# STATETIMES

### MOVIE REVIEW

#### Article 370



Director: Aditya Suhas Jambhale Cast: Yami Gautam, Priyamani, Arun Govil

STORY: Zooni Haksar, an Intelligence Field Officer, is

recruited by the PMO Secretary for a classified assignment aimed at dismantling the conflict economy and combating terrorism in the Kashmir valley, just before the implementation of the abrogation of Article 370.

REVIEW: The film's storyline follows Zooni Haksar (Yami Gautam Dhar), an intelligence field officer, who is relocated to Delhi following a 'botched' encounter despite its success, as deemed by his superior. As the government moves to abrogate Article 370, PMO Secretary Rajeshwari Swaminathan (Priyamani) shoulders much of the groundwork. She assembles her team and appoints Zooni to spearhead the NIA operation in Kashmir. The journey to preserve peace and unity in the valley navigates through the obstacles posed by corrupt local leaders and militants.

'Article 370' attempts to evoke a sense of nationalism, taking creative liberties along the way. One fails to comprehend the necessity for Zooni to resort to impersonation to access amended documents from the J&K Secretariat, as accessing those documents could have been a straightforward job for her. Nonetheless, this film marks a promising debut from director Aditya Suhas Jambhale, a two-time National Awardwinning director, hinting that a lot can be expected from him in the future. 'Article 370' proves to be a worthwhile watch, offering enough substance to keep viewers engaged and invested.

In-depth Analysis Direction

## **BOOK REVIEW**

## Swallowing the Sun



Title: 'Swallowing the Sun' Author: Lakshmi Murdeshwar Puri's Publisher: Aleph Book Company Pages: 421 Price: 899

Review: Set during the freedom movement, Lakshmi Puri's Swallowing the Sun (Rs 899, Aleph) is about the encounter of India's national story with unknown individuals, the constant tussle between revolution and reform, encapsulated in the gaze of Malati, a girl from a Maharashtrian village who grows up to know the cost at which independence — for herself and her country — comes.

'Swallowing the Sun' is a powerful story about Malati, a brave young woman living during India's fight for freedom. Despite facing challenges, and all the while defying traditional expectations, Malati shows incredible strength and courage. With support from her forward-thinking father, she and her sister Kamala become the first women in their family to attend college.

Their journey takes them to Bombay, where political tensions run high. Alongside the struggle for independence, Malati experiences the ups and downs of everyday life—love, loss, and difficult decisions. Told in a beautifully engaging way by author Lakshmi Murdeshwar Puri, the book and Malati's story reminds us that even in the face of adversity, we can find the strength to fight for what we believe in.

## **GADGET REVIEW**

#### Motorola Razr 40



Rs 44,999 **Expected Price** Display (Primary) 6.90-inch Resolution (1080x2640)Front Camera 32MPRear Camera 64MP + 13MPRAM 8GB 128GB Storage 4200 mAh**Battery Capacity** Gorilla Glass Protection type Android 13 Wi-Fi Yes Yes, v 5.30 Bluetooth USB Type-C Yes Face unlock Yes Yes Fingerprint sensor Magnetometer Yes Proximity sensor Accelerometer

**Pros** 

Wireless charging

Colours

\* Premium and compact design, IP52 rating.

Vibrant pOLED folding display.

Large and functional cover display.

\* Good daylight camera performance.

#### Bright Moon White Cons

Azure Gray, Cherry Powder,

\* Heats up with camera use. \* Slow wireless charging.

## **VEHICLE REVIEW**

## Mahindra Scorpio N



Starting Price

Fuel Type Engine Displacement No. of Cylinders Max Power Max Torque Seating Capacity Transmission Type Boot Space

Fuel Tank Capacity Body Type  $\operatorname{Gear}\nolimits \operatorname{Box}\nolimits$ Drive Type Steering Type Steering Column

Front Brake Type Rear Brake Type Boot Space

Seating Capacity Parking Sensors USB Charger

#### **Pros**

\* Powerful Engines. \* Good ride and handling.

\* Comfortable seats.

\* Easy to drive despite the

Rs. 13.60 - 24.54 Lakh\*

Diesel 2198 cc

172.45bhp@3500rpm 400Nm@1750-2750rpm

Automatic 460 Litres 57 Litres SUV 6-Speed 4WDElectric Tilt

Ventilated Disc Ventilated Disc 460 Litres

6, 7 Front & Rear Front & Rear

#### Cons

\* Boot smaller than expected.

\* Cramped third row.

## Health and Lifestyle

## Parents of successful kids have these 5 traits in common



children's character from a young age.

They focus on their kids' sleep patterns

Clocking in enough hours of sleep is crucial and when you don't get that in check, it can prove costly for both the adults and the children. When kids do not get proper, quality sleep, they are more likely to lag behind, be less interested in learning things, fall into pressure or face chronic health troubles. Parents raising successful kids do not ignore this advice and pay heed to

They limit screen time It's not the biggest tech conglomerates who limit their

# ASTROLOGY

## WEEKLY PREDICTIONS 03<sup>RD</sup> — 09<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024



You might be in the mood to take a risk, especially around a matter of the heart. You might want to express your true feelings to a special individual even though you have no idea what they will say in response. Aries, you are an adventurer at heart. It's better to lay your cards on the table than go on wondering.

You're taking steps in the right direction



**LIBRA** 

wants to work on a project together or maybe coax you on a trip so they won't be alone. It could also mean that a friendship that was basically a casual acquaintance is now turning romantic. You may not have really noticed this person before, and now you can't get them out of your mind

Libra, it's quite possible that this friend

**TAURUS** 



Taurus, it's possible you're looking at your living arrangements and deciding whether you'll be staying. Now you're weighing your options and discussing with your family what they would like to do. The Universe could be signaling that it's time for a change. The decision you make today could inform a lot of the choices you make over the next few weeks.

**SCORPIO** 

OCT 23 - NOV 21

Scorpio, a new position could be up for grabs, and you can submit an application. A job-hunting website might push a notification that fits your qualifications. But you need to take quick action to secure this juicy opportunity. This might be exactly what you've been asking for.

Gemini, you have a fuller picture of a situation with someone close to you. Information could be coming from several credible sources. You might want to offer advice, but at this time this individual might not be ready to hear it. It could be like talking to a wall. Gemini, you are an excellent communicator, but today your message may not be heard.

**SAGITTARIUS** 



NOV 22 - DEC 21

**CAPRICORN** 

It isn't good for Sagittarius to be in one place for too long. Lately, you could be working a lot or finishing up the school semester. And while you might not be able to travel today, this is a good time to plan a trip. You could do something practical by preparing to return home for the summer. Someone from your past could psychically reach out to you. You're picking up their message loud and clear.

It's just coming a little sooner than you expect-



**LEO** 

First quarter moon in Leo bringing a financial opportunity. However, there's still work to be done. Cancer, you'll have to make the first move, which means you might have to make a sales call or set up a meeting with the prospective partner, which for some reason is easier said than done. It's time for you to recognize that any action you take at this point is better than no action.

Leo, this individual might be an influencer,

mentor or celebrity. It's possible you are sitting

next to them in a restaurant, see them in line at

the grocery store or you get introduced by a

mutual friend. This isn't the time to stay on the

sidelines or wait for this individual to come to

you. It's a good time to boldly step forward and

show this person who you are by being your true

and authentic self.



DEC 22 - JAN 19



First quarter moon in Leo bringing a financial opportunity if you're willing to step a little outside your comfort zone. Capricorn, it's possible you've heard about a new investment or a new way of investing, such as peer-to-peer lending or real estate crowdfunding. But before you take action, it will be necessary to review prospectuses or watch numerous instructional videos online.

Aquarius, you could get closer to someone special, but you'll have to adjust your schedule second pass.

JAN 20 - FEB 18

to accommodate their calendar. This could be a really fun date if you can just find a way to get together. Consider changing your schedule to show the other person how much you care and value their company. Someone you had a crush on in the past might be coming around for a

**PISCES** 



this will have to be changed later.



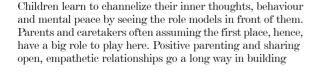
First quarter moon in Leo bringing opportunities connected to your job. It's possible that a new position is opening up that fits your skill set. Or you might have the opportunity to lead a high-profile project with some great team members. To secure this opportunity, you'll need to move fast. Pisces, this is not the time to



JUL 23 - AUG 22

First quarter moon in Leo lighting up your house of rest. Sometimes you have to insist on time to take care of yourself. Virgo, you're very helpful, and people around you are quick to ask for your help. Today, take a little time for yourself. You might be shaking your head because you know that Mercury is retrograde, and all of





time engaging in any activity with either of their parents

were found to have higher levels of oxytocin, which helps

promote empathy and help in their developmental charts.

on their future lives. A research conducted in New York

found that teenagers who shared a warm and loving

childhood can severely affect their self-esteem.

Children's relationships with their parents have a big impact

relationship with their parents (especially mothers) were less likely to fall into the trap of abusive or threatening

relationships. Any form of conflict or trauma experienced in

promote social interaction and encourages positive behaviour. Even simple things like eye contact, touch can

They are empathetic and less conflicting

aving kids is no easy feat

but raising your kids to be

\_successful and best of the

lot is even tougher. While parent

never really ends), experts and

researchers have now devised a

few common traits particular to

all parents who raise successful

They play and engage with their

If you thought to get your kids to

tant thing, think again. According

to experts and child psychologists.

it is equally crucial for parents to

form of free play every day. Doing

engage with their kids in some

this is excellent to boost their mental health. Children who spent

play outside was the only impor

children. Take a look:

ing, no doubt is a 24x7 job (which

Goes without saying, violence is never the answer to any thing and exercising brutal or corporal punishment, especial ly towards kids can have bad side effects on young minds. According to several studies conducted, children who have been subjected to any kind of violence, abuse or aggressive behaviour tend to be more at risk of mental health problems. cognitive issues, and emotional deficits. Worst, it also subjects your kids to risk of brutal injuries and health issues.

children's screen time. For raising successful, smart kids, it

is important that you exercise control over what your kids

watch, read or observe. In fact, a study conducted by the

hours in front of the screens have less functional or

They do not indulge in any form of violence

developing child.

Academy of Pediatrics found that children who spend long

developed brains than the ones who spent less time in front

of the gadgets. Safe to say, sitting in front of the screen for

long hours at a stretch is not good for the health of your