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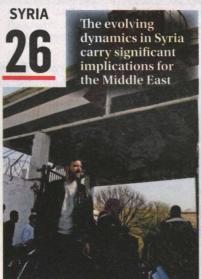
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Mohinder Amarnath (right) with Surinder Amarnath (middle) and co-author Rajender Amarnath



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No matter how advanced health care becomes, its essence must always lie in its humanity, reiterated the medical fraternity

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Like THE WEEK, AIIMS also works with a human touch: Dr M. Srinivas, director, AIIMS, Delhi





It is very important that we are quality-driven and process-driven, rather than individual-driven: Dr Sudarshan Ballal, chairman, Manipal Hospitals

We maintain consistency through technology and continuous patient engagement: Dr Santosh Shetty, CEO, Kokilaben Dhirubhai Ambani Hospital and Medical Research Institute





Know what it is that your body requires: Aditi Rao Hydari, actor

> Not just about high IQ or talent, it is about grit: Shalini Saraswathi, international athlete and blade runner



I emphasise healthy eating; less biryani, more millet-based and vegetarian diets: C.V. Anand, police commissioner, Hyderabad

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I certainly applaud our giving Sheikh Hasina refuge and refusing to extradite her. But having done our duty, should we not give the interim authorities in Dhaka the opportunity to settle down and hold elections when they are ready?