

Single women: a taboo for society

Our Indian society is famous for its rich culture and moral values. These values of modern Indian society are changing day by day. We are worshipping Sita, Radha and Durga from ancient times but in our hearts we don't respect women. Many women lose their husbands in early ages due to accident, disease or some other problem. Many women take divorce from their husbands and lead their lives all alone.

Women's character is often decided by her marital status. If she is single, she is readily available for all men. Being a divorcee or widow is not a debatable issue. It's a personal choice how you want to lead your life. If a woman is not happy in a relationship she has full right to take her decision. Divorce is a personal matter. It does not decide her character. Similarly when a woman's husband dies, she faces lot of troubles in society. We don't respect women who run homes without their husbands. A woman has strength to do multiple tasks in a day. She is a mother, sister, good neighbor, helpful colleague, hard worker and well organized home maker.

We talk about women empowerment but we easily forget her routine work. Sympathy can be given to single women but praising a single woman is not in our dictionary. Indian history is full of stories of great Indian women who have inspired and influenced us even today. Rani Laxmi bai, Damyanti, Maitreyi, Draupadi and many Indian women are our role models. But we can't see Mala, Vimla, Shanta, and Narmada who work for us in our homes and offices daily. These ladies are fighting to earn bread and butter for their families. Every single woman is a Draupadi and Sita and every single male who can't see her pain and try to exploit her is a Ravana and Duryodhana. Don't misunderstand me. I have a point to prove myself.

Widows have been ill treated since ages in our country. Nobody speaks for their rights. Why should she wear white clothes? Why should she suffer daily? Why she can't talk with a male? Can't she be friends with a male? Who has given us rights to put fake allegations on her character? She gives birth to a life. Why can't she live life in her own way? She suffers a lot when her husband dies. She faces financial crisis, society pressures which make her stronger to survive in this world. A woman cannot break down. Her family life tends to get destroyed when she loses her husband. Nobody supports her, only she has to fight for her rights. We snatch away her happiness and want to see her gloomy and sad all the time. Why she should mourn for the death of her husband daily? Women should give her compassion and courage but they curse and treat them as taboo, as if she has done some crime. It's easy to get inspired from mother Teresa's life but how many of us really treat women as human beings. A male can marry several times in a lifetime but a woman should always sacrifice life for her family and that too, in most cases, all by herself. We have double standards. We can't see a woman rise and take better positions than us. All forms of gender discrimination are bad. Thousands of women are working these days and are facing the problem of male ego in offices. Males talk behind their backs and treat as if they are obliging them.

In Ancient India, women were given high regard as the family's central figure. Discrimination against women was and must be regarded as a direct violation of God's will. Women should be judged by her actions and achievements and not by their social, economic and marital status. God has provided women great qualities. They are creators, protectors and great source of hope to bring change in our society. Society grows when we leave old traditions and development occurs when we build harmonious relations between man and woman. Women are ideals of stability and progress. Single women should be appreciated for their courage. They can run away and do all kind of crimes but they choose the path of harmony and peace, thus sacrificing their lives for and supporting their families. Doing jobs to earn a living might be her helplessness, but living life courageously and creating hope is her strength. Now, whenever you see a single woman in your neighborhood, go and try to feel her pain, see her struggle in daily life and stop yourself from being judgmental. Build a society where she can easily move and rise. Progressive society cannot be built in a day; it is a daily practice and one fine day we really can create a better world for single women.

A complex cyst operated successfully

Udaipur : Doctors of Pacific Institute of Medical Science yet again performed a difficult and complex operation to get rid of a huge cyst of 6.3 kg from the stomach of a woman. The patient is now at relief. Ashish agarwal, the vice chairman apprised that the lady called Mangi Bai was suffering from this cyst since last three years. The 40 year old lady is now fine and healthy. The cyst was in her left ovary which needed detailed and complex surgery.

10,000 sweaters to be distributed in phase - II

Udaipur : Home Minister Gulab Chand Kataria attended the closing ceremony of Platinum Dandiya-4 in which second part of Suhani Sardi Andolan commenced. So far, Suhani Sardi Andolan has presented 1450 kids of 21 government schools with new sweaters.

Kataria during the launching event of the Andolan addressed the gathering and appreciated the unique vision of linking the Dandiya night with social work. Founder of Platinum Group of Colleges Praveen Ratiya thanked Udaipurites, teachers, schools, Suhani Sardi team and youth for making this initiative successful. He informed that in the first part of the Andolan, government school students were given 10,000 new sweaters and in the part two, poor and homeless people were given old sweaters for the coming winter season.

Young Lake City Boy In an Organic Mission

Exceptional innovation designed to serve the society with a social entrepreneurial initiative for uplifting the tribal farmers of the Southern Rajasthan in Udaipur district. Chetan Pandey a young agri-entrepreneur by profession and computer engineer by qualification have been working closely with the farmers in and around Udaipur district of southern Rajasthan. He has been working as a development practitioner through his NGO-GSS (Gayatri Seva Sansthan) towards educating farmers about better agriculture techniques for raising their standard of living. Working at the grassroot level, Chetan came across the harmful effects of chemical pesticides. He got involved with agriculturist and experts from the agriculture field, which astounded him to learn how chemical measures and other uses disfig-

ured the quality of the produces. He was quick enough to understand the use of such measures is harmful and unhealthy to the consumers. While thinking over the solution for this problem, that is when the idea of Grealth Fresh struck him. In the meanwhile while working with the farmers he met some of the progressive small tribal farmers in the tribal hamlets with poor landholding.



While working with them, They mobilised farmers to use self-prepared vermin-compost fertilizers instead of chemical ones. After tirelessly working for last 3 years in the field as well as with the agriculture researchers along with educating the farmers, Grealth a social entrepreneurial, e-commerce start-up providing local fresh produce to your doorsteps. Brainchild Grealth comes with the

concept of green wealth for the farmers and green health for the consumers. Through this entrepreneurial initiative with relentless entrepreneurial spirit what emerges is a win-win situation for both the farmers and the consumers. With an aim to bring in healthy living in the city an initiative with the name Grealth Agri-tech Pvt. Ltd; has already been launched with the brand name of Grealth Fresh. This venture started with an e-commerce start as a social business helping the poor and marginalized tribal farmers to get market for their produce. Venture is sourcing the produce from the remote tribal hamlets of Udaipur district, where the lands of these tribal farmers are virgin by default. This means that they have not been using any chemicals or pesticides from time immemorial. Moreover, this gives us a clarity that the farmers in these regions are still going for traditional farming in this cyber age. Meanwhile, the area where the vegetable is cultivated has no sewerage lines or industries established nearby where the vegetables could

be the victims of the industrial waste. Farmers in this region are growing vegetables with the fresh water of Lake Jasamand, so by default they are growing organic vegetables with no use of chemicals.

The company till date is not striving for organic certification as it would raise than cost by more than twice. So due to which Grealth is moving beyond the deliveries of fresh and healthy farm produce, not only for the rich society but also for the common working class. Question of affordability with this regard to Grealth Fresh says a big YES!, we are affordable to the common man too. For which the company have come up with a new vogue in the market as 'Grealthionics' which means fresh and healthy vegetables affordable for 'Aam -Admi'. The numbers of Grealthian family is growing from strength to strength, just imagine how healthy and fresh vegetables are? To be a member of Grealthian family and experience the freshness of the vegetables- please do switch on to Grealth Fresh which is ready for door step delivery.

"Sakhi" Designer Garments on the Ramp

Udaipur / Pavan Kaushik :

Hindustan Zinc to showcase fashion garments made by "Sakhi" rural women on the fashion ramp on 28th October in Jaipur. 50 "Sakhi" rural women of village Gagwana and Kayad in the district of Ajmer have been working for almost 2 months to make designer garments. A training in this regard was provided to these rural women, most of whom are educated, as part of development of "Sakhi" product cluster on fashion garments. "Under the project "Sakhi" by Hindustan Zinc, focus is to develop a hub of karigars that can help fashion designers from across the country, fashion students and other fashion experts. It is not easy to find such a hub of karigars at one place and this is expected to be useful for the fashion industry.

The karigars now, Furkana Bano and Kukum Kanwar Tabassum Bano and Ryaj Bano Wasima etc. only one thing to say, "yeh sab hamari ummedon se uppar hai". The trainers, Zakir Khan and Rajni Kaur Khan told that when we started training we were not aware of women background and knowledge. A small workshop was conducted under the "Sakhi" project to ascertain their creativity. These women lived at distance and engaging them for long hours was difficult.

Women have made 48 garments like sarees, sarwar kurta, kurtees and kaftans, in a record time of about 45 days. Delhi



based stylist Joyjeet has been engaged to give final touching. Asha Baxi the former Dean of National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) and perhaps the first fashion faculty of India visited these women along with the students and faculty of Fashion Design. Asha Baxi is setting up Fashion Design Department in the Indian Institute of Crafts and Design, Jaipur.

To showcase these garments, Hindustan Zinc has now given these women a platform through "Sakhi" Fashion Show on 28th October 2015 at Hotel Clarks Amer, Jaipur. The show is choreographed by leading Asian choreographer

Rashmi Virmani and would have leading models from Delhi and Mumbai.

Renowned fashion designers like Jattinn Kochhar, Niki Mahajan, Rajdeep Ranawat, Gaurav Gupta, and Anand Bhushan would be present during the show. The current Miss India 2014, Koyal Rana would be part of the show stopper.

Hindustan Zinc has been engaged in empowerment of rural and tribal women of Rajasthan since 2006 through formation of self-help-groups. Today, these SHGs are popularly known as "Sakhi", and the women associated with these SHGs as "Sakhees".

MLSU to include courses from International Scholars & Faculty

Udaipur : Eminent scholars from international universities will design special courses that will benefit the students and faculty of MLSU. This is the initiative by MHRD under the project GIAN (Global Initiative for Academic Networks) in which MLSU is included. It is aimed to tap the talent pool of scientists and entrepreneurs internationally to encourage their engagement with the institutes of Higher Education in India.

"GIAN is envisaged to catalyze higher education institutions in the country and it will initially include all IITs, IIMs, Central and law universities, selected good state universities where the spinoff is vast" informed VC Prof Trivedi to RH.

This is an evolving scheme which will initially include participation of foreign faculty in Institutes as distinguished, adjunct, visiting faculty, Professors of Practice etc. to participate in delivering short or semester-long courses.



Other activities such as research collaborations will be included in due course he added.

Each participating institution has been asked to submit proposals on courses related to twelve categories like Physical Sciences, Chemical, Bio-Chemical & Material Sciences, Mathematical & Computer Sciences, Life Sciences, Medicine & Healthcare, Electronics, Electrical, Information & Communication Technology, Mechanical Sciences & Infrastructure, Earth & Environment Sciences, Management, Social Sciences and Law, Humanities & Liberal Arts, Architecture, Design, Planning and Heritage and other Interdisciplinary categories.

Woolly Necked Stork seen near Salumber

Udaipur : Woolly necked stork, an endangered species of bird seen near salumber, Udaipur. The chicks of the birds are already born after the hatching process. The nests of Woolly-Stork are seen in different areas of Udaipur in addition to salumber.

Wildlife Photographers Pradeep Sukhwai and Vinay Dave have observed and photographed the activities of Woolly Stork closely at Limdi Guda Village near Salumber.

According to Sukhwai, the birds were seen spreading their wings near an anicut after taking bath. 85cm heighted this bird is seen living in the same habitat from last 7-8 years. The local village residents informed Pradeep and Vinay that first the flock of birds used to live in the Peepal Tree but since the tree was cut down lately, the birds shifted to another tree.

The birds didn't leave the area even after the tree was cut, it is a strange behavior noticed by the bird experts.

JITO Games-2015 begins with swimming & badminton matches

Udaipur : Jain International Trade Organization (JITO) commenced the JITO Games 2015 in almost 30 cities across India including Udaipur. The games began at Luv Kush stadium at 9 AM with badminton.

Around 150 participants played badminton; the semi final and final matches will be played on Friday along with matches of Tennis, table tennis and chess.

Organizer Abhishek Sancheti informed that swimming competition was organized at BN in which the winners were Purva Jain and Vidhi Jain (Girls under 10), Kartikeya Singhvi and Shirish Jain (Boys under 10), Harshit Jain and

Literary Forum Executive Elected

Udaipur/Hemendra Chandalia

The election of the executive committee of the Literary Forum was conducted last week in the meeting of the faculty and scholars of the department of English, Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, M.V. Shramjeevi College, Janardan Rai Nagar Rajasthan Vidyapeeth University.

Inaugurating the Forum's annual activities a seminar was held in which students of M.A. and M.Phil. presented their papers. Nand Lal Gayari, student of III Sem was elected the President of the Forum. Deepanshu Suhalka, M.A. I sem was elected the Secretary of the Forum. Manu Sharma, M.Phil and Bhuvnesh Sinsinwar were elected Vice Presidents, Yugank Pandya Joint Secretary, Ms. Joha Rizvi Treasurer, Pooja Bhandari Cultural Secretary, Ankita Vashishtha Literary Secretary and Ms. Chandra Kala and

Prince were elected as executive members.

The elections were unanimous. Prof. Mukta Sharma, Head of the department announced the executive and said that the Forum is a platform for academic and cultural activities of the department which helps in all round development personality of the students. Prof. Hemendra Chandalia asked the students to participate whole heartedly in the activities of the Forum and use it as an opportunity to enhance their creative potential. Dr. Mehzbeen Sadiwala, advisor of the Forum asked the members of the executive to prepare a plan of activities for the whole year and conduct regular programmes. Deepanshu Suhalka sang a song, Manu Sharma sang a Dogri song and Yugank Pandya recited extracts from Ramcharita Manas. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by Deepanshu Suhalka.

'Fir Se Jeeye' for senior citizens

Udaipur : Laathi, has organized free 3-days camp called 'Fir Se Jeeye' for the old friends from 23rd October to this Sunday. It may be recalled that it's an ugly truth that the old people are often neglected, ignored and remain in seclusion due to various factors in a family. This camp is aimed to provide a feel-good holiday experience to the oldies where they can indulge in fun activities, talk their hearts out and share their experiences. The senior citizens witness sundarkand path, yoga, haasya rog etc. along with daily activities and food in the camp. The organizer Neena Agrawal informed that a bus facility from Sunrise Group were provided.

Big Dandiya Raas organized

Udaipur : Number 1 radio station 92.7 BIG FM celebrated the nine days of Navratri this year with excitement and enthusiasm. It organized a dandiya night for 3 days for its listeners. On 21st and 22nd October, Big Dandiya Raas 2015 was organized at

Mangalam Fun Square Mall. Udaipur was the first Dandiya organized open terrace. Aside Dandiya Mangalam in with the fun and terrace Open Fun Square Mall sparkling night lights become immersed in the sight was stunning views of Udaipur.

Big Dandiya Raas 2015 specific features to enhance the dignity of Udaipur as Mayor Chandra Singh Kothari and Mrs. Neelima Sukhadia were present on-site. The three-day Dandiya festival stage was managed by Udaipur's popular R.J Gaurav Bhatt.