

Saving Forest, Empowering People: R.K.Jain

The monsoon brings rains. With rains begins an enthusiastic spree of planting saplings everywhere. But despite this the hills remain bare and the question of increasing green cover on the surface of the earth remains alive as a "Yaksha Prashna" before humanity. The indiscriminate felling of trees in the name of development, increasing human intervention in the forest areas, creation of huge mining wastelands, large scale quarrying and inability of the society to recreate the natural resources consumed, give rise to a serious environmental concern. Amidst such an atmosphere people like Mr. R.K.Jain, IFS, Regional Conservator of Forest, Udaipur are doing a yeoman's service by their pioneering efforts in saving the forests as well as empowering people by involving them in such activities and programmes which are lucrative and also help in conservation of forests and wild life.

Question of conserva-

tion:
The Global Scenario
Mr. Jain, in an interview, said that the question of conservation must be understood in global perspective. He told that India has 18% of the population of the world while only 1% of natural resources are with us. The fresh water available in India is just 4% of the world's reservoir. The National Forest Policy 1988 says that the forest cover should be 33% of the total area but it is only 22% in the country. The state of Rajasthan has a worse proportion. It has only 9.5% of forest area and in that also only 4.5% is green cover while the rest is desert forest. He said that, therefore it becomes more important to conserve forests in Rajasthan and try to increase the green cover.

The facts About Udaipur
Talking about Udaipur Mr. Jain said that Udaipur is fortunate to have about 28% forest cover which amounts to 3.5 lakh hectares. It is spread on the Aravali Hills. Unlike the

forests of south India, this forest is sub tropical dry deciduous forest which means that the leaves fall once a year and it does not always remain green. Yet it has a rich bio-diversity and a good wild life including Panthers, Bear, Hyena, Jackal, Deer, Spotted Deer, Cheetal, Pythons, Cobras, a number of species of lizard family, Vipers, Red Snake etc.

Man-animal Conflict
On the question of Panthers entering human settlements Mr. Jain said that the food chain of panthers in forests has weakened in the forests. Besides that human settlements have reached deep forests which are habitats of panthers. The grazing cattle become the prey of panthers and sometimes they enter human settlements to lift cattle and in the process attack human beings too which creates a man-animal conflict. He said that the department of forest has a provision of compensation also for cattle as well as humans who become victims of such attacks. He said

that fragmentation of forests by road network is also another cause of such conflict.

Efforts to save the forests and wild-life
Aravali hills are mostly bare now. The question of making them green is an important issue. Mr. Jain said that his department has a two-pronged policy on this- protection of existing forests and development of new forest. He said that the biggest challenge is decreasing number of rainy days due to climate change and the grazing by cattle.

The average rainfall may be sufficient but decreasing number of days when rain falls makes it difficult to increase ground water level which is necessary for the growth of forests. Secondly, the commercial attitude to look at forests as resources of revenue generation has also been a historical reason of depletion of forest cover. He welcomed the idea that if institutions of the town take the responsibility of forestation of the hills in their vicinity, it can bring about a

remarkable change. Universities, colleges, hospitals, industries etc. can help in this initiative. He said that their department has a policy of Joint Forest Management in which Community participation is sought and villagers are empowered by sharing of revenue generated. Forest Protection and Management Committees are formed which work in association of the department and get share in the income.

Development of Eco-sites
Mr. R.K.Jain cited the example of new eco sites developed by the forest department with the cooperation of the local people. He told that a Nagar Van has been developed near Amberi in which 30 youth of the local community are employed and the revenue generation by ticket etc. is such that they have a saving of about 40 lakhs in a period of three years. Tourists frequent these places and enjoy the beauty of nature. Similarly Mewar Bio-diversity park near

Purohit Talab and Baaghara Nature Park are eco-sites developed by the department. He said that the idea of community forests can be developed and people can be empowered and strengthened economically also by making them partners in conservation and development of forests.

Eco-friendly Forest Produce

The department also produces herbal products which are very useful for the people. Herbal Gulal is produced every year which is priced at Rs. 100-150 per Kilogram but still every year 25-30 quintals is sold out. Other products like Aloe Vera gel and juice, honey, Anwala, Phyllanthus emblica, also known as emblic, emblic myrobalan, myrobalan, Indian gooseberry, Malacca tree juice etc. are prepared by the cooperative societies linked with the department. Mr. Jain said that the department is soon going to open an outlet in Krishi Upaj Mandi for the people of Udaipur city.

- Dr.H.S.Chandalia

People's Voice

After Farmers the Labour Lose their Dignity and Right to Fight for their Rights

On 23rd September, 2020 the Indian Parliament passed three Bills that complete the government's codification of 29 labour laws into four codes. The Rajya Sabha passed the three Bills after less than two hours of discussion, while the opposition continued its boycott that started on Tuesday over the passage of two agriculture Bills.

The passing of the Industrial Relations Code, 2020, the Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, 2020 and the Social Security Code, 2020 makes the working class a slave of their capitalist corporate masters while the government withdraws from all responsibility of their interests.

The three Bills that merge 25 laws were passed by the Lok Sabha on Tuesday, 22nd September. The first of the four codes proposed by the government, the Code on Wages, was passed by Parliament in 2019.

Speaking in the Rajya Sabha, Labour and Employment Minister Santosh Kumar Gangwar said the passage of the Bills would balance the needs of workers, industry and other stakeholders. In fact the new codes are a death knell for the trade Union Movement of the country and a guarantee to the capitalists of NO STATE INTERVENTION to stop the exploitation of the labourers. The government has taken away the right of collective bargaining from the workers. The IR Code will allow companies with under 300 workers to decide on termination and other service conditions of employees without prior approval, as opposed to companies with less than 100 employees as of now. The strikes which were a tool of negotiation will become a thing of past as the notice period of strike has been raised to sixty days. The provision of forming a trade union and their registration have already been made very stringent.

It seems that the NDA government does not need the support and votes of the labour and farmers any more. With an absolute majority in Lok Sabha and a fractured opposition it has become easy for them to implement their agenda framed by their corporate friends. They are confident that the communal card and corporate support will enable them to remain in power. Unfortunately, the masses are unable to understand this nexus of Ruling classes aided by the media.

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Purity of drinking water is necessary

Udaipur: Seeing the floating garbage on the Udaipur lakes, the lake lovers were very disappointed. They collectively appealed to the city's citizens; in lakes did not throw debris, water bottles, flower garlands, and household garbage.

Simultaneously, the administration requested that the petrol in the lakes be strengthened and the sewer going into the lakes should be stopped. Tej Shankar Paliwal, the member of the Lake Development Authority, said that the clean water of the lakes is flowing in the sewer line and the sewage is getting mixed with urine, which has been urged many times by the administration to stop it, but a permanent solution has not been done. It is to provide a permanent solution to prevent the lakes' clean water from being wasted.

Dr. Anil Mehta, co-secretary of the lake conservation committee, said that maintaining the cleanliness of the lakes and the quality of the water is the Responsibility of the administration, in which the availability of pure water is critical during the Corona period.

Nand Kishore Sharma, director of the Gandhi Manav Kalyan Society, said that domestic waste and masks floating in the lakes would invite water-borne diseases. Litter of any kind is required to throw garbage in the lakes, and a complete ban on fisheries.

Kushal Rawal, the young scientist of Abhinav School, said that maintaining cleanliness has become very necessary in the Corona period. Keeping it, cleaning the lakes, cleanliness of its banks, ghats, etc. are also very important.

Dhrupad Singh and Pallava Dutta said that during the Corona epidemic, bathing on the lakes, rinse mouth and washing of clothes and vehicles, etc. is prohibited.

Cancer Survivor Gifted



Udaipur: On behalf of Udaipur United Ladies Circle 171, at the national level, under Ladies Circle India's ongoing project, Make a Wish, Cancer Survivor, ten children have been gifted with various gifts to make them happy.

Chairperson Neha Taya said that the children tried to make them happy by giving them gifts like various types of sports material like, carom board, Remote Control Car, Laptop Toy, Remote Control Helicopter, Android Watch, Teddy Bear, Bicycles. He was pleased to receive the gift.

Smt. Taya said that these gifts were given to cancer survivor children from pocket money collected by the circle members' children.

Four sewing machines presented to women for employment

Udaipur: On behalf of Udaipur United Ladies

Circle-171, 4 sewing machines were presented to poor women to earn employment.



Chairperson Neha Taya said that the main motive behind offering sewing machines to poor women is to provide them employment during the Corona period to become self-sufficient. She said that this step was taken to make women self-reliant. Tabassum Selfie Pathan, Neha Taya, Shweta Dubey, Swati Jain, Akshita Singhvi, Shivika Bhatia, and Udaipur United Round Tables Chairman Aditya Vikram Somani were present on occasion.

United Hoteliers of Udaipur officials met on a courtesy call.

Udaipur: UB Srivastava, President of United Hoteliers of Udaipur, Secretary Rupam Sarkar, Vice President Ashish Chhabra and Treasurer Ujjwal Menaria of the United Hoteliers of Udaipur, met on a courtesy call to unite people in the entire hospitality industry, including hotels, restaurants and make every effort for the betterment of the corona epidemic to District Collector Chetnaram Deora.

Officials told the district collector that the institution's purpose is to stand up with hoteliers, restaurants, and all those who are struggling with the current unprecedented business crises. Also, work has to be done for the betterment of this industry of Udaipur.

They informed that in this phase of the epidemic, the hotel industry has been the most affected. In Udaipur, the city of lakes, this business is completely dependent on domestic and foreign tourists. In such a situation, the organization will ensure that every tourist visiting Udaipur, the most beautiful city in the world, gets a clean, healthy, and safe environment. With this, this organization will also help those who are struggling in the current era in the hospitality industry. Apart from this, the organization will endeavor to re-start the tourism industry safely and hygienically in a phased manner.

Tarika became Assistant Prantpal

Udaipur: Ashok Mangal, Prantpal of Rotary District 3054 for the year 2021-22, has nominated Tarika Bhanuprathapsinh Dhayabhai, the Ex. President of Rotary Club



Panna, as the Assistant Prantpal of Udaipur. Former Prantpal of Gujarat and Maharashtra Public Image Coordinator. Nirmal Singhvi said that in view of social work done in the city by Tarika Bhanu patrap Singh Dhayabhai during his presidential tenure, Prantpal Mangal gave him four Rotary Clubs, Rotary Club Panna, Rotary Club Mewar, Rotary Club Elite and Rotary Club Meera has been entrusted with the care of the service work done by Meera.



Indian Journalists Association (AIJ) Delhi office inaugurated

Udaipur: The South Delhi office of the Journalists Association of India (AIJ) was inaugurated jointly by cutting the ribbon in the presence of regional MPs Ramesh Bidhuri representatives Vikram Bidhuri and Rajendra Kapoor (Chief Warden), former MLAs Shishpal Chaudhary and Goyal, and journalists and social workers.

AIJ Delhi Pradesh President Momma Begum said that with the consent of AIJ National President Vikram Sen, given the Delhi state's current situation amid epidemic like Covid-19, the launch program was done locally according to the guidelines of governance. She said that the Journalists Association of India (AIJ) has been continuously struggling in journalists' interests for many years and has been continuously providing services to journalists by contracting hospitals in Gujarat, Rajasthan, and elsewhere for serious illness. Now in Delhi too, the rising steps of AIJ are towards success. He also spoke of organizing an organizational state-level executive meeting in the coming days. Representative Vikram Bidhuri, the chief guest of the program, said in his address that even in such adverse circumstances of the country, the journalist world deserves praise for society's outstanding work. Journalism is an act of courage that you are doing by associating with a national level organization; this is a commendable step.

Vikram Bidhuri (State Minister BJP), Rajendra Kapoor Chief Warden (Civil Defense), DV Singh Baghel (Additional SHO Okhla Police Station) as the Chief Guest at the inauguration of the official inauguration under the leadership of Momma Begum Pradesh President.), MK Khanna (Senior Advocate Bar Association Saket), Anil Goyal (Former Treasurer BJP), Pramod Baghel (Mandal President Deovil Assembly), Rahul Parihar Bollywood Actor, Reiv India Foundation President Rajiv Singh Sugandh and Secretary Ghanshyam Pandey, Musharrarf Qureshi Music Director And all the journalists association officials associated with Delhi Pradesh were present. Apart from this, all the NGOs and social workers were present in the entire South Delhi society, serving as a serviceman.

"21st century Hindi novel" book released

Udaipur: In Janardanarai Nagar Rajasthan Vidyapeeth Deemed to Be University's administrative building's auditorium on Tuesday, the book edited by Dr. Lalit Shirmali released the Hindi novel in the 21st century was released jointly by Vice-Chancellor Prof. SS Sarangadevot, Kul Pramukh Bhanwar Lal Gurjar, Senior Critic Prof. Naval Kishore Sharma, Prof. Malay Paneri, Educationist

Harisingsh Bhati, Dr. Hemashankar Dadhich, Dr. Pallava Pandey, Dr. Ratanpuri Goswami, Dr. Paras Jain.

On this occasion, Prof. Sarangadevot said that to spread Hindi, founder Janubhai founded Vidyapeeth in 1937 and later named it Rajasthan Vidyapeeth. In the era of technology, today's youth are getting away from Hindi. Their tendency to study decreases, which can have far-reaching consequences; for this, the new education policy has also talked about promoting Hindi. Prof. Naval Kishore Sharma said that the tradition of Hindi fiction had been carried forward by the generation after Prem Chand. Still, after independence, human life expresses disintegration in values more creatively than the new generation's creators.



Dr. Lalit Shirmali, in his book 21st Century Hindi Novel, said that phenomena like globalization, communication revolution, marketing, and consumerism had produced wide-ranging changes in social and cultural life. The communication revolution and communication technology and dimensions have changed drastically. The same cultural transition has also brought changes in life values.

Reenal Jain Holds The National, Making BN Pharmacy Proud Again

Udaipur Bhupal Nobles Pharmacy College, Dean Dr. Yuvraj Singh Sarangadevot told that Ms. Reenal Sujeet Jain student of Doctor of Pharmacy III Year got 2nd position in All India Video Making Competition under the guidance of Dr. Kamal Singh Rathore on the subject "Video Clip of Patient Counseling" organised by Shree Santkrupa College of Pharmacy, Ghogaon, Maharashtra.

Principal Dr. Siddharaj Singh Sisodia informed that in this competition, about 500 contestants from all over the country took part among which Reenal won the coveted Second Prize. She will be given a cash prize and a certificate of achievement. Reenal has also got 1st position in All India Competition organised by Jain Community. Over illuminating the name of Udaipur, BN University expressed happiness and wished a happy future on brings laurels.

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Guardian Angels

About five months ago, as I squashed out the different blue and green hues from the tubes into my palette, I couldn't ruminate over the usual pollution concerns or the climate crisis; my mind was pervaded by the impression of a picture I had recently seen. Thus, I decided to transmute that picture into a poster for Earth Day. I laid down the strokes with optimistic anticipation: In the next two months everything would come back to normal, lives would pace up, I would be in school, and the wounds of the bitter memories of the pandemic would convalesce. Looking back, I realize that everything did change, but for the worse. The only affirmation that occurred was that the doctor was no longer sitting enervated on Mother Earth; he was now stronger, his head was held high, and he was more determined than ever to save the world.

Since the outbreak of the Covid-19, doctors have been deemed as the incarnations of God; however, I believe that at the end of the day they are humans who love their children and families, but are working relentlessly because of their commitment to work and the zeal to save humanity. They indeed possess the Godly quality of selflessness. A few days back, I saw the video of a proud but desolate girl of my age, who lost her mother because she succumbed to the virus, which she got while treating her patients. But she did not lose her life in vain; she averted hundreds of other children from experiencing what her daughter did, by saving their parents. Not only in videos, but we witness this every day with our own eyes. My best friend comes from a family of doctors; while my mother caters to my needs all day long, her mother works her fingers to the bone at the government hospital striving to save lives, and when at home, her mother distances herself from her family to ensure its safety. Her elder sister also got her first job as a doctor to treat Covid-19 patients. I thought that her parents must be intimidated but, selfless as they are, they were proud that their daughter would serve mankind and be called a Covid warrior. Such is the devotion of our doctors, nurses, and policemen. Be it the risk to their lives, dearth of PPE kits, or the arduous working conditions, they are brooking no refusal and are ready to brawl with the Covid-19.

Some people might believe that the outbreak is the wrath of nature; however, I feel that Mother Nature would never expose her children to a deadly virus. This is just another challenge faced by humanity; it is a test that can be passed using unity. Yet, we hear about the pelting of stones and violence against doctors. Can we not reciprocate the empathy of the people trying to save our lives? I believe we can by being a bit more compassionate and realizing how indebted we are to them. As I look at my poster now, I encounter the appalling reality, but also sense the presence of the silver lining of hope, which is given by none other than the guardian angels of Earth in 2020.

- Ananya Gour