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U.S. sets up new federal board to advise on 'safe, secure' use of AI



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The chief executives of OpenAI, Microsoft and Google are among the members of a new federal board created to advise the U.S. on the "safe and secure" development of AI. The board will help authorities combat AI-related disruptions that may "impact national safety," the Department of Homeland Security said. AFP

AI and I

Exploring human creativity in the age of generative artificial intelligence

Shrusti Mohanty

hen ChatGPT and her friends first came out, we watched them with amusement and curiosity. As the months rolled by, however, some of the excitement ebbed away, and debates about the impact of generative artificial intelligence (GenAl) on jobs took over boardroom and dinner table conversations.

I consider myself a reasonably early adopter of this new technology and quickly found ways to leverage ChatGPT. It was writing my malls, optimising travel plans, and suggesting recipes. I was also dabbling with its potential at my job as an HR professional.

Over time, however, I started feeling uneasy. There were news of people writing books using AI and creating extremely believable images and videos.

As someone who enjoys writing, blogging, and creating content for social media, I suddenly saw no relevance for my skills. Anyone could now write a three-page travelogue on Morocco or an intriguing short story about crows.

I found myself gripped by writer's block. GenAI was striking at one of the last bastions of humanity - creativity. I fretted over this for months, leaving a precious list of story ideas



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untouched. Then one day, I gradgingly sat down to chronicle a trip from July 2023. As the words flowed, it dawned on me that it is not a competitive race.

I write for my thoughts to find a home, to give life to a character living inside my head, and to harvest ripe plot points that I see unfolding in daily life. I wake up at 4 a.m. for the joy of seeing the first rays of the sun light up the lotus pond at Angkor War. I take a picture of that experience to record my story, for me to look back on it, as a memory of an experience.

I am learning to pursue

creativity for its own sake, not for recognition or accolades. In that pursuit perhaps I will learn to value this Ald (pun intended). Al can eliminate annoying speed bumps like finding the right synonym. It can assist in fact-checking to create more authentic and accurate writing. Ask, and it will deliver. The commonly found trees in Mysuru that should grow in your main character's backyard? Sure. The size of Lithwania versus Maharashtra to write an instagram caption? Coming right up. This will leave you with the time and space to do the creative heavy-lifting.

There are always new ways of doing things, that, with time, begin to feel natural and inherent. Our forefathers made a successful transition from quills to pens, from typewriters to kryboards. After all adapting too is a bastion of humanity!

பூங்கா ஒன்றில் கண்டது...

விடியோ கேம், ஸ்மார்ட்போனில் விளையாடு வதை தவிர்த்து இங்கு வந்து விளையாடினால் உடலும், மனமும் ஆரோக்கியமாக இருக்கும்.

–மா.தங்கா கண்மணி, செம்பட்டி.



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ஆனால் புத்தங்களை மாநிலம் ஐதாடாத்தைச் சேற்து கொள்ள புத்கா, நகாது சிறு மாதலில் ஒரு 'காட்டிக்கு கேட் அமைத்திருக்கிறார். இங்கு ஆமிறத்துக்கும் மேற்பட்ட செல்களும், பரங்களும் பூத்தக் அதாக்கில்றன, காட்டுத்துத் தம்றுகின்றன.

59 வழாதம் ஞ்சு, தனது மாடிக் தோடத்துக்கும் புடித்துகிடாமே ஓர். இளம்படன் குகிகிடுகிறார். விலாய வடுக்குதில் பிறத்த தனக்க, தோடம் சிலைப் நில் பிறம்பம் முதலே சிதலம். சிதனை சிறத்கான் எற்றும் மந்தான் விரை சிலையனில்லை வக்றுள் இவர்.

"நான் தற்போது மாயுத் நேலட்டுக் அமைத்துள்ள தற்றப்பது கட்டிட கடித்த (1900-ம் ஆண்டே வாக்கிட்டோம் ஆணம் அமைத்தின் கேளை வரணமாக செல்வளுக்கு துடாட்டு அமைக்க வாதிப்பட வில்வை. அம்பிக்களை நோக்கைக் கொல் வாட்டும், வறிகளை செயுகள் போல வாட்டும், வறிகளை செயுகள் போல வாட்டும், வறிகளை செயுகள் போல வாட்டிற்ற கலைக்கும், சிதுச்சுவர் வாட்டிறில் கலைக் செயுக்கி அருகள் மட்டுக்கி

டைந்த 2014-ம் ஆண்டு அறாகர்கில் உள்ள இந்த கிட்டும்து நால்கள் மறுப்பு சிறும்பின்றிறால், கடனவுள்ள நாள் இங்கு வாழ்க் தோட்டம், காவுகின் நக்கோரு, காவுக் இடிக்கும், படியல்குத்தி, வல்வைப் செடிகள் முடியுகின் அல்வகை செடியின் வாங்க வேண்டும் வல்வது வாழு கண்ணவன் இழிக்கும்.

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AI doubles detection rates for esophageal cancers

Scientists have developed an AI system that can boost detection rates for cancerous and precancerous lesions in the esophagus. Tested with more than 3,000 patients in China, the algorithm almost doubled detection rates for high-risk lesions during routine endoscopies. The new approach could enable earlier diagnosis and timelier treatment of early-stage esophageal cancer. Researchers harnessed the power of machine learning in real-time to allow doctors to detect high-risk esophageal lesions more reliably.

ISRO finds proof of enhanced possibility of water ice in polar craters of the moon

The Hindu Bureau BENGALURU

A study by Indian space scientists has found evidence of enhanced possibility of water ice occurrence in the polar craters of the moon.

The study was done by scientists of ISRO's Space Applications Centre (SAC) in collaboration with researchers of IIT Kanpur, University of Southern California, Jet Propulsion Laboratory and IIT (ISM) Dhanbad.

The study suggests that the amount of sub-surface ice in the first couple of metres is about five to eight times larger than the one on the surface in both



This picture, taken by Chandrayaan-1's terrain mapping camera on November 15, 2008, shows craters in the moon's polar region. ISRO

poles.

As such, drilling on the moon to sample or excavate that ice will be primordial for future missions and long-term human presence. Moreover, the study suggests that the extent of water ice in the northern polar region is twice that in the southern polar region.

The study confirms the hypothesis that the primary, source of sub-surface water ice in the lunar poles is out-gassing during volcanism in the Imbrian period. The results also conclude that the distribution of water ice is likely governed by mare volcanism and preferential impact cratering.

Accurate knowledge of the distribution and depth of water ice occurrence in the lunar poles, as presented in the investigation, is crucial for constraining the uncertainties in selecting future landing and sampling sites for missions aimed at exploring and characterising lunar volatiles. This study is crucial for supporting ISRO's future in-situ volatile exploration plans on the moon.

The many benefits of coconut



A paper published in 2014 by Uma Abuja et al., in the journal Asian Agri-History, points out that the coconut palm is considered as a native of Malesia, a bio-geographical region that includes Southeast Asia (notably India), Indonesia, Australia, New Guinea, and Pacific Island several groups. This paper deals with the history through archaeological, epigraphic, and historical records and its uses and related folklore. Cocomit has been recorded in archaeological excavations and epigraphic inscriptions in India - in scriptures of religious, agricultural, and Ayurvedic importance. Its multiplicity of uses has earned it epithets like the Tree of life, Tree of ahundance, and Kalpavriksha (a tree that provides all necessities of life). The authors point out that in addition to its food value, it has health, medicinal, and cosmetic benefits.

In India, eocomit is mainly grown in southern States - Kerala, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, and Andhra Pradesh. These states produce over 90% of coconuts. This is because these trees need a warm and sandy soil which is well-drained and nutrient-rich, a warm and humid climate, and abundant rainfall. North India, on the other hand, has a predominantly temperate climate, with cold winters and hot summers. The region also experiences distinct seasons with uneven



Kalpavriksha: in addition to its food value, coconut has health, medicinal, and cosmetic benefits. GETTY IMAGES

rainfall, which are not conducive to the growth of coconut trees. However, some Northeastern States, with their appropriate temperatures and rainfall, also produce coconuts, but they have a clayey soil, not ideal for the trees to grow.

Coconut occupies a spe-

cial and a higher place among the many articles used in religious offerings to god. It is used in religious and social ceremonies even in areas where it is not grown. Not an inch of the tree goes waste, and all parts are put to some use. Through its innumerable working utilities and direct uses as food, feed, and drink, cocomit has penetrated the cultural, social, religious, and lingual matrix of people of various communities. Coconut plays an important role in our daily life in South India. Every temple is decorated with coconut palm trees, its whole nuts are offered to the deity and the devotees are offered a bit of the nut and some coconut water given as 'prasadam'. No drink matches the cocoout water in freshness and health; it is just nectar! And no sweet can match the 'kozhukkatai' (or 'modak'), which is made from the 'meat' of the broken coconut! (It is the favourite of Lord Ganesha). Also, as a child grown in Tamil Nadu, I was forced by my grandmother to take an oil-bath every month, using castor oil, or



இயலாமை!

மீன்தொட்டி உடைந்ததும் துடிதுடிக்கத்துவங்கிய மீன்களை காப்பாற்ற இயலாமல் அறை முழுதும் புரண்டு புரண்டு அழுகிறது தண்ணீர்!





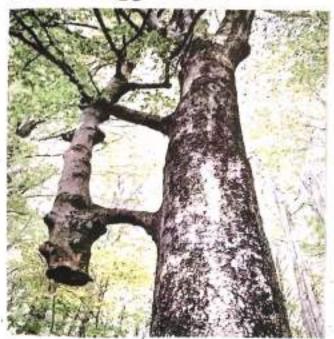
மனித சக்தியை விடவும், இயற்கை சக்தி வாய்ந்தது என்பதை நினைவூட்டும் விதமாக அமெரிக்காவின் நியூயார்க் நகரில் பிரத் யேக சிலை நிறுவப்பட்டிருக்கிறது.



மாற்றம்...

காடுகளை அழிக்கும் மனிதனை திருத்துவதை விட காடுகளை பாதுகாக்கும் குழந்தையை உருவாக்குவது சிறந்தது... குப்பையை வீசிபெறியும் மனிதனை திருத்துவதை விட குப்பைசுளை குப்பைத்தொட்டியில் போட குழந்தையைப் பழக்குவது சிறந்தது.. நடைமுறையை மாற்றி பார்ப்போம் மாறினால் மாற்றம் இங்கிருந்தே தொடரட்டும்..

மாயாஜாலம்



தண்டு, வேர் பகுதி இல்லாமல் ஒரு மரம் வளர முடியுமா...? 'முடியும்'. அதுவே இயற்கை யின் மாயாஜாலம். வேர், தண்டு பகுதிகள் இன்றியும், அருகில் இருக்கும் மரத்தின் உத வியால், உயர்ந்திருக்கிறது, இந்த மரம்.

A tree called poetry

Many are its branches and swinging from one to another is quite a delight

P.M. Warrier presentational.com

have a penfriend, sorry, email friend, who made it clear at the very cutset that she was a sworn enemy of poetry. "I hate poetry" were her words.

As a poetry-lover, I was stung, mortified. I knew people did not readily take to verse after their bitter struggle with it at school. I also knew hate, like love, could be blind.

It is common knowledge that intense hate can damage the mind. I had no missionary zeal to reform that poetry-hater. Yet I kept baiting her with a variety of simple poems from my numerous anthologies now a Robert Frost, an Edward Thomas, a Rudyard Kipling, or a

Thomas Hardy - and bided my time. Needless to say she finally bit. Now, she bombards me with poems she hunts up on the Internet!

Most folks shy away from poetry on the assumption that poems are hard to follow. That is only partly true. There are numerous poems that are readily accessible and can touch the lay reader emotionally.

Among the many definitions of poetry is this: emotions recollected in tranquillity. There may be some truth in this, as may be seen, for instance, in a poem such as William Wordsworth's I wandered lonely as a cloud (Daffodils) or Robert Frost's Stopping by woods on a snowy evening.

Consider the lines in this simple poem by George Crabbe: The ring so



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worn, as you behold,/So thin, so pale, is yet of gold./The passion such it was to prove,/Worn with life's care, love yet was love. How much the lines

Or, in a lighter vein, consider the anonymous poem Frog: What a wonderful hird the frog are/When he stand he sit (almost):/When he hop he By (almost)./He ain't got no sense hardly./He ain't got no tail hardly either./ When he sit, he sit on what he ain't got (almost).

And you laugh your head off (ulmost). Even poetry-haters can

possibly enjoy comic

verse. The English language is rich in that genre. The Oxford Book of Comic Verse contains over 500 poems! If one can enjoy those, one may eventually get to appreciate poetry.

Three compiled, by way of a novice's baptism in poetry, a few poems that I feel have instant appeal such as D.H. Lawrence's Piano, Edward Thomas's Adlestrop, Fleur Adcock's For a five-year-old, and Cecil Day Lewis's Walking

I have no brief to promote or popularise English poetry. I was myself not a poetry enthusiast until I bought a copy of the BBC's The Nation's Favourite Poems (1995), an anthology based on the results of a nationwide poll in Britain. And now I have quite a few anthologies to keep me going ad infinitum! Like a monkey, I keep jumping from one branch to another on the immense tree called postry:

What better can you hope for at 95?

Lessons we fail to learn

Wars, conflicts exact a heavy toll on people

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was only six, but I remember the newspapers that we pasted on the windows to avoid detection by enemy aircraft during the India-Pakistan war of 1965.

I was older at the time of the 1971 war between India and Pakistan and was a hosteller in Delhi. We blackened the dormitory windows and took turns at night to sound the hostel alarm in case of an air raid siren.

Later, I visited an Army officer, who was a friend of my uncle. He had lost a leg in the 1965 war. I saw the grim reality behind the sad expressions on the faces of the officer and his wife the price that many have to pay during wars cannot be counted in numbers.

Almost a decade and a half later. during my first posting in the Railways, I reached my maintenance shed one morning to find the staff agitatedly walking out of the premises. I was interrupted by my supervisor from trying to stop them. "Sir, please do not stop them, otherwise they will turn on you," he said. The Prime Minister had been assassinated and riots followed. My immediate senior had to take shelter with his family in empty oil drums. They were the fortunate ones.

The past 100 years have been tumultuous globally. We have witnessed innumerable genocides and wars. Each act of violence has its repercussions for the people who live through the harrowing period. Yet, the next generations either develop or at least pretend to develop amnesia when perpetuating the same atrocities on others in later years, seemingly oblivious to the fact that their life too is transitory.

William Wordsworth imparted a life-changing lesson. He said: Life is divided into three terms - that which was, which is, and which will be. Let us learn from the past to profit by the present, and from the present, to live better in the future.

Toiling away

Let's appreciate and support the workers that make our lives better

Balasubramaniam Pavani

abour is an integral part of production. Land and capital alone do not lead to production.

Young persons leaving their villages and home towns in search of jobs is a common sight these days. The pandemic highlighted the woes of migrant workers, who were caught between the devil and the deep sea.

The condition of the workers is miserable. They need money for their own survival and to send a part of it to their dependents.

Ler's spare a thought for the workers who battle it out in the scorching summer heat. The rainy season presents a different challenge altogether.

Delivery persons. electricians, painters, plumbers, masons, fruit and vegetable vendors, truck drivers, car mechanics, and many such skilled and unskilled



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workers serve us everyday. Without them our lives would be difficult.

These are works that can drain anyone physically.

For people employed in the unorganised sector, meagre wages do not allow the luxury of savings. Survival of the day

overrides the thought of future.

Age spares no one; it cannot be any different for the labour force. The weakening of the body poses a challenge in their lives, with nothing to fall back on. Dependency on others makes their lives miserable.

The salaried class have a steady income that paves the way for savings for their old age. People working in a protected environment may not fully realise the hardships of those employed in the unorganised sector.

We need to appreciate the contribution of these workers. Their lives should improve lust paying tributes on Labour Day alone would not suffice.



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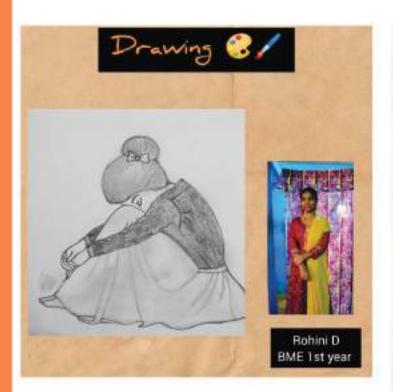
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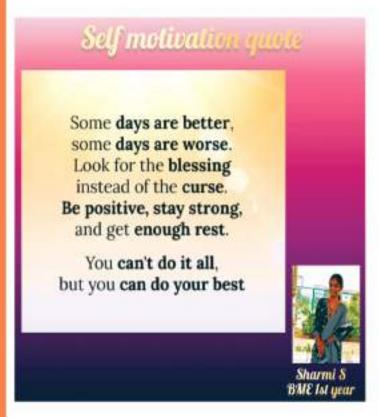


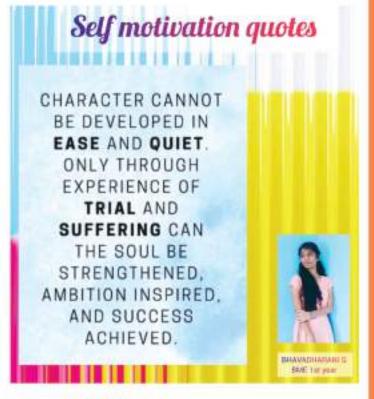




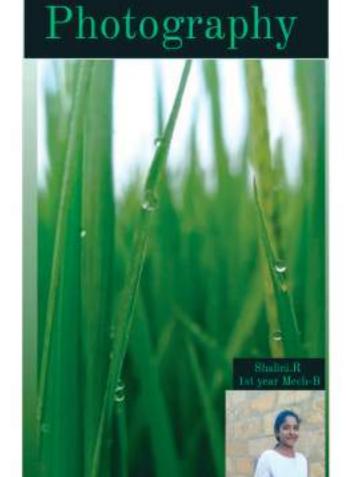














"DOG LOVERS"

Everybody loves dogs, isn't it?!

That soo chubby, fluffy dogs with a beautifully wagging fluffy tails, doesn't that feel so cute?

Have you ever looked into a stray dogs eyes, that holds a trillion stories hidden within.

From the story of a angry tea master's boiling water to the story on striving for food while healing their vehicle hitten wounds:)

In my opinion a person who loves and adores a beautiful dog.. ohh ohhh wait.. i think we have no rights to call any dog as beautiful or ugly.

How could a person who adores a dog that looks clean and groomed can be addressed as a dog lover, isn't that so pointless?!

Dogs are such an amazing creatures that gives love with no expectation of getting it back!

So please, if you call yourself a dog lover kindly stop spending money on buying dogs and instead spend that for feeding stray dogs.

With a strong notion,



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"QUOTES"

- Recall your failures to record your success.
- Keep the fire inside to make success by your side.
- Don't carry failures baggage on your route to success.
- Realise that fantasy is fantasy!
- > It isn't useless, If it's not important to you.
- Face a barrel of barriers to taste the success.
- Feminism isn't highlighting female, just demanding equalism.
- On finding others on your life will lose yourself on your life.
- Change the chances that change the chances of changing you.
- > The future 'You' should never fail to past 'You'.
- Something that's meant for you will never fail to find it's way to you.
- Don't try to fix everything cause things goes on a flow(as simple that) read that again...
- If it was yours, it will always be! But if it is not then it had never been or will never be.



"GIRLS"

I saw a meme lately that reads "Girls who tops in academics are ending up as homemaker. And boys who used to fail in academics are becoming famous personalities"

Isn't that funny...

Do you guys really think that a girl who worked hard to achieve in her academics would choose to be a homemaker herself.

I don't get the logic at all. What made you think that a women who is well educated prefers to be a homemaker????

And my point is why you guys blame the girl for being a home maker.

Nobody works hard like a fool for becoming a topper and to end up as a homemaker.

It's not her choice, it's her situation!

Please do understand that!

It's a social framework according to which most of the people act still now. A meaningless frame where men holds more responsibility of the finance and women take responsibility of the households. Why can't the responsibilities be shared equally or can be exchanged. I think that isn't a crime so far.

Request: (Think twice before you spit your words away!!!)



First year

"MENSTRUATION"

Ohh no.... It is not a subjectable topic to talk about in public. Oh really?? cause it's a secret I guess, right?! But I no longer care about your stupid superstitious beliefs. We girls are not supposed to go where we wish to, wear what we love to, speak what we think and do what we need. Being born as a girl is the only reason for us to go through this dump mythologies. Girls should never feel ashame for bleeding every month. You guys who doesn't even know why we bleed should feel ashame of it. Menstruation, periods, date & whatever you call, just understand its a biological process that is natural for every women and for which we should be very grateful.

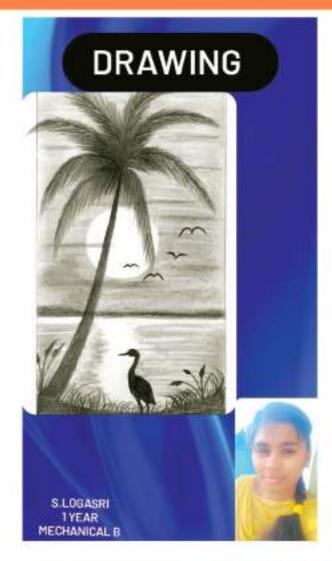
Stop believing the myths, stop restricting us from doing what we love to and don't stop us from being us.

Not asking for a fairytale, just for the common tale that every girl deserves:)



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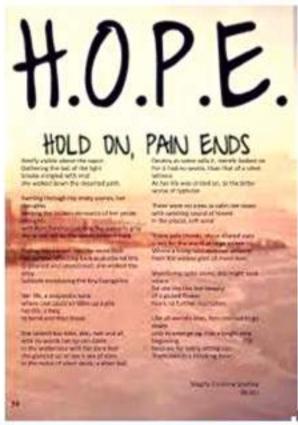
Maths, Maths, Maths!

Down with old Pythagoras And down with rotten maths. Down with Archimedes, And drown him at the baths.

If anyone had to do it I'd make sure it was me First I'd wholly immerse him, Then kick him up a tree.

When he had been disposed of, I'd turn on old Pythag I'd drag him through a holly bush, And he'd come out like a rag.

Now my pipe dream's over, And I've nothing more to say Except that Maths still lives on To be taught another day.





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Took this picture for the otp contest

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Flying in fashion

How do birds fly in a coordinated and seemingly effortless fashion?

Part of the answer about how birds fly in a coordinated and effortless way lies in precise, and previously unknown, aerodynamic interactions. mathematicians have found. The researchers found that flow-mediated interactions between neighbours are, in effect, spring-like forces that hold each member in place. However, these 'springs' act in only one direction and this non-reciprocal interaction means that later members tend to resonate or oscillate wildly. To replicate the columnar

formations of birds, in which they line up one directly behind the other. the researchers created mechanized flappers that act like birds' wings. The wings were 3D-printed from plastic and driven by motors to flap in water, which replicated how air flows around bird wings during flight. This 'mock flock' propelled through water and could freely arrange itself within a line or queue. The flows affected group organisation in different ways - depending on the size of the group.

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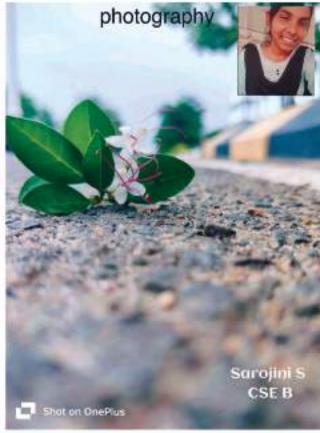


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