





SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL: The Republic Day celebrations will be held at the NDRI Sports Ground with jubilation, enthusiasm and great joy.

DC honours Corona Warriors, staff

RANVIR PARASHAR KAITHAL: Deputy Commissioner Pradeep Dahiya said that Corona Warriors janitors and city council officials and employees have done remarkable work in the vaccination campaign.

Follow covid Rules: ADC Samvartak

RAMAN GUPTA KAITHAL: Additional Deputy Commissioner Samvartak Singh said that the colours of patriotism and various folk cultures should be seen through cultural programs in the National Day Republic Day celebrations.

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 2022

Industries in State will get a boost with the new Industrial Policy: Subhash

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, JAN 20

Haryana Bureau of Public Enterprises, Chairman, Sh. Subhash Barala said that Haryana State Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (HSIIC) has formulated a new Industrial Policy to promote industries in the State.



they will get its complete benefit. For this, substantial efforts are being made by the Corporation. He said that the government is working to develop clusters on agriculture and food products in every district.

Pooling Policy of the government, new projects would be prepared by taking land from panchayats and e-marketing to promote MSMEs in the State. He said that the Corporation has done the work of selling plots worth Rs 5,000 crore even during the Corona period.

Congress memo to CM against flyover

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, JANUARY 20



A 31-member Congress delegation handed over a memorandum to Tehsildar Raj Baksh in the name of the Chief Minister against the construction of an elevated flyover by Smart City at a cost of about Rs 200 crore in Karnal.

14 Haryana Nursing Home to Sant Nirankari Bhavan at a cost of Rs 200 crore. This flyover is being built to deal with traffic jams in the city.

thousands of shopkeepers. Rather, encroachments need to be removed with good parking, elevators, and ascending bridges to cross the road.

Admissions to increase in schools now

JASWINDER SHARMA KARNAL, JANUARY 20

Admission season is coming and many parents are in a dilemma of choosing the right school for their young children and ensuring their educational future.

In the field of education, one of the biggest effects of the epidemic has been the loss of education due to the closure of schools for a long time. In the last few months, some states have opened schools, but some students have not gone to school for the last 20 months.

Even more important is that it is meeting the shortage of education for more than 12 lakh students. The company is currently empowering more than 37,700 students in 81 schools in various cities in Haryana through its integrated learning system.

Blood donation can save lives: Labh Singh



RAVI KUMAR

BABAIN: A blood donation camp was organised by Rotary Club Babain. This camp was inaugurated by Babain Mandi Pradhan Labh Singh Antal and this blood donation camp was organised by Rotaract Jitendra Kumar.

75 pc job quota will end unemployment: Nishan Singh

GOLDY CHUGH SHAHABAD, JANUARY 20



JJP President Nishan Singh said that Haryana Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala has fulfilled his promise to the youth of the state by ensuring 75 per cent reservation to the youth of the state in private industry through law.

He said that party leaders and workers are working together to increase the JJP's mass base and connect with the youth and intellectuals from every corner of the state.

given to the police to stop the sale of illegal liquor. Earlier, on reaching Shahabad, MLA Ramkanan Kala, JJP's light president Jagbir Mohri and Amandeep Kamboj welcomed state president Nishan Singh.

Swami Vivekanand Jayanti Week held

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA NILOKHERI, JANUARY 20

Under Swami Vivekananda Jayanti Week, as per the instructions of Samar Singh, an online programme was organised under NSS on the topic of National Environment Youth Parliament 2022 and Nurturing Environment Leader.



now discussions have started among our students on environmental concerns. The winning students will represent MHU Karnal in the zonal level competition.

He said that the National Environment Youth Parliament will be organised at three levels, University level, Regional and Zonal level and National level. Online program conducted. The top 12 winners were selected, who will represent Maharana Pratap Horticulture University Karnal in the zonal level programme to be held at Kurukshetra University on January 23 to mark the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose.

Rice shellers ash polluting city

ROHIT LAMSAR

TARAORI: Taraori city is being polluted by the ash of rice shellers. Smoke from chimneys in most of the rice mills and ash from rice shellers are deteriorating the health of city dwellers.

The health of the people of the city is at stake: The people of Taraori city and the surrounding villages are getting diseases from the ash spread in the atmosphere. Apart from respiratory diseases, eye diseases are also bothering the players due to ash falling from the sky.

BJP workers urged to celebrate Bose's birthday with fervour



RINKU GONDAR

NISSING: A meeting of all the workers of the BJP Mandal was held in Guniyana village of Nissing Mandal of Nilokheri assembly in which Bhagwandas Kabirpanthi, district president Yoginder Rana and Mandal president Mahipal Rana presided over the meeting.

BJP to highlight sacrifices made by revolutionaries: Naib Saini

NIRMAL SAINI

RADAUR: The Congress party suppressed the history of martyrs and revolutionaries. But the Bharatiya Janata Party is now working to bring the history of martyrs who sacrificed for the country before the country.



Under which, information about the life of the leader and his sacrifice will be shared with people by going house to house. This was said by Kurukshetra MP Naib Saini. He was talking to reporters at the office of BJP activist Satish Khurdaban in Radaur.

Closing ceremony of National Youth Week held

JASWINDER SHARMA

KARNAL: Closing Ceremony of National Youth Day / Week was organised by the Nehru Youth Centre, Karnal (Ministry of Youth Programmes and Sports, Government of India) at District Office Karna Stadium, Karnal in which former accountant Kehar Singh and youth from different villages participated.



drug menace in the society. Rajkumar Gaur, while expressing his views, told the youth about the Nehru Youth Centre and he inspired the youth to follow the precious ideas of Swami Vivekananda. District Youth Adhik Renu Silg while sharing his views told the youth that Youth Week was celebrated by Nehru Youth Centre Karnal from 12th January to 18th January in every block of Karnal by Youth Clubs through various programs.

Surjewala slams steep hike in market fee on paddy

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

CHANDIGARH: Congress National General Secretary and Chief spokesperson Randeep Singh Surjewala termed the 300 per cent hike in HRDF (rural development fund cess) fee on paddy by the Haryana government as an anti-farmer-trader decision and demanded immediate reversal of the decision from the BJP-JJP government.

He reminded that in June last year, the Khattar-Chautala government had also increased the market fee in the state from 0.5 per cent to 2 per cent, which had caused loss to farmers, brokers and rice millers. Now with this new decision, their backs will be broken.

SDM, staff honoured by Yes We Can Chairman

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

KARNAL: Today, Sanjay Batra, Chairman, Yes We Can, congratulated Sub-Divisional Magistrate Gaurav Kumar in his office by covering his body with corsets.



the needs of the people in the lockdown by distributing rations, issuing passes to people, allowing marriage ceremonies, getting vaccinated, getting corona tested, making medicines available in pharmacy, making people aware of vaccination and corona guideline, applying mask, sanitizers etc. He said they have worked very efficiently to maintain law and order while boosting the morale of the people for which all these officers and employees deserve congratulations and for which their humanity will always be indebted to them.









**EDITORIAL**

## An instrument of progress

There has been a renewed debate on the wealth tax in a number of countries. The debate has been ignited by the growing inequality and excessive expenditure incurred by the State due to the economic crisis caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. Various reports have highlighted how the pandemic has led to increased inequality and unequal income distribution amongst different classes. According to Oxfam's The Inequality Virus report, India's billionaires increased their wealth by 35 per cent while 25 per cent of the population earned just Rs 3,000 as income. The justification for the imposition of the wealth tax is based on economic, constitutional and social welfare arguments that focus on progressive taxation as a way of improving equality and economic mobility. But some economists also affirm that a wealth tax adversely impacts economic efficiency, distorts market functions and hardly helps in addressing inequality.

The concept of wealth taxation emerged as a way of progressive taxation that taxes individuals according to their ability to pay and allows the government to raise revenue in a manner that limits economic inequality. This has been the underlying argument in the existing literature on wealth tax because income tax by itself is not sufficient to account for the excessive wealth possessed by individuals. Income here refers to a measure of net receipts from market transactions or imputed income benefits from self-provided services, whereas wealth refers to financial and non-financial assets that can be valued at their prevailing market prices and are marketable. A basic justification for taxing wealth periodically is that if a taxpayer has acquired wealth over a period, his ability to pay is greater than someone with the same income but no wealth. Taxpayers having parental wealth, accumulated over time in the form of movable and immovable assets, enjoy greater capital income. Such wealth accumulation allows for creating better opportunities by way of parental stock of wealth and also affects labour income mobility. The general rule is that taxpayers must be taxed according to their ability to pay monetary tax. Taxpayers with greater wealth by way of savings, it is argued, have a greater ability to pay compared to a spender who has exhausted his wealth. However, this line of reasoning is often objected to by the scholars who oppose wealth tax on the ground that it treats wealth-savers and wealth-spenders differently.

# Blinken in Ukraine as tensions with Russia soar

US Secretary of State Antony Blinken will meet with his Russian counterpart in Switzerland this week as tensions between the U.S. and Russia escalate over a possible Russian invasion of Ukraine, the State Department said.

Blinken arrived in Kyiv on Wednesday to meet with President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, will move on to Berlin to meet with allies, and on Friday will meet Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov in Geneva. The hastily arranged trip aims to show U.S. support for Ukraine and impress on Russia the need for de-escalation.

White House press secretary Jen Psaki underscored the urgency. We're now at a stage where Russia could at any point launch an attack in Ukraine. And what Secretary Blinken is going to do is highlight very clearly there is a diplomatic path forward, she said Tuesday.

Psaki said Russian President Vladimir Putin created the crisis by massing 100,000 troops along Ukraine's borders and it is up to him and the Russians to decide whether to invade and then suffer severe economic consequences.

The US has not concluded whether Putin plans to invade or whether the show of force is intended to squeeze security concessions without an actual conflict. Russia has brushed off calls to withdraw its troops by saying it has a right to deploy its forces wherever it likes on its own territory. Blinken's meetings follow inconclusive diplomatic talks between Moscow and the West in Europe last week that failed to resolve stark disagreements over Ukraine and other security matters.

Instead, those meetings appear to have increased fears of a Russian invasion, and the Biden administration has accused Russia of preparing a false flag operation" to use as a pretext for intervention. Russia has angrily denied the charge. From Kyiv, Blinken will travel to Berlin, where he will



meet with his German, British and French counterparts to discuss a possible response to any Russian military action. In Geneva on Friday, Blinken will be testing Lavrov on Russia's interest in a diplomatic off-ramp for the crisis, a senior State Department official said, speaking on condition of anonymity. Blinken's travel and consultations are part of the diplomatic efforts to de-escalate the tension caused by Russia's military build-up and continued aggression against Ukraine, the State Department said in a statement. Blinken will meet with Zelenskyy and Ukrainian Foreign Minister Dmytro Kuleba on Wednesday to reinforce the United States' commitment to Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity, the State Department said. The trip follows extensive diplomacy with our European Allies and partners about a united approach to address the threat Russia poses to Ukraine and our joint efforts to encourage it to choose diplomacy and de-escalation in the interests of security and stability, it said. CIA Director William Burns visited Kyiv

last Wednesday to consult with his Ukrainian counterparts and discuss current assessments of the risk to Ukraine, a U.S. official said, speaking on condition of anonymity to discuss Burns' schedule, which is classified. While there, he also discussed the current situation with Zelenskyy and efforts to de-escalate tensions.

Blinken spoke by phone Tuesday with Lavrov, discussing the diplomatic talks and meetings held last week. The State Department said Blinken stressed the importance of continuing a diplomatic path to de-escalate tensions surrounding the Russia-Ukraine situation and reiterated the unshakable U.S. commitment to Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity. On Monday, Lavrov, Russia's top diplomat, rejected the U.S. allegations that his country was preparing a pretext to invade Ukraine. Speaking to reporters, he dismissed the U.S. claim as total disinformation. Lavrov reaffirmed that Russia expects a written response this week from the U.S. and its allies to Moscow's request for binding guar-

antees that NATO will not embrace Ukraine or any other ex-Soviet countries or station its forces and weapons there.

Blinken underscored to Lavrov on Tuesday that any discussion of European security must include NATO Allies and European partners, including Ukraine, the State Department said. The Russian Foreign Ministry said Lavrov emphasized in the call with Blinken the key aspects of Russian draft documents envisaging legally binding guarantees of Russia's security in line with the principle of indivisibility of security approved by all countries in the Euro-Atlantic.

It said Lavrov stressed the importance for Washington to quickly deliver a written response to the Russian proposals. Washington and its allies firmly rejected Moscow's demands during last week's Russia-U.S. negotiations in Geneva and a related NATO-Russia meeting in Brussels. The White House said Friday that U.S. intelligence officials had concluded that Russia had already deployed operatives to rebel-controlled eastern Ukraine to carry out acts of sabotage there and blame them on Ukraine to create a pretext for possible invasion. Ahead of Blinken's visit to Kyiv, a delegation of U.S. senators was visiting Ukraine to emphasize congressional support for the country. Our bipartisan congressional delegation sends a clear message to the global community: the United States stands in unwavering support of our Ukrainian partners to defend their sovereignty and in the face of persistent Russian aggression, Sen. Jeanne Shaheen, a New Hampshire Democrat, said in a statement.

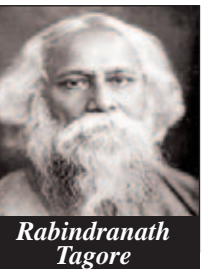
Speaking Monday on a visit to Kyiv, German Foreign Minister Annalena Baerbock warned that any further escalation would carry a high price for the Russian regime economic, political and strategic," and she emphasized the need to continue negotiations.

## Literature & Health

## POEMS

### Lotus

On the day when the lotus bloomed, alas, my mind was straying, and I knew it not. My basket was empty and the flower remained unheeded. Only now and again a sadness fell upon me, and I started up from my dream and felt a sweet trace of a strange fragrance in the south wind. That vague sweetness made my heart ache with longing and it seemed to me that it was the eager breath of the summer seeking for its completion.



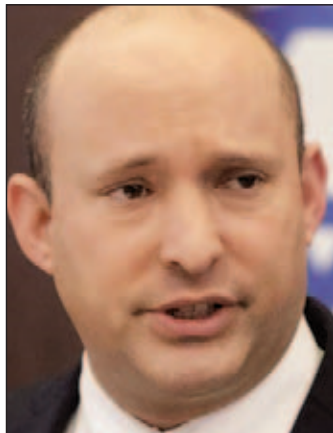
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### Four EU nations call on Israel to revise decision on building new houses in east Jerusalem

Four EU countries including France, Germany, Italy and Spain have expressed concern over the Israeli decision to construct new houses in East Jerusalem and demolish buildings in the Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood, as well as called on the Jewish state to revise the move.

According to the joint statement of the countries' foreign ministries, the Israeli activities pose a direct threat to the future of Palestine and violate international law. The four nations believe that this could become another obstacle for the settlement of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. "We are deeply concerned at the decision to advance plans for the construction of hundreds of new housing units in East-Jerusalem, including be-



tween Givat HaMatos and Har Homa ... We are also deeply concerned by the recent developments in the Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood of East-Jerusalem.

We urge the Government of Israel to permanently halt eviction and demolition procedures of Palestinian structures in East Jerusalem, as well as in

territories of the West Bank, including East Jerusalem, which is partially occupied by Israel, and the Gaza Strip.

The Israeli government refuses to recognize Palestine as an independent political and diplomatic entity, and builds settlements in the occupied areas, despite objections from the United Nations.

### 'Situation in Afghanistan critical as frozen assets may lead to 1.5 million unemployed'

Afghan industrialists have urged the international community to unfreeze Afghan funds as if immediate financial help is not provided to the country then it will lead to the closure of factories making 1.5 million people unemployed in the troubled country, local media reported on Thursday.

Afghanistan is facing an unprecedented humanitarian crisis and needs immediate financial help who are facing acute hunger combined with a severe drought and the coronavirus pandemic.

Head of the Chamber of Mines and Industries of Afghanistan Sherbaz Kaminzada said that factories in the country which are on the brink of collapse will completely close if the assets of Afghanistan do not get unfrozen, Khaama Press reported. Kaminzada said that Afghanistan had an unreal and fragile economy during the past twenty years and asked the Islamic Emirate of



Afghanistan (IEA) and the International Community to cooperate with Afghan industrialists for the growth of the economy, Khaama Press reported.

Millions of Afghans are currently jobless, and their bank accounts are frozen.

He warned that lack of cash and the restrictions on the banking system that has made difficult procurement of raw material will leave 1.5 million people out of jobs, over

500,000 of them women.

Kaminzada expressed the remarks in his meeting with the UN Secretary-General's special representative to Afghanistan Deborah Lyons on the sideline of the Economic Conference in Kabul on Wednesday.

"Hundreds of factories in Afghanistan do not have the raw material that has directly affected the workers, investors, and common people," Kaminzada said.

# Parents: The Unsung Heroes of Pandemic

My name is mom. But since March, 2020 my children call me "mom, mom, mom, mom". Every morning my day starts juggling between the Kitchen and the rooms where my children are doing their online classes.

Even though they are quite independent for their age, still they need "mom" for uploads, resources, creating hotspots, assignments or to say literally everything! So, I'm doing all this while keeping the track of time to serve food during the short breaks in between and of course to other members of the family as well. All along, I'm adhering to my own work com-



mitments and dealing with my ever racing mind, keeping a track of screen time, researching for immunity building herbs, planning fancy meals to cover

up for missed dine outs, entertainment plans, reassurances and on & on. This is not only my story. It belongs to all millennial parents. Parenting has always been difficult but we definitely have more challenges which Gen X parents never had (internet content for instance). And pandemic took it a notch higher. Many sectors were worst hit financially during the pandemic but parenting as a fraternity was hit the hardest. Living in confined spaces, isolations, uncertainties, losing jobs, working overtime for retaining positions, furlough, lack of support, sudden shutting down of schools, we just didn't see it

coming. From a new mom who has to leave the child home for going to work to mother of a collegiate whose child is missing on the experiential learning, from a young father who has received reduced salary to a dad who is stuck in a different country, from a working mom to stay at home mom, pandemic has impacted all.

It has been a perfect recipe for parental burnout. Like all the heroes of the society, health workers, scientists, administrators, educators, grocery store keepers, who have kept their calm and let the show run, parents too continued to fight battles without passing on their

anxieties to their children. Keeping a brave face on, they have embraced all the roles which came their way-educator, friend, care taker, counselor, coach, chef to name a few.

This pandemic has led to major human revolution. In pre-covid world, families were just spending few hours together and now they are with each other 24\*7. All the sanity, patience, rationality had gone for a toss but everyone learnt their way around it and emerged happily victorious while creating many memories along their way. When I was a kid, my image of a hero was inspired by marvel super heroes. It's only later in

life that I realized, heroes come in all shapes and sizes. Pandemic just confirmed the same. Heroes don't need any appreciations or applauds.

They exemplify righteous values, exhibit qualities we admire and want to imbibe, teach us how to overcome challenges and stand up for others. We all need heroes now and we all can be the one. Let's try to nurture our inner heroes to care for ourselves and others and make world a greater place. To these heroes and parents everywhere around, big salute and thank you!!

Gitika Goyal











## Kangana Ranaut gives major fitness goals with latest 'pilate session' snap

**K**nown as one of the fittest actors in Bollywood, Kangana Ranaut's latest workout post is giving major midweek motivation to her fans. The 'Queen' actor is one such Bollywood diva who is not only adored for her onscreen performance but also for her fit body. Sharing some fitness motivation for her fans, Ranaut took to her Instagram story to share a glimpse into her pilates session. In the post, the 34-year-old was seen working on her core with the help of her fitness instructor.

"Morning exercise with one and only @namratapurohit," the 'Fashion' star wrote. Earlier in the

day, Ranaut also shared two snaps from the birthday party of Sohel Maklai- the producer of her upcoming film 'Dhaakad'. The actor also noted that she reunited with the 'Dhaakad' team last night.

Meanwhile, on the work front, Kangana recently wrapped filming for her upcoming movie 'Tejas'. Apart from 'Dhaakad', she will soon be seen in films like 'Manikarnika Returns: The Legend Of Didda', 'Emergency', and 'The Incarnation: Sita'.

She is also producing the upcoming dark comedy 'Tiku Weds Sheru' under her production house, Manikarnika Films.



## Alia Bhatt hangs out with sun', 'flower'

Actor Alia Bhatt's latest Instagram post is proof of the fact that she is a nature lover.

Taking to the social media application, Alia posted a string of candid pictures of her posing with a flower and playing with the sunlight to get the perfect shots.

"Hangies with the sun & this flower," she captioned the post.

Alia also changed her Instagram display picture with one of her recent sunkissed clicks.

After seeing the images, fans showered her with praises.

"Beauty," a netizen commented.

"Adorable. These pictures are so so so good," another one wrote.

Meanwhile, on the work front, Alia will be seen in 'RRR', 'Brahmastra', and 'Gangubai Kathiawadi' among others this year.

## Ranveer Singh, Arjun support 'queen' Sania Mirza for her retirement plans

**B**ollywood actors Ranveer Singh and Arjun Kapoor have extended their support for tennis superstar Sania Mirza after she announced her retirement plans on Wednesday. Taking to his Instagram Story, Ranveer posted a picture of Sania in which she can be seen holding the Indian flag proudly.

Along with the picture, he wrote, "Queen @mirzasaniar," and added a crown emoticon. Arjun Kapoor also took to his Instagram Story and wrote, "truly an inspiration to many @mirzasaniar."

Mirza announced her retirement plans after her opening-round loss in women's doubles event at the ongoing Australian Open. The 35-year-old after her match said: "There's a few reasons for it. It's not as simple as 'okay I'm not going to play'. I do feel my



recovery is taking longer, I'm putting my 3-year-old son at risk by travelling so much with him, that's something I have to take into account. I think my body is wearing down. My knee was really hurting today and I'm not saying that's the reason we lost but I do think that it is taking time to recover as I'm getting older."

"Also for me to find that motivation everyday to come out. The energy is not the same anymore. There are more days than there used to be where I don't feel like doing that. I've always said that I will play until I enjoy that grind, the process which I'm not

sure I'm enjoying as much anymore."

"Having said that, I still want to play the season because I'm enjoying it enough to play the year. I've worked very hard to come back, get fit, lose the weight and try to set a good example for mothers, new mothers to follow their dreams as much as they can. Beyond this season, I don't feel my body doing it. It's beat," Mirza added.

The Indian tennis player has won six Grand Slams and has reached the summit of the WTA doubles ranking. Mirza is also the first Indian to break into the top 30 in the WTA singles ranking.



## Varun Dhawan pays his last respects to driver Manoj

**B**ollywood actor Varun Dhawan, on Wednesday, paid his last respects to his driver Manoj, whose sudden demise has left the actor heartbroken.

Several pictures of Varun were doing rounds on social media in which he can be seen along with his brother Rohit, attending the last rites of "Manoj dada", who had worked for the Dhawan family for many years. Earlier today, Varun took to Instagram and penned an emotional note in memory of Manoj. "Manoj has been in my life for the last 26 years. He was my everything. I have no words to express my grief but all I want is people remember him for his amazing wit and humour and passion he had for life. I will always be grateful I had you in my life Manoj dada," he wrote.

driveerrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr.PNG" alt="" class="img-responsive"> Alongside the emotional note, Varun shared an old video of him at the unveiling of his wax statue at Madame Tussauds where he acknowledged the efforts and love of his "Manoj dada".



## Netflix releases first look images of 'Bridgerton' season 2

**N**etflix has released eight first-look images from the second season of its breakout hit series 'Bridgerton'. The new images feature actor Simone Ashley, known for her work in shows like 'Sex Education' and 'Because the Night'.

The first-look images were shared on Netflix's Instagram account. The caption read, "who's ready for Lord Anthony Bridgerton's search for luv????? BRIDGERTON SEASON 2 MARCH 25TH!"

The first photo features Simone Ashley as Kate Sharma and Charithra Chandran as Edwina Sharma.

The second image shows a glimpse of Phoebe Dyvenor as Daphne Basset and Jonathan Bailey as Anthony Bridgerton.

Another snap gives a sneak peek into the crackling chemistry between Ashley's Kate Sharma and Bailey's as Anthony Bridgerton.

Season two of the hit series will tell the story of Lord Anthony Bridgerton (Bailey), the eldest Bridgerton sibling and viscount, as he

sets out to find a suitable wife, reported The Hollywood Reporter.

'Bridgerton' focuses on the new relationship in its second season and is based on Julia Quinn's novel 'The Viscount Who Loved Me', the second in Quinn's best-selling 'Bridgerton' series.

The first season, which premiered on 25 December 2020, revolved around the romance and marriage between the eldest Bridgerton daughter, Daphne (Phoebe Dyvenor) and Simon Basset, Duke of Hastings (Rege-Jean Page).

It also saw Anthony's on-again-off-again relationship with opera singer Siena (played by Sabrina Bartlett) finally end.

While Dyvenor reprises her role, Page memorably exited after season one.

The show is executive produced by Shonda Rhimes, Betsy Beers and Chris Van Dusen. Van Dusen also serves as creator and showrunner. 'Bridgerton' will return for its second season on March 25.

## Pooja Gor recovers from COVID-19

**A**ctor Pooja Gor has recovered from coronavirus, and she could not be happier. On Wednesday, Pooja, who tested for coronavirus last week, took to Instagram and informed everyone that she is now COVID negative. Also, she chose to give this good news by sharing one of her pictures set against the backdrop of the sea. "Walking out on COVID-19 like. Finally tested negative," she captioned the post. Pooja is best known for her role in the TV show 'Mann Kee Awaaz Pratigya'.

