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CREATION

hether the act of creation is uniquely human is still up for debate. But, we are all involved in it, whether consciously or not. Teachers are responsible for fostering new ideas within students, while office staff often come up with innovative ways to complete tasks. Even in our private lives, recounting our day to a friend or preparing dinner is itself an act of creation.

In Hindu philosophy, the act of creation is inexorably linked to that of preservation as well as destruction. **THINK** will be inspired by each of these concepts for the 2021 editions — starting off with creation. This issue explores the Hindu Trimurti and the way it is linked to gender (pg. 16). It delves into creativity and what it means for corporations (pg. 24), whilst zooming into the creation of new crystals (pg. 20). We even explore language and how it can help create a sense of identity (pg. 28), before wrapping up with what it means to be human (pg. 36).

Besides that, we also take a look at those fighting to make research publicly available (pg. 48), and we get in touch with Malta's first anti-bullying NGO (pg. 56). Academics at the University of Malta are making waves on a global level (pg. 40) and we catch up with the start-up trying to bring order to Malta's chaotic property market (pg. 52). Stay tuned for our next edition — preservation!

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