

Gearing up for General Elections 2019

With elections taking place in different states at different years, you will hardly find a year where no elections were held or will happen. And then the year when the general elections are due, the year becomes a political one. News channels are busy in predicting favorites while political parties are aggressively active in censuring their prime opponents and taking pride in their achievements.

Talking about the general elections, once again we have it BJP versus Congress. After Congress' revival in three Indian states (Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, and Chhatisgarh), the oldest political party has clear majority in five Indian states. This recent win once again has made the general elections of 2019 posed as BJP versus Congress. The Congress party was almost out of state politics before it won Punjab. From there, they formed the government in Karnataka and now these three states.

BJP, on the other hand is still a strong and single largest party, if you see it nationally. But the way they have lost three states from their hold is a worrisome matter for their leadership. The

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recent loss came at a time when they needed the victory the most. And these states will surely have an impact on parliamentary seats as well. But it will be sheer exaggeration to conclude that the BJP will lose in this pattern. If you see in Rajasthan and MP, they posed a great fight, which means that slightly positive waves towards them can win them decent number of Lok Sabha seats.

Now, since the elections are around the corner, people, especially youngsters want to listen to positive facts from both the parties. Rahul Gandhi on one hand is looking very confident and is giving the much-needed boost to his party, PM Modi is using all his experience and excellent orating prowess to win hearts.

The game of attack and defense will be there to see across the political arena for the next few weeks. In the age of information technology when every information is available at a click of mouse, voters too spend enough time in deciding the better option among the available ones. So, it's the right time political parties and campaign planners go more positive about the facts they promote and talk about.

All the hate messages and negative stories only ruin the atmosphere. India is the largest democratic country where election is like a festival of democracy. And no festival is celebrated with negativity. Time to brood over. Time to talk positive. Time to debate but with all the courtesy and facts.

Is it worth buying a property in Dubai?

The Dubai Investment Market offers a plethora of opportunities for investors to benefit from unparalleled gains in the global property market, though the current market sentiments are not in favour of the investment but facts are showcasing that Dubai is still one of the most safest and lucrative investment market across globe giving highest return on investment of around 8 to 10%, which is only expected to grow.

Definitely, the strategic location between the east and west, world-class infrastructure, and other benefits, has evolved Dubai into an investment hub. Property prices are still comparatively



low and Dubai could be considered the New York of the Middle East by comparing the high-end leisure amenities and business facilities while offering a surpassing location and cost. Below is the analysis of the prices of Dubai property compared to Mumbai or New Delhi across some key locations.

Rizwan Sajjan, Founder and Chairman Danube Group said: "Investments are no longer confined to the geographical boundaries. People are looking at developing economies and are investing in those cities to earn good returns. There is nothing better than investing in an asset which is tangible and simple to understand. Additionally, Dubai is a city of the future, a gateway to promising regional markets and a global hub for business - it has all the important drivers that boost the confidence of the local and international investor community."

He added: "Over the last 10 years, the DLD has strengthened the legal and regulatory framework to ensure the best practice at all levels of the property development, marketing, valuation, sale, purchase and brokerage activities in order to ensure timely delivery of properties. Also, we as a developer make sure to bring some reasonable price and affordable payment plans in the market; for example our landmark scheme 1% monthly payment across all our properties was accepted very well across region and was later followed by other developers as well, which resulted to help the investors during the payment process." One of the most progressive economies backed by infrastructure expansion, regulatory reforms and world-class attractions has transformed Dubai into a 5-star real estate investment destination, which is definitely going to stay for years to come.

Shri.Yog Bhushanji Maharaji's book was inaugurated



Mumbai: The book 'Mantra Shakti Jagaran' and 'Pran Shakti Jagaran', written by the founder of Dharma Yoga

Foundation ShriYogBhushanjiMaharaj, was inaugurated by Vice President of India ShriVenkaiah Naidu. On this occasion, KalprvikshaAbhiyan was also launched by offering a Tulsi plant to the Vice-President, ShriVenkaiah Naidu by the famous industrialist, social worker and Chairman of Dharma Yoga Foundation, India's Mr. Ganpat Kothari.

On this occasion, ShriYogBhushanjiMaharaj said, "There is a lot of power in the religious mantra, so that we can get a lot of things, but it should be done with faith. Its pronunciation, methods of reading mantras, time, its adherence, etc are important rules that should be taken care of."

BMW MOTORRAD INDIA STIRS THE PREMIUM MOTORCYCLE SEGMENT WITH OUTSTANDING SALES OF 2,187 UNITS IN ITS FIRST FULL YEAR OF OPERATIONS

Gurugram: Continuing its momentum, BMW Group India has delivered its most robust performance till date with all three brands - BMW, MINI and BMW Motorrad.

BMW Group India delivered 11,105 cars (BMW + MINI) in 2018, registering a growth of 13% as compared to 2017. BMW India achieved highest ever sales of 10,405 units clocking 11% growth. MINI India accelerated with unprecedented growth of 66% with 700 units, further strengthening its position in the small-premium car segment.

By selling 2,187 motorcycles in the first full year of operations, BMW Motorrad India has successfully created an intense demand for the ultimate riding machine.

BMW 5 Series and BMW 6 Series Gran Turismo have contributed strongly to the growth story. BMW also saw significant contribution of upto 50% coming from the locally-produced Sports Activity Vehicle



(SAV) range with strong contribution from the new BMW X3. Presently, BMW X1, BMW X3 and BMW X5 are locally-produced at BMW Group Plant Chennai. In 2019, the plant will also start local production of BMW X4 and BMW X7.

The iconic MINI Hatch and the now locally-produced MINI Countryman together commanded a share of over 60% in MINI sales making headway for its striking growth.

The much-awaited BMW G

310 R and BMW G 310 GS led the outstanding growth of BMW Motorrad India with over 75% contribution to sales. BMW S 1000 RR, BMW R 1200 GS and BMW R 1200 GSA were a favorite among motorcycle enthusiasts.

With BMW, MINI and Motorrad, BMW Group has its sight set firmly on the premium sector of Indian automobile market.

Along with automobiles and motorcycles, BMW Group's activities in India comprise of

financial services for its premium clientele. Till date, BMW Group has invested INR 12.5 billion in its subsidiaries in India. (BMW India - INR 5.2 billion and BMW Financial Services India - INR 7.3 billion). BMW India is a 100% subsidiary of the BMW Group and is headquartered in Gurugram (National Capital Region).

The wide range of BMW activities in India include a manufacturing plant in Chennai, a

parts warehouse in Mumbai, a training centre in Gurugram NCR and development of a dealer organisation across metropolitan centres of the country. BMW Group Plant Chennai locally produces BMW 3 Series, BMW 3 Series Gran Turismo, BMW 5 Series, BMW 6 Series Gran Turismo, BMW 7 Series, BMW X1, BMW X3, BMW X5 and MINI Countryman. In 2019, the plant will also start local production of BMW X4 and BMW X7. BMW dealerships also display BMW X6, BMW M2 Competition, BMW M4 Coupe, BMW M5 Sedan and BMW X5 M which are available in the country as completely built-up units (CBU). Currently, BMW India has 44 sales outlets in the Indian market. MINI has successfully established itself as a premium small car brand in India. Presently, the MINI model range includes MINI 3-door, MINI 5-door, MINI Convertible, MINI Clubman and locally-produced MINI

Countryman. MINI has established eight sales outlets in India. BMW Motorrad officially started its operations as a part of the Indian subsidiary of BMW Group in 2017. BMW G 310 R and BMW G 310 GS have been developed in Munich, Germany by BMW Motorrad and are locally-produced by cooperation partner TVS Motor Company in Hosur, India.

The range of BMW Motorrad motorcycles available in India as completely built-up units (CBU) include: Sport - BMW S 1000 RR, BMW R 1200 RS, HP4 RACE; Adventure - BMW R 1200 GS, BMW R 1200 GS Adventure, BMW S 1000 XR, BMW F 750 GS, BMW F 850 GS; Roadster - BMW S 1000 R, BMW R 1200 R; Heritage - BMW R nineT, BMW R nineT Scrambler, BMW R nineT Racer and Tour - BMW R 1200 RT, BMW K 1600 GTL, BMW K 1600 B. Till date, BMW Motorrad India has set up eleven sales outlets in India.

Kutle Khan's journey from Rags to Riches

Udaipur: On the 18th of January: Rajasthan's famed folk artist Kutle Khan will conduct a master class of sorts where he talks about his journey from 'rags to riches'. This 2 hour event will have the artist talk about his struggles as a nobody to reaching scalable heights of success and gaining international recognition.

The event will take place at Air 24.5 N, which is Justa Sajjanhar's roof top restaurant and bar. This magnificent location makes for a perfect set up for Rajasthan folk music as it overlooks the magnificent Monsoon Palace.

The event will flow with a talk about Kutle Khan's journey followed by a power packed performance and conclude with an interaction with his audience.

About Kutle Khan: Khan, a multi-talented folk musician who has performed on various stages across the world;

His music is as seductive as it is rhythmically complex. He embodies the rich melodic and sophisticated rhythmic traditions of Rajasthani folk music, and his performances are informed by his understanding of contemporary Indian and Western musical traditions. With this, Kutle Khan produces the most passionate and energetic live Sufi and Indian Folk. Coming from a family of musicians, this master of the kharthal from the land of the Rajputs began playing music at the age of 8, learning every instrument he could get his hands on. A singer as well as a musician, Khan not only plays the dholak, kharthal, bhaphang, harmonium, sarang, the lot, proving that there's no percussion he can't play, he also sings soulful renditions, and also writes and compos-

es his own songs.

About Justa Sajjanhar Resort & Spa - Justa Sajjanhar Resort & Spa, Udaipur. Set atop a scenic hill, this luxury property offers panoramic views of the Sajjanhar Biological Park and the iconic Monsoon Palace.

Introducing a fresh and modern perspective to luxury in Udaipur, the Justa Sajjanhar Resort & Spa is a contemporary structure; unlike most of the area's heritage hotels. Built on the side of a hill, the structure of the resort has been dictated by the landscape to present guests the best vistas and every conceivable modern comfort. The four-storeyed masterpiece has 63 well-appointed rooms, including 12 suites with private Jacuzzis. Designed to offer a scenic and tranquil environment for relaxation and rejuvenation, the Justa Sajjanhar Resort & Spa will deliver unparalleled service and warm hospitality to its patrons. The property houses an all-day café - Sabor which offers breath-taking alfresco dining options. The pièce de résistance is its interactive live kitchen and bakery, which is a first for Udaipur. While the restaurant-and-bar accommodates approximately 250 guests, the terrace lounge Air 24.5 N boasts of independent teppanyaki grill and barbecue sections. Multi-cuisine meals and authentic local gastronomic experiences aim to delight all guests.

With its plush banquet hall, generous meeting room and verdant lawns, the Justa Sajjanhar Resort & Spa, Udaipur is also an ideal venue for weddings, conferences and events. Additional facilities include a serene luxury spa, a state-of-the-art fitness centre and a swimming pool.

It's time to unveil the 11th edition of JIFF....

Jaipur: Let us tie our seat belts and kick start for an audacious journey of films from 18th to 22nd January. It's time to unveil the 11th edition of JIFF- The Aryan Jaipur International Film Festival-JIFF. The grand inauguration of JIFF 2019 is all set to take place at the historical movie theatre, GEM Cinema at 5:00pm on 18th January 2019. Film makers, actors, directors, producers and writers from every nook and corner of the world are expected to come in Jaipur for attending JIFF 2019. The main venue for JIFF 2019 will be GEM Cinema.

25 Film Makers from 25 countries across the globe will simultaneously inaugurate the JIFF 2019 - Rajeev Arora, Chairman JIFF.

The inauguration of JIFF 2019 will not only be grand but magnificent and splendid too. First time in JIFF 2019 we will have amongst us guests from around the globe in large numbers. The JIFF Organizing Committee has invited film directors, producers, writers, actors and actresses from 25 different countries. We have received their consent for the same. The invited guests will be from France, Iran, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, USA, South Africa, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Brazil, Cambodia, Canada, Germany, Italy, Mauritius, Nepal, Nigeria, Peru, Romania, Serbia, Singapore, Switzerland, Tunisia, U.K. and Yemen.

GEM of Jaipur will be revived for JIFF - Sudhir Kasiwal GEM was Rajasthan's first 70 mm single screen with better sound quality. The GEM Cinema was out of existence since 2005. There was a period when people loved and preferred watching movies in GEM than in Rajmandir. Its 90x40 feet balcony without any pillar was a matter of great amusement to people. After 14 years it has been revived for JIFF and necessary restoration work has been started by Sh. Sudhir Kasiwal. In the era where single screen theatres are being closed, the opening of GEM Cinema is a lucky but fruitful task. It will mark the restoring of the old charm of the curtain raiser in the cinema hall will the glittering of colorful lights. GEM Cinema was started on 4th July 1964 with showcasing Dharmendra and Mala Sinha starrer Pooja Ke Phool. It was inaugurated by the then Chief Minister Sh. Mohan Lal Sukhadiya and Ramniwas Mirdha. It was designed by P K Loria and was constructed by famous photographer Sudhir Kasiwal's father Sh. Laxmi Kumar Kasiwal. Workshops, seminars and distinct chat sessions will be the special attraction at JIFF - Rajendra Bora, Spokesperson, JIFF. Along with the screening of 232 films there will be workshops, seminars, master classes and special chat sessions at JIFF 2019. The poster exhibition will start on 19th January from 11:30am at GEM Cinema, followed by opening of Film market by the film Baachambab from Cambodia at 12:30pm. The Sridevi JIFF Indian Panorama will begin at 3:30pm with the movie Kasai directed by Gajendra Shrivastava. The largest International Co-Production Meet at the festival is scheduled to happen on 20th January at 5:30pm at GEM Cinema. The Light a Lamp program of lighting 2100 lamps for World's



Largest & Most Secure Film Library & International Cinema Centre will take place on 21st January from 4:00 pm at GEM Cinema. Films can be seen in 10:00am, 12:30pm, 3:30pm and 6:30pm shows - HanuRoj, Founder.

The day by day screening schedule of JIFF was released on 21st December. 232 films from 64 countries will be screened in GEM Cinema, Nile & Tivoli halls of Golcha Cinema in 10:00am, 12:30pm, 3:30pm and 6:30pm shows. Special shows for youth have been put up with movies in English, Hindi and other languages. There will be 10:00am and 12:30 pm shows dedicatedly for school students. The schools can book their shows accordingly for their students.

7 venues will be the hub for JIFF 2019 - Nand Kishore Jhalani, JIFF Organizing Committee Member.

The closing ceremony will be on 22nd January at Golcha Cinema from 5pm with the award ceremony. The festival will occur from 18th to 22nd January at 7 different venues, GEM Cinema, Golcha Cinema, Rajasthan Adult Education Association, Dolphins High School- Pratap Nagar, Biyani Girls College, Birla Institute Of Technology. The main venue for JIFF will be GEM Cinema.

JIFF 2019 is World's Biggest Competitive Festival - Dr. Eshmunjal, JIFF Organizing Committee Member.

The 11th edition of JIFF is on its way to create history by being the World's Biggest Competitive Festival. 227 films of 64 countries are there in the competition among these 41 are feature fiction and 129 are short fiction films. This makes JIFF the first festival with largest film selection in the world.

JIFF 2019 has 41 feature films from 23 countries, 18 documentary feature films from 14 countries, 14 short documentary films from 8 countries, 11 animation films from 9 countries, 1 audio music and 4 music videos from 4 countries, 129 short fiction films from 39 countries, 9 mobile films from 3 countries, 8 web series from 3 countries. There are 13 films from Rajasthan. 5 films will not be screened during the festival among the total nominated films. Recognition to Tourism, Art & Culture of Rajasthan & India on a broader perspective. JIFF has established Jaipur as the new film capital of the country. With constant efforts of JIFF, the Tourism, Art & Culture of Rajasthan & India have gained recognition on both global and national perspective.

and Ratan Shree Entertainment.

The film is directed by Tarun Bisht. Raghubir Yadav, Ashok Samarth, Dharmendra Singh, Alismita Goswami and Manu Krishna attended the event. Yogesh Lakhani of Bright Outdoor also came to be part of this event. Ekta Jain hosted the trailer launch. Nilay Pandey of Trinity Films are distributing the film worldwide.

Prof. Seema Malik felicitated.

Udaipur: A two-day workshop by the research representative of Mohan Lal Sukhadiya University started at the university's guest house from Friday. The chief guest of the inauguration ceremony, Vice Chancellor of Mohan Lal Sukhadiya University, Prof. J.P. Sharma and Secretary of State Congress Committee Nilema Sukhadiya along with were. President of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Sanjay Lodha & Himmat Singh Bhati, the registrar graced the workshop as celebrities.

On this occasion, Prof. Seema Malik was honored for receiving the prestigious Nehru Fulbright Award. This award is given in conjunction with India and America. In this year, 10 academicians were selected from entire India and were sent to the United States for 15-day administrative exposure. Prof. Malik. During this time, visited many US educational institutions and went to the Indian Embassy.



Since the establishment of MLSU, she is the first professor who has received the prestigious Nehru Fulbright Award.

VC JP Sharma said that the facility was first organized by Research Scholars on academic activities.

The university will promote such things. Neelima Sukhadiya said that researchers and professors of the university should make better efforts to increase the level of research. Prof. Sanjay Lodha said that research society should be profitable.

A researcher must decide whether the research is more qualitative, quantitative less.



Raghubir Yadav, Ashok Samarth launched the trailer of their film Blackboard vs Whiteboard

Producers Nupur Shrivastava, Gireesh Tiwari and Ashutosh Singh Ratan invited cast and crew of their debut film Blackboard vs Whiteboard at The View Preview theatre, Andheri to see the trailer. The film is made under the banner of Milestone Creations