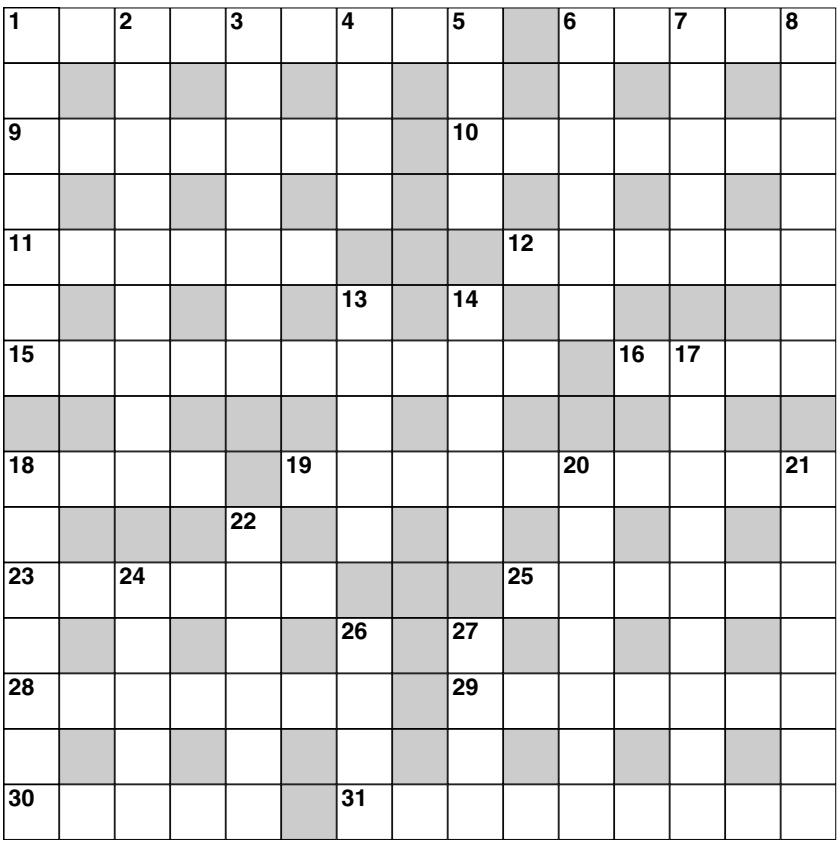
# THE HINDU CROSSWORD 8914



**Across**

1 Check condition and replace (9)
6 Russian lake that develops an ego (5)
9 Plan amended for sappers lookin overstrained? (7)
10 Ornamental caves (7)
11 Our old shuffle causes distress (6)
12 Corrected at the rear of the book? At the front, more likely (6)
15 Period of leave granted at intervals to university for study, travel etc. (10)
16 Terrifying person (4)
18 Having sharp edge or point (4)
19 Put on guard from a combination of fear and wonder (10)
23 Fills with longing (6)
25 One who walks at an easy pace (6)
28 Atom is nothing to part exchange initially (7)
29 Worker employed to keep telephone or telegraph wire in repair (7)
30 Animal organ producing gametes (5)
31 An allusion to one's character and ability, maybe (9)

**Down**

1 Seldom found or occurring (7)
2 Feeling that cannot be blotted out (9)
3 Broad-bladed instrument for picking up powdered items (7)
4 Unrelated woman fond of children (4)
5 It's the limit, what the knife grinder puts on (4)
6 That which fills with scent (6)
7 Something charged as additional (5)
8 Mollify with sausage and mash (7)
13 Not yet of full age (5)
14 He attends to a gentleman's need (5)
17 Man of good breeding (9)
18 Closed circle holding openings to many doors (3,4)
20 Official distributor of alms (7)
21 Cause to act irregularly (7)
22 Remove charge from firearm (6)
24 A hard lump on a tree (5)
26 Pull apart with some force (4)
27 One of the several symbols indicating pitch in music (4)

## Solution to Puzzle 8913

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