

A.R. Rahman, Hariharan, Salim Merchant, Shaan, Ustad ji's Wife Amina Mustafa Khan and Family Express their Happiness

A year after his death, a chowk named after the legendary singer, the doyen of Hindustani Classical Music, Padma Vibhushan Ustad Ghulam Mustafa Khan, will be unveiled by Aadiya Thackeray, Minister of Tourism & Environment, Govt. of Maharashtra, in presence of veteran and noted singers from the Bollywood fraternity. Located near the office of the Additional Commissioner of Police in Carter Road, Bandra West, the 'Padma Vibhushan Ghulam Mustafa Khan Chowk' will be inaugurated on Wednesday morning. The late singer's family and his students will also be present to laud and cheer the legend.

Born in Badaun, Uttar Pradesh, Ustad Ghulam Mustafa Khan was the eldest son in a family of four brothers

and three sisters. He received his basic classical music training from his father and later studied music under his cousin, Ustad Nissar Hussain Khan. A torchbearer of the Rampur Sahaswat Gharana, Ustad Ghulam Mustafa Khan has been the recipient of various awards and accolades. He was awarded the Padma Shri in 1991, followed by the Padma Bhushan in 2006 and the Padma Vibhushan in 2018. In 2003, the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award, the highest Indian recognition given to practicing artistes, was conferred upon him.

Interestingly, besides being the finest, Ustad Ghulam Mustafa Khan has also mentored many of the ace Bollywood singers like Lata Mangeshkar, Asha Bhosle,



A.R. Rahman, Hariharan, Sonu Nigam, Shaan, his sons Murtuza Mustafa Khan, Qadir Mustafa Khan, Rabbani Mustafa Khan, Hasan Mustafa Khan and grandson Faiz Mustafa Khan.

Ustad Ghulam Mustafa Khan's repertoire also includes his vast contribution to Hindi and other regional films, for which he composed and sang

both. Mrinal Sen's Bhuvan Shome marked his foray into playback singing for Hindi films and he then went on to record many more, including various documentaries. One could even say he was way ahead of his time... he essayed the role of Baiju Bawra in the German documentary, Rainmaker, and performed on Coke Studio when A.R.

Rahman had wanted to present his Guru with his three generations, consisting of his sons Murtuza Mustafa Khan, Qadir Mustafa Khan, Rabbani Mustafa Khan, Hasan Mustafa Khan, and grandson Faiz Mustafa Khan.

Ace composer-singer, maestro, Padma Bhushan A.R. Rahman avers, "Great Gurus are the eternal force of knowledge and rich tradition which India possesses. This musical knowledge which Ghulam Mustafa Khan Sahib gifted to so many of his students is priceless. The 'Padma Vibhushan Ustad Ghulam Mustafa Khan Chowk' would be the rightful honour for his service to Indian Classical Music."

"A chowk for my Ustad ji (Ustad Ghulam Mustafa Khan) is the best thing to happen. I am so happy; I don't have

words to describe this feeling! Ustad ji was one of the biggest masters of Hindustani Classical Music, Khayal Gayaki/Gharana.

The amount of work he has done and the brilliant compositions he has rendered are simply amazing. Even the students of other gharanas sing his compositions! He is an iconic figure, a true legend, and to have a chowk in his name, is the duty of us Indians. This memory must be there forever, and ever, and generations to come should read and know about his contributions," enthuses veteran singer Padma Shri Hariharan.

Adds master composer Salim Merchant, "Ustad Ghulam Mustafa Khan Saab is always in our hearts and thoughts, and now a chowk in his name only glorifies that fur-

thermore and gives us so much happiness. It's a moment of pride and honour for his family, his students, and for all of us music lovers. I hope that Ustad ji's name always remains on top and his remembrance always keeps us smiling."

The versatile singer Shaan also expresses his elation, "Padma Vibhushan Shri Ghulam Mustafa Khan Saab will always remain a loving personification of Music, Dedication and Devotion through his voice and persona. I am so thrilled that with a Chowk named after him, many generations to come will be inspired towards pure Music. We are all very proud."

"It's a great feeling and definitely a moment of pride and will always remain special for our entire family. We have and shall always appreciate Ustad

ji's every little thing that he has done for all of us. He was not only an inspiration to us but to so many aspiring singers and musicians. He has brought glory to the nation with his contribution in the field of Hindustani Classical Music. We are indebted to the Government of India and the ICCR which recently introduced the 'Ustad Ghulam Mustafa Khan Fellowship for Music' for foreign musicians and artistes.

And now we truly honoured and shall always be thankful to our Municipal Corporator Shri Asif Zakaria, the Government of Maharashtra and the Brihan Mumbai Mahanagar Palika for the chowk in Ustad ji's name," express the members of the Ustad Ghulam Mustafa Khan family.

Virendra Singh Chauhan received the Best Prime Minister Award, Vice-Chancellor Amarika Singh congratulated

Udaipur: The national-level event of the National Environment Youth Parliament 2022 (NEY-P-2022) was held on the 16th of April at Parliament House, New Delhi (India). Where a team of the best 10 participants selected from all central and state level universities, IITs, NITs from all over India formed Environment Youth Parliament and Parliament proceedings on environmental aspects in the role of Prime Minister, Speaker, Minister, Prof, Opposition Dr. Devendra Singh Rathore, Regional Nodal Officer of



National Environment Youth Parliament 2022, informed that Virendra Singh Chauhan, a student of the Science College of Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur, won the Best Prime Minister award while convening the proceedings of the

Parliament in the role of the Prime Minister. Ashwini Singh Rathore, a student of Geology at Sukhadia University, and Dakshika Kanwar Rathod, a student of Guru Nanak Kanya Mahavidyalaya, called the proceedings of Parliament in the

role of Treasury Bench of Lok Sabha, Mansi Patwa of Law College in the part of the opposition. The Vice-Chancellor of Sukhadia University, Prof. Amarika Singh, sent warm wishes to Virendra Singh Chauhan, a student of Sukhadia University. They received the Best Prime Minister Award in the National Environment Youth Parliament 2022, as other participants representing Sukhadia University.

It is to be known that Prof Amarika Singh had expressed confidence in the program

organized on 27th January in the host of Sukhadia University that the participants selected from Rajasthan in the National Environment Youth Parliament to be held in Parliament House at the national level would show their better performance and would be the contenders for the post of Prime Minister.

In National Youth Environment Parliament 2022, the Rajasthan team participated in Environment Youth Parliament under the mentorship of Regional Nodal Officer Dr. Devendra Singh Rathore in Parliament House, New Delhi.

The group included students of Sukhadia University Virendra Singh Chauhan, Ashwini Singh Rathore, Mansi Patwa, Guru Along with Dakshika Kanwar Rathore, a student of Nanak Kanya Mahavidyalaya, Nirlipta Singh Baharath of Bhupal Nobles, Rahul Sharma of Bikaner Technical University, Bhavna Choudhary of Jain Vishwa Bharati Vishwavidyalaya, Kamini and Anupriya of Banasthali Vidyapeeth and Sakshi Chaudhary of Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati Ajmer were the members.

World Heritage Day

Today is world heritage day. This day is also known as "International monuments and sites day." This day was established on April 18, 1982.

First of all, it was celebrated by the International Council of monuments and sites in Tunisia. Then every year, this day is celebrated on April 18.

Friends, first we must know that basically a heritage site is an ancient building which has its own cultural significance. The aim of celebrating this day is to bring awareness amongst people about the preservation of historical and cultural ancient buildings. It's our moral duty to preserve human heritage. There are many organizations working in this field. They are putting in various efforts and money to preserve these historical and cultural sites. So, a celebration of this day works as a source of inspiration also to these organizations that are preserving our heritage. We are no doubt grateful to these organizations.

These sites are valuable assets to the world. We can't know or remember our glorious past if these heritage sites were not in existence. These

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sites give name and fame to the nation. They are a source of income also for the government when tourists visit them. In many places, government institutions like schools, hospitals, banks, post offices, and courts are running in these historical buildings only. It deserves the legacy of intangible attributes. The world as a community works for the preservation of history and culture, i.e., passed on to us in the form of these heritage sites by our ancestors. We have to maintain the legacy now. Every year, this day, a wide range of events take place in different parts of the whole world. These events might be different activities, conferences, debates, etc., organized by different organizations.

In India, there are many beautiful cities that are called Heritage cities. Every year, a new different theme is selected to celebrate this day. I must tell you that theme for this year is "Heritage and Climate." We bow to our legacy of tangible and intangible attributes. But that is not enough. In spite of many organizations working to preserve these heritage sites, still, a need arises to make more efforts in this direction. So paying great attention, this theme is selected for 2022, Heritage and Climate.

The aim of selecting this theme is to draw the attention of people toward the fact that if the climate is saved, then only every heritage site in the world will be saved. Today we are blind to the fact that heavy rainfall, drought, floods, increasing deserts, landslides, raised temperature and melting glaciers are all due to the change in the climate. We have to take steps and bring positive changes in the climate; then, only heritage sites will be saved. Now, hope for the best.

A true saying is that "People without knowledge of their past culture and origin are like rootless trees." So please know, work, and save our heritage sites. Hope for the best.

Happy World Heritage Day to you all.

- Sulekha Shrivastava

When some people were falling on wealth, we were tearing our country's chest with self-respect: Lakshyaraj Singh Mewar

Udaipur: Lakshyaraj Singh Mewar, a member of the Mewar royal family, has attended the historic Ram-Ravana fair held at Badi Sadri in Chittorgarh from 11 to 3 pm on Tuesday. Lavajma of Lakshyaraj Singh Mewar and international poet and Taarak Mehta fame Shailesh Lodha came out of Udaipur City Palace for a Badi Sadri to attend the event. Lakshyaraj Singh was given a grand welcome at more than 30 places on the Udaipur-Badi Sadri road. During this, this holy land of sacrifice, sacrifice, courage, and devotion continues to inspire all of us to struggle with self-respect constantly. The tradition of taking the entire society along with Chittor, the heart of Mewar, has been going on for centuries, which is the duty of every Mewar resident to continue discharging it further. The social consciousness of the people of Mewar and the religious thought of unity has been our axis. It has been the gift of every Mewari's immense faith and belief that Mewar has stood proudly in every odd situation and will continue to do so. When some people were falling for wealth, we were tearing our country's chest with self-respect. Mewar gave this message to the whole world centuries ago that the synonyms of Mewar are sacrifice, sacrifice, and bravery, which are the living heritage of all of us. This residing legacy must be preserved and passed on to our future generations. The sacrifice of women's power in this is unparalleled. The flame of Jauhar, the supreme sacrifice of bravery and courage of women's power, blazed in the soil of Mewar, whose fire continues to burn in our hearts even today. I bow to those brave women who have sacrificed themselves for the honor of Mewar and made it clear to the world that the synonym of sacrifice and sacrifice is a woman.

Grand welcome here-here, these famous poets recited poetry.

Lakshyaraj Singh Mewar and Taarak Mehta's Ooltah Chashmah fame and international poet Shailesh Lodha's Karva ran from City Palace to Badi Saadi. In honor of Mewar, Dabok Bhoot Kheda, Narayan Pura Toll Naka, Mangalwad Square, Mangalwad Village, Bilodeau, Dungla, Elvamataji, Talau, Alon Mor, Sangaria, Bhurkiya, Jarkhana Mor, Kanod Darwaza, Ghanatgarh Square will be welcomed at Jhalamanna Memorial After reaching Bohra Masjid, Jawahar Chowk, Azad Pura, Gopal Ashram, Panchmukhi Balaji Mandir were accorded a grand welcome at more than 30 places. In this All India kaviSammalen

Tarak Mehta fame and international poet Shailesh Lodha, comic poet Kuldeep Jhala, poet Vishnu Saxena, poet Ashok Charan of Veer Ras, poet Gauri, etc. recited poetry. During this, Chittorgarh Collector Arvind Poswal was also present.

Orientation program organized for BDS Batch 2021 of Geetanjali Dental and Research Institute, Udaipur

Udaipur: Orientation program organized for BDS Batch 2021 of Geetanjali Dental and Research Institute, Udaipur. On

this occasion, Professor Dr. F.S. Mehta, Vice-Chancellor Geetanjali University, Dr. Nikhil Verma, Dean GDRI Professor Dr. Narendra Mogra, Dean G.M.C.H., Dr. Sunita Dashottar, Medical Superintendent, Dr. Sandhya Ghai, Dean Geetanjali College of Nursing were present.

Dr. Nikhil Verma briefed the students about the medical syllabus, rules, and regulations. Dr. Devin Arnold provided Anti Ragging Awareness to the newcomers.

A White Coat Ceremony for the students of Batch 2021 was organized where the teachers presented hard-earned white coats to the students. The students also took the Charak oath and pledged to follow the code of conduct of a good doctor.

Professor of the Department of Oral Medicine and Radiology, Dr. Simi T., allotted mentors to the newcomers. They will guide the students.

Professor Dr. Minal Verma, Head of the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology, also gave a virtual tour of the hospital and college to the parents and students of the newly recruited batch.

Dr. F.S. Mehta encouraged the students to acquire clinical skills and learn de-stressing techniques. He also blessed the students for their successful journey ahead.

Chief Security Officer Shri Chakrapal Singh informed about Anti-ragging and Hostel related facilities.

The entire program was conducted by Professor Dr. Minal Verma, Head of the Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology Department.

Micro-artist Chittora honored

Udaipur: On behalf of the Magic Book of Records, New Delhi, Dr. C.P. Yadav and his team member Shri Deepak Sharma Shri Karan Chauhan Shri Rafiq Mohd. Presented Life Time Achievement Award to Chandraprakash Chittora, the artist and craftsman of the famous micro-books and artifacts of Udaipur Lake City.

Dr. C.P. Yadav said that Chittora has been active in this field in the last two decades and has given a new dimension to subtle art with his creations. Chitauda noted that he had done 1151 different subtle works, using materials to make fine art.

Greetings to Kapil Shrimali by Samprati Sansthan

Udaipur: Samprati Sansthan felicitated eminent journalist Kapil Shrimali on becoming the President of the Lake City Press Club. The chief guest was social worker entrepreneur Himmat Singh Chauhan. Dr. Tukhtak Bhanawat, the general secretary, presented him with a shawl and a memento. Expressing gratitude, Kapil said that my priority would be to allot plots and provide medical facilities to the journalists who have been stuck for a long time. Mukesh Jain, Shailesh Nagda, Ajay Saruparia, Ajay Acharya, and Bhupendra Chaubisa were present in the elections of Lakecity Press Club held recently. Kapil took the lead by getting 114 votes out of a total of 122 votes. This election happened after about four years due to Corona.

Gaurav Sahu of Sukhadia University lifted 510 kg and made his place in the best 10

Udaipur: Hosted by the Sports Department of Janardan Rai Nagar Rajasthan Vidyapeeth, Deemed to be a University, the eight-day All India Inter-University Powerlifting Women and Men Competition was inaugurated on Sunday in Bedalia Auditorium of Shramjeevi College, Leader of the Opposition Gulab Chand Kataria, Vice Chancellor Prof. SS Sarangdevot, Kulpramukh BL Gurjar, Former Vice-Chancellor Prof. Kailash Sodani, Sports Board Secretary Dr. Bhavani Pal Singh Rathore, Prof. Suman Pamecha, Dr. Dharmendra Rajora started the tournament by hoisting the flag of Vidyapeeth and AIU lamp and lighting the lamp in front of the statue of Maa Saraswati.

Announcing the start of the tournament, Kataria said that a person is born with some purpose or the other; there is a need to identify the purpose and qualities of the person and shape it. When he creates the golden note of success, that makes everyone proud. There is no dearth of players in the country. Today, the powerlifter players of our country are bringing glory to the name of their country, not only at the international level. Founder Janubhai established Shramjeevi Mahavidyalaya before independence with the aim of connecting the poor, deprived, and employed people to the mainstream of education. Presiding over Prof. Sarangdevot said that there would be competition for gold, silver, and bronze medals for eight days, which the player would be victorious and would ensure his place in the powerlifting competition at the national level. Special guest Prof. Kailash Sodani said that the Covid epidemic caused the tragedy in the world. Covid has taught us one thing our coun-

try's culture, food, yoga, sports - all these things play an important role in saving our lives, so all of them should also be part of our curriculum. Country, every person has to play, do yoga so that our medical expenses will be covered and the life of a common person will also increase.

Special guest Col. Inderjit Goshal called upon the players that through sports, they also get a chance to serve the country. In the absence of information, many players are not able to go ahead; there is a need to bring them forward by making them aware.

Organizing Secretary Dr. Bhavani Pal Singh, while presenting the report of the Sports Board, said that 106 universities across the country, including Mumbai, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Haryana, Punjab, Haryana, will participate in the men's competition to be held from April 17 to 19. More than eleven hundred powerlifter players and coaches are participating. Throughout the tournament, international-level referees play the role of a judge. Before the game, the weight of all the players, a medical test of all the players by the medical team, and their fitness was recorded. For eight days, the residents of the city will get to see the performance of powerlifter players at the international level. He informed that the women's powerlifting competition would be organized from April 21 to 24, in which registration of 135 universities across the country has been done. In the ceremony, the girls of Girls College gave presentations on Rajasthani songs and took everyone's heart. The artists of Kumbha Kala Kendra sang the institution song and the national anthem. The Dean Director of Vidyapeeth was present at the ceremony.

ZINC FOOTBALL ACADEMY GOALKEEPER SAHIL POONIA CALLED UP FOR INDIA UNDER-16 NATIONAL TEAM CAMP

Udaipur : 15-year-old Goalkeeper Sahil Poonia of Zinc Football Academy, a CSR initiative of Hindustan Zinc Limited, has been called up for the India Under-16 National Team Camp which is preparing for the upcoming SAFF Under-16 Championship to be held in Sri Lanka. Born in Ladwa village in Hissar, Haryana, Sahil Poonia was rewarded with the national camp selection after his incredible contribution in Zinc Football Academy's memorable exposure tour at Goa last week where they played three friendly matches against India U-16 National Camp Team, Dempo Sports Club (U-18) and Team Super 30, winning two and narrowly losing the final match against the national camp team. The national scouts present in the final match were overwhelmed by the performance of the Hindustan Zinc's team which led to the immediate selection of Poonia in the camp while a few more players from the academy are expected to be called up in the coming days. Sahil's father, a farmer and sole bread-earner of the family, is delighted after hearing the news of his son getting a chance to represent the country, which has been the ultimate dream of the whole family.