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**My child, follow your father's
instruction, and never forsake your
mother's teaching. They are ornaments like
a graceful flower garland on your head
and a pendant around your neck.**



The page features decorative line-art illustrations of lily flowers in the four corners. The background has a soft, watercolor-like gradient from light pink at the top to a deeper pink at the bottom. The title 'LORD'S PRAYER' is centered in a large, bold, dark red serif font.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in Heaven | Holy be your name |

Your Kingdom come | Your will be done |

On Earth As in Heaven ||

Give us today | Our daily bread, |

Forgive us our sins | As we forgive |

Those who sin against us. ||

Do not bring us to the test

But deliver us from evil. ||

For Thine is the Kingdom |

The Power and the Glory |

Forever and Ever || AMEN ||

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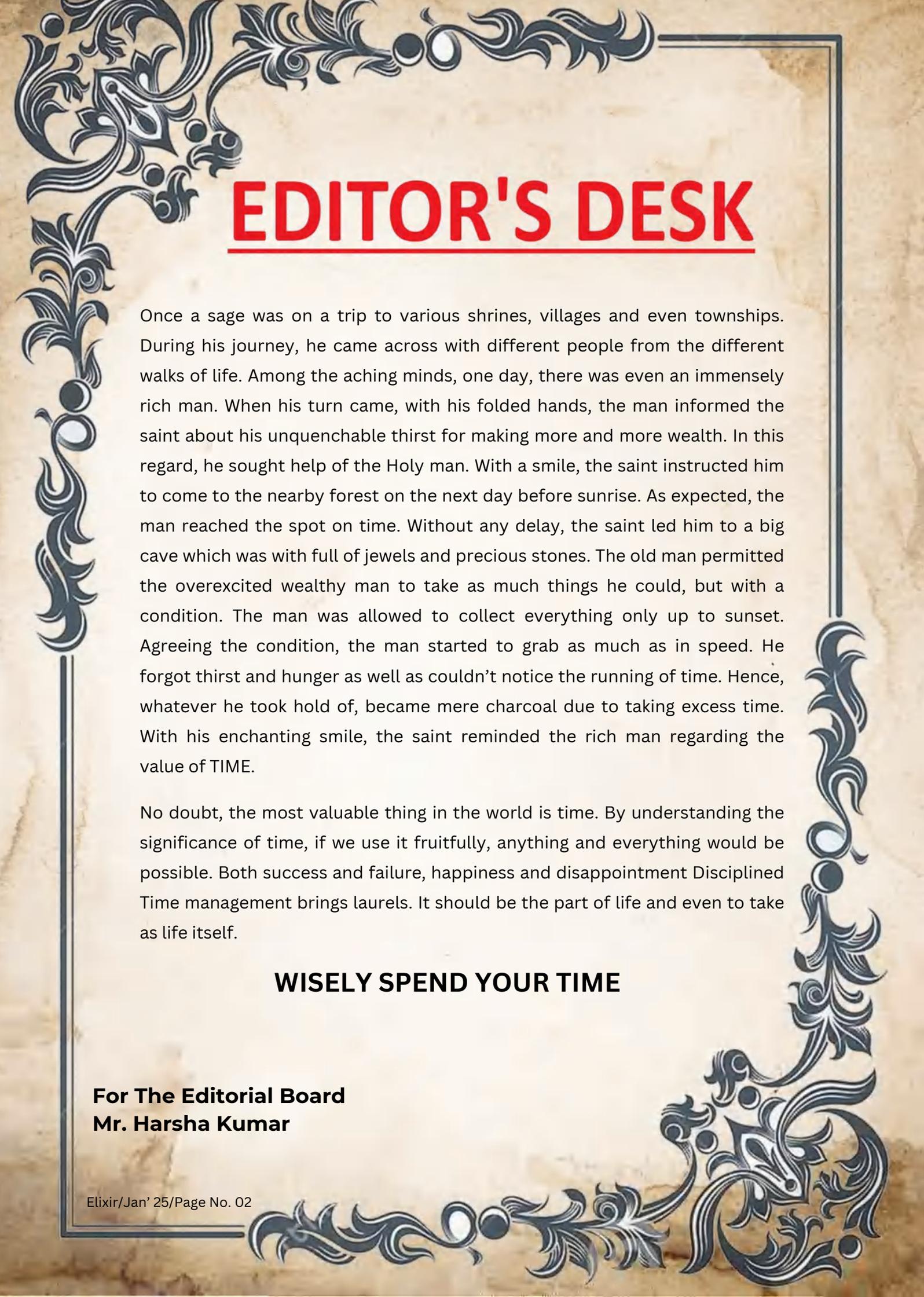


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EDITOR'S DESK

Once a sage was on a trip to various shrines, villages and even townships. During his journey, he came across with different people from the different walks of life. Among the aching minds, one day, there was even an immensely rich man. When his turn came, with his folded hands, the man informed the saint about his unquenchable thirst for making more and more wealth. In this regard, he sought help of the Holy man. With a smile, the saint instructed him to come to the nearby forest on the next day before sunrise. As expected, the man reached the spot on time. Without any delay, the saint led him to a big cave which was with full of jewels and precious stones. The old man permitted the overexcited wealthy man to take as much things he could, but with a condition. The man was allowed to collect everything only up to sunset. Agreeing the condition, the man started to grab as much as in speed. He forgot thirst and hunger as well as couldn't notice the running of time. Hence, whatever he took hold of, became mere charcoal due to taking excess time. With his enchanting smile, the saint reminded the rich man regarding the value of TIME.

No doubt, the most valuable thing in the world is time. By understanding the significance of time, if we use it fruitfully, anything and everything would be possible. Both success and failure, happiness and disappointment Disciplined Time management brings laurels. It should be the part of life and even to take as life itself.

WISELY SPEND YOUR TIME

**For The Editorial Board
Mr. Harsha Kumar**

WHAT IS THE BEHIND COVER OF A BOOK ?

A very famous saying 'Don't Judge a Book by its cover' inspires us a lot in our daily lives. It is not wrong to interpret a person by their outer appearance, but it may go wrong when our judgment reaches the fully miscalculated character of a person. As we know, everything that glitters is not gold. In the same way, a person who is good-looking, smart, or beautiful may not have a good, marvellous inner character.

Moreover, Shakespeare in some of his writings, also explained his views about this for that in this world almost all people have two characters—one public that they show to others, and another character meant only to be familiar to themselves. It is a very true and practically observed fact.

People who are very close to us are always jealous of our luxuries, our success, and many more aspects. These people can be our own relatives, our good friends, or sometimes our siblings too! Many people have a perspective that keeps your success a secret in terms of many aspects. It is very true and must be followed. It may be hard to know, but this is the truth that many people are never happy to see others happy. Moreover, some people feel it very relaxing and peace-giving when they see somebody facing problems.

Now, what about their miscalculated character? Yes, this is the biggest mistake that we make! We interpret people in a wrong manner. However, it doesn't mean that a person with a good outer appearance has a bad character, but we cannot ignore this statement too. The way of judging somebody is very effective in context to the character we build up in our minds.

Moreover, this whole world is full of judgmental thoughts and suppositions! The impression once created in our mind is very difficult to change, or in some cases, it is impossible. We know that first impression is the last impression. This statement can be interpreted in many positive and negative ways.

Most of the times, people get attracted towards the people who praise them, admire them, or in one word, act towards fake people. Sometimes the people are not what they appear to be. It is not wrong to keep the outer appearance as a base of judgment, but what if your base is only wrong? That is the point where everything relatable strucks.

Therefore, before judging somebody, one should think twice or thrice. Because throwing interpretations become the root of somebody's character in your mind, and it may always lead you to collect the negative aspects. It is important to find positive in everything as positive vibes lead you to have good relations with people. Adding to it, it may also lead you to indirectly change the wrong character of a person This is the only way to change a fake person's personality to a real one.

Once you start being good to people, you start sending your positive, good vibes to the people. It will automatically, but slowly, change the negativity, negative thoughts in the other person's mind.

Unemployment is a very big problem in a country. Sometimes, the wrong judgment also leads to this in some of the cases. Some Company owners are arrogant and self-centred that they ignore the skills of the person and give their decisions on the basis of the outer appearance of a person. So make your judgments correctly.

Moreover, talking about our beloved, close persons, in many of the criminal cases, it is practically observed that the culprits are our own close relatives/friends. At last, it is little humorous, but it is important to know that being judgmental is not wrong, but not giving a chance to other people to express themselves is not fair.

To conclude, appearance can be deceptive, so keep your interpretations crystal clear, and in case you are wrong, just a shift towards somebody may change the mindset towards somebody. At the end, always have a positive mindset!

People

In this world full of tragedies,
There is nothing more complex,
Nothing more mysterious than people.
People are like a river,
Ever-changing, always flowing ahead.

There are all kinds of people,
People who lend a hand,
People who become your shade,
There's place for everyone and everywhere,
Every colour screams its own grace,
Some people become your life story
While some end in just a page
People becoming enemies,
Fighting for love and fame,
Different people, different fantasies.
Different people and their different games.
It takes to travel a long journey through life.
To find people become your 'Home'.

Yet sometimes we find ourselves lost,
Like a wandering River,
Unaware of the awaiting sea,
Unaware of what it is and what it will be.
But like not every question has an answer,
Not every incomplete puzzle has a missing peace,
Not every key has a keeper,
Mess, is what surrounds us,
Mess, is what we call it,
Yet the most beautiful artwork-people.

Manmeet Kaur
(X Beryl)

All I asked The STAR

Me: What's the thing you never had?

The Stars: I have myself and I am glad.

Me: Who are you the most grateful to?

The Stars: The one who gave me life after death too.

Me: For whom do you always stay?

The Stars: For the one who want their secrets to say.

Me: Who do you think will love you forever?

The Stars: The darkness surrounding me that leaves me never.

Me: Where do you go when the sun rises?

The Stars: Somewhere being someone else's light.

Me: What's the wish you wish about?

The Stars: That everyone must have someone to heal their wounds.

Me: What do you like the most about stars?

The Stars: That they shine having deep scars.

Me: Do you see yourself as bound?

The Stars: I am busy seeing everyone safe and sound.

Me: How do you help someone anyway?

The Stars: When everyone leaves I always stay.

Me: What's the most beautiful thing in the world that dwells?

The Stars: The most beautiful is the world itself.

Manmeet Kaur
(IX-Zircon)

Deceptive Appearance

Appearance, an age-old concept, is often used to describe one's fashion. It describes someone's physical and outer appearance. But is it really appearance, or beauty, that truly matters?

In my opinion, it is not so; for how can we judge someone's inner intentions based solely on their physical appearance? Sometimes behind a beautiful face, an evil intention may lurk.

Many stories illustrate the true meaning of this concept. For instance, one of the scenes from the play "The Merchant of Venice" portrays the same concept. According to the scene, there was a contest to marry the princess. Princes from various nations participated in the contest and the contest was - to choose a casket containing Portia's portrait to win her hand in marriage. However, no one considered the humble lead casket, which actually contained the portrait, due to its unassuming appearance and all except Bassanio chose the golden casket, due to its beauty and appearance.

Some birds build their nests in locations that seem safe but fail to consider other factors like weather and predators that could harm their nests. They too are deceived by appearances.

A king once wished that everything he touched would turn to gold, given its value and allure. His wish was granted by the angel, but it ultimately proved to be a curse. However, his life became miserable as his wish was fulfilled; even his food turned to gold when he touched it. Unable to eat, he eventually starved to death. This fairy tale illustrates his greed and obsession with gold, which drove him to seek beauty and wealth above all else. Ultimately, his fixation on appearances led to his downfall.

Nowadays, makeup can create a beautiful appearance, but it can also conceal a person's true nature, hiding their flaws and imperfections. Perhaps the girl with the most stunning hair might be wearing a wig made from the hair of someone who has passed away.

In modern times, 'love' is often considered a passionate feeling, but its true meaning can be distorted. However, this is not genuine love; rather, it is mere attraction that we mislabel as love."

Marriage, according to old tradition is the last stage of life, occupying a major percentage of one's life. However, it is often based on appearance. A girl wants a handsome groom, and a boy wants a beautiful girl, but they rarely consider their compatibility with each other. They fail to see whether the person they will spend their life with is truly compatible. If they find a beautiful life partner, they are ready for marriage, but the foundation of such marriages is weak. These marriages may last for a short while but eventually crumble.

In older times, boys and girls were not allowed to meet before marriage, and their parents arranged marriages based on their Kundalis which were believed to predict long-term compatibility. However, even in these cases, appearance played a significant role. If someone prioritizes outer appearance, they are unlikely to achieve success in life.

I once read a thought-provoking poem that said attraction is born in the eyes and dies there, solely due to the physical appearance of a person.

Similarly, if job interviews or selections for prestigious posts like IAS were based solely on appearance, many deserving candidates would be overlooked.

The proverb "Never judge a book by its cover" aptly conveys this message.

Numerous short stories and online videos illustrate this point, but our own life experiences serve as the best teacher. Many people have made the mistake of prioritizing appearance, only to regret it later. While appearances may be important in some cases, we should prioritize understanding and connecting with others on a deeper level.

As the examples mentioned earlier illustrate, appearance can be deceptive.

**Ashna
(XI SMED)**

ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਵਿਭਾਗ

ਨਵਾਂ ਸਾਲ

ਨਵਾਂ ਸਾਲ ਨਵਾਂ ਸੁਰਜ ਚੜ੍ਹਿਆ
ਨਵਾਂ ਰੂਪ ਨਿਰੋਆ
ਜਿਹੜੀ ਰੁਲਦੀ ਸੀ ਮਿੱਟੀ ਪੈਰਾਂ ਥੱਲੇ
ਰੰਗ ਉਹਦਾ ਸੁਨਹਿਰਾ ਹੋਇਆ
ਧੁੰਦ ਮਿਟੀ ਚਾਨਣ ਫੈਲਿਆ
ਬੱਦਲਾਂ ਨੇ ਅੰਬਰ ਧੋਇਆ
ਪੋਹ ਮਾਘ ਦੇ ਦਿਨ ਨੇ ਚਲਦੇ
ਸੁਣਿਆ ਮੈਂ ਲੋਹੜੀ ਆਈ
ਬੈਠਾ ਸੀ ਮੈਂ ਧੂਣੀ ਲਾਕੇ
ਦਾਦੀ ਮਾਂ ਨੇ ਗੱਲ ਫਰਮਾਈ
ਦੱਸਿਆ ਪੋਹ ਰਿੰਨੀ ਤੇ ਮਾਘ ਖਾਧੀ
ਵੱਡ-ਵਡੇਰਿਆ ਨੇ ਗੱਲ ਚਲਾਈ
ਫਿਰ ਗੋਲੀ ਦੁੱਲੇ ਭੱਟੀ ਦੀ
ਕਹਾਣੀ ਸਾਰੀ ਉਸਦੀ ਦਾਦੀ ਨੇ ਸੁਣਾਈ
ਦੱਸਿਆ ਬਾਰੇ ਸੁੰਦਰੀ ਤੇ ਮੁੰਦਰੀ
ਜਿੰਨਾ ਦੀ ਉਸਨੇ ਇੱਜ਼ਤ ਬਚਾਈ
ਮਾਘ ਮੁੱਕਿਆ ਤੇ ਫੱਗਣ ਚੜ੍ਹਿਆ
ਚੇਤ ਟੱਪ ਵਿਸਾਖੀ ਮਨਾਈ
ਸੁਨਹਿਰੀ ਮਿੱਟੀ ਤੇ ਸੁਨਹਿਰੀ ਕਣਕ
ਸੋਹਣੀ ਫਸਲ ਸੋਹਣੀ ਖੁਸ਼ੀ ਲਿਆਈ

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ਸਾਡਾ ਵਿਰਸਾ

ਸੌਂ ਰੋਲੇਆਂ ਦੀ ਇੱਕ ਚੁੱਪ ਏ,
ਭਾਰਤ ਮੇਰਾ ਮਹੱਲਾ,
ਪੰਜਾਬ ਘਰ ਏ,
ਸਿਆਣੇ ਕਹਿੰਦੇ,
ਮਨ ਲੋ,

ਇੱਜਤ ਕਰਨ ਚ ਹੀ ਮਾਣ ਏ
ਟਿੱਕਾ, ਪੱਗ, ਟੋਪੀ ਸਬ ਵਿੱਚ ਮਾਣ ਏ,
ਕਲਲੋਗੇ ਤਾਂ ਵੱਧ ਜਾਊਗਾ,
ਹੁੰਦੀ ਮਾਣ ਚ ਹ ਜਾਣ ਏ,
ਵਿਰਸਾ ਬੜਾ ਪੁਰਾਣਾ,
ਹੁਣ ਨਾਂਹ ਜਾਵੇ ਖੁਸ ਕਿਤੇ,
ਮਾਂ ਬੋਲੀ ਹੁੰਦੀ ਏ ਮਾਂ ਵਰਗੀ,
ਆਵਦੀ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰੀ ਤੇ ਸਾਂਭ ਲੋ,
ਵਿਰਸਾ ਵੀ ਤਾਂ ਬਾਪ ਵਰਗਾ,
ਆਵਦਾ-ਆਵਦਾ ਸਾਂਬ ਲੋ,
ਸਾਂਝਾ ਵਿਰਸਾ,
ਸਾਂਝੀ ਬੋਲੀ,
ਸਾਂਝੇ ਹੋ ਕੇ ਸਾਂਭ ਲੋ |

ਅਰਮਾਨਜੋਤ ਸਿੰਘ
(ਦਸਵੀਂ ਰੁਬੀ)



हिंदी विभाग



उठ तू श्रृंगारकर

रसोई से परेजाकर
माँग में सिंदूरस्वीकार कर,
हक है तुझेसंवरने का
नित्य नए तूश्रृंगार कर।
उम्र छीन लेतीहै चेहरे कीरौनक
मत बैठ तूएसे हार कर,
नाकाम कर देतू हर मुशकिल
उठ जा शेरनीचल तू श्रृंगारकर।
तेरी जिम्मेदारियां खत्म होनेसे रही बैठ आईने सेबातें दो-चार कर,
लगतीहै नजर तो लग जानेदे
चल पहले तूश्रृंगार कर।
आँखों के कालेघेरे को दुत्कार
तू लंबी एकहुंकार भर,
तेरा अस्तित्व तुझे पुकारता है
गर्व से तूश्रृंगार कर।
लोग कोसेंगे तुझे तू होने पर
आँखों से तूउन पर प्रहारकर,
छोड़ कर सारेअगर मगर
घमंड से तूश्रृंगार कर।
लोग क्या कहेंगे तुझे
सरासर इससे इनकारकर,
खुला आसमान हैतेरा ठिकाना
छाती ठोंक करतू श्रृंगार कर।
तेरा लड़ना मायनेरखता है
तू बैठ मतयूँ हार कर,
लोग देखे तुझेमुड़ मुड़ कर
इस तरह सेतू श्रृंगार कर।
मन और शरीरके दागों कोआँख दिखा
खुद से तूप्रेम हजार कर ,
तेरी मुस्कराहट पर सब वार जाऊँचल उठ अब तो श्रृंगारकर।

मंजू आजमी
हिंदी विभाग

परीक्षा का भय

परीक्षा का समय है आया घबराहट सी है छाई
मन में हजारों सवाल उठ रहे
दिल पर भय की छाया छाई
पढ़ाई की थी मैंने खूब
दिन रात थी मैं जागी
सोचा परीक्षा के बाद ही पाऊँगी
इस भय से आज़ादी
पन्ने पलट कर ई किताबें मैंने पढ़ डाली
ध्यान में यही था सफलता के रास्ते पर मैं बढ़ जाऊँ
हर सवाल का उत्तर जानने की चेष्टा की ताकि इस भय
से छुटकारा मैं पा जाऊँ
परीक्षा का समय जब आया
मैंने अपना पेन उठाया
सोचा अब मेहनत से सफलता को मैं पा जाऊँगी
गलतियाँ हो सकती हैं पर हिम्मत ना हारूँ
जो मैंने सीखा है उससे सब पन्ने भर जाऊँ
परीक्षा का डर बस मन में था अब समझ यह आया
मेहनत और ईमानदारी से कदम आगे बढ़ाओ
नतीजा चाहे जो भी हो
नतीजे से न तुम घबराओ
क्योंकि हर प्रयास हमें कुछ नया सिखा जाएगा
परीक्षा का यह दिन मेहनत के बाद
एक अच्छा नतीजा लाएगा

पूजा गुप्ता
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परीक्षा - एक तैयारी

परीक्षा का समय है आया,
घबराहट सी है छाई,
मन में हजारों सवाल उठ रहे,
दिल पर भय की छाया छाई,
पढ़ाई की थी मैंने खूब,
दिन रात थी मैं जागी,
सोचा परीक्षा के बाद ही पाऊँगी,
इस भय से आजादी।

पन्ने पलटती गई कई किताबें मैंने गिन डाली
ध्यान में यही था सफलता के रास्ते पर मैं बढ़ जाऊँ
हर सवाल का उत्तर जानने की चेष्टा की
ताकि इस भय से छुटकारा मैं पाजाऊँ
परीक्षा का समय जब आया
मैंने अपना पैर उठाया
सोचा अब मेहनत से सफलता को मैं पा जाऊँ
गलतियाँ हो सकती हैं पर हिम्मत न हारूँ
जो मैंने सीखा है उससे सब पन्ने भर जाऊँ
परीक्षा का उर बस मन में था

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क्योंकि हर प्रयास हमें कुछ नया सिखाएगा
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कशिश
(दसवीं - जेड)









*Reading maketh a full
Man; conference a
Ready man; and
Writing an exact man.*

*Thank
you*

