

## KHALISTAN RESURGENCE

-Kaezax Kholie, XII

The years between 1986 to 1988 marked a time when all those who had lived through those days and survived fear and terror reigned in Punjab. As a border state, it had lived through terrible times during the partition of India in 1947. The 80s saw Punjab caught in the Khalistan movement which demanded the creation of a separate nation for the Sikhs on the basis of religion and language. Political clashes, social unrest, loss of lives, of it, to 'Udta Punjab', the heavy narcotics consumption and tales of terror remain etched in red in the memory of amongst the Punjabi youth, a clear sign of simmering



to tell the tales. Punjab since then has moved on. Over the course of more than fifty years, Punjab became synonymous with 'Kesari', the army, and the legendary 'butter chicken'. It has its fair share of problems ranging from agriculture- the recent farmer's protest being proof amongst the Punjabi youth, a clear sign of simmering economic, and social issues. The 'Khalistan issue' however remained a nightmare relegated to the past with no-takers in today's Punjab. For a few among the Sikh diaspora abroad, however, the Khalistan movement and its desire for a separate Sikh state have survived in many incarnations. While the movement lost momentum in the late 1990s, recent incidents indicate a possible resurgence of the Khalistan movement. Unknown till even 6 months back, Amritpal Singh, descended on Punjab from Dubai. The 29-year-old, a self-professed follower of the slain terror-kingpin Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale, took up the reigns of a lesser-known Sikh separatist group, ' Waris Punjab de'. He styled himself after Bhrindranwale and now projects himself as his heir, both in approach and ambition. Traversing the length and breadth of rural Punjab,

Singh's attempt to draw the youth into Sikhism rings well with the people but his cries for violence, do not. An uproar broke out on February 23rd of this year when hundreds of Singh's supporters clashed with the police outside the Ajnala police station, near Amritsar. They were calling for the release of Singh's aide, who had beeninternational community. In a region with a difficult detained in connection with a kidnapping case. This was past and festering internal issues, the state and Punjab's second such attack on the police in a fortnight. Incidents such as these are being connected to the rebirth of the movement, evoking a question of whether the Khalistan movement will rise again. While some experts believe that the movement's revival is unlikely

> In Prison

-Aanya Paul Sarkar, X

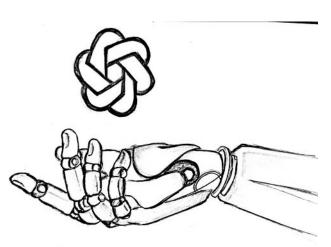


The AAP announced on Tuesday that a money laundering investigation into the Delhi excise policy had to be launched after Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia turned down the BJP's invitation to join it, in order to clear his name of any wrongdoing. The Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) continued, 'Sisodia is ready to go to jail but he will not bow down before the BJP'. Sisodia has been taken into custody for the implementation of the now-canceled Delhi liquor strategy for 2021-2022. As Kejriwal's right hand man, Sisodia handles over a dozen ministries starting with education to PWD. Despite being the Chief Minister, all that Kejriwal handles is his own ambition to be the PM. Sisodia's it absence will be a jolt for the Delhi model of governance and Kejriwal's fast track ambition will face a major hurdle. Things do not seem to promising for Manish This Sisodia either who is in all likelihood in for a long haul and will be spending Holi behind bars after all and leaves it

to succeed, others argue that the current political climate is conducive to it, with the AAP government choosing to stay completely silent over the growing tensions. The Khalistan movement's resurgence in Punjab is a matter of concern for both India and the the central government must work in tandem to bring peace and harmony to a community who are, an d remain an indivisible part of India.

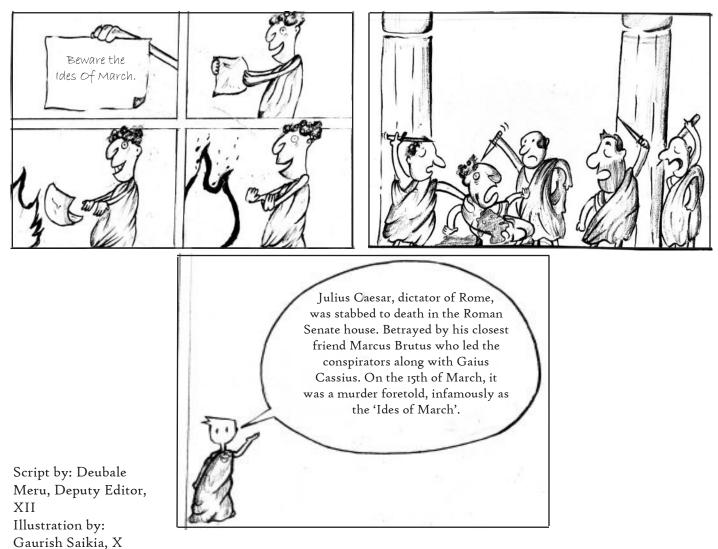
Chat

-Tanveer Ahmed, X



ChatGPT is an impressive language model developed by OpenAI that is revolutionizing the way we interact artificial intelligence. With the ability with to understand natural language and generate humanlike responses, ChatGPT can carry out conversations that are almost indistinguishable from those with a human being. This powerful tool has numerous applications, from customer service chatbots to virtual personal assistants. It has the potential to significantly improve the efficiency and effectiveness of communication between people and machines, making interactions more seamless and intuitive.As the technology continues to develop, it is exciting to imagine the endless possibilities of ChatGPT and how will shape the future of human-AI interactions. From research work to writing books, from poetry to advertisement, it seems ChatGPT can do it all. article was written on ChatGPT. It lays question the future of journalism to debate and discussion. open to

## TODAY IN HISTORY: 15th N



### Brokering Peace

-Zaheen Shah, X

After a year into the war between Russia and Ukraine, new plotlines and characters keep making entry in the form of 'mediators'. China with its pro-Russia stance, recently released a 12-point plan calling for ceasefire. The global frontline point out however that while it seems like China finally wants Saudi Arabia also backs Russia and had played mediator something good for the world, they still refused to use the word 'invasion' or blame Russia for the crisis. While India has faced criticism for refusing to openly criticize Russia, PM Modi on multiple instances has stressed that 'this is not the time for war'. India's

mitigation bore fruits allowing the grain stockpile in Ukraine to be shipped to countries across the globe. The Minister of Foreign Affairs of Saudi Arabia paid a surprise visit to Ukraine recently with new agreements, including free oil to Ukraine as aid. It is to be noted that in the past by helping in a successful prisoner exchange back in 2022. Whether or not the diplomatic moves of these countries bear fruit in Ukraine, there is no doubt that brokering peace in the region is on the priority list.

#### **Campus** Caricature

Fast and the Furious

-Ssara Jha, XII



# CAMPUSNEVVS

Bird watching and Photography Workshop

Glimpses from Lower School cdt Exhibition



The 230-acre AVS campus is a haven for both migratory and non-migratory birds. In order to celebrate and build awareness in the community towards the preservation and conservation of this rich bio-diversity, a bird-watching and photography workshop was conducted at The Assam Valley School under the aegis of the AVS Environmental Studies Department from the 28th of February to the 2nd of March 2023. Exhibition The resource person was Mrs. Anu Parthasarathy from Bengaluru. Mrs. Parthasarathy is a well known wildlife conservationist. According to Mrs. Parthasarthy, 'It was great to see the students and staff members participate enthusiastically and get curious to learn about the birds in their environments'. The team of students and teachers identified 46 species on campus over the 4 days of bird walks. It was an enriching experience and drilled the privilege and responsibility of living home in a green community like the school campus.



## Glimpses from Lower School Art



AVE, Saturday, 18th Mar

#### WOMENS DAY

On the 8th of March, to commemorate Woman's Day, Dr. Hemashree Deka in collaboration with the AVS Staff Club, organized a session on mental and physical wellbeing for AVS's female utility workers. The audience was addressed by Dr. Parinita Goswami and Dr. Dimple Boruah. Mrs. Ritu Jugran, was the Chief Guest for the occasion and spoke on the importance of women's empowerment. She also gave out gifts to the invitees.



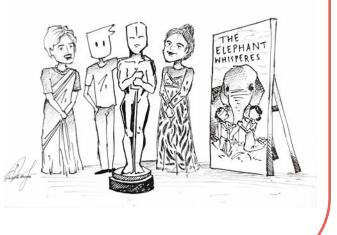
#### MEGHALAYA INTER DISTRICT CRICKET TOURNAMENT

We are delighted to share that Soham Agarwal, D/4138, of Class 8, a talented young cricketer of the AVS Cricketing Club, has been selected to represent Shillong Cricket Association's U-15 cricket team for their upcoming Inter-District Cricket Tournament scheduled from 9th of March 2023.



# THE OUTPOST

The city of Bakhmut faces Russian backlash even as Ukraine acquires German tanks to further its cause. Russia cannot relent and the USA will not let Ukraine relent. China brokers a deal between warring Iran and Saudi Arabia hoping to create a power nexus to challenge America and secure for itself a well of oil. BJP retains the North-East in the assembly elections yet again reinstating the genius of Hemanta Biswa Sarma. The country erupts in celebration as RRR and the Elephant Whisperers win big at the Oscars 2023. The best original score has Hollywood dancing to its tune.



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#### Ripple #203

-Ansala Phurailatpam, XII White toga illuminated by the dark red of blood, Seventeen knives to Ceasar's back. But nothing more sharp than the glint of betrayal, Glistening in Brutus' eyes. With a friendly condolence, he whispered, "Caesar, Beware the Ides of March."

## Tongue Of Slip!!

 "Why dirty going do me?" - Kemo Dulom, XII (You have been grounded.)

- 2. "I was about to fall for five times." Ssara Jha, XII (Romantic. )
- 3. "I hair the way my love feels." Abhishree Keshari, XII (POV: How to love yourself.)

4. "My hands feel like tear apart." -Nabadeep Deka, XII (When your hands don't work like it used to before.)

"I do academic captions multiply." -Siddhi Gupta, XII (A hard-working multi-tasker, I see.)



-Awanya Jasasaria, XII

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