

## Sunday Poetry

### Death trolls

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How fearful when I hear Death?  
'Death', a drama; one fearful sequence!  
My heart beats faster, faster as it could;  
My pulses pumps higher, higher as it could be;  
Trembling deep inside, inside my veins running through;  
How pathetic I feel such fearing impulses?  
'Death' a monster; 'death' so horrifying scare!  
Feeling too uneasy within me, panicking worried;  
When it happens; It's just turns a huge gruesome;  
'leikai mi leitre' 'leikai mi leitre' 'leikai mi leitre'  
Waves; waves after waves, spread across the lounge;  
'Voice' so heavy, darkening each other's spirit;  
Trembling and scattering; favoring no brighter sequence;  
Shadowing illness and darkening every soul alive trolling.

Can't it be contented, Sound and freshly?  
Quizzing thousands motives, I freeze to null;  
Crying and shouting, sobbing and weeping;  
Kicking and pulling, thrashing and beating;  
Craving and carpeting, cutting and hammering;  
Sickening through nerves, how painful the scenic troll is?  
Losing all my egos, I shattered plain dull and dismay;  
'White' as I see; 'white' as it goes flapping lively;  
Smoking waves across lamenting higher,  
Potting garnishing and waging spirit;  
Oh! How crucial the trolling life and death?  
Wailing and groaning rhythmically gesture after gesture;  
Echoing far through the meadows, blow after blow,  
Carrying me away striking far into the never, never land.

'Tung-tung-tung', 'gwai-gwai-gwai',  
'Tung-tung-tung', 'gwai-gwai-gwai',  
I fear the most, worst and terrible sounding;  
Can't it be simple, flowery and freshly?  
I Wonder, 'living' so simple hardworking and ripening,  
But 'Death' 'it's a fearing 'troll', a naked truth fearing;  
That broom, that whisking 'yangkok', that clothe;  
Those drum, that instrument, that noise;  
Ah! Worst ever part, can't be partition delight;  
That sadistic and murmuring soul's journey,  
Something changes, hovering over dark clouds within;  
Whispering and spelling fright, swallowing monster,  
One after another, it's a miracle happening;  
Gathering and rumoring, strengthening and judging,  
All but a life after 'death' it's a living fashion;  
I fear, fear those intuitions premonitory,  
Capturing within my veins, flowing lively still,  
Lingering those trolling, just a mare.

## PM visits Aurobindo Ashram in Puducherry

**Agency**  
**Puducherry, Feb 25:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi today visited the Sri Aurobindo Ashram here and paid homage to its founder Sri Aurobindo. After arriving here from Chennai, Modi reached the ashram where he was received by the officials. He paid floral tributes at the memorial of Aurobindo, a spiritual leader, and meditated for a few minutes. Later, he interacted with the children of the International School of Education run by the ashram.

He then left for Auroville (City of Dawn) International Township situated in neighbouring Villupuram district of Tamil Nadu where he will participate in its golden jubilee celebrations. The international or universal project envisioned by the mother of Aurobindo Ashram, Mirra Alfassa, is dedicated to the ideal of human unity. Earlier on his arrival at the airport here, Modi was received by Lt Governor Kiran Bedi and Chief Minister V Narayanaswamy among others.

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## National & International News

### Sridevi passes away at 54 after a cardiac arrest in Dubai

**Agency**  
**New Delhi, Feb. 25:** Having a career which expanded for over four decades, Bollywood's Veteran actress Sridevi passed away at the age of 54. The actor, wife of producer Boney Kapoor, died late in the night reportedly due to cardiac arrest in Dubai, where she had gone along with her family to attend her nephew Mohit Marwah's wedding. Confirming the news of her death, Sridevi's brother-in-law and actor Sanjay Kapoor, told IANS: "Yes, it is true." Sanjay, however, could not reveal more details as he was on his way to Dubai. While some of her family members returned from Dubai after the wedding, Sridevi, Boney and her younger daughter Khushi stayed back. Her elder daughter — Janhvi — had not travelled with the family because of the shooting schedule for her upcoming Bollywood film, her first in the industry. Sridevi, known for her versatility as an actor, made her Bollywood debut in 1978 with "Solva Sawan". But it was only after five years with Jeetendra-starrer "Himmatwala" that she gained commercial success. Before her entry into Bollywood, the actor had been a known face in South Indian films. She made her debut as a child artist in in Tamil film "Thunaiyan" in 1969. She also worked in Malayalam, Telugu and Kannada films. Sridevi was awarded the Padma

Shri, the fourth highest civilian honour, in 2013. Sridevi's beguiling eyes, scintillating screen presence and acting prowess soon made her one of the most sought-after actors in the Hindi film industry. While films like "Mawaali" (1983), "Tohfa" (1984), "Mr India" (1987) and "Chandni" (1989) kept her at the top in the box-office game, her outings like "Sadma" (1983), "ChaalBaaz" (1989), "Lamhe" (1991), and "Gumrah" (1993) earned her critical acclaim. She went on a hiatus for 15 years after starring in home production "Judaai", co-starring her brother-in-law Anil Kapoor and Urmila Matondkar. It was director Gauri Shinde's "English Vinglish" in 2012 that marked Sridevi's comeback. Her nuanced performance as a middle-class woman, learning to speak English to feel accepted by her family, won accolades, and the film was also a commercial success. Last year, she was seen in revenge-drama, "Mom", opposite Nawazuddin Siddiqui and Akshaye Khanna. She also shot for a special appearance in superstar Shah Rukh Khan's upcoming film, "Zero", which releases in December. Minutes after the news of her death broke, many Bollywood actors like Amitabh Bachchan, Priyanka Chopra, Sushmita Sen, Sidharth Malhotra and Riteish Deshmukh took to Twitter to pay their condolences.

### Series of attacks, suicide bombings kill 23 in Afghanistan

**Agency**  
**Kabul, Feb. 25:** At least 23 people, mostly soldiers, were killed and more than a dozen wounded in a series of attacks and suicide bombings in Afghanistan on Saturday, officials said, the latest assaults on the war-torn country's beleaguered security forces. In the biggest attack, Taliban militants stormed an army base in the western province of Farah overnight, killing at least 18 soldiers. "Last night a big group of militants attacked an army base in Bala Buluk district of Farah. Unfortunately, we lost 18 soldiers, two soldiers were wounded. We have sent more reinforcements to the area," defence ministry spokesman Daulat Wazir said. The Taliban claimed responsibility for the attack. Deputy provincial governor Younus Rasooli said the authorities had sent a fact-finding delegation to Bala Buluk to investigate the assault. In another attack, a suicide bomber detonated his explosives near the diplomatic area of Kabul

during the morning rush hour, killing at least three people and wounding five others, deputy interior ministry spokesman Nasrat Rahimi told AFP. "At around 8.30 am, a suicide bomber on foot, well-dressed with a necktie on, was identified at a checkpoint. He blew up his explosives, killing three and wounding five others," he said, updating an earlier toll. A security source who requested not to be named said the explosion happened near a compound belonging to the National Directorate of Security (NDS), the Afghan intelligence agency. The NDS compound is located near the NATO headquarters and the US embassy. "I was driving nearby when I heard a big explosion, the windows of my car were smashed. I saw several wounded people on the street near me," a witness told Tolonews TV adding that security forces had since swarmed the area, closing off the main road leading to the attack site.

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### CM ..... SHANNAROISHIN GEE NUMIT



N. Biren said that flood lighting facility would soon be installed at Khuman Lampak Main Stadium and astro-turf would be laid at four football grounds of the State soon. The Chief Minister also mentioned about the importance of discipline and extra efforts in the players' quest for achieving success in games and sports. On the other hand, expressing concern over drug menace currently witnessed in the State, the Chief Minister asked the players and the youths to extend support to the Government's 'War on Drugs' campaign. He said that the ongoing campaign is being carried out under the supervision of a senior police officer who is at the level of an IGP. The Chief Minister also urged the public to celebrate festivals like Yaoshang in a way to avoid disturbance to others and by preserving the

traditional and cultural values. Youth Affairs and Sports Minister Letpao Haokip and YAS Secretary Shri Bobby Waikhom also attended the function as president and guest of honour respectively. In his speech, Letpao Haokip said that February 25 is organised as Shannaroishingi Numit every year in commemoration of the precious day on which Manipur was declared the winner of the prestigious Raja Bhalendra Singh Overall Team Championship Trophy in the 5<sup>th</sup> National Games held in Manipur in 1999. It is a matter of pride that the State occupies an important place in the field of games and sports in the country, he said while adding that it is because of the hard work and strong determination of the players. Stating that lack of infrastructure and other problems had never dampened the spirit of the sportspersons of the State, the Minister said that the present Government under the able leadership of Chief Minister N. Biren Singh is committed to enhance the sports infrastructure. New infrastructures would be developed not only in the State capital but also in all the districts with the funds from NLCPR, NEC, State Budget and Khelo India programme, he added. Government officials, members and executives of different sports associations and players also attended the function. Later, the Chief Minister also flagged off a run organised as part of the celebration.

## More State News

### Euphonious Musical evening enthralled villagers



**Thoubal, Feb 25:** A melodious musical evening was conducted by Kakching Battalion/HQ 28 Sector Assam Rifles under the aegis of Headquarters Inspector General of Assam Rifles (South) at Serou Village yesterday to develop and maintain a healthy environment among the youth in hinterland of Manipur. The dazzling Jazz band of the Kakching battalion gave an explicit performance with music ranging from Hindi, Manipuri, North Eastern melodies

and some ecstatic English classics liked by the locals. It was a thrilling performance with as many as 300 locals attending the function, cheering and encouraging the Jazz band to play more music. Locals also performed along with the 39 Assam Rifles jazz band. The locals of Serou village also thanked the efforts of the Kakching Battalion and jazz band for a scintillating performance and pledged to maintain peace and harmony.

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