

# Apna Ashiana

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## Ashiana Umang, Club House Ready

## From the Desk of the Jt. MD

Dear Friends,

The last year has been really tough on the sales front, but we did well on other fronts. We delivered a lot of homes that were all of a better quality, and on time. We also completed work on six clubhouses at an earlier stage of the construction cycle. All this was possible because of superior planning and execution. And winning the NDTV award for Best Budget Housing for Ashiana Dwarka, Jodhpur was an acknowledgement of that effort.

850 Ashiana units were rented out during the past 12 months. We continue to do our best to offer an enhanced lifestyle to our residents, for example, at Ashiana Town, we have tied up with a coaching company to help our children learn badminton, tennis and swimming.

On the CSR front, we received three awards. We upgraded facilities at government schools and trained more than 300 labourers. I would also like to thank our Ashiana Supermoms in Bhiwadi who teach the kids at Ashiana Phoolwari Schools.

The real estate sector looks set for a revival thanks to the numerous initiatives taken by the government. Home loan rates are the lowest they've been in ten years, the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana is giving a subsidy on loan interest to first-time home buyers with an income level up to Rs. 18 lakh and RERA will improve transparency in real estate deals. At Ashiana, we have ready-to-move-in properties so customers will not have to pay service tax. Looking at all the above, I am very positive about the coming year!

Always keep smiling!

## In This Issue...

### **Awards Galore!**

Ashiana has been honoured with prestigious awards from CREDAI, NDTV and CIDC in the last quarter.



#### **Festive Celebrations**

Festivals brought gaiety and cheer to all projects on Holi, Janashtami, and Sankranti.



Vrinda Gardens, JaipurMore than 50 families residing in Phase1 are enjoying the facilities and lifestyle.



## Corporate Communiqué



From left: Mr. Ankur Gupta, Jt MD, receives the NDTV Award for the Budget Project of the Year; Mr. Vishal Gupta, MD, receives the CREDAI CSR Award; Mr.RP Srivastava and Mrs. Sunita Arora, CSR Department, receiving CIDC Vishwakarma Award

### **NDTV** Award for Ashiana

Ashiana's Dwarka project at Jodhpur was awarded the Budget Project of the Year at the NDTV Property Awards 2016. Jt. MD Mr. Ankur Gupta received the honour on behalf of the company at the presentation ceremony in Mumbai.

### **CSR** Accolades

Ashiana has been awarded the CREDAI CSR Award for 2016-17 in the education category (establishing of schools, educational institutions and educational facilities). Ashiana also won the CIDC Vishwakarma Achievement Award for 2017 for Construction Skill Development.

## Ashiana's Supermoms

Recognising the key role that mothers play in all our lives, Ashiana has launched a Supermoms programme to help them unleash their potential for building a higher quality of life. More than 300 of Ashiana's resident moms across Bhiwadi are participating. They are organising activities like donation drives, conducting sessions on yoga, Zumba, self-defence and naturopathy, and are providing diet consultations, health check-ups, beauty tips and cooking classes. They have also been active in teaching English to maintenance staff, in helping them open



Marathon men Vivek Ganjoo and Santosh Kr Sharma; Staffers gather for a daily laugh

bank accounts and in acknowledging their good work, further improving their motivation. As an expression of gratitude and appreciation, participating moms have been presented with Supermom nameplates for their homes.

### **Facebook Live**

Immediately after the declaration of the Budget, Ashiana's digital team organised a live Facebook session with Mr. Varun Gupta about its impact on the real estate sector. Use this link to see the video: https:// www.facebook.com/ashianahousing/ videos/1226873550701395

#### Ashiana's Proud Marathoners

Ashiana's Vivek Ganjoo successfully completed the full marathon of 42.195 kilometres in 4.52 hours at the Mumbai Marathon this year. He has been running half marathons since 2010 and has



Holi Milan: More than 50 staffers gathered together at Head Office to enjoy Holi Milan with five teams participating in an Antakshari contest. Music and good cheer filled the room with Team Rangeela (Mr. Vijay, Muskan, Nitin and Abhitej) emerging the winners

motivated many people from Ashiana into running. Inspired by him, Santosh Kumar Sharma who had also been running half marathons, this year successfully completed his first full marathon in 6.10 hours at the IDBI Marathon in Delhi. We are proud to have both in the Ashiana family – they are truly the Marathon Men of Ashiana.

#### Happy Mornings

Ashiana's Bhiwadi branch office rocks with the sound of riotous laughter every morning. All staffers gather and laugh out loud together for a minute daily — it provides great energy for a bright start to the working day.

### Books & Beyond

Books & Beyond is the new name for the Ashiana Book Club. This better reflects the club's efforts to promote learning beyond books. A book quiz on *The Alchemist* by Paulo Coelho saw active participation by teams from Engineering: Santosh Sharma & Rohit Mishra; and Architecture: Jitin Gupta & Sameer Kumar.



Supermoms from Ashiana Aangan, Bhiwadi organise activities like donation drives, and conduct sessions on yoga, Zumba, self-defence and naturopathy

## **Training & Development**



A Shuttering batch has started at Ashiana Tarang, Bhiwadi; Training sessions were also organised for Maintenance staffers on Tile Laying by the Contractor team at Ashiana Anantara, Jamshedpur

#### **Training Sessions**

Training and development activities this quarter were organised as usual across departments and the organisation.

Sales Team Training – Continuing on from Salto Dee Fe's earlier training, one more session was organised on internal construction processes and facility management for all AMs and Sales Managers. They will be sharing their learnings with teams at their respective projects.

**HR Training** – Teams of 15 HR people were brought together and trained on revised HR policies and best HR practices in the industry.

Maintenance Training – Maintenance training was organised at Ashiana's Jamshedpur, Bhiwadi, Jaipur and Jodhpur branches with staffers being given tips on the KYC process (Know Your Colour- Project Audit) and preventive maintenance.

Employee Self Service Portal Training -To provide help to employees whenever they want, self-help videos were created on handling payroll software (Employee Self Service); how to apply for leave; the process of applying for a compensatory off; leave cancellation and the attendance regularisation process.

#### **Annual Coaching**

**Executive Team Coaching** – All Executives went for annual session by our Business Coach Lawrence Kevin at Dubai.

**Knowledge Sharing** – As part of sharing knowledge from books, the Executive team were presented copies of the book *Getting To Yes* by Roger Fischer and William Ury.

Healthy Lifestyle for Women – The HR Department has developed several new methods for internal engagement in the last quarter. A health talk by Dr Morepen was organised on Women's Day.

### Skill Training

For this quarter, three new Skill Training batches saw a total of 53 participants in training programmes for Shuttering and Bar Bending at Sohna and Bhiwadi.



Teams from HR got together in groups for their ongoing training in best practices



Distribution of CIDC Certificates to trainees of Tiles Grouting batch at Vrinda Gardens, Jaipur; Distribution of training tool kits to trainees at Ashiana Tarang, Bhiwadi

## **Core Values**

## Going the Extra Mile



S u p e r v i s e r (Electrical Engineer) Ashiana Tarang, Mr.Devender Singh stepped forward and took responsibility

when arrangements for a corporate event fell through and arranged lights, tents, and a DJ through his personal contacts at the last minute, Going the Extra Mile to help make the event successful.



Despite a fractured leg, Supervisor Ramesh Singh personally went to his contact in the

bank to withdraw cash enabling a contracted labourer to reach home to grieve his mother's loss despite the severe cash crunch at the time. This was truly a case of Going the Extra Mile.

## **Corporate Social Responsibility**

## Holi

Holi brought a splash of colour to all Phoolwari schools as children celebrated the joyful festival across Ashiana projects



Holi celebrations at Ashiana Phoolwari, Lavasa



## PHOOLWARI SCHOOLS.

## Merit Awards

We are proud to share that three Phoolwari school children from Ashiana



Presenting laptops to merit students

## **Outdoor Visits**



Phoolwari students of Ashiana Navrang, Halol enjoyed the festival of colours



Holi celebrations at Vrinda Gardens, Jaipur; and at Ashiana Town, Bhiwadi

Town, Bhiwadi who moved on to the Government School at Thada village for their senior education were provided a laptop each for scoring more than 80 percent in Class 8 by the Sub Divisional Magistrate, Alwar. Awards were given to the hundred best children from 33 districts of Rajasthan state.

## Special Initiative

During the winters a special initiative was taken up by Mrs. Vandana Maurya, resident of Ashiana Navrang, Halol along with other residents to help children





Phoolwari visits to Nahargadh Wax Museum, Nahargadh Fort and Jal Mahal at Jaipur



Phoolwari children visited the Tijara temple at Bhiwadi; the Kalaneri Art Gallery and the Academy of Fine Arts, Jaipur; and the lovely lake at Lavasa



Republic Day was celebrated by all staff and children throughout Phoolwari schools across Ashiana projects. A variety of cultural programmes were organised.



Republic Day celebrations at Phoolwari, Vrinda Gardens, Jaipur



Republic Day celebrations at Phoolwari Ashiana Town, Bhiwadi



Phoolwari students of Ashiana Navrang, Halol celebrated Republic Day by singing national songs and enjoying sweets after flag hoisting

## **Corporate Social Responsibility**



A drawing session in progress at Vrinda Gardens, Jaipur; Phoolwari children display posters on the importance of water at Ashiana Tarang, Bhiwadi and at Ashiana Umang, Jaipur

studying in Phoolwari and needy ones with woollen clothes, sweaters and blankets. Everyone appreciated her efforts towards society and decided to do such things on a regular basis in Halol.



A flower mask prepared by Phoolwari children at Ashiana Town, Bhiwadi; Posters on plants at Ashiana Town, Bhiwadi

## World Water Day

World Water Day provided Phoolwari children an opportunity to learn about the importance of fresh water and sustainable water use and to celebrate the importance of water in everyday life.

#### All About Plants

Instructors used the school landscape at Phoolwari schools to connect kids to the world of soils and plants. They were

## Health & Hygiene



Poster making on cleanliness at Ashiana Umang, Jaipur



Polio drops and hair cutting of Phoolwari children as a part of health and hygiene at Ashiana Umang, Jaipur

able to watch how a seed germinates and forms a plant from seeds they had planted themselves. Story telling sessions helped children understand the importance of trees and the negative impact of tree felling on the environment and ecology.

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## Welcome to Ashiana

Ravi Kumar Goel, Senior Manager (Accounts), H.O

Kailash Chand Gaur, Electrician, AMS Jaipur

Narendra Kumar Sharma, Electrician,

Sharma, Elecure AMS Jaipur

Sanjay Kumar, Plumber, AMS

Jaipur

Rajan Kumar Kushwaha, Plumber

AMS Jodhpur



Kunal Srivastava Manager (Accounts), H.O



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Ritu Raj Sharma, Plumber, AMS Jaipur



Prashant Singh, Electrician, AMS Jodhour



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Ashutosh Dubey

Executive (Sales) AHL Bhiwadi



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Krishan Kuma

Kanhaiya Lal Chaurasiya, Electrician, Brhambhatt, Mason, AMS Jaipur AMS Jaipur

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Rohit Kure, Mason, AMS

Jodhpur



Naveen Bhandari, Plumber, AMS Jaipur Pankaj Kumar Ram, Plumber, AMS Jaipur



Shakir Khan Plumber, AMS Jaipur



Samiksha Bansal, Assistant Manager (Legal)



Dharamveer Meena, Executive (Labour Welfare), AHL Jaipur

Pankai Thaku

Plumber, AMS Bhiwadi.



Krishan Kun Plumber, AMS Jaipur



Rahul Kumar, Electrician, AMS Jaipur



SonSingh Ghritlahare, Mason, AMS Jaipur



Satyendra Yadav, Technical Officer (Estate)



Dilip Kumar, Mason, AMS

Jaipur

Lal Chand, STP Operator, AMS Jaipur

A. Jaison, Assistant Manager (Purchase), AHL Chennai



Dinesh Kumar Verma, Electrician, AMS Jaipur



Manish Kumar, Electrician, AMS Jaipur



Raju lal Dhanda, Electrician, AMS Jaipur



Suresh Choudharv. Mason AMS Jaipui





Rakesh Yadav, Electrician, AMS Jaipur

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Vinod Sinah Flectrician AMS Jaipur



Ram Prakash Sah, Mason, AMS



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Executive (Sales), AHL Pune





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## Comfort Homes: Your Dream Home Coming Up



Activities for children at the special event at Ashiana Surbhi, Bhiwadi; Ashiana Surbhi team

## **Customer Evening**

Ashiana Surbhi, Bhiwadi organised a special evening event for all customers from the corporate world to familiarise them with the project's construction status. Ashiana Surbhi already has 33 families in residence. There were lots of entertaining activities but the highlight was the magician from the TV show India's Got Talent. The selfie booth too was also an attraction where customers clicked photographs with their family using a variety of different props.

## New Initiative

The Sales office at Ashiana Tarang, Bhiwadi has set up neat trellising frameworks to organise its car park in an orderly fashion. Creepers have also been planted alongside to provide shade and overall the external view of the office has distinctly improved.

## Water Cooler

A cooler for drinking water has been installed of front of the main entry gate at **Ashiana Tarang, Bhiwadi**. It has been much appreciated by everyone as even passers-by and visitors to the regular local mela outside are relieved to find clean cool water to drink.



**Entrance of Ashiana Surbhi** is well constructed and appreciated by residents



Car parking trellis for a pleasing view at Ashiana Tarang, Bhiwadi



Water cooler Ashiana Tarang, Bhiwadi and window grills at site office for safety

## Window Grill

We have installed window grills at the site office as a safety measure against robberies. Now the office valuables are well protected and there have been no thefts in recent times.

## **CLSS** Presentation

The Ashiana Sales team organised an informative session on CLSS (Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme) at **Ashiana Town, Bhiwadi** to educate customers about the scheme. Participants were informed how to go about availing this benefit provided by the Government.

## Home Loan Mela

A home loan mela was organised at Ashiana Aangan, Bhiwadi to enable customers to reduce their rate of interest on home loans. Various banks participated and offered loans at 8.5 to 8.75 percent and also reduced interest rates on existing loans.

Ashiana Surbhi, Bhiwadi



Construction of Phase-1 (Block- 1)



Construction of Phase-1 (Block- 2)



Construction of Phase-1 (Block- 3)



The park with its sculpture is ready for Phase-1 residents at Bhiwadi



The swimming pool for residents is now open for use

Construction of Ashiana Surbhi Phase-1 at Bhiwadi is over and hand over is on with 70 units released.

## Interaction Session

An interactive session between residents of Ashiana Town, Bhiwadi and Ashiana Housing Limited JMD Mr Ankur

## Comfort Homes: Your Dream Home Coming Up



Handing over of Phase-III flats, Ashiana Town; ESS for electric supply; structural work of underground tank; Mrs. Maya Devi receives subsidy cheque from Mr. PK Jaiswal, VP, Bhiwadi

Gupta was organised with a view to further improving the overall quality of life at Ashiana Town. Residents shared their experiences and it was a very enriching experience for the management as well as residents.

### Handovers at Ashiana Town

The quality control checklists for 166 of 392 flats have been released in Phase-III, Ashiana Town, Bhiwadi and successful handovers are underway.

### **Electrical Sub-Station**

An electrical sub-station has been set-up in Ashiana Town, Bhiwadi. The permanent electric supply is now in place and the generator will now work only as a backup when needed.

### **Musical Night**

A musical night for customers was organised onsite at **Ashiana Anmol**, **Gurugram.** The highlights were the Sufi songs and an amazing dance





Celebrations were in order when Ashiana Umang, Jaipur welcomed its first family who were particularly happy about the ready club and other amenities.

performance by children from the Gurukul Dance Academy. The fun-filled evening also provided customers and prospects a chance to interact with each other as well as view the sample flat and the overall construction. The general feedback was that people loved the design of the sample flat and found it very spacious.



**Vrinda Gardens, Jagatpura, Jaipur** now has more than 50 families residing in Phase 1 who are enjoying the facilities and lifestyle.



### Live in Bhiwadi

Many people still commute every day to work in Bhiwadi from Gurugram, unaware of the very good residential options in Bhiwadi. To educate them about Bhiwadi and its infrastructure, Ashiana has started a Live in Bhiwadi campaign highlighting lifestyles, connectivity from Gurugram, malls, schools, and residential developments at present.

### **Helping Hands**

Ashiana's front office executive at Bhiwadi, Ms Krishna helped Mrs Maya Devi of Tijara obtain her LIG/EWS loan and subsidy cheque from the HFFC bank for a flat at Ashiana Surbhi, Bhiwadi from the EWS category. Mrs Maya Devi was allotted the flat by UIT, Bhiwadi through lottery. Ms Krishna helped Mrs Maya Devi through the banking process and she was able to get the subsidy within six months.



**Road Re-carpeting:** The road connecting Ashiana Town, Bhiwadi to Thada Mod has been re-carpeted.

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Holi celebrations Ashiana Umang, Jaipur and Ashiana Navrang, Halol; Republic Day celebrations at Ashiana Navrang, Halol

Ms Krishna also organised a get together for her at the office to hand over the cheque.

#### **New Year**

New Year was ushered in at the **Omaxe Nile** project in Sector 49, **Gurugram** with fun and games for children as well as



#### Navrang Appreciated

The occupancy at **Ashiana Navrang, Halol** has crossed 50. People have really appreciated the fact that there are residences with such superb facilities and amenities for them in an industrial area. adults, with both competing in quite a few events like Know Your Kids and musical chairs for prizes. There was very good participation, and the celebrations have helped spread awareness of the Ashiana Anmol project amongst people and built positive relationships for the future.

#### **Republic Day**

Republic Day celebrations were organised for **Halol** residents. Flag hoisting was done by Mr. Rasikbhai Panchal, the senior most resident of **Ashiana Navrang**. He hoisted the tricolor in the presence of our staff and other residents of Navrang. After flag hoisting, sweets were distributed to all residents.

#### Valentine's Day

St. Valentine's Day was celebrated at Ashiana's Bhiwadi office with red and white balloons, a get together and gifts.

#### Holi

Holi was celebrated as joyously as always by residents and staff at Ashiana Umang, Jaipur. At Ashiana Navrang, Halol a puja was performed, followed by



#### **Departmental Store**

A Departmental store has been started within **Ashiana Umang**, **Jaipur**. It is now easy for the residents to arrange daily grocery within the complex.

Holika and next day residents celebrated with children in a riot of colours. At **Ashiana Surbhi, Bhiwadi** staffers enjoyed playing Holi together.

#### Family Fiesta at Halol

Team **Halol** celebrated the Ashiana Family Fiesta with their families at the Orsang Resort in Vadodara. There were lots of adventurous things to enjoy including including a Rope Walk, Monkey Bridge, Sky Walk, Hanging Zag.



Team Halol celebrated the Ashiana Family Fiesta with their families at the Orsang Resort in Vadodara

## Comfort Homes: The Ashiana Lifestyle

## **Inter-Ashiana Competition**

An inter-Ashiana group dance competition was held at **Ashiana Anantara, Jamshedpur** with nearly 50 participants from all Ashiana projects.

## Holi

A Holi Milan samaroh was organised at Ashiana Anantara, Jamshedpur. A local band performed Holi and Bollywood songs with a crowd of 350 residents thoroughly enjoying the event as they played with colours and interacted with each other. At Rangoli Gardens, Jaipur residents lit bonfires for Holika Dahan and celebrated the festival of colours next morning with great enthusiasm. At Vrinda Gardens, Jaipur too the festivities were celebrated with colours , and prasad.

## Annual Picnic

The annual picnic for all contract staff at **Jamshedpur** was at Dimna Lake this year. All contract staff came for their duties early at 6 am, completed all necessary daily duties and then went for the picnic along with their families. It was a day full of enjoyment as they played games and saw tribal dances.

## Saraswati Puja

Saraswati puja was celebrated for the first time at **Ashiana Anantara**, **Jamshedpur** by residents with great devotion and enthusiasm.

## Town Hall Meeting

The regular monthly Town Hall meetings for Maintenance, Security, Horticulture and Housekeeping teams and AMC vendor employees along with resident representatives were organised at Ashiana Anantara, Jamshedpur



Winners of Group Dance competition with trophy at Ashiana Anantara, Jamshedpur



Residents enjoying Holi Milan samaroh at Ashiana Anantara, Jamshedpur



Holika Dahan at Jaipur, Residents enjoying Holi at Jaipur, Jodhpur, Neemrana and Bhiwadi



Town Hall meeting at at Ashiana Anantara, Jamshedpur

and Ashiana Dwarka, Jodhpur for all contract and maintenance staff who use this platform to share views on improving services and to celebrate important events. Mr Abhishek Dingra, Estate Manager, Ashiana Dwarka shared Ashinana's core values with the gathering.

## Vegetable Vendor

Doorstep delivery of fresh vegetables



Saraswati puja celebrations at Ashiana Anantara, Jamshedpur; Contract staffer familes enjoy tug of war at Jamshedpur at their annual picnic

## **Comfort Homes:** The Ashiana Lifestyle



Republic Day at Rangoli Gardens and Vrinda Gardens Jaipur, Amarbagh and Dwarka, Jodhpur

and fruits to residents of Ashiana Anantara, Jamshedpur has been arranged through local vegetable vendors by the Maintenance team at **Ashiana Anantara.** The vendors have also started positioning their carts near the project.

## **Republic Day**

Republic Day was celebrated at **Vrinda Gardens** and **Rangoli Gardens**, **Jaipur** with nearly 500 residents and maintenance staff gathering to celebrate our national festival. The flag was hoisted by residents K.C. Sharma and Col. Ray Singh at Rangoli Gardens and Mr. Chanchal Kumar at Vrinda Gardens and was followed by the national anthem and a march-past by the guards while sweets and tea kept residents happily engaged.

## Valentine's Day

Vrinda Gardens, Jaipur celebrated St. Valentine's Day with games between resident couples with prizes for the winners. The event was organised in the Club's multipurpose hall.



Vrinda Gardens, Jaipur celebrates Valentine's Day; right: Mr. Sushil Joshi, VP, and station managers of Jaipur and Bhiwadi interacting with the Jamshedpur team.



Sit and Draw Competition at the Vrinda Gardens, Jaipur

#### Sit and Draw

A Sit and Draw competition was organised in the community hall at the Vrinda Gardens, Jaipur. It was a very well



A fancy dress competition at Vrinda Gardens, Jaipur



Ashiana Anantara, Jamshedpur



Work in progress of Aries Block, Club House and swimming pool

The final stage of handing over of the Swimming Pool, Club House and Aries Block flats is in progress and expected to be completed by May 2017. There are already 140 families residing in **Ashiana Anantara**, **Jamshedpur.** 

conducted event and was appreciated by residents since it inculcates creativity into their children.

## Fancy Dress Competition

A fancy dress competition for residents at **Vrinda Gardens, Jaipur** saw kids show outstanding talent and creativity on the ramp, with young Tarushi presenting a beautiful message: Save Girls to Save Earth.

## **Cross Learning**

Station Managers of **Jaipur** and **Bhiwadi** visited Jamshedpur to interact with Station Mangers and maintenance staff across Ashiana projects in **Jamshedpur** to learn and share knowledge through interactive sessions.

## Senior Living: Your Dream Home Coming Up



Ashiana Shubham, Chennai staffers and families spend fun time together at the Ideal Beach Resort at Mahabalipuram

#### **Family Fiesta**

Ashiana Shubham, Chennai celebrated with a Family Fiesta for staffers and families to spend fun time together at the Ideal Beach Resort at Mahabalipuram. Some spirited and enjoyable games of volleyball, cricket, a tug of war and badminton were followed by lunch.

#### Senior Living Conclave

Over 350 people attended a very interactive educational programme organised at **Hotel Trident, Chennai** for people to get to know about the Senior Living concept.





People interact with experts on the Senior Living concept at the Conclave held at Hotel Trident, Chennai



Ashiana Nirmay Phase 1, Bhiwadi - 70 percent construction completed



**Construction Work:** More than 65 percent construction work completed for Phase 1 at Ashiana Shubham, Chennai; On the right, park development work completed

## Senior Living: The Ashiana Lifestyle



Lohri celebrations with music and a bonfire at Ashiana Utsay. Bhiwadi



**Republic Day:** Ashiana Utsav at Bhiwadi and Lavasa celebrated Republic Day with flag hoisting, some games and snacks



Basant Panchami celebrations in Ashiana Utsav, Bhiwadi mandir; Ashiana Utsav, Bhiwadi residents during Holika Dahan

#### Lohri

Ashiana Utsav Bhiwadi celebrated Lohri in Park 2 with music and a bonfire followed by the customary distribution of groundnut, rewri and popcorn. Residents danced in enjoyment to a dholwala's beats.

#### Holi

Holika Dahan and its beautiful folk songs heralded Holi the next day for residents of **Ashiana Utsav Bhiwadi** and **Lavasa.** Residents enjoyed the colour and enthusiasm as people danced and sang to Holi songs and settled down to play various games followed by lunch.

## Art & Craft

Residents of Ashiana Utsav Bhiwadi



Residents enjoyed the colour at Ashiana Utsav, Bhiwadi

enjoy art & craft sessions and this is now a monthly activity. Ms Manjula Dua (Activity Executive) teaches and demonstrates how to make unique different decorative pieces and other beautiful knick knacks and decorative items.

### **Basant Panchami**

Basant Panchami at the **Ashiana Utsav Bhiwadi** temple was marked by a Saraswati puja. The hawan was followed by aarti by residents Mrs & Mr Tikku who also sponsored a bhandara.



Art & craft sessions at Ashiana Utsav, Bhiwadi: residents making floral designs and pom pom mats

## Senior Living: The Ashiana Lifestyle



Month End party for residents at Ashiana Utsav, Lavasa



Ladies of Ashiana Utsav, Bhiwadi thoroughly enjoy their mala making game while their male counterparts struggle with a Pack that Sari game

## Month End Party

The regular Month End parties at Ashiana Utsav, Bhiwadi and Ashiana Utsav, Lavasa welcomed new residents and celebrated birthdays and anniversaries for the month. Beautiful songs and dances were followed by games and finally by cake, snacks and soup.

## Valentine's Day

Ashiana Utsav, Lavasa and Bhiwadi celebrated Valentine's Day with the exchange of floral garlands, various games, cake and snacks.



**Name That Tune:** Kishore Kumar's hit songs were played and residents were asked to guess the song based on its starting line at Ashiana Utsav, Lavasa



Birthday celebrations at the Month End party, Ashiana Utsav, Bhiwadi



Observing Maha Shivratri puja at the temple, Ashiana Utsav, Bhiwadi

## Maha Shivratri

Maha Shivratri parv was observed at the Utsav Temple in **Ashiana Utsav Bhiwadi**. Kirtans, bhajans followed by aarti ended the celebration.



**Movie Show:** Residents of Utsav Bhiwadi enjoy a movie once a month in the media hall



**Object Game:** Ashiana Utsav, Lavasa residents see an object or its picture and write a phrase or sentence connected with it on the spot



Key Chain Making: Four different types of key chains made by the residents, who really enjoyed this activity at Lavasa

## Senior Living: The Ashiana Lifestyle



**Greeting Card Making:** Creating greeting cards which shows 3D effect by residents of Lavasa

## Wellness Programmes

At Ashiana Utsav, Bhiwadi, a physiotherapy session was held by the VIMHANS team. They also organised a Brain Games session which is always much enjoyed by the residents. A dental camp was also organised by Smile Way Dental Care, Bhiwadi. Residents consulted their team for common dental problems.



**Chick Out:** Small chicks were made out of wool by residents of Lavasa



Residents during dental check-up At Ashiana Utsav, Bhiwadi,

## Vegetable Print Art

Printing Art on paper with the use of vegetables cut into different shaped moulds at **Lavasa**.







At Bhiwadi Activities for the Care Home Residents focusing on the improvement of their mental, physical health and for recreation

## BHIWADI

## Holi

Holi filled Care Homes with joy. There was fun, enthusiasm and happiness all



Residents celebrating Holi at Care Homes Bhiwadi and Jaipur

around with staff greeting all residents with natural colours and snacks.

## Activities at Care Homes

Various recreational activities were



organised to help Care Homes residents with a focus on improving their mental and physical health. There was clay therapy, flag making, origami puzzles – all designed to be fun as well as to help enhance fine motor movements, concentration, eye hand coordination and general well being.

## Lohri

On Lohri, Care Homes residents gathered around a bonfire, threw sweets, puffed rice and popcorn into the flames, sang popular songs and exchanged greetings. Residents also received the

## Senior Living: Care Homes







At Care Homes, Bhiwadi: left: Lohri celebrations and right: residents' birthday celebrations

traditional prasad of til, gajak, gur, moongphali, phuliya and popcorn.

## Birthdays

Mr. M. S. Raman, Mrs. Meena Raisinghani and Mrs. Sarla Kak celebrated their birthdays.

## JAIPUR

## Makar Sankranti

Utsav Care Homes residents marked this Makar Sankranti by flying brightly coloured kites with great enthusiasm.

#### Holi

The atmosphere was one of joy and fun as residents of Care Homes and staff played Holi at Care Homes, Jaipur.

### Winter Outdoors

Care Homes enjoyed the winter sunshine with board games set up

outdoors followed by an excellent lunch at the Cafe.

#### **Republic Day**

Republic Day invokes patriotism in all residents. Care Homes residents presented a group song "Sare Jaha Se Acha, Hindustan Hamara". This was a first for them and very much enjoyed and appreciated by all.

### Martyr's Day

Two minutes of silence were observed by Care Homes residents on the occasion followed by prayers and songs.

#### **Health Talk**

An ortho-awareness camp was organised at Utsav Care Homes in coordination with the eminent Dr. I.P.Agrawal, Dr.Deepak Saini and Dr.Arun Singh, the orthopaedics team from Shalby Hospital. Residents benefitted from the



Mr Ashwin P Raval celebrates his birthday at Care Homes, Jaipur



Lt.Col. Jagadish Chandra celebrates his birthday at Care Homes, Jaipur

one to one sessions.

### Welcome!

Utsav Care Homes welcomed Mrs Shanti Singh, 80, from Vanasthali.

#### **Birthday**

Mr. Ashwin P Raval and Col. Jagdish Chandra celebrated their birthdays at Care Homes along with the Care Homes team and Utsav residents.



Martyr's Day at Care Homes, Jaipur



Makar Sankaranti at Care Homes, Jaipur



Health Talk at Care Homes, Jaipur



Enjoying the sun at Care Homes, Jaipur



Mrs Shanti Singh at Care Homes, Jaipur



Republic Day at Utsav Care Homes, Jaipur

## Aap Ki Kalam Se

## My Nation, My Pride

Our honourable prime minister, Mr. Narendra Modi, has launched the Swatch Bharat Mission campaign by asking every one to contribute and promote this mission. This mission is not a political mission, It is inspired by "patriotism".

Everyone should take this pledge that "Na Main Ganda Karunga, aur na Karne Dunga ". If everyone starts with their home, street and town, then definitely our country will be cleaned.

The dream of Mahatma Gandhi and the efforts of a billion people will be fulfilled and successful only if we take it as our own mission and stand up, finish it and feel the pleasure of saying I have done it to keep my India clean.

> Nivedita Singh Ashiana Gardens, Bhiwadi

## **New Year**

Thy tribute wave deliver: No more by thee my steps shall be, For ever and for ever.

Flow, softly flow, by lawn and lea, A rivulet then a river: Nowhere by thee my steps shall be For ever and for ever.

But here will sigh thine alder tree And here thine aspen shiver; And here by thee will hum the bee, For ever and for ever.

A thousand suns will stream on thee, A thousand moons will quiver; But not by thee my steps shall be, For ever and for ever.

> Hitesh Gorantla Ashiana Aangan, Bhiwadi

## बेटा एक एहसास

देवताओं के करम से देखा है मुखड़ा तुम्हारा थाली बजाकर, लड्डू बॉटकर मनाई थीं खुशियॉ बचपन में कितनी रातें बिताईं जागकर तुम्हारे लिए पहली बार लड़खड़ाते चले तो समाला भाग—भाग कर तुम्हें तहे दिल से खुशहाली की कामना की है तुम्हारे लिए जिदंगी की राह में फूलो फलो तुम ऐसी दुआ की है जो मैं न कर सका, जो मैं न बन सका वही जिदंगी में तुम करो और बनो तमन्ना की है हैसियत के मुताबिक सब कुछ किया तुम्हारे लिए बिपरीत परिस्थितियों में भी अपना फर्ज निभाया है मजबूरी वश कुछ कमी हो सकती है लालनपालन में पर कलियुग में त्रेता का बेटा बनकर अपना फर्ज निभाना है।

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आशियाना उत्सव भिवाड़ी

It pays to be inQUIZitive!

Send the right answers to these questions and win prizes! The answers to the questions are right here in this newsletter.

This is how you send the answer:

If you think the answers are:

Question 1. (a) Question 2. (b) Question 3. (c) Question 4. (a) then SMS - AHL<space> 1a 2b 3c 4d and send to 56677

Two winners will be chosen from the all-correct entries by a lucky draw.

### Questions

1. Which Ashiana project won the Budget Category award at the NDTV Property Awards 2016?

a. Utsav, Lavasa b. Anmol, Gurugramc. Dwarka, Jodhpur

- 2. Where was Ashiana's most recent Senior Living Conclave?
  a. Delhi b. Jamshedpur c. Chennai
- 3. The number of Supermoms across Ashiana projects in Bhiwadi exceeds what number?

**a**. 100 **b**. 300 **c**. 500

4. How many children from Phoolwari Schools, Bhiwadi won a laptop for their performance?

a. Three b. Five c. One

## Best of Luck !

Lucky draw quiz winners for the last quarter:

1. Anish Agarwal, New Delhi

2. Abhay Kumar, Bhiwadi

Congratulations to all the winners !

Answers to the last quiz (issue 56): 1-a, 2-a, 3-b, 4-c

Please send contributions for Aap ki kalam se, with your full name, address and photograph. Published pieces will get a gift from our Jt. MD, Ankur Gupta. Contributions may be in English or Hindi, not more than 175 words and it should be something positive! Negative thoughts go against the Ashiana Philosophy.

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