

OSHWAL AWAAZ

EDITION 77



Heartfelt & Uplifting

"Voices that Connect Us, Stories that Inspire Us."

Welcome to this Edition 77 of Oshwal Awaaz, where we celebrate the heartbeat of our community, its people, purpose, and progress. From cultural highlights to thoughtful reflections, may each page bring you pride, joy, and a sense of togetherness.

PRABHULAL PREMCHAND SHAH LIBRARY

FATHERS DAY WORKSHOP



A Colorful Tribute to Dads: Father's Day Art Workshop at Oshwal Centre

To celebrate the joy and bond of fatherhood, the PP Shah Library Committee hosted a heartwarming Father's Day Art Workshop on Sunday, 15th June 2025 at the Oshwal Centre.

The event brought together fathers' and their children for a creative morning filled with colour, laughter, and connection. Each duo worked side-by-side to craft a special keepsake using their family photo, colourful paper, paints, crayons, stickers, and more. The tables buzzed with imagination and joy as memories took shape through art. Though designed with dads in mind, a few enthusiastic mums also joined in—and added to the fun! The session was not just about creativity but about celebrating time spent together, unplugged and fully present.

To wrap up the meaningful morning, the committee shared a thoughtful thank-you snack for all participants to take home—leaving behind not just art, but cherished smiles and moments to remember.

It was a beautiful reminder that sometimes, the simplest moments create the best memories.

SENIOR SOCIAL COMMITTEE

SINGING BINGO



Melodies, Memories & Merriment – Singing Bingo Brings Joy to Seniors
The Senior Social Committee hosted a delightful Singing Bingo event on Saturday, 21st June 2025 at the Visa Oshwal Mahajanwadi, bringing together over 180 senior members for an afternoon of music, fun, and community spirit.

Led enthusiastically by Bhanuben Shah, the event featured lively and nostalgic performances by Kalaben, Chandniben, and Bipinbhai. The musical bingo took attendees on a sentimental journey with Lagna Geet, devotional Stavans, and classic Bollywood hits from the 1980s.

The event concluded with a delicious high tea, which everyone thoroughly enjoyed, indulging in the refreshments while catching up with each other. It was truly a heartwarming afternoon filled with harmony, happiness, and community bonding a testament to the spirit of our vibrant senior members.

WHEELCHAIR DONATIONS

Giving the Gift of Movement

On 2nd July 2025, the Shree Visa Oshwal Community (VOC), in its ongoing commitment to uplift and support those in need, generously donated 39 standard wheelchairs to individuals living with mobility challenges.

The beneficiaries were identified and referred by APDK (Association for the Physically Disabled of Kenya) an organization dedicated to supporting persons with disabilities. These individuals often visit APDK seeking assistance, and this donation came as a timely and meaningful act of care.

The event was more than a handover it was a moment of hope, dignity, and restored independence for many. Each wheelchair will go a long way in enhancing daily life, allowing recipients to move with greater ease and confidence.

This initiative was undertaken on behalf of the entire VOC family, and stands as a reflection of the community's values of compassion, inclusion, and service to humanity.

Every wheelchair tells a story of care, compassion, and our community.



GREEN CORNER

♻️ DIY & Upcycling Magic: Turn Trash into Treasure!

At the heart of sustainability is creativity – and your home is full of hidden gems just waiting to be transformed. In this edition of the Green Corner, we're shining a light on fun, eco-friendly ways to repurpose everyday waste into something beautiful and useful.

🍷 Bottle Planters

Don't toss those plastic bottles! Cut them into half, paint them with bright colors, poke a few holes at the bottom, and voilà – you've got charming planters perfect for herbs, succulents, or even indoor flowers. Great for balconies and windowsills!

🛍️ Old Sarees, New Swag

Give worn-out sarees a second life by turning them into reusable shopping bags, potli pouches, cushion covers, or even notebook covers. Add a few embellishments and they make lovely, personalized gifts too.

🕯️ Glass Jars Reimagined

Empty jam or pickle jars can become tea-light holders, spice jars, pen holders, or mini terrariums. Wrap some twine around them, or stick labels and paint – and suddenly, they're chic and useful again!

📦 Tins, Boxes & Bits

Don't bin those biscuit tins or cardboard boxes. With a touch of fabric, paint or washi tape, they can be upcycled into jewelry holders, gift boxes, stationery organizers, or even small toy chests.



PLANT OF THE MONTH

🌻 Marigold Magic

Bright blooms with big benefits!

Marigolds aren't just beautiful – they're nature's little helpers.

- 🌿 **Natural Pest Repellent:** Keeps aphids and mosquitoes away.
- ✨ **Healing Powers:** Used in creams for cuts, rashes & skin care.
- 🏹 **Cultural Charm:** Symbol of purity and sunshine in Jain & Hindu rituals.
- 🐝 **Pollinator Friendly:** Attracts bees & butterflies.
- 🌱 **Easy to Grow:** Perfect for home gardens and balconies!

Try This: Dry marigold petals to make eco-friendly garlands for puja or décor.

OSHWAL SPOTLIGHT



Dr. Rivani Rohin Shah

We are proud to celebrate Dr. Rivani Rohin Shah, who recently completed her doctoral research at University College London (UCL), focusing on the development of personalised immunotherapies for paediatric brain tumours. Her PhD centred on the design and engineering of Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T-cell therapies — a cutting-edge approach that reprograms a patient's own T-cells to specifically target and destroy cancerous cells in the brain. Over four years of intensive research, Dr. Shah contributed to advancing the understanding of how CAR T-cells can be harnessed to treat some of the most challenging childhood cancers.

Dr. Shah's academic journey has been rooted at UCL, where she previously earned her undergraduate degree in Biomedical Sciences followed by a Master's in Infection and Immunity. Her work reflects a strong commitment to translational research and the future of personalised medicine. Her achievements mark a significant step forward in the field of paediatric oncology and immunotherapy.



Be a Part of Oshwal Awaaz!

Got a story to tell, a thought to share, or an idea to inspire? We're excited to hear from you!

Whether it's a Experience, insightful article, or words of wisdom, your contributions make Oshwal Awaaz a true reflection of our vibrant community.

Let's make this edition together!

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