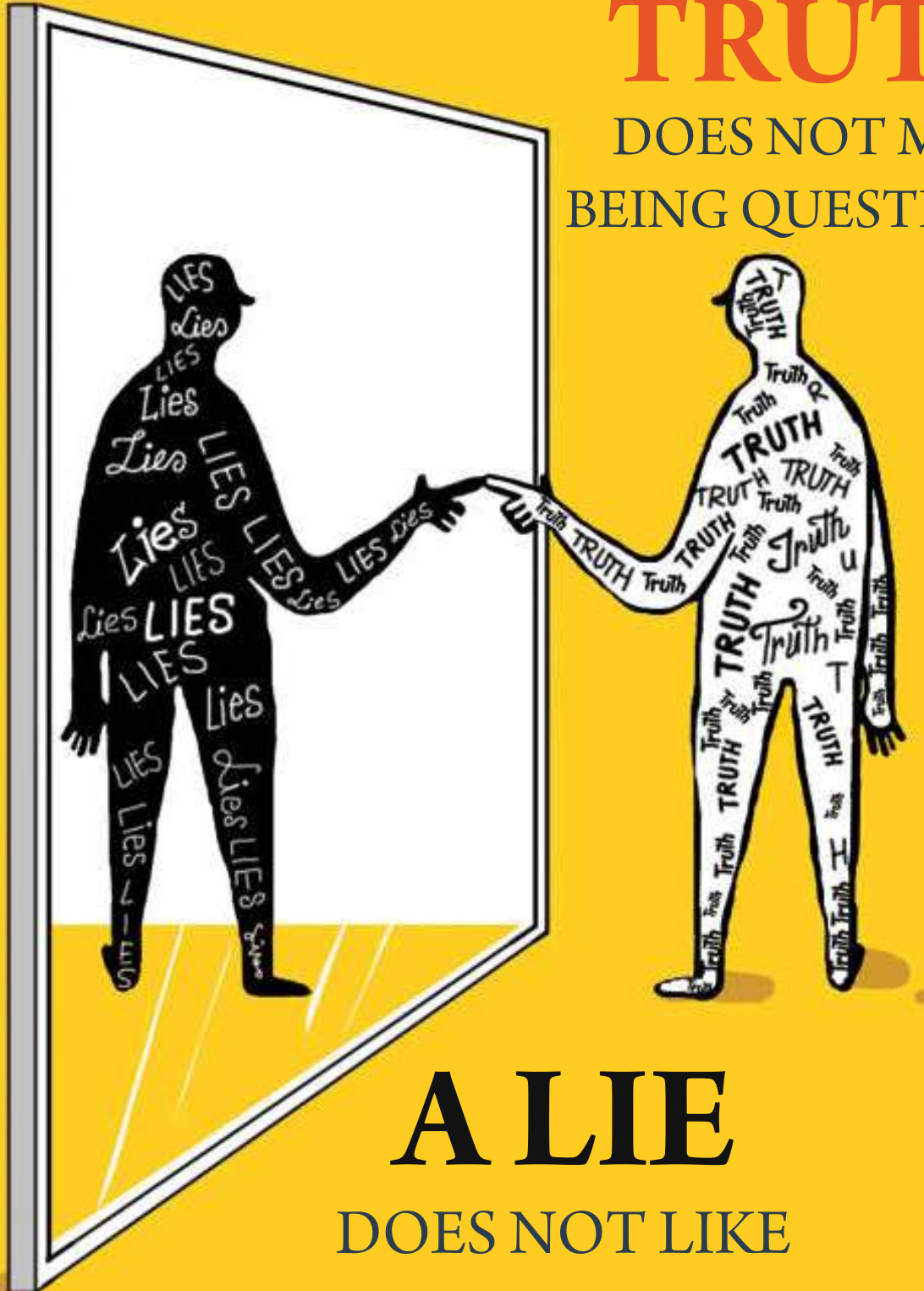


IT'S YOUR WORLD

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**TRUTH**  
DOES NOT MIND  
BEING QUESTIONED



**A LIE**  
DOES NOT LIKE  
BEING CHALLENGED



## “Snakes and Ladders” **Moksha Patam or Parama Padam**

How many of us know that the game of "Snakes and Ladders" was the brainchild of Sant Dnyaneshwar, the 13th Century Marathi saint? He created the game called Moksha Patam or Parama Padam to teach Hindu values to children. The British renamed it as Snakes and Ladders.

The ladders represented virtues and snakes vices. In the original game, square 12 was Faith, 51 was Reliability, 57 was Generosity, 76 was Knowledge, and 78 was Asceticism. These were the squares where the ladder was placed.

Square 41 was for Disobedience, 44 for Arrogance, 49 for Vulgarity, 52 for Theft, 58 for Lying, 62 for Drunkenness, 69 for Debt, 84 for Anger, 92 for Greed, 95 for Pride, 73 for Murder and 99 for Lust. These were the squares where the snake was placed.

The Square 100 represented Nirvana or Moksha. The top of each ladder depicted a God or one of the various heavens (kailasa, vaikuntha, brahmaloka) and so on. As the game progressed various actions were supposed to take you up and down the board as in life...

The British took the game to England in 1892 and named it Snakes and Ladders and changed it according to Victorian values.





Respect  
 Well-adjusted kids  
 Work-life balance  
 Natural beauty  
 Manners  
 Common sense  
 A clear conscience  
 Purpose in life  
 Integrity  
 Good friends  
 A long life  
 Close-knit family  
 An open mind  
 A worry-free day  
 Trust  
 A new beginning  
 Clear arteries

A great idea  
 A honest politician  
 Peace of mind  
 A good hair day  
 Patience  
 Luck  
 A good epitaph  
 Happy memories  
 Time to relax  
 A strong work ethic  
 A positive attitude  
 A happy home  
 Everything you may want  
 Good karma  
 Appreciation of the simple things  
 True love  
 A new shot at a missed opportunity

Peace in the world  
 A golden anniversary  
 Talent  
 A second chance in life  
 Quality time with your kids  
 Wisdom  
 Happiness  
 Humility  
 A good reputation  
 25-hour day  
 Relationship with your kids  
 Youth  
 Class  
 Justice  
 A proper perspective  
 Selflessness



# WILL YOU BE OUR CHIEF GUEST?

He was watering the plants in the posh gardens of an International school. The heat and dust didn't seem to affect him.

"Ganga Das, Principal Ma'am wants to see you right now."

The last two words of the peon had lots of emphasis on them, trying to make it sound like an urgency.

He quickly got up, washed and wiped his hands and headed towards the Principal's chamber.

The walk from the garden to the office seemed never ending, his heart was almost jumping out of his chest.

He was trying all the permutation and combination, figuring out as to what has gone wrong, that she wants to see him urgently.

He was a sincere worker and never shirked from his duties.

He knocked on the door and requested for permission.

"Madam, you called me?"

"Come inside" an authoritative voice made him further nervous...

Salt n pepper hair, tied neatly in a french knot, a designer sari and very classic, glasses resting on the bridge of her nose.

She pointed out towards a paper kept on the table.

"Read this."

"B..but Ma'am I am an illiterate person.

I can not read English.

Ma'am please forgive me if I have done anything wrong. Give me another chance.

I am forever indebted to you for allowing my daughter to study in this school, free of cost. I could have never ever dreamt of such a life for my child."

And he broke down almost trembling:

"Hold on, you assume a lot, we allowed your daughter because she is very bright and you have been our sincere worker. Let me call a teacher in, she will read it out and translate it to you, this is written by your daughter and I want you to read this."

Soon enough the teacher was called and she started reading it, translating each line in Hindi.

It read-

"Today we were asked to write about Mother's Day.

I belong to a village in Bihar, a tiny village where medical facilities and education still seemed like a far fetched dream. Many women die every now and then while giving birth. My mother was one of them too, she could not even hold me in her arms. My father was the first person to hold me, or perhaps the only person.

Everyone was sad as I was a girl and I had "eaten up" my own mother.

My dad was instantly asked to remarry but he refused.

My grandparents forced him by giving all logical, illogical and emotional reasons but he didn't budge.

My grand parents wanted a grandson, they threatened him to remarry or else he will be disowned.

He didn't think twice, he left everything, his acres of land a good living, comfortable house, cattles and everything that counts for a good lifestyle in a village.

He came to this huge city with absolutely nothing but me in his arms. Life was tough, he worked hard day & night and raised me with tender love and utmost care.

Now I understand why suddenly he developed a dislike for things that I would love to eat when there was only one piece left in the platter, he would say that he hates eating it and I would finish it considering that he does not like it, but as I grew older I realised the reason and what sacrifice is all about.

He gave me the best possible comforts beyond his capacity.

This school gave him a shelter, respect and the biggest gift, an admission to his daughter.

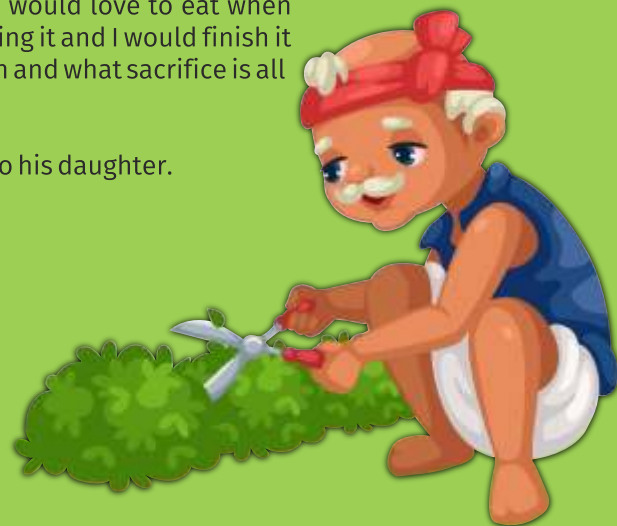
If love and care defines a mother, then my father fits in there.

If compassion defines a mother, my father fits in well in that category too.

If sacrifice defines a mother, my father dominates that category.

So in nut shell, if a mother is made of love, care, sacrifice and compassion.

**MY FATHER IS THE BEST MOTHER ON EARTH THEN.**





On Mother's Day, I would like to wish my father for being the best parent on earth... I salute him and say it with pride that the hardworking gardener working in this school is my father.

I know I may fail this test after my teacher reads this but this would be a very small price one would pay towards an ode to the selfless love of my father.

There was a deafening silence in the room, one could only hear soft sobbing of Ganga Das.

The harsh sun could not wet his clothes with sweat but soft words of his daughter had soaked his chest with tears, he was standing there with hands folded.

He took the paper from teacher's hands, held it close to his heart and sobbed.

Principal got up.. offered him a chair, glass of water and said something but, strangely the crispness of her voice was taken over by a surprising warmth and sweetness.

"Ganga Das, your daughter is given 10/10 marks for this essay. This is the best essay ever written about Mother's Day in the history of this school. We are having the Mother's Day gala event tomorrow and the entire School Management has decided to invite you as the Chief Guest for the event.

This is to honour all the love and sacrifice a man can do to raise his children to show that you do not have to be a woman to be the perfect parent.

And most importantly this is to reinforce/appreciate/acknowledge the strong belief of your daughter in you, to make her feel proud to make the entire school feel proud that we have the best parent on earth as stated by your daughter."

"You are a True Gardner, who is not only looking after the gardens, but also nurturing the most precious flower of your life in such a beautiful way."

**So Ganga Das, will you be our Chief Guest for the event?**







**Sanskar**

Son of  
Mr. Navanath Narawade  
(STD: 5th)

# THE WORLD AS 100 PEOPLE



## AGE

**26** aged 0-14  
**66** aged 15-64  
**8** aged 65+

## AREA

**51** live in urban areas  
**49** live in rural areas

## COLLEGE

**7** have a college degree  
**93** do not

## CONTINENT

**60** Asia  
**15** Africa  
**11** Europe  
**9** South America  
**5** North America

## GENDER

**50** female  
**50** male

## HOUSING

**77** have access to shelter  
**23** do not

## INTERNET

**30** have access to the Internet  
**70** do not

## LITERACY

**83** able to read & write  
**17** unable

## LANGUAGE

**12** Chinese  
**5** Spanish  
**3** Arabic  
**3** Hindi  
**3** Bengali  
**3** Portuguese  
**2** Russian  
**2** Japanese  
**62** Others

## NUTRITION

**1** starving  
**15** undernourished  
**63** adequate  
**21** overweight

## PHONES

**75** have cell phones  
**25** do not

## POVERTY

**48** live in less than  
**\$2 USD** per day

## RELIGION

**33** Christians  
**22** Muslims  
**14** Hindus  
**7** Buddhists  
**12** Other  
**12** no religion

## WATER

**87** have safe water  
**13** do not



## BIRTHDAY BOYS/GIRLS

M. Karthikeyan	Chennai	01st May
Basanta Pradhan	Corporate	02nd May
P. Ramesh	Hyderabad	02nd May
Vrushali Phansekar	Corporate	02nd May
Rashmi Ghatbane	Mumbai	03rd May
K. Krunal	Intl Div.	04th May
K. Suresh	Chennai	04th May
Manjunatha G	Bangalore	05th May
Laxman Chavan	Mumbai	05th May
Leena Kamble	Mumbai	09th May
Maruti Thali	Mumbai	11th May
Alpesh Ghadge	Baroda	12th May
Manoj Patil	Ahmedabad	13th May
Nawal Kishore	Baroda	19th May
Jagan Pillai	Mumbai	23rd May
Gautham P V	Bangalore	25th May
Mamata Pendurkar	Corporate	26th May
Srikant Mahanty	Mumbai	26th May
Rajendra Jadhav	Mumbai	28th May
Kartikarani Mani Pillai	Corporate	31st May

## THEY TIED THE KNOT

Bhavik Solanki	Mumbai	01st May
Leena Kamble	Mumbai	03rd May
Dattatrya Mulay	Mumbai	04th May
Santosh Jadhav	Mumbai	04th May
Rajendra Jadhav	Mumbai	08th May
Hemant Chaudhary	Ahmedabad	08th May
Mamata Pendurkar	Corporate	08th May
Dilip Atkari	Mumbai	11th May
Kishor Tharu	Mundra	11th May
Baban Shinde	Mumbai	12th May
Arnab Kanti Majumder	Mumbai	14th May
Durbendraprasad Yadav	Mumbai	15th May
Lokesh Sharma	Ahmedabad	16th May
Bondada Mangaraju	Hyderabad	16th May
Mital Buch	Mundra	16th May
P. Ramesh	Hyderabad	17th May
Ganesh Dhokane	Pune	17th May
Rekha Chaudhary	Delhi	18th May
Velji Pingol	Mundra	18th May
M.G. Satheesha	Bangalore	19th May
Nawal Kishore	Baroda	20th May
Sandesha S	Bangalore	21st May
Manoj Patil	Ahmedabad	21st May
Vijay Talawadekar	Mumbai	24th May
Varada Karbhari	Mumbai	24th May
N Krishnama Chary	Hyderabad	29th May
Sunaina Raut	Corporate	31st May

## NEW JOINEES

Pooja Shah	Ahmedabad
Dhruv narayan Mistry	Baroda
Suman Mitra	Baroda
Jayalakshmi Shetty	Corporate
Vaibhav Palshetkar	Corporate
Deepali Nachankar	Corporate
Jyoti Kamble	Mumbai
Ruchika Mane	Mumbai
Srikant Mahanty	Mumbai
Vishwambhar Morye	Mumbai



## HOLIDAY'S FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2021

Date	Day	Holiday	Branches
08th May	Saturday	Second Saturday	All India
13th May	Thursday	Ramzan ID	Kochi
14th May	Friday	ID-ul-Fitr	Bangalore, Chennai, Kolkata, Tirupur, Tuticorin
26th May	Wednesday	Buddha Purnima	Delhi