

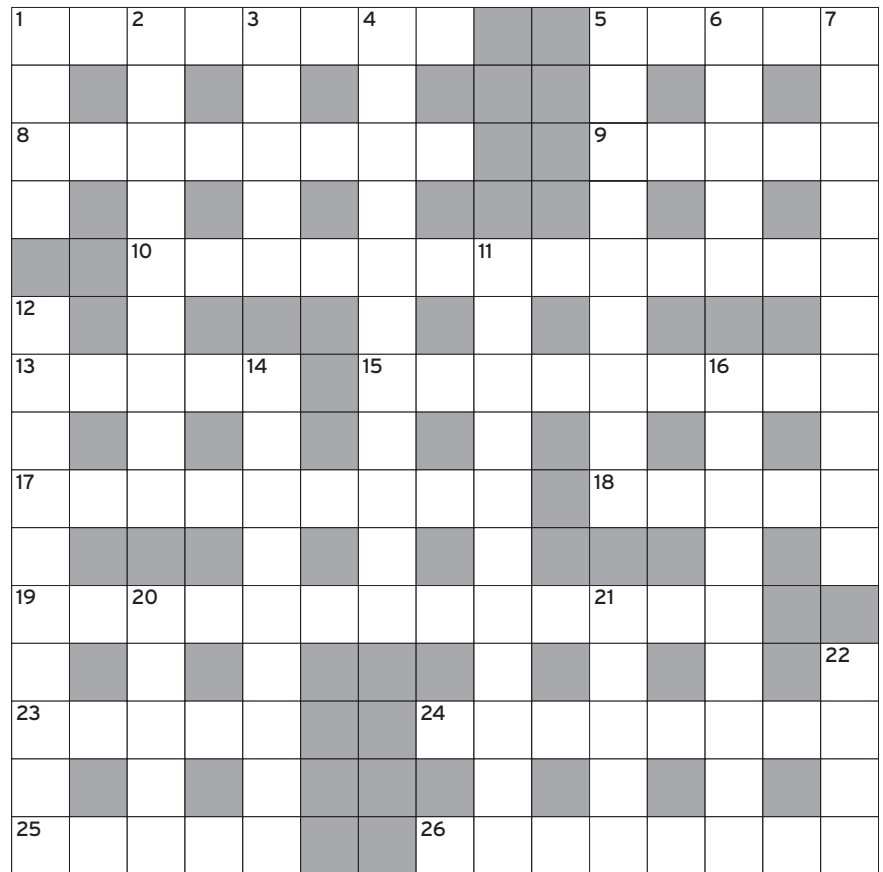
# The Hindu Crossword No. 2723

## Across

- 1 4's partner sobbed uncontrollably when cut by heartless Kevin (8)  
 5 Unproductive female's lost grant (5)  
 8 Stop prisoner bandaging a burn (8)  
 9 Handcuff one arrested by detective hero (5)  
 10 Refrain from talking about the situation? That's all right (4,7,2)  
 13 Soar off around five in the afternoons in Sydney? (5)  
 15 Reference book he's brought into house (9)  
 17 The Italian record, one about lake, is silly (9)  
 18 Daughter with garden tool makes one duck (5)  
 19 Flattery intended to persuade nimblest hands, possibly (13)  
 23 Complete madman losing head (5)  
 24 Advocate working on treaty (8)  
 25 Novelist able to bear exposure (5)  
 26 Having no use for trainers, like Joe Jackson? (8)

## Down

- 1 Give support to defensive player (4)  
 2 Hot dog served without starter and laid out (9)  
 3 Material from New York and London lecturer rejected (5)  
 4 Handles severe criticism inside bachelor pads (11)  
 5 Boy leading one over plain (9)  
 6 Close to school, pull in master (5)  
 7 One who might sample retsina, we suspect, around Thessaly initially (4,6)  
 11 Contest between bitter enemies who knit? (6,5)  
 12 TV character finds herb right inside forest (5,5)  
 14 Cheese wise, before race? (4,5)  
 16 What good drivers should have reasoned out about double bend (4,5)  
 20 Film star works endlessly? (5)  
 21 Not a single person in the street's first house? (2,3)  
 22 Young hawk in spinney, a sparrowhawk (4)



## Solution No. 2722

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