



The Spirit Of Holi 2016

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HOLI HAS BEEN my favourite festival of all time. It means Friends, Gulaal and throwing Water Balloons to me. It brings out the child in me. This year was more so because my college roommate came with me to celebrate Holi. Had it not been for the ticket system for residents and guests, lip-smacking food and security arranged by the team, it would have been like any other Holi at Sarvodaya. After many, many years, the whole colony came together and celebrated Holi with unbridled zest and vigour.



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JUST WHEN I plunge my hand into the dish laden with crumbly, buttery delicacies, namely gujias, for the 6th time, I hear my sister's voice, "Vrinda, the rain dance has begun. Spare the food, will you?" That's the best part of Holi for me!

The Holi Milan / Tambola night, the best days of my life have gone over a month ago, and I still can't keep my mind off it! I'm sure everyone enjoyed the witty banter of the stand-up comedian, and I had at least three rounds of Vanita aunty's crème filled red velvet cupcakes! The day went by in a splash of colours from mild orange to hot pink gulaal, delicious kulfi and dancing to the beats of mesmerising music. The Holi Milan-Yeah!

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PEOPLE COVERED FROM head to toe in silver, proud to relinquish their humanity in exchange for the pleasure of looking like jewellery, often discourages elders and the younger children from engaging in the celebration of what is essentially the festival of colours. But this year's celebrations were a lot of fun.

Sarvodaya was filled with the sound of music, luckily not limiting itself to the two songs, "rang barse" and the newer but yet so ridiculous "do me a favour let's play holi". Talking about the food, none of my friends had an upset stomach the next day. *Achievement level 1000* food tasted amazing, and was certainly beyond satisfactory. I actually had a great time, and I loved this year's celebrations immensely.



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ऐसी होली पहले कभी नहीं खेली

सर्वोदय एंक्लेव के सेन्ट्रल पार्क में खाना-पीना, डी.जे., म्यूज़िक और बारिश नृत्य सभी कुछ नया सा लगा। कोई रोक टोक नहीं। निडरता से घुमते हुए लोग, हम ने यह पहली बार देखे। सचमुच हमने पहली बार दिल खोल कर बिना डर के जी भर कर होली खेली। पहले तो ऐसा कभी नहीं लगा लेकिन इस बार शायद यह कहना पड़ेगा कि, होली ही मेरा मनपसन्द त्योहार है और सर्वोदय एंक्लेव में सर्वोत्तम होली होती है। खूब मस्ती के बाद सभी बच्चों ने पार्क की सुन्दरता बनाये रखने के लिये सफाई भी की।

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COLOURS SPEAK LOUDER than words at times. Holi goes beyond the custom of smearing colours on each other. It crosses the realm of "olden day" customs to reach new dimensions of renewal of spirit.

What fun we had on Holi this year! The Rain dance captured the mood along with the scintillating music of the DJ. High on the spirit of the festival, it was wonderful to relive colourful childhood memories of carefree days and amazing times spent with old friends.

It was the day to recreate the spirit of unity, friendship and a will to forget the past and let the present take over our lives. Truly what makes Holi my favourite festival.

