

# VIRTUAL INK

## BEEP BEEP IS THIS A #TWEET?

### D-DAY

PALAK GUPTA, XI

Children

Greetings my child! I hope you are holding up in these troubled times. Now you would ask me why I have brought upon this curse on humanity. In your everyday prayers, I would hear you blaming me for this Armageddon. But should I be questioned on this?

This revolution or coronavirus as my children call it, is a mere beginning of what's going to come next. I can no longer overlook your sins. I am omniscient but now the apple has fallen very far away from the tree.

You are being returned to your dens by me, do not consider this as a punishment, but rather as a reincarnation for your very own life. Your life has been similar to a barren land and I'm merely putting some water to it. By the time this wrath of mine passes, you will have a new life, filled with new energies and new challenges.

At this time, you have realised that the only true God is me. Not currency. Let go of the wicked obsession and accept the truth.

Matthew 6:24 — ***"No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money"***

This crisis is a much needed break for my children, for they run everyday behind their dreams only to be devoid of hope and happiness, seldom they find satisfaction. Return to your homes; hold your families close, for you had abandoned them for your greed, now they need you the most.

Adore the most beautiful thing I have created. Love. Love transcends space and time, love is not quantifiable which makes it infinite. It is the only elixir which will give you salvation. Hold enough in your heart and no disease shall ever touch you.

Believe!

Yours truly  
GOD



## IS COVID'19 A TWEET FROM GOD?

P. RENEE KEERTHANA, XII

When was the last time you spent with a loved one?

Held hands and ran under the simmering sun?

When was the last time you cared to see, What worth family and friends held to be?

The sky is bright, blue and clear, Creatures trot with gleam as they possess now no fear.

The greyness in the air clearly out of sight, Now that humans sitting at home their battles fight.

Now don't you wish to stand under the firmament?

Look at the birds soar high and think your place in the shallows permanent?

Do not be disheartened my friend,

After all there are many days to come before the final end.

Maybe everything does happen for a reason,

Like every activity under the sun has a season.

Maybe it is God trying to tell you, "Get up my child there is more for you to do!"

Your time of gallivanting outside has been put to a halt,

Do you wager your own kind is at fault?

What'er you think my child,

There rests a command for you mild.

Why don't you use this time to introspect?

Mend relations and your ideals perfect?

Technology is considered a blessing by your kind,

Why not use this to ease a stressed mind?"

If we ponder deeply enough, this does sound right,

There is indeed a limit to human cognizance and might.

So before we can again consider to meet,

Let us consider first God's tweet.

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MEMES, AN OFFER ONE CAN'T REFUSE!

# MEMES ! MEMES ! MEMES !

MOOOOOOOD ! (WE TRIED MAKING A MOO POINT BUT HERE'S WHAT WE GOT..)

millenials: "I wish I was dead"  
"there are too many people"  
"we need a new plague"

coronavirus:



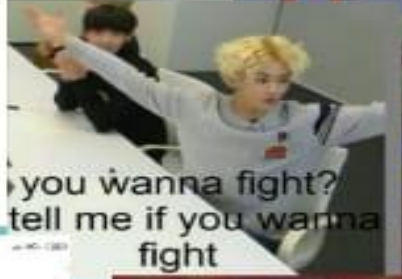
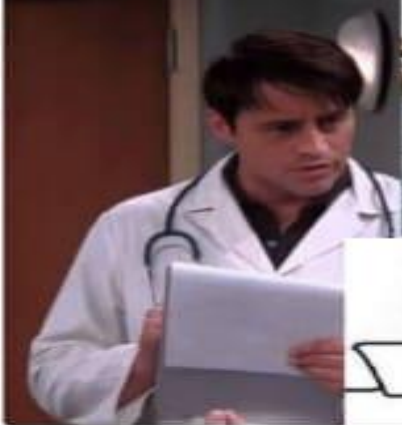
THE WORLD TO CORONA VIRUS RIGHT NOW:



Online classes be like :  
" I hope you are sitting straight and listening to the class "



' I'll give you 5 minutes and y'all should tell me your answer in the chat box "



# THERE IS A CHANGE IN ME

MANDIRA SINGHA

*From washing my hands quite a lot  
To unconditionally praying to  
God,  
There's a change in my life -  
Something penetrating deeper  
and deeper  
And bringing immeasurable  
disquiet and fear*

*From reading about the  
proliferating tolls  
To meditating for a peaceful  
soul,  
There's a change in my life-  
I can now do the latter with  
utmost concentration;  
I've developed patience sans  
frustration*

*From holding stretches for long  
To avoiding gathering and  
throng,  
there's a change in my life -  
I daydream of being a bird  
soaring high  
With wings cutting through the  
blue, blue sky.*

*From reading biographies and  
poetry  
To checking body temperature  
cautiously,  
There's a change in my life -  
I fret in the unbearable 'corona  
viral' weather  
Any story of convalescence is like  
a comforting zephyr.*

*The abstruse challenge before  
us,  
The miasma-rebarbative and  
lugubrious,  
This change in our lives-  
It will soon be undone  
completely;  
It will not be a failure for  
humanity.*

## A LETTER TO M.K.GANDHI

SHRUTIKA KATARIA, X

To  
Mahatma Gandhi  
A place beyond heaven and hell  
April 27, 2020  
Dear Bapu  
The enlightened one,  
You won a war without a sword  
or a gun.  
But this time the enemy is  
invisible,  
And we can neither hide nor  
run.  
You threw back the conquerors  
across the seas,  
By showing them the power of  
your inner peace.  
Please give us the strength and  
patience,  
So that these tough times  
cease...

Bapu, it's been decades since  
you left everyone in tears and  
sadly I will never be able to  
meet you. But for now I am  
much glad to get a chance to  
speak my heart out to you  
through my letter. Mahatma,  
your life is a perfect example of  
how an ideal soul must be.  
India misses her father  
immensely and she still looks  
up to him every time.  
We have gone through a lot,  
Bapu.  
Nature has started showing her  
anger on us like never before.

Coronavirus or as we say COVID'19,  
has brought the world to its knees.  
Businesses have been shut, schools  
and colleges are closed, travels have  
been banned.

It has been almost three months since  
this deadly infection has taken over the  
world. We are still not seeing the light at  
the end of the tunnel anytime soon. The  
whole world is in a complete lockdown  
and it has greatly impacted the global  
economy. Bapu, is this  
God's way to teach mankind some  
lessons?

Is Mother Nature teaching us not to  
play with the surroundings? The level  
of pollution and smog nowadays has  
increased so much that we have started  
getting pollution holidays. HA...HA...  
you see, how far we have come! The  
level of industrial and biological waste  
has already made our holy rivers dump  
yards. But , during this pandemic  
situation, the river water is getting  
cleaned naturally. Maybe it is a signal  
from God to reverse the endless  
destruction caused to Mother Nature.

God is sensitizing us to respect the  
resources before they disappear, to  
respect the supreme power as it is the  
only energy which controls everyone.  
Maybe God is tweeting humankind not  
to be so arrogant and spread so much  
hatred,

but to live in harmony. Maybe  
God is giving us a chance to  
spend quality time with our  
family and friends. Maybe He  
wants to inculcate in us a sense  
of support for our fellow human  
beings.

When faced with an existential  
crisis or an external war-like  
situation, a nation fights back as  
a unified being. During the  
Freedom Struggle, you united a  
nation as diverse as ours against  
the British occupation primarily  
because of your moral authority.  
Similarly, this virus is a great  
leveler, too — it doesn't  
discriminate between those  
living on the fringes and those  
occupying high seats of power.  
So God wants us to know that no  
matter who or what we are,  
everyone suffers during tough  
times. Coronavirus doesn't  
recognize race, nationality, or  
ethnicity. It is not an enemy of  
any particular race or religion  
but an enemy of HUMANKIND.

Just like you shook the world in  
gentle ways, I hope your children  
have the courage and strength to  
stay righteous and fight this  
pandemic. We need your  
blessings Bapu.

## COVID'19- A LIFESTYLE CHANGE

AZAAAN SINGH, XI

Doors and windows shut, no one  
to go out or come in.  
Everyone is under lockdown, it's  
like a new era of life will  
probably begin.

Countries all over the world  
stuck in quarantine,  
Due to the deadly virus called  
COVID-19.

It started in China, the  
southeast of Asia, then slowly  
spread to UK, US and even  
Croatia.

A virus so strange, doctors could  
find no cure,  
Confusing, uncertain, the solution-  
obscure.

Schools are shut down, offices are  
closed communication via online  
classes has been endorsed.

No flights to take off or land,  
It seems like a threshold on which  
we now stand.

This virus has taught us, we're all  
the same.

Torn between religion, caste,  
language barriers, we start hating,

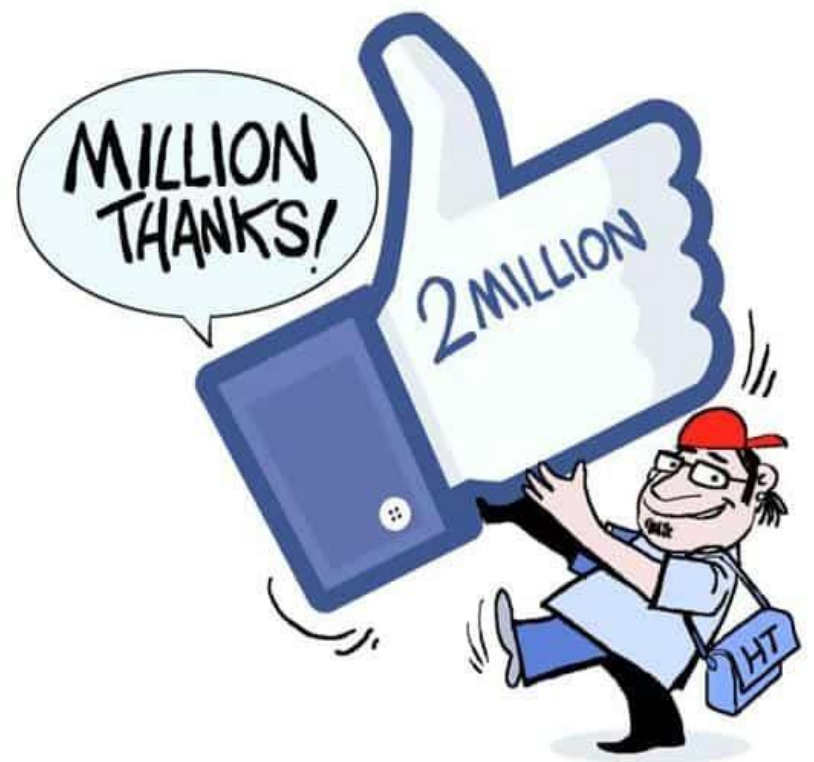
each other and it's a shame.  
Stop this and a change will start.  
As we fight this virus , let's also fight  
the hate within our heart  
Islamophobia, Homophobia,  
Xenophobia, take small steps to stop  
this and a change will start.

Life won't exactly be the same when  
this pandemic ends ,  
But we can continue to hope for a  
better future for our country, family  
and friends.  
We're all in this together, together we  
move on.  
Let's fight this together, let's go  
ahead and dream on.

# #TweetGoneViral

NIYATI GUPTA, XI

As soon as He tweeted, it immediately became VIRAL. The first place it started accumulating likes was China. When somebody likes the post it means that the person has been infected with the coronavirus. In the starting there were only 50-60 likes but then slowly the number started increasing alarmingly. It rose up to 100 then 200 then 300 and finally 1st January, 2020 came and the likes or the cases of COVID-19 shot up to the sky or even far, to the center of the Milky Way for the sake of accurate comparison. It reached a whopping 40,000 thousand and more in China alone. With likes also came retweets which means the number of deaths, it reached 3000 approx. by then. It was still in control when the Corona Tweet started to get viral outside of China too. Japan then South Korea then Italy, Iran, Iraq, France, America, Australia, Germany, Spain, South Africa, Iceland and even in India it started getting viral. Likes increased and sadly retweets too. The only possible way to get this tweet deleted was reporting IT. Reporting leads to quarantine, self-isolation, social- distancing and lockdown. A few places were reporting but then mass reports were necessary to commence. It has been almost a month of reporting or lockdown in India with almost 25,000 likes and 2000 retweets. Those who are not reporting are being blocked by the government. The world is just eagerly anticipating for this to get deleted asap! We are all in this together now. It is, now upto us to decide the end of this tale. The fate of humanity is in the hands of humans.



## DIARY ENTRY.

VIDUSHI BHARADWAJ, XI

13 April 2020 Monday 10:00 PM

Yet another boring and monotonous day. This lockdown due to COVID-19 has made my life turn upside down. I really miss my good old days before the lockdown. Going out with my friends, having dinners with family in malls on weekends, attending marriages and functions. Oh! How I yearn for all these things. I had never thought that I will start missing my school so much. I am trying to utilize my time by taking up hobbies which are possible on a digital platform. Spending quality time with my family, baking cakes, playing games and watching movies together has its own charm but I hope and wish to go to the school and resume my normal life as soon as possible.

# PLAY YOUR PART

**Sanitize and wash your hands often**

**Stay at home to remain protected**

**Practice ‘Social distancing’**

**Read books and interesting novels**

**Do not spread wrong information**

**without confirming it**

**Video call your loved ones while**

**relaxing at home**

**Walk and exercise regularly**

**Never step out of the house without**

**gloves and mask**

**Praying and meditating is the best**

**escape**

**Eat healthy to boost your**

**Immunity and stay fit**

**Avoid touching your face**

**Namaste is the new handshake**



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