

A Poor Person`s Precarious Paces And Spaces

Her efforts to hold back, to hold herself back
Against hurtling and hurting herself helplessly
With a hungry, tiny child strapped to her back
Are a betrayal, as she bursts into tears and fury
Her hiding husband betrayed her, battered her
She is on the brink of soundness, she is shaky
Hoping to ward off hunger and helplessness
Famine weighs on her fragile body, her mind
As she takes precarious steps that are oblivious
To the world of lockdowns and social distancing
She is dead, deaf, defenseless against a new reality
Ushered in by an eerie, unseen virus, she wobbles on

Quotes

Let laughter, love, sympathy and hope glow and grow
in the garden of humanity even if, at times,
the rain is scant.

To dwell on matters that humanity can solve,
is to say positivity you are nobler than negativity.

Self-distancing rules and stay-at-home guidelines
do not imply that people are now islands on their own.

To the contrary, these reinforce unity of humanity
against a common viral invisibility.

Knowledge is to possession
what wisdom is to practicality.

Diversification is a creative way
of staying on top of one's game.

Humility sometimes swaps seats with obscurity.
Scientists discover solutions in anonymity.

Pandemic or endemic, humanity must adjust
and learn to deal with the coronavirus.

People will recover, the economies will recover,
not matter what time it could take.

A virtual world could be a strange jungle,
but you had better get lost racing into it
rather than running away from its networks.

The new is odd, the normal is abnormal,
The trick is to seek ways of coping with as
it is a new reality.

Our senses can be viewed as our natural thermometers,
stethoscopes and telescopes.

Our consciences and experiences constitute our human
thermostats, barometers and maps.

The coronavirus pandemic has brought with it
new settings to the global landscape,
resetting and reinventing is the motto.

My Friend`s River Beauty

why they live in water

it`s a mystery, in a river

they possibly tuck into it--

seaweed, and swim ashore

they also diet on fish, crabs,

clams ,shrimp, oysters , lobsters

my dear friend fell in love

with one of them, his beauty!

a faraway river is their rendezvous

he confesses she`s romantic and fun!

though these days the two lovely lovebirds

barely hang-out owing to self-distancing!

I think she is human, after all

except that she has the tail of a fish

and no wonder she pees and poops

from her belly button, so says my chum!

Vaccines And Treatments

Scientists around the world are working

Tirelessly on potential vaccines and treatments

Yes, the race is on to find medicines and vaccines

Preventive measures are crucial and must be adhered to

Reliance on social distancing, contact tracing, self-isolation

No vaccine for the COVID-19 pandemic has been developed

And approved, on the other hand clinical trials are underway

The disease's damage must be lessened, there must be a game

Changer: can existing antivirals work? What about the new drugs?

Drugs to treat people with the pandemic or to prevent infection?

Specialists say antivirals are likely to be developed and approved

Before a vaccine, which historically and typically takes a longer time

Credit To All The Frontline Healthcare Workers

A planet
caught up
in anxiety,
a myriad, a cloud
of uncertainties
a globe
caught up
in the vortex
of a spiteful virus
calls for clear heads
that don't freak out
but stay calm, cool
enough to respond
to all possible preventive
measures and guidelines

A world
hard-pressed to find
a person who is unaffected
must restrict the spread
of a virus whose trail
is a hurt body, a loss
or a hurt health system

or a hurt economy
and a hurt humanity
The infected are to seek
medical attention pronto,
all persons are affected,
all to refrain from feeding
the chaos or anxiety
for there is life, a lesson
after the frenzied storm
as the health heroes
fight and sacrifice
with a bravery
that seeks to save
lives even in the core
of a breaking point

A turbulent time
calls for unity,
for the melting
of hearts,
there has to
be a merger
of purpose
for the sake
of humanity

Here is a hard-hit

earth that has to fight
the virus from various
angles but with a singularity
of purpose that knows no walls
of bias and ego but gates
of lenience
and alliance

For the frontline
healthcare workers--
the planet salutes them—
they can't be thanked,
appreciated enough---
whether the cases
spike or decline
for their valor, verve,
love and selflessness.

