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# Night of excessive drinking ruptures bizman's food pipe

**RARE CONDITION** Profuse vomiting tears oesophagus wall, early diagnosis and surgery save his life

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**MUMBAI:** Last month, when Airoli resident, Ashish Gandhi (name changed), suffered severe chest pain, he thought he was having a heart attack.

After a night of partying where he consumed alcohol, the businessman started vomiting profusely in the morning. Gandhi, 42, developed severe chest pain and his family members rushed him to Fortis Hiranandani Hospital in Vashi. "Gandhi was first referred to a cardiologist. They conducted the electrocardiogram (ECG) test and a few blood tests. The tests were all negative," said Dr Shishir Shetty, thoracic surgeon who examined Gandhi in the

**THE CASE**

- **AFTER A NIGHT OF PARTYING** where he had consumed alcohol, the businessman started vomiting profusely in the morning
- **A CT SCAN REVEALED** that his oesophagus or food pipe had ruptured and food particles had "leaked" into the chest cavity

**BOERHAAVE SYNDROME** is a condition when the oesophagus (food pipe) gets ruptured due to undue pressure on the oesophagus wall after excessive vomiting. This results in food particles entering the chest and causing infection.



If medical intervention is delayed longer than 24 hours, the mortality rate in such cases is more than 50%.

The best outcomes are associated with early diagnosis and definitive surgical management within 12 hours of rupture.

While the condition is associated with any kind of vomiting, it normally occurs due to excessive drinking. Here, the patient was not a regular drinker.

SHISHIR SHETTY, thoracic surgeon

Intensive Care Unit of the hospital on October 30.

A CT scan revealed that food particles had "leaked" into the chest cavity. "We then put a pipe in his chest and food particles came out," explained Dr Shetty.

When Dr Shetty explored Gandhi's chest area surgically he realised that his oesophagus or the food pipe had ruptured during the vomiting fit. "The pressure of vomiting resulted in the tear in his oesophagus,"

said Shetty.

Rupturing of the oesophagus is called Boerhaave Syndrome or spontaneous oesophagus rupture. This results in food particles entering the chest wall causing infection. If the intervention

is delayed longer than 24 hours, the mortality rate in such cases is more 50%.

"Such cases have to be operated upon in the first 24 hours or else it can be fatal. The infection spreads fast and increases

the mortality rate," said Dr Shetty.

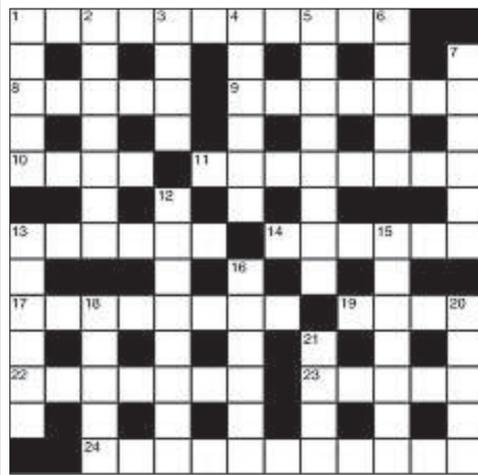
Dr Shetty sutured the tear in the oesophagus and put Gandhi on a course of intravenous antibiotics. He was discharged from the hospital last week.

"While the condition is associated with any kind of vomiting, this normally occurs in cases of excessive drinking. In this case, the patient was not even a regular drinker," said Dr Shetty.

While the condition is known, the occurrence of such cases is rare. "We have handled such cases in the past. But they are rare to come by. We handle maybe one or two cases in a year," said Dr Manmohan Kamat, a gastrointestinal surgeon.

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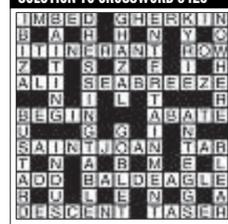
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CONCISE # 5430



- ACROSS**
- 1 Court abolished in 1641 (4,7)
  - 8 Immature insect (5)
  - 9 Courageous woman (7)
  - 10 Looker-down on others (4)
  - 11 Notorious (8)
  - 13 Capital of Taiwan (6)
  - 14 One in digs (6)
  - 17 Jumping game (8)
  - 19 Burden, duty (4)
  - 22 Superior attitude (7)
  - 23 Major European river (5)
  - 24 Giving off light (11)

- DOWN**
- 1 Undersides of feet (5)
  - 2 Based on theory (Latin) (1,6)
  - 3 Burn; cleaner (4)
  - 4 Greek goddess (6)
  - 5 Oil in Earl Grey tea (8)
  - 6 Horned creature (5)
  - 7 Church burner (6)
  - 12 State again strongly (8)

SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD 5429



SGNP TO APPEAL AGAINST VEHICLES IN YEOR JUNGLE AFTER SUNSET

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**MUMBAI:** Authorities at Sanjay Gandhi National Park (SGNP) will move the Bombay high court by the end of November to seek permission to disallow entry of vehicles at Yeoor Hills, which abuts the national park, between sunset and dawn.

SGNP will file a revision application against the relief granted by the HC to the restaurant, Club Exotica, situated in Yeoor on September 23 this year allowing its patrons to bring in vehicles till 11pm.

Sunil Limaye, director, SGNP said: "Vehicles create disturbance for animals that venture out in search of water and prey. We want total restriction on entry of private vehicles in the park premises from 7pm to 6am. The land on which this resort is built comes under the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972. We (forest conservators) cannot allow commercial establishments to create disturbances for the animals," said Limaye.

A senior employee of Golden Swan, another resort in the area, said: "The surrounding villages are revenue villages (with definite surveyed boundaries) and are a part of the Thane Municipal Corporation. The land cannot be termed as forest land."

# Doctors, students turn helpers after 700 staff on strike at JJ

**PROTEST** Class III and class IV employees demand benefits of the 6th pay commission

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**MUMBAI:** Nearly 700 nurses, ward boys and helpers at the JJ Group of Hospitals went on a daylong strike on Tuesday protesting against the state government's failure to implement the benefits of the sixth pay commission.

The demands of the class III and class IV employees include clearance of dearness allowance (DA) for the last 35 months, increasing their retirement age from 58 to 60 and filling up of the posts, 40% of which lie vacant.

Patient care was not affected due to the strike, said Dr TP Lahane, dean of JJ Group of Hospitals that includes St George's Hospital, Cama and GT hospitals. "At least 10% to 15% staff was working besides the technicians. While around 100 routine surgeries were postponed, all the other departments including emergency were functioning properly," he said.

Senior and resident doctors along with medical and nursing students handled the patient care. MBBS students worked as attendants, liftmen and served food to the patients. Around 370 nursing students including those enrolled in BSC

**WHAT THEY WANT**

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nursing and undergraduates handled the work.

Besides, Pramila Thule, a public health sister registered a complaint against Kasturi Kadam, joint secretary, Maharashtra Nurses Federation for allegedly threatening her while she was going to attend her duty on Tuesday morning. "I was going to attend work but she stopped me and pushed me," said Thule. "We registered a case against the nurse for using criminal force to deter a public servant from discharging his/her duty," said Khanderao Patil, senior inspector of JJ Marg police station.

"The hospital will also conduct a departmental inquiry into the matter," said Dr Lahane. Talking about the staff's demands, Dr Lahane said that a total of 488 posts for Class III and IV workers are vacant.



■ MBBS students help patients as nurses, ward boys and helpers went on a daylong strike at JJ Hospital on Tuesday. KUNAL PATIL / HT

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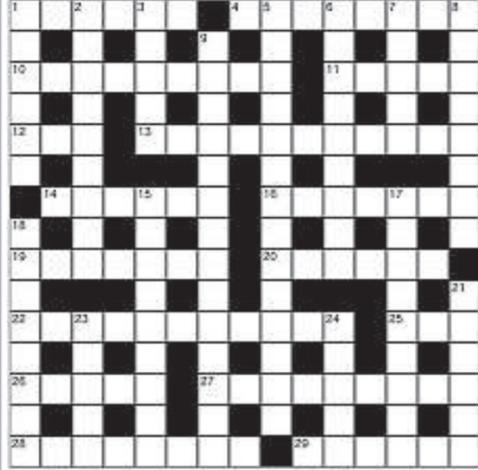
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CRYPTIC # 23147



- ACROSS**
- 1 Offer arm round for dance (5)
  - 4 Wonderful girl in charge, a sweetly-decorative thing (8)
  - 8 In bad debt case, wrong and right reversed by court, relative to David (6,8)
  - 10 Commit to pass inside (9)
  - 11 Bill, the villain, I misplaced in the heavens (5)
  - 12 Shabby cover for novel? No (3,3)
  - 14 No way lover boy lacks energy in this book (8)
  - 17 Duly pick at random here? (5,3)
  - 18 Almost certain to be handed information, having used Internet (6)
  - 20 One on hand shortly to switch flow of water (5)
  - 22 Big and powerful, head to foot — such signs of success (9)
  - 24 What singular loner operates, on the move? (8,6)
  - 25 Declining to give years to good books (8)
  - 26 Brought up soundly, but destroyed (5)

- DOWN**
- 1 The Bard's was lost: no reward for it (6,2,4)
  - 2 Defeated in game, but given match (5)
  - 3 Why peeps heard in kitchen? Bird could be (4-3)
  - 4 Just like carrier to be in the wrong place (6)
  - 5 Batsman's essentials may be locked in the car (8)

SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD 23146



With profound grief and sorrow we announce the death of our beloved

**Inder Mohan Thapar**

29/09/1918 – 15/11/2011

In sorrow:

Vikram & Jyoti Thapar  
Adarsh & Neena Saran  
Ayesha, Nitasha & Varun Thapar  
Ranjit & Priya Chaudhri  
Samir & Rinke Saran

Brij Mohan & Salochana Thapar  
Man Mohan & Tiny Thapar  
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for

Keoratala Ghat on Wednesday, 16/11/2011 at 12:00 noon

# Horror film comes under legal, religious scanner

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**MUMBAI:** The Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) on Tuesday registered a police complaint against the producer of the Bollywood film, 'Kaun Hai Waha?' for using a publicity poster that had not been cleared for public exhibition.

"The posters distributed and published by the producer did not have the clearance from the Indian Motion Pictures Producers Association (IMPPA)," said Pankaja Thakur, chief executive officer, CBFC.

Besides, catholic organisations, the Association of Concerned Catholics and the Cross Organisation, registered a case against the producer at Bandra and Mahim police stations respectively on Monday,



■ A poster of the movie 'Kaun Hai Waha?' ('Who's there?')

for hurting religious sentiments.

"We have registered a case against the producer under section 295 (A) of the IPC, which refers to deliberate and malicious acts, intended to outrage religious feelings or any class by insulting its religion or religious

beliefs," said R Desai, senior inspector, Mahim police station.

"A poster shows a man stabbing Jesus Christ under the captions, 'This Time Evil Will Win' and 'Expect the Unexpected Truth', which mocks Christianity. Another has the cross shown upside down," said Joseph Dias, general secretary, Catholic Secular Forum.

The censor board held a review screening of the film, scheduled to release on November 18, on Tuesday. Thakur said that the film's producer, Wasim Shaikh, withdrew the posters unconditionally.

"We apologised to the censor board and community members for hurting their sentiments unknowingly. The posters were submitted to IMPPA, but are still awaiting its approval," said the film's director Ejaz Ahmed.

**WEATHER FORECAST**

Mumbai... and the rest of India

**India later in the week**

City	Tue	Wed	Thu
Delhi	24/15/25	25/16/26	26/17/27
Chennai	31/21/32	32/22/33	33/23/34
Mumbai	30/21/31	31/22/32	32/23/33
Kolkata	29/20/30	30/21/31	31/22/32
Bangalore	28/19/29	29/20/30	30/21/31
Hyderabad	27/18/28	28/19/29	29/20/30
Jaipur	26/17/27	27/18/28	28/19/29
Lucknow	25/16/26	26/17/27	27/18/28
Patna	24/15/25	25/16/26	26/17/27
Dispur	23/14/24	24/15/25	25/16/26
Shillong	22/13/23	23/14/24	24/15/25
Imphal	21/12/22	22/13/23	23/14/24
Dehra Dun	20/11/21	21/12/22	22/13/23
Varanasi	19/10/20	20/11/21	21/12/22
Allahabad	18/9/19	19/10/20	20/11/21
Meerut	17/8/18	18/9/19	19/10/20
Delhi	16/7/17	17/8/18	18/9/19
Jaipur	15/6/16	16/7/17	17/8/18
Chennai	14/5/15	15/6/16	16/7/17
Mumbai	13/4/14	14/5/15	15/6/16
Kolkata	12/3/13	13/4/14	14/5/15
Bangalore	11/2/12	12/3/13	13/4/14
Hyderabad	10/1/11	11/2/12	12/3/13
Jaipur	9/0/10	10/1/11	11/2/12
Lucknow	8/0/9	9/0/10	10/1/11
Patna	7/0/8	8/0/9	9/0/10
Dispur	6/0/7	7/0/8	8/0/9
Shillong	5/0/6	6/0/7	7/0/8
Imphal	4/0/5	5/0/6	6/0/7
Dehra Dun	3/0/4	4/0/5	5/0/6
Varanasi	2/0/3	3/0/4	4/0/5
Allahabad	1/0/2	2/0/3	3/0/4
Meerut	0/0/1	1/0/2	2/0/3
Delhi	0/0/1	1/0/2	2/0/3
Jaipur	0/0/1	1/0/2	2/0/3
Chennai	0/0/1	1/0/2	2/0/3
Mumbai	0/0/1	1/0/2	2/0/3
Kolkata	0/0/1	1/0/2	2/0/3
Bangalore	0/0/1	1/0/2	2/0/3
Hyderabad	0/0/1	1/0/2	2/0/3
Jaipur	0/0/1	1/0/2	2/0/3
Lucknow	0/0/1	1/0/2	2/0/3
Patna	0/0/1	1/0/2	2/0/3
Dispur	0/0/1	1/0/2	2/0/3
Shillong	0/0/1	1/0/2	2/0/3
Imphal	0/0/1	1/0/2	2/0/3

**ALMANAC**

Today is 11th November 2011  
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Margaritida, Krishna Raksha 03  
Samadhi 20:04  
Saraswati on Wednesday 08:02 a.m.  
Saraswati on Thursday 06:47 a.m.  
Hastadip on Wednesday 11:07 a.m.  
Hastadip on Thursday 11:29 a.m.

Inner Voice

# Moment of realisation

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"But I have promises to keep/ And miles to go before I sleep..."  
—Robert Frost.

We travel miles for the realisation of our dreams. But it might not always be miles away... It can be within one's own self. It all depends on how well you plan your travel. Often it happens that you travel through side streets and by-lanes and then come out on the main road, back to the normal, civilised world.

It is like journeying from dreams to reality. Miles seem magical moments once we understand the reality. Dreams are not just about owning a bungalow, being rich and famous or flaunting a fleet of luxury cars. The ultimate dream is the dream of knowing oneself. The age old question hanging heavy on our minds has been, "Who am I?" Bulle Shah, the great Sufi saint and poet, questioned his own identity with 'Bullah ki jana main kaun!'

Once, sitting in a park with trees standing tall along the boundary, I was watching the sunset. The scattered clouds

over the blue canvas enhanced the colourful effect. I intently watched the sky change from blue to a bright orange. The clouds glowed and then darkened gradually.

I could feel my own self descending into myself as the natural slide switched hues. My heart repeatedly asked, "Who am I? What am I doing here?" I was travelling inside me like King Lear's journey within.

By the time I got up, it was dark outside but I knew I carried a light within me. I told myself, I have to spread this light. I am a speck of the glowing lamp of the Supreme Power. It is He who lends us the spark. I told myself, "I am a messenger who has to pass on the light to the whole world to preserve the sanctity of the soul, to protect it from the clutches of bewitching worldly chains." Finally, I had the answer to who I am.