Call it coincidence, call it universality of human emotions; every culture of the world celebrates, and no celebration is complete without feasts of varying levels of grandeur, appropriate to the occasion.

For the over 1.8 billion Muslims across the world, Eid-ul-Azha is special for spiritual reasons, and more so for spreading the essence of love, affection, social responsibility, and attachment through sharing meals.

The days of Eid begin with prayers glorifying the Almighty, and end with lavish meals that we share with our family, neighbours, and friends, rejoicing the sustenance God has bestowed on His creations.

Polao, roasts and fragrant beef curries fiery enough to numb the gustatory senses — that was our time long traditional menu for Eid spreads. Things have changed!

We no longer wish to wind up our meals with the dishes that define us, but venture

out opting for any and every item that seems palatable. And as far as matters are 'meaty', we are spoiled for choice.

This year Star Lifestyle brings out this special supplement solely focusing on recipes suited for the grandest dinners, the light on the tummy lunches, and delectable savouries and desserts.

Let the festivities begin! Eid Mubarak.

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