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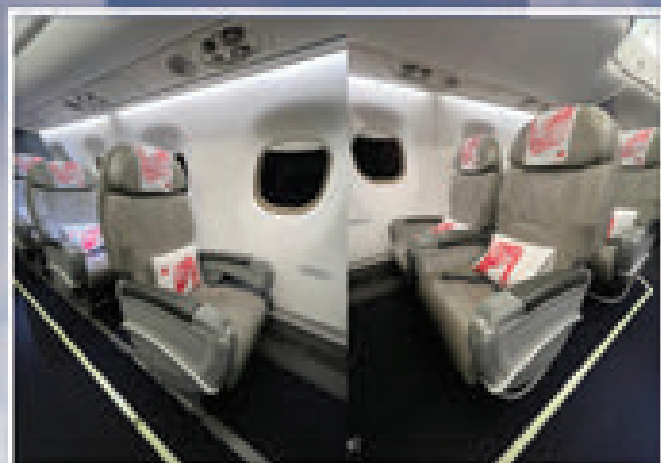


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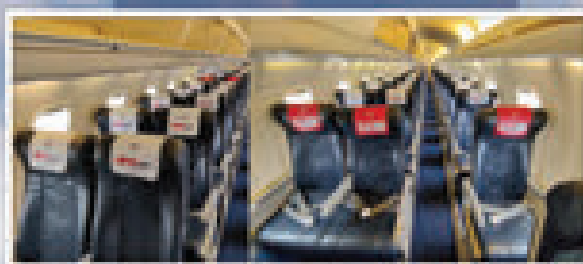


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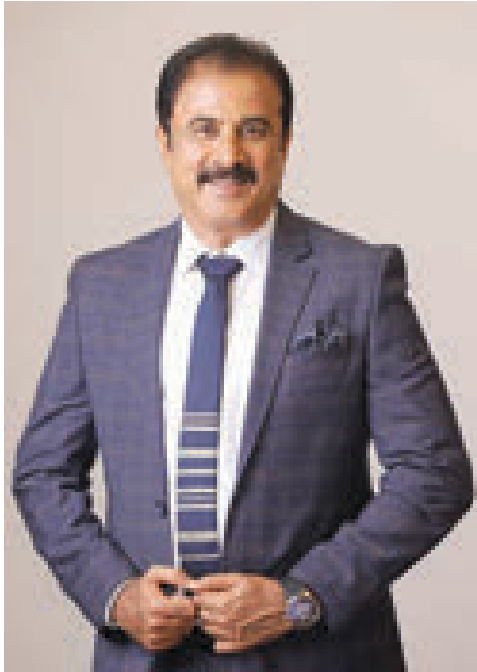
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Dear Valued Readers,

Our journey of growth and connectivity continues to gain momentum, and I am pleased to share some exciting updates. The recent route launches from Jharsuguda and Raipur have received an overwhelming response, reaffirming the increasing demand for enhanced regional connectivity. This success encourages us to further expand our network and provide seamless travel experiences.

In line with our growth strategy, our CEO recently engaged with the Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) and key industry leaders including Safran, GE Engines, and Dynamic at Aero India 2025. These discussions focused on technological advancements, operational efficiency, and future collaborations that will shape our fleet strategy and overall growth.

Moving forward, our commitment remains unwavering—to provide safe, efficient, and comfortable air travel while continuously exploring new opportunities to better serve our passengers.

Thank you for your trust and support. Together, let's soar to new heights!

Warm regards,

SANJAY D. GHODAWAT

Chairman

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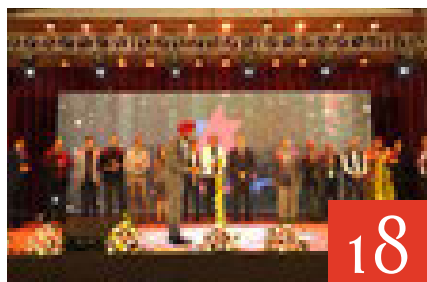
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Barso Ka Bharosa Ab Nayi Pehchan Ke Sath

Raveena's
Choice





Watch List

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



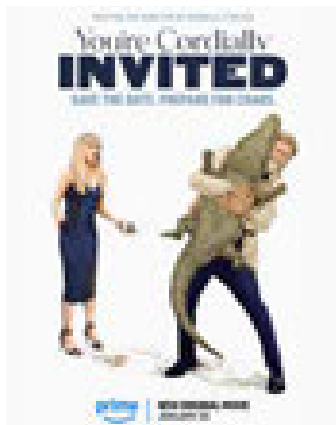
DEVA

Synopsis: Deva, a police officer known for his unconventional methods, is tasked with investigating a major case. However, he soon finds himself involved in a web of lies.

Genre: Action, Drama

Release Date: 31 January 2025

Playing in: Cinemas



YOU'RE CORDIALLY INVITED

Synopsis: Two families are in for a shock as they find that their destination weddings at a remote resort are double-booked. Chaos and disaster ensue when they decide to share the small venue.

Genre: Rom Com

Release Date: 30 January 2025

Streaming On: Amazon Prime



LOVEYAPA

Synopsis: A couple swaps mobile phones, leading to shocking revelations about their relationship. As they uncover hidden secrets, their trust crumbles, and chaos ensues.

Genre: Romance, Comedy

Release Date: 07 February 2025

Playing in: Cinemas



SWEET DREAMS

Synopsis: Two strangers begin to dream about each other consistently. Soon, one of them decides to unravel the meaning behind their dream.

Genre: Romance, Drama

Release Date: 24 January 2025

Streaming On: Disney+ Hotstar



THE MEHTA BOYS

Synopsis: Following the demise of his mother, Amay is forced to live forty-eight hours with the person he hates the most, his father.

Genre: Drama

Release Date: 07 February 2025

Streaming On: Amazon Prime



MRS.

Synopsis: Following her marriage to a wealthy doctor, Richa, a professional dancer, struggles to live up to the societal expectations of being a wife.

Genre: Action, Drama

Release Date: 07 February 2025

Streaming On: Zee5★



What the Stars Reveal

Find out what the stars reveal for the coming months.



Aries (March 21 – April 19)

In March, expect a surge of energy and motivation to pursue your career goals, but be mindful of impulsive decisions. Venus will enhance your personal relationships in April, making it a great time to deepen romantic bonds.



Taurus (April 20 – May 20)

March calls for introspection, as you reflect on your long-term goals and emotional well-being. In April, you'll experience an uplifting surge in your social life, with new friendships and social engagements entering the picture.



Gemini (May 21 – June 20)

In March, expect to focus on your professional ambitions and navigate new opportunities, but communication with colleagues might need extra care. April brings opportunities for personal growth and learning, so embrace new experiences or educational ventures.



Cancer (June 21 – July 22)

March highlights your professional life, and you may see recognition for your hard work, but be cautious of power struggles in the workplace. In April, your personal relationships, especially romantic ones, will take center stage, deepening emotional connections.



Leo (July 23 – August 22)

March brings a focus on your health and daily routines, prompting you to reorganize your schedule and adopt healthier habits. In April, you'll feel motivated to make bold moves in your career, but personal life could require some adjustment to find balance.



Virgo (August 23 – September 22)

March invites adventure, especially in travel or new learning experiences, which could open up opportunities for growth. April emphasizes creativity and self-expression, making it a great time to pursue artistic projects or hobbies.



Libra (September 23 – October 22)

In March, you'll focus on home and family matters, possibly considering a move or renovation. April brings a shift to your career, with exciting opportunities for growth or recognition.



Scorpio (October 23 – November 21)

March brings focus to your communication and learning, offering opportunities to expand your knowledge or share your ideas. April shifts your attention to relationships, particularly close partnerships, where deep emotional connections can grow.



Sagittarius (November 22 – December 21)

March highlights financial matters, and you may be focused on improving your resources or tackling debts. In April, work will take priority, and you could receive recognition for your efforts, but be cautious about overworking.



Capricorn (December 22 – January 19)

March emphasizes personal growth, and you may be motivated to break out of your comfort zone and take on new challenges. In April, focus on your relationships—romantic or professional—as important conversations may bring clarity.



Aquarius (January 20 – February 18)

March brings a focus on your inner world, and you may feel the need to take a step back and reflect on your emotional and spiritual needs. In April, you'll experience a boost in social activity, with new connections and exciting opportunities emerging.



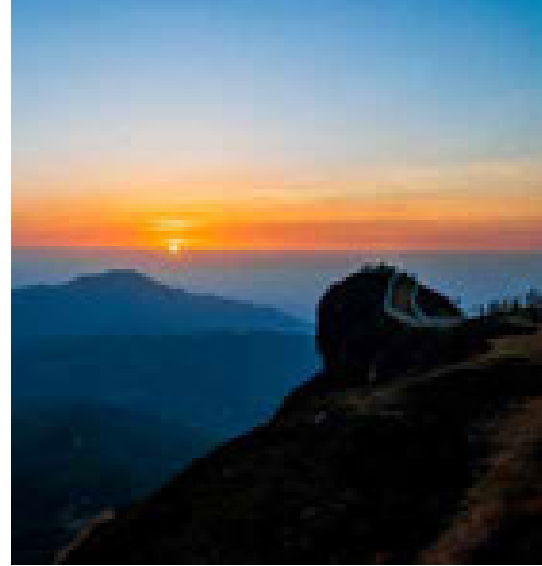
Pisces (February 19 – March 20)

March is a month for reflection, where you may feel introspective and reassess your life goals and desires. In April, your social life and career will flourish, with new opportunities for collaboration or personal recognition.★

Celebrating MAHARASHTRA

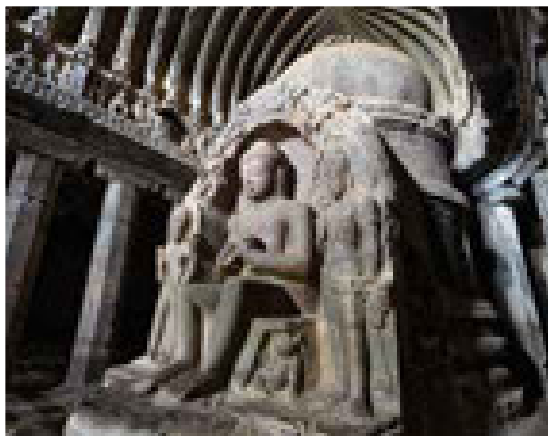
Maharashtra, a state that stands as a vibrant blend of tradition and modernity, is one of India's most diverse and historically significant regions. From ancient temples to bustling urban centers, and rolling hill stations to serene beaches, Maharashtra offers a wealth of experiences for all types of travelers





A LESSON IN HISTORY

Maharashtra's history dates back to the era of the Mauryas and the Satavahanas, with the region playing a crucial role in the development of Indian culture and politics. The state was historically ruled by powerful dynasties such as the Rashtrakutas, Chalukyas, and Marathas. The Maratha Empire, led by legendary figures like Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, was one of the most formidable in Indian history, contributing immensely to the region's culture and independence movement.



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KNOW YOUR STATE

Maharashtra is home to a variety of fascinating tourist destinations.

- 1. Mumbai:** The bustling metropolis, often referred to as the "City of Dreams," is known for its vibrant nightlife, world-class shopping, and iconic landmarks such as the Gateway of India, Marine Drive, and the historic Elephanta Caves.
- 2. Pune:** Known as the cultural capital of Maharashtra, Pune boasts a rich history, educational institutions, and places like Aga Khan Palace and Shaniwar Wada.
- 3. Nashik:** Famous for its vineyards and proximity to the sacred Godavari river, Nashik is known for the Kumbh Mela, held every 12 years, and the beautiful Trimbakeshwar temple.
- 4. Aurangabad:** This city is home to the UNESCO-listed Ellora and Ajanta Caves, showcasing intricate rock-cut architecture and Buddhist, Hindu, and Jain temples.
- 5. Mahabaleshwar:** Known for its lush green hills and strawberry farms, Mahabaleshwar is a refreshing hill station perfect for nature lovers.

TREAT FOR YOUR EYES

Maharashtra holds a plethora of sacred places for devotees of various faiths

Shirdi: The town of Shirdi is a revered pilgrimage site for followers of Sai Baba, with the Sai Baba Temple attracting millions of visitors each year.

Trimbakeshwar: This temple in Nashik is dedicated to Lord Shiva and is one of the twelve Jyotirlingas, attracting both spiritual seekers and history buffs.

Elephanta Caves: Located on Elephanta Island near Mumbai, these ancient rock-cut caves house impressive sculptures of Hindu deities, including Lord Shiva.



TANTALISE YOUR TASTE BUDS

Maharashtrian cuisine is diverse and full of flavor. Some local dishes to savor include:

Pav Bhaji: A spicy vegetable mash served with buttered pav (bread rolls), a popular Mumbai street food.

Vada Pav: Often called the "Indian burger," it's a spicy potato fritter served in a bun, found in nearly every corner of Mumbai.

Modak: A steamed sweet dumpling filled with coconut and jaggery, popular during the Ganesh Chaturthi festival.





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TRYST WITH NATURE

Maharashtra's natural beauty is a major draw.

Konkan Coast: With its pristine beaches like Alibaug and Ganpatipule, the Konkan coast is a hidden gem for beach lovers.

Tadoba Andhari Tiger Reserve: For wildlife enthusiasts, Maharashtra's first and one of India's best tiger reserves offers a chance to see tigers, leopards, and various wildlife.



TIME IT RIGHT

The best time to visit Maharashtra is during the winter months, from **November to February**. The weather is cool and pleasant, perfect for sightseeing and outdoor activities. The monsoon season (June to September) is ideal for nature lovers, as the state's lush greenery is at its peak ★



Exploring the *Best Summer* *Holiday* Destinations in India

As the scorching heat of summer sets in, the need to escape to cooler, scenic places becomes essential. India, with its diverse landscapes, offers a variety of destinations perfect for a refreshing summer getaway. From the misty mountains to serene beaches, there's something for every traveler to enjoy. Here are some of the best summer holiday destinations in India:

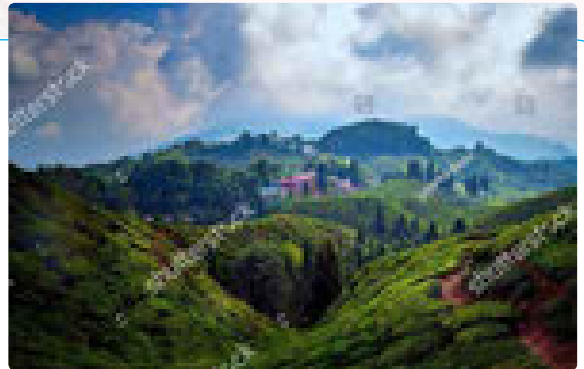


Manali - A Mountain Escape

Nestled in the Himachal Pradesh region, **Manali** is one of the most popular summer destinations in India. The town is known for its pleasant weather, surrounded by towering snow-capped peaks and lush valleys. With a plethora of activities like paragliding, trekking, and river rafting, it's the perfect escape for adventure enthusiasts. The town is also famous for its beautiful orchards, ancient temples, and vibrant local culture. For those looking to experience tranquility, a visit to the nearby villages like Old Manali or Rohtang Pass offers an idyllic retreat.

Ooty - The Queen of Hill Stations

Ooty, located in the Nilgiri hills of Tamil Nadu, is another picturesque destination that promises respite from the summer heat. The lush greenery, expansive tea plantations, and cool climate make it a haven for nature lovers. One of the highlights of Ooty is the **Nilgiri Mountain Railway**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that offers a nostalgic train ride through misty hills and valleys. You can also explore the tranquil **Ooty Lake**, visit the **Botanical Gardens**, or take a stroll through the tea gardens to experience the serene beauty of this hill station.



Shimla - A Classic Getaway

The capital of Himachal Pradesh, **Shimla**, is one of the oldest and most popular hill stations in India. Known for its colonial charm and scenic beauty, Shimla offers an ideal summer retreat. With pleasant weather throughout the season, visitors can enjoy leisurely walks along the famous **Mall Road**, explore the **Jakhoo Temple**, or take a ride on the **Kalka-Shimla Railway**. The surrounding hills provide numerous hiking opportunities, and the nearby town of Kufri is known for its adventurous activities, including skiing and go-karting.



Leh-Ladakh - A Journey to the High Himalayas

For those seeking an extraordinary adventure, **Leh-Ladakh** is an unparalleled summer destination. The rugged landscapes, pristine lakes, and high-altitude monasteries create an almost otherworldly atmosphere. While the weather in Ladakh can be harsh, summer brings a moderate climate that allows travelers to explore its famous attractions like **Pangong Lake**, **Nubra Valley**, and the **Khardung La Pass**, one of the highest motorable roads in the world. Leh also offers a deep dive into Tibetan culture, with its many monasteries and vibrant festivals.

Coorg - The Scotland of India

For a serene and picturesque getaway, **Coorg**, also known as Kodagu, is a perfect choice. Located in the Western Ghats of Karnataka, Coorg is renowned for its coffee plantations, misty hills, and cascading waterfalls. The cool climate and lush greenery make it a perfect destination to relax and unwind. Nature lovers can explore the **Dubare Elephant Camp**, trek through the **Nisargadhama Forest**, or enjoy the breathtaking views from **Raja's Seat**. Coorg is also known for its unique culture and mouthwatering local cuisine, which makes the experience even more memorable.



Goa - Beaches and Beyond

For those who prefer the warmth of the sun but want to escape the intense heat, **Goa** is an obvious choice. Known for its pristine beaches, laid-back vibe, and vibrant nightlife, Goa offers the perfect mix of relaxation and adventure. Spend your days lounging on the beaches of **Baga**, **Anjuna**, or **Palolem**, indulge in water sports like parasailing and jet-skiing, or explore the charming colonial architecture of **Old Goa**. For nature enthusiasts, the **Dudhsagar Waterfalls** and **Spice Plantations** offer a refreshing escape into nature.

Darjeeling - Tea Gardens and Himalayan Views

Darjeeling, located in West Bengal, is another charming hill station that comes alive during the summer months. Known for its lush tea estates and panoramic views of the **Himalayas**, Darjeeling provides a cool escape with its colonial-era charm. The town is famous for the **Darjeeling Himalayan Railway**, also known as the **Toy Train**, which takes visitors through breathtaking landscapes. The nearby **Tiger Hill** offers stunning sunrise views, while the **Batasia Loop** and **Peace Pagoda** are perfect spots for relaxation.★



Vishu:

New Year, New Beginnings

Vishu is a vibrant festival celebrated primarily in the Indian state of Kerala, marking the start of the Malayalam New Year. Traditionally observed in April, it holds significant cultural and religious importance, particularly among the Hindu community. The name 'Vishu' is derived from the Malayalam word 'Vishukkani,' meaning the first sight or the auspicious beginning of the New Year.

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HISTORY OF THE FESTIVAL

The festival has roots in ancient times and is celebrated on the first day of the month of 'Medam' in the Malayalam calendar. Vishu signifies the arrival of spring and is believed to bring prosperity, good fortune, and wealth for the coming year. It also aligns with the harvest season in Kerala, making it a time for thanking the deities for the bountiful harvest.



HOW IS IT CELEBRATED?

The centerpiece of Vishu celebrations is the 'Vishukkani,' a meticulously arranged display of symbolic items that represent prosperity and abundance. These include a mirror, fresh vegetables, rice, gold coins, betel leaves, and a deity's idol or picture, most often of Lord Krishna. The tradition involves waking up early and viewing the 'Vishukkani' first thing in the morning, as it is believed to bring good luck for the entire year.



FESTIVAL FOOD

Families typically gather for a grand feast, with various special dishes marking the occasion. The highlight of the Vishu meal is the 'Vishusadhya,' a traditional Kerala feast comprising a wide array of vegetarian dishes, served on a banana leaf. Popular dishes include sambar, 'avial,' 'kalan,' 'pachadi,' and 'payasam' (a sweet dessert made with rice, jaggery, and coconut milk). The food is characterised by its balance of flavors—spicy, sour, salty, and sweet—symbolizing the diversity and abundance of life. Vishu is a time for family, tradition, and reflection, ushering in a year filled with hope and prosperity.

CAPTAIN'S CORNER

Captain **Marco Duran** is a seasoned aviation professional with a wealth of experience in the aviation industry. In a candid conversation with The Rising Star, he looks back on his journey so far and shares some invaluable advice for aspiring pilots



Q Can you share your journey of becoming a pilot? What inspired you to pursue this career?

A. My passion for looking up at the skies in search of an airplane flying across began when I was 5 years old. My favorite weekend outing was to have a picnic in front of my city airport and feel the vibration of the power of the engines in my chest, the incomparable sound, which to this day remains unmatched.

Q What does a typical day look like for you as an airline captain?

A. The world of aviation is so beautiful that there is no routine or typicality. The co-workers, weather conditions, airports, and passengers are never the same thing, it is always differently exciting. My life as a pilot is full of different emotions every day.

Q How do you prepare for a flight, both mentally and technically, before taking off?

A. This preparation before a flight is structured based on rules and policies. Whether day or night, the flight begins with a mandatory rest. Then, one hour before the flight, the pilot goes straight to the dispatch office where the teamwork starts with the dispatcher, cabin crew members, and the other pilot. Verification of the technical documents for the specific flight is accepted and then is time to go to the aircraft. As staff, we prepare the aircraft to receive the passengers. Minutes later the magic commences when the aircraft leaves the ground and starts climbing, to make real dreams and needs for the passengers we are caring for, to safely and comfortably take them to their desired destination.

Q What are some of the most challenging aspects of your job, and how do you overcome them?

A. One of the challenges for pilots is the constant change in flight conditions surrounding the aircraft. The weather conditions might change from the expectations, air traffic congestion more than expected, some in-flight restrictions might show, among others might lead to different courses of action, forcing possible changes from original plans.

Q How do you handle stressful situations, such as turbulence or unexpected changes in weather conditions?

A. The pillars of handling adverse situations are the appropriate training of both pilots, minded to never assume and to maintain the appropriate level of knowledge. This facilitates pilots to increase the ability to make appropriate decisions by knowing better their aircraft as an extension of their own body, knowing the environment that surrounds us, and having excellent communication with all personnel involved like the flight dispatcher, engineers, cabin crew, baggage handling staff, security, cleaning staff, all this entire team that makes possible the flight to be executed safely, legally, efficient and comfortably.

Q What kind of relationship do you have with your co-pilots and crew members at Star Air? How important is teamwork?

A. That would be a good question to be directed to my coworkers, however, I consider that my relationship with all the staff part of the airline is very good. I love to greet every



one of my coworkers and staff involved in making the flight operation a reality.

Everyone is part of the success of completing a flight and everyone deserves equal credit for the achievement made, including those behind a desk that passengers will never meet.

Q Every now and then, we hear about unruly passengers on an aircraft. Have you had any experience of dealing with unruly passengers on an aircraft? If yes, how did you deal with it?

A. I have never been in a situation like this. However, if a situation like this comes up, the adequate training of Star Air cabin crew members and us from the flight deck crew will follow the procedures that are established and coordinate with the authority to be managed appropriately.

Q With the advancements in aviation technology, how has your role as a captain evolved over the years?

A. Aviation technology makes flights safer. Training devices such as simulators are becoming more realistic, ground classes are more graphic, software programs and electronic aircraft manuals are more user-friendly, onboard aircraft systems that prevent airborne failures, and Air Traffic Control systems to monitor and guide the aircraft, this junction make the pilot formation, air navigation, manufacturing of aircraft; amongst other protections and enhancements, safer the aviation transport by maintaining the personal involved constantly alerted and prepared.

Soon I'll be reaching 14,500 total hours of flight, and I can tell that the learning process never stops, and we the pilots must always mind maintaining the level of proficiency in our career.

Q What key safety protocols do you follow to ensure a smooth and secure flight for passengers?

A. In aviation, the procedures for a safe operation are written and describe the duties and how every person involved should proceed in them on duties, including us the pilots. There are international regulations, regulations established by each sovereign country, airlines' internal regulations and policies, and the procedures established by each aircraft manufacturer.

Knowledge and adherence to each of these regulations and procedures, with a good attitude towards it, facilitates the accomplishment of the expected results for a peaceful aeronautical life. If the pilot is calm and confident in his knowledge and decisions, the passengers will also travel safely and calmly. At the same time, the excellent Star Air cabin crew members will look forward to the comfort and enjoyment of the passengers during the flight. Keeping passengers informed is essential to transmit release and optimism.

Q What advice would you give to aspiring pilots who dream of becoming captains one day?

A. I can tell anyone really having the dream of flying, that there is a lot of sacrifice ahead, hard hours of study, high monetary investment, hard moments during training, all this just to start the career, but all these will lead to a privileged world with limited access. Observing the world from above, different panoramic scenarios, beautiful sunsets, and sunrises, and getting to know different cultures, gastronomy, different nationalities, and languages, is priceless.

This passion of hearing the engines acceleration to maximum power, the high speeds we fly, full of emotions is amazing, but the best are the smiles of the passengers saying thank you for the flight is unique.

Now I am living one more privilege, the honor of calling India "my home away from home" and enjoying it to the fullest with my lovely family. Thank you Star Air, and thank you India for this beautiful journey. ★



STAR AIR EXPANDED ITS WINGS:

New Flights from Jharsuguda and Raipur Enhanced Regional Connectivity

Star Air, the aviation division of the renowned Sanjay Ghodawat Group, has continued to lead the Indian aviation market by developing new air routes. In line with its goal of expanding its network and improving regional connectivity, the airline has launched new flights connecting Jharsuguda with Hyderabad, Raipur, and Lucknow, as well as Raipur with Jharsuguda and Hyderabad, from 1st January & 1st February 2025 respectively. The strategic move reflects the mission of Star Air to enhance air travel accessibility, convenience, and affordability, especially in areas of India that lack it.

With the inclusion of these routes, the network of Star Air touched 23 locations in the nation, greatly assisting in the expansion of regional air connectivity. The new routes boosted the convenience of travel while facilitating trade, tourism, and economic opportunities in the impacted regions.



As per Captain Simran Singh Tiwana, Chief Executive Officer, Star Air, the airline has continued to work towards its mission of enabling regional growth through increased accessibility. Tiwana elaborated that the addition of new routes between Hyderabad, Lucknow,





convenience, and added affordability. This move positively affected the traveling community, consisting of business persons, tourists, and students, apart from bringing increased economic activity into these cities. With its expansion in its network and fleet, the airline remained committed to delivering a well-connected, accessible, and efficient air travel experience to travelers across India. With its recent developments, Star Air has redefined regional air travel and made the aspiration of affordable and convenient flying a reality for millions of people. ★

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Jharsuguda, and Raipur is an important benchmark for Star Air’s efforts in enabling regional connectivity in India. He noted that the flights are intended to provide passengers with increased convenience while, simultaneously, enabling trade, tourism, and economic growth in these areas. He emphasized that with every new connection, Star Air reiterates its mission of linking under-served cities to major airports and making travel hassle-free and affordable.

A COMMITMENT TO “CONNECTING REAL INDIA.”

Star Air’s mission, as reflected in its motto “Connecting Real India,” went beyond increasing the number of flights. The airline sought to connect individuals, businesses, and opportunities through cost-efficient and effective air transport to remote areas. The introduction of the new flights from Jharsuguda and Raipur was also a big step in the airline’s continuous attempts to fill the aviation gap in India.

Through efficient air connectivity, passengers flying between the two cities saw decreased travel time, improved



Schedule

FLIGHT NO.	Origin	Destination	Dep (IST)	Arrival (IST)	Days of Operation
S5 226	Hyderabad (HYD)	Jharsuguda (JRG)	16:20	18:05	Mon,Wed,Fri, Sun
S5 226	Hyderabad (HYD)	Jharsuguda (JRG)	15:20	17:05	Tue,Thu,Sat
S5 227	Jharsuguda (JRG)	Hyderabad (HYD)	21:15	23:00	Daily
S5 228	Jharsuguda (JRG)	Lucknow (LKO)	17:35	18:55	Tue,Thu,Sat
S5 228	Jharsuguda (JRG)	Lucknow (LKO)	18:30	19:50	Fri
S5 230	Jharsuguda (JRG)	Raipur (RRR)	18:35	19:25	Mon,Wed,Sun
S5 231/237	Raipur (RRR)	Hyderabad (HYD)	19:55	23:00	Mon, Wed,Fri,Sun
S5 231	Raipur (RRR)	Jharsuguda (JRG)	19:55	20:45	Mon,Wed,Sun

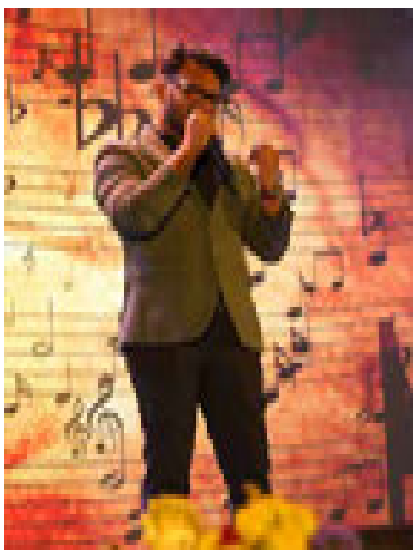


Star Air Celebrates 6 Years of Connecting Real India

On 25th January 2025, Star Air marked a significant milestone—its 6th anniversary—at the Royal Orchid Resort and Convention Centre, Bengaluru. The event was a grand celebration of the airline's journey, growth, and unwavering commitment to enhancing regional connectivity across India.

The evening was filled with nostalgia and pride as leaders, employees, and esteemed guests reflected on Star Air's remarkable journey. CEO Captain Simran Singh Tiwana addressed the gathering, highlighting the airline's evolution from its humble beginnings in 2019 to becoming a key player in India's regional aviation sector. The celebration also featured awards recognizing employees' dedication and contributions, along with engaging performances and a showcase of Star Air's achievements over the years.





As part of the celebrations, attendees revisited the airline's inaugural flight, which took off on 25th January 2019. This historic flight connected Hubballi and Bengaluru under the Government of India's RCS-UDAN scheme, marking the beginning of Star Air's mission to bridge the accessibility gap between tier 2 and tier 3 cities. Since then, the airline has expanded its fleet and network,

now operating a mix of Embraer E175 and E145 aircraft across several unserved and underserved destinations.

With six years of growth and innovation, Star Air continues to uphold its ethos of being swift and efficient, ensuring that every flight strengthens its vision of "Connecting Real India." The 6th anniversary was not just a celebration of the past but a reaffirmation of the airline's commitment to future expansion, bringing more regions into the fold of seamless air travel. ★



Introducing the Sustainable Tea Podcast with Shreya Ghodawat



Shreya Ghodawat is a sustainability and climate activist, and the India Ambassador for SHE Changes Climate, Project Dandelion, Plant-Based News, and ProVeg. Realising that the first step to getting the world to care about climate change and animal cruelty is to talk about it, she started India's biggest sustainability podcast: Sustainable Tea with Shreya.

Now, Sustainable Tea with Shreya is making history with the world's first AI-hosted podcast episode, tackling a subject that demands urgent attention - animal testing in the beauty industry. While the world celebrates cruelty-free makeup as a win, millions of animals still suffer in labs. This episode brings

forward the hidden realities of cosmetic testing, exploring what's at stake and what's changing.

With AI stepping in as a conversation catalyst, this episode pushes the boundaries of technology, ethics, and activism, all in one conversation. Sustainable Tea with Shreya goes

beyond discussions to create awareness, followed by action.

Season 1 is live on YouTube, Spotify, and Apple Podcasts, with a new episode every week. Tune in and join the conversation where we're not only talking about change, we're bringing it, and making an impact together. ★

“ Shreya Ghodawat started India's biggest sustainability podcast: Sustainability with Shreya. ”

Celebrating Our Star Performers

ANSON ANJIL

(Jr Technician - Goa (GOX) Airport)

- Anson Anjil, working as a Junior Technician at Goa station, has played a key role in maintaining its top performance in the annual audit through his sincere efforts and strong technical knowledge.
- While working under the Hyderabad base, he has achieved remarkable milestones at the station level.
- His dedication and expertise have significantly contributed to the engineering team's success, helping them reach new heights.
- Anson actively identifies areas for his own improvement while also recognizing key aspects where the company can benefit from his contributions.
- He remains committed to the growth of both his station and the department, striving for continuous excellence.



BHAVESH VADHER

(Sr. Customer Service Executive - Surat Airport)

- Bhavesh demonstrates strong potential for growth, consistently maintaining a positive attitude that fosters a welcoming and professional work environment.
- His soft-spoken nature and dedication enable him to provide excellent customer service, earning him praise from colleagues for his strong work ethic and professionalism.
- Highly reliable, he readily takes on assigned tasks without hesitation and ensures their timely completion.
- His adaptability and confidence shine through in his successful deputations at various stations, even in challenging situations.
- Committed to excellence, he continuously strives to enhance his skills and contribute to the organization's success.★



Connecting Real India



* Map used for general illustration only, and does not represent the political boundaries of India.

STARair FLEET



Embraer E175

Seats : 76
Top Speed : Mach .82



Embraer E145

Seats : 50
Top Speed : Mach .78



Airbus H130

Seats : 1+6
Top Speed : 287 kmph

Airbus H135

Seats : 2+5
Top Speed : 287 kmph

Airbus H120

Seats : 1+4
Top Speed : 280 kmph

SUMMER RIDES 2025

The Indian automotive market is set to witness a series of exciting car and bike launches in March and April 2025. Here's a curated list of some anticipated models:

Maruti Suzuki eVitara

Expected to launch in April 2025, the eVitara is anticipated to be priced between ₹9.00 lakh and ₹12.00 lakh. This electric SUV is expected to offer eco-friendly driving with Maruti's reliability.



New Skoda Kodiaq

The New Kodiaq is anticipated to be priced between ₹40 lakh and ₹50 lakh. This SUV is expected to offer enhanced features and performance.



Jeep Grand Wagoneer

Expected to launch in March 2025, the Grand Wagoneer is anticipated to be priced between ₹65 lakh and ₹70 lakh. This luxury SUV is expected to offer premium features and performance.





Honda CB500F

Expected to launch in March 2025, the Honda CB500F is anticipated to be priced between ₹4,80,000 and ₹6,00,000. This naked streetfighter is expected to offer a balance of performance and practicality.



TVS Jupiter Electric

Expected to launch in March 2025, the TVS Jupiter Electric is anticipated to be priced between ₹1,10,000 and ₹1,30,000. This electric scooter is expected to offer a blend of performance and efficiency.



Suzuki Burgman Street Electric

Expected to launch in March 2025, the Burgman Street Electric is anticipated to be priced between ₹1,05,000 and ₹1,20,000. This electric scooter is expected to provide a convenient and eco-friendly commuting option.



SUMMER GADGETS

As we step into the first quarter of 2025, tech enthusiasts in India can look forward to an exciting lineup of gadgets set to hit the market. From powerful smartphones to innovative wearables, March and April promise to bring cutting-edge technology to consumers eager for the latest advancements.

Text by **ROHIT GEORGE**

MOTOROLA RAZR 60 ULTRA

This foldable smartphone is rumored to feature a faux leather finish, a large 4-inch cover display, and the powerful Snapdragon 8 Gen 3 Elite chipset, combining style with high performance.



HP VICTUS 15 (2025)

Launched recently, the HP Victus 15 (2025) is equipped with the latest AMD Ryzen 9 Hawkpoint 8945HS NPU processor and Nvidia GeForce RTX 4060 GPU, making it suitable for gaming and high-performance tasks.



IPHONE SE 4

Launched in February 2025, Apple's budget-friendly iPhone SE 4 is expected to come with the latest A18 chip, Apple Intelligence, and a refreshed design, providing advanced features at a more accessible price point.



ONEPLUS 13T

Released in February 2025, this mini flagship phone is anticipated to feature a 6.31-inch display and a 50MP dual-camera module, offering high-end performance in a compact form.



NOTHING PHONE 3A

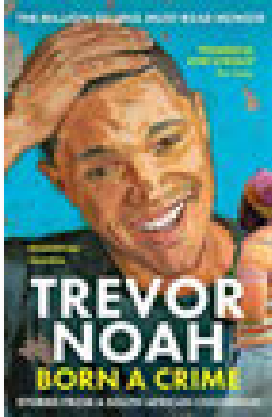
Scheduled for a March 2025 launch, the Nothing Phone 3a is expected to feature a transparent polycarbonate design, a Snapdragon 7s Gen3 processor, and a 6.8-inch OLED display. It is also expected to include a 50MP telephoto camera with 2x zoom.





Slim Reads for Quick Flights

Flying is so much easier when you have a good book for company.

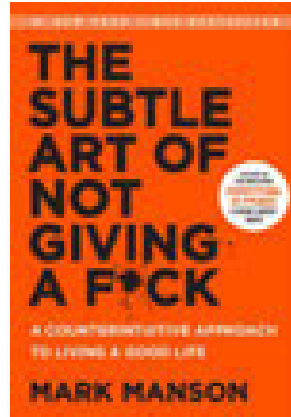


Born a Crime

Author: Trevor Noah

Genre: Autobiography / Comedy

South African stand-up comedian, Trevor Noah, sheds light on being raised by a white Swiss father and a black South African mother during apartheid in South Africa. In his book, he also opens up about being a victim of racism at an early age and gives us an insight into how that shaped his personality and his sense of humour.

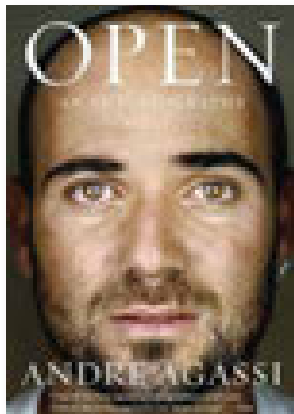
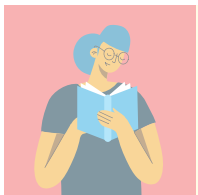


The Subtle Art of Not Giving a F*ck

Author: Mark Manson

Genre: Self-Help

In this unique self-help book, Mark Manson shares his belief that in life there are a finite number of things one can care about and so it is important to manage the things we care about. Manson's counter-intuitive approach to self-help makes for an interesting read.



Open

Author: Andre Agassi

Genre: Autobiography

Former American tennis star Andre Agassi looks back on his stellar career and makes a shocking admission- he hated playing tennis for the majority of his career. Along the way, he lets his guard down about consuming performance enhancing drugs like crystal meth during his playing days.

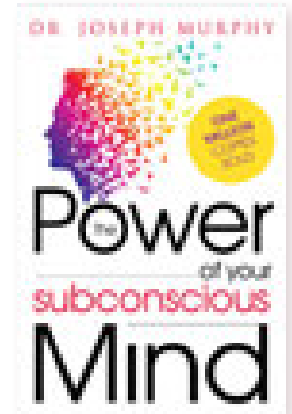


Shoe Dog

Author: Phil Knight

Genre: Autobiography / Memoir

Phil Knight, the co-founder of Nike, sheds light on what went into the building of one of the world's most successful and profitable brands. Along the way, he also highlights some of the challenges that he had to overcome in order to succeed.



The Power of Your Subconscious Mind

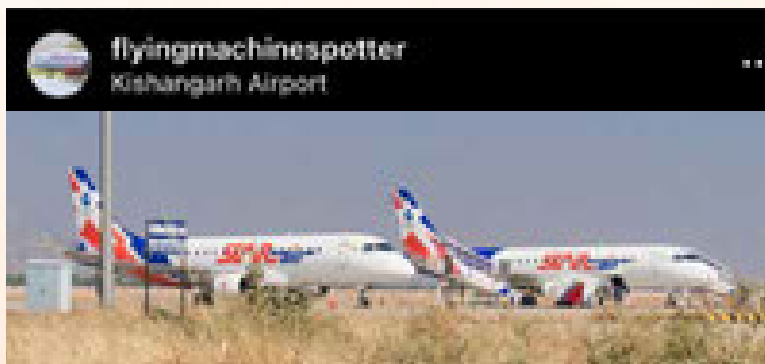
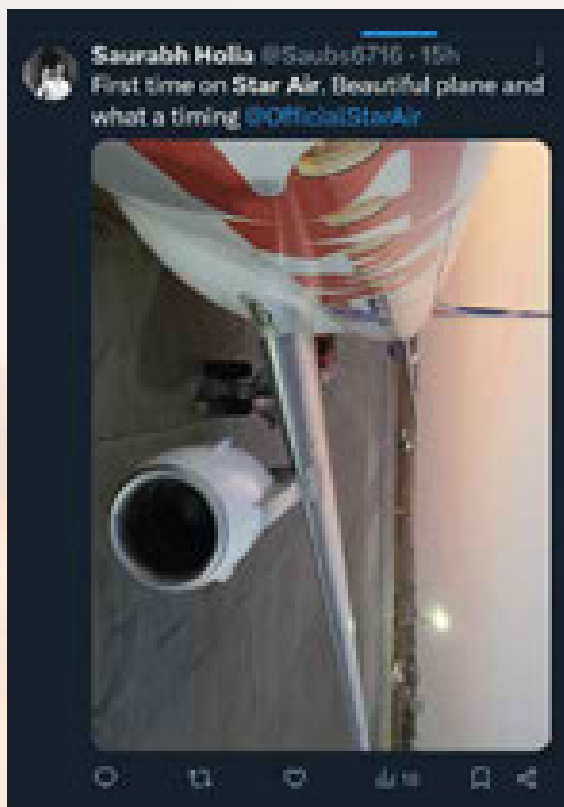
Author: Dr Joseph Murphy

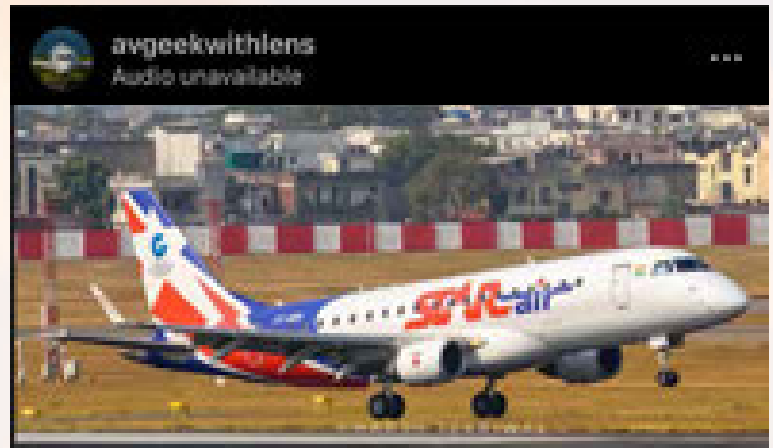
Genre: Self Help

In this powerful book, Dr Joseph Murphy sheds light on how our thoughts have the power to shape our reality. ★

Shoot-ing for the Stars

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





The Great Indian Festival of Cricket is Back!



As we approach the 2025 season of the Indian Premier League (IPL), the excitement surrounding the tournament is reaching new heights. Since its inception in 2008, the IPL has become one of the most influential and watched cricket leagues in the world, blending high-octane cricket with entertainment, glamour, and star power. IPL 2025 is set to continue this legacy, promising an even more thrilling and competitive experience for fans.

The significance of the IPL cannot be overstated. It has revolutionized the world of cricket, bringing a fresh, dynamic format that appeals to both traditional and new-age audiences. Each year, the league offers a unique opportunity for young talent to showcase their skills on an international platform, while also providing seasoned stars the chance to shine in front of millions. IPL 2025 will undoubtedly be another stage for future cricketing legends to emerge, with fans eagerly awaiting the next big breakthrough.

The potential for new developments within the tournament also fuels the anticipation surrounding IPL 2025. The introduction of new franchises could add a fresh layer of excitement, while the tournament's continued focus on technology—such as advanced analytics and immersive fan experiences—promises to enhance how the game is enjoyed both in the stadium and at home.

The IPL is much more than just a tournament; it is a cultural phenomenon that unites millions across the globe. As the countdown to IPL 2025 begins, cricket fans can expect intense competition, breathtaking performances, and unforgettable moments. The 2025 season is shaping up to be a blockbuster, and it's clear that this year, the IPL will once again live up to its reputation as the biggest spectacle in cricket.★

Match No	Match Day	Date	Day	Start	Home	Away	Venue
1	1	22-Mar-25	Sat	7:30 PM	Kolkata Knight Riders	Royal Challengers Bengaluru	Kolkata
2	2	23-Mar-25	Sun	3:30 PM	Sunrisers Hyderabad	Rajasthan Royals	Hyderabad
3	2	23-Mar-25	Sun	7:30 PM	Chennai Super Kings	Mumbai Indians	Chennai
4	3	24-Mar-25	Mon	7:30 PM	Delhi Capitals	Lucknow Super Giants	Visakhapatnam
5	4	25-Mar-25	Tue	7:30 PM	Gujarat Titans	Punjab Kings	Ahmedabad
6	5	26-Mar-25	Wed	7:30 PM	Rajasthan Royals	Kolkata Knight Riders	Guwahati
7	6	27-Mar-25	Thu	7:30 PM	Sunrisers Hyderabad	Lucknow Super Giants	Hyderabad
8	7	28-Mar-25	Fri	7:30 PM	Chennai Super Kings	Royal Challengers Bengaluru	Chennai
9	8	29-Mar-25	Sat	7:30 PM	Gujarat Titans	Mumbai Indians	Ahmedabad
10	9	30-Mar-25	Sun	3:30 PM	Delhi Capitals	Sunrisers Hyderabad	Visakhapatnam
11	9	30-Mar-25	Sun	7:30 PM	Rajasthan Royals	Chennai Super Kings	Guwahati
12	10	31-Mar-25	Mon	7:30 PM	Mumbai Indians	Kolkata Knight Riders	Mumbai
13	11	01-Apr-25	Tue	7:30 PM	Lucknow Super Giants	Punjab Kings	Lucknow
14	12	02-Apr-25	Wed	7:30 PM	Royal Challengers Bengaluru	Gujarat Titans	Bengaluru
15	13	03-Apr-25	Thu	7:30 PM	Kolkata Knight Riders	Sunrisers Hyderabad	Kolkata
16	14	04-Apr-25	Fri	7:30 PM	Lucknow Super Giants	Mumbai Indians	Lucknow
17	15	05-Apr-25	Sat	3:30 PM	Chennai Super Kings	Delhi Capitals	Chennai
18	15	05-Apr-25	Sat	7:30 PM	Punjab Kings	Rajasthan Royals	New Chandigarh
19	16	06-Apr-25	Sun	3:30 PM	Kolkata Knight Riders	Lucknow Super Giants	Kolkata
20	16	06-Apr-25	Sun	7:30 PM	Sunrisers Hyderabad	Gujarat Titans	Hyderabad
21	17	07-Apr-25	Mon	7:30 PM	Mumbai Indians	Royal Challengers Bengaluru	Mumbai
22	18	08-Apr-25	Tue	7:30 PM	Punjab Kings	Chennai Super Kings	New Chandigarh
23	19	09-Apr-25	Wed	7:30 PM	Gujarat Titans	Rajasthan Royals	Ahmedabad
24	20	10-Apr-25	Thu	7:30 PM	Royal Challengers Bengaluru	Delhi Capitals	Bengaluru
25	21	11-Apr-25	Fri	7:30 PM	Chennai Super Kings	Kolkata Knight Riders	Chennai
26	22	12-Apr-25	Sat	3:30 PM	Lucknow Super Giants	Gujarat Titans	Lucknow
27	22	12-Apr-25	Sat	7:30 PM	Sunrisers Hyderabad	Punjab Kings	Hyderabad
28	23	13-Apr-25	Sun	3:30 PM	Rajasthan Royals	Royal Challengers Bengaluru	Jaipur
29	23	13-Apr-25	Sun	7:30 PM	Delhi Capitals	Mumbai Indians	Delhi
30	24	14-Apr-25	Mon	7:30 PM	Lucknow Super Giants	Chennai Super Kings	Lucknow
31	25	15-Apr-25	Tue	7:30 PM	Punjab Kings	Kolkata Knight Riders	New Chandigarh
32	26	16-Apr-25	Wed	7:30 PM	Delhi Capitals	Rajasthan Royals	Delhi
33	27	17-Apr-25	Thu	7:30 PM	Mumbai Indians	Sunrisers Hyderabad	Mumbai
34	28	18-Apr-25	Fri	7:30 PM	Royal Challengers Bengaluru	Punjab Kings	Bengaluru
35	29	19-Apr-25	Sat	3:30 PM	Gujarat Titans	Delhi Capitals	Ahmedabad
36	29	19-Apr-25	Sat	7:30 PM	Rajasthan Royals	Lucknow Super Giants	Jaipur
37	30	20-Apr-25	Sun	3:30 PM	Punjab Kings	Royal Challengers Bengaluru	New Chandigarh










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The Tastes of God's Own Country

Kerala, a lush coastal state in southern India, is a culinary paradise that offers a rich variety of dishes, each reflecting the region's cultural diversity and natural bounty. The food in Kerala is a harmonious blend of spices, fresh produce, and traditional cooking techniques that elevate every meal into an unforgettable experience.

Text by **ROHIT GEORGE**



Kerala Sadhya

Kerala Sadhya is a grand, traditional vegetarian feast typically served on a banana leaf. It is a multi-course meal that consists of rice paired with a variety of side dishes, including sambar (lentils cooked with vegetables), 'avial' (a mixed vegetable curry), 'olan' (a coconut-based curry with ash gourd), and 'pachadi' (a yogurt-based side dish with cucumber). The meal also includes pickles, banana chips, and the sweet dessert, 'payasam'.



Appam with Stew

Appam, a soft, fluffy, and slightly crispy pancake made from fermented rice flour, is a staple breakfast dish in Kerala. It pairs beautifully with a stew, typically made with chicken, vegetables, or fish, cooked in a creamy coconut milk base, and flavored with spices like cinnamon, cloves, and cardamom. The fermentation process of the rice batter gives appam its distinct flavor, and the stew provides a rich, aromatic contrast.





Karimeen Pollichathu

One of the most iconic seafood dishes in Kerala is 'Karimeen Pollichathu', featuring the pearl spot fish 'karimeen', which is marinated in a blend of spices and then wrapped in banana leaves before being grilled to perfection. The banana leaves impart a unique, smoky flavor to the fish, while the spices create a rich, savory coating. This dish is typically served with rice, making it a perfect representation of Kerala's love for fresh seafood.



Kerala Prawn Curry

Kerala Prawn Curry is a fiery, tangy dish made with prawns cooked in a coconut milk-based gravy, spiced with curry leaves, mustard seeds, turmeric, and tamarind. The smooth coconut milk adds richness to the curry, while the spices bring depth and heat. The prawns, being fresh and tender, absorb the flavors beautifully, making every bite a mouthwatering experience. This curry is usually served with rice or appam.



Banana Chips and Sharkara Varatti

Kerala's snacks are as delicious as the meals. Banana chips, made from raw green bananas, are thinly sliced and deep-fried to a golden crisp. These are often seasoned with salt or spices for added flavor. 'Sharkara Varatti', another favorite snack, features plantains coated in jaggery and fried until crispy. Both snacks are perfect for enjoying with a cup of freshly brewed Kerala-style tea.★



On A Lighter Note

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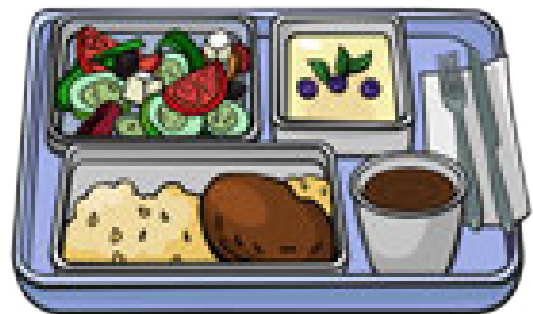
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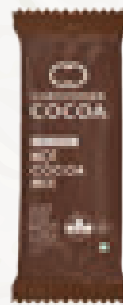
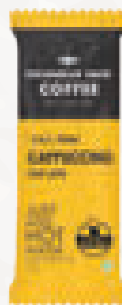
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