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Dear Readers,

I extend my warm greetings and welcome you to the September edition of our in-flight magazine, "The Rising Star". It is with immense joy and pride that I share some remarkable updates from Star Air.

Firstly, I am delighted to announce the successful launch of our much-awaited flights to the cultural city of Pune connecting it to Bangalore and Hyderabad. This new route marks a significant milestone in our commitment to connecting Real India. We are thrilled to provide you with more accessible and seamless travel options, allowing you to explore the vibrant cities of Pune and Hyderabad, while experiencing utmost comfort and convenience on board our flights.

Moreover, I am thrilled to reveal that Star Air has been awarded 40 new routes under the Government of India's Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) UDAN. This recognition truly reflects our dedication to enhancing regional connectivity and making air travel more accessible to millions of travellers across India. With these new routes, we are not only bridging the gaps between destinations but also creating endless opportunities for trade, tourism, and economic growth.

At Star Air, we believe that every flight is an opportunity to connect dreams, cultures, and aspirations. Our team of passionate professionals are committed to providing you with the highest standards of safety, reliability, and personalized service. As we soar to new horizons, rest assured that we will continue to redefine air travel, ensuring your journey with us is nothing short of extraordinary.

I express my heartfelt gratitude to our loyal passengers, dedicated staff, and esteemed partners for their unwavering support and trust. It is your enthusiasm and encouragement that propels us forward and fuels our pursuit of excellence as we embark on yet another momentous journey together.

On behalf of Star Air, I invite you to join us on this exhilarating voyage as we connect Real India and create unforgettable travel experiences. Together, let's make the skies a gateway to boundless possibilities.

Thank you for choosing Star Air as your preferred airline. We look forward to welcoming you on board soon!

Warm regards,

**SANJAY D. GHODAWAT**

Chairman



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# Watch List

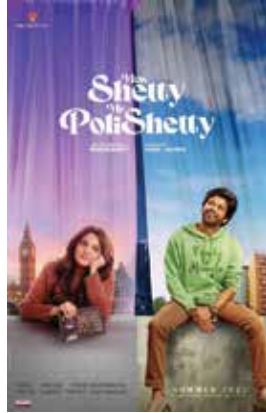
Catch the very best of upcoming movies and series slated to release in the next two months.



### THE EQUALIZER 3

**Synopsis:** Robert moves to Italy to start a new life. However, his past self catches up with him when he tries to protect his new friends from the Sicilian Mafia.

**Genre:** Action, Crime  
**Release Date:** 01 September 2023  
**Playing in:** Cinemas



### MISS SHETTY MR POLISHETTY

**Synopsis:** Two people from different walks of life with completely different beliefs fall head over heels for each other when they accidentally cross paths.

**Genre:** Drama, Romance  
**Release Date:** 07 September 2023  
**Playing in:** Cinemas



### EXPEND4BLES

**Synopsis:** The team assembles once more to take on a major terrorist organization trying to smuggle nuclear warheads and stop a conflict between Russia and the United States.

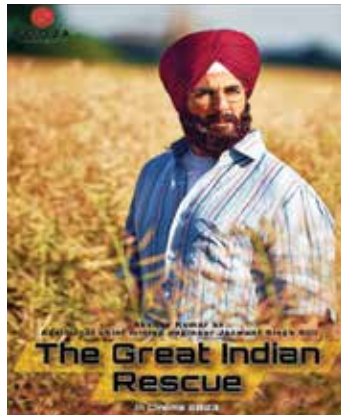
**Genre:** Action, Adventure  
**Release Date:** 22 September 2023  
**Playing in:** Cinemas



### LUPIN PART 3

**Synopsis:** Assane is forced to come out of the shadows once more after his ex-wife and child are targeted for the crimes he committed in the past.

**Genre:** Mystery, Thriller  
**Release Date:** 05 October 2023  
**Streaming on:** Netflix



### THE GREAT INDIAN RESCUE

**Synopsis:** A chief mining engineer puts his life on the line and helps in the rescue of people when a coal mine in Raniganj, West Bengal, gets flooded.

**Genre:** Biography, Drama  
**Release Date:** 05 October 2023  
**Playing in:** Cinemas



### FAIR PLAY

**Synopsis:** A newly engaged couple, who work together in a cutthroat hedge fund firm, find their lives disrupted after one of them receives a promotion.

**Genre:** Drama, Thriller  
**Release Date:** 13 October 2023  
**Streaming on:** Netflix ★





# Wings of Valour

With over 33 years as a fighter pilot, Air Commodore Vellore Doraiswamy Eshwar VSM, Chief of Flight Safety at Star Air, is a decorated Officer of the Indian Air Force. During his tenure, he was appointed in Operations, Command and Training Establishments.

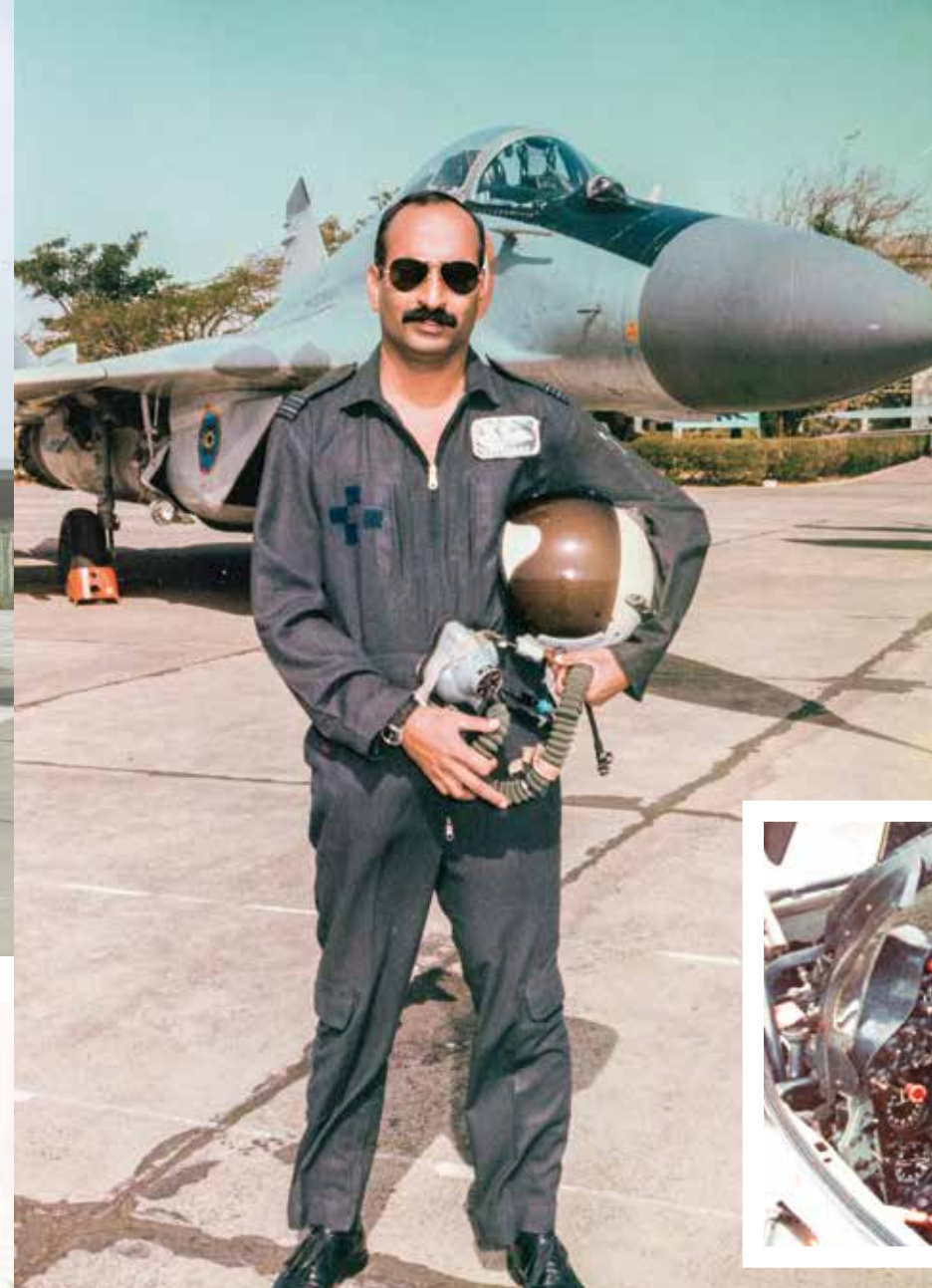
Air Commodore V D Eshwar was commissioned into the Indian Air Force as a fighter pilot in December 1982. He completed his masters from the prestigious 'Defence and Strategic Studies Air War College', Montgomery Alabama, USA. Only one officer from the Indian Air Force is selected to enrol in this college every year. He went on to do a tenure as a directing staff at the DSSC. For his exceptional service to the nation, he received recognition by the Chief of Air Staff and was awarded the Vishisht Seva Medal (VSM) by the then President of India, Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam.

He graduated as a Fighter Combat leader at TACDE (Tactical Air Combat Development Establishment), the Indian equivalent of the US Navy's TOP GUN. Only the top 1% of the Indian Air Force makes it to TACDE and he was one of them. Post graduation, he went on to become a TOP GUN instructor at TACDE and instructed experienced combat pilots in the art of air combat, tactical planning and warfare.



**“ Those days (talking about the old days of the Air Force, even before his time), a chap going on to the MiGs (21s), that is, around the time they first came to India, was more momentous than going to Space. Going supersonic was like being God.**





**“ The MiG-21s require a lot of skill to fly. There is a lot of ‘pure flying’ that is done on a MiG-21 as opposed to, say, a MiG-29 which is more about managing onboard systems. It’s an absolute joy to fly, and in the right hands, she’ll more than fulfil any mission requirement.**



He was fully operational on MiG-21 and MiG-29 and has flown multiple operational missions on these aircraft. He has more than 2,000 hours on the MiG-21 alone, which is about 6,500 missions/sorties. During his time in the IAF, he has flown the HT-2, HJT-16 Kiran, TS-11 Iskra, MiG-21, MiG-29 and Mi-8, Mi-17 helicopters. He is equally experienced on Drones, UAVs as with Fighters. However, his favourite aircraft remains the MiG-21 and he has flown almost all its variants right from the MiG-21FL to

MiG-21bis, his favourite variant being the bis. During his tenure, Air Commodore Eshwar commanded operational units of the Indian Air Force. During his time, he actively participated in ‘Operation Brasstacks’ in the northern region, that took place from November 1986 to January 1987 near Pakistan border. He remained at the location for more than a year fully prepared during Operation Parakram in 2001-2002.

**“ I have been with Star Air ever since the first flight in January 2019. When I joined, I did not have much experience in Civil Aviation. This is a completely different world and I have learnt a lot and I am still on the learning trajectory. I have seen the company grow from 1 aircraft to 8 and I feel very proud to have been a part of this journey and will continue to see the Airline soar to greater heights!**



#### Vishisht Seva Medal Citation

Wing Commander Vellore Doraiswamy Eshwar (16994) Flying (Pilot) was commissioned in the Flying Branch of the IAF on 29 Dec 1982. He is a MiG-21 and MiG-29 pilot. The officer is a Fighter Combat Leader who has been the Deputy Commandant at Tactics and Air Combat Development and Training Establishment (TACDE). He is also an alumnus of Defence Services Staff College. Presently, he is the Commanding Officer of a missile Sqn since 29 Mar 2002. Wg Cdr Eshwar assumed command of Missile Sqn, whilst the Sqn was deployed for ‘Op Parakram’. In spite of the trying circumstances of an active operational deployment, in a very short span of time, Wg Cdr Eshwar built up his professional knowledge and understanding of a complex system to his customary high standards. Notwithstanding the fact that the Sqn was deployed at two op locations, geographically separated by over 2000 km, he ensured that the op capability of the Sqn was maintained with 100% serviceability for the entire period of ‘Op Parakram’.

During deployment, certain urgent modifications had to be carried out on the system to ensure operational efficiency. The military necessity of ‘Op Parakram’ demanded that these be carried out in field conditions. Despite the misgivings of the manufacturers, the officer accepted the responsibility and planned on site modifications at both Op locations in a phased manner, wherein the combat readiness of the Sqn was never compromised. He also ensured cross training of the available manpower towards multiskilling/tasking. Through involvement and initiative of the officer, the unit converted two common user trucks for mounting refuelling modules and operationalised them in a short span. Using his exceptional management skills, he has also been able to save on system inventory spares, computer peripherals, specialist tools, spare engine propellers etc to the tune of \$100,000.

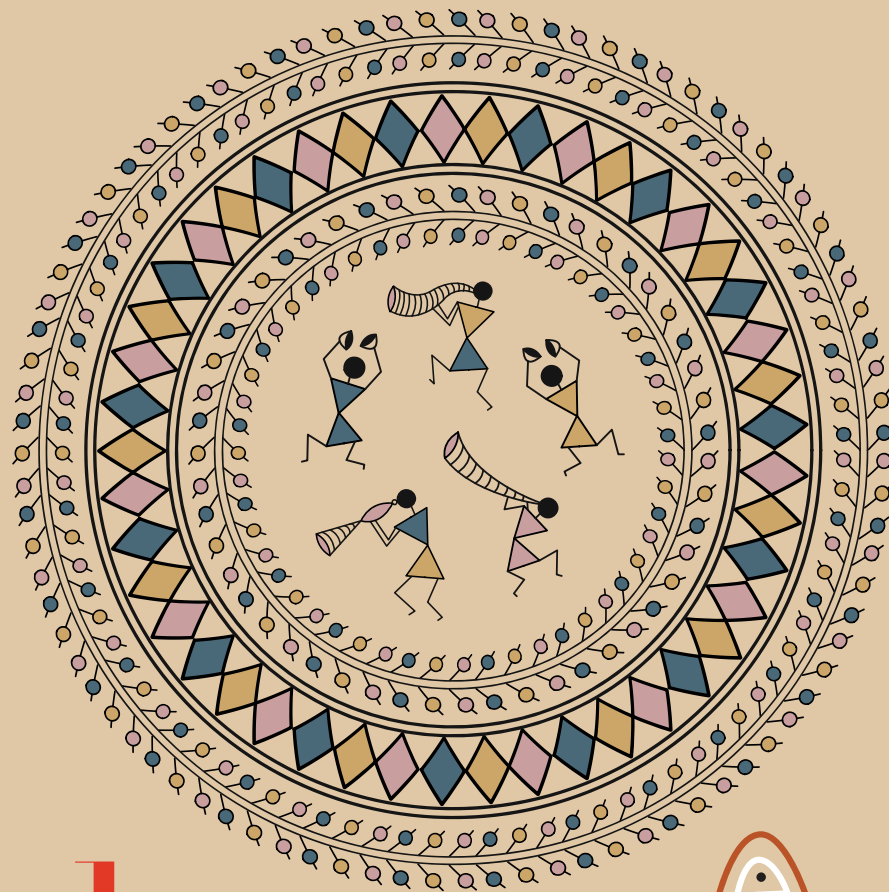
For exceptional overall performance during the period, the Sqn was adjudged as the best missile Sqn of Central Air Command for 2002-03, which is an acknowledgement of the officer’s deep involvement.

For his professional acumen and distinguished service of high order, the Hon’ble President is pleased to award ‘Vishisht Seva Medal’ to Wing Commander Vellore Doraiswamy Eshwar. ★



Dr. Robin D Tribhuvan, PhD (Medical Anthropology), a trained anthropologist who has worked in the field for decades. He has written books, taught and guided PhD students, and worked at the Tribal Research and Training Institute with the Government of Maharashtra, shares his thoughts on totems.

TEXT BY BRINDA GILL



# Emblems of Kinship



### How are totems defined?

A totem is an emblem that represents a group of people. It may be a natural object, animal, bird, vegetable or fruit or even a place such as a village, town or city that is believed by a society to have significance, spiritual or non-spiritual, to it and is adopted by it as its emblem. A totem may also be a person or a thing regarded as being symbolic or representative of a particular personal attribute such as honesty.

### How did totems originate?

The origins of totems go back to primitive times. Totems probably initially emerged as protectors of an individual or clan. A totem was thus regarded as an emblem that an individual or clan reposed faith in as a guardian or guardian-spirit in the face of the unknown. They could also be elements that were regarded as powerful or sacred. Initially elements of nature such as a mountain or forest or animal offered themselves as totems.

Over time, other elements with natural, social, ritual, mythological and religious attributes came to be regarded as totems, as an emblem to identify and bond members of a clan. Thus a variety of beings, elements and objects came to be regarded as totems. The emergence of different totems has been governed by culture. Totems are a living heritage that links people to their ancestors going back centuries or even millennia.

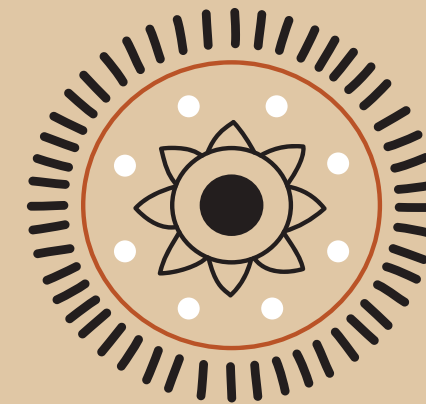
### What role do totems play?

The world over, totems have contributed to maintain social identity and integrity of clans. As a group of people share a totem over generations, it thus links them to their ancestry and past, and bonds members of the present generation with each other.

Totems have varied roles in different societies. For instance, anthropologically, a family's clan associates its origins to a totem so it gives a clan an identity and kinship amongst its members. Thus, each group is distinguished from another by its specific totem. It is surmised that over time, totems led to the emergence of clans and norms governing individual clans. For instance, the concept of endogamy - whereby members of a tribe or sub-tribe, caste or sub-caste with the same totem typically do not intermarry - emerged from the development of clans. Or there may be the presence of ethnocentrism that says the culture of my clan is the best.

### Could you give us a few examples of different types of totems?

Totems span a variety of elements namely fruits, roots, vegetables, plants, birds, animals, musical instruments, bodily parts, liquids, occupations, colours, cosmic bodies, places, and five great elements that is water, earth, mountain, fire and sky. Clans



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have derived their names from them. Instances of totems and their corresponding clan names are mango and Ambekar, brinjal and vangad, root and Root, horses and Ghode, Kolhapur (a city) and Kolhapure, rope and Sutale, sarangi (musical instrument) and Sarangi, head and Doke, scent and Akhtar, carpenter and Sutar, peacock and More, star and Tare, red and Lal, sun and Sooryavanshi respectively. Over time, a person or a group of people have adopted new totems, as individuals or as a group with a shared interest. In this way, the number and range of totems increases over time.

### Do beliefs in totems continue to exist?

Yes, beliefs in totems exist even today. For instance in the Madia community

that lives in Madhya Pradesh, the groom carves a mundha that is a wedding pillar for the bride. This is placed in front of the bride's home or if she is living in a ghotul or dormitory, it is placed in front of that. Groups that regard a particular tree, bird or animal as their totem, will not harm it. This has played a role in preserving these species.

### Can totems that are physical handmade objects be displayed as art in homes?

Handmade totems are artistically carved and often attractive to urban dwellers who regard them as a work of craft or art. For instance, totems such as hand-carved wedding pillars are seen for sale by members of the Pardi tribe in market places. If totems are purchased and placed in homes that are not connected with the clan that identifies with it, they are removed from their context. In such cases, totems could be displayed in a home only if they are placed and treated respectfully.★







# Nanded: A Gem in Maharashtra

Nanded is a place where history, spirituality, and culture converge to create a captivating destination. Steeped in rich heritage and adorned with landmarks of significance, the city offers a glimpse into the past while embracing the present with its bustling markets and diverse communities.

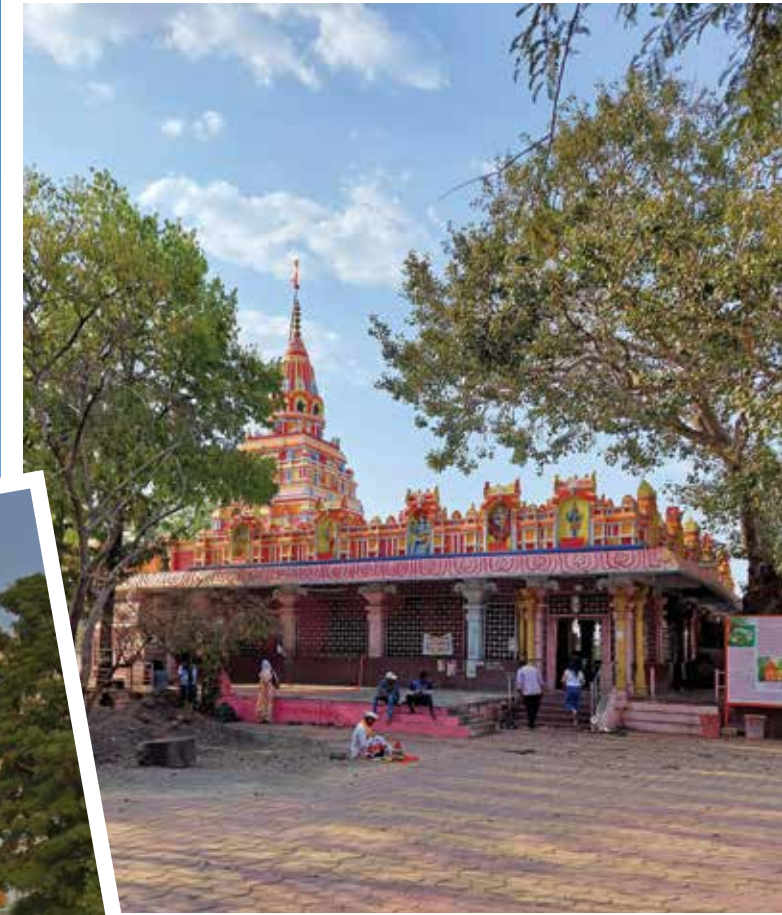
TEXT BY SCOTT DSOUZA

### A LESSON IN HISTORY

Nanded's history stretches back centuries, and its significance is deeply intertwined with the Sikh faith. The city is most renowned as the location of Sachkhand Sri Hazur Sahib Gurdwara, one of the five Takhts (holy thrones) of Sikhism. This Gurdwara is where Guru Gobind Singh Ji, the tenth Sikh Guru, died in 1708. The structure stands as a testament to his legacy and attracts devotees and tourists from around the world.

### KNOW YOUR CITY

The city is home to numerous temples, mosques, and churches, fostering an environment of religious harmony. The local art forms, traditional music, and folk dances further add vibrancy to the cultural spectrum of the city. Adding a touch of history and grandeur to the landscape is the Nanded Fort. Built during the rule of the Nizams, the fort is an architectural marvel that offers panoramic views of the city.



### TREAT FOR YOUR EYES

#### Sachkhand Sri Hazur Sahib Gurdwara:

This Gurdwara is the most significant religious site in Nanded. It marks the location where Guru Gobind Singh Ji, the tenth Sikh Guru, breathed his last. The Gurdwara is a place of immense spiritual importance for Sikhs and attracts pilgrims from around the world.

#### Kaleshwar Temple:

This ancient temple is dedicated to Lord Shiva and is an important pilgrimage site for devotees. The temple's architecture and the spiritual atmosphere around it make it a must-visit spot.

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## City Feature

**Kandhar Fort:** Located about 20 kilometres from Nanded, Kandhar Fort is an ancient structure that has historical significance. It's a great place for history enthusiasts and photographers.



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### TANTALISE YOUR TASTE BUDS

**Tahri:** A dish made by cooking rice with vegetables, and aromatic spices. Tahri can vary in ingredients and preparation methods, as different regions might have unique ways of making it.

**Bhakarwadi:** A savoury snack made from a spiral of spiced dough filled with a mixture of gram flour, spices, and sometimes coconut. It's deep-fried to a crispy texture.

**Nanded Special Dal Khichdi:** Made from rice and lentils cooked together with spices. It's typically served with a dollop of ghee (clarified butter) and can be accompanied by curd or pickle.



### TRYST WITH NATURE

**Tipeshwar Wildlife Sanctuary:** Situated in the Yavatma district, approximately 200 km from Nanded, Tipeshwar Sanctuary is home to a range of wildlife including tigers, leopards, sloth bears, and various bird species.



### TIME IT RIGHT

The best time to visit Nanded is from October to February, when the weather is pleasant compared to the hot and humid summers.★







▲ **Maruti Suzuki Invicto**

With 23.2kpl fuel efficiency and the Intelligent Electric Hybrid System, Maruti Suzuki positions the Invicto as a forward step towards sustainability. The Invicto will compete against Mahindra's XUV700 and Tata Safari which are already fairing well in the segment. Priced at ₹24.79 lakh for the base variant, the Invicto comes equipped with 2.0L engine and e-CVT transmission and is offered in 3 variants, 7-seater Alpha Plus and 7 and 8-Seater Zeta Plus.

# The Wheels of Progress:

## A Look at India's Latest Vehicle Launches

The Indian automobile industry has been on a roller coaster ride of innovation and evolution, constantly pushing the boundaries of design, technology, and sustainability. Here are a few of the latest vehicles coming to the Indian market..

TEXT BY ADITYA WARANG

▶ **Triumph Speed 400**

The Speed 400 is the entry level introduction in the Triumphs line up for the Indian market. Equipped with a liquid cooled single cylinder engine, the bike will use the TR-series engine that can deliver a power of 39.5 bhp at 8000 rpm. Priced at ₹2.33 lakh (ex-showroom), the bike is expected to be available in three color options, Carnival Red, Caspian Blue and Phantom Black and will be manufactured in collaboration with Bajaj.





### ▲ **Honda Dio 125**

The Honda Dio 125 is the latest entrant in the 125 CC scooter segment in India. Honda aims to target consumers looking for fuel economy as well as premium performance in terms of design and riding. The Dio 125 will enter the market to challenge the strong dominance of Bajaj and Hero in the segment. The model will deliver around 8.16 bhp of power and a torque of 10.4 Nm.



### ◀ **Hero Xtreme 200S 4V**

A new addition to the booming sports bike market is the Hero Xtreme 200S 4V. With the Xtreme 200S 4V, Hero aims to pioneer as a manufacturer of high performing sports bikes. Equipped with a BS6 engine, the bike will deliver a power of 18.8 bhp and a torque of 17.35 Nm. The paint themes for this motorcycle include three dual-tone colours – Moon Yellow, Panther Black Metallic, and Matte Axis Grey Metallic.



### ◀ **Hyundai Exter**

The latest offering from Hyundai is the Exter, which will be available in both petrol and CNG variants. Hyundai packs the Exter with an array of smart features including an industry first dual camera dashcam, voice enable sunroom operable in 12 languages and wireless charger. With the Exter, Hyundai aims to push its buyer confidence with an extensive range of advanced safety features that include Electronic Stability Control, Vehicle Stability Management and Hill Assist Control.

### ▶ **Harley Davidson X440**

Harley Davidson has launched the most affordable offering for the Indian market with the X440. The X440 has a single cylinder, air-oil cooled engine, delivering 38 Nm torque and 27 bhp power. Harley Davidson has collaborated with Hero MotoCorp to manufacture and distribute the model. Starting at a price of ₹2.29 Lakh (ex-showroom), the X440 will be available in 3 variants—X440 S, X440 VIVID and X440 Denim.★







# Now Fly to Pune Like a Star



Star Air unveiled its plans for network expansion, introducing Pune as its latest destination. Flights commenced on 26th of July establishing connections between Bengaluru (BLR) and Hyderabad (HYD) to Pune (PNQ), offering travellers dependable and convenient flight options and elevating their overall journey experience.

With the incorporation of this novel destination, Star Air emerges as the exclusive carrier to provide Business Class services on the Hyderabad-Pune route. Furthermore, the introduction of the luxurious Embraer E175 aircraft to Pune marks a significant milestone.





## Hyderabad (HYD) To Pune (PNQ) Flight Schedule

FROM	TO	DEP	ARR	DAYS
Hyderabad	Pune	17:05	18.15	Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri
Pune	Hyderabad	18.45	20.10	Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri



Guided by a commitment to interlink the authentic fabric of India, the airline's core mission is to furnish seamless connectivity and outstanding services to its esteemed passengers. The encompassing network now extends to 18 destinations, enabling Star Air to cater to a broader spectrum of travellers and bridge communities across the nation.

Pune, acknowledged as the cultural nucleus of Maharashtra, stands as a dynamic city steeped in history, boasting a diverse culinary scene and numerous points of interest. The strategic connectivity of Bengaluru and Hyderabad to Pune is anticipated to unlock novel prospects for business,

leisure, and exploration. Pune's cultural heritage, natural splendour, and thriving commercial landscape offer something for every wanderer.

Commenting on the new route, Mr. Sanjay Ghodawat, Chairman of Star Air, conveyed his enthusiasm, stating, "We are delighted to announce the launch of our Bengaluru-Hyderabad-Pune service. This expansion reflects our dedication to Connecting Real India and fulfilling the travel needs of our passengers. Pune is a significant addition to our growing network, and we are confident that this route will further enhance regional connectivity and contribute to the further development of all three cities."★



# Star Air's Independence Day Celebrations Across Airports



















# Star Air Ki UDAN

Star Air, a prominent player in India's regional airline sector, is poised for a significant ascent following the acquisition of 40 new routes as part of the esteemed 'UDAN 5' initiative. With a dedicated focus on linking underserved and unserved areas across the nation, Star Air is gearing up to launch flights on these routes, expanding its operational footprint substantially. The objective is to furnish millions of travellers with accessible and convenient air travel choices.





The 'UDAN' scheme, a brainchild of the Indian Government, aims to render air travel affordable and within reach for all citizens while concurrently bolstering regional connectivity. As a pivotal contributor to UDAN, Star Air has been instrumental in augmenting air travel accessibility across diverse Indian states.

In conjunction with this expansion endeavour, Star Air proudly unveils the introduction of 7-8 new stations, strategically enhancing its presence in the realm of regional aviation. These forthcoming stations are poised to function as pivotal junctions,

streamlining travel connections and curtailing transit time for individuals journeying to and from these locales. Noteworthy upcoming routes encompass Nanded to Hindon, Hindon to Adampur, and several other routes set to be unveiled in the near future.

With the incorporation of these fresh routes, Star Air holds a steadfast belief that it will forge novel avenues for commerce, tourism, and economic advancement in these territories. Additionally, the airline reiterates its unwavering commitment to upholding the highest benchmarks of safety, dependability, and passenger

contentment, ensuring that travellers experience a gratifying and comfortable voyage.

Mr. Shrenik Ghodawat, Director of Star Air, shared his sentiments about this expansion, stating, "We are delighted to be part of the UDAN scheme and contribute to the growth and development of regional air travel in India. These 40 new routes are a testament to our commitment to providing efficient and accessible air travel options for all. We are confident that our expansion will create a positive impact on the lives of millions and drive progress in the regions we serve."★



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# Ganesh Chaturthi

The Resplendent Festival Celebrating the Remover of Obstacles.

TEXT BY RIDDHIMA SAVKUR

Spanning 10 days, Ganesh Chaturthi one of the most vibrant and beloved festivals in India, honours the birth of Lord Ganesha, the benevolent elephant-headed Hindu deity also known as the god of auspicious beginnings, prosperity, and wisdom.

## History of the Festival

It is believed that Lord Shiva's wife, Goddess Parvati, created Lord Ganesha out of clay and breathed life into him. She then appointed him as the guardian of her abode while she bathed. Lord Ganesha's staunch loyalty to his mother put him in conflict with Lord Shiva, leading to a fierce battle. Eventually, Ganesha's dedication and courage won the hearts of all the gods, and he was granted the title of 'Pratham Puja' or the first to be worshipped before any other deity.



## Ganesh Chaturthi across India

Ganesh Chaturthi is celebrated in various regions across India, albeit with different regional customs and traditions.

**Maharashtra:** Cities host public pandals with massive idols of Lord Ganesha attracting millions of devotees.

**Goa:** Beautifully decorated idols grace many homes and temples.

**Gujarat:** Elaborately crafted idols can be seen in cities like Vadodara, Ahmedabad, and Surat.

**Tamil Nadu:** Vinayagar Chaturthi is celebrated with great enthusiasm, particularly in the city of Chennai.

**Andhra Pradesh:** Temples dedicated to Lord Ganesha host special prayers and rituals.

## Festival Food

Ganesh Chaturthi is not just a spiritual event but also a gastronomic delight. The festival is synonymous with an array of delectable treats prepared with utmost devotion and love:

**Modak:** A sweet dumpling stuffed with coconut, jaggery, and dried fruits, it holds a special place in the hearts of devotees and is considered Lord Ganesha's favourite food.

**Nevri:** A delectable Indian sweet, Nevri enchants taste buds with its flaky crust and luscious coconut filling.

**Puran Poli:** A thin, soft bread envelops a mixture of sweet lentils, jaggery, and spices, leaving a lingering warmth on the palate.

**Laddoos:** Glistening with ghee, they are prepared from an enticing medley of roasted nuts, cardamom, desiccated coconut, and jaggery with a base of gram flour or semolina.

Some communities also prepare savoury dishes to offer to Lord Ganesha on this auspicious occasion, including *alu vadi* or *patarveliya*, *chana sundal* and *sabudana khichdi*.★

## How is it celebrated?

Ganesh Chaturthi sets off with the installation of elaborately crafted idols of Lord Ganesha in homes and public pandals. The idols are adorned with vibrant decorations and placed on ornate pedestals.

Throughout the ten-day festivities, the air echoes with the enchanting sound of bhajans, hymns, and the rhythmic beats of drums and cymbals. People from all walks of life come together, breaking barriers of caste and creed, to seek Lord Ganesha's blessings and guidance.

On the eleventh day, the festival reaches its crescendo with the immersion ceremony, known as 'Visarjan'. With great fervour and jubilation, the idols are carried through the streets in a grand procession, accompanied by dancing and singing devotees. As the idols are immersed in nearby rivers, lakes, or the sea, a sense of bittersweet emotion pervades the atmosphere.







# What the Stars Reveal

Find out what the stars reveal for the coming months.



## Aries (March 21 – April 19)

Your career will get a significant boost and reach good heights. Your love life and equation with your partner will bloom. There will be differences of opinion, conflicts and arguments with your family members.



## Taurus (April 20 – May 20)

Your relations with your family members and relatives will be excellent. Things might turn bitter in your love life so avoid being harsh towards your partner. Your extra efforts or dedication at work will not go unnoticed.



## Gemini (May 21 – June 20)

You will be content with your personal life and there are chances that you will meet your future life partner soon. You will find new possibilities at work. There will be unity among your family members.



## Cancer (June 21 – July 22)

There will be delays in payment because of which you may lack cash. Your seniors will hold you responsible for their mistakes at the office. There will be issues, conflicts and arguments with your near and dear ones.



## Leo (July 23 – August 22)

Your extravagant lifestyle may cost you your peace so make sure to have an eye on your savings. Some great opportunities may knock on your door. It would help if you remain careful about your work and eating habits.



## Virgo (August 23 – September 22)

You will be rewarded with better decision-making abilities and choices at work. You may face some stomach problems, itching and irritation in your throat. You will have to devote extra hours to your loved ones to avoid conflicts.



## Libra (September 23 – October 22)

You will have to go through ups and downs in your career. You will witness a few differences in your marital and love relationship. You might get a chance to make good profits in future if you stay alert.



## Scorpio (October 23 – November 21)

You have financial losses. You will feel like your marriage is not working and thoughts like separation will cross your mind. Any job switch or career change plans will be detrimental.



## Sagittarius (November 22 – December 21)

You will get an opportunity to study overseas or get a call from a recognized institution. Expect good investment returns but be cautious of overspending. You will be recognized for your work and get appraisals for the same.



## Capricorn (December 22 – January 19)

Get ready for the fierce competition or backlash in business. Along with work, your family relations might also get bitter. You will face no major health issues. Your romantic relationships may also be impacted.



## Aquarius (January 20 – February 18)

You will have to remain calm and patient while dealing with your relatives and loved ones. You will face increased difficulties and pressure at work. Couples may disagree on even the smallest issues.



## Pisces (February 19 – March 20)

Businessmen may encounter both profit and loss. Those who are waiting for a promotion may face disappointment. Married people will have the full backing of their spouses.★



# Celebrating Our Star Performers



## **ROSHNI RAJESH INGLE**

### **Planning Executive - Engineering**

- Roshni Rajesh Ingle has been an integral member of the core team since 2021.
- Roshni is a part of the engineering and CAMO (Continuing Airworthiness Management Organization) department at the Belagavi base.
- Very proficient in her role, Roshni is always happy to impart her knowledge to her colleagues and strongly believes in the power of team work.
- Roshni is known among her colleagues for her friendly, easy-going nature and also her commitment and dedication towards her work.

## **SUNIL SABALE**

### **Airport Manager - Nagpur**

- With over 18 years of experience, Sunil Sabale is one of the most experienced members of the Star Air team.
- Sunil commenced his journey with Star Air in August 2021, assuming the role of Airport Manager - Hyderabad. Subsequently, he was reassigned to Nagpur, where he continued to serve as the Airport Manager.
- Sunil played an important role in overseeing the commencement of operations at Hyderabad and Nagpur stations.
- Known for his soft, approachable and humble nature, Sunil shows great dedication to his responsibilities, loyalty towards the company and his constant willingness to undertake any assigned task is commendable.
- Sunil has stepped up in times of need and, in the past, managed Hindon and Ahmedabad operations from Nagpur to make sure operations at these airports continued smoothly.★



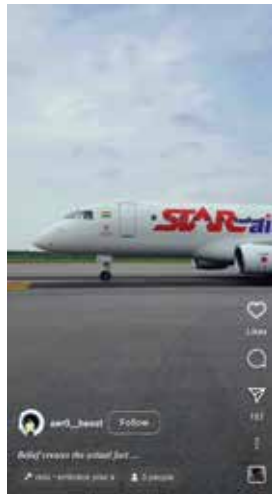


# Shoot-ing for the Stars

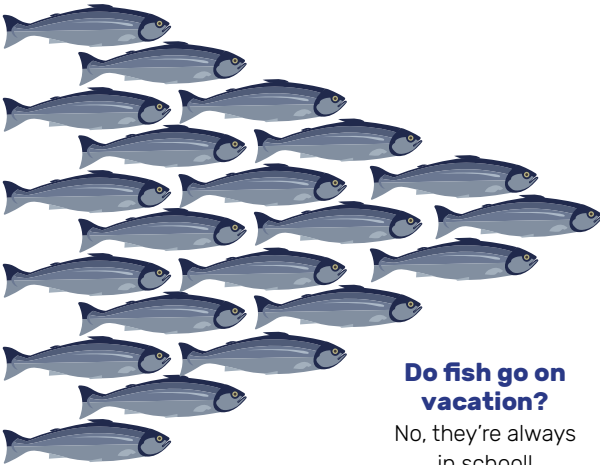
Featuring some of the best and coolest photos of our constellation from social media.





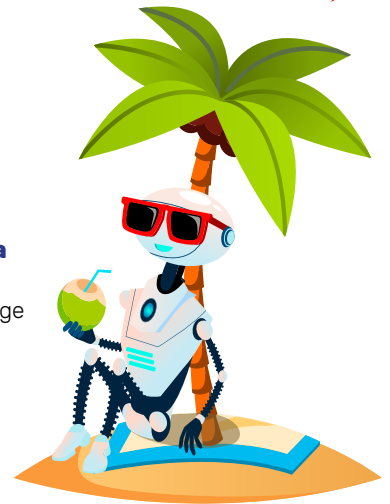






**Do fish go on vacation?**

No, they're always in school!



**Why did the robot book a vacation?**

He had to recharge his batteries.

# On A Lighter Note

Add a dose of fun to your travel with jokes that are guaranteed to tickle your funny bone



**Why couldn't the frog find where he parked his car?**

It had been toad.



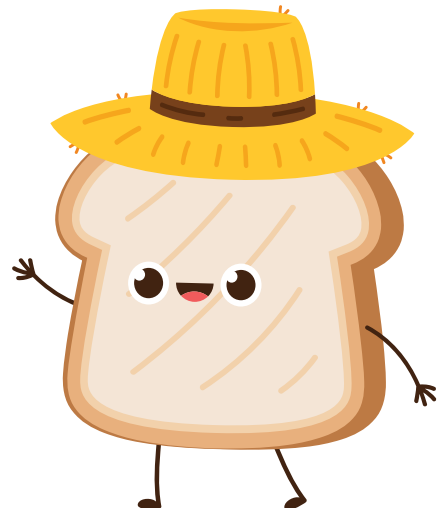
**What do you get when you cross a plane with a magician?**

A flying sorcerer!



**Where did the cows decide to travel?**

Moo York.



**What did the bread do on vacation?**

It loafed around.



Guess the Bollywood Movie!



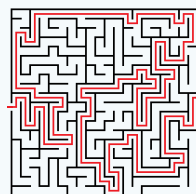
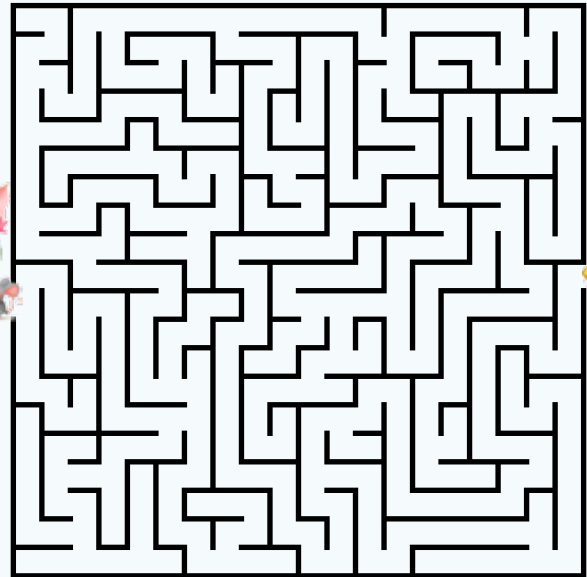
Solutions: Namaste London, Rockstar, Housefull, 7 Khoon Maaf, Mr India

Sudoku

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	8	7					9	6
		1		5	4			
4							7	
9				4			6	1

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6	7	2	5	3	1	9	8	4
8	3	1	6	4	9	2	5	7

Lord Ganesha Maze



City Unscramble

Arjem, aHdbdraey, dornle, uNprag, Strau

Solutions: Almer, Hyderabad, Indore, Nagpur, Surat



# STAR AIR'S FLEET



**EMBRAER EMB-175LR:**  
**NUMBER OF SEATS:** 76  
**ENGINE TYPE:** GE CF34-8E5  
**TOP SPEED:** MACH 0.82



**EMBRAER EMB-145LR:**  
**NUMBER OF SEATS:** 50  
**ENGINE TYPE:** ROLLS-ROYCE  
AE3007A1P  
**TOP SPEED:** MACH 0.78



**AIRBUS HELICOPTERS H135:**  
**NUMBER OF SEATS:** 7  
**ENGINE TYPE:** TURBOMECA  
ARRIUS 2B2  
**TOP SPEED:** 287 KM/H



**AIRBUS HELICOPTERS H130:**  
**NUMBER OF SEATS:** 6  
**ENGINE TYPE:** TURBOMECA  
ARRIEL  
**TOP SPEED:** 287 KM/H



**AIRBUS HELICOPTERS H120:**  
**NUMBER OF SEATS:** 6  
**ENGINE TYPE:** TURBOMECA  
ARRIUS 2F  
**TOP SPEED:** 280 KM/H



# Network Map





# Attracting Ahmedabad

The largest city in Gujarat, renowned for its rich culinary heritage and mouthwatering delicacies. Here are some famous dishes the vibrant city has to offer.

Text by MUZNA SAYED



### Patra

Also known as Alu Vadi or Patarveliya, this snack is made from colocasia (taro) leaves rolled with a spiced gram flour mixture, steamed, and then shallow-fried. It is a popular street food in Ahmedabad.



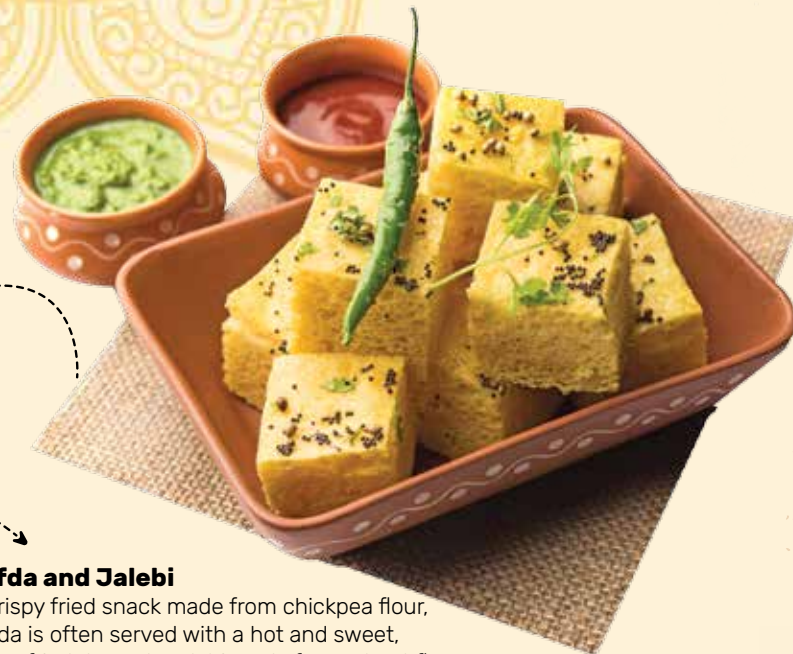
### Basundi

A traditional Gujarati dessert made from thickened milk, sugar, and cardamom. It is often garnished with nuts and saffron strands. Basundi is served chilled and is a flavoursome sweet treat during festivals and celebrations.



### Surti Locho

A delicious snack that originated in Surat, it is also widely enjoyed in Ahmedabad. It is made from a fermented batter of gram flour and spices, steamed, and then garnished with sev, pomegranate seeds and chutney.



### Dhokla

A steamed savoury cake made from fermented rice and chickpea flour. It is fluffy, tangy and usually served with chutney. Ahmedabad is known for its delicious khaman dhokla and nylon dhokla.



### Fafda and Jalebi

A crispy fried snack made from chickpea flour, Fafda is often served with a hot and sweet, deep-fried dessert, Jalebi made from wheat flour and soaked in sugar syrup. This combination is a popular breakfast or tea time snack in Ahmedabad.



### Undhiyu

A traditional winter speciality of Gujarat, Ahmedabad is renowned for its flavourful version of this dish. It is a mixed vegetable curry made with seasonal vegetables, spices and herbs. Undhiyu is usually slow-cooked to develop rich flavours and is often enjoyed with puri or roti.★



### Khandvi

A rolled snack made from gram flour (chickpea flour) and buttermilk. The mixture is cooked until it thickens, spread on a flat surface and rolled into bite-sized pieces. It is typically seasoned with mustard seeds, grated coconut and coriander leaves.



### Handvo

A savoury baked or pan-fried dish made from a fermented batter of rice, lentils and vegetables. It has a crispy exterior and a soft, flavourful interior and is often enjoyed with chutney or yogurt.





**BEVERAGE**

**Fizzinga**

50



**FRUSTAR**  
Fruit Drink

50



200



Coolberg

120

100

150

120



Paper Boat

150



Hot Beverages

**SNACK FOOD**



Mr Makhana /  
TBH Ripe Jackfruit /  
Golden Sweet Potato

200

**TEMPTATIONS**

150

150

150

100

300



Salted Almonds



Caramel Cashewnuts



Salted Cashewnuts



Star Air Cookies



Cup Noodles

**LIGHT MEAL**

150



Rava Upma

150



Vegetable Poha

**HEAVY MEAL**

300



Vegetable Biryani /  
Dal Chawal





## E175

12 Business seats  
64 Economy seats



## E145

50 comfortable seats



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