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BUDGET SESSION HIGHLIGHTS: NEW PLAN FOR FUTURE SAVINGS!

The Budget Session of Parliament began on **22nd July** and will continue for about 22 days in parliament. During this session of parliament our elected members meet and discuss how to use the money that has been collected as taxes. Our Finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman, shared a special report which helped everyone understand how the country's money is being used and for what purpose. Leaders will make important decisions on how to help schools, hospitals, and other important services by giving them money to run efficiently.

One of the important things that our finance minister talked about is the special plan called **NPS Vatsalya**. This plan is like a savings account which parents and guardians can open for their children. It's a way of saving money for the child's future. The best part about this plan is that when the child grows up they can change the plan to something different if they want to. It's like having a piggy bank that can turn into a bigger bank account when you grow up.



GURU PURNIMA: HONORING TEACHERS ON THE FULL MOON!

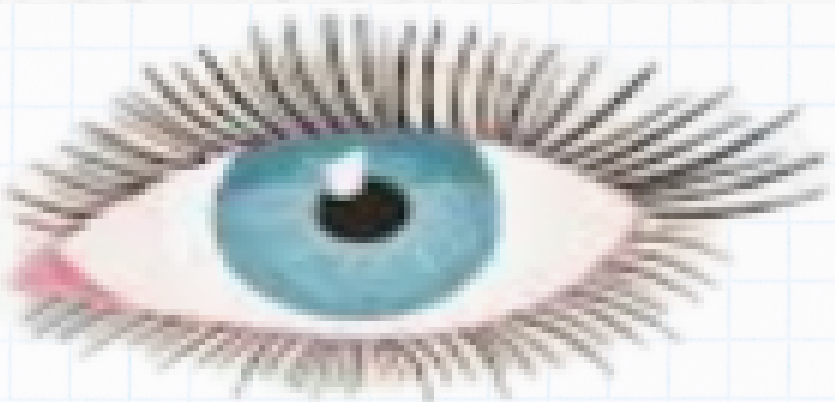


Guru Purnima is a special day in our country where people show respect and gratitude to their teachers and spiritual guides, known as "gurus." The word "Guru" means teacher, and "Purnima" means full moon. So, Guru Purnima is celebrated on the day of the full moon which this year it was on **20th July**. On this day people celebrate by honoring their teachers and showing appreciation for all the knowledge and guidance they have received. In schools and spiritual centers, special events are organized to honor their teachers. The celebration of Guru Purnima is also a time for people to reflect on the lessons they've learned and to seek blessings from their teachers for continued learning and growth. It's a way of saying thank you to those who have helped us grow and learn, both in academics and in life.

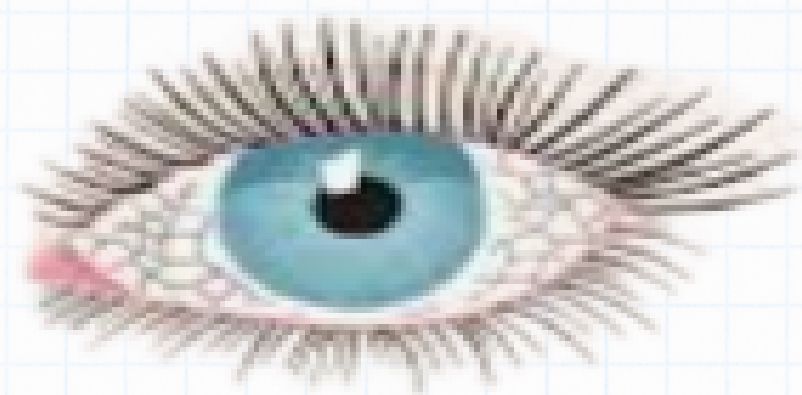
NEVER TAKE YOUR EYE HEALTH FOR GRANTED!

A recent study has found that many school children are getting a condition called **DRY EYE DISEASE** because they spend too much time looking at screens, **like computers, tablets, and phones**. Dry eye disease happens when your eyes don't make enough tears or the tears dry up too quickly. This can make your eyes feel uncomfortable and red, and it can even make it hard to see clearly. This study, about 90% of the kids checked had dry eye disease. The main reason being excessive screen time. Those with moderate to severe dry eye spent 60 to 70% more time on screens compared to others. To help prevent this, it is suggested that kids should spend less than 3 hours a day on screens. By reducing screen time and taking breaks, you can help keep your eyes healthy and comfortable.

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DRY EYE



THE DEMOCRAT PARTY NEW PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE (USA)



Kamala Harris is now the new presidential candidate for the Democratic Party. This means she will contest the upcoming election against Donald Trump to become the President of the USA. She has been the Vice President and has a lot of experience in government. Before becoming Vice President, she was a Senator from California and has also served as the Attorney General of California. The Democratic Party chose her because they believe she has the skills and experience to lead the country. With Joe Biden's support, Kamala Harris will now campaign to convince people to vote for her in the next election. If she wins, she will become the first woman and the first person of South Asian and African American descent to be President of the United States.

NATIONAL ELIGIBILITY ENTRANCE TEST: UNDER GRADUATE RESULTS APPROVED BY SUPREME COURT!

NEET-UG exams are a very important test for students who want to become doctors. This year the test papers got leaked right before the exams were conducted. Many people went to court as they were worried that the answers to the test might have been shared with some students before the exam, which would be unfair. So they requested the **SUPREME COURT** for the exam's cancellation, a re-test, and an inv-

estigation into irregularities. The Supreme Court took up the case and finally gave their valued opinion stating that there wasn't enough evidence to show that the leak was a major one that made the entire exam unfair. They declared that the results could be trusted and those children who cleared the exam were eligible to take admission in the medical colleges to become doctors.



TRAVELING BY TRAIN TO BECOME MORE FUN IN 2024

In this year's Railway Budget, the government is trying to improve trains and services across the country. They are making new tracks, more trains and even new stations.

Some Important pointers this year :

1. **New Trains:** The government plans to add many new trains so that people can travel to more places quickly and comfortably.
2. **Better Stations:** The government wants to make railway stations cleaner. They will add better facilities like clean toilets, waiting rooms, and food stalls in the stations.
3. **Faster Trains:** There will be more high-speed trains, which means you can travel long distances in a shorter time. Imagine reaching your favorite holiday spot much faster!!

