**PERSON**

**Rishi Sunak**

Rishi Sunak became the new Prime Minister of the UK, capping a stunning reversal in fortunes just weeks after falling in his first attempt to lead the ruling Tories. For Sunak, being the UK’s first Hindu Prime Minister, the victory couldn’t have come on a better day than Diwali. Sunak will be the first British Asian and non-white person to become Prime Minister. At 42, he’ll also be the youngest Prime Minister in more than 200 years.

**VIDEO**

**Virat Kohli’s Rarest Moment at IND-Pak Match**

Virat Kohli and Hardik Pandya’s partnership in the recent India-Pakistan match was one of the most brilliant innings, and collected 113 runs during their partnership. Virat Kohli smashed an unbeaten 82 off just 52 balls and powered India to an incredible victory. As soon as India achieved the target, Kohli punched the ground and tears were in his eyes. The video has gone viral on social media platforms, ever since then.

**SONG**

**Ram Setu Anthem**

After the phenomenal response to the glimpse of the Jai Shree Ram song in the trailer of the action-adventure film – Ram Setu, the makers launched the Ram Setu anthem song at a grand event. The teaser as well as the anthem, Jai Shree Ram, received deafening applause and showed promise of a blockbuster entertainer. The song, written by Sikhar Basu and composed and sung by Vikram Montrose, was later sung by Arijit Singh himself with the media and fans to Karaoke as a special surprise to all.

**MOVIE**

**Teaser of Michael**

The makers of Michael, the first pan-Indian movie for Tollywood’s intense actor, Sundeep Kishan, was recently released. The actor has got a separate fan base among the young and general public, not only in Telugu but also in the other languages too. The film looked very interesting from the beginning of its announcement and the release of its teaser. Besides Sundeep, the film Michael also has a very huge star cast. This makes the audience root for Sundeep and his film, and they are confident enough that the film is going to hit hard at the box office this time.

**PICTURE**

**Toxic Foam in Yamuna River**

Thick layers of toxic foam were seen floating on the surface of the Yamuna River in Delhi days before the Chhath Puja. In a festival, where devotees stand knee-deep in water, the toxic pollutants in the river have been a major cause of concern. Visuals from Kalmari Kunj showed men rowing through the Yamuna River, which is seen covered in thick white foam. This year, the festival will be celebrated on October 30 and 31. But the condition of the Yamuna in the national capital has led environmentalists to blame the Delhi government for “not taking adequate action” to make the river pollution-free.
Art instruction

THE BARE ESSENTIALS

Art instruction in art forms requires total involvement of the teacher and the taught, regardless of the method adopted. When it comes to assimilating any form of art, the learning part happens in progressive stages, with nature and everything embodied in it providing the backdrop, palette, and inspiration for the strokes of the artist in the making. Beauty, they say, lies in the eyes of the beholder. Still, it is the artist who uncovers the beauty of a chosen model with his deft strokes; call it nude art, sacrilege or whatever. The Pioneer’s AMARTYA SMARAN takes a close look at some of the popular art instruction methods as well as embedded controversies.

The young aesthete studied in some of the finest educational institutions in the world like the Florence Academy of Art, the Los Angeles Academy of Figurative Art, and the Barcelona Academy of Art. Initially, he enrolled in a gaming and animation college in Hyderabad. Later, he realized that the quality of education was going for a toss, and he took the plunge to get a better education. Studying abroad is a big deal for many people out there as the soaring costs could be suffocating.

Ayush Agarwal established the art academy to provide quality education at a reasonable price for aspiring artists so that they don’t have to look elsewhere.

Talking about the course, the artist explains: “The 3-year long intensive skill-based course offered at the academy is divided into three parts: studio classes, live model classes, and seminars. The combination of all three formats helps students to apply the skills learned in various other art forms as the right foundation is cemented from day one. The first one and a half years are dedicated to drawing and the rest of the course focuses on painting at large. However, the three-year timeline is not fixed as the learning pace varies from person to person. There is a flexible framework because it’s an individual-based course as well. The students start off by copying the lithographs of the old masters, which is a great way to learn handling techniques. Later, they move on to the studio where the sculptures are set up with a single light source so that the light and shadow is clearer. So, they are supposed to look at and translate the information on the canvas. The way we see things is very abstract because it is impossible to copy nature. By doing this, one learns the basics of image making. These exercises train artists to develop a framework of critical thinking, observational skills, and a working methodology. Starting from simple short drawings to getting comfortable with observing live models and learning how to translate the information from life, we progressively move to more complex charcoal drawings.”

With the advent of technology, most of us have damped our attention span to a mere 15 seconds. This form of art demands a great deal of patience. Observing the finer details on the casts, and replicating the complex human anatomy while translating a live model on the canvas, it’s no easy task. Do you know that some of the big projects last up to two-five weeks with each painting demanding at least 20 hours from the model and the artist? Of course, with tiny 5-10 minute breaks. Astonishing, isn’t it?

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As we walked into the studio to interact with a couple of students to understand what exactly intrigues them about the art form, Kausthub, an enthusiastic art student who was sipping on a cup of hot tea, shared:

"I personally chose Samara as I was looking for a place that was technically sound. Two years ago, I was in Australia looking for something similar over there as well, but I could not find something up to this standard. The instructors here know their craft really well. I have been here for one and a half years and the academy provided me with the right platform to learn. My inclination was always toward the arts and it was my grandfather who suggested that I must experience life like I ever wanted to do something in art. As I was good with computers, I took up that course and moved to Australia. Growing up in Delhi, there’s little to no exposure to European Artwork. One day, my friend took me to a gallery in Australia, where I was exposed to some 15th and 18th-century paintings. That’s when I found my vocation and decided to learn about image making. To me, life is not about retaining at a certain age, it is about creating something that lasts forever, something that breathes even after you’re physically not here. I think that’s how I ended up in this course," commented Kausthub.

Another student named Rishikant Naveenrajan elaborated on why he enjoys representational art, "When you work as an illustrator or when you are creating a piece of art or anything, if you have work from life, it’s easy to create stuff. You develop a visual memory as you study from life. If you study from a photo, it is difficult to get a complete picture because it is all in 2D. Whereas, when you study from life, you see how that virtual indication works, for example, how the anatomy works or what the person is standing like.

So, you develop a visual memory for that. As a young kid, I was inspired by figurative art, and I was brought up more like an animator. Looking back at all the great animators, they have all done figurative studies. It is just that the figurative approach lays the foundations down really well and for that reason I have gravitated towards this form of art.

If you scroll through the Instagram page of Samara Art Academy, you will find a lot of semi-nude art pieces. In society, there is always a conflict between different sects. You have the type that thinks society is going haywire in the name of liberation, and there is the other group that is obsessed with anything remotely revealing in nature. Well, when one doesn’t understand something in totality, that’s where the issue begins.

In response to this, the founder subtly commented: "In the USA, and Europe, modelling is considered to be a very respectable profession. Being a model for art students is an art in itself. We do not have any selection criteria as such to pick our live models. If one is comfortable, anyone can be a part of the process. It is not about finding that one perfect person. Here, fortunately, we found some people from the Tollywood film industry who pose for our students. We do semi-nude, usually, the models always cover themselves up with briefs. In that way, we have been able to do it successfully for three years now. There are so many 19th-century pieces that I have seen within which they wear briefs to cover their genitals. It is always better to have a nude model as it better to understand some of the connections on the pelvis area."

He further elaborated on the backlash against Impressionism, "If you study about artistry, it has been there throughout history. Again, who is to say what is right and what is wrong? There is always newer art forms that come in. The only thing is that this sort of art form might not sell for as much when compared to the modern art form. The discrepancies are of course there, but it is up to the artist to decide what are they doing this for? What kind of art form are they interested in? The only contradiction that happens is that people think you lose your voice and style as a result of learning in such a technical way. Personally, I feel, if you can be technically sound, that can lead to a lot of creative freedom. We have lectures on different art forms. By doing so, we let the students know that different art forms exist. That makes us unbiased and inclusive.

To understand the nature of nude modelling, we spoke to Lilian D’Mello, an artist who is popular in the country’s artistic circles. She reiterates the importance of the nature of her work as an art model. "In 2018, I found this painting of the Birth of Venus. When I looked at the painting, I could relate to the women in the painting. It was not the nudity that allured me, it was the honesty. I wanted to know more about the woman in the painting. Starting off as a model in the fashion industry and I can say that I feel a hundred times safer posing for an artist when compared to the world of fashion. I think we need to be open-minded about it and realise that there is so much more to life. I am proud to say that what I do as a model helps students work on their craft."

Sri Chandra Iyens, who is currently studying at the National Institute of Design, Andhra Pradesh, talks to us about the importance of traditional forms of art and how she draws inspiration from them. "Art helps me express my emotions in the best way possible. I am a quiet person; I find it difficult to put everything out there in the form of words. Art, it helps me put some of these complex emotions in a way that is aesthetic and pleasing to the viewer’s eye. Artists in the Renaissance era appreciated beauty that came in its true form. What they focused on was to perceive the body the way it is. Let’s say there was someone chubby, they never tried to make them look skinnier. The fake beauty standards did not exist back in the day. They made people admire something for what it truly is, instead of selling them a flawed standard of beauty. Renaissance really cherished artmanship. They had a lot of attention to detail and kept it real. These kinds of things really inspired me to be an artist. Even a digital artist. I get to take inputs from the traditional art forms and implement them into my work."

This perspective proves true and that art lives on and it shows us the innumerable ways in which one could blend different forms of art to tell their story.

In conclusion, we can say that art mirrors life. It can of course make the ordinary look a tad extraordinary. In our busy lives, we tend to overlook the finer aspects of beauty. Perhaps, the single most crucial aspect of art is to remind us that life is not as black-and-white as we think it is.
Actress Dimple Hayathi has been the talk of the town ever since her special song Catch Me in Khiladi went viral. The actress has got a different perspective when it comes to playing glamorous roles, and she wishes for more female stories to come to the forefront. The Pioneer's SHIKHA DUGGAL, talks to the actress about the glamour industry, her recent trip, working with Ravi Teja, and also about female objectification.

'Objectification hasn’t decreased, but we are working on it'

With the coming of new-age movies, the mercury meter is on the rise and when Bollywood shell-shock Dimple Hayathi enters the scene, it’s holy smoking hot in there.

Apart from her sultry persona, the young girl hailng from Vijayawada, has made it big when she appeared in the Tamil comedy horror, where she saw Prabhu Deva and Tamannah Bhatia reusing their roles. Subsequently, her special song Catch Me in Ravi Teja starrer Khiladi, made her the new talk of town for her emphatic hero and ruthless dancing.

In conversation with The Pioneer, the trooper who recently filled our insta feeds with her Paris photographs, shares, “It was not an ordinary trip because it was my first ever solo trip to the most popular city of France. It had a positive impact on me. The joy and liberty that it gave me when I was there, I felt no more intimidated. Instead, it became an ever-changing avenue for breaking stereotypes in all walks of the globe for me as an actress.”

Having the right chic girl on board with us, we had to ask her about what is the glamour in the glamour industry and how does it look from the core of it? Dimple immediately responded saying, “I didn’t hate up to do glamorous roles, and so to me it looks like it doesn’t mean to be sexually attractive all the time. My outlook is rather to maintain a healthy body. After wards, sinewiness comes effortlessly on screen. Everyone’s eyes are at one right now — but little do they know, I was a very sensitive kid in my younger days. Skin allergies got to me instantly and then there were other medical issues too. Those medications started to traumatize me.”

Today, I don’t miss a day of work out because my priority is to be physically fit first, and later on to be seductive if the role demands. Sometimes, to be from a privileged background naturally becomes an ambiguous issue for outsiders, but Dimple owns it and speaks her heart out. “From the beginning of my child, I have grown up hearing ‘cinema’ all day in my home. Everybody is or was an actor in my family. And, then there are classical dances too. But, it’s the first time I am speaking on an important debatable topic like this through a media platform because I don’t want to be a part of the traditional nepotism narrative.

Truth is: I earned my roles and my recognition in this industry. Yes, I was guided on how to face the camera but I was never purported to be bigger by my father or grandfather.”

Khiladi movie had a good mouth in the initial stages and then all of a sudden the box-office numbers didn’t do so well. Nonetheless, what remained with us was Dimple Hayathi’s fifth single and she mentions, “Results were never in my hands but what was in my hand — is only me doing justice to the role and to see if people talk about my role. They were. I could bear and witness the appreciation and that was a hit for me. Coming to the experience I had with Ravi Teja will always be memorable and he’s been a great coach all through and still is. He’s my close friend now and I always cherish working with him.”

Her social media game is no less than a first trap, so we casually asked her whether she wants to make headlines all the time? Surprisingly, she had a very quick answer to give, which is, “It means I am being agreed to receive by the media and a conservative estimate. I am not creating negative headlines. I am loving this attention to death. While I work with more superstars, my career trajectory will only grow. So why not?”

Interesting takeaway. Now, concluding our discussion on a hard-hitting note, we ask her whether female objectification has decreased a bit since she’s been doing so many special songs and here is what Dimple had to say, “Objectification hasn’t decreased anywhere: not in films nor in society. Women revolves around a woman and a man. Story will also revolve around a woman — why would a man fight if not for a woman? (She giggles a bit) But, you know what? So many holy books suggest similar thoughts too. I am just glad that there exists independent equals, but when it comes to telling films — I only wish more female stories would come to the forefront because there’s a lot to say than just a man fighting for a woman or to have a duel. My songs never commodified my body, nor my crowd laps up B-grade content. Period. We are showing some awareness now and ending sexism slowly. Let’s look at it that way.”
Breast implant illness: The real nightmare

When a woman decides to get breast implants, she's signing on for a long-term relationship. For example, Rakhi Sawant — and again and again has discussed that while choosing this for cosmetic reasons, she is still going through psychological issues. Also, the risk because they don't last forever. Because this topic is a serious discussion and sometimes devices aren't perfect, women should have a clear picture. Dr. G Varsha Krishna Reddy, a consultant oncologist, takes us ahead of what breast surgery can sometimes cause.

Breast implant illness is a term used to describe a range of symptoms that some patients experience after getting breast implants. The exact pathogenesis of BIA-ALCL is unknown, but a connection between chronic T cell inflammation and genetic susceptibility is postulated. Almost 90% of the lymphomas were documented in those with textured breast implants. The estimated incidence of BIA-ALCL is in 1 in 8,000 to 10,000 breast implants.

Symptoms of BIA-ALCL may appear any time after one year post-implant insertion and may include enlargement or swelling of the breast, causing a change in the shape or size of the breast due to the collection of fluid around the implant, which is a seroma. Keep an eye out for these signs if you recently had an implant placed:
- Change in the size or shape of the breast due to swelling around the implant.
- Hardness of the breast.
- Lump in the breast or axilla.
- Pain in the breast or axilla.
- Skin changes, like rash or redness on the breast.
- Most of the symptoms may also occur due to non-malignant causes like infection, trauma to the breast or implant rupture. If a woman notices any unusual symptoms or signs in her breast, she should contact her doctor. Women must consult with their surgeon to determine the size, shape, surface texture, incision site, risks, follow-up schedule, and need for repeat surgeries. Most of the BIA-ALCL was seen in women who had textured breast implants, which are banned now. It has to be reiterated that breast implants do not come with a lifetime warranty and they need regular checkups. The financial implications involved also need to be discussed. Women with breast implants should go for regular mammography based screening and should inform the radiology staff about the implant in the breast, as the process involves taking radiographs of the compressed breast. If there is clinical suspicion of BIA-ALCL, an ultrasound or MRI breast may be ordered. To confirm the diagnosis, the fluid may be aspirated and sent for a flow cytometry test to confirm BIA-ALCL. A biopsy of the lump or swelling may also be done if there is no fluid collection. A PET-CT scan is ordered to confirm the stage of the disease.

Breast cancer survivors have the right to restore their body image with breast surgical reconstruction with an implant or an autologous flap. The three available options for restoring the body image post-surgery for breast cancer are an external prosthetic, and a cheap non-surgical device that can be worn daily as an external dressing accessory. Autologous flap surgery is an option for patients who require radiation therapy but do not want to return for follow-up visits or repeat surgeries but are willing to accept visible surgical scars in the donor and recipient areas. Breast implants, preferably smooth surface implants, can be considered after understanding the pros and cons and being willing to repeat surgeries as and when needed. The risk of BIA-ALCL is a rare occurrence which has a low incidence, but has an excellent prognosis. Any fluid collection, one-year post-implant insertion should be evaluated thoroughly.

BIA-ALCL is a type of lymphoma arising from the T-lymphocytes first reported in 1997 in a woman with a textured breast implant. The exact pathogenesis of BIA-ALCL is unknown, but a connection between chronic T cell inflammation and genetic susceptibility is postulated. Almost 90% of the lymphomas were documented in those with textured breast implants. The estimated incidence of BIA-ALCL is in 1 in 8,000 to 10,000 breast implants.
Is telemedicine the next big thing in India?

We are a nation that has always faced difficulties in accessing quality healthcare. The COVID-19 pandemic has further highlighted the importance of technology in revolutionizing the healthcare sector. With remote consultations and virtual care becoming the norm, telemedicine offers a viable solution to address the gap in healthcare services.

In recent years, the Indian government has taken several initiatives to promote telemedicine, including the launch of the National Health Mission and the e-Health India project. These initiatives aim to provide affordable and accessible healthcare to people across the country.

One of the primary benefits of telemedicine is its ability to reach remote and rural areas where healthcare facilities are scarce. It also provides an opportunity for patients to consult with specialists from anywhere in the country, thereby reducing the need for long-distance travel.

Another advantage of telemedicine is its ability to provide timely care. In cases where immediate medical attention is required, telemedicine can be a life-saving option. It allows healthcare professionals to provide quick and effective treatment, without the need for physical presence.

However, there are also challenges associated with telemedicine. One of the biggest concerns is the issue of data privacy and security. With sensitive medical information being transmitted over the internet, it is crucial to ensure that patient data is protected.

Another challenge is the need for adequate infrastructure. In order to effectively provide telemedicine services, a robust network infrastructure is required. This includes access to high-speed internet, mobile devices, and other IT equipment.

In conclusion, telemedicine offers a promising solution to the challenges faced by the healthcare sector in India. With the right infrastructure and policies in place, it has the potential to revolutionize the way healthcare is delivered in the country. However, it is important to address the challenges associated with telemedicine, so that it can be used to its fullest potential.

Lately, technology is bringing a revolution in the domain of healthcare services. There has been a significant rise in online doctor consultations in the past few years, and it is expected to grow even more. Tanisha Saxena approached some popular Indian telemedicine platforms that are trying to improve patient experience, and they shared with us their views on the future of telemedicine in India.
THE WORLD OF WRITING AND WRITERS

My grandparents would have had the same complaints as writers about cinema, just the way I do. Black thinkers write锋利 about the blackness of their lives, and the world of cinema is a place where they have to struggle to be heard.

MEMORIES FROM LONG AGO

You can never count me in the category of ‘talent kids’. I was never self-assured. I was always the shy one. But that didn’t mean I was a failure. I was just a child who didn’t have the confidence to express himself. Learning to read and write was a different story. I was a little better at reading, but writing was a struggle. I had to work hard to improve my skills.

BELONGING TO THE CLAN OF LIBERALS

Our family has never been conservative. Our family is full of writers. Taking the common man’s voice has never been our thing. People think that I am a singer or a writer. I don’t think so. I think I am a filmmaker. I have always been a filmmaker, even before I became a filmmaker.

SOME REALISATIONS

Audiences have changed their perspectives. Audiences today are more open to new ideas. They are willing to experiment. I think that’s good. I think that’s healthy.

TERRIFYING MOMENT IN CHILDHOOD

I always felt embarrassed when I was a child. I was never the best at anything. I was never the most popular. I was never the most liked. I was always the last one to be chosen for a team. I was always the one who got left out. I was always the one who got picked on. I was always the one who got teased. I was always the one who got bullied.

GRABBING HIS DREAM ANYHOW

My application was rejected at the Film and Television Institute of India (FTII). So, I had to find another way to make it. I decided to take a different route. I decided to make my own film. I didn’t have the money to make a film, so I decided to work on a low-budget film. I didn’t have the experience to make a film, so I decided to learn from others. I didn’t have the support of others, so I decided to work on my own.

Mohan Krishna Indraganti

Indraganti is an Indian film director, actor, and screenwriter. He is best known for directing the films "Lavanya" (2017) and "Vishnu" (2018). He made his directorial debut with the Kannada film "Kushti" in 2014. His work has been praised for its realistic portrayal of society and its themes of social discrimination.

COMMERICALISATION

The process of turning a film into a commercial success is often fraught with challenges. It requires a delicate balance of creative vision and financial acumen. Mohan Krishna Indraganti, a director known for his realistic portrayal of society, recently turned his attention to the world of commercial filmmaking. The result was "Delivery Romant Chits", a film that managed to strike a balance between artistic integrity and commercial appeal.

REVIVING AN EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME

The experience was nothing short of exhilarating. I was able to share my love for cinema with the audience. It was a moment of pure joy and satisfaction. I never thought I would be able to achieve such a level of success.

CASTING HIS FIRST ACTRESS

When I was a child, I was always fascinated by the art of casting. I would spend hours构思ing about the perfect actress to play a role. I was always looking for someone who could bring life to my characters. The search for the perfect actress for "Delivery Romant Chits" was no different. The challenge was to find an actress who could bring the same level of passion and dedication to the role.

A TYPICAL DAY

A typical day on the set is punctuated by the sound of cameras clicking and the hum of activity. The day is filled with the energy of the crew and the passion of the actors. The weather is always a factor, as it can affect the mood and the atmosphere on set.

SECRETARYSHIP

Secretaryship is a role that requires a lot of dedication and hard work. The role of a secretary is to support the boss and make sure that everything runs smoothly. It is a role that requires a lot of organization and attention to detail.

DOCUMENTARY THAT TUGHT HIM A LOT

The documentary "Outside the Box" was instrumental in shaping his approach to filmmaking. The film was a powerful reminder of the importance of storytelling and the impact that it can have on society.

DAPI NEES

Still shot of woman wearing a brown skirt, seated on a chair. She is reading a book. The word "Dapi nees" is visible on the book. The scene suggests a moment of introspection or study.
A career in nursing abroad

When planning to choose the courses after the 12th science for a better future nursing makes you stand out, especially in the case of female students. After the pandemic, one of the most booming industries is healthcare, and there is an increase in employability in all the professions in this sector. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), projections indicate the Registered Nurses (RNs) workforce would increase by 6% between 2021 and 2031, adding over 223,000 new RNs to the workforce.

There are many reasons influencing the growth in the job outlook for nurses such as the ageing population, and the rise of people living with chronic health problems. Nurse practitioners coordinate with the patient and are responsible for their healthcare services. Like RNs, Nurse practitioners are also in high demand for many years and it is expected to increase by 40% from 2019 to 2029, according to the BLS. This drastic growth is not found in any other的职业.

According to recent reports, NIOH estimated that the world will need an additional 9 million nurses and midwives by the year 2030. Nurses play a critical role in health promotion, disease prevention, and delivering primary and community care. They provide care in emergency settings and will be key to the achievement of universal health coverage. Globally, 70% of the health and social workforce are women compared to 41% in all employment sectors. Nursing and midwifery occupations represent a significant share of the female workforce.

Whether you’re a trained nurse or a nursing student, working outside of your home country could be a lucrative gig. According to the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), nurses who work abroad can receive an average of 35% more than those who remain in their home country.

Scope of nursing in European countries

As a result of research showing a lack of nurses and other healthcare professionals since 2018, the quality of healthcare in Europe has not been as optimal anymore. In Denmark, there is about one nurse for every 1,000 people. According to a different study by the European Parliament, the likelihood of another patient dying would rise by 7% if these nurses had to take on one additional patient. The Covid-19 outbreak hasn’t been exactly helpful. Since its inception in 2019, the need for nurses in Europe has risen considerably. Many European countries govern regulations and laws are already preparing to alter their healthcare systems to address the shortage. These include enhancing nurses’ working environments, introducing rewarding incentives, and giving them better acknowledgement for their contributions. However, this shortfall offers nurses outside of Europe a chance. It will be simpler to recruit nurses from outside of Europe while these regulations and incentives are being implemented.

Given that the taxpayers in Denmark cover the majority of the costs, the healthcare system is freely accessible to citizens and residents. As you would expect from a Scandinavian nation, their healthcare system is also of the highest calibre. Nurses in Denmark receive 6 weeks of paid vacation annually leave a year, giving new expat nurses plenty of time to enjoy their new country. And the salary available here is one of the best in Europe, with an average of EUR 3000 a year. The starting salary for nurses in Denmark ranges between EUR 1700 to 2000 per month.

Nurses from outside of Europe who wish to relocate and work in a country in Europe now have the chance because several European nations are attempting to address the lack of nurses and other healthcare workers.

Best-paying jobs for nurses internationally

The global demand for nurses is 4.5 million by 2030, the majority of the demand is in the UK, Canada, Denmark, Europe, USA & Singapore with attractive salaries.

We choose our careers in part to make good money. But to do it, perseverance and passion are crucial. A wide range of high-paying professions is available in the field of nursing education research. In India, there are many opportunities for nurses, and the pay is competitive. However, learning and growth platforms are more important when discussing the breadth of nursing globally.

Some of the highest paying and demanding jobs for nurses abroad are:
- Nursing officer
- Registered nurse anesthetist
- General Nurse Practitioner
- Clinical nurse specialist
- Head Nurse
- Professional nurse midwife
- Critical Care Nurse
- Nurse Scientist
- Nurse practitioner in mental health
- Medical surgical assistant

Skills required by nurses to work internationally

There are several important international nursing procedures you may employ in any function, even though the regulations for this role can vary depending on the nation where you work and the type of your position. A few abilities can help you manage the international part of your position in addition to nursing competencies like medical knowledge and patient care. The following skills will help you to become a successful nurse.

- Effective communication and interpersonal abilities
- Great observation and evaluation qualities
- Teamwork and adaptability
- Empathetic towards patients
- Tackling challenges with care

Integrity in workplace

It is well recognised that nurses who work in countries with high responsibilities are more likely to have a better work-life balance. According to the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), nurses who work abroad frequently receive salaries that are on average 25% higher than those who stay in their nation. Nurses from outside of Europe who wish to relocate to and work in a country in Europe now have the chance because several European nations are attempting to address the lack of nurses and other healthcare workers.

All about APS Certificate

Germany has made the APS certificate mandatory for students applying for a German student visa. The action was taken solely to expedite admission and visa processing. Certificates are issued by the Academic Preparation Center (APS). Applications for the certificate opened on 1st Oct 2022, since the visa documentation will require the APS certificate. We have explained the process and the eligibility criteria for the certificate in detail below.

Why is an APS certificate required?

The certificate is a proof of authenticity for Indian academic documents and states the eligibility criteria for admission to German universities. It will simplify the application process to German universities and accelerate the student visa application. Therefore, students should apply for the certificate before they apply for admission to keep the processing time at a minimum. APS certificate is valid indefinitely. However, if the student wishes to apply for an updated certificate, they need to apply for an updated certificate under a new category.

Process to apply for the certificate

1. Register online at www.aps-India.de
2. Print and sign the completed application form.
3. Transfer the APS fee of 18,000/- INR to the APS bank account.
4. Submit the required documents, including the printed and signed application form, via counter or submit them at the APS India office reception during the stipulated office timings.
5. Document verification will be conducted by the APS.
6. After verification, the student’s online profile on the APS India website will be updated with the verification outcome.
7. Students will receive five original APS certificates via courier at the address provided on the application form.

Eligibility criteria

Any student applying to German universities for further education must apply for a certificate. Some points that students should be aware of before they apply for the certificate:
- Students who have not yet graduated with a degree and are seeking admission to a bachelor's program are required to submit a TÜV-SÜD score. However, they are exempt if they have cleared IEE Main and Advanced.
- Students enrolled in a bachelor's program who have not yet completed their course might be called for an interview. Interviews are conducted to understand if the student has basic knowledge of the subject they have studied. The interview will happen only once, so students should ideally prepare for it as they won't be given a second chance. There is no fee for the interview. The interview can be given in English and/or German. Students can choose their preferred language while registering online for the verification process.
- If your bachelor's degree is not issued yet, you can submit provisional certificates. However, certificates older than a year will not be accepted.
- The fee for the certificate is non-refundable.
- Register for an appointment only if you have obtained all the required documents.

The burden of proving authentic documents rests on the student. If false are provided, students will be excluded from all current and future APS processes.

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Sugar-free peanut butter laddoo

**What you need:**
- Mung dal: 1 cup
- Whole wheat flour: 1/2 cup
- Ragi: 3 tbsp
- Seedless dates: 200 gm
- Peanut butter: 4 tbsp
- Chopped almonds: 1/4 cup
- Chopped cashews: 1/4 cup
- Warm milk: 3/4 cup
- Ghee/olive oil: 1 tsp

**How to make:**
- Heat a pan and dry roast mung dal until it turns light brown in colour. Be careful not to burn or brown it up too much.
- Once done, transfer it to a mixer jar/blender. Let it cool down.
- In the meantime, dry roast whole wheat flour until it turns aromatic and golden brown in colour. Dry roast the ragi flour.
- Transfer the flour to a bowl. Next, dry roast the finely chopped cashews and almonds so that they turn crunchy. Add this to the bowl.
- By now the mung dal would have cooled down. Grind it to a fine powder. Transfer this to the bowl.
- Next, blend the seedless dates such that they come together and form a lump. Transfer this also to the bowl.
- Now add in the peanut butter and mix it thoroughly along with other ingredients in the bowl such that it is lump free. Make sure your peanut butter is of thin flowing consistency. If you have refrigerated it and it has solidified, keep it out for a while and then use it.
- Warm the milk and start adding it in steps to the bowl. Give everything a good mix. When you press the mixture in your palm, it should retain (hold) its shape. This means the consistency is right. If it is too dry or crumbly, add more milk if required, but do not make it like a paste.
- Grease your palm with ghee or olive oil and start shaping them to round laddoos. Use both your palms to get a good shape.

**Jaggery malpuas**

**What you need:**
- Grated jaggery: 1/2 cup
- Fennel seeds: 1 tsp
- Cardamom powder: 1/2 tsp
- Salt: 1/2 tsp
- Ghee for greasing and cooking
- A few pistachio slivers

**How to make:**
- Heat 1/2 cup of water in a broad non-stick pan, add the jaggery; mix well and cook on a medium flame either for 2-3 minutes or till the jaggery melts.
- Switch off the flame and transfer it into a bowl to cool it off slightly.
- Add the whole wheat flour and fennel seeds and mix well till no lumps are found.
- Add the cardamom powder, fruit salt and 2 tbsp of water and mix gently.
- Heat a non-stick tava and grease it with little ghee.
- Pour a small ladleful of the batter on it and spread it evenly to make a 75mm (3 inches) circle.

**Peanut butter lassi**

**What you need:**
- Card: 1 cup
- Fresh cream: 1/4 cup
- Peanut butter: 4 tbsp
- Sugar: 2 tbsp
- Ice cubes: 8-10

**How to make:**
- Add all the ingredients into the blender including card, fresh cream, peanut butter, sugar, ice cubes and make a smooth lassi.
- Add water if required to adjust the consistency of the peanut butter lassi.
- Serve it with Caramel drizzle on top.

*Courtesy: Chef Kunal Kapoor

*Courtesy: Chef Tarla Dalal*
Get spooky with PIXI

If you have spent hours looking up Halloween makeup inspiration on Instagram, you've probably come across plenty of gorgeous yet impractical DIY makeup looks. A few classic and simple Halloween makeup ideas have been chosen for this list. As characters, we suggest Harley Quinn, Skeleton, Nurse, Mermaid, and Vampire. You can also select your preferred spooky fictional characters. Getting started with the products you require will help you achieve your frightening look. Going all out with glitter is being brave. A subtle appearance, which will match nicely with your style, is more representative of your personality than a soft appearance. Therefore, let's experiment with our favourite Pixi products to create the ideal appearance to go with your Halloween attire.

Pixi Glitter-Y eye Quad - Gold/Blue - Each Pixi Glitter-Y eye Quad Offers Your Twinkling Pressed Glitter To Amplify Your Eye Makeup Look. These Versatile Glitters Can Be Used Alone On Bare Lids Or On Top Of Other Eyeshadows As Toppers Choose From Three Palettes That Offer A Variety Of Shades From Warm Metallics To Beautiful Rose Tones And Cool Blue And Green Tones.

**Price:** Rs 150

Cold-pressed, keto and paleo-friendly oil

Avocado oil by Aromaxciane is a fast growing company whose vision is to provide the greatest quality avocado oil while also allowing consumers to benefit from its nutritional benefits. Aromaxciane is one of the first ever avocado oils to be introduced in India. Avocado oil is such a diverse and helpful substance that helps you enhance your life in a variety of different ways. It can not only be used for consumption in your daily cooking but also be beneficial for your hair and skin. Cold-pressed, Keto and Paleo-friendly, non-GMO, they set the standard for high-quality oil.

Milap Cosmetics

When it comes to gifting a woman, nothing can beat a makeup kit set. Gift them a pack from Milap Cosmetics which includes essential 11 makeup items including primer, concealer, foundation, eyeshadow (green or black) as per your requirement, mascara, lipstick, lip balm to prep your lips, liquid matte lipstick, stick matte lipstick as per your choice, makeup liner and nail polish. A complete makeup look can be achieved from this complete gift hamper. This power pack kit gives you the power to set every event on fire.

Hair and care

Get up to 100% damage repair with hair care. With the triple blend ingredients of aloe vera, olive oil and green tea, treat and repair the various signs of damage — split ends, frizz, dullness, dryness and most importantly hair fall. It is a light and non-sticky formula with a classic hair and care fragrance. Straight, curly, thin, thick, fine, textured hair — this light and non-sticky hair oil is suitable for all hair types. Can also be used for after-hair wash styling.

How about renting designed cutlery?

A good meal and good cutlery are essential for every occasion! Taste and aesthetics play a really important role during dining. Meals are appreciated by the people when the food — cutlery, both are delightful. Laying out fine sparkling silverware will make a great first impression and lay the foundations of the overall dining experience. NILNIE LUXURY is all about a dining experience that you will not only give yourself but also your guests. They have a luxury range of premium dinnerware, serve ware and flatware which is all set to make your parties more memorable for you and your guests. Now with every party, you do not need to be on the lookout for some fine crockery, NILNIE LUXURY has fully got you covered with aesthetically and beautifully designed cutlery on a rental basis. They have a curated range of bespoke crockery and cutlery to match any of your tablescapes! Rent unique crockery for every occasion you host and give your guests a memorable dining experience. These dining sets and accessories are easy rentals for you that can be used for any meal — be it a birthday bash, a classic dinner or a quiet dinner for two. This is for all those who love to host and love to flaunt new crockery and cutlery at every party.

Samsung introduces an all-new pickle-mode microwave

Samsung has introduced the all new pickle mode Microwave in which consumers can make their favourite pickles doing away with the hassle of manually sun-drying pickles over many days. Designed for homemakers, millennials and working professionals, the new microwave with this innovative Pickle Mode enables consumers to make a variety of pickles hygienically in the comfort of their homes throughout the year. The new microwave is available in 28 litre capacity with a price of Rs 24,990. The Pickle Mode Microwave makes it extremely convenient for individuals from all generations to prepare authentic and delicious pickles with minimum effort within minutes. The microwave can be used to make pickles from mangoes, green chilli, Indian gooseberry, radish, ginger, cauliflower and lemon.

![Timeless recipes. Ready in minutes.](image)
Investing in a plot over an apartment is always the best

For many Indians, owning a home is a dream, and people put their life savings into buying a house. Hyderabad is one of the largest hubs of information technology, and numerous people from various parts of the country come to Hyderabad in search of jobs. Many look at buying a house as an investment that will benefit them in the future. While some are confused about the kind of house they want to buy, the question of whether to buy a plot or an apartment is never ending. Ishwar N., CEO of G Square Housing, shares the benefits of buying a plot over an apartment.

A luxurious and independent lifestyle

Investing in a plot has its own perks and benefits. First, buying a plot in and around Hyderabad would guarantee a premium and independent lifestyle. Having a plot of your own gives you total ownership of the land, and you are free to use the land according to your choice. It offers complete freedom and liberty to build one's home as per their taste and preference. If you are a person who loves privacy, then buying a piece of land would benefit you. Also, unlike apartments, plot owners do not share land space with others, offering complete ownership of the land. They have the luxury of complete privacy while living in a community.

Embracing customisation and flexibility

Once you own a plot, you can build your dream home along with a landscape, a backyard, a parking space, and so much more. In addition to meeting your needs, a home should also represent your personality and suit your way of life. Purchasing a plot is like purchasing a blank canvas and giving wings to your dreams. Create your home from the ground up, customise it as you see fit, and leave room for future changes. In the case of plots, one has the liberty to choose designs based on one's budget. Even if one cannot afford to build a luxury home right away, one always has the prospect of building in the future. Plots can bring in the element of perfection.

When it comes to apartments, builders charge for the non-constructed area at the same constructed area rates. Many a time, this increase in cost leads to people sacrificing design and structure over budget.

High return on investment

Plots can have a more considerable resale value since they appreciate more than apartments. So, if you buy a plot in a terrific location with excellent facilities that are only going to expand, you may be making a smart investment decision. Given their cheaper initial investment and more significant returns over a shorter duration, they also have a lot more to offer. One of the most significant benefits of purchasing a plot is that it is cost-effective when compared to buying an apartment, and more so for a first-time buyer. If money is an issue, it is possible to avoid building in plots. This way, it reduces the investment and the high maintenance costs that apartments carry.

“Under all is the land” is the preamble to any real estate investment. Real estate appreciation is always on land. When one buys an apartment, the appreciation of the value of the apartment is based on the UDS (Unadjusted Dollar Share) of the land. If one’s apartment has more UDS, it will appreciate more and vice versa. On the other hand, in the case of plots, the whole investment is on the land, which makes the appreciation potential higher. If any apartment is constructed with any deviation (big or small), the home buyer faces the risk of demolition, reselling issues, unavailability of loan, etc. till the home is sold.

A dual asset

Apart from this, a plot can be a dual asset for you. It can be modified into a commercial space at any given point in time. A plot is an asset that can be passed on to future generations as well. Hence, buying a plot is a wise option and would be easier to sell when needed. One of the serious risks most apartment buyers face today is whether they will get possession on the date promised by the builder. When possession is delayed, it has multiple effects like paying pre-EMI interest, losing income tax benefits, losing rental income, and so on. But plot owners don't have to go through any of these risks.

Transparent method of purchase

Many people are a little hesitant to buy a plot because it is a large amount to invest, and you need someone trustworthy. For security reasons, they tend to go with a big player in the industry and will settle down for an apartment. But there are a few companies that are registered and follow a transparent method of selling plots. They also help individuals to buy a plot without any hassle or any further complications. The builder may have all the approvals, but during construction, if there is any aberration on the builder's part, the apartment owner must face the risk. Plot projects don’t need any construction approvals. The only thing a plot buyer needs to look into is the title and the layout approval from the relevant authorities. Areas within the outer ring road of Hyderabad and those closer to the Hyderabad airport are best suited for people who are expecting good returns. Locations such as LB Nagar, RN Residency, Shadnagar, Shamshabad, and Vanasthalipuram are fast developing, offering a high return on investment. One should do thorough research before buying any plot or land so that the money invested is safe and sound.

The best course of action would be to select one after evaluating your demands, financial capabilities, and obligations because both plots and apartments have their own advantages and disadvantages. A plot in an area that will increase in value would be an excellent choice.

Ishwar N. said, “Homes nowadays have become more than simply a place to live or an object to own. They define our identity, our way of life, and our sense of stability. As more people value their individuality, they are rearranging their lifestyle. Independent homes are encouraging people’s ideas now. Days as apartment living thrives with more cutting-edge conveniences. Large open plots that allow you to build houses the way you want them, in communities that offer the best facilities and in favourable locations, are one more living choice that is drawing attention. Independent houses are becoming more and more appealing as time passes and with huge infrastructure firms intending to construct lifestyle facilities around valuable acres of land.”
Everyone deserves a second marriage

Sometimes in life, things don’t work out. But the good news is that everyone deserves and is afforded a second chance in life. This is the same in marriage as well. Though marriage is supposed to be a life-long commitment, it is better to get out of an abusive relationship that does nothing good for either party involved and start life anew. After all, the intention of marriage, line with everything else, is to improve the quality of life and help the person lead a happy and content life during their time on Earth.

In Vedic Astrology, a second marriage for a person can be found in his or her horoscope upon close scrutiny. However, most of the time, these hints emerge only after the failure of the first marriage. Unless the signs in the chart are exceptionally strong or the chart is being looked at by an exceptional astrologer, the requirement of a second marriage lies hidden till the proper time arrives. The 2nd house, 7th house and the planets Venus and Jupiter factor the most in deciding the marriage of a person. For a second marriage, the 9th house is the most significant. If the 7th house has any malefic planets positioned in it, or if Venus and Jupiter are malefic in the chart, it indicates divorce for the person. The secret to second marriage lies hidden in the 9th house of the horoscope.

Multiple marriage lines

In Palmistry, the marriage line is also called the relationship line. It is the line below the base of the little finger of the person. A marriage line not only gives hints as to when marriage will take place but also reveals the attitude of the person towards marriage and love in general. One can also know about delays in marriage and even chances of a second marriage by studying the marriage line.

Having two marriage lines is not as uncommon as one might think. If the two marriage lines are of the same length and run parallel to each other, then the chances of the person being satisfied in his or her married life are slim. If the two marriage lines are of different lengths, then the possibility is to have extramarital affairs. The person may get entangled in a love triangle and life will become infinitely more complicated.

A person with three marriage lines will be flirty. Such persons will find it hard to limit their sexual appetite and pass on to one person. For them, staying loyal to a partner in marriage will be difficult. Such a person, if they wish for their marriage to be successful, needs to limit their interactions with the opposite gender to the minimum. Otherwise, there will be trouble in married life.

Which house is for marriage?

The 7th house in astrology is the house for marriage and long-term relationships. In Vedic astrology, the 7th house, houses 1-6 deal with the ‘self’, while houses 7-12 deal with the ‘other’ of a person. The 7th house is the first among the ‘other’ houses, meaning it deals with the most intimate among ‘others’ in the life of a person, which is the spouse.

Other than the spouse, the 7th house also casts influences on other partners like business partners. During the marriage, the compatibility of the 7th house is checked to ascertain mutual understanding, level of co-operation and physical intimacy among others. The 7th house also deals with the person’s desire to have children, infertility issues and fulfillment of sexual desires.

Marriage yoga in Kundli

Yogas are formed when the planets align in a certain way in the chart. The amount of happiness a person receives in married life depends on such yogas related to marriage. If the chart shows a person’s marriage to be delayed and if that person marries early, then it is probably for that marriage to end in failure, leading to the second marriage of the person later in life. Such instances occur when the lord of the seventh house is retrograde and Mars is in the seventh. When the lord of the seventh house is in the sixth, eighth, twelfth, ascendant or seventh house, when ascendant, seventh house, the lord of the ascendant are moving, or with the presence of a moving Moon. The same can also result if the lord of the seventh house is weak and Saturn is with Mars in the first, second, seventh or eighth house, when the lord of the eighth house is in the fifth house, when the Sun and the Moon are by aspects of one another and when Sun or Moon is the lord of the seventh house or placed in the seventh house.

Second marriage line in palmistry

The marriage line in palmistry is the line seen below the little finger. If there are two marriage lines, it indicates the possibility of a second marriage. If both lines are of equal length and equal clarity, then the married life of the person will be ridden with conflict and ego leading to separation and eventually divorce.

Extramarital affairs can also happen. If the marriage lines are close to each other then the possibility is more for the extramarital affair to continue along with marriage. In such cases, a second marriage may be more theoretical than practical or legal.

Second marriage prediction by date of birth

The houses affecting the 2nd marriage of the person are 1st, 2nd, 7th, 8th and the 9th. Of this, the 9th house is considered the primary significator while the 8th house is considered the secondary significator of the 2nd marriage. Among planets, Venus signifies wife for males whereas Jupiter signifies husband for females. If there is a second marriage seen in the horoscope of a person, it generally happens during the period of Mars (mokshadha or antardasha) 3rd house and 6th house lord and their connected planet.

Second marriage prediction by numerology

When it comes to numerology, people with numbers 4, 5 and 6 as per their date of birth bear the possibility of second marriage in their fortunes. The number 4 people are unconventional and have more relationships outside marriage. They stay devoted to their partners even when they have sex outside of marriage. Number 4 people are most likely to get married when it comes to marriages and relationships. Number 5 people enjoy having numerous relationships and crave change and entertainment in life. They are versatile and love to experiment. Number 5 people think more with their brain than their heart and are practical when it comes to relationships and marriage. So if they fail to find the excitement, they seek a marriage in a city, they are very much open to change and have another go with another partner. Six is the number of the planet Venus. Number 6 people are attracted to love and romance even if it comes from outside of marriage. This is especially the case if they lack emotional attachment to their partner. Number 6 people attract members from the opposite gender due to their personality and so are more likely to get out of a marriage that is not emotionally fulfilling.
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54-year-old woman eaten alive by 22-foot python

A 54-year-old woman in Indonesia was eaten alive by a 22-foot python after she had gone to a forest to collect rubber. The woman had gone missing for two days after which locals came across a huge snake with a beige in its stomach. The locals cut open the python and found the undisguised remains of the woman.

The woman was eaten alive by the 22-foot python, reported mirror.co.uk. Initially had disappeared on Friday, when she did not return, her family got worried and started looking for her. Then they came across a massive reptile with an enlarged stomach and the terrified villagers worst fear was confirmed when they found Jannah in the stomach when they cut open the python.

She was swallowed whole in a painful ordeal that would have taken at least two hours from her head to her toes, reports the website.

In March 2017, Aishah Sabutro was cut from the stomach of a python after being eaten alive on the island of West Sulawesi.

Only mindset shift will deter hate crimes, Your Honour

A bench comprising Justices KM Joseph and Indirabai P Jeyakrishnan observed that the court, regarding the actions taken by the hate speech committed that took place within their jurisdiction.

The court observed that and when any speech or any act takes place which attracts outside Section 153A (promoting enmity between different groups on grounds of religion, race, place of birth, residence or language). The bench said, ‘It is not to be interpreted as inciting religious feelings of any class by insulting its religion or religious beliefs’ and 306 (punishment for criminal intimidation) of IPC etc., without any complaint being filed, the hate motive being taken to register cases and proceed against the offenders in accordance with law.

Any hesitation to act as per the directions would be viewed as contempt of court, the apex court warned.

The SC bench was hearing a petition seeking the Court’s intervention to stop the ‘growing menace of targeting and terrorizing the Muslim community in India’. The bench said that the complaint relates to the ‘prevailing climate of hate in the country’ and total inaction of the authorities. Since the petition had already been filed, the bench directed the State government to take action.

The bench said that it had already been taken and that the transgressions had only increased; the Court observed: ‘We feel the court is charged with the duty to protect the Fundamental Rights and also protect and preserve the constitutional values in particular the rule of law and the secular democratic character of the nation’.

So far, so good. What about the widespread hate crimes in which at least some of the offenders were booked. What action has been taken against those who spread venom and hate at the Hamra Sansad in Haridwar last December? Nothing happens.

We know how Indian diplomats struggled to placate Islamic nations over the persecution remarks that certain Bharatiya Janata Party leaders made against Prophet Muhammad. That shameful episode is a dark chapter in the country’s history. But the government has taken no action.

In 2016, the Supreme Court ordered that the government must take action against those who spread hate speech.

In 2017, the SC had ordered the government to take action against those who spread hate speech.

In 2020, the SC had ordered the government to take action against those who spread hate speech.

In 2021, the SC had ordered the government to take action against those who spread hate speech.

In 2022, the SC had ordered the government to take action against those who spread hate speech.

In 2023, the SC had ordered the government to take action against those who spread hate speech.

The SC had also ordered the government to take action against those who spread hate speech.

Kejriwal seeks images of Gods Ganesha, Laxmi on Indian currency

Delhi chief minister Arvind Kejriwal asked for Indian currency notes to feature images of Hindu gods Ganesha and Laxmi along with that of Mahatma Gandhi, adding that he will soon write to Prime Minister Narendra Modi to push for the move.

Addressing a virtual news conference, Kejriwal said, “He got a strong feeling” while offering prayers during Diwali that if the Indian currency notes have these images, it will help inculcate efforts to protect the economy. “I am not saying that this alone will improve the economy... many other efforts need to be undertaken... those [efforts] will materialise if we have the blessings of gods and goddesses,” the CM said.

The Aam Aadmi Party chief’s comments triggered a political storm, with the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) accusing him of “hate Hindutva”, and other Opposition parties accusing him of choosing majoritarianism over science. The AAP dismissed both allegations.

Crime Records Bureau (CRCB), cases filed under IPC Section 153A saw a slide of almost a 500 per cent increase between 2014 and 2020. It is not a coincidence that, while less than 300 cases were recorded in 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017, the number of cases in seven years, the year 2020, with 1,384 cases being the highest. In 2020, Tamil Nadu (303) registered the highest number of cases followed by Delhi (240), Telangana (151), Assam (147), and Andhra Pradesh (143). Cases filed under Section 153B increased sixfold from 13 in 2013 to 82 in 2020.

In December 2021, the Union Ministry of Home Affairs told Parliament that NCRB discontinued collecting hate crime data after 2017, and that the term ‘anti-national’ is not defined in law. In hearing, hate speech has not been defined in any law. The Law Commission of India, in its March 2017 report, wrote “new provisions in the IPC are required to be incorporated to address the issue of hate speech. The provisions in IPC that prohibit certain forms of speech are neither clear nor stringent enough to ensure that hatemongers are invariably booked and the related cases brought to a logical conclusion. The conviction rate of cases under Section 153 was as low as 20 per cent between 2016 and 2020. In 2016, 153 per cent of cases ended in convictions, while in 2020, the conviction rate had risen to 20.4 per cent.

During the Aam Aadmi Party’s government in 2015, it sought to have images of Hindu gods Ganesha, Laxmi, Saraswati and Durga included on Indian currency notes. The subsequent anti-encroachment drive led to demolition of homes and shops belonging mostly to Muslims.

In Karnataka’s Raichur, the song ‘Banganga maruti’ (we will build the temple) played in front of a mosque, while people, waving saffron flags, cheered. At a rally in Hyderabad, BJP legislator J Raja Singh sang, “In Ram’s name rule, make Bharat se Bhagwanwala” (as those who do not take Ram’s name, we must chase them out of the country). In Rajasthani’s Karauli district, secularists, foreign policy experts, and even the BJP’s favourite henchman, Balakrishna, have asked why the government has not acted. They have asked: “When will the government take action against these criminals who have been varans?-vindicated through insidious social engineering. Only mindset shift of the powers that be can bring down hate crimes, Your Honour!”