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## 12th Women's Achievements Awards Gala

**SUNDAY, MARCH 5TH 2023**

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## GALA CHAIR SHAMMI SINGH

On behalf of the Indian American Forum board of trustees, I would like to welcome you to our 12th annual Outstanding Women's Achievement Awards Gala. The board and I would like to thank all of you for your continued support of our mission.

After two long years it is exhilarating to finally be able to hold our event in person and celebrate these amazing women over a night of dinner and dancing! Our honorees tonight are a prominent few among many, many amazing women who have pushed boundaries and through their influence have paved the way for other women and future generations of girls to follow in their footsteps of leadership.

We take great pride in using the IAF platform to recognize these powerful women and their contributions to our community. We are all ambassadors of humanity and understanding and collaboratively we can create more of a positive influence amongst our increasingly growing and diverse local communities.



**CONGRATULATIONS**

**To**

**THE HONOREES**

**Nayana Brahmbhatt**

**Dr. Parul D. Makkar**

**Dr. Purvi Parikh**

**Sandy Bhatia**

**Vandana Jauhar**

**Best wishes to**

**Indian American Forum**

**for**

**Women's Achievements Gala**

*Keep up the Celebration & Recognition of women  
of Character, Courage, Commitment & Accomplishment.*

**ANIMESH & ANUPAM GOENKA**



Bobby Kumar Kalotee

I am humbled and privileged to take this opportunity to congratulate these wonderful women for their achievements in life. You all are role models. A woman is not only a mother, a successful woman above all is a great humanitarian. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your services to your family and to the community. God bless you and your family.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate the team of Indian American Forum for 12th Outstanding Women's Achievements Awards Gala, under the leadership of our dear, respected Indu Jaiswal.



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Today's women are playing several roles of being a professional, a housewife, a mother, a sister and of course a true friend. It is the potential for goodness and proving that it is not our success that defines or empowers us, but it is the potential for goodness and self-less that exists in every human heart, helping and supporting others in this time of need. If we have a heart and mind centered on love and respect, we are empowered to make a difference in the lives of others.

Today's women continue to hold the highest position in all aspects of the Business Environment that includes Healthcare, Media, and Politics, corporate and Finance. In modern India and America, women have adorned high offices including that of President, Vice President, Prime Minister, and Speaker of Lok Sabha, Defense Minister, going up in the space, flights operated by women, and so on.

March is Women's History Month, On Behalf of the Board of Trustees and Members of the Indian American Forum; I would like to welcome you to our Twelfth Outstanding Women's Achievements Gala as part of Women's History Month celebration. We recognize the contributions made by distinguished members of the Indian American Community in the Tri-state area. The dedication, fortitude, and compassion of our distinguished Honorees and guests have been an inspiration to our community. We are also presenting special recognition to our young achievers and leaders.

Congratulations to all our Honorees and Guests of Honor. My sincere thanks and appreciation for all the hard work, dedication and commitments of the coordinators of the Indian American Forum and Board members, supporters and sponsors, not only for this event but also for all the hard work throughout the year. We are deeply honored that you have chosen IAF as an organization worthy of your support. Without you we could not continue to offer these vital services for our seniors and other programs. I also want to thank my husband Sudhir and my whole family for their continued support.

**Indu Jaiswal RDN CDN  
Chairperson**



**CONGRATULATIONS**  
**And Best Wishes**  
**To**  
**Indu Jaiswal**

**For**

Unwavering resolve for outstanding community services

There is no limit to what we, as women can accomplish

**Congratulations to all the Honorees**  
**of the day for their**  
**unique accomplishments.**

From

**ARYA FAMILY FOUNDATION**

**YASHPAL, URMILESH, MUKUL, NIDHI, AMIT, VISHAL,**

**"Women belong in all places where decisions are being made. It shouldn't be that women are the exception." - Ruth Bader Ginsburg**





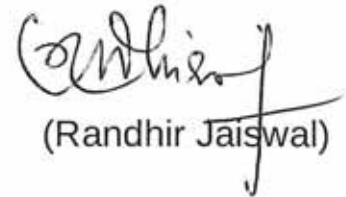
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**MESSAGE**

I am delighted to learn that the Indian American Forum would be holding its 12<sup>th</sup> Outstanding Women's Achievement Awards Gala on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023. On this occasion, I convey my warm wishes to all its members. Over the years, IAF has made singular contribution to promoting women empowerment, and their initiatives are deeply appreciated.

In the digital age, women are scripting new paths of progress for us, both in America and India. As entrepreneurs, innovators, scientists and change-makers, they are meaningfully contributing to a harmonious and sustainable society. They, indeed, bring to us a high sense of optimism and confidence.

I wish the Gala all success. Happy International Women's Day.

  
(Randhir Jaiswal)



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Office of the County Executive  
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*March 5, 2023*

*Dear Friends,*

*Please accept my warmest greetings and congratulations as we spend this evening together paying tribute to The Indian American Forum at their 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Outstanding Women's Achievement Gala. It is truly an honor to recognize their fine work, dedication, and commitment, which has made lasting and vital contributions to countless individuals and the entire community at large.*

*The Indian American Forum carries a tradition of caring second to none and is deserving and worthy of esteem of Nassau County. Their selfless service to the public has made a permanent and positive impact on us all.*

*Ever since you opened your doors at Indian American Forum, your services have provided the community with education and outreach. Your mission is to better the lives of whomever you touch.*

*Congratulations on your fine work and devotion to the community as we celebrate 12 years of commitment and compassion coupled with dedicated culture-driven services that truly makes our world a better place.*

*Sincerely,*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "B. Blakeman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

*Bruce A. Blakeman  
County Executive*



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### **SANDY BHATIA**

Sandy Bhatia is a seasoned and dedicated Vice President, Financial Center Manager with 39 years of experience in Sales and Management. Her exceptional leadership skills, unwavering commitment, and enthusiastic approach to work have led to consistent success throughout her career. While working for Citibank she acquired series 7, 6, 63, and 24 life and health licensees and is a proven leader in sales and management, with a strong commitment to her community and a deep appreciation for her family.

Sandy began her career as the founding Branch Manager of Citibank in Jackson Heights, Queens, where she transformed an ATM center into a thriving full-service branch and successfully grew deposits to over \$500 million. Under her leadership, 13 staff members became Branch Managers, with one of them going on to become an Area Manager at another bank.

Currently, at Flushing Bank in Hicksville, Sandy has once again demonstrated her exceptional leadership skills by increasing deposits to over \$60 million in just three years. Sandy continues her role as Branch Manager in Hicksville and serves as South Asian Segment Manager for Flushing Bank.

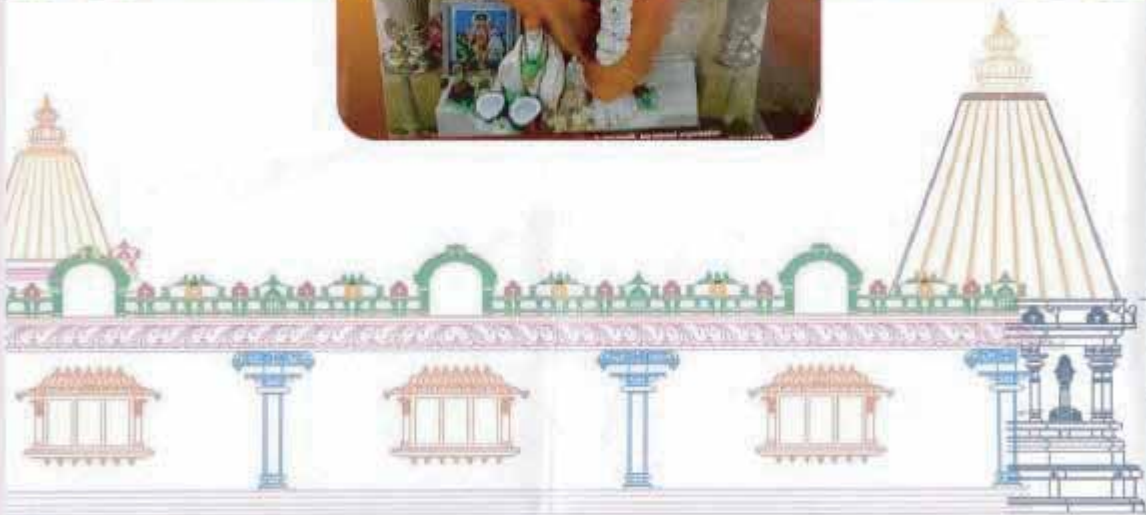
Sandy is highly regarded as a valuable member of the Long Island community and is a well-known pillar of Community in the South Asian community in New York. She is an active supporter of numerous community organizations and events and has received several awards for her support, including the Women's History Month award from Congressman Joseph Crowley in the city hall, the Jackson Heights Merchants Association, and the Gujarati Samaj, among others.

In addition to her professional achievements, Sandy takes great pride in her family, including her husband of 40 years, Bharat, who is her biggest supporter, and her two daughters, Tina and Nisha. She balances her professional success with her unwavering commitment to her family, which she holds in the highest regard.



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# New York State Assemblywoman Jenifer Rajkumar

March 5, 2023

Dear IAF Friends,

As the first Indian-American woman elected to a New York State office, it is my esteemed pleasure to join you today for the 12th Annual Women's Achievement Awards Gala. The Indian American Forum is one of the foremost organizations promoting Indian-American women. The award I received at this very gala from IAF is an honor I hold dear. This year, IAF has once again organized a fabulous event. Indu Jaiswal, Shammi Singh, and the entire organizing committee have brought together some of the most inspiring women leaders of our community to recognize their outstanding achievements.



Women's History Month is a time for us to celebrate the innumerable contributions of women throughout history. Tonight, I am proud to celebrate the diverse contributions of Dr. Parul Dua Makkar, Sandy Bhatia, Dr. Purvi Parikh, Nayana Brahmabhatt, and Vandana Jauhar.

One of the great women leaders in history, Shirley Chisolm, famously said, "If they don't give you a seat at the table, bring a folding chair." Each and every honoree tonight has worked hard to earn her seat at the table, and we will continue to make history and shape our nation and world.

I am wishing you a wonderful gala tonight celebrating the achievements and limitless potential of Indian-American women.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jenifer Rajkumar".

Jenifer Rajkumar  
New York State Assemblywoman  
38th District



# Congratulations

To

**ALL THE WOMEN HONOREES OF 2023**

*Laurels to*

**Indu Jaiswal And The IAF Team**

For Consistent Exemplary Community Outreach!!

From

**Dr. Bhavani**

**Srinivasan**

**MD MPH**



**President, GMC Alumni USA Inc  
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March 5, 2023

Dear Friends,

My colleagues on the Oyster Bay Town Board are proud to congratulate the accomplished honorees of tonight's Indian American Forum (IAF) 12<sup>th</sup> Women's Achievements Awards Gala. This important event honors outstanding women for their distinguished community service, as well as their tireless support and advocacy on behalf of Long Island's Indian-Americans. We are excited for those being deservedly recognized and we extend our appreciation to the entire organization for the amazing work you all do. This event coincides with National Women's History Month celebrating women of character, courage, commitment and accomplishments.

We are so proud and commend the entire membership of IAF for orchestrating tonight's memorable program, beginning with my longtime friends, Event Chair Indu Jaiswal and Gala Chair Shammi Singh. Their exemplary efforts, combined with so many in attendance this evening, uplift the community of Asian Indians in America and promotes the cultural, secular heritage and values of India. It also furthers friendship and understanding with people of all cultural backgrounds and helps make the Town of Oyster Bay a great place to live, work and raise a family. You are all pillars in our community and true role models for others who will one day follow in your footsteps. You represent the gold standard of selfless community service, compassion and generosity.

My colleagues on the Oyster Bay Town Board and I wish tonight's honorees and everyone at IAF a very happy and joyous Gala and we look forward to all of your incredible achievements in the future.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph J. Saladino".

Joseph Saladino  
Town Supervisor



# **CONGRATULATIONS**

**Nayana Brahmhatt**  
**For Well Deserved Award**

**&**

**Best Wishes to IAF on It's 12th**  
**Women's Achievements**  
**Awards Gala**

**Friends & Family of**  
**Nayana Brahmhatt**

## Women of Character, Courage, Commitment & Accomplishments

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### Nayana Brahmbhatt

446 Hungry Harbor Road  
Valley Stream, NY 11581

#### Community services

I am inspired by the preachings and teachings of my Late Guru, HDH Pramukh swami Maharaj, 'In joy of others, lies our own' 'In progress of others, lies our own'.

I believe in the selfless service to the society, guided by the code of conduct given by Bhagwan Swaminarayan. I truly enjoy helping people and doing good for the society.

Following are the areas where I have been blessed to provide my services

BAPS —My best introduction is that, 'I am a BAPS Volunteer'

BAPS is a worldwide religious, social, medical organization. I am involved with BAPS since 1989 and have volunteered in various capacity within the organization, including Community outreach, Public relations,

Hosting annual women's conferences,

Served in kitchen department and involved in training and nurturing the young girls and youth in Bal Balika and Kishori mandals, Diwali events and organizing picnics and anything else that is asked of me.

USTA. Tennis is my other passion Associated with USTA since 2000,

Have been a USTA volunteer at various tennis events,

Especially US open and have worked with kids' Tennis tournaments at Kids Day at Arthur Ashe stadium.

5 TIA

Five town Indian association, active member since 1990,

Help arrange various social events and especially have taught children Indian dancing and helped choreograph Indian dances and Garba for kids and adults at all their events.

Recognitions—

1. USTA —Have been recognized by USTA, twice and have received awards for community services
2. Recognized By Nassau county legislature, office of community affairs, and was awarded certificate, for community services





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Hon. Dorothy L. Goosby  
Deputy Supervisor

March 5, 2023

Greetings!

I am excited to share this evening with the Indian American Forum and tonight's honorees, as part of the 12<sup>th</sup> Women's Achievements Awards Gala. Thank you so much for the invitation to attend this highly anticipated event that celebrates the contributions of women.

I am extremely grateful for being offered the opportunity to express my heartfelt congratulations to this year's honorees, Dr. Parul Dua Makkar, Dr. Purvi Parikh, Sandy Bhatia, Nayana Brahmhatt and Vandana Jauhar. Each of tonight's honorees have made a positive difference in the lives that they have touched. I applaud the hard work, unwavering compassion, and concern for humanity that each honoree has demonstrated. The world is a better place because of your selfless contributions and dedication to our township and communities.

Once again, please accept my best wishes and hearty congratulations to the honorees and the Indian American Forum for recognizing the value, character, courage, and commitment of these Phenomenal Women.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dorothy L. Goosby". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Dorothy L. Goosby  
Deputy Supervisor



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*Honorees*

**DR. PARUL DUA MAKKAR • DR. PURVI PARIKH  
SANDY BHATIA • NAYANA BRAHMABHAIL • VANDANA JAUHAR**



**Celebrating Woman of Character, Courage,  
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Congratulations to Bobby Kolatee, Shammi Ji & the team  
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Gurbani, Sahiba, Jasnoor, Manveer, Jiya, Ajooni, Teghveer & Trishi  
(Twins).



March 5, 2023



Greetings:

The Indian American Forum, Inc. has played a significant role in advancing and highlighting the role of women, our cultural and secular heritage, and the values of India on this continent. The month-long celebration of Women's History Month, established in 1987, has given voice, after 100 years of exclusion, to women in the national narrative. The IAF is a notable part of this wonderful tradition.

It is my distinct pleasure also to celebrate Women's National History Month by honoring the generations of women and girls who through their strength of character and resilience, their creative energy and purpose have built our nation and become our heroes.

As the Town Clerk for the Town of North Hempstead, I am delighted to be invited to participate in this celebration and to share my message.

Today, I congratulate those women who each day make us proud. They have sprung from the roots buried deep in the soil, nurtured by family, enlightened by education, challenged by adversity, and embraced by our community. They have blossomed in the air and light of a new day and dawn and our future is with them.

The contributions to society are many, Science, Medicine, Law, Labor, Literature, Education, the Arts, Space Exploration, Government leadership. Whether local or global, the historic achievements of women should be shared, discussed, and celebrated and must be set as an example of all that is possible.

To the five extraordinary women who are honored this evening, Dr. Parul Dua Makkar, Sandy Bhatia, Dr. Purvi Parikh, Nayana Brahmabhad and Vandana Jauhar, I join with all our distinguished guests and friends in applauding your outstanding and notable achievements.

I extend my warmest wishes to the leadership of the Indian American Forum, Inc., Founder Bobby Kumar; Chairperson Indu Jaiswal and Gala Chair Shammi Singh and wish you all a memorable and successful 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Achievements Awards Gala.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ragini Srivastava".

Ragini Srivastava  
Town Clerk

**Vandana we love you so much  
and are so proud of you.  
you are **Pillar** of our family.**



**Rajiv, Devina & Varun**

## Women of Character, Courage, Commitment & Accomplishments



### **VANDANA JAUHAR**

Born and brought up in Panipat, India, Vandana spent her childhood surrounded by an immense amount of music, art, and poetry. Her parents, Professor Jagdish Arora and Aruna Arora were both extremely passionate about music and education. Vandana would spend hours listening to her father practice everyday, enlist in every school and college competition (as early as the age of 3), and later on sang some of her own compositions for All India Radio. She graduated with a masters degree in English literature from Kurukshetra University as well as Visharad in Indian classical music from Gandharv school of music.

Today, Vandana has written and composed many original songs accompanied by music videos, with her latest piece, a tribute to her mentor and father, released in December 2022. Her work is inspired by deeply intricate classical music and ragas that are rooted in years of history with a modern Western flair —intersecting music, poetry, art, and history.

She resides on Long Island with her husband Dr. Rajiv Jauhar and has two kids Devina and Varun who work at Netflix and Lazard, respectively.

In parallel to dedicating time to her passion for music, Vandana also completed her MBA from Adelphi University graduating Summa Cum Laude.

She spends most of her time working on new compositions, as well as managing her personal investment portfolio. Two new songs will be released soon, stay tuned!





# **Congratulations**

**Indu Jaiswal & IAF Team**

**on**

**Women achievements Awards Gala**

**And**

**Best Wishes to the Honorees**

**Nayana Brahmbhatt**

**Dr. Parul Dua Makkar**

**Dr. Purvi Parikh**

**Sandy Bhatia**

**Vandana Jauhar**

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**K. L. Sardana & Family**

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**CONGRATULATIONS  
AND BEST WISHES TO  
ALL THE HONOREES**

**Nayana Brahmhatt**

**Dr. Parul D. Makkar**

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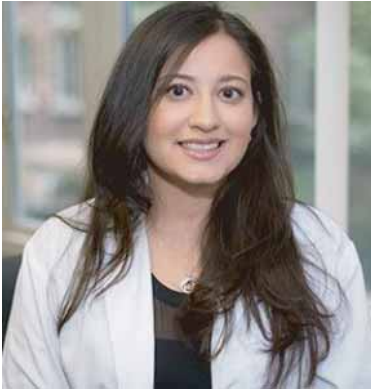


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### PURVI PARIKH

Purvi Parikh, MD, FAAAAI, FACP is an allergist and immunologist at Allergy and Asthma Associates of Murray Hill. She is currently on faculty as Clinical Assistant Professor in both departments of Medicine and Pediatrics at New York University School of Medicine. Dr. Parikh has published articles in allergy, asthma, and immunodeficiency syndromes in various peer reviewed journals and textbooks.

She is a champion and spokesperson for the United Nation Foundation's vaccine initiative Shot@life and has traveled on their behalf to Zambia.

She is also a national spokesperson for the Allergy and Asthma Network which is the leading patient advocacy group for patients and their families who suffer from life threatening allergic and immunologic conditions. She frequently makes appearance as a medical expert on their behalf to NBC, FOX, CNN, Wallstreet Journal, CNBC and CBS. She also regularly contributes to numerous print magazines and other publications.

She has been passionate about health policy since she was a medical student and sits on committees for American Medical Association and Board of directors of the advocacy council of the American college of allergy asthma and Immunology. She travels to Washington, D.C. multiple times per year to influence policy, testify before the government, and advocate for her patients.

During the pandemic, in addition to taking care of patients, she is an investigator/researcher in three (Pfizer, Astra zeneca, and Sanofi) of the Covid-19 vaccine trials at NYU Langone Health's vaccine center. She also is part of the NIH - Momivax trial which studies vaccine safety in pregnant and breastfeeding moms and their babies. She is also now involved in covid long haul research. Since the early days of the pandemic, Dr Parikh has volunteered her time on a daily basis to tirelessly fight misinformation at the grassroots level through community organizations, in the local and national media, social media, and alongside government officials such as the surgeon general, Dr. Vivek Murty, Immunologist Dr. Anthony Fauci, and the US department of health and human services.

She was the youngest president of the New York Allergy and Asthma Society in 2018. She was recently named in Emory University's 40 under 40 class. She recently received the most distinguished young physician award from the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin for 2020-2021 due to her work in vaccine research and on the front lines of the global pandemic. She also received the Dr. I A Modi award in the young physician category for achieving excellence in Medicine in February of 2021 by Global Association of Physicians of Indian Origin.

She is currently the chair of Medical Society of New York's Young physician section as well as an AMA young physician delegate.





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Ria Parashar has been an active member of CH3 , Long Island. An active arm of Children's Hope India started by high school students to help underprivileged children on Long Island. Their mantra is Children helping Children. She has been active in organizing Walkathons, Bikeathons in addition to participating in Turkey, warm clothing and Toy distribution during the holidays. Money raised at events has helped children from Shelters in Nassau County attend summer camp. In addition Ria has volunteered for organizations that care for children with special needs. She is currently a freshman at NYU pursuing a career in Health care. Her hope is to continue helping the less fortunate.





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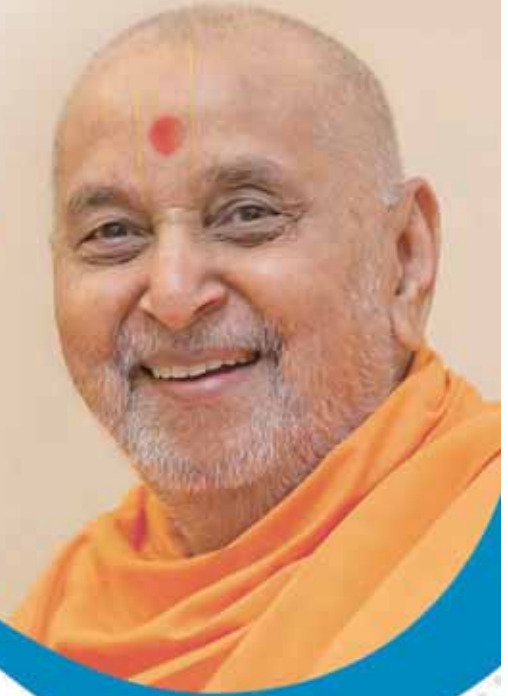
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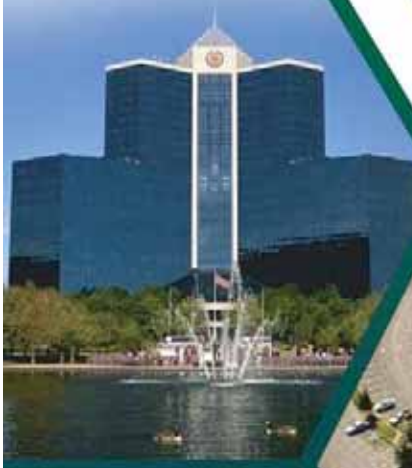


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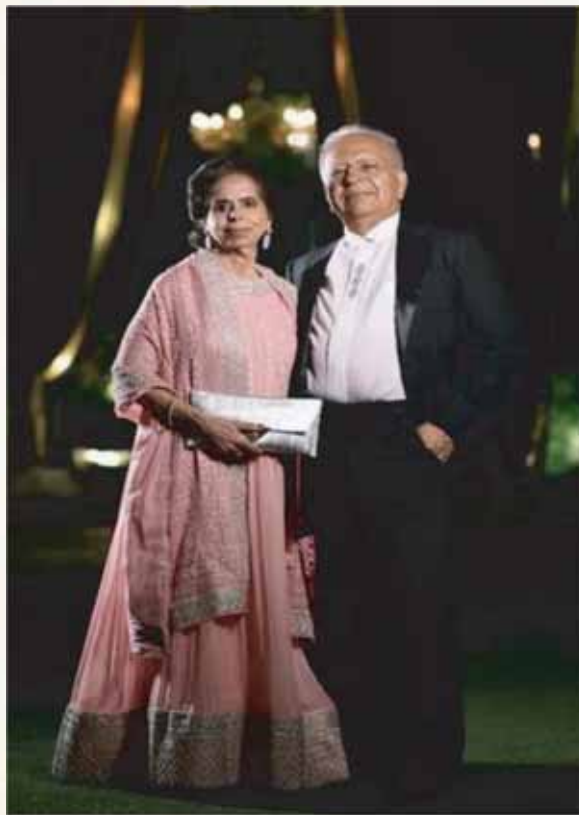
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