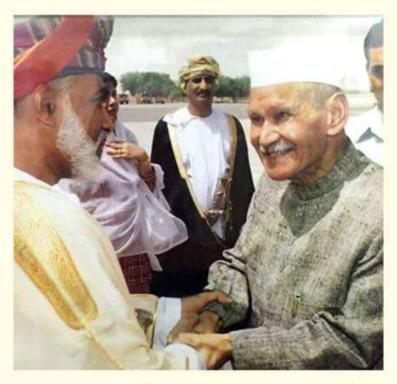
## "POWER OF BEING IDEAL TEACHER; A MORAL MESSAGE FOR ALL OF US"

## It was in 1994

The President of India, Shri Shankar Dayal Sharma visited Muscat on an official trip -

When the Air India flight landed, 3 rather unusual incidents took place:



- 1. The Sultan of Oman never goes to the airport to receive dignitaries of any country never. But he made an exception this time and went to the airport to receive the President of India!
- 2. When the flight landed, the Sultan of Oman climbed up the steps and received the President from his seat!
- 3. After alighting the flight there was a car with the chauffeur standing. But the Sultan signalled the driver to move and he himself drove the car with President as his passenger!

Later when the reporters questioned the Sultan why he broke so many protocols, the Sultan replied, "I did not go to the airport to receive Mr. Sharma because he was India's President. I studied in India and learnt so many things, when I was studying in Pune, Mr. Sharma was my Professor - that is why I did this!"

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