

## PRACTICAL 6: WRITING BLOGS

The image is a screenshot of a travel blog post titled "Bird's Paradise Menar" set against a dark red background with a floral pattern. The post itself has a light pink background. At the top left of the post is a back arrow and the title "Bird village Menar". At the top right is a search icon. Below the title is the date "- March 23, 2021". The main heading of the post is "Bird's Paradise Menar" in bold black text. Below this is a section titled "PLACES TO VISIT" in red capital letters. The main body of the post has a heading "Bird's Paradise Menar Village is Famous for Some More things! Read to Know" in black text. Below this heading is the date "March 23, 2021". There are two images side-by-side. The left image shows two white birds with long legs, identified by the caption "Raj Hans". The right image shows a blue statue of Lord Shiva, identified by the caption "Shiv Murti". Below these images is a section titled "Bodies of Water, Nature & Wildlife Area". This section contains an aerial photograph of a lake and surrounding area, with the caption "Image © Umesh Menaria". To the right of the photo is a paragraph of text: "It is possible that you might have heard of the village Menar which resides at a distance of around 52 km from Udaipur, Rajasthan. And why wouldn't you, the village is very well known not just in the city but entire Rajasthan for being the bird's paradise Menar Lake in the village witnesses many migratory birds especially in the winter season and that makes it the ideal destination for the bird watchers around the city." Below this text is a section titled "Lucky Number 52". At the bottom of the post is a video player showing a close-up of a statue's face with a play button in the center. The video player has a title "BIRD VILLAGE MENAR &" and buttons for "Watch later" and "Share".



It is also said that the village has some sort of connection with the number 52. Villagers say that several years ago, Maharana Pratap got so impressed by the bravery and courage of the villagers that he gifted a land of 52 Bigha (a measure of land) to this village. Also, the distance between the district headquarters and the village is also 52 km. This can be the possible reason why the height of the idol is kept 52 feet.

## "Jamrabij Festival at Menar"



I had been fortunate to be invited to Jamrabij festival this year by my Uncle Mr.Yogendra Menaria, and Mr. Sanju Menariaa resident in Menar village, to witness this Jamrabij festival,

which takes place one day after Holi festival. This festival is celebrated every year for last 400 years by villagers in Menar. This village is predominantly inhabited by Brahmins which took up arms against a Mughal outpost during King Uday Singh of Mewar.

The brave Menaria Brahmins were able to dislodge Mughal outpost due to which King Uday Singh of Mewar donated 52000 Bighas of land to Brahmins of Menar and now this village is known as Menar village. During this



festival, five different groups of people from five lanes leading to main market place in the heart of Menar village converge and celebrate the victory over Mughal outpost by bursting fire crackers, firing gun powder in air.



I think, all groups from the five lanes compete with each other for loudest fire-crackers. This festivity starts in the evening after 9PM with war drums. Villagers come with traditional war dresses and carry shield, guns, swords etc. At the end of the 'war drama with firecrackers, firing in the air', women folks come singing and worship for the victory.

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