

THE HINDU CROSSWORD 8500

Across

- 1 The help fits a shaped union on track (9)
- 5 Average Pole's wherewithal (5)
- 8 Protection given for a prize in sports (6)
- 9 Clear ban, somehow, on something difficult to get rid of (8)
- 11 I study a figure on the desktop (4)
- 12 Utterly wearied, drilled body (5,5)
- 14 Badly want a bit of yolk of brownish-orange colour (5)
- 15 Froth on liquor, a help for the pub worker (7)
- 16 Rubbish, I said, was hot (7)
- 17 A river – it runs back around a point (5)
- 19 Explained in great detail, as a boxing match might be? (4-2-4)
- 20 Nonsense included in expressing affection (4)
- 22 Practically equal in quality (2,4,2)
- 23 A priest to look for water (6)
- 24 To make improvements, journalist accommodates people (5)
- 25 One coming out could be taunted, harassed (9)

Down

- 1 Outdated chap, old German guard wrapped in metal film (6)

- 2 Hegel puts foot in comically with a trivial, unintended mistake in speech (4,2,3,6)
- 3 The attraction of influence (4)
- 4 Can a tax on rice be made into an aggravation? (12)
- 5 Hindu lawmaker writing a document (10)
- 6 Getting used to acclaim, is it not a novelty? (15)
- 7 Bundled article included in what a girl ate (7)
- 10 Pass close to the directors but be neglected (2,2,3,5)
- 13 Work strenuously to treat bloated sow (5,5)
- 16 Clasp half of them, a pair (7)
- 18 Weak notes on festival (6)
- 21 Culpability, say, with a false appearance of excellence (4)

Solution to Puzzle 8499

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