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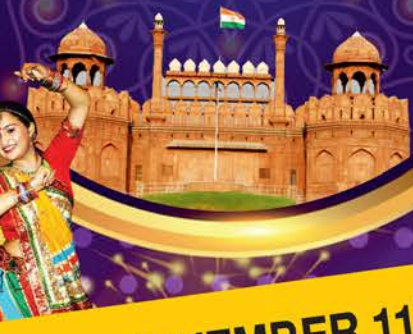
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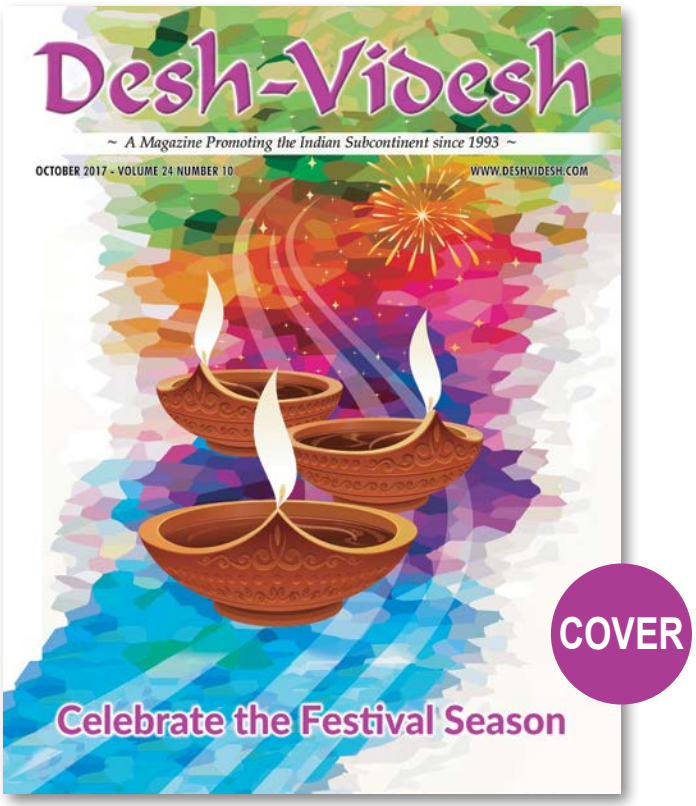




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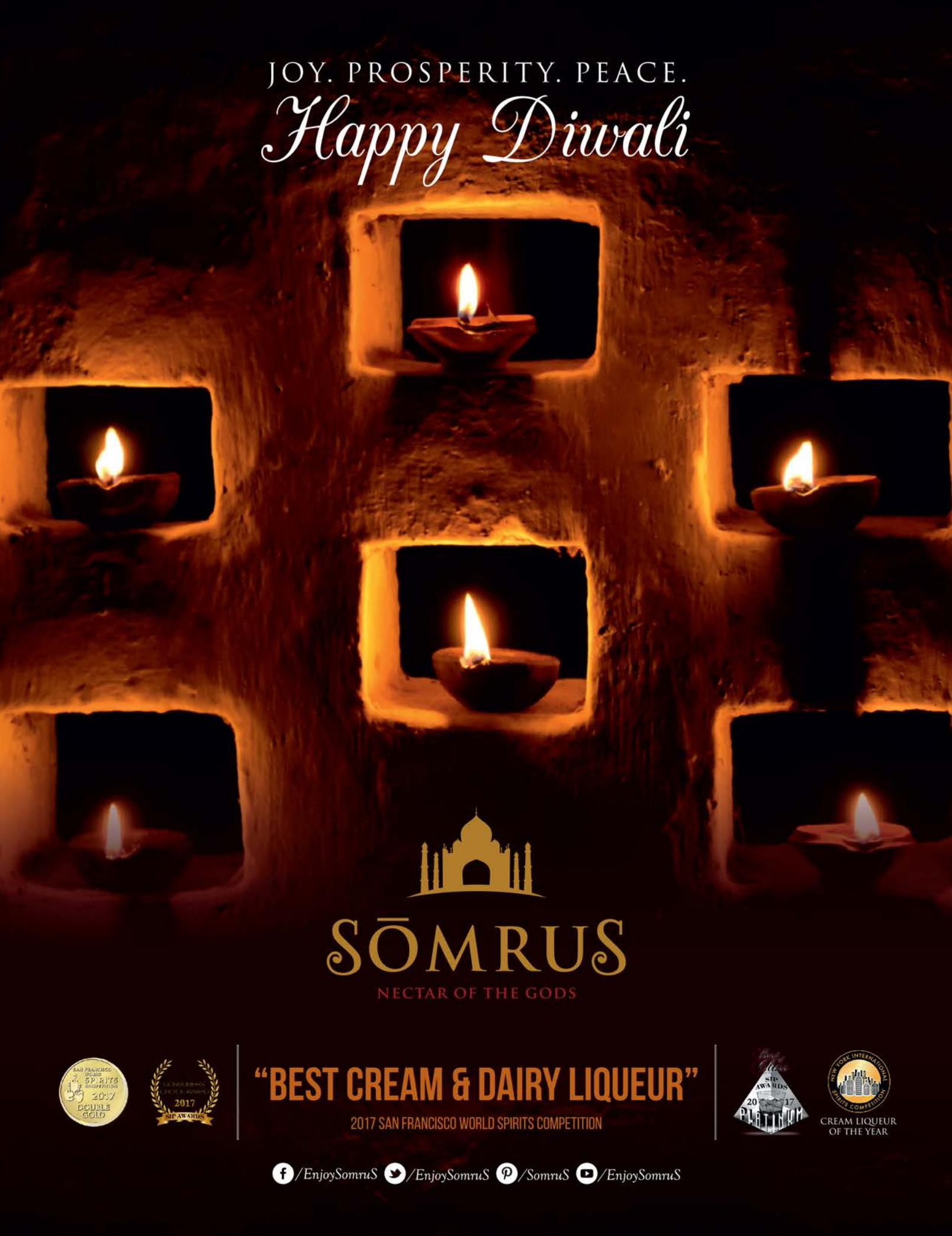
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Dear Readers,

First of all let me wish Happy Diwali to all of you and to all our Gujarati brothers sisters, Happy New year too! It's that time of the year of Festivals, Family, and Food. Don't forget the sweets - no festival is complete without these treats!

For the last few years, Aruna and I have been inviting all our friends who have young children on Diwali Day to our home to perform the Diwali Puja. The young children do puja while their parents sit back and watch. Our Pandit ji is an IT graduate Varun who not only performs a very authentic puja, but also explains the meaning of every ritual.

I hope you do not mind if I plug one of my books. Keeping in mind last year's Diwali celebration at our home, I wrote a book *We love Diwali*, a children's story book with pictures and a simple explanation of how Hindu, Jain and Sikh celebrate Diwali.

In India, unfortunately, family is not part of the festivals. These days, rather than celebrating festivals with Family, the trend is to go to an out of town vacation spot. And not even with the whole family, but just on their own. This major culture shift between Indians living in this country versus Indians living back home is very apparent.

I have mentioned this before, but we've see this upward trend in educating our children at Bal Vihar or children achieving top positions at spelling bee or young adults taking care of senior parents. I'm not the only one who has noticed this shift. Recently, I was watching a Bollywood film *Beshumar Ishq*. Similar to most Bollywood movies, this is also a love triangle. Half of the family members live in London and half live in Mumbai.

A major culture shift shows where London-born and raised Zumzum is more inclined with ancient Indian culture, where she prefers to visit the History of India in Rajasthan versus her Indian counterpart who wants to party in Goa.

Most of you who have read my column in the past know how passionate I feel about Hindu heritage and Indian culture in our youth so I can go and on on talking about those subjects, but let me stop here.

Finally, we hope all our readers in the Florida and Georgia region impacted by Hurricane Irma are safe and sound. Also, we're sure most of you know the MyShadi Bridal Expo date changed to October 22 due to Hurricane Irma. We apologize any inconvenience caused. We hope to see you in Orlando then!

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**By Aditi Wardhan Singh**

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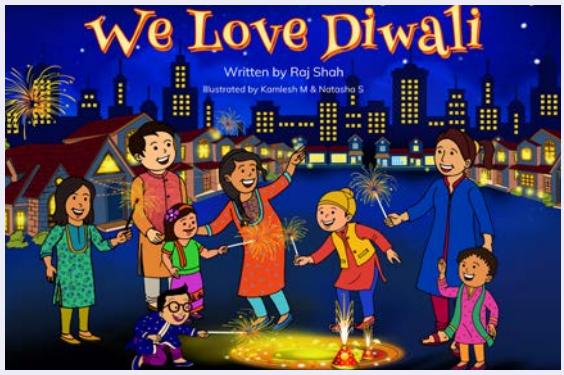
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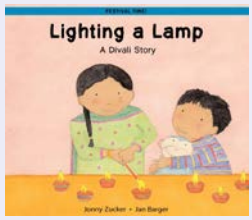
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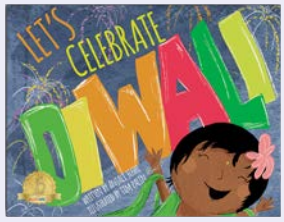
## Impart Real World Values Using Mythological Stories

The stories behind festivals like Ganesh Chaturthi, Janmashtami, Dussehra, and of course Deepavali or any festival around the world are wondrous examples of teaching kids how there is always good within all that seems bad. Mythology though, is hard to comprehend by young minds. It is paramount we connect these stories to real world examples to make them easier to understand and digest.

- Read children's books featuring stories about Ramayan, Ganpati, etc.
- Encourage kids to ask questions about the story lines
- Explain to kids in the simplest possible terms what every aspect of the story means.




## Create Traditions That Carry Meaning



Every year start a new ritual that convey life lessons and encourage creativity. Below are some great ways to connect as a family and dare I say, save money too. Being frugal of course is a wonderful trait to foster.

- Cook sweets or cookies together.
- Create cards or decoration together.
- Discuss and put up decorations together.
- Find new ways to use the older years' decorations.
- Visit a local orphanage or old age home with gifts or treats.
- Create Rangoli at home with flowers or sidewalk chalk or pulses.

## Exchange Gifts From the Heart

In a materialistic world, it is important to teach kids to value presents made with thought.

- Make cards together for your extended family. Send them in advance. This is a great way to stay connected with family far away.
- Create idols from play doh or earthen/eco friendly clay.
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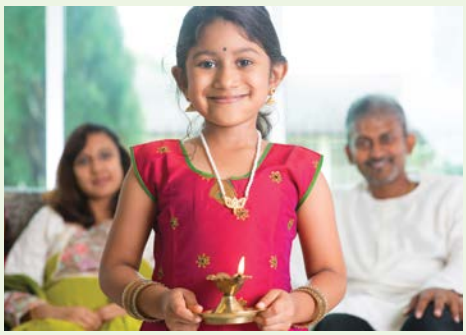
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**Find New Ways to Celebrate The Festival of Light**

- It is fall season. What a wonderful time to collect dry leaves, twigs, etc. Use these to create a bonfire in your backyard.
- Fill up balloons with glitter or pieces of colored paper. Burst these in the evening for a vibrant ambiance.
- Kids could even blow up paper bags and burst giving you the cheerful sound of crackers.
- Make Diyas out of wheat flour. It is very simple and beautiful way to decorate your home.

*We wish you a Happy Deepavali full of meaning, celebration and time with loved ones!*

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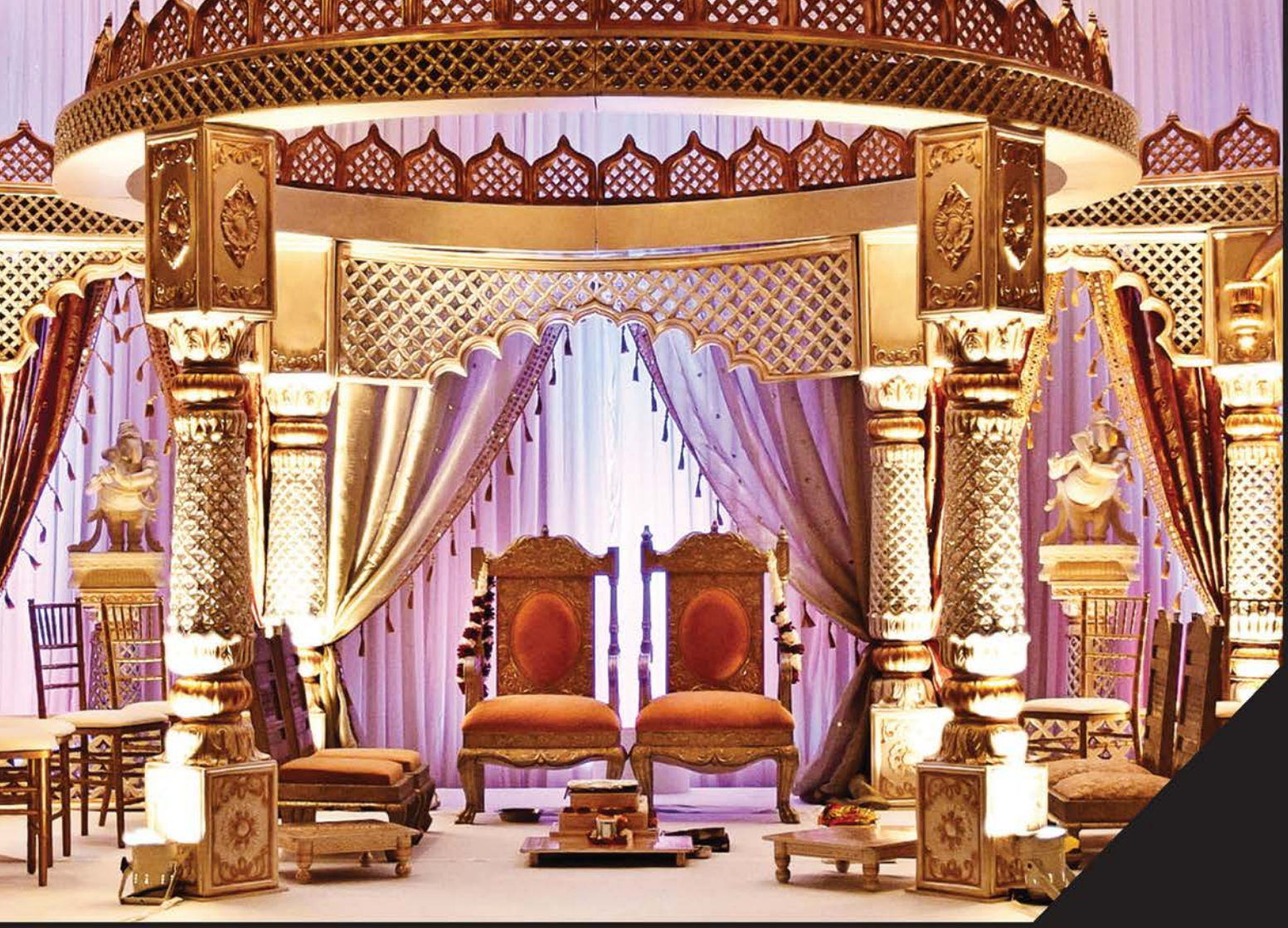
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# Eight Diwali Traditions, Apart from Sweets Everyone Should Know

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As one of the most famous festivals in India, Diwali has a historical significance and celebrates Lord Rama's return to his kingdom, Ayodhya, after a 14 year exile. Having defeated Ravana before his return, the people of Rama's kingdom lit lamps to celebrate his homecoming and the triumph of good over evil.

Since then, Diwali is celebrated with pomp in India as well as in the US, Guyana, Trinidad & Tobago, Mauritius, Malaysia, Nepal, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Myanmar, Fiji, among other countries. Earthen lamps and lights light homes, shops, temples, markets and streets to remove evil and welcome the Goddess Lakshmi.

All year long, people look forward to the festival. Children especially wait for Diwali eagerly, especially in India where school children are given vacation time.

The significance and history of Diwali are important for children celebrating around the world to understand - and it is a great reminder for adults as well!

## Cleanliness

Diwali is a time when people become busy with activities like shopping, cleaning, and traditional religious rituals. Preparations often begin one month in advance to set a festive mood for the family.

Houses are painted and unused items are donated or thrown away. The story goes that Goddess Lakshmi only visits those homes that are sparkling clean. Many also pray her for wealth and wisdom. Lord Ganesh is also prayed to during the festival for welfare and prosperity.

Once the cleaning is done, homes are decorated with lights, *torans* (marigold flower garlands) are hung in the main door, and *rangolis* (with colored power and even with flowers) are drawn.

Be sure to involve children as you maintain family traditions and attend Diwali events - even better, create some new rituals special to your family! As children begin to understand the meaning and stories behind Diwali, the festival becomes even more special for them.

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## Gambling



Gambling is a part and parcel of the Festival of Lights. In this light, games and gambling can be fun when played for tradition and to have fun. Some favorites include teen patti (three-card brag), blackjack, and poker. Parties usually begin late in the evening around 10pm and are hosted in bungalows and farmhouses and continue until the wee hours.

## Five Days of Festival



Diwali is a five-day festival in India. Dhanteras is the first day of Diwali, when people believe it is auspicious to buy gold and other things like utensils for the house), then comes *Choti* Diwali or *Naraka Chaturdashi*, and the third (also the main day) is when the *Lakshmi Puja* is performed at home. The final day of Diwali is Govardhan puja also known as *Bhai Dooj* when sisters put *tikas* on their brothers' foreheads.

## Celebrations in South and East India



In Southern India, people celebrate the victory of Lord Krishna over Narakasura, whereas in the Eastern areas like West Bengal, the Goddess Kali is worshipped as she defeated Bakasura, a demon. In Bengali tradition, it is mandatory to eat something called the *Choddo Saak* (14 types of leafy green cooked together) on the day before Kali Puja or Diwali. It is believed that eating the particular dish, keeps the evil spirits away. Rituals differ from region to region, but overall, Diwali is time for celebration of good over evil.

## Shopping

Markets and malls are abuzz during the festive season as Diwali is not complete without shopping. The frenzy begin much before the festival when people buy *diyas* in a variety of shapes, sizes and decorations. On Dhanteras, people indulge in buying gold, silver like coins and other metals and utensils. It is also a time for promotional offers on everything possible from a sleek gadgets to cars, furniture, clothes, investments and gift items.

## Sweets and Snacks



No Indian festival is complete without sweets or *mithai*. Different states in India have a specialty made for Diwali. *Besan Ladoos* (chickpea flour laddos), *mawa kachoris* (thickened milk), *chirote* (crisp fried sweet), *barfi* (rectangular shaped sweets), *karanji or gujjias*, *gulab jamun*, *puran poli* (flatbread made with chickpea flour, jaggery, cardamom and nutmeg) and *gajar ka halwa* are some of the sweets that are made during Diwali.

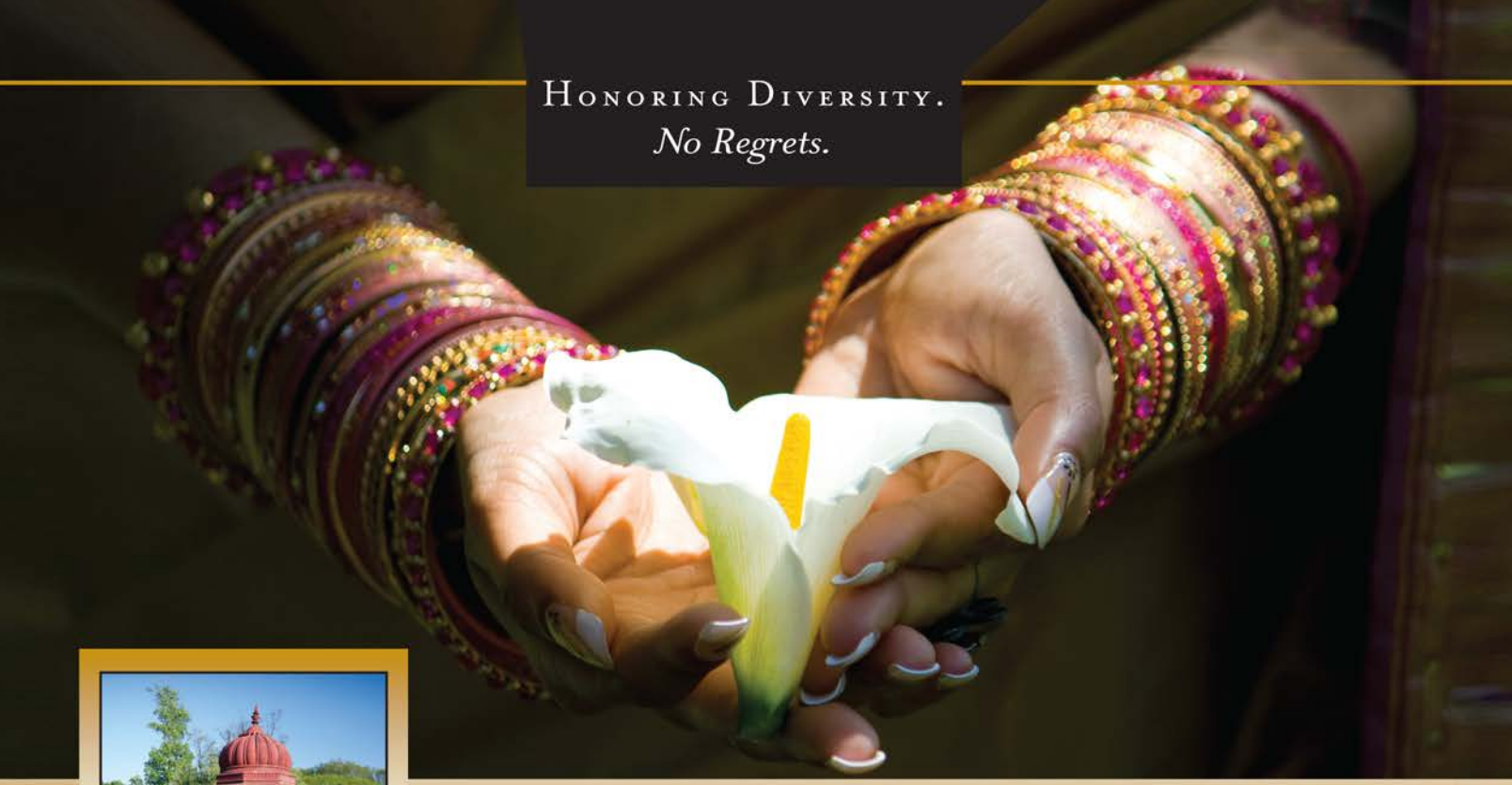
Savouries in the form of samosas, kachoris, tikkis, pakoras, mathiyas, dahi bhalla, etc. are also made as too much of sweet can cause toothache! All households get down to making *mithais* and savouries or *namkeen* to be distributed to neighbors and served to guests.

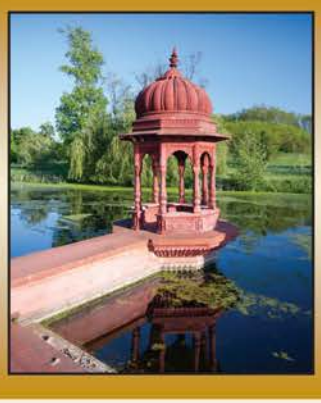
## Gifts

Gifts form an integral part of Diwali celebrations. During this time of the year, people exchange gifts with family, relatives, friends and acquaintances, following time old traditions. At Businesses and organizations, employees as well as clients are given gifts before Diwali.

Mostly in keeping with tradition, a box of sweets or *mithai* is gifted. However, now there are a plethora of options to choose from like food baskets combination, dry fruits, electronic appliances, and even customized gifts.

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**How can you find out if you were affected?** Visit equifaxsecurity2017.com, the website Equifax just created for consumers. There, you can enter your last name and the last six digits of your Social Security number to find out. (Having to enter the last six digits of your SSN hints at how significant this breach is.)2

If you are among the consumers whose data was hacked, Equifax will ask you to return to equifaxsecurity2017.com to enroll in an identity theft protection product, TrustedID Premier. This program will provide you with free credit monitoring for a year. (The lingering question is whether your data could be used easily by criminals afterward.)1,2

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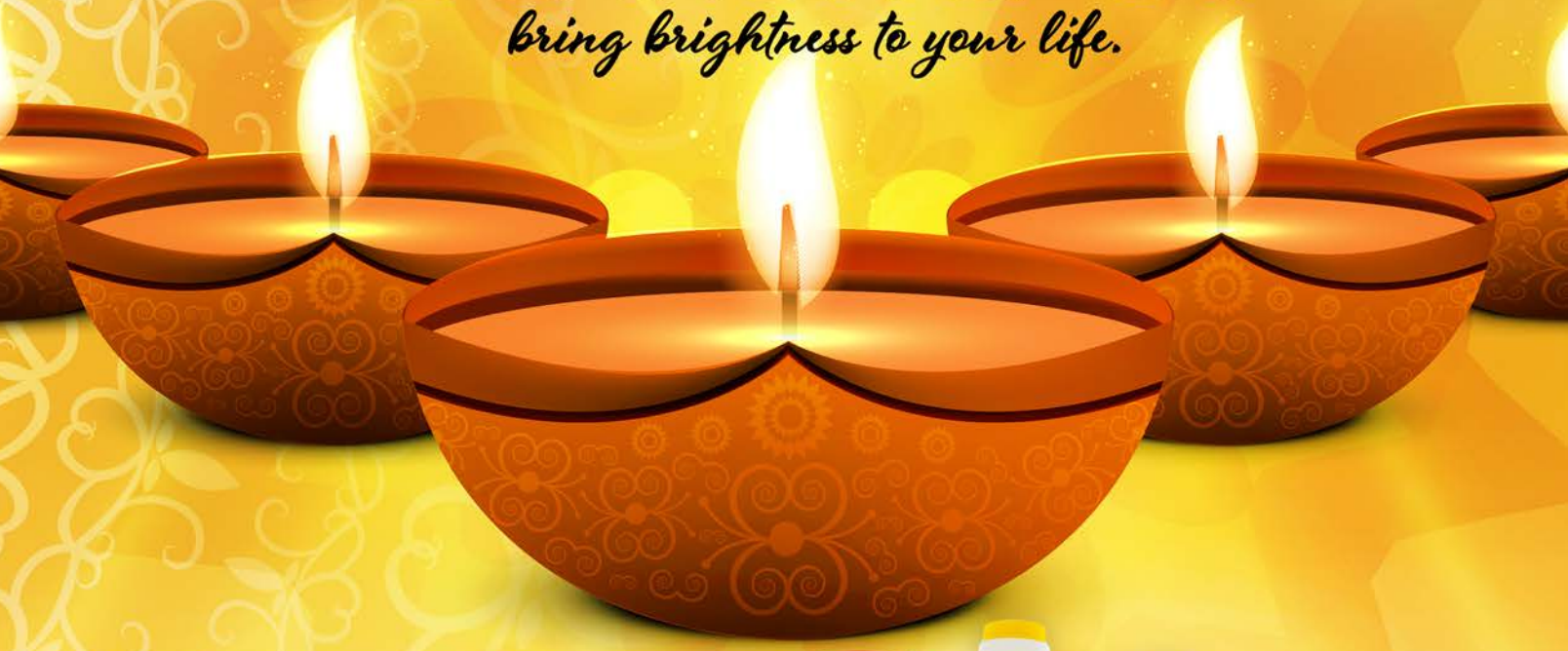
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**How should you respond?** Beyond simply taking Equifax up on its offer of one year of identity theft insurance and free credit monitoring, you can take other steps.

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**Consider changing the password for your main email account.** A weak password on that account is a low bar for a cybercrook to hurdle – and once hurdled, that crook could potentially pose as you to change the passwords on your financial accounts.3

**Regarding bank, investment, and credit card account passwords, avoid the obvious.** Too many people use simple passwords based on their pet's name, their last name and year of birth, the high school they attended, etc. Sadly, these same simple facts are often answers to security questions for credit card and bank accounts. Ask your bank or credit card issuer if you can use additional, random words or a PIN for passwords or security question answers. That way, you can avoid logging in using data that is in the public record. You want your password to be long and random, to make it harder for a would-be thief to guess.

**You may want to consider paying for additional identity theft protection for years to come.** This is one way to try and shield yourself from the unauthorized use of your Social Security number, driver's license number, email accounts, and credit card numbers.

**If someone calls you out of the blue claiming to be from Equifax, do not cooperate with them.** Unless Equifax is returning your call, they will not contact you by phone. The same applies if you get a random, unsolicited email or text from "Equifax" – do not comply, or you may inadvertently hand over personal information to a fraudster. Stay vigilant, today and in the future.




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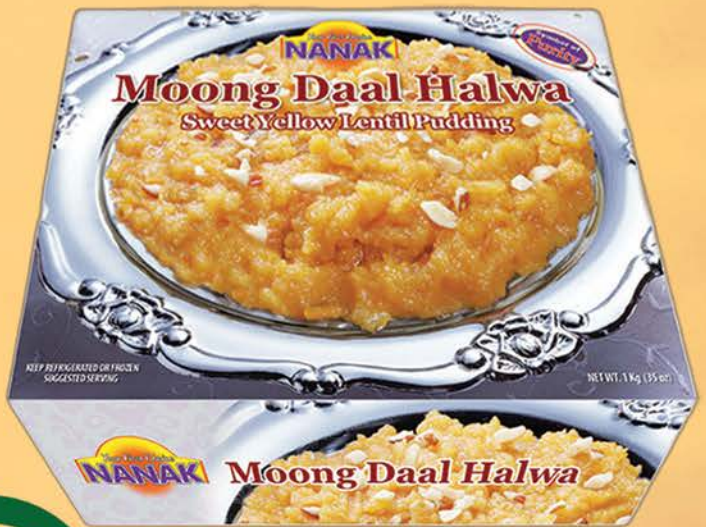












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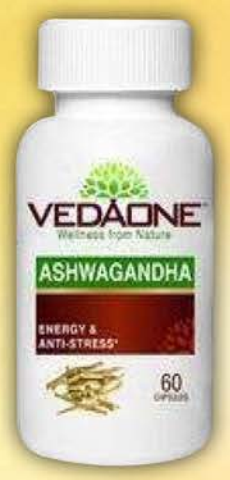
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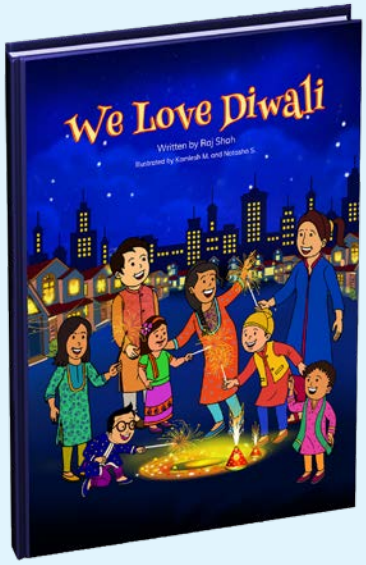


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## We Love Diwali

**Written by Raj Shah**
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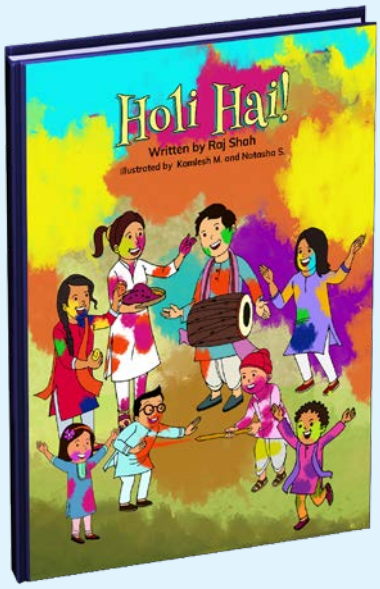
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The children gather together to participate in a Diwali pooja and are especially excited because this is one day when they perform the rituals rather than their parents!

Of course, no Indian festival is complete without delicious food, so the children end the day by eating Diwali mithai (sweets) and by lighting fireworks.

## Holi Hai!

**Written by Raj Shah**
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*Holi Hai!* explains why Hindus celebrate Holi, the festival of colors all around the world in the spring season. The book helps children living in America the universal message of the victory of good over evil. In *Holi Hai!*, Hindu children learn this valuable lesson along with Hindu rituals and traditions while having fun with their friends. The Holi celebration consists of traditions such as lighting a bonfire and burning Holika, the evil sister of Prahalad. Celebrations end with all, young and old, playing with water balloons and dry color powder.

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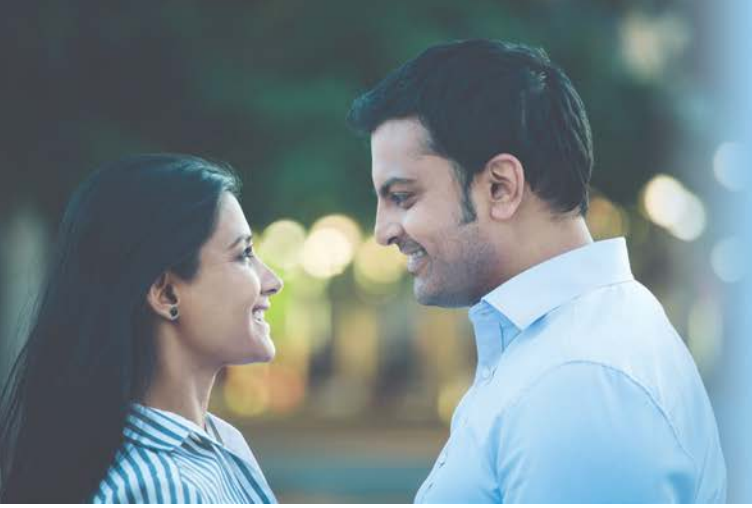
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## 2 Words of Affirmation

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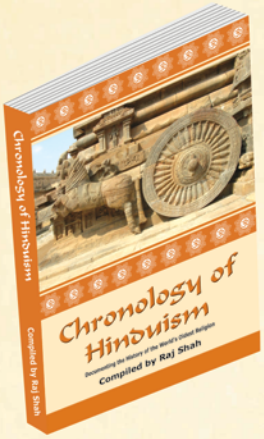


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communication and frustration between partners.

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Learning to speak to your partner in his or her preferred love language more often is key for improving the quality of your relationship.

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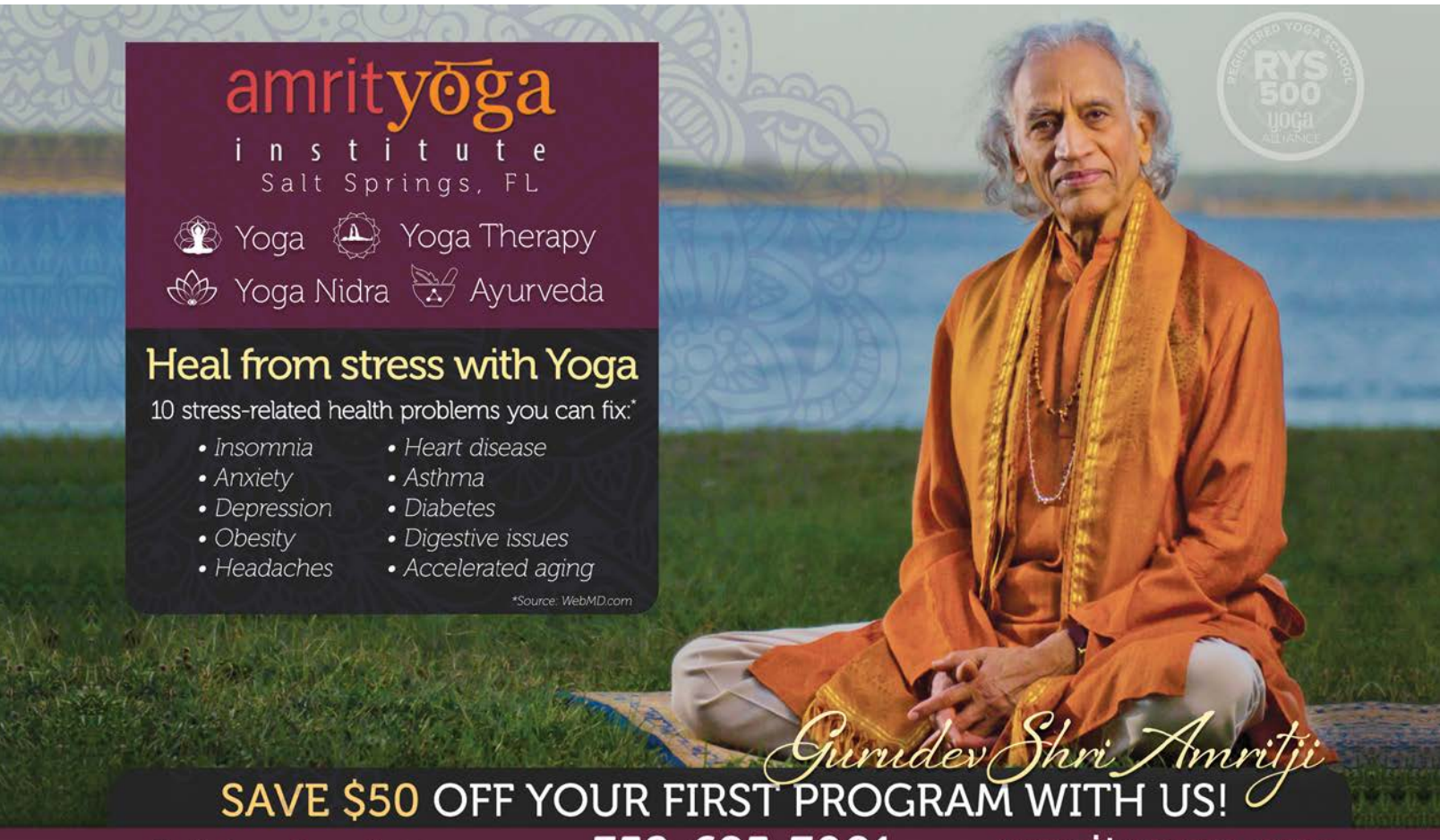
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## RK Films' memorabilia burnt in fire

Mid-September, the iconic R.K Films and Studios found itself amidst blazes. Historic and monumental memorabilia and costumes were burnt to ashes though no casualties were reported. Founded by legendary actor Raj Kapoor, the studio was the shooting ground for many iconic movies like *Mera Naam Joker* (1970) and *Prem Rog* (1982) as well as the current popular dance show *Dance Plus* 3. His son Rishi Kapoor accepted all concerns, but rued the loss of precious treasures that cannot be replaced.



## Review of movie *Lucknow Central*




The storyline looks to be a convincing replica of previously released disaster movie, *Qaidi Band*. Both are jail-break stories where a group of convicts dream of fleeing to participate in a competition and eventually form their band. The movie begins on a promising tone, but its poor screenplay and script break the momentum of the movie. With a non-convoluted and non-coherent screenplay, *Lucknow Central* fails to leave any impact on the audience.

## Box Office Collection for Kangana's *Simran*

Grabbing the spotlight through a series of controversies, the Kangana Ranaut film *Simran* was finally released on September 15, 2017. However, the movie failed to match the collection that Kangana's past few movies made at the box office. At the end of the second day, the film collected a mere 65.3 million that rose to 106.5 million by the end of the weekend.

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# Indian Prime Minister invites Anushka to become part of *Swachhata Hi Seva* initiative





Through a tweet, PM Narendra Modi invited actress Anushka Shrama to become part of the *Swachhata Hi Seva* initiative. He felt her presence would inspire many to join the movement. While wishing Modi Ji on his 67th birthday on Sunday, Anushka replied back that she was honored with the invitation and would do everything she could from her side.

## Priyanka Chopra's ensemble impressive at Emmy Awards

Walking on stage to present an award at the 69th Primetime Emmy Awards, Priyanka Chopra made us proud with her fashion statement that gave competition to other global icons. She looked mesmerizing in a custom-made figure-hugging white Balmain mermaid creation. Her full-sleeved gown was adorned with crystals and the feather skirt train completed the mermaid vibe. A simple ponytail and crystal studs were enough to polish off her look!




## Shahid Kapoor's training pictures released

Ever since its inception, Sanjay Leela Bhansali's *Padmavati* has been grabbing headlines. Shahid Kapoor, plays the role of Padmavati alias Deeepika Padukone's husband in the flick. He underwent intense training in sword fighting, and is believed to have learned six different styles. The training pictures have been released for the first time and look extremely impressive. The entire team of *Padmavati* is working hard to complete shooting by October 20 so the movie can be released on November 17, 2017, as planned.



## Bebo having a blast in her post-pregnancy comeback movie

Post pregnancy and a short vacation, Kareena alias Bebo is all fired up to mesmerize all on the screen. While shooting for her comeback movie, *Veere Di Wedding*, Kareena was completely absorbed by her dance rehearsals. She even posed with her choreographer. She has been posting a series of her pictures that have been going viral on the social media ever since.





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## After 12-year hiatus, Salman Khan gives live performance in UK



Joining the bandwagon of *Da-Bangg: The Tour*, Salman Khan gave a live performance in the UK after 12 years. This team of Indian actors has been performaning in Australia, Hong Kong and New Zealand and finally arrived in UK. Salman said that he quit live performances as he found them very long, boring and with low production value. However, he returned for his brother Sohail who promised him good value.

## Tiger Shroff excited to rejoin Sajid Nadiadwala

After a successful collaboration in *Heropanti* and *Baaghi* with Sajid Nadiadwala, Tiger Shroff is working with them again in *Baaghi 2*. Stating it similar to returning to home turf, Tiger said that he missed working with Sajid who is his mentor and like family. He said their bond is getting stronger with time, and he is happy to be back. *Baaghi 2* is set for release in April 2018.

## Rajkummar Rao wants to be considered a 'bankable actor'

Until now, 2017 has proved to be a successful year for actor Rajkummar Rao. He has starred in two hits so far and six more movies are due to be released by the year's end. The *Trapped* and *Bareilly Ki Barfi* famed actor stated that he was not looking for big-films or solo starrers. He was immensely satisfied with the niche he has carved for himself. He hopes he can now be looked upon as a 'bankable actor.'




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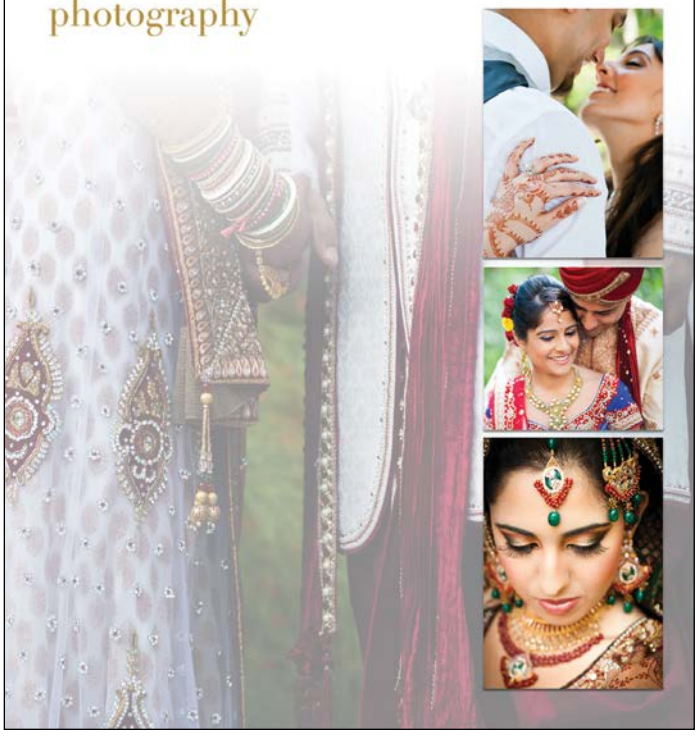
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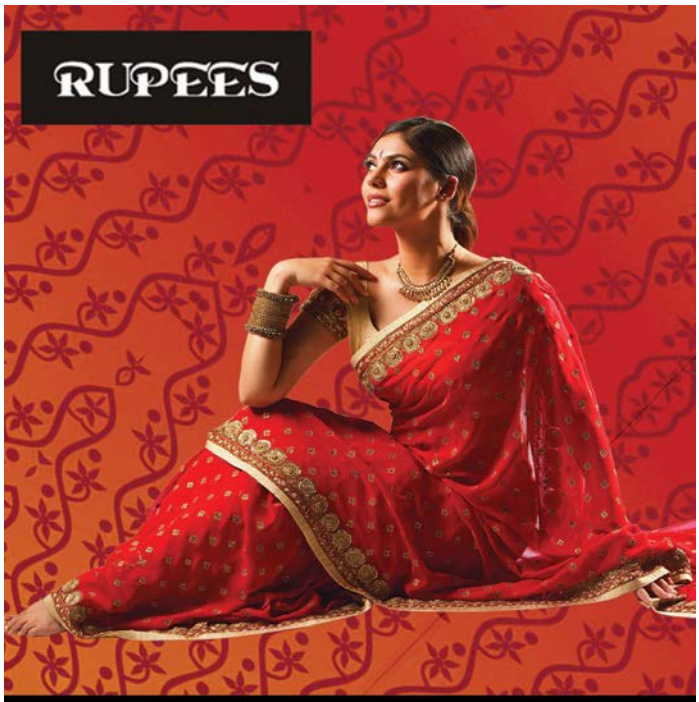
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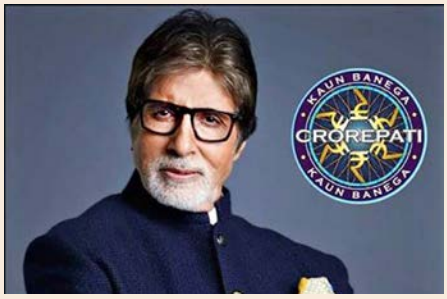


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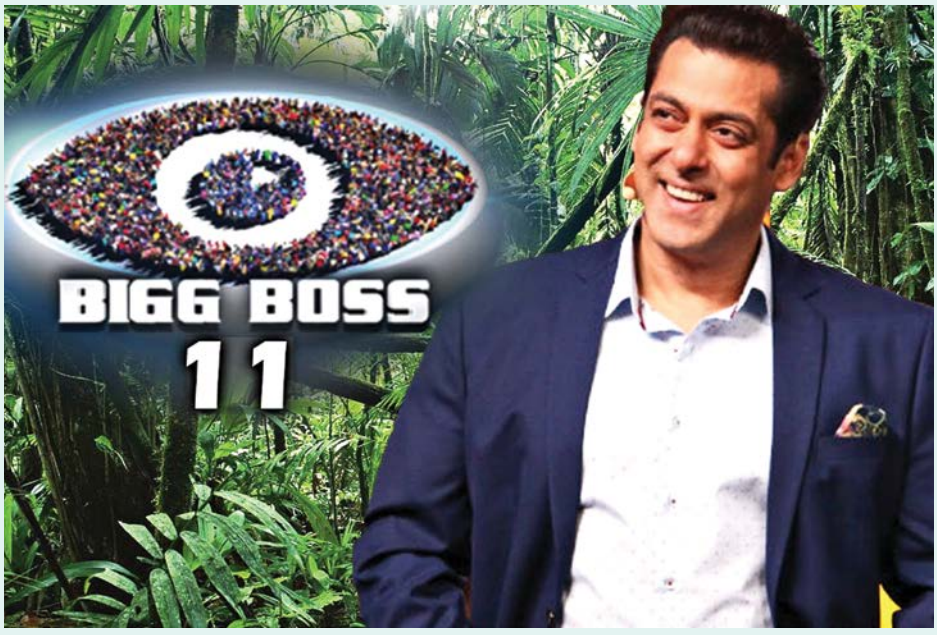




TRP ratings this week were once again a roller coaster ride. *Khatron Ke Khiladi: Pain in Spain* was rock steady in the top position; however, this week the show was pushed to the second spot by none other than *Amitabh Bachchan's KBC*. Sony has occupied the top slot after a very long time. The third and fourth position was occupied by *Kum Kum Bhagya* and *Taarak Mehta ka Ooltah Chasmah* while *Sa Re Ga Ma Pa Lil Champs 2017* occupied the fifth spot.

## Salman Khan to place himself under house arrest before *Big Boss 11*

Salman Khan is an integral part of the *Big Boss* series. Despite having an extremely jam-packed schedule, Salman Khan is believed to have planned for a self-imposed house arrest at his Panvel farmhouse just weeks before the show kicks off. It may be he simply wants to unwind and detox himself or maybe he is looking for some show-like experiences! Though, his farmhouse is a fancy and luxurious fortress which includes horses.



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## *Kuch Rang Pyaar Ke Aise Bhi* to return to Sony TV



The fans love and persistence caused *Kuch Rang Pyaar Ke Aise Bhi* to return for a second season within weeks of going off-air. The show will air beginning September 25 in the 7 pm slot. The serial may last for six weeks and will show a role reversal with Sonakshi taking care of business and Dev becoming a homemaker.



## *Ishqbaaz* to have a divorce drama

In the Star Plus popular serial, *Ishqbaaz*, after Shivaay, it will be Om who now faces divorce papers. After a visit to Om's art exhibition show, Gauri comes home heartbroken with the realization that the gap between her and Om cannot be bridged. She then serves Om with divorce papers and makes her exit. It will be interesting to see how Om pursues and convinces her of his love.

## *Sasural Simar Kaa* to go off air after six years

The Colors TV daily drama has been enjoying immense popularity and was running successfully for six years. But with its regressive theme and no new twists, the show has been losing its audience at a steady pace. With declining flagship, Colors finally announced the show will end in September. The team has mixed feeling and will be getting together for a farewell party.

## Ekta Kapoor happy to work with Ronit again



After successful runs in *Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi*, *Kasautii Zindagi Kay*, etc., Ekta Kapoor and Ronit Roy are back together for the web series *Kehne Ko Humsafar Hain* (KKHH). Both expressed excitement and happiness to work with each other. This will be a web series debut for Ronit Roy.

## Avani to reveal some shocking truths to Neil

In Star Plus daily drama, *NaamKaran* Avani already entered the Rang Mahal in search of Ali and Juhi. There she learns the shocking truth of Juhi being a prostitute and Raghu Pandit being none other than Gurumaa. She will reveal the entire truth to Neil who becomes angry and desolate. He feels guilty about failing to rescue Juhi. It will be interesting to see how the relationships develop further.



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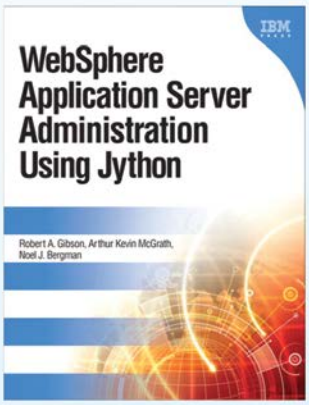
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## Manish Raisinghan to join *Ek Shringaar - Swabhimaan*



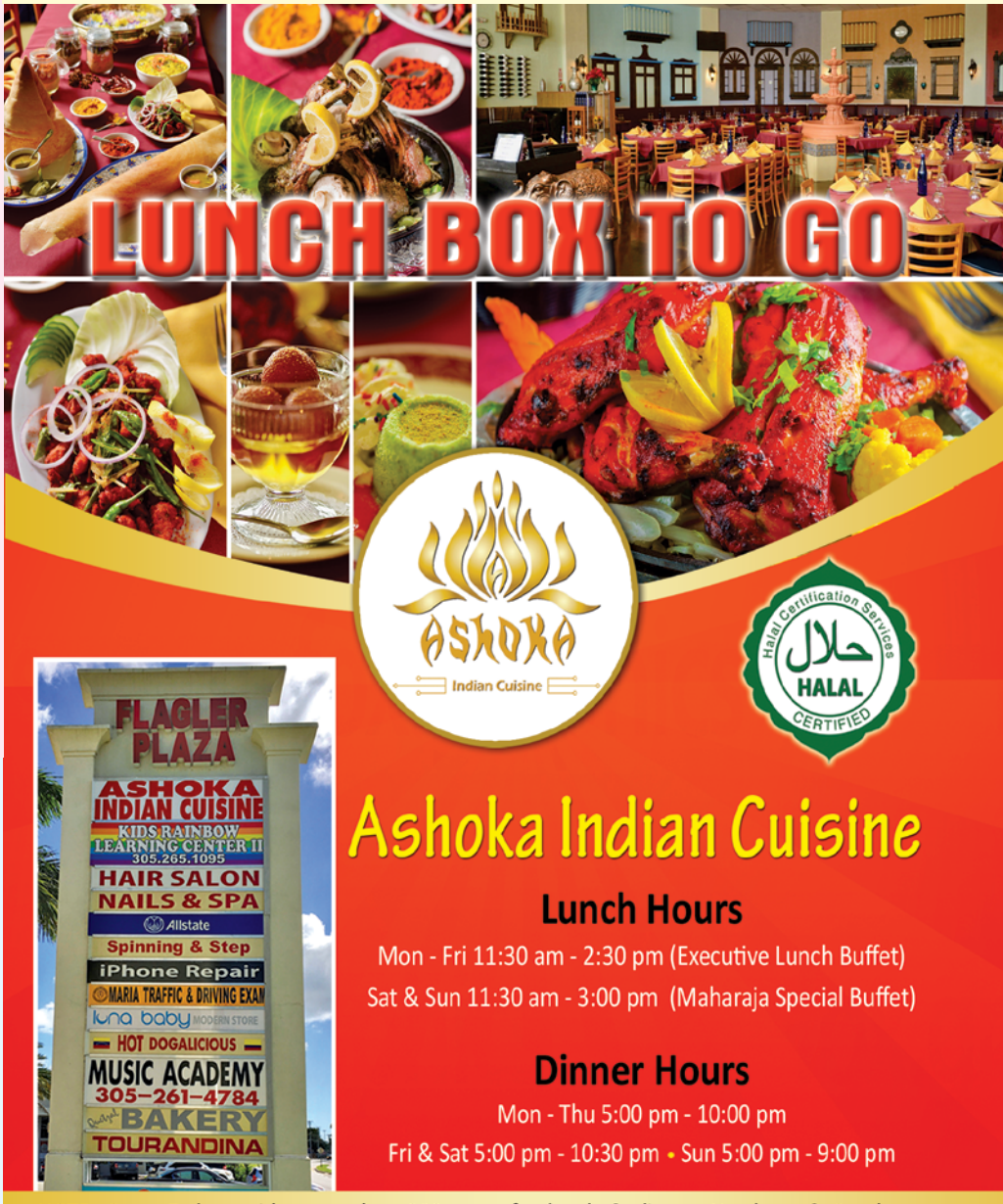
After his successful stint in *Sasural Simar Ka*, Manish Raisinghan will now be seen in another Color TV daily drama *Ek Shringar Swabhimaan*, but in a negative role. He will play a lead role as Nand Kishore's son. It is also possible he might later be paired with Sawri. Manish has not yet confirmed the news.

## Brain tumor twist ahead in *Dil Se Dil Tak*

In the Color TV daily drama *Dil Se Dil Tak*, some new twists and turns are slated to keep audiences hooked. The current track shows a widening distance between Parth and Shorvori because of Teni. Teni will soon discover that Shorvori has a brain tumor and will survive for only about a month. She now wants to reveal the truth to Parth, but is stopped by Shorvori. Let's see how Parth discovers the truth.

## All Star Dopahar shows wrapped up

Despite the shows being liked in general, Star Plus Channel gave instructions to wrap all serials by the end of September. They cited low TRPs below expectations as the cause for the wrap up. All serials ended on a happy and optimistic note. Viewers are disappointed, and a petition has been filed to continue the serial, *Kya Qusoor Hai Amala Ka*? No extension has yet been announced.


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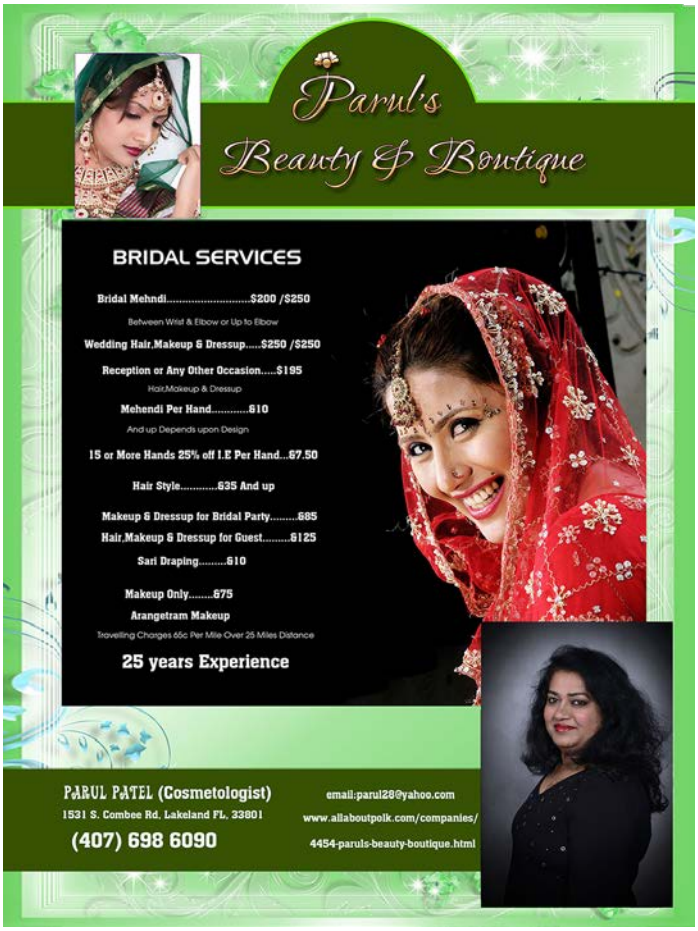
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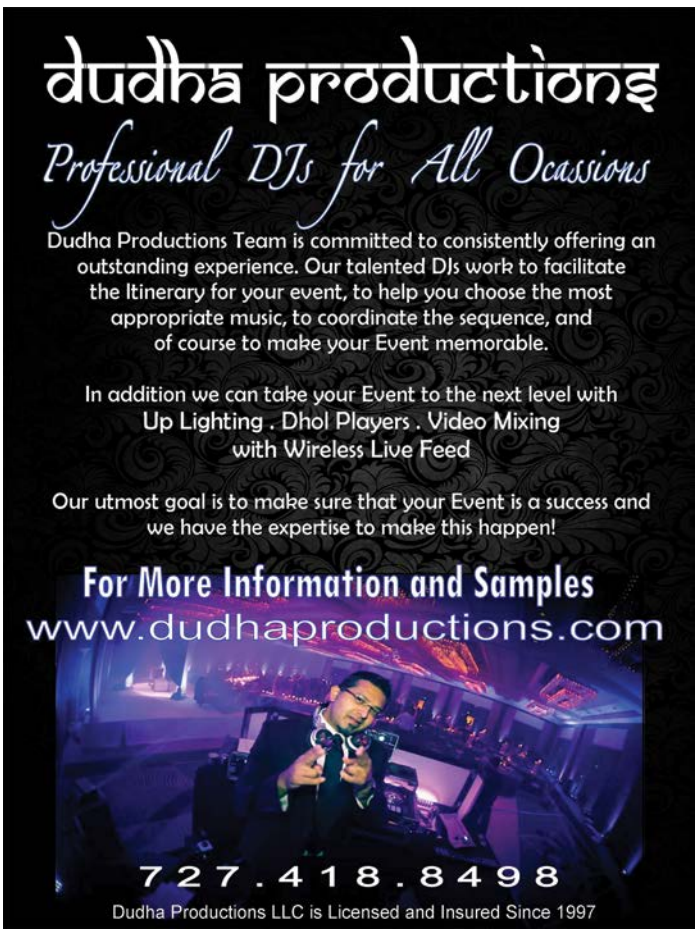
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Contact: Ramko 407-541-7236

Host: The Association of Asian Cultural Festivals

## VHP Diwali Celebration

When: 10/7/2017, 5:00 PM

Where: Skyland Business Center

540 Access Road, Cumming,30041

Contact: Sabitha Venugopal 404-784-3849

Host: Vishwa Hindu Parishad of America and Support A Child

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When: 10/7/2017, 11:00 AM

Where: Infinite Arena Theatre

6400 Sugarloaf Pkwy, Duluth,30097

Contact: Nida Pawar Shariff
678-488-0828

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When: 10/14/2017, 6:00 PM

Where: Ashiana Banquet Hall &
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5675 Jimmy Carter Blvd 101, Norcross,30071

Contact: Ashwini Srivastava
678-596-7547

Host: BAJAA

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When: 10/14/2017, 6:00 PM

Where: Lambert High School

805 Nichols Rd, Suwanee,30024

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Host: Chinmaya Mission Alpharetta

## Diwali Celebration by Patidar Samaj

When: 10/14/2017, 5:00 PM

Where: Gujarati Samaj of Atlanta

5331 Royal Woods Parkway, Tucker,30084

Contact: Jayanti Patel 404-936-0547

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When: 10/21/2017, 5:30 PM

Where: Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress

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When: 10/22/2017

Where: Chinmaya Mission Orlando

1221 Chinmaya Way, Casselberry,32707

Contact: 407-699-7331

Host: Chinmaya Mission Orlando

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When: 10/21/2017, 4:00 PM

Where: Indian Cultural Center

5511 Lynn Road, Tampa,33624

Contact: Jayesh Patel 813-784-7710

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When: 11/11/2017, 12 Noon - 10 Pm

Where: Broward Convention Center

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Fort Lauderdale,33316

Contact: Sanjay Gupta

954-461-4003

Host: Indian Regional & Cultural Center

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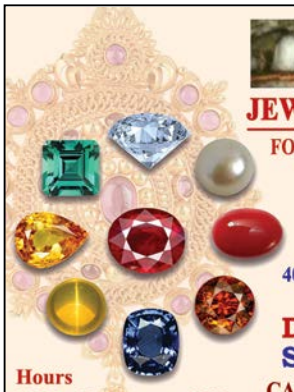
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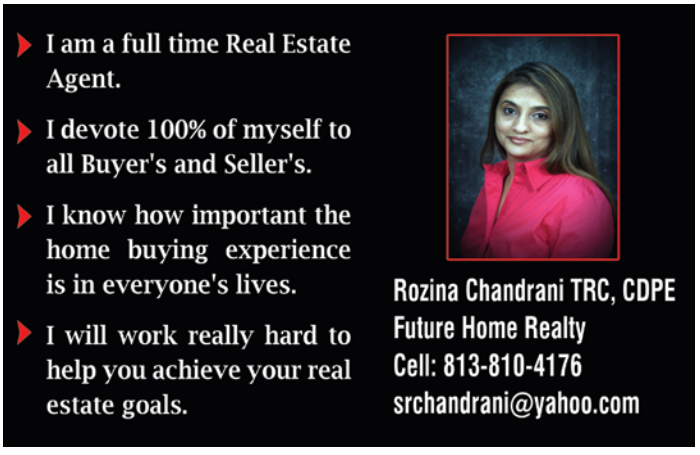















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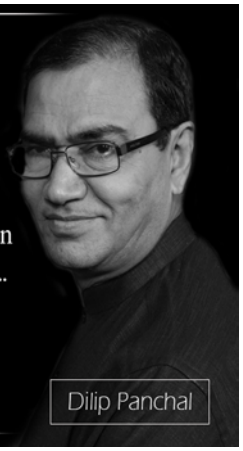
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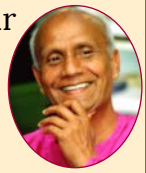
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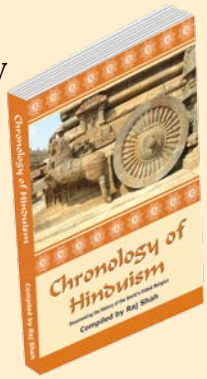
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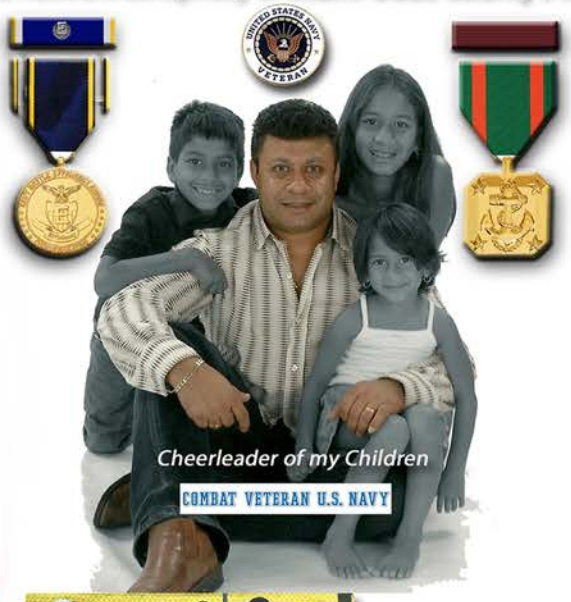








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## What the Expo Offers

- Free Admission and Parking
- Free Food Sampling
- Interactive sessions
- Wide variety of top vendors
- Interview multiple vendors in one afternoon
- Designer runway fashion show
- Mehndi, hair & makeup demos
- Taste scrumptious appetizers and wedding cake
- Find creative ideas and designs for all your events
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