

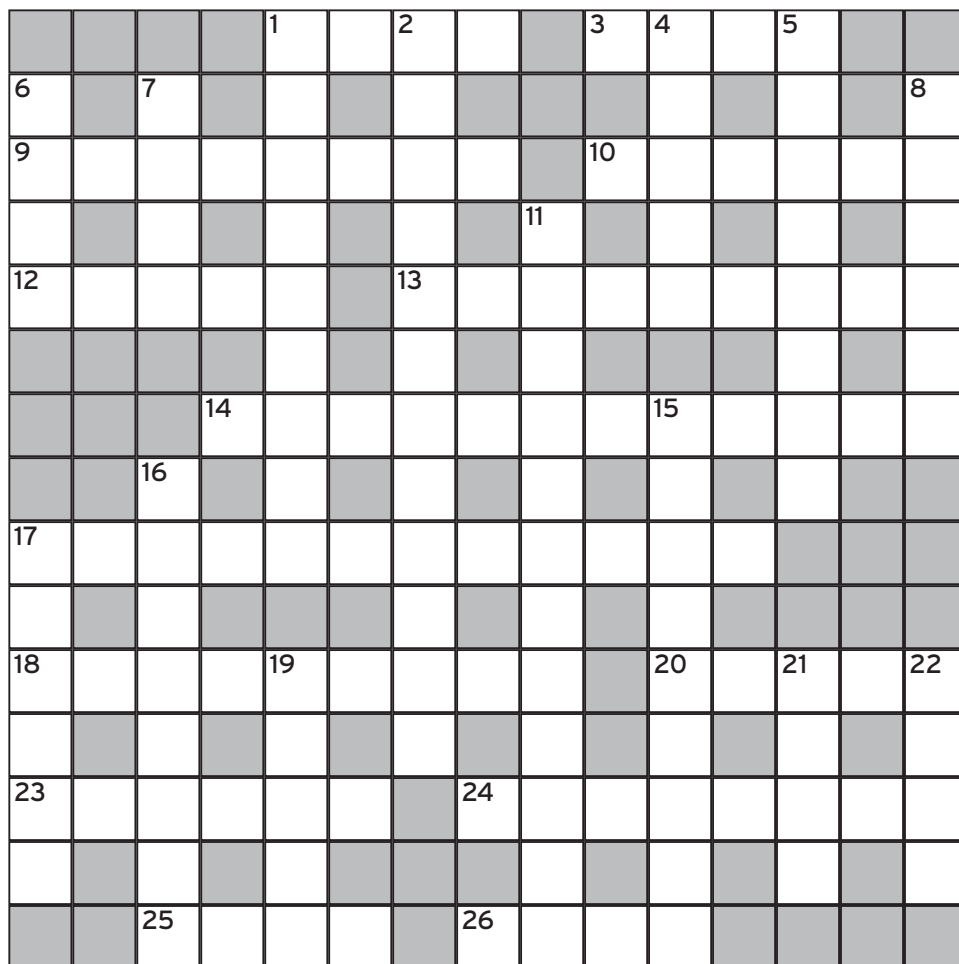
The Hindu Crossword No. 2675

Across

- 1,3 Adult males, competent and likely to cooperate (8)
 9 All that is in revues (edited) (8)
 10 Girl caught in grip of another (6)
 12 Result – level at end of contest (5)
 13 Smitten girl wore black, burying knight (9)
 14 Hypocritical show of affection in press coming to nothing (8,4)
 17 Gift from boy – perfume? (12)
 18 Ignite sack during argument (3,4,2)
 20 Drive back from dance bypassing centre of Memphis (5)
 23 Tediously familiar lot had dispersed (3,3)
 24 Foremost of societies, together with Press Club (4,4)
 25, 26 Ibsen drama exercises gentry, surprisingly (4,4)

Down

- 1 Full of admiration for a bridge player at a gathering of players (9)
 2 Berlin song – none better broadcast so far inside (6,6)
 4 Partly describe an office party (5)
 5 It's edible and good aboard coaster at sea (8)
 6,7 Always effective for all to see, aboard ferries at sea (4-4)
 8 Lumber theologian put in auction (6)
 11 Novel move by armada at sea (6,6)
 15 Cast doubt on record? Tried, stupidly (9)
 16 Improved the appearance of pad? Utter nonsense (6,2)
 17 This kind of music is fun, dancing, holding love (6)
 19 Angry in lift, losing head (5)
 21, 22 Box hidden in tree in London street (4,4)



Solution No. 2674

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