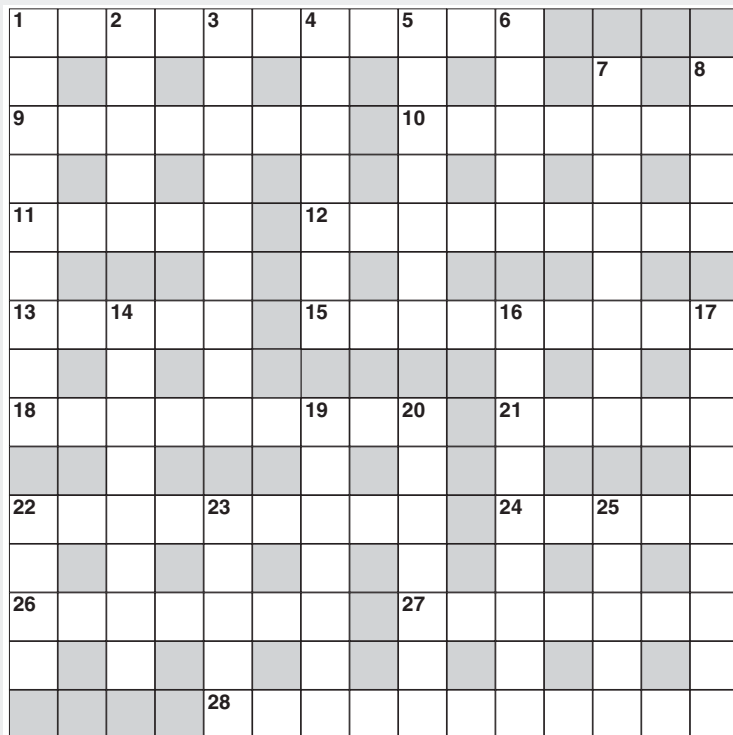


# The Hindu Crossword 8163



## Across

- 1** Not that the Indian Railways employs all its staff thus (11)  
**9** Home for the Oriental fugitive (7)  
**10** West African cokes scattered by eccentric persons (7)

- 11** Bundle Nike's has unravelled (5)  
**12** That can no longer be quoted as easily roused? (9)  
**13** Stun kuberas presenting a Malay title (5)  
**15** Questionable document? (4-5)

- 18** As used when you need a serving in pinches (4,5)  
**21** Figures of perfection? (5)  
**22** Delivers — as the raingod does? (5,4)  
**24** Time to be near the tip of truth (5)  
**26** Goodbye to frankfurter! (7)  
**27** Nothing rare to us *a la* U.S. practices (2,5)  
**28** Not having enough staff to have something taken down quickly? (5-6)

## Down

- 1** Pai stares obliquely at freeloaders (9)  
**2** Plunder some Bihari fleapits (5)  
**3** A goat runs round an old ship (9)  
**4** Woman to catch her breath only after its peak is reached (7)  
**5** Strikes what's scattered round the cook (7)  
**6** Somewhat chatty about head of tradesmen leaving boat (5)  
**7** Hindi film on person of Japanese descent coming up with a hair-grip (5,3)  
**8** Land mass is over half a mile (4)  
**14** Not now as formerly (2,6)  
**16** U.N. leaps in to reconstitute south India, for instance? (9)  
**17** Test elder ordered to be located in a new place (9)  
**19** Sherry to look up an alternative to single in spectacles (7)  
**20** Lie, by some other name (3-4)  
**22** Therefore the cook hit hard (4)  
**23** Indian crane brings up flavour to you and me (5)  
**25** Fruit cup (5)

## Solution to puzzle 8162

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