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JRVEY @indiapost. Do you think Biden will have a better deal with Iran? Will Indo-US relations improve under Biden?

YES 56% NO 44%

# \_ INDIANS

32 million worldwide, over 200 Indian-origin people occupy leadership positions in 15 countries



An illustration of NASA's Perseverance rover landing safely on Mars. picture courtesy NASA (inset) Indian-American scientist Swati Mohan, who led the guidance, navigation, and control operations of the Mars 2020 mission

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The PIOs, include leaders like Mahatma Gandhi, Netaji Subash Chandra Bose, mathematician S Chandrasekhar and Bio-chemist Hargobind Khorana, who continue to make India proud and with contributions to India's freedom struggle and excellence in scientific fields.

As the world witnessed the historic landing of NASA's Perseverance Rover on the Martian surface, it was Indian-American scientist Swati Mohan, who led

the guidance, navigation, and control operations of the Mars 2020 mission. Mohan's family emigrated from India to the US when she was only a year old.

Raised in Northern Virginia and Washington DC metro area, she completed her bachelor's degree from Cornell University in Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering, and her M.S. and PhD from Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in Aeronautics/Astronautics. Details on page 5



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## Blue Mountain Communities introduces a new trend in work from home

orking from home is one of the largest changes we have seen from the Coronavirus Pandemic. Many teleworkers say their job responsibilities can mainly be done from home and enjoy the flexibility it provides. However, even as people are becoming more comfortable with remote working, some have felt the effects of outgrowing their at home work areas. And what about small business owners that need a space for their business?

Blue Mountain Communities recognized there was a void in the market for these remote/small business working space situations. The Plan E at Village Station in Santa Rosa was designed just for this purpose. Situated in the residential neighborhood, the Plan E offers a first-floor workspace and living space on the second and third floors.

"After a year of working from home we are all realizing 'the honeymoon is over.' We added a desk and tack board, fancy lamps to a second bedroom, but it hardly serves as a real place of business," stated Joe Klusnick, Marketing Director for Blue Mountain Communities. "This workspace is different and perfect for an art studio, physical therapist, insurance office, or a myriad of other industries that require more comfort and accessibility."

Just released for sale this month, the Plan E is a 1,939 square foot home with three bedrooms a den, and two and a half baths on the second and third living floors. These open concept floor plans also include an extraordinary balcony space.

The first floor is a dedicated, professional workspace, complete with a true entrance, a large open room enhanced by a wall of windows for a retail-style design and lots of natural light, an ADA



Village Station in Santa Rosa announces a new release of new homes with a real place of business on the first level

accessible bathroom, and easy access to the gorgeous courtyard area.

"This home offers people the flexibility and ease of working from home without the inconvenience of trekking people up and down the stairs of, what residential community of row homes uniquely designed around vibrant courtyards. The individual spaces include a dog park, bocce court, playground / tot lot, picnic areas, and more. With over half the homes now sold, the

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used to be, their personal sanctuary," continued Klusnick. "The only downside to these homes is that there are only eight available in the whole community."

Village Station in Santa Rosa is a new

neighborhood is taking shape and demonstrates a relaxing atmosphere with great synergy.

A total of five floor plans are available at Village Station. Ranging from 1,195 to 1,939 square feet with three to four bedrooms, two and a half baths, and all prepped for electric car charging. Prices start in the low \$500,000's.

Another notable draw to this community is the excellent location. In recent years, the county of Sonoma has invested in a redevelopment vision for the Sebastopol Road Corridor. With exciting improvements including shopping centers, bicycle lanes, public benches, and new street signs and street lamps, the community has become more attractive and walk able. Village Station is also in a SMART Train Quiet Zone, so if and when residents need to commute, they can walk to the train station and are just minutes from highways 101 and 12 for easy access to the Bay Area.

Neighboring Sonoma County is well known for its posh wineries, luxurious day spas, and off the beaten path B&B's making it the perfect weekend escape. The beautiful Armstrong Woods Redwood Park is a special attraction where you will find some of the tallest redwood trees in the world.

Located at the corner of Boyd Street & Sebastopol Avenue, the models and sales office at Village Station are open daily from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm by appointment only on Tuesday & Wednesday. Please call 707.521.9587, text 707.235.2008, or visit www.BlueMountainCommunities.com for more details.

## CII-ANAROCK COVID-19 sentiment survey...

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Increased demand for bigger homes across all configurations post-COVID; 69 per cent now prefer bigger 2BHKs (sq. ft. area) vis-a-vis 38 per cent pre-COVID

Real estate's popularity as an investment asset class increased perceptibly post COVID-19. About 57 per cent of respondents now favor property over fixed deposits, the stock market, and gold. 59 per cent of property-favoring respondents were convinced after the pandemic unfolded, after riding the fence of uncertainty before COVID-19.

Anuj Puri, Chairman - CII Real Estate Confluence 2021 & Chairman -ANAROCK Property Consultants says, "The survey underscores the massive impact that the coronavirus pandemic has had on home-buying decisions. The work-from-home and online education culture has resulted in buyers seeking larger homes, even if it entails moving to peripheral areas. Surprisingly, new launches are gaining traction post-COVID. ANI/NewsVoir

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## Design ideas for kids' room false ceilings

esigning a kid's room is nothing less than a project in itself, where you have to think about themes, colors and interiors with the right balance of imagination and practicality. Amid all this, the one thing that is often missed, is the ceiling. A false ceiling can transform the entire character of your kid's room, showcasing a playful aura, full of brightness. Here are a few false ceiling design ideas for your children's rooms.

Design catalogue for kid's room false ceiling

#### 1. A splash of colors

Since we are talking about children here, you can experiment with various colors on the ceiling and give it a playful aura, to make it a space where your child feels engaged and relaxed. These false ceilings can be created using gypsum board or plaster, depending upon your requirement and the design you have picked.

#### 2. Favorite characters

You can also choose your kid's favorite characters or movies, as an inspiration for a false ceiling. While the extent



of such designs is endless, you can even personalize them as per your requirement or ask your child for suggestions, if they want something that they really like.

#### 3. Play with lighting effects

If you are not comfortable with putting characters or caricatures on the ceiling, you can select from the below given ceiling ideas, which look good with various lighting effects, giving the

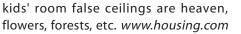
entire space an outdoor-like ambience. You can also experiment with night sky and glowin-the dark patterns, to keep it simple and yet, interesting.

Things to know before choosing a false ceiling for your kids' room

Remember, even at a very early age, kids often pay attention to the ceiling. Understand it as the sky above their personal little world, as an object of fantasy.

You can come up with something really unusual or funny but ensure that the child is able to understand it.

Some of the common themes for





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