlers as athletes Avinash Sable and Priyanka Goswami broke new grounds

Fellow wrestlers Pooja Sihag and Pooja Gehlot bagged bronze medals

In lawn bowls, the Men's Fours, had to be satisfied with a silver medal



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INDEPENDENCE DAY

"Every nation has a message to deliver, a mission to fulfill, a destiny to reach. The mission of India has been to guide humanity."
-Swami Vivekananda

It's time to celebrate the birth of a nation and relive the journey of India in the last 75 years. We celebrate

THE PEOPLE WHO HELPED DEFINE INDIA

POLITICAL EVENTS THAT CHANGED THE COURSE OF OUR COUNTRY

EVENTS THAT BUILT OUR ECONOMY

WRITERS WHO GAVE US SOME FOOD FOR THOUGHT

FILMMAKERS WHO PROVIDED A VISION OF INDIA

SCIENTISTS WHO DREAMED UP A FUTURE

SPORTSPERSONS WHO GAVE US MUCH TO CHEER

INCIDENTS, POLICIES, LAWS THAT SHAPED INDIA

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The art of buying BOOKS AND NEVER READING THEM

'The Times of India' edit page recently carried an interesting piece on the Japanese term for an unread pile of books. According to the writer, the delights of 'Tsunami', as it is called, are countless and without a deadline

Kannan Somasundaram

You have two pillows and six novels on your bed and somebody asks: Will you finish reading them all tonight? There is a correct, non-bookish, and satisfyingly starchy answer: You have 5kg of rice in your kitchen, will you eat it all for dinner?



Narayan, to Tirukkural. Many TV notables have bookshelves in their background. Their collection seems dodgy – too clean to be a genuine tsunami.

Tsunami sentences are dusty with misremembrances. Your adventure to seek the truth begins. You wipe grime from the books with the tenderness celebrities reserve for smoothing their price-less dresses (except maybe Kardashians; for

as a credit card bill.

The Japanese call such a pile a 'tsunami', a book hoard that is allowed to grow in anticipation of pleasures it might provide later. That later has no deadline.

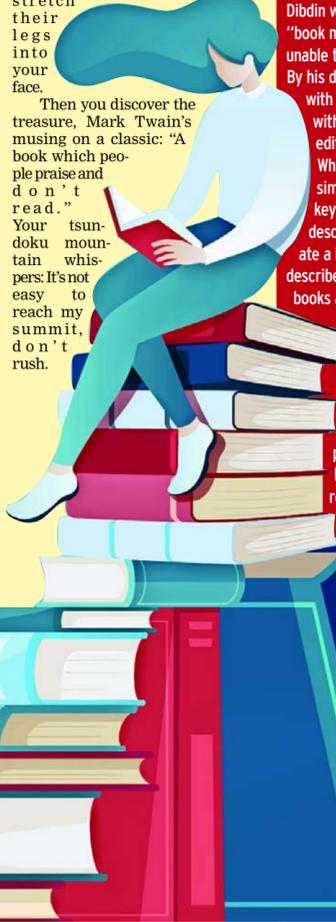
An echo rises from tsunami valleys: Books are not utility products like toothpaste. You occasionally face the titles as you would contemplate the dots of SH Raza or the train and mist of JMW Turner at a gallery. At that moment, your room becomes the museum of the world's cultural superhits.

Your tsunami evolves with your height markings on the wall, ascending perhaps from Chacha Chaudhary to Nancy Drew to Asterix to PG Wodehouse to Jane Austen to RK

Hon no mushi in Japanese is very close to its English equivalent, the bookworm. The origin of its literal meaning of 'book bug' comes from the shimimoku, an oriental silverfish known for its love of books

her, to misquote Monroe, dresses are not a girl's best friend. You breathe in the aroma: ah, a whiff of college exams and first love! You sneeze with joy when hibernating words stretch their legs into your face.

Then you discover the treasure, Mark Twain's musing on a classic: "A book which people praise and don't read." Your tsunami whippers: It's not easy to reach my summit, don't rush.



THERE IS ALSO...

BIBLIOMANIA is the title of a 19th Century novel by Thomas Frognall Dibdin which claimed to explore "book madness" – the act of being unable to stop collecting literature. By his definition, those afflicted with bibliomania were obsessed with unique books such as first editions and illustrated copies. While the two words may have similar meanings, there is one key difference: Bibliomania describes the intention to create a book collection, tsunami describes the intention to read books and their eventual, accidental collection.

HEIKO DOKUSHO is reading multiple books at a time. While this method can contribute to semi-read tsunami piles, reading something is better than nothing and research says that reading books in parallel is said to help people read more widely and improve their focus.

FAMOUS SAYINGS



BEST IDIOMS ABOUT TIME

Time is a big part of life, and there are a lot of English phrases and expressions that are related to it. Here are some of the most popular ones

1. AGAINST THE CLOCK

Meaning: If you work against the clock, you are trying very hard to finish something before a deadline
Use: The detectives are working against the clock to find the evidence they need.

2. AROUND THE CLOCK

Meaning: All day and all night
Use: The doctors worked around the clock to look after the child in pain.

3. CALL IT A DAY/NIGHT

Meaning: Decide that you have finished doing something for now
Use: We've been working on this project since morning. Let's call it a day, and finish it tomorrow.

4. IT'S HIGH TIME

Meaning: It's the right time to do something, or past the appropriate time to do something.
Use: It's high time he met with me to resolve this issue.

5. THIRD TIME'S A CHARM

Meaning: The third time you do something it will finally work.
Use: I had to ask her out three times before she said yes. Well you know... Third time's a charm.

6. AT THE ELEVENTH HOUR

Meaning: Almost too late or at the last possible moment.
Use: We barely made the deadline, there was so much to do in this project we turned it in at the eleventh hour.

7. SOMEONE'S DAYS ARE NUMBERED

Meaning: They will not exist for much longer
Use: After it got knocked over by that truck, my bike's days are numbered.

8. NEVER IN A MONTH OF SUNDAYS

Meaning: Very, very unlikely to happen
Use: Shelley will never in a month of Sundays agree to go out with Richard!

9. SINCE TIME IMMEMORIAL

Meaning: For a very, very long time; since before anyone can remember
Use: Our school has had the same, ugly uniform since time immemorial.

10. ON SOMEONE'S WATCH

Meaning: During the time that someone is in charge, while someone is on duty.
Example: Mark has got a bruise on his leg again. Why do kids always get hurt on your watch? – From archives



MANDARIN CHINESE is the HARDEST LANGUAGE in the WORLD TO LEARN. It is also the most WIDELY SPOKEN

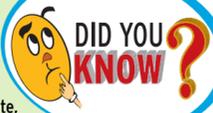
A Chinese child growing up probably has a pretty easy time learning Chinese since everyone around them is speaking it, too.

But for native English speakers, this tonal language full of subtleties and ancient phrases is consistently ranked as the most difficult language in the world to learn.

In fact, the US Foreign Service Institute, which ranks the difficulty of learning other languages, has judged Mandarin Chinese among the most difficult (along with Arabic, Japanese and Korean). You can expect to spend at least 2,200 classroom hours before you're capable of speaking this language well enough to navigate a solo walkabout along the Great Wall of China.

In case you thought you'd be able to scoot by as a cultured worldwide traveller without learning Mandarin Chinese, consider this: with well over a billion speakers (or nearly 20 per cent of the entire world), it's the most-widely spoken language in the world.

Asia is a big place with lots of people, after all – something people who tend to stick to travelling around the Western world often forget.



GANDHI and others on peace and FREEDOM

During the All India Congress Committee session in Bombay on 8 August, 1942, Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi launched the 'Quit India Movement'. It is also known as the August Movement or August Kranti. Let's remember some poignant words of torchbearers of peace on this day:

1 "Peace will not come out of a clash of arms but of justice lived and done by unarmed nations in the face of odds."
– Mahatma Gandhi

2 "Peace is not merely a distant goal that we seek, but a means by

which we arrive at that goal."
– Martin Luther King Jr.

3 "Peace does not mean an absence of conflicts; differences will always be there. Peace means solving these differences through peaceful means; through dialogue, education, knowledge; and through humane ways."
– Dalai Lama

4 "I was once asked why I don't participate in anti-war demonstrations. I said that I will never do that, but as soon as you have a pro-peace rally, I'll be there."
– Mother Teresa

5 "Each one has to find

his peace from within. And peace to be real must be unaffected by outside circumstances."

6 "Freedom of mind is real freedom. A person whose mind is not free though he may not be in chains, is a slave, not a free man."
– BR Ambedkar

7 "If you want to end the war then instead of sending guns, send books. Instead of sending tanks, send pens. Instead of sending soldiers, send teachers."
– Malala Yousafzai



CREATIVE WRITING PROMPT

WRITER of the WEEK

A home that starts on the rock-solid foundation of respect, care, and love. A home that paves the way to growth in myself, in ourselves, with every brick that is laid. A home that provides me, us, with enough room to

never alone. A home where I can simply be. A home where I can be me. A home that allows me to dwell in every moment, drawing up beautiful memories that might come from an entire room dedicated to the crooked wands I made when I would go silly over the mere thought of the Wizarding World of Harry Potter (I mean, come on!), or a

room utterly committed to the tinkle Double Digest comics and 'Suppandi editions' I oh so love to read! Memories that I hope will never leave. Do what you will with this knowledge, keep in mind, however, that if I could build a dream house, it would have rooms that make us feel at home. My home. Our home.

– Author: Tanuku Gayatri Pranavi, School: Geethanjali Vidyalaya (Bangalore), Class: X

Thank you all for participating in Times NIE 'Write Of Passage' weekly writing prompt. Here is our top pick of the week:

"If I could build a dream house, what rooms would it have?"

If I could build a dream house, it would have rooms that make it a home.

evolve into the best version of ourselves, so that we may bring out the best in others, much like how a flower blooms to its fullest, giving us its best through its heavenly fragrance. A home where I'm

Queries relating to language skills

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