

THE HINDU CROSSWORD 8985

Across

- 1 Risky ventures for a lawyer involved in sports (7)
- 5 He supplies food and can retrace diversion (7)
- 9 Should lights be on, or out perhaps, for removing difficulties in the way? (15)
- 10 Society regulation, not really one about extra run (3-3)
- 11 In Goa, gripe about how to play a chord in music (8)
- 13 Sent off the track with two keys, complained bitterly (8)
- 15 Absolve a conservative? Give up! (6)
- 18 Creature getting party backing in lease (6)
- 19 Again adjust the alignment with reference to the east (8)
- 22 Rough and churlish, like Teddy (8)
- 24 Stupid like a mule, getting involved with notary public (6)
- 27 Cover for injury comes in a strip lacking set form (8,7)
- 28 Pardon for a girl straddling a bird's home (7)
- 29 If growing into the flesh, it may cause pain or a strange elation (7)

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Down

- 1 What can one do to get some sleep? (2,2,3)
- 2 Large deer, one that sounds like a cow (5)
- 3 Liar, brain-damaged, is one looking after books (9)
- 4 Cook slowly or stitch? About time (4)
- 5 Stick together with company at this place (6)
- 6 Disease one got from a kind of steak (1,4)
- 7 It gives a measure of liquid precipitation (4,5)
- 8 Plant that produces a bit of Hindustani music, endless in value (7)

- 12 & 17 Body of water for a socialist to observe, reportedly (3,3)
- 14 Emission of energy can aid Iran to diversify (9)
- 16 Go round like blood in the body (9)
- 17 See 12
- 18 Kind of coffee, a strong article (7)
- 20 Support for climber makes a number do physical exercise, they say (7)
- 21 A meagre public house in heaven? (6)
- 23 Similarities of tales about a ruler (5)
- 25 State capital in Ispatnagar (5)
- 26 Petty quarrel involving father in a way (4)

Solution to puzzle 8984

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