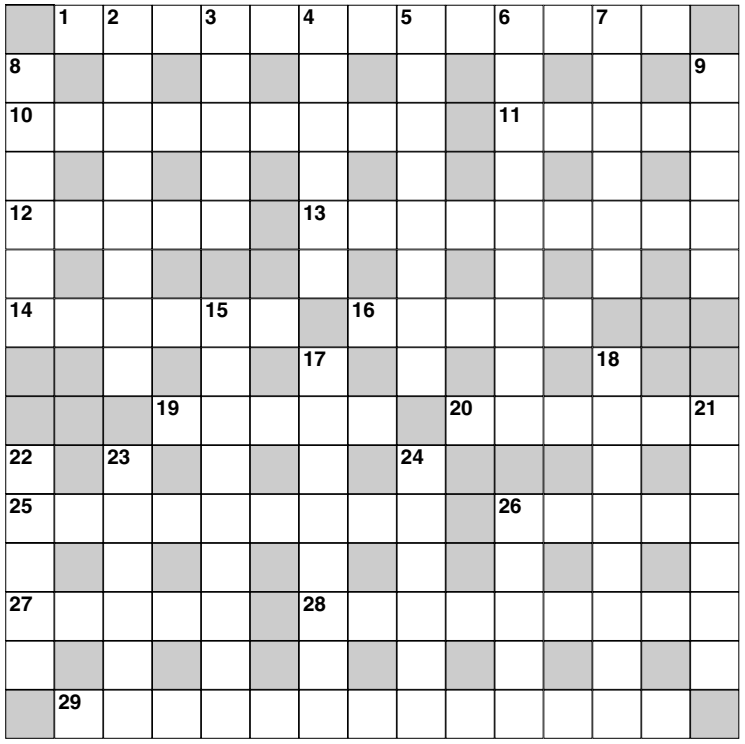
THE HINDU CROSSWORD 8449

Across

1 Speech on minor difficulty in the capacity to understand (13)
10 Rose, last to excite heartless girl worker in the east (9)
11 Quick and agile in U.S. city, with one foot tucked in (5)
12 It is used in smithies in Indian villages (5)
13 Checking one's income prior to extending support signifies a trial (5,4)
14 Mass movement for the second book (6)
16 News story ahead of all others — about some ice cream? (5)
19 Murderer holds first of boys in room on board ship (5)
20 Speak for the accused in court (6)
25 Be liberal, create confusion and rejoice! (9)
26 Whine from a miserable athlete (5)
27 Do a repair job and make it secure (3,2)
28 Practical and clear, is it? Perhaps (9)
29 Critic of social injustice annoyed chap junior in years (5,5,3)

Down

2 Pardon the state of forgetfulness (8)
3 Writer getting a pound for prescribing punishment (5)
4 A mystery game in design (6)
5 The grace of an oriental member with funny cane (8)
6 Sedimentary rock with which to polish a gem perhaps (9)
7 Out of tune, like the musician without an opener (3,3)
8 Greek goddess responsible for animosity around part of London (6)
9 Electronic instrument that makes musical sounds in short (5)
15 No tabular arrangement in this capital (4,5)
17 Confusion in a girl's impressive display (8)
18 Serious mental deterioration? Deem it an oddity (8)
21 Separate part of a well-made tachometer (6)
22 Speak contemptuously about cricket side following scene (5)
23 Choir leader reportedly wants performing hooter (6)
24 An "already seen" Parisian experience (4,2)
26 Conduct a black band (5)



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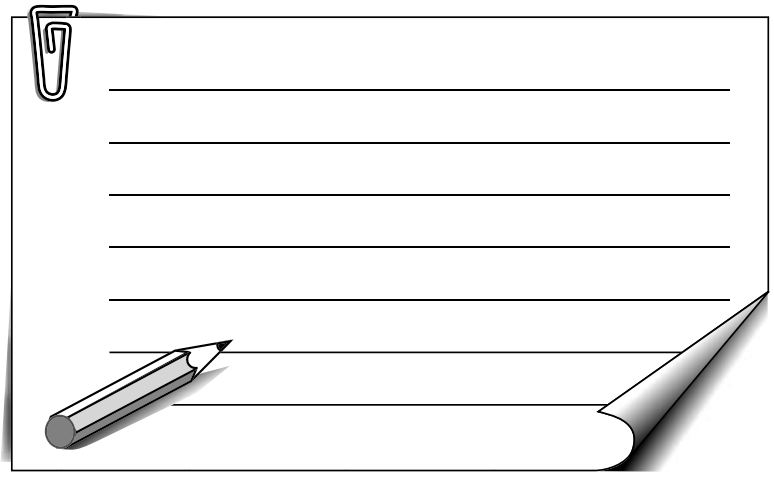
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