

THE HINDU CROSSWORD 9018

Across

- 1 Paucity for a brief period (8)
- 5 Does something so the play's is on (4,2)
- 9 Fighter unable to get wine (7)
- 10 Copper, novice, on trip abroad to catch the perpetrator (7)
- 11 Come between one priest and another (9)
- 12 Organisation in India chanted hosanna at first (5)
- 13 Closes tips (4)
- 14 Discontinues meeting with professional villains (9)
- 17 Local newspaper items outside city; they display data (3,6)
- 19 During the fall, it comes down with its likes (4)
- 23 News agency on back-street covers military groupings (5)
- 24 Kind of reasoning suggests Pipe 4 is in the river (9)
- 25 View reveals nothing on the wing (7)
- 26 Daily gets back to one vehicle (7)
- 27 Tarzan and more of his ilk (6)
- 28 Segregated? So detail needs to be furnished (8)

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Down

- 1 Prophet holds a boy near the Marina (8)
- 2 Ignored nothing with hand cover (7)
- 3 In which cha is brewed and from which it is served (3,3)
- 4 Become practised – what you should be able to do to lift something (3,4,4,2)
- 6 It identifies the broadcaster or transmitter (4,4)
- 7 Yes, worried about call for something needed to give a shot (7)
- 8 Improvised chat within the limits of

- Pondicherry is uneven in quality (6)
- 10 If you do, nothing will hinder your progress aboard (5,3,5)
- 15 Piece from a boiled breakfast item (3,5)
- 16 Moved by Air Force setting right defect (8)
- 18 Foolish when I take up one less than ten (7)
- 20 One appears in fresh titles as being snobbish (7)
- 21 Gold in the atmosphere at dawn (7)
- 22 Careless writing by small creep (6)

Solution to puzzle 9017

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