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Mewar, where lived Meera and which is an abode of the child form of Lord Krishna at Shrinath Mandir Nathdwara that is one the biggest temple of the

when the idols of Lord Krishna were not safe in the U.P. and were to be shifted to other places, Maharana Raj Singh was the only one to be bold enough to agree

Veteran journalist Ashok Mathur's blog (ashokmathuronudaipur.com) with over 100 articles on udaipur's palaces, temples, lakes, gardens, festivals, fairs, wildlife etc. is getting very popular. It has interesting content for udaipurites as well as tourists.

Puspmargi Vaishnava sect of Hindus, celebrates the birth of the Lord in a big way.

Udaipur has religious mportance of its own. It was due to the broad outlook of the Maharanas that various

to set them up in his kingdom. And this is how with the building of several Krishna Mandirs, Janmashtami is an important festival in Mewar.

In Udaipur, during the



religions and sects not only found shelter but also flourished in Mewar. At a time brated with great enthusi-

time of the Maharanas, the festival used to be cele-

asm. The Maharanas would visit Jagdish Mandir, Asthal Mandir, and other temples. In the old building at Chougan, now called the 'kirtankars' try to please Maharana Bhupal Stadium, the Maharana used to be present during the special worship of the 'bal vigraha' the child form of the Lord for five days from Bhadra Krishna Tritiya to Astami. On this occasion, he was joined by his 'sardars' and 'samantas'. At night when Krishna took birth, cannons were fired and coconuts, coins, and 'laddus' were distributed. The 'pujaris' would visit the homes of reputed persons of the town to give 'prasad'

People in Udaipur visit different temples, play and fast throughout the day, and eat only after midnight, the time of the Lord's birth.

A sort of palpable excitement pervades the atmosphere of Lake City. The Vaishnava temples wear a festive look with elaborate decoration and illumination. Right from the evening, devotees begin to gather at the famous, 400-year old Jagdish Mandir, built by Maharana Jagat Singh as ordained by Lord Jagannath of Puri. The temple is highly revered as it is said that this is the idol of Lord Krishna that was worshipped by Meera. Accompanied by several of Shaligram idol is per-

musical instruments, the devotees sing soulful 'bhajans' in praise of the Lord. After the evening darshan, the Lord with their lilting formed with the recitation of Purush Sukta and Gopal Sahastranam. In another Nimbark temple Baiji Raj Ka Kund, Delhi gate, several rituals are performed in the



songs. As the clock strikes twelve, a 21- gun salute is given. The whole premises reverberate with 'Nand Ke Anand Bhayo' and 'Jai Kanhaiya Lal Ki'. Then there is 'darshan' of the Lord dressed in eye-catching clothes and precious glittering jewelry. This is followed by 'aarti' and distribution of 'prasad'.

In the Asthal Ashram of Nimbark sect in Surajpol, celebrations start early in the morning. Several attractive 'jhankis' related to the life of the Lord are on display. At midnight the 'abhishek'

outer chowk and soulful 'bhajans' are sung.

In Shrinathji Haveli Mandir where the Lord's idol stayed for some time on way to Nathdwara where he finally settled, the celebrations start with the four Darshans viz. 'mangloa', 'snan', 'shringar' and 'rajbhog' followed by "uthapan'. After "janma darshan", 'mahabhog' is offered and there is a scintillating fireworks display.

A large number of devotees come to Jagat Shiromani Mandir, near City Palace as it is believed that Meera drank the cup of poison sent by Bhojraj in front of this idol. In the Shree Girdhar Gopal Mandir on the UIT-Fatehsagar link road attractive "shringar" of the idol is done and 'bhajan sandhva' is also organized. The newly - built Murli Manohar Mandir at Dhanmandi that has a very attractive idol of Krishna playing on a flute, is the venue of day-long celebrations like 'bhajan' singing, enacting scenes of 'baal leela', dancing, and distribution of 'prasad'.

On this occasion, are taken out processions that have 'palki' of Laddugopolg and, several tableaus of various gods, goddesses, patriots and martyrs, Daring feats are performed by 'akharas'.Re-enacting the fascinating "baal leela" of Krishna, 'makhanchori', a programme called 'dadhika Matkiphod' competition is also organized at Jagdish Chowk and some other places in the town. Teams of young men dressed as 'gwalas' try to break an earthen pot filled with milk and curds hanging at the height of about 25ft by forming a pyramid. The winning teams get lucrative prizes. Recently, some teams of girls of tribal areas have started participating in this competition.

With great gusto is cele-



Shrinath Mandir, Nathdwara. Early in the morning, with 'mangla aarti' begins the 'seva' and

'shringar' of the idol. Accompanied by the sounding of conches, bells, etc. He is bathed with 'panchamrit'. In Doltibari goes on the singing of the name of the Lord. At midnight, His birth is heralded with the firing of 12 cannons at Risala Chowk, sounding of big drums and playing of the band. The 'bhog' consists of several tasty dishes. A huge procession with attractive tableaus, horses, camels, elephants, bands, and 'bhajan mandalies' is also taken out. The next day Nand Mahotsava is celebrated with great enthusiasm. In Shree Dwarkadheesh Mandir, Kankroli, near Nathdwara Shyan Darshan continues till almost midnight. Then opens Janma Darshan with

conch shells, 'thali', 'madal' and nagara, and attractive 'jhankis'. In Charbhuja Mandir, the idol with four arms is decorated with gold ornaments, gem studded 'tilak' on the forehead, and crown made with peacock feathers and flute on the lips. In Sanwaliaji Mandir on Udaipur Chittorgarh road, the festival is celebrated with great gusto. There are 'akharapradarshan' and 'matkiphod' programmes. The Shrinath Mandir at Ghasiar, where the Lord stayed for some time on his way to Nathdwara, also attracts a large number of devotees on this occasion.

One of the most important festivals in the Hindu calendar, Janmastami is celebrated with great religious fervor throughout Mewar.

-Ashok Mathur

#### Who are Behind Encroachment on Sukhadia University's Champa Baag?

The issue of the Champa Baaq land has come to lime light after many years. No Vice Chancellor over the years seem to have taken proper initiative to get the issue resolved as the case remained pending with the honourable high court. There are many questions that rise up now. Why did the case remain pending for so long?

What were the reasons that the University's counsel did not make necessary efforts to get it decided? Whose interest is it that the issue has been raised now? Who are the people who have built their houses in the University's land under dispute? What is the role that the Municipal authorities and the district administration played over the years? Do the people who have built their houses have connection with any political party of political leader?



The issue is almost forty years old. As per the reports the then Vice Chancellor of Udaipur University wrote to the Education Minister of the

state to provide the Champa Baag land for the development of the University.

Adjacent to it is the campus of the Commerce College and the Science College. By its southern side is the department of Geology and University's Sports Complex across the road. The notification of the acquisition of the said land was issued

On the 16 September 1994 the State government issued a notification to acquire the land. Since then several letters were written by the university authorities to the secretary Urban Improvement Trust requesting the UIT not to issue land conversion orders related to the said land.

The land amounting to 14.59 Hectares is of immense commercial value and is in the heart of the city. Similar land which belonged to Agriculture University on the western side of the College Road has been surrendered by the University for meeting its financial requirements.

It is good that the Vice Chancellor Dr. Amrika Singh has taken an initiative to get back this precious land worth millions of rupees. It could be used for the expansion of the University, hostels for the students and campus for Pharmacy, Medical and other faculties which the university has envisaged to develop. Land is a non-renewable asset and no institution should give away land for any reason.

## **National webinar on** improvement in examination under the New Education Policy 2020



**Udaipur:** Under the aegis of Mohanlal Sukhadia University, , a national webinar has been organized by the university administrative authorities on the topic "Reforms in Examination under the New Education Policy 2020". the patron of the webinar, Vice Chancellor Prof. Amarika Singh said that according to the New Education Policy 2020, all the projects should be implemented expeditiously and the keynote speaker Prof. Karunesh Saxena, Director IQAC and program organizing secretary Dr. Rajesh Chandra Kumawat, CoE graced the

The webinar was attended by many officials / participants from universities of almost all the states of India in the webinar.

The keynote speaker of the webinar Prof. Karunesh Saxena, shared in detail prospective on the improvement of examination under the New Education Policy 2020. He told toall the officers

in detail about the new education policy 2020, multi-level admission and exit system and academic bank credit launched by the Government of India The queries sub-

mitted by all the officials involved were answered and under the New Education Policy 2020, the undergraduate course will be of three or four years. M.Phil. The course has been

closed. Amulti-level admission and exit system is being implemented in higher education, under which if the student wishes, he/she can get a certificate on completion of one year of studies after two semesters ie one year, two years or three years, diploma on completion of two years of studies. The degree will be given on completion of three or four years of studies. Apart from this, if the student wants to continue his studies after a gap of few years, then he will get admission from where he left his studies. Along with this 360 degree report card showing not only the marks of the student but also the skill/efficiency of the student will encourage them.

Under the New Education Policy 2020, only those universities whose grading is 7/8 or above will be included in the academic back-of-credit system. In this, permission will be given to open centers of 100 priority universities of India abroad. From the current global scenario, this step will be very important in improving the quality of Indian education and its examination system. Similarly, 100 of the world's top universities will be able to open their centers in India. Similarly, under the New Education Policy 2020, the student's credit score will be transacted in the academic bank credit system, as transactions are done in the bank.

Simultaneously, the keynote speaker of the webinar by Dr. Praveen Bhargava, Controller of Examinations of Kota University, shared his gratitude to prof

Karunesh Saxena. And Dr. Rajesh Chandra Kumawat,

Controller of Examinations. Dr. G. L Vasita, Senior Accounts Officer, Dr. Narendra Pareek, Programmer, Mukesh Kumar Barber, Deputy Registrar presented queries and submitted the outline of the implementation of the New Education Policy 2020 and other interesting facts related to higher education in front of all the officers / participants Dr. N. Pareek, the programmer thanked all the officers/participants and all the employees for their cooperation.

#### **Prof. Bhanawat** is now the **Student Welfare** Dean of Sukhadia **University and** the chairman of the Sports Board

Udaipur: Professor Amarika Singh, Vice-Chancellor of Mohanlal Sukhadia University, appointed Prof. Shoorveer Singh Bhanawat, Head of the Department of Accounts and Occupational Statistics, as the Dean of Student Welfare. According to the rules of the University, the Dean of Student Welfare is the Chairman of the Sports Board. In the presence of Prof. PK Singh, Dean of the College of Commerce, and Prof. Mukesh Mathur, Head of the Department of Banking and Business Economics, Prof. Bhanawat took charge from Prof. Puranmal Yadav, Dean of Student Welfare.

It is noteworthy that so far 45 research papers of Prof. Bhanawat have been published in national and international generals, out of which eight research papers have been awarded Best Paper Award. More than 21 popular articles were also published in many newspapers. Prof. Bhanawat has recently completed a research project on carbon taxation. Presently he is also working as Principal Investigator of BlockChain Accounting Research Project sponsored by RUSA Ministry of Education, Government of

### Successful treatment of a rare tumour located above the kidneys

Udaipur: Patients visiting Geetanjali Medical College and Hospital are treated by a multi-disciplinary approach. Recently, a new life was given to the patient by the successful operation of a rare tumor of a 40-year-old patient by Cancer surgeon Dr. Ashish Jakhetia, Dr. Arun Pandey, and anesthetist Dr. Naveen Patidar. The patient's high blood pressure was intraoperatively by Dr. Naveen Patidar. During the operation, it was successfully done with the tireless efforts of Dr. Ramesh Patel of the Department of Cardiology along with the Cancer Department, and Dr. Omkar Wagh of the Endocrinology Department.



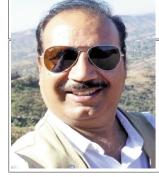
Dr. Ashish Jakhetia told that when the patient came to Geetanjali Hospital, he first went to the cardiology department, the patient's pulse rate was becoming uncontrolled and at the same time, the blood pressure was very high.

The patient was examined by Dr. Ramesh Patel, when he did not find any disease in the patient's heart, he started searching for the rest of the reasons. In it, it was found that in the gland above the patient's kidney, which is called adrenal, on both sides of the kidney, larger than 8 cm.

The patient's blood was examined. Endocrinologist Dr. Omkar Wagh also examined the patient. During patient observation by the cancer surgeon and his team, it was discovered that both these lumps are rare tumors called pheochromocytoma. These tumors can prove to be quite fatal because due to increased blood pressure, and uncontrolled heart rate, the patient can face any kind of problem at any time.

These types of tumors are challenging to treat and the option is often surgery. By controlling the patient's blood pressure, the bleeding in such tumors increases further, due to which the patient's blood pressure increases manifold during the operation and can also lead to heart attack, stroke. Simultaneous operation of both adrenals becomes very challenging as these glands also manufacture lifesaving steroids in the human body. In such a situation, it is very important to take care of the patient after the operation by removing both the adrenals. Despite all these challenges, the patient was successfully treated, now the patient is completely healthy and has been discharged by

## Arora of Udaipur raised the value of Mewar



Udaipur: A poem based on Krishna by Manish Arora, Executive Engineer of Public Works Department and poet Manish Arora 'Ashk' has got a place in an international poetry collection 'Krishna Kavya Pivush'

On the eve of Janmashtami,

the publication of this poetry collection 'Krishna Kavya Piyush', published by Shri Ramcharit Bhavan, Houston, USAwas released on Sunday. Krishna-based works of poets from 16 countries have been included in this poetry collection. This international poetry collection 'Krishna Kavya Piyush' was released virtually by IFS Akhilesh Mishra from the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India. The poetry collection in the program was reviewed by Dr. Aditya Shukla. In this collection, 151 works of 101 poets have been published.

In this poetry collection, the composition of Udaipur resident Manish Arora 'Mori Sudh Bisrai' also got a place. The value of Mewar has increased due to the inclusion of Arora's composition in this international poetry collection. Arora himself believes that the creation has been accepted internationally only because of the blessings of Shrinathji. He keeps on presenting his compositions on various mediums mainly under his surname Ashk. Arora is presently working as an Executive Engineer in Public Works Department.