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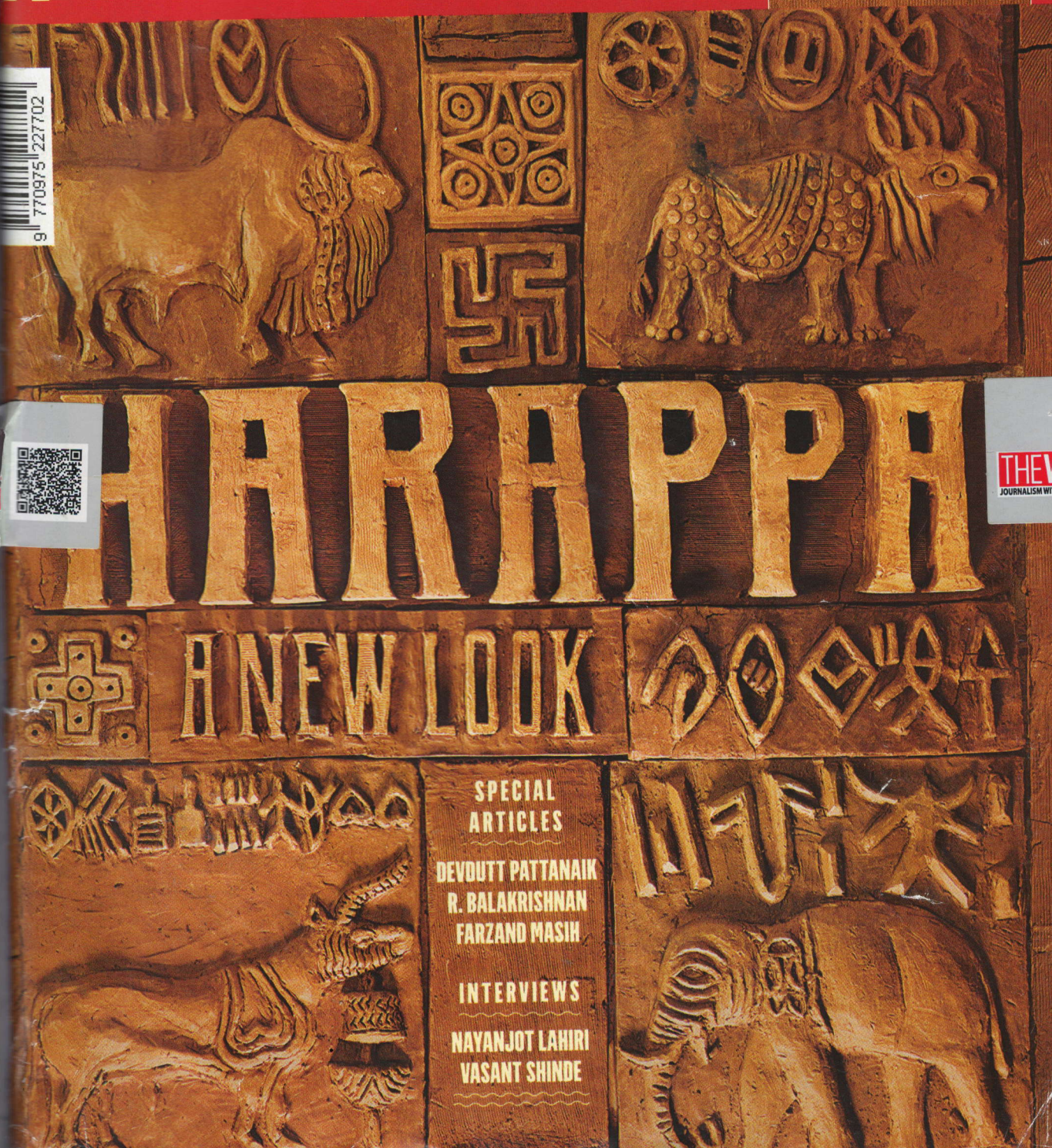


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As the discovery of the Indus Valley Civilisation marks its centenary, many aspects of this ancient culture remain mysterious, including its script. While the theory of an Aryan invasion disrupting the civilisation has largely been discredited, debates over the ancestry of the Indus people and their contemporary links continue.

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- ◆ When archaeologists discovered Harappa 100 years ago, they assumed it represented the polytheistic phase of Indian civilisation: **Devdutt Pattanaik**, mythologist and writer
- ◆ Any attempt to build a singular narrative around India's collective cultural history is fraught with danger: **R. Balakrishnan**, retired bureaucrat and researcher
- ◆ Pakistan needs to unlock the immense potential of archaeology: **Farzand Masih**, professor and head of department of history & Pakistan studies, Forman Christian College, Lahore
- ◆ Harappan food was rich in fleshy delights: **Nayanjot Lahiri**, historian, archaeologist and author



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As president again, Donald Trump may reduce the nuclear threat from Russia, but increases it from Iran. The US is complicit, the UN toothless, regional Sunni powers, treacherous. Iran's allies are distracted, dismembered or destroyed.

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ARTWORK MADE IN CLAY, MODELLED ON THE ORIGINAL HARAPPAN SEALS.
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