

Celebrating the Light of Wisdom: Guru Purnima

Guru Purnima, a day of profound spiritual and cultural significance, is more than just a festival—it is a tribute to the eternal relationship between the guru and the disciple. Celebrated on the full moon day (Purnima) of the Ashadha month in the Hindu calendar, this sacred occasion marks the birth anniversary of Maharishi Ved Vyasa, the revered sage who compiled the Vedas and authored the Mahabharata. It is a day when seekers express gratitude to their gurus—teachers, mentors, and guides—who illuminate their path with knowledge, discipline, and inner awakening.

The Guru-Student Relationship: Ancient vs. Modern

In ancient India, the guru-shishya (teacher-disciple) relationship was deeply rooted in reverence, trust, and surrender. Students lived in gurukuls—forest hermitages where they served their gurus, not only learning scriptures, arts, and warfare, but also imbibing values like humility, self-discipline, and sacrifice. The bond was spiritual and personal, often lasting a lifetime. A guru's word was final, and a disciple's devotion was complete. Education was not just about career—it was about character.

In contrast, the modern guru-student relationship, especially in formal education systems, has become more transactional and institutionalized. While respect for teachers still exists, the emotional and spiritual depth of the relationship has waned. Students today are often more focused on results, degrees, and placements than on personal transformation. Similarly, many educators now work within tight academic frameworks, with limited space to connect deeply with their students beyond the curriculum.

However, all is not lost. In many spiritual, creative, and even professional circles, the spirit of the ancient guru-shishya tradition still survives. Mentorship programs, coaching relationships, and spiritual teachings continue to echo that timeless bond—one based on trust, learning, and personal growth. The digital age has also allowed new forms of connection, enabling seekers from all corners of the world to find guidance from modern-day gurus.

A Day to Reflect and Revere

Guru Purnima is observed across religions and spiritual practices—by Buddhists in remembrance of Lord Buddha's first sermon, by Jains as a mark of Mahavira's teachings, and by yogic disciples as the day when Lord Shiva became the Adi Guru (first guru). Whether in monastic disciplines or secular education, this day calls on everyone to remember and revere those who foster growth, guide conscience, and build character.

In today's fast-paced, digitally driven world, where information is abundant but wisdom often elusive, the role of a true guru becomes even more vital. A guru is not bound by position or title—they can be parents, teachers, spiritual leaders, or even life experiences that challenge and elevate us. On Guru Purnima, we are reminded to pause, reflect, and bow in gratitude to these forces that help us evolve.

Let us also pledge to uphold the guru's legacy by nurturing humility, patience, and the pursuit of truth. May the light of wisdom continue to shine through generations, lighting the way in an age that deeply needs enlightenment.

Jio increases lead in Rajasthan, adds over 95,000 wireless subscribers in May: TRAI Report

Jaipur: Reliance Jio has once again delivered a strong performance in Rajasthan. As of May 31, 2025, Jio's subscriber base in the state has reached 2.66 crore, maintaining its position as the number one telecom operator. According to the latest report released by the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI), Jio added 95,016 new subscribers in May, outperforming all other telecom operators in the state.

In contrast, Bharti Airtel, Vodafone Idea, and BSNL continued to lose subscribers for the second consecutive month. In May alone, Airtel lost 8,453 users, Vodafone Idea 31,403, and BSNL 6,680. Rajasthan's total wireless subscriber base grew by 48,454 reaching 6.47 crore by month-end. As per the TRAI data, Jio leads the state with 2.66 crore subscribers, followed by Bharti Airtel with 2.33 crore, Vodafone Idea with 90.91 lakhs, and BSNL with 56.19 lakh.

Jio is also ahead in the fixed broadband segment in the state. Its total fixed broadband subscriber base, including wireline and 5G FWA, now stands at 9.05 lakh, more than double that of Airtel, which has 4.24 lakh subscribers in this segment.

Champion Prime Salon is all set to Opens in Udaipur

Grand Launch on July 9 with Discounts Until August 15
Udaipur: Rajasthan's largest and most luxurious salon, Champion Prime Salon, is now ready in Udaipur's Shakti Nagar area. Located on the second floor of the newly constructed Champion Prime Building, the salon's grand opening is scheduled for July 9 at 11 AM. The salon has been designed with a unique concept, offering separate zones for every service, ensuring a premium experience under one roof.

Director Kamlesh Sen informed that each service area—such as Palm & Sole, Hair Vault Room, Groom & Grow Area, Shampoo Station, Kids Section with bike and car chairs, and more—has been created keeping customers' comfort in mind. Additional offerings include tattoo art, piercings, nail and hair extensions, dermal facials, HD makeup, and exclusive children's grooming services.



Champion Prime is the 12th showroom under the Champion Salon brand, which began in 2000 in Udaipur and is known for excellence in hair styling and grooming. The new salon can serve up to 50 customers simultaneously, eliminating waiting time, and a 20% discount will be available to all clients until August 15.

Udaipur's Son Shines in Bollywood: Nakul Roshan Sahdev's Debut Film MurderBazz Releasing on July 18

Udaipur, The City of Lakes is basking in pride as one of its own—Nakul Roshan Sahdev—prepares to make his silver screen debut in the upcoming feature film MurderBazz, slated for a theatrical release on July 18. A former student of Saint Paul's School, Nakul has returned to his hometown ahead of the release and was warmly welcomed by Dr. Munesh Arora, a noted academician and mentor. During a heartfelt meet-and-greet, Nakul and his father Anil Sahdev were felicitated in recognition of the actor's promising entry into Bollywood. The interaction wasn't just about the film; it was a celebration of dreams nurtured in Udaipur and fulfilled in Mumbai. Dr. Arora praised Nakul's journey as "a source of immense pride and inspiration for the

youth of Udaipur."

Nakul hails from a well-respected family in the city. His mother Suman Lodha served in the National Cadet Corps (NCC), while his father Anil Sahdev has long been associated with social work and blood donation campaigns. His maternal uncle Jagdish Arora, a prominent educationist, and aunt Sushma Arora are also highly regarded in academic circles. Speaking on the occasion, Anil Sahdev reflected on their parenting philosophy, saying, "We never forced Nakul to follow a conventional career path. He had a clear dream of becoming an actor since childhood, and we chose to support him unconditionally. His success is not just ours—it's Udaipur's."

Dr. Arora echoed this sentiment, stating, "It is a matter

of pride for all Paulites and Udaipurites to see a local talent stepping confidently into the world of cinema. Nakul's achievement will inspire many young minds to follow their passion." During the conversation, Nakul shared his thoughts on his journey, values, and the film. "In any creative field, there's a line between fun and disrespect. I've always tried to stay on the right side of that line—having fun, but never forgetting the art and sincerity behind the craft," he said. "Acting is not about mimicry—it's about empathy, about becoming someone else with truth."

On MurderBazz, Nakul was visibly excited: "It's a romantic thriller unlike anything audiences have seen in India. The screenplay had me hooked from the first page. It's gritty,



emotional, and thought-provoking. Director Arnab Chatterjee has done a phenomenal job bringing it to life."

He added that while the film belongs to everyone involved in its creation, his heart belongs

to Udaipur. "I carry Udaipur with me—its beauty, warmth, and spirit. My dream began here, and it's only fitting that I celebrate this moment with my people."

The film is scheduled for

release across India on July 18, and special screenings are expected to be held in Udaipur. Nakul is also likely to be present in the city during the release week to interact with fans and well-wishers.

Hindustan Zinc's Role in Nation-Building



A Landmark Contribution of ₹90,000 Crores to the Exchequer

In a remarkable demonstration of fiscal responsibility and corporate citizenship, Hindustan Zinc Limited (HZL), India's only and the world's largest integrated zinc producer, has contributed a staggering ₹18,963 crores to the national exchequer in FY25 alone. As per the company's 8th Tax Transparency Report, the total contribution over the last five fiscal years has reached nearly ₹90,000 crores (₹87,616 crores to be precise)—a feat that highlights its pivotal role in strengthening India's economy and upholding the ideals of Atmanirbhar Bharat.

What stands out in this latest report is not just the amount but the integrity with which it has been disclosed. HZL has voluntarily released a detailed breakdown of its tax contributions, subject to independent assurance by a Big 4 audit firm. This transparent approach aligns seamlessly with the company's broader Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) strategy and builds deeper stakeholder confidence in its governance.

Operational Excellence Driving Financial Commitment

The contribution, which represents 56% of HZL's revenue from operations, comes on the back of the company's record-breaking performance. FY25 saw the highest-ever mined and refined metal production—1,095 KT and 1,052 KT respectively—along with a four-year lowest zinc production cost of \$1,052/MT. The company has also surpassed 13.1 Mt in metal reserves, ensuring a robust mine-life of over 25 years.

Such operational success has allowed the company to maintain consistency in its contribution to the State of Rajasthan, averaging ₹3,600 crores annually. These funds flow through royalties, District Mineral Foundation (DMF) payments, and other statutory levies—supporting local infrastructure, welfare, and mineral exploration.

A Transparent Break-up of Contributions

According to the report, Hindustan Zinc's ₹18,963 crore contribution in FY25 includes:

- ₹18,191 Cr in government royalties and levies (including DMF and NMET)
- ₹12,393 Cr in taxes on income
- ₹21,627 Cr in corporate dividends to the Government of India
- ₹27,500 Cr in indirect taxes (CGST, SGST, IGST)

This transparent disclosure reinforces the company's role not just as a mining major but as a national asset—one that supports employment, industrial growth, and economic resilience.

Setting Global Benchmarks in Sustainability

Notably, Hindustan Zinc has also been recognized as the world's most sustainable metals and mining company for the second consecutive year by the S&P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment. This reflects how economic performance and environmental responsibility can—and should—go hand in hand.

In an era where public trust in corporate governance is hard-earned, Hindustan Zinc has emerged as a model of accountability and performance. Its record-breaking contribution to the exchequer is not just a fiscal achievement—it's a reaffirmation of the company's unwavering commitment to India's growth story.

As the country marches toward self-reliance and inclusive development, companies like Hindustan Zinc prove that the private sector can play a transformative role in building a resilient and prosperous nation.

Bollywood Actress Shefali Jariwala Passes Away at 42

Mumbai. Bollywood actress Shefali Jariwala, who rose to fame with the iconic song Kaanta Laga, is no more. The 42-year-old actress reportedly passed away due to a heart attack late last night.

Shefali, a resident of Lokhandwala in Andheri, Mumbai, complained of chest pain around 11 PM. Her husband, actor Parag Tyagi, immediately rushed her to a nearby hospital. However, doctors declared her brought dead before they could begin treatment. Her mortal remains have been sent to Cooper Hospital for postmortem.

Shefali Jariwala gained immense popularity not only from music videos but also for her role alongside Akshay Kumar and Salman Khan in the film Mujhse Shaadi Karogi. She was also a notable participant in Bigg Boss Season 13.

Folk Art to Help Realize the Dream of an AIDS-Free India

A three-day state-level Folk Troupe Workshop was organized under the joint aegis of the National AIDS Control Organization (NACO), New Delhi, Rajasthan State AIDS Control Society (RSACS), Jaipur, and the Red Ribbon Club of Mohanlal Sukhadia University (MLSU), Udaipur.

The workshop witnessed the participation of over 100 folk artists skilled in various traditional art forms like Khyal, Puppetry, Street Plays (Nukkad Natak), Jatha Performances, Magic Shows, and Folk Dances. The core objective was to spread awareness about HIV/AIDS and STIs (Sexually Transmitted Infections) using folk arts to communicate effectively with the general public. The workshop was chaired by Prof. Sunita Mishra, Vice Chancellor of MLSU. In her address, she appreciated the initiative of NACO and RSACS, highlighting that such events significantly raise awareness among rural and remote populations about serious health issues like HIV/AIDS. She emphasized that as the largest educational institution in Southern Rajasthan, MLSU holds strong emotional ties with the community, making such outreach programs essential. Prof. Mishra further stated that in regional and rural contexts, folk art is a powerful medium. Messages delivered through traditional performances leave a lasting impact. She praised the RSACS initiative of combining public health messaging with folk culture as a commendable step.

With India progressing rapidly and aiming to become a developed nation by 2047, she stressed that every citizen must actively participate. Campaigns like these help build an AIDS-free India by reaching people in their own language, cultural context, and comfort zones. Dr. P.S. Rajpoot, Coordinator of the Red Ribbon Club at MLSU, shared that this initiative was designed to spread awareness and promote folk arts. Trained folk artists will now visit remote villages to convey awareness messages.

The training focused on how to weave health messages about HIV/AIDS into folk performances, dispel myths, and encourage preventive measures. More than 100 folk artists received focused training during the event. Each art form was infused with relevant HIV/AIDS awareness content, ensuring that the message reaches the masses in a simple and impactful way. Attendees were also informed about the toll-free helpline 1097, which provides easy access to verified HIV-related information. Notable participation included Dr. Pradeep Choudhary (Deputy Director, RSACS), Garima Bhati, Lalit Chauhan, Ratan Lal Mali, and many other contributors, making the event a successful milestone in culturally driven public health education.

Accounting Conference Brochure Released in Udaipur

Udaipur is set to host the All India Accounting Conference and International Seminar on October 12–13, 2025. The brochure for the event was released at the Vice-Chancellor Secretariat Auditorium. The conference is jointly organized by the Indian Accounting Association (Udaipur Branch) and Janardan Rai Nagar Rajasthan Vidyapeeth. Key topics include Artificial Intelligence in Accounting, Earnings Management, and International Taxation. Over 1500 academicians from around the world are expected to participate. The release ceremony was graced by prominent academicians and officials, including Prof. K.S. Thakur, Prof. S.S. Sarangdevot, and Prof. Surveer Singh Bhanawat.

Fashion Factory's Branded Exchange Festival is here!

Mumbai: Fashion Factory, Reliance Retail's popular fashion destination known for big brands at bigger discounts, invites you to make the most of its Unbranded to Branded Exchange Festival — now live across all stores till 20th July 2025.

This unique festival gives customers the perfect reason to clean out their closets and upgrade their style. Simply walk into a Fashion Factory store with your old, unbranded clothes and walk out with stylish branded fashion at amazing prices.

Bring in your old denims, shirts, t-shirts or kids' wear. In return, you'll receive an instant exchange coupon — up to ₹400 for denim, up to ₹250 for shirts, up to ₹150 for t-shirts, and up to ₹100 for kids' wear — plus up to 50% OFF on your new branded purchases.

From everyday essentials to wardrobe upgrades, choose from leading national and international brands like Lee, Lee Cooper, John Players, Raymond, Park Avenue, Canoe, Peter England, Allen Solly, Van Heusen, and Louis Philippe.

Whether you're looking to refresh your workwear, find trendy weekend styles, or upgrade your kids' outfits — now is the time to make the switch from old to bold.

So, go ahead, bring your old favourites and discover new ones at Fashion Factory — where fashion meets value, every day of the year.

Nexus Celebration Mall Turns 14: Transforming Udaipur's Retail Footprint

Udaipur: Nexus Celebration Mall, the city's iconic retail and lifestyle destination, proudly marks its 14th anniversary, celebrating a remarkable journey of transforming the retail landscape of Udaipur.

Over the past 14 years, the mall has become much more than a shopping center—it has evolved into a community hub that brings together families, friends, and shoppers under one vibrant roof. With deep gratitude, we thank our valued retail partners, loyal shoppers, and collaborators who have been an integral part of this journey.



To commemorate this special milestone, Nexus Celebration Mall is rolling out an exciting Anniversary Celebration Campaign filled with surprises and rewards for our cherished customers:

- Flat 50% Off on select top brands
- Shop for ₹14,000 and take home an Electric Chopper
- Get Anniversary Return Gifts via the Happyness Corner on the Nexus One App