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cordially invites you to an illustrated talk on

**The Mughlai Trail – Enthralling Tales of the Royal Cuisine**

**Speaker**

Shahanshah Mirza

Great-great grandson of Nawab Wajid Ali Shah

**Friday, 12 March 2021, 5.30 pm**

Victoria Memorial Hall, Eastern Quadrangle

1 Queen’s Way, Kolkata 700 071

The talk will trace the origin of Mughlai cuisine, and how it evolved over the centuries to pave the growth of Awadhi cuisine. The talk will use interesting anecdotes to recall this journey from 1526 when Babur came to India, and conclude with this cuisine's entry into Calcutta with Nawab Wajid Ali Shah when he moved here.

Entry through East Gate (opp. St Paul’s Cathedral); masks compulsory; Covid-19 precautionary measures to be followed; parking of vehicles not allowed inside the VMH campus.
Shahanshah Mirza is the great great grandson of King Wajid Ali Shah, the last ruler of Awadh. He is a senior GST officer in the Ministry of Finance and currently posted in Calcutta. He has coauthored three books - *Calcutta: Built Heritage, Calcuttadotes*, and a commemorative volume on the diplomatic relations between China and India, He is a dedicated social and green activist and has planted thousands of saplings. He is passionate about preserving the heritage of India and is a life member of INTACH and Purono Kolkatar Golpo. He is a public speaker and speaks on various issues from different platforms.