

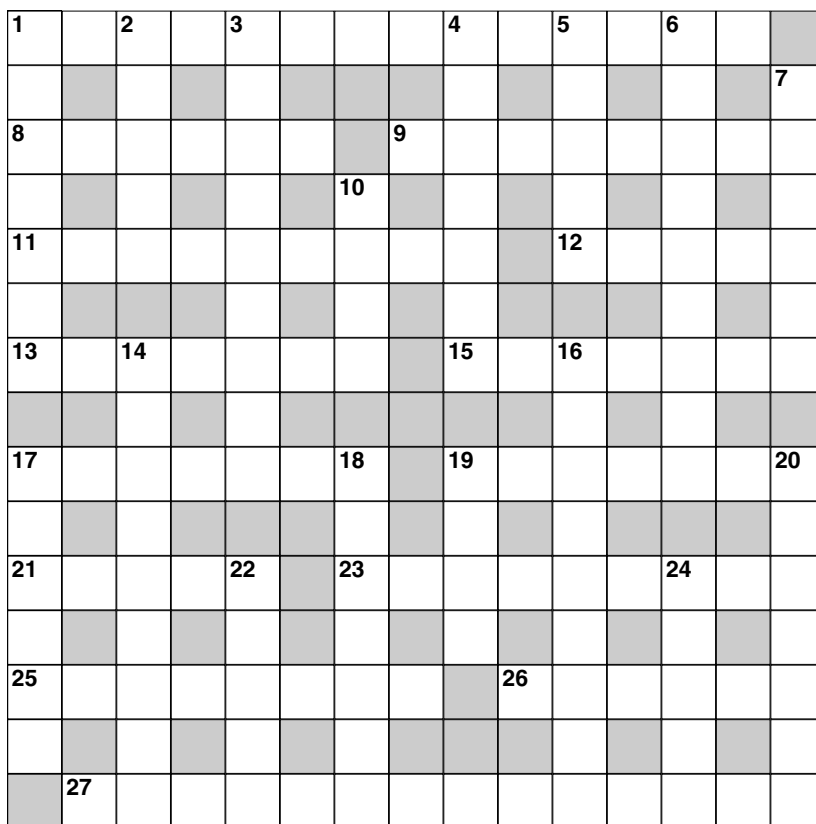
THE HINDU CROSSWORD 8742

Across

- 1 Officer in the making may neglect mandate carelessly (9,5)
 8 Architect Jones escorted daughter to find rainbow component (6)
 9 One giving life to a cartoon (8)
 11 Because of awful ride, Louis is badly confused (9)
 12 Lament over a faulty ridge (5)
 13 Unfair treatment of immature wood (3,4)
 15 A novel love affair (7)
 17 Crude metal has no grip, I suspect (3,4)
 19 Going-away party for a Bengali, a party doubly fine (7)
 21 Such a photo may not seem natural (5)
 23 Crime mag's interpretation of a rough struggle (9)
 25 More dull, finally dreary soft-soap (8)
 26 Increase the wealth of two bridge players? Very amusing! (6)
 27 Favourable mention about credit is what a job seeker may need (14)

Down

- 1 Tooth as a food processor (7)
 2 Negative boy is upset about a point from which branches sprout (5)
 3 The drink to quench rebel rage (5,4)
 4 One runs off from one who does not take drugs (3-4)
 5 Equipped for battle (5)
 6 Start treating retention (5,4)
 7 Soldier girl, hiding onset of rubella, may feel distress (6)
 10 What one wants to get on a hot day is collected (4)



- 14 Worker dependent on his pay leaves wag confused (4,5)
 16 Obsession of a girl trapping one from Muscat possibly (9)
 17 Go away quickly with father, away! (3,3)
 18 No way strong spirit can be a medicine (7)
 19 Love god is upset, angry (4)
 20 New directions to spruce up and... (7)
 22 ...the same in Italian (5)
 24 Absence as an excuse (5)

Solution to Puzzle 8741

