

# THE HINDU CROSSWORD 8554

## Across

- 1 Scheming, like a couturier perhaps (9)
- 5 A heavy blow could cause embarrassment (5)
- 8 Money for Barbie, say: a rouble (6)
- 9 Standards for rice Rita cooked (8)
- 11 Everyone taking part in a rare achievement (4)
- 12 Goalie on US trip, producing oil (10)
- 14 Ruth's daughter-in-law (5)
- 15 Somehow undo railway briefly but thoroughly (7)
- 16 Driving seat for a bird, mine! (7)
- 17 Revolutionary way to find a box (5)
- 19 Demonstrate how the sway is thwarted (4,3,3)
- 20 Old creature in one party after another (4)
- 22 Boy posed with another, got dog (8)
- 23 The best band for broadcasting (6)
- 24 Laundry machine that is more uninteresting (5)
- 25 Observer's entitlement to a command on the parade ground (4,5)

## Down

- 1 Shifty chap, artful Dickensian (6)
- 2 In close focus, Lys dances in an affected manner (4-11)

- 3 Creature of the Capricorn (4)
- 4 Medical specialist for a tiring race, one disintegrating (12)
- 5 Properties at the centre of creation: praises follow (10)
- 6 Indira, incognito, devises a way to beat the weather (3-12)
- 7 Gossip to listen to and utter (7)
- 10 Everything's a part of sport, don't let it upset you (3,2,3,4)
- 13 Co-opt timer failing as a rival (10)
- 16 Dish with a crust developing – top of desserts (7)
- 18 Do not remember, for example, going up in a stronghold (6)
- 21 Landing place for a lord, reportedly (4)

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## Solution to Puzzle 8553

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