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India to skip Beijing Olympics ceremony

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India on Thursday announced that its charge d'affaires in the Beijing embassy will not attend the opening or closing ceremony of the 2022 Winter Olympics in the Chinese capital over China honouring a military commander involved in the Galwan Valley clashes as its torch-bearer for the mega sporting event.

External Affairs Ministry Spokesperson Arindam Bagchi de-



scribed the Chinese action of honouring the commander as "regrettable".

India's charge d'affaires in the Beijing embassy will not be attending the opening or closing ceremony of the Beijing 2022 Winter Olympics, Bagchi said at a media briefing.

The People's Liberation Army (PLA) regiment commander involved in the June 15, 2020 clash with India in Galwan Valley was chosen by China to carry the Winter Olympic torch in Beijing.

The eastern Ladakh border row escalated after the Galwan Valley clashes on June 15, 2020. Twenty Indian Army personnel laid down their lives in the clashes that marked the most serious military conflicts between the two sides in decades.

In February last year, China officially acknowledged that five Chinese military officers and soldiers were killed in the clashes with the Indian Army though it is widely believed that the death toll was higher.

Channi leading Congress survey on CM face in Pb

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NEW DELHI, FEB 3

Punjab Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi might be declared the Congress' chief minister face for the Punjab assembly polls as sources say that he is leading in the survey the party is conducting to choose the CM candidate.

"Opinions of candidates, workers, and party MPs are being recorded to so that any feud over the CM face between Channi and Navjot Singh Sidhu can be avoided," said sources.

"Party is also calling general public through an automated call system to seek their opinion on CM face. The target of the party is to call around 1.5 crore people in the next 3 to 4 days," source added.

Party's coordinators are physically reaching out to the block president, district president and all candidates to collect their opinion and hand over to the party soon.

Meanwhile, the party's Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha MPs from Punjab are also being contacted to their feedback on the two leaders in the race for becoming CM face of the party. "Party is making all these ef-



SC adjourns hearing on review petition against Navjot Singh Sidhu

NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court on Thursday adjourned the hearing on the review petition in the road rage case against Congress leader Navjot Singh Sidhu till February 25.

A special bench of Justices AM Khanwilkar and Sanjay Kishan Kaul adjourned the matter for February 25. Justice AM Khanwilkar said that there is a letter for adjournment. Senior Advocate P Chidambaram, appearing for accused Sidhu, sought adjournment on the matter saying that his client had circulated the letter for a new Advocate on Record to be appointed.

ports because it is of the opinion the whole process should be transparent and the one who loses in the survey should not oppose the result in any manner," said a senior party member to . "Both Channi and Sidhu will have to accept the decision of survey as they have agreed for it before Rahul Gandhi," leader said.

According to sources, in its initial trends Channi is leading but the party wants to take sufficient time to announce it with proof, so that Sidhu's displeasure can be handled.

While the Congress slammed Aam Aadmi Party over its process of choosing Bhagwant Mann as the CM candidate, it said that AAP has asked people to call them to give their opinion while Congress will itself call people asking for their opinion.

"Party has already decided that it would make the event of announcing CM face a big event," senior party leader added. In the survey, questions are only being asked about Channi and Sidhu. Thus, party making it clear that there is no other face in the race. In this survey of Congress, there are three questions in Punjabi language and they are being asked to give their opinion by pressing the button on the option of their choice on the IVR.

HC stays Hry govt's 75% reservation for locals in private jobs



BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, FEB 3

The Punjab and Haryana High Court on Thursday put a hold on the Haryana government's decision to grant 75 per cent reservation for locals in private jobs. The High Court has also sought a reply from the state government.

The counsel for one of the petitioner's, which had challenged the Act, said the court has granted the interim stay, according to a report.

The order has come as a relief for companies in the state which feel that the law would have a bearing on their future business operations and investments. The Haryana State Employment of Local Candidates Act, 2020 was stayed on February 3 by a division bench of Justices Ajay Tewari and Pankaj Jain. According to a report by a vernacular daily the High Court had admitted several petitions

challenging the law passed by the Manohar Lal Khattar-led Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) government in Haryana. The petitioners included the Faridabad Industries Association, IMT Industrial Association, and the Gurgaon Industrial Association. They had argued that the Haryana reservation law infringed upon the constitutional rights of employers and went against the principles of meritocracy by preventing hiring based on skills of employees. The petition stated: "The act of the respondent forcing the employers to employ local candidates in private sector vide this bill impugned Act is the violation of the federal structure HC issues notice to Haryana over 75 percent quota in private jobs framed by the Constitution of India, whereby the government cannot act contrary to public interest and cannot benefit one class."

HP CM directs authorities to ensure time bound completion of RKGMC

BUREAU
SHIMLA, FEB 3

Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur today visited the construction site of Dr. Radhakrishnan Government Medical College (RKGMC) Hamirpur and directed the authorities concerned to ensure time bound completion of this ambitious project.

Later, while interacting with the media, Jai Ram Thakur said that this 250 bedded Medical College and Hospital was slated to be completed by August this year. He said that on completion, this Medical College would provide modern health care facilities to the people of the region.

Chief Minister said that construction work in three Medical Colleges at Nahan, Chamba and Hamirpur was going on in full swing and efforts were being made to complete all these by the month of September this year. He said that recently during his Delhi visit, he has met Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya and urged him to provide additional funds for these projects so that these could be com-



pleted well in time.

Jai Ram Thakur said that the State today has six Government Medical Colleges and one Medical College in private sector. He said that apart from this, AIIMS would be dedicated to the Nation by the Prime Minister probably during the month of June this year. He said that all these medical institutions would provide world-class medical facilities to the people of the region.

Vice Chairman HRTC Vijay Agnihotri, Deputy Commissioner Hamirpur Debasweta Banik, Superintendent of Police Akriti Sharma, Principal Dr. Radhakrishnan Government Medical College Dr. Suman Yadav and other senior officers were present on the occasion among others.

Sensex tumbles 770 pts; Nifty tests 17,500

MUMBAI: Equity benchmark Sensex slumped 770 points to close below the 59,000-mark on Thursday as selling pressure intensified towards the lag-end amid profit-booking in IT and financial counters.

Relentless foreign capital outflows also weighed on sentiment, traders said. The 30-share BSE index ended 770.31 points or 1.29 per cent lower at 58,788.02. Similarly, the NSE Nifty plunged 219.80 points or 1.24 per cent to 17,560.20.

HDFC was the top laggard in the Sensex pack, shedding over 3 per cent, followed by Infosys, L&T, Kotak Bank, Bajaj Finserv and Tech Mahindra. On the other hand, ITC, Maruti, Titan, SBI, and Asian Paints were the gainers. Of the Sensex constituents, 25 shares closed lower while 5 were in the green. In other Asian markets, Tokyo closed in the red, while Seoul was positive. Several Asian markets, including China and Hong Kong, were shut for the Lunar New Year holidays.

SC directs Punjab Police not to arrest MLA Simarjeet Singh Bains for week

NEW DELHI, FEB 3

The Supreme Court on Thursday directed Punjab Police not to arrest Lok Insaaf Party leader and Punjab MLA Simarjeet Singh Bains for a week.

A Bench of Chief Justice of India NV Ramana and Justices AS Bopanna and Hima Kohli asked Punjab state to file a reply on the petitions filed by Punjab MLA Simarjeet Singh Bains.

Bains has challenged a Ludhiana court order which issued arrest warrants against him after he failed to appear in a case against rape



he has seen the attitude of his client, who is the MLA of two times. The court asked the Advocate General of Punjab what is happening in the state and how many cases did state file against that lady and

Snow in Himachal intensifies cold wave

AGENCY
SHIMLA, FEB 3

Rain and snow intensified cold conditions in most parts of Himachal Pradesh on Thursday confining people to their homes. Kinnaur has received 2.50 cm of snow and it is still snowing heavily, the Met office said, warning of heavy rain or snowfall in most parts as it issued orange and yellow alerts for the next three days till Sunday. Vehicular traffic was disrupted between Dhali to Kufri and Narkanda due to one to two inches of snow accumulated on the road. School in Lahaul-Spiti, Hamirpur, Kangra, Bilaspur, Solan, Sirmour and Una district have been opened from



Thursday despite the cold wave and incessant rain after one month of Covid-induced lockdown. The Indian

Meteorological Department confirmed moderate rainfall will continue in most parts of the state, with

snow in high reaches of Chamba, Shimla, Kinnaur, Kullu, Mandi, Sirmour, Kangra, Solan and Lahaul-Spiti. Shimla remained overcast with thick clouds since Wednesday night with light snowfall throughout following morning. The tourist resorts of Kufri, Fagu Mashobra and Narkanda witnessed their fourth major snowfall of the season. A travel advisory was issued just by district administration of Kullu and Lahaul-Spiti saying Manali-Attal Tunnel-Sisu road has been closed temporarily for vehicular traffic after one foot of snow on the Rohtang Tunnel approach road at Dhundi near Tourist resort Manali. "Manali-ATR road was closed due to continuous snowfall.

National Lok Adalat in Karnal on March 12

JASWINDER SHARMA
KARNAL: Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Secretary and District Legal Services Authority Karnal, Jasbir informed that under the aegis of Chander Shekhar, District and Sessions Judge-cum-Chairman, DLSA, Karnal and Haryana State Legal Services Authority will reduce the pending cases of courts. The National Lok Adalat is to be organised on March 12 in Sessions Division, Karnal. The CJM pointed out that this National Lok Adalat deals with motor accident claims, electricity cases where FIRs have been registered, pre-trial stage cases, check bounce, bank recovery, civil disputes related to utility services and even the Domestic Violence Act etc. Criminal cases of compoundable offenses including matters relating to and other matters where disposal may be possible will also be taken up. The National Lok Adalat will be conducted through all means including WhatsApp, video conferencing and even physical presence in the court premises. Any person having a dispute before any court can settle his case before the National Lok Adalat. The CJM pointed out that Lok Adalat is one of the effective methods of settlement of disputes. Disputes are resolved amicably in Lok Adalats. Promoting the ADR mechanism is critical to achieving the objective of access to justice for all. Daily Lok Adalats are also organised in Sessions Court, Division, Karnal to make Lok Adalat a permanent and continuous process. Any person who has a dispute before the court, can settle his case before the National Lok Adalat. If anyone wants to settle his dispute before the National Lok Adalat, he can apply before the Chief Judicial Magistrate and the Secretary, District Legal Services Authority or the Chairman, Sub-Divisional Legal Services Committee.

Farmers worried about crops failure due to rain
PRITI SAINI
SADHAURA: Due to the widespread rains on Thursday, the farmers are worried about the failure of the crops due to non-drainage of water from the fields adjacent to the seasonal river Sadhora. Farmers Chaman Saini, Balbir Saini, Rajesh, Omprakash and Suresh said that water is standing in the crops due to rain, due to which there is a fear of crop failure. He said that there is no way to discharge the rain water. Sugar-cane crops are also on the verge of complete failure due to standing water in the fields. Farmer Chaman Saini said that he has also planted a popular crop, that crop is also getting hit by water and getting spoiled. A lot of water has also entered the Block Education Officer's Office, Government Senior Secondary School adjoining the fields, due to which the employees are also facing trouble. Farmers say that the potato crop planted in their field has also been damaged. Due to this rain, wheat also is suffering less and there is a delay in sowing the next crop, while the mustard crop is getting spoiled. The aggrieved farmers have demanded the government and the administration to get the girdawari done for the crops for the damaged crops due to rain.

Police bust fake online shopping racket in Palwal, four held

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, FEB 3-
Haryana Police in Palwal district has busted a gang involved in cheating people through a fake online shopping website and arrested four accused in this connection. Sharing the details, a Haryana Police spokesperson informed that police has also recovered Rs 20.68 lakh in cash, 8 computers, two laptops, 16 handset phones, 4 mobile phones and other documents from their possession. Fraudsters used to make calls to people and lured them on the pretext of prizes generated on the victim's number, which will be available to them after buying goods from their site. The matter came to light when a Palwal resident lost around Rs 25 lakh to the cyber scammers and approached the police. He informed that scammers on the pretext of giving him a laptop/iPhone etc. in lieu of shop-

Sanjha Radio discusses Corona prevention

LOKESH KUMAR YAMUNANAGAR, FEB 3
Panel discussion on Smart Covid Campaign to prevent Corona was held in Yamunanagar on Sanjha Radio 90.8 F-M, under which the two main variants of Covid 19, Delta and Omicron were discussed. Well-known doctors of the city were involved in this programme in which in a special conversation with Dr. Sunil Soni, Dr. R. Masih, Dr. Naveen Chhabra, Dr. Kuljinder Sodhi and Dr. Ritu Mago, gave a lot of information related to corona such as why it is necessary to have both doses of vaccination, and what are its benefits, why is it necessary to wear a mask, what should be the mask, when should the disposable mask be changed, how important is social distancing, how much distance should be maintained, how to avoid going into the crowd and information related to Omicron. Along with this, Manmohan Singh, Chairman of Sanjha Radio, present on the occasion, Rahul Singh, Managing Director said that this programme is to prevent Corona and spread maximum awareness about it, courtesy of Sanjha Radio. Radio Jockey Vatsish and Radio Jockey Gurpreet played an important role in the successful organisation of the programme that has been broadcast.

Man booked for causing damage to road

Police have registered a case against Vijay Mukul, a resident of Sector 17, accused of damaging a road for his personal work in Sector 17 in Municipal Corporation Ward No. 7. After the instructions of the corporation commissioner Ajay Singh Tomar, the officials of the engineering branch had inspected the spot. The investigation had revealed that the accused had uprooted the road without obtaining a no-objection certificate from the Municipal Corporation. The corporation's JE Gagan Sandhu had lodged a complaint with the Sector 17 police station. The police have registered a case against the accused under Sections 283, 288, 3 of the IPC Public Property Prevention of Damage Act 1985 (Public Property Damage Prevention Act 1985). Police have started investigating the case. Gagan Sandhu, a junior engineer of the Municipal Corporation, in his complaint to the Sector 17 police station, stated that a few days ago, Corporation



Mustafa must apologise for calling Sri Guru Granth Sahib book: Ladi

RINKU GONDAR NISSING: Senior BJP leader Amarjit Ladi has asked Congress leader Navjot Singh Sidhu's spokesperson Mohammad Mustafa to apologise for calling the Sri Guru Granth Sahib a book. Ladi alleged that if Mustafa does not do so, legal action will also be taken against him. Ladi was speaking while addressing the people of Sikh community in Nissing on Thursday. Ladi Virk said that Guru Granth Sahib is the spiritual teacher of the entire humanity. The Tenth Guru Gobind Singh had taken the Sikh community to the shelter of Sri Guru Granth Sahib by giving him the throne to the Guru Granth Sahib before joining the Jyoti. He said that the Sikh community has full faith in the Sri Guru Granth Sahib. Sikhs live their lives by taking leadership from the Gurbani. Ladi alleged that even earlier Mohammad Mustafa had been in controversy over a video. Ladi said that he would soon meet Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar regarding this issue and seek legal action against Mohammad Mustafa, who had lost his mental balance. If Mustafa does not apologise, then the Sikhs of Haryana will protest against him. On this occasion, former head of Gurdwara Rodi Sahib Mahendra Singh Badorta, Pratap Singh, Bhupendra Singh Ladi Soukra, Harpal Singh, Jaswinder Singh, Sahab Singh, Lakhwinder Singh, Sadha Singh Sandhu and others were also present.

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No relief to middle class, traders in budget: Mann

ROHIT LAMSAR TARAORI: Former organisational secretary of Haryana Pradesh Congress Committee, Binder Mann said that the budget is full of despair for the common middle class taxpayers. Nothing has come out of the government's bag for the middle class people in this budget. He said that the people of the middle class, who are suffering from the ravages of petrol and diesel, have got another blow from the government. No measure has been taken in the budget to curb the prices of household items and food items including gas cylinders. Haryana Pradesh Congress Committee's organization secretary Binder Mann was talking to reporters in the office of former state secretary Munish Parvez Rana at Taraori Anaj Mandi. He said that the budget presented by the Finance Minister is not going to give any relief to the people. Criticising the budget, Congress leader and former state secretary Munish Parvez Rana said that it has nothing for the farmers, poor, salaried and middle class people of the country. He said that the government has betrayed the salaried class and middle class of the country by not giving them relief and has done a 'criminal attack' on the livelihood of the youth. Many workers including Amit Bansal, Amit Goyal Yunispur, Sushil MC, Navtej Singh, Rajindra Kalyan Pujam, Pradeep were present on this occasion.

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Four masked robbers strike at hotel, kiosk in Chhchhrauli

R. K. KASHYAP CHHATRAULI, FEB 3
In Chhchhrauli, a robbery was carried out in a hotel along the National Highway and the miscreants made off with Rs 24800 in cash. The robbers also struck at a cigarette kiosk nearby, situated on the side of the highway, goods worth thousands of rupees were stolen. It is being speculated that the same masked youths who carried out the robbery at the hotel had first broken the lock of the kiosk and stolen the goods from there. Mange Ram, the operator of the hut, has also lodged a complaint of theft with Chhchhrauli police and action is being taken against him. Both the spots are just 500 meters away from the police station. The same masked four rogue youths robbed the hotel manager of thousands of rupees on gunpoint. After the robbery, the thugs locked the hotel manager in the room and fled. The manager's partner rescued him from the room. The information was immediately given to the police number 112. After the informa-



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National Lok Adalat in Kaithal on March 12

RANVIR PARASHAR KAITHAL: According to the instructions of Haryana State Legal Services Authority and under the supervision of District Legal Services Authority Kaithal Chairman and District and Sessions Judge Naresh Katyal, a National Lok Adalat will be organised in the judicial complex on March 12. Danish Gupta, Chief Judicial Magistrate and Secretary, District Legal Services Authority said that in this National Lok Adalat, the pending cases in various courts are criminal, NI Act, bank recovery, motor vehicle, labour related dispute cases, revenue matters and other matters including pre-litigation cases and civil matters will be settled. According to the constitution, free legal aid has been arranged for the poor and weaker sections of the society. It is the state's responsibility to ensure equal opportunities for all. There is a Helpline no. of District Legal Services Authority also. One can also contact 01746-235759 for any legal or social issue.

BJP will form govt in 5 states: Manohar Lal

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, FEBRUARY 3
Haryana Chief Minister Manohar reached Karnal on Thursday. He targeted the Congress and claimed to form the government in all the five states. CM Manohar Lal said, "I have come to this Kaimla village of Gharaunda assembly. Last year I had to come here. Due to circumstances then the helicopter could not land here. Then he had said that whenever I come again, I will come to Kaimla first. That's why I have come here. He visited Langda Baba's samadhi and said the people have great reverence for Baba. On demand, he gave a grant of 51 lakhs for the Langar hall here. Work will be done for the cleanliness of the village, beautification of the pond and setting up of a cow dung gas plant. In response to a

Teachers participate in campaign for drug free India

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, FEBRUARY 3
Under the drug-free India campaign, the teachers of Uchana cluster were made aware of the creation of a drug-free society online under the guidelines of Haryana Narcotics Control Bureau Chief and Additional Director General of Police Shrikant Jadhav. According to his instructions, the bureau's awareness campaign and rehabilitation in-charge and sub-inspector Dr. Ashok Kumar Verma informed the teachers in detail about the ill-effects of drug addiction. Sub-Inspector Dr. Ashok Kumar Verma introduced the online teachers in detail about the ill-effects of drugs. He said that keeping in mind Article 47 of the Directive Principles of State Policy mentioned in the Constitution of India, the Government of India had enacted the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act on November 14, 1985, which is applicable to the whole of India and the people living abroad. It applies to Indian citizens also. Along with this, on March 17, 1986, the Narcotics Control Bureau was formed by the

Cleanliness improved with appointment of brand ambassador: Shivani

MAINPAL KASHYAP INDRI: The municipality is trying to do its best for the Swachh Survekshan 2022. A brand ambassador was appointed to make Indri get first place in Swachh Survekshan 2022. Giving this information, Municipal Chairperson Shivani Goyal said that it is our endeavor that Indri city should come first in terms of cleanliness. The brand ambassador is also giving the cleanliness report of the entire city and making the city aware of cleanliness. She said that after the appointment of the brand ambassador, there has been a lot of improvement in the cleanliness system of the city. Cleanliness is being done in every ward of the city on time. She appealed to the general public that if cleanliness is not being done anywhere in the city, then report it to the municipality or the brand ambassador. Municipal chairperson Shivani Goyal said that citizens complain of litter scattered in the street or street, cleanliness, cleaning of drains, cleaning of public toilets, complaints related to street lights, cleaning of dustbins installed at places and dead. People can also report about their civic problems. She said that the residents of the city should not use polythene but should use jute bags because polythene along with pollution clogs the sewerage system of the city. Shivani Goyal said that for the first time in the city, arrangements for rain shelters have been made by the municipality in which any non-resident citizen can stay. She appealed to the common people to cooperate in the mass movement to make the Swachh Bharat Mission a success.

Radaur SDM orders clearing of waterlogged streets of Gumthala village

NIRMAL SAINI RADAUR: On the orders of Radaur SDM Dilbag Singh, Radaur Tehsil-dar Suresh Kumar, BDPO Dinesh Sharma, Village Secretary Sanjeev Kumar, Halka Patwari Shobhit and JE Tarsem reached the spot on Thursday to redress the problem of sewage drainage in Gumthala village. The villagers showed the streets are full of dirty water to the officials. People are not able to get out of their houses. If one has to go out of the house for urgent work, he has to go through dirty water. On which the authorities started the work of drainage of dirty water with the help of an earthmoving machine. The villagers also breathed a sigh of relief when the cleaning work started. Former Sarpanch of Gumthala village Surjit Singh said that he had complained about the matter to SDM Radaur today. Taking cognizance of this, he immediately ordered the concerned authorities to drain the dirty water. It will take two to three days now. Officials who reached the spot said that an estimate has been prepared and sent for permanent management of wastewater drainage. After which permanent drainage of wastewater will be arranged. On the other hand, when the matter was discussed with BDPO Dinesh Sharma, he said that the Department of Panchayati Raj has sent estimates for construction of pound system and nallahs. Along with the pound system, two drains are to be constructed here. After which the drainage of dirty water will be managed permanently.



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NEWS AT A
GLANCEEC directions to be
followed: DSP

RAKESH JINDAL
NABHA: DSP Rajesh Chibber held a meeting with outpost in-charges of Thana Kotwali, Sadar Police Station, Bhadsor Police Station and directed them to discharge their duties impartially and to motivate people to stay away from drugs. He said the police would strictly follow the instructions of the Election Commission. Drug smugglers and other miscreants will not be spared. Raids have been launched against them, he added. Chibber said strict action is being taken against those who have not yet surrendered their weapons. Flying squads are being set up to enforce the code of conduct.

Major blow to Aam Aadmi
and Congress party

KARANPREET DHANDRAL
BARNALA: A major blow to Aam Aadmi Party and Congress party, under the leadership of Sardar Kulwant Singh Keetu candidate Shiromani Akali Dal and Bahujan Samaj Party coalition, Halqa Barnala and Dhanola team Gurdeep Singh Deepa Aap leader and Avtar Singh Kahlon ex Councilor Congress leaders joined the Shiromani Akali Dal. Similarly, some Congress leader joined coalition at village Badbar. Sukhwinder Singh Sandhu (Block Samiti Member), Karamjit Singh Bhullar Member Corporate Society Badbar, Shivinder Singh Panch, Balwinder Singh Bhullar President Baba Bulle Shah Club, Satwant Singh Bhatti, Ravneet Singh Bhatti, Hardev Singh Panch, Gurjinder Singh Sandhu Vice President Corporate Society Badbar, Gurmukh Singh Sandhu Jathedar, Jangir Singh (Kaku), Harpreet Singh Dhillon (Haru) were present.

Constituency Amargarh Congress
candidate Mann at residence of
former president Sood

MAHAVIR GOYAL
AHMEDGARH: Dhanwant Singh Mann, father of Congress candidate from Amargarh constituency Sumit Singh Mann, intensified his activities in the constituency and reached the residence of former president of Ahmedgarh city Mrs. Usha Sood with his team. He met Councilor Sanjay Sood, son of President Sood and daughter-in-law of former councilor Renu Sood and shared views on the constituency and drew up a program to win the election with a big lead. Former Councilor Deepak Sharma, Councilor Geeta Shahi, Social Worker Rakesh Shahi, Raju sharma and a large number of Congress workers were present on the occasion.

Valuables worth Rs 316.66 crores seized
in state after enforcement of code

GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, FEB 3

After the Model Code of Conduct came into force in the state for Punjab Vidhan Sabha elections, various enforcement teams have seized valuables worth Rs 316.66 crores in violation of code till February 2, 2022.

Giving details in this regard, Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) Punjab Dr S Karuna Raju today said that the surveillance teams have seized 29.63 lakh litres of liquor worth Rs 16 crore. Similarly, the enforcement wings have also recovered psychotropic substances amounting to Rs 278.58 crores besides confiscating unaccounted cash of Rs 20.47 crore, he added. The Chief Electoral Officer re-



vealed that as many as 1215 identified. Besides this, 2956 vulnerable hamlets have been persons have been identified as

probable sources of trouble, he said adding that out of these persons preventive action had already been initiated against 2219 persons while the remaining would also be brought to book.

He also informed that from a security point of view 1097 persons have been bound down under preventive sections of CrPC act. He informed that all the 2793 cases of non-bailable warrants have been executed.

As many as 17220 nakas are operational across the State, he added. As per the directions of the election commission, Dr Raju said that of total 3,90,275 licensed weapons in the state 3,76,925 weapons have been deposited till date. Whereas, 76 without licenses weapons were seized in the state.

Police arrest 2 accused, recover
60 gms of narcotic powder

DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR, FEB 3

Under the able guidelines of Dhurman H Nimbale IPS, Senior Superintendent of Police, Hoshiarpur and under the supervision of Sh. Mukhtiar Rai PPS, SP (D) Hoshiarpur, special teams were constituted under the leadership of Sarbjit Rai PPS, DSP (D) Hoshiarpur, Prem Singh (PPS) DSP City, Hoshiarpur, Incharge CIA Inspector Lakhbir Singh, SI Des Raj, SHO PS Model Town and Incharge Chowki Purihan ASI Satnam Singh. In order to tighten the noose on bad elements and notorious people in the area of District Hoshiarpur. During this drive, 02 accused have been arrested and 60 grams of narcotic powder, 02 pistols 32 bores and 04 live cartridges were recovered from them. Apprising the press correspondences, Sh. Dhurman H Nimbale IPS, SSP Hoshiarpur informed that on 03.02.2022 ASI Satnam Singh, Incharge Chowki Purihan during patrolling near New Fatehgarh, Hoshiarpur arrested.

Shiv Sena Hind expansions party



R. SINGH
PATHANKOT, FEB 3

Today, on behalf of Shiv Sena Hind President Surinder Sharma and Ashok Mehra, the party was expanded on the guidelines of Ravi Sharma National Chairman. Ravi Sharma told that the popularity of Shiv Sena Hind is increasing day by day due to his works and new faces are joining the party today Pushkar Arora who has been relieved from BSNL company joined the party with him giving important responsibility to Shiva and was appointed Shiv

Sena Hind City Head Youth.

On the occasion, Ravi Sharma said that Shiv Sena Hind is the group that takes the suppressed voice to justice, and that is why new faces are joining the party after getting influenced by their policies. Manga told that by showing the confidence shown on him by Ravi Sharma, he has been fielded as Sujapur MLA candidate, he will try to live up to this match with all his heart. He said that I will always be indebted to Ravi Sharma and Shiv sena Hind that he gave me an impor-

Manish Bansal enters fray
on development issues

KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA, FEB 3

Politics is heating up across the state over the Punjab Assembly elections. All parties have fielded their candidates. Speaking of Barnala, the Congress party has fielded Manish Bansal, son of former Railway Minister Pawan Bansal, from Barnala constituency.

Despite being a new candidate in the constituency, his election campaign is getting overwhelming responses from Congress workers and the general public. Although Manish Bansal has been in Barnala for a few days now, he has stepped up his campaign, which has worried candidates from other parties. Addressing a gathering, Manish Bansal said that AAP is urging for another chance in the constituency while people



Photo by Kumar

from all the three constituencies of Barnala district are already unhappy with the false promises made by AAP candidates while Congress CM Charanjit Channy has been shown working in the interest of Punjab first and later the decisions have been made for the public. He said that he is getting a lot of support from the people in the constituency. He is contesting the elections on the issue of development and after the vic-

tory, he claimed that multifaceted development work would be carried out in the constituency. Munish Bansal asked shopkeepers in various markets besides Bus Stand Road, Sadar Bazaar to vote for him. And special honors at Rama Krishna Jewelers. Happy Mittal, Vikas Bansal, Pankaj Goyal, Rohit Garg, Lucky, Manish, Bhushan, Munish Garg, Raj Kumar, Kapil Mittal, etc. were present on the occasion.

Students bring laurels to
the Unirise World School

SUKH NAHAR
JAGRAON, FEB 3

Students of The Unirise world school performed excellently and also bagged positions in different categories in a "Virtual Inter-School Competition" held on 28th of January, 2022, an online event organised by DAV College, Jagraon.

School described it as an "elated moment" as the name of Ekjot (class X) was announced for getting the second position in the 'Best Out of Waste' category while Gurjit of 12th got first position in 'Working Model'. Jiya and Garima (both 11th grade) got second and third prize respectively, in 'Solo Dance category. In the 'Solo Singing', Garima of 11th bagged the second prize and in the Poster-Making, Himani of 10th class got the first position. Also, Samreen (11th

medical) received a consolation prize in the poster making. The prizes would be given to all the winners on 9th of February.



ary, 2022 at DAV College, Jagraon. The Chairman Rakesh Aggarwal, the Managing Director Mr. Shifu Aggarwal, The Director Mrs. Pallavi Aggarwal and the co-ordinators congratulated the winners for their marvelous achievements. The Principal of TUWS Mrs. Neha Rattan said, "TUWS always encourages its students for various activities as these are the rich platform to refine their innate talent and skills and mould their personalities."

Congress didn't appoint Sunil
Jakhar as CM just because he
is Hindu: Raghav Chadha

RAJIV JAIN
CHANDIGARH, FEB 3

Aam Aadmi Party's (AAP) Punjab affairs co-in-charge Raghav Chadha, reacting to Punjab Congress leader Sunil Jakhar's statement about Chief Minister selection, said that Congress has always been doing politics on the basis of caste-religion. Congress is also conspiring to divide the people on the basis of caste and religion by giving religious color to the politics of Punjab. The biggest example of this is senior Congress leader Sunil Jakhar. Even after the support of 42 MLAs, Sunil Jakhar was not appointed as CM just because he is Hindu. Addressing

the media at the party headquarters on Wednesday, Raghav Chadha cited the statement of Sunil Jakhar, in which he said that 42 MLAs agreed on Jakhar's name in the Congress MLAs' meeting held after the removal of Captain Amarinder Singh from the post of Chief Minister, Deputy Chief Minister Sukhjinder Singh Randhawa 16, Preneet Kaur 12, Navjot Sidhu 6 and Chief Minister Channi had the support of only two MLAs. He said that it is very shameful that Congress expelled Sunil Jakhar from the CM race just because he is Hindu and appointed Charanjit Singh Channi as their CM with the support of only 2 MLAs.

Rain creates problem for
residents of Malerkotla

MAMOON RASHID
MALERKOTLA, FEB 3

Rainwater filled in under construction roads resembled ponds and mud scattered regulated the speed of the city. Rain that started last night became reason of traffic blocks and residents faced difficulties while passing through under construction roads near Delhi gate and kholon gate, videos and photos of stuck vehicles got viral on social media. All that happened during election campaigns that are on peak in the city, delay in construction of roads has already become hot issue of opposition and recent rain gave more strength to the issue, Congress candidate and workers are considering the work as development of the city while opposition is



ment the are seen disclosing their pain through short videos viral on social media, only one thing is very evident that residents are in problem due so called development that is going on and nobody knows when it is going to complete, only coming time has reply of this question.

PAC organises Dr. M. S.
Randhawa Yaadgari Utsav

SUMER GARG
CHANDIGARH, FEB 3

Dr. M. S. Randhawa Yaadgari Utsav was held at Punjab Kalan bhawan here on Wednesday night. The function which was being organised by Punjab Arts Council (PAC) has honoured five great personalities with Punjab Gaurav Sanmaan in the field of culture in the state. The Vice chancellor of Punjab University, Patiala, Dr. Arvinder has joined the function as chief guest, where as the chairman of PAC, Dr. Surjit Patter presided over the function. On the occasion, An

award of Rs. one lakh each with memento and citation each was presented by Dr. Arvinder to five persons including, Dr. Rattan Singh Jaggi & Dr. Jhang Bahadur Goel, IAS (Retd) for their contribution in the field of literature; Dr. Neelam Mansingh Chaudhary for theatre; Dr. Prem Singh in the field of Visual arts and Amarjit Gurdaspuri for music were honoured. While addressing the gathering, Dr. Arvinder said, "Today there is an urgent need for the promotion of Punjabi and for it, we must do our all the works in Punjabi language".

SAD-BSP govt to revamp infra in all
12,000 villages in Pb in one go: Sukhbir

ANIL VERMA
BATHINDA, FEB 3

Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) President Sukhbir Singh Badal today announced once the SAD-BSP government returned to power in Punjab it would take up a comprehensive project to construct concrete streets in all 12,000 villages of the State besides ensuring potable drinking water and sewerage facilities.

SAD President, who was addressing public gatherings in Bathinda Rural constituency in favour of Parkash Singh Bhatti and at Bhuchio Mandi in favour of Darshan Singh Koffatta, said "we are committed to improving the infrastructure of our villages on the pattern of cities. We will launch a comprehensive plan for this purpose once elected to power". He also announced that all farmers who did not have a tube well connection



would get one within one month of formation of the government besides announcing that all homeless persons would be given a five marla plot of land. "In villages where common land is not available the government will purchase land and allot it to the homeless". Sukhbir Badal also lashed Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) Convener Arvind Kejriwal and its chief ministerial candidate Bhagwant Mann on the occasion. He said in Delhi Kejriwal was not giving free power to farmers. "The Kejriwal government is also not

giving old age pensions nor implementing the Shagun scheme. If it is returned to power in Punjab it will adopt the same model in the State also. All these facilities will not be extended to Punjab even as power rates will be increased on the Delhi pattern". Speaking about Bhagwant Mann, the SAD President said "people do not want a leader who is a habitual drinker and was even found intoxicated while paying a visit to Takht Damdama Sahib at Talwandi Sabo.

Megha camp to be organised on 6th
Feb in Shri Ram mission multi
specialty hospital: Dr. Vinay Sharma

R. SINGH
PATHANKOT, FEB 3

The meeting was organized by Dr Sudeep Memorial Charitable Trust. Dr. Vinay Sharma and Dr. Anuradha Rana, who were present in the meeting, told that in view of the increasing cases of Covid, Megha Vaccination Camp is being set up in the premises of Shri Ram Mission Multi Specialty Hospital on Mission Road on Sunday, 6th February to save people from it. On Sunday this camp will run from 10 am to 3 pm. People will be provided the Covidshield vaccine in the

camp. He has appealed to the people that the people who got the vaccine in the camp must bring their Aadhaar card and mobile number for registration. He said that 465 people have lost their precious lives in the district during the Corona period and so far more than 23 thousand people have been affected by Corona in the district. Therefore, to defeat Corona, everyone must apply both the vaccine dose and the booster dose. At the same time, while going out of the house, definitely wear a mask on the mouth and use sanitizer repeatedly on the hands.

Health department holds anti-corona
vaccination camps in villages

HEMANT SHARMA
RAMPURA PHUL, FEB 3

Under the orders of Sub Divisional Magistrate Rampura Phul Navdeep Kumar and Civil Surgeon Bathinda Dr. Balwant Singh vaccination camps were organized under the supervision of Senior Medical Officer Bhagta Bhai Ka Dr. Rajpal Singh, BDPO Phul Mahikmeet Singh and CDPO Usha Rani at Senior Secondary

School Dhipali, Village Dhipali, Ghandabanna, Phul Town, Rayia, Dhangar, Burj Gill. Multipurpose Health Supervisor Balveer Singh Sandhu Kalan said corona vaccination is being carried out in every populated area in collaboration with various departments. He caution about rumour monger as vaccine is completely safe. Aanganwari Supervisor Madam Nirmaljit Kaur, Rajwinder Kaur, CHO Paramjit

Kaur, Parminder Kaur, Manpreet Kaur, Gagandeep Kaur, Lovpinder Kaur, Manpreet Kaur, ANM Beant Kaur, Karamjit Kaur, Mandep Rani, Simerjit Kaur, Chhina Bibi, Ranjit Kaur, Inderjit Kaur, Sarabjit Kaur, Health Workers Narpinder Singh Gill, School Teachers Kanchan Kaur, Navpreet Sharma, Geeta Rani, All Anganwadi Workers, Helpers and Asha workers were present.

Pathankot-Baddi bus
service should be restored

DAULAT CHAUHAN
JAWALI: There is anger among the people due to the closure of the Transport Corporation's direct bus service from Pathankot to Baddi for a long time. People have raised the demand from Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur, Transport Minister Govind Thakur that this bus service should be started soon. People said that a large number of youth work in private companies established in Baddi, Nalagarh Parwanoo, but this bus was closed during the Corona period and this bus, which was closed for a year, has not been started till date. Many times the demand was raised to run this bus service, but the bus service is not being run. People said that due to the closure of the bus, they have to change buses frequently to reach the private companies and due to this the fare is also increasing. If you have to carry luggage, then it is difficult to carry it again and again. The people of the area have demanded from the Transport Minister Vikram Thakur that the Pathankot Baddi bus service should be started soon.

Case registered for
assault and speaking
racist words

DAULAT CHAUHAN
JAWALI: A case has been registered under police station Jawali for fighting and saying caste words in Paplah. The complainant Sukhdev Singh son Pritam Singh resident Paplah has lodged a complaint with the police station Jawali that on February 1 at around 10.30 am, I had ordered sand-gravel and stones from the tractor for the construction of my new house. When the tractor driver left the stone and went back, Ramesh Singh son of Jagat Ram resident Paplah, Amit Singh son of Ramesh Singh resident Paplah, Ankush son of Ramesh Singh resident Paplah, Usha Devi wife Ramesh Singh resident Paplah started abusing the driver after stopping the tractor. . When we stopped them from abusing them, the accused started beating them up and said casteist words. Me and my son and daughter have suffered injuries due to this assault. DSP Jawali Siddharth Sharma has confirmed the matter.

No rule of Law in
state: Unemployed
Teachers Union

KISHORI LAL BAINS
AMB: Himachal Pradesh Unemployed Teachers Union President Nirmal Singh Dhiman, General Secretary Smt. Lajesh Dhiman and media Incharge Parkash Chand said in a joint statement that Director Elementary education department should post 200 commission pass Language teachers as well as 583 commission pass TGTs in place of 1541 SMC teachers as per Letter dated 10-12-2019 of Deputy Education Secretary to the Government of Himachal Pradesh. Government of Himachal Pradesh has already provided equal opportunities as per law to all 2555 SMC teachers for becoming a regular teacher in recruitments of 12000 regular teachers being made during 2012 to 2021. But now State Government should provide equal opportunities in recruitments of 2555 regular teachers to all eligible candidates in the state as per law including SMC teachers. Hon'ble Himachal Pradesh High court has asked Director Elementary Education department to file replies before 3rd March, 2022 that why 1541 SMC teachers working under him could not be replaced upto now. We all know quality of education decreases when recruitments of teachers are made without commission and without batchwise. This is the only reason that life of Lacs of students has been spoiled by state government through recruitments of teachers without commission. Similarly life of thousands of eligible unemployed has been spoiled through recruitments of teachers without batchwise. It is clear that there is no rule of law in the state.

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Normal life paralysed in lower HP

AGENCY
HAMIRPUR, FEB 3

Normal life has been badly paralyzed due to heavy rains lashing in the lower Himachal Pradesh consisting of the districts of Una, Hamirpur, Kangra, Bilaspur, Solan, and parts of Mandi and Chamba since Wednesday night. Icy cool waves emanating from the Dhauladhar hills of the Himalayas are sweeping across the region bringing down the temperature. Reports reaching here revealed that people were carrying umbrellas on their heads and adorning heavy woollens to save them from the wrath of cold. The department of Met had already forecast heavy rainfall, thunderstorm, and lightning likely at isolated places over plains/low hills and heavy rain/snowfall likely at isolated places over mid-hills today and tomorrow. Besides, it has also predicted heavy snowfall over the high hills of the state in the coming two days. The department of Met



has also warned of disruptions of essential services viz. water and electricity, communications, and related services across the state in

general and in plains in particular. It has also stated that the visibility conditions were likely to decrease in the plain areas and the possibility of

Landslides due to heavy rainfall/snowfall in hilly regions. It has advised the people to take adequate safety measures before venturing out.

Mandal Milan programs
of BJP ends in Hamirpur

AGENCY
HAMIRPUR, FEB 3

Mandal Milan programs of the district BJP for the Mandals of Hamirpur, Nadaun, and Sujanpur ended Wednesday night with Chief Minister, Jai Ram Thakur and former Chief Minister, Prem Kumar Dhumal both listening to the party functionaries and giving their view points to them in details. The party has been organizing such functions across the state and the Chief Minister used to take part in these functions in-person to have interaction with the workers and leaders of those areas. Two local MLA's Narendra Thakur, Hamirpur, and Kamlesh Kumari, Bhoranj were also present in these meetings. However, the district BJP President, Baldev Sharma was not present as he had gone to Solan where one of his relatives had died. Mandal level functionaries of the party along with the district level functionaries attended the meetings and gave complete

details of working in their respective areas. Since these meetings were not allowed to the media, sources in the BJP told UNI that both senior leaders of the party listened to the local leaders with rapt attention and sought their viewpoints about the working of the present government in the state and their own areas. The Chief Minister told them that the government would consider their demands on a priority basis as without them there was no existence of the government. He told them to remain united and spread out to the masses along with the policies and programs of the state and central government both especially what the Prime Minister, Narendra Modi told them during his address that was telecast live nationwide. It was after a long time that the present and former Chief Minister were sitting together in such functions in the Hamirpur district, where the BJP had lost three out of five assembly seats to the Congress party in the 2017 assembly elections.

IGNOU extends last date
of admission and re-
registration upto Feb 10

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, FEB 3

Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) has extended the last date of Fresh admissions in various Master degree, Bachelor Degree, Diploma and Certificate Programmes for the academic session January, 2022 till 10th February, 2022. Hence, the aspirants of higher education through IGNOU programmes may now apply upto 10th February, 2022. In addition to this, processing for re-registration for next year/semester in various Bachelor Degree & Master Degree Programmes for the session January, 2022 has already been started for which the last date has also been extended upto 10th February, 2022. The students who have already been registered in Bachelor/Master degree programmes under annual system for the session January, 2021 and in Bachelor/Master degree programmes under semester based system for the session July, 2021, are eligible for re-registration. Link for online admission and re-registration is available on IGNOU Website www.ignou.ac.in For more information, student may contact nearest IGNOU Study Centre or IGNOU Regional Centre Shimla telephone No. 0177-2624612.

Shopkeepers protest by
closing shops in Una ISBT

BUREAU
UNA, FEB 3

Shopkeepers have gone on strike by closing shops in isbt (bus stand) located at the headquarters of district Una, shopkeepers say that on the one hand we are troubled by the impact of Corona and on the other hand the huge rent of shops. While talking to the reporters, the shopkeepers told their pain and said that before our shops started in November 2019, we had an agreement in which the information that the private contractor had given to all the shopkeepers while renting the shops turned out big. Sopkeepers said that the private contractor had said that 25 to 35 thousand people would come and go here for the purpose of traveling every



day. Every day one thousand buses will come and go, there will be a special waiting hall for ladies. The facility of cloak room will also be given to the passengers. Seeing that situation, we took the shops. There were shops in already old bus stand, the situation

was such that we did not see anything like this in the first 3 months. Now the situation has come to such a situation that we are not even able to spare rent of the shops and business has come down by 12%. They demanded relaxation.

Spurt in cyber crime happening
in new way every time

JOGINDER DEV ARYA
BANGANA, FEB 3

Cases of online fraud are increasing in Bangana. The police have cyber crime cell to catch the thugs, but still the cases of online fraud are not taking the name of less. The reason is, extremely clever thugs have upgraded themselves according to the needs of today. Cyber thugs try a new way of cheating every time. Sometimes card blocks and sometimes in the name of getting KYC done, they take people into their trap. When Corona came, the online registration for getting the vaccine was also made a means of cheating. In the name of selling honey trap and goods, cheating continues unabated. There is unemployment in the country, so youth are being cheated in the name of getting jobs. The police figure out a way, in

which the thugs come up with 10 new ways. Meaning thugs go back and forth and police back and forth, but thugs are always two steps ahead of the police. Police is doing its duty and making people aware through social media, but it is not enough. Almost every day gullible people are falling prey to online frauds and defrauded hard earned money. In the name of selling a car as a soldier, Pawan Kumar of Matoh was looking for an old car. He started searching on OLX. After a few hours he got a call and the caller introduced himself as a soldier. The thug provided his account number and deposited about Rs 20000. However, later Pawan realized that he had been cheated. Private schools are also getting calls asking for the number on Google to deposit the fees of the students, then to check whether the fees have come or not money disappears.

Many new schemes to double income
of farmers in budget: Bawli

BUREAU
UNA, FEB 3

Himachal Pradesh Kisan Morcha State President Dr. Rakesh Sharma Bawli welcomed the budget presented by the Union Finance Minister Sitharaman, Dr. Rakesh Sharma Bawli said that the country has got the leadership of Narendra Modi as the first after independence. More than one decision has been taken in the interests of farmers, he said that for 10 crore farmers of the country, 10000 crores is being deposited in his account as Kisan Samman Nidhi, Dr. Rakesh Bawli said. In the Union Budget of



the year, the amount allocated for agriculture has been increased from last year, while taking care of every aspect in it. Last time the budget for agriculture was Rs 1,23,000 crore, he said. This time the budget for agriculture is Rs 1,32,000 crore. Whatever facilities are needed by the common people, provision has been made in this budget. He said that in this

budget every effort was made to improve economic condition of farmers. He said that taking care of the health of the people of the country, organic farming and chemical free farming have been talked about in this budget. Along with this, use of drone technology for nutrient and pesticide spraying along with field assessment of farmers, MSP of Rs 2.37 crore will go directly into the accounts of farmers for protection of Rabi and Kharif crops which will directly benefit the farmers. To promote chemical free natural farming in this budget, chemical free natural farming will be promoted in

the coming days. In the first phase, a 5-km corridor of farmers' land along the banks of the Ganges will be selected in the first phase. Working towards reducing the import of oil seeds, domestic production will be encouraged, which will benefit the farmers. In this budget, it was also announced to work towards bringing technology to the farmers. He said that schemes will be brought under the PPP model, through which digital and hi-tech technology will be provided to the farmers, and even the help of drone technology will be taken for the assessment of farmers' agriculture.

No Cabinet expansion at present: CM

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA FEB 3

There will be no cabinet expansion of any kind in the state BJP government. Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur has given this indication in response to questions from journalists in Dharamshala. He said that there will be a change in the party, such discussions go on and if any change has to be made then the party will see it. He said that in the same way, the discussions of cabinet expansion also go on. He said that the government has launched a campaign against drugs in the state, it will not be allowed to stop. We will take such action that no liquor mafia will be born in the coming time. He said



that the program of our Mandal Milan is going on in which all the workers put forth their suggestions to strengthen the party and how to take the schemes of the central and state government among the people. The Chief Minister said that Mandal Milan has a big role and in the coming times, the benefits will be

available in the upcoming VS Elections. Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur said that BJP is the biggest party not only in the country but in the world and in a big family sometimes small things are of no importance. Where human beings live, there are grievances also. Nothing has come to the fore that has disappointed any BJP worker. Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur said that anyone can take photographs with anyone. I don't get into such things. Congress people who have come forward in the illegal liquor business, they were on party posts, were demanding tickets from the party, they were caught. On the rising inflation, he said that inflation is the problem of the country, not the state, but of the world.

Students acquainted with
plans of bank: Desraj



UNA, FEB 3

Anjani Kumar Sharma, deputy manager of State Bank of India, gave detailed information about the banking system to the students of Himcaps Nursing College, today in Himcaps College of Nursing under Haroli assembly constituency of district Una. Anjani Sharm and colleague introduced about the schemes in the ongoing banking sector. He made the students aware of the insurance security scheme, Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Atal Pension Yojana, and corporate salary packages and schemes for the staff members with digital banking system. On this occasion, College Principal Varinder Kaur and all the staff members were told about the benefits of banking system and asked them to take advantage of these schemes in future.

Amarchand tells his success story

ANWAR HUSSAIN
NALAGARH, FEB 3

Amar Chand Thakur, a resident of village Dumanwala of Nandpur village panchayat of Nalagarh, has a special identity in the field of agriculture and horticulture in the area. The schemes run by the Himachal Pradesh Government through the Department of Agriculture and Horticulture have proved to be helpful for Amar Chand, a progressive farmer who has adopted agriculture and horticulture as self employment for the last 20 years. Amar Chand Thakur says that he inherited the practical knowledge related to agriculture, animal husbandry and horticulture. In the year 1978, even after passing the tenth class in first class, he chose this ancestral profession, but in the year 2002, he planned to upgrade his self-employment. In the



meantime, he got the guidance of the officers of the Horticulture Department and he planted fruitful plants of mango, lemon, apple, and pear at a distance of 25 feet in a scientific manner in 15 bighas of land. He told that in the middle of the fruit-bearing plants in the garden, according to the guidelines of the Agriculture Department, different crops are grown every year according to the season. They have a total of 45 bighas of land and they do organic farming without any chemical fertilizers and pesticides. Amar Singh Thakur, a progressive farmer and gardener, is still in

constant touch with the Department of Agriculture and Horticulture, and according to his guidelines, not only adopting scientific methods and doing agriculture and horticulture through organic methods, but also promoting crop diversification in different seasons every year. He has also been getting the benefits of various schemes being run through the Agriculture and Horticulture Departments of the State Government from time to time. Apart from this, assistance of Rs.15000 for setting up earthworm compost unit and Rs. 18585 for setting up drip irrigation system was received while in the year 2011, Rs. 103000 gratuity was received for setting up irrigation tube. In the financial year 2021-22, he got a subsidy of 85000 on the purchase of 3 inch thick 350 meter long pipe and sprinkler for irrigation related works.

9th to 12th classes resume in all schools of district,
restrictions on religious langars to continue

BUREAU
UNA, FEB 3

Issuing an order to make partial modifications in the Covid restrictions, Deputy Commissioner Una Raghav Sharma said that night curfew will continue from 10 pm to 5 am as before and rule of no mask no service will also remain in force. He said that permission has been given to run classes from 9th to 12th in all government and non-government schools of the district and universities, colleges, technical and other higher educational institutions from February 3. Strict adherence to Covid SOP, safety protocol and covid compliant behavior will have to be ensured in these institutions. Along with this, permission has also been given to open coaching institutes,



gymnasiums, sports complexes and clubs with the compliance of the rules. He told that shops and markets will open as per the normal schedule. He said that ban on religious langar and bhandara will continue. DC informed that in organizing all social, religious, educational, sports, entertainment, political gatherings in the district, 50 percent of the capacity in the inner or closed hall maximum 100 persons while in open places or outdoor area 50 percent of the capacity maximum 300 persons will be allowed. He

said that it would be mandatory to give prior information about the holding of meetings to the concerned SDM through registration on the website. He said that all government offices, public sector undertakings, offices of local bodies and autonomous bodies in the district would now open with 100 percent attendance and the restriction on working days has also been removed. However, Divyangjan and pregnant women employees can continue to work from home.

NEWS AT A GLANCE

Darbara Singh Guru leaves SAD, will join Congress

KARANPREET DHANDRAL BARNALA: The Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) Badal was shocked when former Principal Secretary to the former Chief Minister Sardar



Parkash Singh Badal and in-charge of Halaq Bhadaur and Vidhan Sabha constituency Basi Pathan Darbara Singh Guru resigned from posts including basic membership of Akali Dal. He has sent resignation letter to party president Sukhbir Singh Badal. Simultaneously, Darbara Singh Guru has resigned from the post of Member Secretary, Guru Granth Sahib University, Fatehgarh Sahib. He is expected to join Congress tomorrow.

Dozens of families I joined BJP



KULJEET SINGH JANDIALA GURU: Today BJP and Punjab Lok Party got big support when dozens of families in village Dhardeo left Shiromani Akali Dal Badal and Congress and joined BJP under the leadership of Jandiala constituency candidate of BJP alliance Gagandeep Singh AR. AR said that the BJP alliance will win the election with a huge vote. On this occasion Jatinder Singh, Jathedar Gurmej Singh, Santokh Singh, Hardayal Singh, Shamsher Singh, Hardeep Singh, Rajbir Singh, Sarabjit Singh, Captain Singh and others were present.

Get ready to vote on Feb 20

RAJ SADOSH ABOHAR: In the run up to the Punjab Assembly Elections-2022, the Chief Electoral Officer Punjab has launched its election mascot - 'Shera' depicting a lion to create a constructive awareness among the voters about the importance of their vote. Deputy Commissioner Babita Kaler also launched the mascot 'Shera' in her office. The District Electoral Officer cum DC Babita said that the election mascot 'Shera' dressed in traditional Punjabi attire symbolizes the rich cultural heritage of Punjab.

Former President and Councillor of Naya Gaon join AAP



SHASHI PAL JAIN KHARAR, FEB 3

The election campaign of Aam Aadmi Party's (AAP) Kharar candidate Anmol Gagan Mann got a boost when a large number of social workers, including former Nayagaon president, councillor and Former Sarpanch, joined the AAP. Raghu Chadha, MLA from Delhi and co-in-charge of Punjab affairs, formally inducted all the leaders and social workers into the party.

Anmol Gagan Mann, candidate from Kharar assembly constituency, party general secretary Harchand Singh Barsat and farmers' wing Mohali president Master Jagdev Singh Malwa and Madam Kanta were also present on the occasion. Welcoming the councillors and social workers to AAP on Thursday, Raghu Chadha said that Naya Gaon city council's former president and current councillor Gurpreet Singh Pappi, former MC Jagtar Singh Bhatti, former

mer sarpanch Nirmal Singh, Punjabi singer Lakhbir Saini, Baba Ram Singh Abhipur, Jagtar Nada, Lali Sangala and Surjit Singh Mastgarh have joined the Aam Aadmi Party. Chadha said that the love and blessings of the people of Punjab are with the Aam Aadmi Party. People are very impressed by the jodi of Arvind Kejriwal and Bhagwant Mann. The people of Punjab will press the 'jharoo' button on February 20 to form AAP government with an overwhelming majority.

Expenditure observer reviews arrangements for Assembly Election-2022



SHASHI PAL JAIN SAS NAGAR, FEB 3

General Observer IAS Mr. Mohammad Zubair Ali Hashmi, General Observer IAS Mr. K. Mahesh, General Observer IAS Mr. Ajay Gupta, IPS Mr. Varun Kapoor Police Observer and IRS Mr. Janardhan Sanathan Expenditure Observer held a high level meeting in the committee room of the Deputy Commissioner's Office to review the arrangements and preparedness for the Assembly elections-2022.

The General Observers minutely reviewed the various arrangements being made at the polling sta-

tions in light of the directions of the Election Commission of India. They directed the Returning Officers present in the meeting to ensure that the adequate arrangements for Divyangajans and senior citizens above the age of 80 years are in place so as to enable them to cast their vote without any difficulty. They also reviewed the status of all sensitive polling stations, the statistics of COVID vaccination and officers and staff on duty for elections.

During the meeting General Observers took stock of the arrangements made for the security of EVM machines. They categori-

cally asked the ROs to ensure that the facility of GPS system in the vehicles in which EVM machines are to be transported. The Returning Officers also directed the ROs to ensure that all political parties and candidate obtain prior approval of advertisements / banners / pamphlets etc. from the Media Certification and Media Monitoring Committee. Returning Officers were also instructed to dispose of the complaints received through C-Vigil app on priority basis. IPS Varun Kapoor Police Observer while reviewing the arrangements made by the district police administration to maintain peace and order at all lev-

els during the elections said that every vehicle was thoroughly checked by the police personnel deployed at nakas put up throughout the district and at inter-state checkpoints. He directed the district police administration to compile a list of accused under the Arms Act and NDPC Act booked during the last six months and keep a close watch on their current activities.

Prominent amongst those present in the meeting included District Electoral Officer Mrs. Isha Kalia, SSP Harjit Singh, Additional District Electoral Officer Mrs. Komal Mittal, Returning Officers and other senior police officers.

Youth regained eye vision after rare endovascular surgery

CHANDIGARH (LK BANSAL): A 22 years old youth regained his eye vision that he was gradually losing after a head injury, after a rare endovascular surgery at Ivy Hospital, Mohali recently. Addressing a press conference at a hotel here on Thursday, Dr Vineet Sagar, Head Neurosurgery and Interventional Neurosurgery Ivy Hospital who treated the youths said that Mohinder (name changed) has suffered a severe head injury 1 month back. He has lost vision in right eye due to an accident. After 15 days of the accident, he complained of loss of vision in his left eye too. He was rushed to Ivy Hospital where Dr Sagar examined him. Dr Sagar and his team did a Digital subtraction angiography (DSA) and found that the youth problem was due to Carotid Cavernous Fistula between the left carotid (which is the main blood supplying vessel to left side brain) and Cavernous sinus behind the left eye. Due to which he was not only fast losing vision in left eye and if left untreated this fistula can result in fatal hemorrhage in the brain too, said Dr. Sagar who is one of the few Dual trained neurosurgeons. The patient was treated via endovascular techniques through which the vision of the patient's left was preserved.

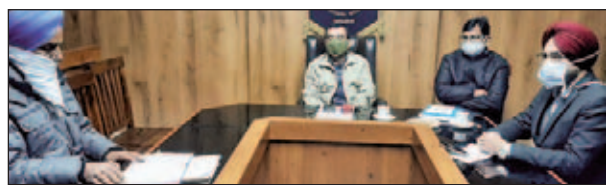


Observes held meeting with officers to monitor election activities

SUMER GARG SANGRUR, FEB 3

The Election Commission has appointed Mr. Subodh Yadav, IAS as general observer for assembly constituencies 108-Sangrur, 107-Dhuri and 100-Dirba and Expenditure observers(EOs) for assembly constituencies 107-Dhuri and 108-Sangrur. Mr. Subhash Chandra, ICAS officer, Sangrur assembly constituency today held a review meeting with the officers of various teams deployed to monitor the election related activities.

The meeting, which was held in the presence of the Returning officer Mr. Charanjot Singh, the general observer reviewed the cases of violation of the instructions of the Election Commission and the action taken by various



teams since the implementation of the Model Code of Conduct. Subodh Yadav said that the guidelines of the commission should be strictly followed and any irregularities should be reported to the concerned nodal authorities. He said that co-ordination of officers and vigilance teams at every level was very important.

He also reviewed the unannounced inspection of printers publishing election campaign materials by political parties, candidates and compliance with the instructions issued by the Election

Ashish Mittal foundation organises skill workshop

CHANDIGARH (CS JOLLY): Ashish Mittal Foundation organised a skill workshop in village changera. Women participated from nearby villages with great enthusiasm. Dr. Anu H. Gupta, Chairperson of UIFT, Panjab University instructed the women in the workshop.



Prof. Monika Aggarwal, UIAMS encouraged the women to have an entrepreneurial spirit that seeks financial independence. Ms. Archana, Sherwood College and Ms. Prachi, Secretary of Ashish Mittal Foundation felicitated the speakers.

Sanjeev Vashisht continues door to door campaign, even in rain, meets people in Balongi



LK BANSAL MOHALI, FEB 3

BJP candidate Sanjeev Vashisht held a meeting in Balongi on Thursday even though it was raining. A large number of people met Sanjeev Vashisht and shared their problems. Residents of Balongi said that the Congress MLA did nothing for their welfare in their area. Even today they are facing same problems.

Only Paver block is built worth Rs 4 crore under the Armit scheme of BJP government at the Center. Sharing his views, BJP candidate Sanjeev Vashisht said that former Health Minister Balbir Sidhu had not taken any initiative for providing health facilities to the poor of Mohali. Even today a poor person has to go to BJP run Chandigarh for treatment. He further asserted a health plan of Rs 5 lakh has also been launched by the BJP's Modi government, poor can avail this benefit by visiting the private hospitals. Sanjeev

Vashisht promised after the formation of a BJP double engine government in Punjab, they would establish health care for best treatment, Establishing an excellent school for education, and best sanitation facilities and drainage facilities in priority basis. Addressing the people, former councillor Ashok Jha said that Sanjeev is a distinguished industrialist, educated and social worker who have done a lot for the needy even before his political journey. We should choose a person with compassion who consider his duty to serve the society and develop Mohali in the best possible way. Ashok Jha accused that Congress is misleading the people that paver blocks have been built by Congress government which is not true. Many BJP leaders including Sukhwinder Goldy, Lakhwinder Kaur Garcha, singer Madan Shawk, singer Babu Chandigarhian, Lagan Singh, Chandan, Subhash also shared their views with the people.

Students of Blossoms appear in NCC's examination



SUKH NAHAR JAGRAON, FEB 3

Blossoms convent school's NCC students appeared for "A certificate" examination conducted at Ramgharia school, Ludhiana. Students took the test in the presence of ANO Amandeep Singh.

Students took ground activities followed by written examination. School princi-

pal Dr. Amarjeet Kaur Naaz stated that NCC makes students more disciplined and gives them an insight into the life of army. She mentioned that students get to learn a lot of things from NCC and go through various new experiences. School chairman Harbhajan Singh Johal, president Manpreet Singh Brar, Ajmer Singh Rattian encouraged the students.

AAP Punjab spokesperson Tina Chaudhary joins Congress



V.K.DOGRA DHAR KALAN, FEB 3

Today, the Aam Aadmi Party suffered a major setback when Punjab spokesperson Tina Chaudhary joined the Congress and extended her support to Amit Vij, the Congress candidate from Pathankot Area.

On joining the Congress, he was welcomed in the party office with great enthusiasm by the workers and MLA Amit Vij welcomed him by giving him party siropa. Tina Chaudhary, in her address, took a dig at the Aam Aadmi Party and said that there is a big difference between the words and deeds of the Aam Aadmi Party. She talks about giving

respect to women but it is far from the truth. She said that he always worked sincerely for the party, but when it came to women's rights, bypassing them, AAP leaders gave tickets to their loved ones and those who joined the party a few days back.

AAP volunteers were ignored even after the tickets were announced. Because of which today volunteers are sitting at their homes instead of working for the party. Tina Choudhary said that she has been included in the party with respect by MLA Amit Vij and assures her that she will campaign in his favor to make the Congress party win and will play an important role to get them victory.

Door to door campaign by Tejpreet Singh Gill in Nayagaon in support of father Ranjit Singh Gill



SHASHI PAL JAIN KHARAR, FEB 3

Tejpreet Singh Gill son of Ranjit Singh Gill, Joint candidate of Shiromani Akali Dal and Bahujan Samaj Party from constituency Kharar, campaigned in Nayagaon and moved from door to door. He held meetings along with local leadership in ward

No. 1, 2, and 14. He had a meeting with the youth club in which he listened to the problems of the youth club and assured to solve them on priority basis. While addressing the people during the meeting Tejpreet Singh Gill said that they would complete the unfinished works of the constituency as soon as possible. He said that he

would always be ready for the development works of the constituency. Tejpreet Gill was assured of overwhelming support in favor of Ranjit Singh Gill.

Tejpreet Gill was accompanied by senior vice president Gurdhian Singh, Harmesh Nattu and local Akali BSP leadership from Nayagaon.

AAP to form govt in Punjab: Jarnail Singh

SHASHI PAL JAIN MOHALI, FEB 3

The role played by Avijot Singh, a young boy from Mohali, during the farmers' agitation at Tikri Border in Delhi is well known. This was stated by Aam Aadmi Party's Punjab in-charge Jarnail Singh while talking to reporters here. Talking to reporters, AAP's Punjab in-charge Jarnail Singh said that the people of Mohali constituency are leading Kulwant Singh's election campaign on their own and star leaders of other political parties are join-



ing AAP in favour of Kulwant Singh. Jarnail Singh, in response to a question from the media, made it clear that AAP government shall be formed in Punjab. Talking on the occasion Avijot Singh said that he wanted to see Bhagwant Mann as Punjab Chief Minister and Kulwant Singh as Mohali

MLA and he is campaigning day and night for Kulwant Singh from door to door. Avijot Singh said that he is thankful to the Kulwant Singh candidate from Mohali Assembly constituency for giving him the responsibility as a young star campaigner and assured Kulwant Singh all his support and

will fulfill the responsibility diligently. Apart from Kulwant Singh and Jarnail Singh on this occasion Dilbar Singh Vicky, Manpreet Singh-Lali, Harjit Singh, Rupinder Singh Rimpa, Harwinder Singh Lucky, Jagtar Singh Jagga, Karta Ram, Pavitar Singh, Sukhpreet Singh, Parvinder Singh, Dr. Sunny Ahluwalia, Prabhjot Kaur, Paramjit Singh Kuldeep Singh Samana, State Awardee-Fulraj Singh, and a large number of AAP office bearers and workers including Narinder Singh, Harpreet Singh and Gurtej Singh were present.

Vaccination camp organised at APJ

SHASHI PAL JAIN KHARAR, FEB 3

Punjab Government with collaboration of Health Department, today organized a vaccination drive at APJ Public School, Kharar.

Around 100+ students who are 2005, 2006 & 2007 born and belong to 15 - 18 age group were administered with first dose of covaxin. Besides, some parents were also inoculated with first / second dose of covishield. School Principal Jasvir Chander appraised the initiatives taken up by Punjab Government to make the vaccination drive a grand success.



Independent candidate withdraw nomination from Nakodar assembly seat

ASHOK KAURA PHAGWARA, FEB 3

One independent candidate on Thursday withdrew his nomination papers from the Nakodar assembly seat election, which are scheduled for February 20, Nakodar Returning officer (RO) cum SDM Nakodar Poonam Singh said here. The poll to the assembly seat is scheduled on February 20. Filing of nominations and scrutiny is over, while the withdrawal process will end on Friday.

EDITORIAL

Road building

Few transport networks from history kindle the kind of romanticism that the old Silk Route evokes. Yet it is cold pragmatism that is driving the revival of a relationship vital for New Delhi's strategic interests. Last week, the prime minister, Narendra Modi, hosted the presidents of the five Central Asian republics - Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Kyrgyz Republic - in a first-of-its-kind summit. The leaders were originally slated to visit New Delhi as chief guests on Republic Day but the omicron wave and public protests in Kazakhstan ensured the meeting was virtual. Their meeting was built on two important conclave that Mr Modi's government has recently hosted: one with the national security advisors of the Central Asian republics in November, and the second with their foreign ministers in December. The NSAs of Russia and Iran also participated in the first of those meetings. This heightened engagement with the region is no coincidence. It is closely tied to an unease that New Delhi shares with the governments of the Central Asian nations over the Taliban's stunning power grab in Afghanistan last August.

Like India, these countries have long been wary of the rise of radical Islam and the emergence of Afghanistan as a launch pad for transnational terrorism. In the 1990s, India worked closely with Tajikistan in supporting the Northern Alliance of Ahmad Shah Massoud against the Taliban, even setting up a military base in that country. But turning shared interests into meaningful cooperation on the ground will not be easy. The Central Asian republics are all landlocked, and dependent on Russia and China - their two large neighbours - for trade. India's bilateral trade with the region amounts to just \$2 billion. By contrast, China's trade with Central Asia is worth \$100 billion. Just two days before Mr Modi met the region's leaders, China held a similar summit with them. Mr Modi has promised to develop the Chabahar Port in Iran, which India manages, to build a fresh transport corridor with Central Asia. India's track record on such overseas infrastructure projects is spotty at best, but now would be a good time to change that legacy. Russia, the United States of America and Iran - traditionally India's friends - have all built ties with the Taliban, leaving New Delhi on the margins in shaping the region's future. India needs to build on the talk from the prime minister's meeting with Central Asian leaders. Their fabled history will not be enough.

Electromagnetic 'tug-of-war' lights up Jupiter's upper atmosphere

The largest planet of the solar system, Jupiter, houses a lot of mysteries in it. New Leicester space research has revealed, for the first time, a complex 'tug-of-war' lights up aurorae in Jupiter's upper atmosphere, using a combination of data from NASA's Juno probe and the Hubble Space Telescope.

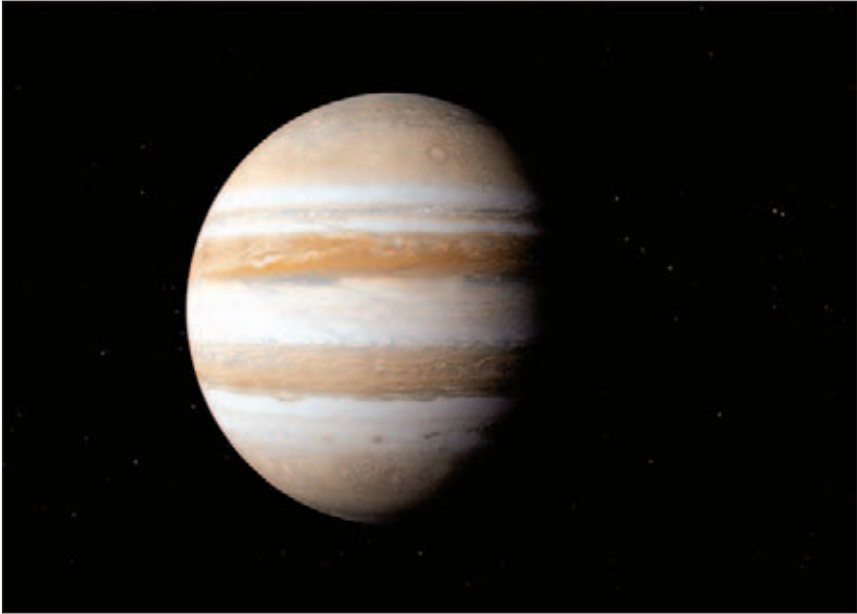
The study, published in the 'Journal of Geophysical Research: Space Physics', has described the delicate current cycle driven by Jupiter's rapid rotation and the release of sulphur and oxygen from volcanoes on its moon, Io.

Researchers from the University of Leicester's School of Physics and Astronomy used data from Juno's Magnetic Field Investigation (MAG), which measures Jupiter's magnetic field from orbit around the gas giant, and observations from the Space Telescope Imaging Spectrograph carried by the Hubble Space Telescope.

Their research provided the strongest evidence yet that Jupiter's powerful aurorae was associated with an electric current system that acts as part of a tug-of-war with material in the magnetosphere, the region dominated by the planet's enormous magnetic field.

Dr Jonathan Nichols, a reader in Planetary Auroras at the University of Leicester and corresponding author for the study, said: "We've had theories linking these electric currents and Jupiter's powerful auroras for over two decades now, and it was so exciting to be able to finally test them by looking for this relationship in the data. And when we plotted one against the other I nearly fell off my chair when I saw just how clear the connection is."

"It's thrilling to discover this relation because it not only helps us understand how Jupiter's magnetic field works, but also those of planets orbiting other stars, for which we have previously used the same theories, and now with renewed confidence."



Despite its huge size - with a diameter more than 11 times that of Earth - Jupiter rotates once approximately every nine-and-a-half hours.

Io is a similar size and mass to Earth's moon, but orbits Jupiter at an average distance of 422,000 km; roughly 10 per cent further away. With over 400 active volcanoes, Io is the most geologically active object in the Solar System.

Scientists had long suspected a relationship between Jupiter's aurorae and the material ejected from Io at a rate of many hundreds of kilograms per second, but the data captured by Juno proved ambiguous.

Dr Scott Bolton, of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), the Principal Investigator (PI) for the Juno mission, said, "These exciting results on how Jupiter's aurorae work are a testament to

the power of combining Earth-based observations from Hubble with Juno measurements. The HST images provide the broad overview, while Juno investigates close up. Together they make a great team!"

Much of the material released from Io is propelled away from Jupiter by the planet's rapidly rotating magnetic field, and as it moves outward its rotation rate tends to slow down. This results in an electromagnetic tug-of-war, in which Jupiter attempts to keep this material spinning at its rotation speed via a system of electric currents flowing through the planet's upper atmosphere and magnetosphere.

The component of the electric current flowing out of the planet's atmosphere, carried by electrons fired downward

along magnetic field lines into the upper atmosphere, was thought to drive Jupiter's main auroral emission. However, prior to Juno's arrival this idea had never been tested, as no spacecraft with relevant instruments had previously orbited close enough to Jupiter. And when Juno arrived in 2016, the expected signature of such an electric current system was not reported - and, while such signatures have since been found - one of the great surprises of Juno's mission has been to show that the nature of the electrons above Jupiter's polar regions is much more complex than was initially expected.

The researchers compared the brightness of Jupiter's main auroral emission with simultaneous measurements of the electric current flowing away from the Solar System's largest planet in the magnetosphere over an early part of Juno's mission.

These aurorae were observed with instruments on board the Hubble Space Telescope, in Earth orbit. By comparing the dawn-side measurements of current with the brightness of Jupiter's aurora, the team demonstrated the relationship between the auroral intensity and magnetospheric current strength.

Stan Cowley, an Emeritus Professor of Solar-Planetary Physics at the University of Leicester and co-author for the study, who has studied Jupiter's powerful aurorae for 25 years, added: "Having more than five years of in-orbit data from the Juno spacecraft, together with auroral imaging data from the HST, we now have the material to hand to look in detail at the overall physics of Jupiter's outer plasma environment, and more is to come from Juno's extended mission, now in progress. We hope our present paper will be followed by many more exploring this treasure trove for new scientific understanding."

Literature & Health

Regular exercise can provide relief for dry, itchy eyes

Exercise has been known for being beneficial for a number of reasons, including a healthy heart, keeping diabetes at bay and protecting from obesity. But what about dry and itchy eyes? A team led by researchers from the University of Waterloo has made some interesting discoveries about the same.

They discovered that a significant increase in tear secretion and tear film stability after participating in aerobic exercise can be another remedy for relieving dry, itchy eyes. Their study, 'Differential effect of maximal incremental treadmill exercise on tear secretion and tear film stability in athletes and non-athletes' was published in the journal, 'Experimental Eye Research'. The study



was co-authored by Othecere, the University of Cape Coast's Samuel Abokyi, Sekyere Nyamaah, and Michael Ntodie, and Ghana's Our Lady of Grace Hospital's Yaw Osei Akoto. Every time we blink, our eyes are covered in tear film - an essential protective coating necessary for maintaining healthy ocular function. Healthy tear

film comprises three layers - oil, water, and mucin - that work together to hydrate the ocular surface and protect against infection-causing irritants like dust or dirt. When any part of the tear film becomes unstable, the ocular surface can develop dry spots, causing eye symptoms like itchiness or stinging and burning sensations.

Canada truckers protests continue over Covid-19 restrictions

Truckers protests against coronavirus restrictions continued in Canada's Ottawa on Wednesday, as heavy trucks and other vehicles clogged downtown and multiple investigations into criminal activity are underway.

Two people have been arrested so far for demonstration-related incidents and 13 active investigations are proceeding, the Ottawa Police Service said on Tuesday, reported CNN.

Notably, last week, thousands of truckers gathered in Ottawa to protest the COVID-19 restrictions.

According to the police, there are fewer protestors in the nation's capital than over the weekend.

Legislators entering Canada's Parliament, residents and businesses can hear loud honking at all hours. The police in its statement said, "We want to be very clear, both for the current demonstrations



and any planned demonstrations: Illegal activity will not be tolerated." Furthermore, some demonstrators have been threatening and harassing locals, officials said. Officials commented that reports of homophobic and racist behaviour have surfaced, as Ot-

tawa has become a hotbed for protesters opposing the vaccine mandates, reported the news channel. Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and his family were moved to a different location from their home in the capital city amid the trucker protest.

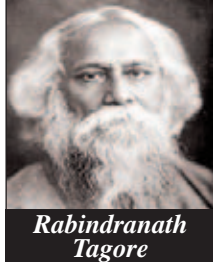
POEMS

Sleep

In the night of weariness
let me give myself up to
sleep without
struggle,
resting my trust
upon thee. Let
me not force my
flagging spirit
into a poor preparation for
thy worship.

It is thou who drawest the
veil of night upon the tired
eyes of the day
to renew its sight in a fresher
gladness of awakening..

Rabindranath Tagore



World Cancer Day: Closing the Care Gap

This year, the theme of 'World Cancer Day' which is on 4th February, is 'Close the Care Gap'. The mere mention of the word 'cancer' sends a shiver down the spine. In such a situation, the state of mind of people suffering from cancer and those taking care of cancer patients is indescribable. If there are 'gaps' in the various stages of cancer care, such as in diagnosis, surgery, radiotherapy, chemotherapy, and palliative care, then the enhanced despair becomes unimaginable. In this context, this year's theme is relevant, as it will take a long time for any health system to completely live up to the ideal standards of care.

There may be a dearth of medical facilities at times or treatment may be too expensive. At times, cancer risk factors in people's lifestyles and environments may be excessive, and the general public's "health-seeking behavior" may be a challenge also. There is also a great need for provision of



palliative care for cancer patients in the terminal stage. In effect, there are gaps in expectations and real situations at every stage of cancer care. At times more, at times less. In this context, it is relevant to mention the National Health Policy (2017), Ayush-

man Bharat Health and Wellness Centres (AB-HWC), Pradhan Mantri - Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PM-JAY), Pradhan Mantri - Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) and the special efforts being made in the field of cancer. AB-HWC is a well thought out strategy by the Government of India to ensure comprehensive primary healthcare. Our Honorable Prime Minister has given an ambitious target of converting all the Sub-Health Centres and Primary Health Centres in the country to Health and Wellness Centres (HWCs). Today, there are more than 89,000 HWCs in the country through which preventive, promotive and comprehensive primary healthcare is being provided. ASHAs and ANMs visit door-to-door to identify early symptoms in people above 30 years of age for five major diseases namely hypertension, diabetes and oral, breast and cervical cancer and share information on lifestyle changes to prevent cancer. In

effect, it can be said that a tremendous effort is being made to close the gaps at the initial stage of cancer care, which is also showing positive results.

Efforts are also being made in the country to prevent and control the major causes of cancer through the National Program for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS). The objective of this program is to spread public awareness about cancer, encourage people to improve their lifestyle and set up Non-Communicable Disease (NCD) clinics in Community Health Centres and District Hospitals. By expanding the services of CT-Scan, MRI, Mammography and Histopathology in district hospitals, the gap in early detection of cancer is also being bridged. Through 'Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana', cashless health services are being provided to a large section of the popula-

tion in selected government and private hospitals. Hon'ble Prime Minister's vision of setting up new medical colleges in the country and upgradation of district hospitals into medical colleges is also helping strengthen secondary care.

Similarly, 22 AIIMS are being set up in the country in a phased manner to expand tertiary care. Grants are also given for setting up State Cancer Institutes and Tertiary Cancer Care Centres under the "Tertiary Cancer Care Centres Scheme", which can be used towards diagnosis and treatment of cancer, conducting tests, research, providing palliative care and for participation in cancer registry programs. 700 bedded National Cancer Institute at Jhajjar (Haryana) and 460 bed Chittaranjan National Cancer Institute in Kolkata have also been started. All these initiatives are proving useful in closing the gap in the areas of surgery, radiotherapy, chemotherapy etc. in cancer care. I

think the actions being taken in the country to control cancer are historic. While there will always be scope for improvement in these initiatives, a huge responsibility also lies with the people of the country, specially the youth, to adopt lifestyles in a manner that the possibility of getting cancer is reduced to the minimum.

Lifestyle changes like eating a balanced diet, practicing yoga and exercise, eschewing consumption of tobacco and alcohol will go a long way in achieving this objective. Such efforts will not only save them from chances of cancer, but will also help preserve quality and timely services for needy cancer patients and in turn help in truly realizing this year's theme of 'Close the Care Gap'. Jai Hind!

(The article is written by Dr. Manohar Agnani, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare)

Taken to the next level: The New Audi Q7 now in India

LUDHIANA: Audi, the German luxury car manufacturer, today announced the launch of the iconic Audi Q7 in India. Delivering the perfect amalgamation of performance, style, comfort, and driveability, the new Audi Q7 is powered by a dynamic 3.0 litre V6 TFSI engine. The large SUV features a new design of Audi's 'Q' family and offers superb dynamics and excellent comfort, in addition to its superior spaciousness and versatility. Commenting on the launch, Mr. Balbir Singh Dhillon, Head of Audi India, said, "There is no better way to start the year than launching a car that has been an absolute favorite in India. The Audi Q7 has been an icon of our Q-range for several years and we are confident that the latest model will be as successful with its new look and upgraded features.

Tata Motors CSR Arm Empowers Women Entrepreneurs

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: Tata Motors, as a socially responsible corporate, has consistently strived to bring positive change to the community. Over the past year, it has touched 7.5 lakh lives through a plethora of its CSR initiatives. Skill development has been an area that has gained sustained focus under its Kaushalya pillar. One of the inspiring stories to have emerged out of the company's endeavours is that of Rajnandini's, a 28-year-old handicraft artist hailing from the Northern belt of the country. A Tata Motors program in partnership with the Institute of Social Development (ISD) helped Rajnandini pursue an Agriculture and Entrepreneurship Training programme which paved the way for her to start a self-help group for making bamboo handicrafts in her village. Tata Motors further assisted her in expanding her business, providing transportation, and helping build a market to sell produce.

Ross Branch Joins Hero MotoSports Team Rally

CHANDIGARRH: Close on the heels of its record-setting stage victory at the Dakar 2022 Hero MotoSports Team Rally, the motorsport team of the world's largest manufacturer of motorcycles and scooters - Hero MotoCorp - has further strengthened its rider lineup by bringing onboard leading international rider, Ross Branch. A top athlete and a trained commercial pilot from Botswana, Ross Branch is a three-time South African Cross Country Champion and a seven-time winner of the Botswana 1000 Desert Race - earning the nickname "Kalahari Ferrari". Wolfgang "Waffi" Fischer, Team Manager, Hero MotoSports Team Rally said, "We are excited to make a strong addition to our team, right after our historic stage win at the Dakar Rally. In just about six years, we have reached a convincing performance phase, and it's an opportune time for us to welcome a top talent such as Ross Branch to the team."

Royal Stag Barrel Select Large Short
Films presents 'Manoranjan',

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: Royal Stag Barrel Select Large Short Films today premiered "Manoranjan". The short film features critically acclaimed actor Gul Panag, who is also the producer of the film, as Lalita, a simple homemaker whose captivating storytelling ability forms the essence of this psychological thriller. The short film, directed by Suhail Tathai, who has directed critically acclaimed films like Ankur Arora murder case and Summer 2007, narrates the story of Lalita who lives a fairly ordinary life in a small town in Rajasthan until the arrival of an unplanned guest throws the family's travel plan and stirs up a series of spooky events, leaving the audience wanting for answers at every step. The highlight of the film is the well-defined character sketch of the protagonist, Lalita, who singlehandedly keeps the audiences at the edge of their seats at all times. The movie successfully creates a sense of mystery and spook, without any 'jump scares' and the credit for the same sits with the writer of the movie, actor-writer Sukhmani Sadana.

MAHE Declares 2022 as Year of Innovation & Entrepreneurship

CHANDIGARH: With an aim to encourage and foster culture of innovation, startups and entrepreneurship, Manipal Academy of Higher Education has declared 2022 as the year of Innovation and Entrepreneurship. Following the guidelines of the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, MAHE has adopted the National Innovation and Startup Policy 2019 for Students and Faculty: A Guiding Framework for Higher Education Institutions. The policy has been designed by the Ministry of Education and apex regulatory bodies such as the University Grant Commission (UGC) and the All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE). It intends to guide Higher Education Institutes in promotion of student-driven innovations and startups. The aim of the policy is to enable HEIs to build, streamline and strengthen the innovation and entrepreneurial ecosystem in the campus. Keeping this in mind, in the year 2022, MAHE will celebrate the legacy of their alumni who are successful entrepreneurs, bring them to campus to inspire students and develop.

Global Leaders Unite to pledge commitments to ending Neglected Tropical Diseases by 2030

New Delhi: Ahead of the World NTD Day on January 30, global leaders convened today to celebrate the 10-year anniversary of the London Declaration and kick off endorsements to the Kigali Declaration on Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) - a high-level political declaration which aims to mobilise political will and secure commitments to achieve the targets set out in the World Health Organization (WHO) NTd road map 2021-2030 and the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) target on NTDs. NTDs are a group of 20 diseases like blinding trachoma, intestinal worms and elephantiasis which are preventable and treatable, but still affect 1.7 billion people around the world. By preventing children from going to school and adults from being able to work, NTDs trap individuals and whole communities in cycles of extreme poverty. As per the latest data shared by WHO Global Health Observatory, 752 million people in India require preventative chemotherapy (PC) for at least one of the 5 PC diseases.

NEWS/BUSINESS

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2022

Study finds more spice may help adults avoid salt

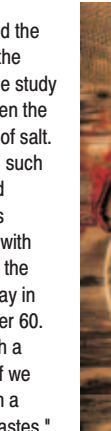
A new study has found that by adding a little spicy seasoning to a low sodium meal, adults over the age of 60 will have a harder time noticing the lack of salt. The study has been published in the 'Food Quality and Preference Journal'.

Led by Carolyn Ross, a professor of Food Sciences at Washington State University, the study tested saltiness perception in older adults using white sauce formulations with varying amounts of salt and different spices and seasonings added.

The results of the analysis showed the addition of chipotle seasoning to the white sauce made it difficult for the study participants to differentiate between the samples with low and high levels of salt. Conversely, the addition of herbs, such as basil leaves, garlic powder and coarse ground pepper, was not as effective at masking the samples with less salt. The research pointed to the significant role that spice could play in reducing salt intake for people over 60.

"We were working specifically with a population of older adults to see if we could reduce the amount of salt in a product and then tailor it to their tastes," Ross said.

"This is important because the ability to taste and smell is known to weaken with age, and weaker perception of salty flavours may induce people to season their food with excessive salt, which may increase their risk of cardiovascular disease," Ross added.



For their study, Ross and Maria Laura Montero, a postdoctoral researcher in the WSU School of Food Sciences, recruited 39 healthy people over the age of 60 to participate in an in-person taste-testing experiment that took place over several days slightly prior to the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Previous research examining saltiness perception in older adults has tended to use water as a matrix for tasting experiments rather than actual



food products. To generate more realistic data in terms of what people actually enjoy eating, Ross and Montero used a white sauce formulation that is commonly found in ready-to-eat Cajun chicken pasta meals. The study participants were asked to compare

three different formulations of the sauce at five different salt concentrations. One of the formulations had no added herbs, the second had just herbs, and the third had both herbs and chipotle seasoning. Their results showed the formulation with both herbs and chipotle seasoning made it difficult for the seniors to determine the amount of salt being used while the formulation with exclusively herbs did not. In addition to administering the taste test, the researchers surveyed their participants about their oral and olfactory health, the number and type of medications they were taking and any other pre-existing conditions that might affect their saltiness perception. Their analysis showed there was a positive correlation between poor oral health and the number of medications each participant was taking, which could be a result of less saliva production; however, their data on whether or not this was the main cause of lowered saltiness perception wasn't conclusive.

Moving forward, when it is once again feasible to recruit participants for in-person studies, the researchers plan to follow up with a larger study evaluating lower salt concentrations as well as different herb and spice concentrations.

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Tecno offers memory fusion feature with upto 5GB additional Virtual RAM via OTA update

C handigarh, February 3--: TECNO, the global premium smartphone brand, recently announced that its proprietary 'memory fusion' feature will be available through OTA updates, across its range of smartphones. The feature allow users to virtually expand their available RAM with a single tap. Today's Gen Z and millennial consumers are always on the lookout for phones which offer uninterrupted performance at all times and has good storage. They want a smartphone that can switch between multiple apps faster, store large amounts of data, provide immersive gaming experiences and run memory-intensive applications with reduced lag. To address such multi-tasking needs, Tecno's 'memory fusion' feature allow users to borrow additional storage capacity and allot it to RAM whenever needed, quickly and conveniently. The technology has proved to significantly improve smartphone performance an 80% increase in the average application start-up time has been observed, as well as upto two-fold rise in the number.



Moj launches 'Kitchen Ministers of India'

Panjim : Moj, India's number one short video app, is all set to launch its first-ever cooking competition, Kitchen Ministers of India, across 21 states in India. This unique digital hunt gives Moj users a chance to present traditional delicacies from their states and bag the title of 'Kitchen Minister' of that state. The month-long campaign, starting January 25, will give foodies an opportunity to showcase their talent not only on Moj but also to a panel of celebrated chefs - Sanjeev Kapoor and Ajay Chopra. Each participant will be required to prepare one traditional dish that truly represents the heart of the culinary culture of their state. Through the one-month competition, Chef Ajay Chopra will also mentor the participants by sharing tips on how to master the traditional recipes and present them through videos. The 'Kitchen Minister' from each state will be declared in the month of March and will receive Amazon/Flipkart vouchers worth INR 25,000 each. Apart from that, weekly titles, such as Swag Kitchen Minister, Fashionable Kitchen Minister, Chopping Kitchen Minister, Humorous Kitchen Minister, Presentable Kitchen Minister, and Cuteness Kitchen Minister, will be presented to select participants. Commenting on the competition, Chef Sanjeev Kapoor said, "The food culture of different regions within India can be defined by its traditions, history, and beliefs. I am excited to be part of Moj's Kitchen Ministers of India and witness the new-age renditions of traditional recipes across the nation. The participants will be judged on their skills and ability to creatively present their local delicacy." To promote the contest further, Moj has enlisted popular creators to inspire foodies in each state to participate. Leading the campaign from Goa, Shagun Mahotra added, "Being a creator myself, I understand the importance of competitions like Moj's Kitchen Ministers of India which helps creators grow and tap their untapped potential. Learning from the expert chefs Sanjeev Kapoor and Ajay Chopra will be an overwhelming experience for all the participating creators."



RED FM announces new campaign 'India at 75'

NEW DELHI : 93.5 Red FM, India's leading private radio and entertainment network announces 'India at 75' celebrating the history of our country. The campaign aims to relive the footprints that the nation has created over the glorious years of Independence. FICCI, the oldest, largest and the apex business chamber in India, also considered to be the voice of India's business and industry is the knowledge partner for the campaign. The weekly episodes dedicated to historic and landmark achievements will be voiced by one of the most acclaimed and sought-after storytellers of India - RJ Praveen. Along with this, the campaign will put a spotlight on iconic stories of India by interviewing bureaucrats, government officials, and scholars.

Breast cancer: from detection to treatment

Breast cancer is the most common type of cancer in the world, claiming the lives of millions of people worldwide. The current approach to educate women about the dangers and early indicators of breast cancer has resulted in new and improved methods of screening through primary screening. Certain approaches can help in early detection - Breast self-examination every month around five days after the periods are over (or a certain day of every month for postmenopausal women) starting at the age of 20; Annual breast examination by a trained doctor after the age of 20; and Regular mammogram after the age of 45, Said Dr. Sanjeev Kumar.

Surgical Oncology, HCMCT Manipal Hospital

He said, Any of the following symptoms may be an indicator of breast cancer. Lump in breast or armpit that grows with time and is usually painless. Bloody or straw colored nipple discharge. Recent inversion, ulceration, or destruction of nipple. Dimpling of skin and Thickening of skin to give an appearance of orange peel. s

Diagnosis is usually confirmed by a needle biopsy, which can be performed at the OPD in 10-15 minutes after the mammogram is done. Sometimes MRI and ultrasound may also be needed. Patients with larger lumps, those having enlarged glands in armpit or symptoms suggestive of distant organ involvement (bone pain, breathlessness, headache, enlarged liver etc.) need additional tests to rule out the spread of disease to other organs.

The different types of treatment options available for Breast cancer. Most of the ladies with early stage cancer can have their breast conserved. BCS is possible even for larger tumors after reducing them with chemotherapy.

Training Workshop organized by PEDDA

Ludhiana, February 3, 2022: Punjab Energy Development Agency (PEDA), conducted a training workshop at Zonal Knowledge Centre, PSPCL Ludhiana today. PEDA is conducting five training workshops with PSPCL to create awareness among stakeholders in the agriculture sector under Agriculture Demand Side Management (AgDSM) Programme in the state of Punjab. Two workshops are held already at Patiala and Amritsar.

About 65 PSPCL Officers, State Electricity Regulatory Officers, Officials of State Agriculture Department, pumpset manufacturers and distributors, officials from department of water supply and sanitation and local manufacturers, consultants, contractors, dealers and other service providers attended the workshop. Presentations and lectures were delivered on topics like Star Labelling of Electrical Appliances and Water Pumps, Operation & Maintenance of Water Pumps; Energy-Efficient Lighting and Air-Conditioning, smart metering, etc. Some case studies of live projects were also shown. Expert speakers were Dr Arvind Dhingra, Ashwani Kumar, Surinder Bahga, Sanjay Gole and Sukhwant Singh. A special presentation on activities and programmes of PEDA was also shown. Architect Suman Kaushik presented a vote of thanks and gave concluding remarks. PEDA, which was created in 1991, has been designated by the state as the State Designated Agency responsible for spearheading energy efficiency efforts to identify and oversee energy conservation Programmes, including those mandated by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency.

Taken to the next level: The New Audi Q7 now in India

Chandigarh : Audi, the German luxury car manufacturer, today announced the launch of the iconic Audi Q7 in India. Delivering the perfect amalgamation of performance, style, comfort, and driveability, the new Audi Q7 is powered by a dynamic 3.0 litre V6 TFSI engine. The large SUV features a new design of Audi's 'Q' family and offers superb dynamics and excellent comfort,



ear than launching a car that has been an absolute favorite in India. The Audi Q7 has been anicon of our Q-range for several years and we are confident that the latest model will be as successful with its new look and upgraded features. The Audi Q7's versatile performance, both on and off the road, is a key trait that makes it stand apart from all others."

Dr. Dhillon further added, "The year 2022 will see the launch of high volume models, in addition to some top-end products. With a diverse product portfolio, we are looking forward to a strong sales performance during the year 2022. There is a lot to look forward to and today is just the beginning of another fantastic year for Audi India."

Titan Q3 profit surges 135 per cent to Rs 987 crore

Mumbai : Titan Company on Thursday said its net profit rose by 13.6 per cent to Rs 387 crore in the third quarter of the current financial year from Rs 419 crore recorded in the corresponding quarter of last fiscal.

Riding on the strong demand across its consumer businesses Titan's revenue excluding billion sale grew by 36 per cent in Q3 FY22 compared to Q3 FY21.

With Jewellery division doing exceedingly well, and other divisions also witnessing growth over pre-pandemic levels, the total income for the quarter was Rs 9,570 crore, including billion sale of Rs 54 crore, a growth of 31 per cent compared to total income of Rs 7,324 crore in Q3 FY21 that included billion sale of Rs 340 crore, Titan said in a statement.

The company's total income for the first nine months of the current financial year stood at Rs 20,104 crore, registering a growth of 48 per cent compared to Rs 13,614 crore in the same period of 2020-21.

Driven by festive purchases in October and November, the Jewellery business registered an income of Rs 6,563 crore with 37 per cent growth in Q3 FY22 compared to Rs 4,949 crore in Q3 FY21 (excluding billion sale in both the periods).

Watches and wearables business recorded an income of Rs 708 crore with 29 per cent growth in Q3 FY22 compared to Rs 550 crore in Q3 FY21. Eyewear business recorded an income of Rs 156 crore with 26 per cent growth in Q3 FY22 compared to Rs 124 crore in Q3 FY21. The other segments of the company comprising Indian Dress Wear and, fragrances and accessories recorded an income of Rs 52 crore in Q3 FY22 compared to Rs 36 crore in Q3 FY21, a growth of 44 per cent.

Darwin Platform Group follows all norms and safeguards interests of Stakeholders

Chandigarh: Darwin Platform Group of Companies (DPGC) - a leading global Indian Business Conglomerate, today said that it follows all established norms and adopts best practices.

Reacting to some reports mentioning the indulgence of the Group's representatives of Haryana and Punjab in duping people and police action against them, it emphasised that the Company takes immediate internal action and initiates legal action against own employees including senior officials who violate norms and indulge fraudulent practices. Officials said that it always safeguard the interests of its stakeholders and legal action is taken against those who get involved in duping people and malpractices in their respective areas. The Group has been apprised about some complaints and reports against its senior official who looks after operations of Haryana and Punjab. The Group has initiated needful actions against its Punjab and Haryana Head who allegedly got involved in faulty trade practices.

"The Darwin Platform Group has been focusing on 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' and 'Vocal for Local' campaigns of the BJP-led government to boost the economy. It is evident that those who miscreants are not to malign the organisation and they are being encouraged by leaders of opposition parties in the state," Spokesperson, DPGC said.

"The Group follows zero-tolerance against corruption and cheating of investors/stakeholders. Based on evidence and reports, necessary actions will be taken against the Head of Haryana and Punjab operations. We stand by our core value- Nation-building through wealth creation. The Group strongly supports the Central Government's vision and plans for the economy."

Tanishq presents 'Every Woman a Diamond'

Bengaluru: India's top Jewelry retailer, Tanishq, from Tata Group, launches their latest campaign - "Every Woman a Diamond".

Through this campaign the brand tells a compelling story on how Tanishq believes in celebrating the women of today and every woman deserves nothing less than a diamond to cherish who she has shaped herself to be.

Tanishq's Every Woman a Diamond honors today's women by emphasizing there is an extraordinary in the seemingly ordinary life journey of every woman. Tanishq has featured four real women from different walks of life and attempted to capture moments that are easily relatable in every woman's life and highlights how every woman should not just be celebrated for her wins but also cherished for who she is. Tanishq celebrates four special women - Jaclyn, a pilot, a Real Madrid fan who kicks all prejudices aside and blazes forward like a diamond, and lands whole flights of people to their desired destinations. Rehana is a self-care therapist, who is a force of nature and an unapologetic cat lover who can heal, help meditate and put the belief back into yoga.

NEWS AT A GLANCE

Prof HM Suryavanshi to be new Director of NIT, Hamirpur

HAMIRPUR: Prof Hira Lal Murlidhar Suryavanshi has taken over as the new Director of the National Institute of Technology, Hamirpur. Prof. Suryavanshi was, earlier, working as a Professor in the Department of Electrical Engineering at Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology Nagpur, Maharashtra.

Bodies of 2 women found

SOLAN: The Himachal Pradesh Police said on Thursday that it has recovered the bodies of two women who may be from Nepal wrapped in bed sheets on the Kalka-Shimla highway in Solan district. Superintendent of Police Virender Sharma said the bodies were spotted on Wednesday evening near Koti village by a rag-picker who alerted the police. Preliminary investigation revealed that the women appeared to be in their mid-30s and may belong to Nepal. Injury marks were visible on their necks. Earlier too, the police had recovered bodies dumped in the forests along the Kalka-Shimla highway.

BJP-PLC campaigning in Atam Nagar reach on swing



ANKUSH LUDHIANA: In Punjab Assembly election, political parties actively approaching voters. BJP-PLC candidate Prem Mittal today gone in Model Town area and campaigning of alliance is on swing these days. Mr. Mittal said that this time voters will give mandate to Bhartiya Janta Party and Punjab Lok Congress alliance. He said that in past 5 years congress government has not done any development work in Atam Nagar. He alleged that if area M.L.A. Bains has only developed himself and his allies. Condition of roads and other infrastructure is turned in very bad condition and this area is required a good leadership, he said. Prem Mittal interact with area voters and voters promised to give their support to alliance candidate this time.

World NCD Federation advocates reducing cancer care gap in India

CHANDIGARH: Cancer is the second-leading cause of death worldwide and about 10 million people die from cancer every year. According to projections by experts cancer deaths will rise to 13 million by 2030. World Cancer Day is celebrated every year on 4th of February and is marked to raise awareness of cancer and to encourage its prevention, detection and treatment. Theme of World Cancer Day for the year 2022-2024 is "Close the Care Gap" and it recognizes the power of knowledge and challenges assumptions. The Year 2022 marks the first year of a new three-year campaign centered on the issue of equity. This first year of the campaign is about realizing and recognizing the inequities in cancer care around the globe. It also explains the barriers that exist for many people in accessing services and receiving the care they need. Inequity in cancer care costs lives. In the Indian context, there are various structural, geographic, economic, cultural, and political factors that affect the extent to which India can provide affordable cancer care.

Govt will put up strong fight in support 75% reservation for youth in private sector: CM

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
CHANDIGARH, FEB 3

Haryana Chief Minister, Sh. Manohar Lal was accorded a grand welcome in half a dozen villages including Kaimla in Karnal district on Tuesday. Chief Minister was greeted with enthusiasm in the villages and congratulated for the all-round development of the state. The Chief Minister thanked the villagers and announced Rs. 51 lakh each for the construction of Langar Halls at two religious places in Kaimla and Araipura villages. Manohar Lal reached his assembly constituency Karnal on Tuesday afternoon followed by a tour of Gharaunda assembly.

After this, the Chief Minister's convoy reached the Langra Baba temple in Kaimla village. Here the Chief Minister first offered prayers in the temple. After this, while addressing the villagers present in the temple, he announced Rs 51 lakh for the construction of Langar Hall in Langra Baba Mandir. The Chief Minister said that the work of beautification of all the ponds in the village will be done. These ponds will be cleaned and if needed, they will be emptied and



desilted. To get rid of the problem of cow dung in the village, the Chief Minister said that a big biogas plant will be set up for the neighbouring villages. Due to installation of biogas plant, no additional cow dung will be disposed in the ponds. This will also keep the ponds clean.

From Kaimla village, the convoy of the Chief Minister reached Araipura via Barsat, Jamalpur, Panori in Karnal. Hundreds of villagers showered

flowers on the Chief Minister in all the four villages and he was accorded a warm welcome. Seeing the villagers, the Chief Minister stopped the convoy in each village and reached out to the people. The villagers thanked him on reaching here and also gave him complaints related to their problems. Manohar Lal then reached Shri Panch Dashnam Juna Akhara in Araipura village. Here he first offered prayers. After that he met the villagers. Chief Minister also

SAD-BSP flags hoisted by party workers at their residences

JAGRAON (SUKH NAHAR): The leaders and workers of SAD hoisted flags of SAD and BSP at their respective residences and campaigned for their party. SAD-BSP leadership and the candidate from Jagraon SR Kaler led the program in which the party workers hoisted flags of both parties at 9 am at their residences and expressed their love for the party. SAD workers participated enthusiastically in the program and put their best efforts to make it successful. Party leaders SR Kaler, Gurcharan Singh Grewal, Kamaljeet Singh Mallah, highly satisfied on the success of the program stated that supporters of SAD have given a tough challenge to other parties by showing immense support. "It is quite clear that people want SAD-BSP government in Punjab and no tactics to defame the party shall be successful," they said. They mentioned that people have trust on SAD as it never betrayed people and always worked for their betterment. "The flag of Shiromani Akali Dal will always keep flying high just like the valor of its workers," they asserted.



Parties make CM on merit not on the basis of casteism: BJP



SUMER GARG
SUNAM, FEB 3

BJP state committee members Vinod Gupta & Shankar Bansal and Mandal president, Ashok Goyal in a joint statement said, "The former State president of congress party, Mr. Sunil Jakhar has said that he was punished for being a hindu, that is why I wasn't made the Chief Minister of Punjab inspite of 42 MLAs have spoken in my favor. By doing so, the congress party has proved that Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi are anti hindu". BJP spokesmen added. Earlier, the Congress party had made Jawahar Lal Nehru Gandhi as the Prime Minister of India instead of Sardar Patel, even at that time the majority was with Sardar Patel, thus the Congress party is working to divide the people on casteism, while the people of

Punjab are fully aware of the plannings congress party. People of Punjab have suffered a lot, so this time they would not entrap in the tricks of Aam Aadmi Party The Congress party deliberately has played the card of Dalit, where as the Aam Aadmi Party has made a public drama of the people's choice for the post of Chief Ministership of Punjab. The tricks of these parties could be proved a great threat to the peace and communal harmony to the state of Punjab. The BJP leaders said that the political parties should choose their Chief Minister on the basis of merit and not on the basis of casteism. Spokesmen further said, "Mr. Sanmukh Singh Mokha will win the Sunam Assembly seat with a big margin and BJP alliance will form government in Punjab".

Sushma Devi appointed Pradhan of Dhundla Panchayat

BANGANA, JAN 3

State President of Congress Committee Kuldeep Singh Rathore has appointed Sushma Devi, Pradhan of Dhundla Panchayat of Kutlahar Assembly Constituency, as the Vice President of Block Congress Committee. While working diligently for the party in the area, Vivek Sharma, Block President of Kutlahar Congress Committee has also entrusted him with the responsibility of Kutlahar Mahila Congress in-charge. While MA BEd pass Sushma Devi is making a significant contribution to the development of the Panchayat, she is also dedicated to the Congress party. In view of his dedication towards the party, the State Congress High Command has entrusted him with the responsibility. The newly-appointed block vice-president Sushma Devi said that she would try to live up to the responsibility assigned to her by the party high command and would play an important role in winning the Congress candidate from Kutlahar in the 2022 elections. On the other hand, Sushma Kumari has expressed gratitude to State President Kuldeep Singh Rathore, District President Ranjit Rana, Block President Vivek Sharma for their appointments.

Civil Hospital staff give farewell to Sr Pharmacy Officer Trishala Kumari



R. SINGH
PATHANKOT, FEB 3

Trishala Kumari, Senior Pharmacy Officer posted at Civil Hospital Pathankot, retired after serving for 35 years. The group staff of Civil Hospital extended their best wishes. SMO Dr. Rakesh Sarpal and Executive SMO Dr. Sunil Chand were specially present in the program organized under the leadership of Rakesh Kumar, President of District Pathankot Pharmacy Officers Association. The farewell party of Senior Pharmacy Officer Trishala Kumari was given and the cake was cut. Rakesh Kumar head of District Pathankot Pharmacy Officers Association, said that Trishala Kumari performed her duty for 35 years with utmost sincerity and dedication.

SAD-BSP candidate Jeet Mahinder's son holds corner meetings, draws huge response

ISHWAR GARG
TALWANDI SABO, FEB 3

The corner meeting held by Gurbaj Singh Sidhu in favour of his father, former MLA Jeet Mahinder Singh Sidhu has been attracting a lot of support.

Talking to the people on the occasion, Gurbaj Singh Sidhu said that before casting their vote they should take a look at the recent development work of religious town Talwandi Sabo as whatever development took place in Talwandi Sabo happened during the time of Akali government.

He said that multi-crore project aimed at installing sewerage system in the town,



construction of 3 beautiful parks, installation of street lights in the town, construction of link roads of the town, provision of irrigation water to farmers it all happened during the Akali regime. But under the present government, they could not even take care of the sewerage system due to which people have to face difficulties on a daily basis.

He appealed to the people to vote for Akali-BSP candidate Jeet Mahinder Singh Sidhu for the development of the city. He was accompanied by BSP constituency president Jeet Singh TT besides Akali leaders Sukhbir Singh Chattha, Satinder Sidhu Councilor, Nippi Malkana, Balwinder Gill, Surjit Bham, Rakesh Chaudhary, Tej Ram Sharma and others.

Annual diary release function organized by Pathankot Accountants Association

R. SINGH
PATHANKOT, FEB 3

On behalf of the Pathankot Accountants Association, under the chairmanship of Chairman Sanjeev Gupta and President Arun Mahajan, an annual diary release function was organized at Flames Restaurant located near Chakki Bank Railway Station. In which Dharminder Sikka, President of Punjab Accountants Association, Senior Vice President Naresh Chahaltra, General Secretary Varinder Sharma participated as the Chief Guest. Who was given a grand welcome by garlanding on behalf of the association members. In the program, all the members were first updated about the budget presented in the Parliament and made aware about the new provisions of GST. After this, the guest Punjab President Dharminder Sikka gave detailed information about



the various activities of the Punjab Association. On the other hand, Naresh Chahaltra and Varinder Sharma told about the work being done by the Punjab Association. On this occasion, the annual diary was duly released jointly by the guests and the members of the association. Ravinder Sharma and Puneet Ohri played the role of stage management in the program. On this occasion Pawan Mahajan, Pankaj Gupta, Kamal Kaushal, Rakesh Gupta, Ashok Kumar, Jatinder Bedi, Shiv Khullar, Rishi Sharmal, Krishna Sabharwal, Shashi, Rajesh Gupta etc. were present.

MCM students placed in MNC EY



CHANDIGARH, FEB 3

The Placement Cell of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh organised a placement drive wherein EY Global Delivery Services India LLP recruited 12 students for the post of Assurance Associate. Held in off campus (online) mode, a total of 98 students registered for the drive and after a rigorous procedure involving online test, telephonic interview and final interview, 12 students were selected for Noida region, NCR. One the selected students- Nandini of B.Com. thanked the college for providing a great opportunity in the form of this drive, to take the first step of her professional journey and excel in career with a Big Four. She added that the college provides placements in various fields and offers numerous opportunities for its students. Principal Dr. Nisha Bhargava congratulated the selected students on their success and implored them to work on their potential strengths and achieve their targets with professional acumen and competence.

General, Expenditure and Police Observers review arrangements for 2022 assembly elections



VERMA
GURDASPUR, FEB 3

General Observers, Chandra Shekhar Sakhamuri, IAS, Kalyan Chandra Chaman, IAS Dr. Niraj Shukla IAS and Manvindra Partap Singh IAS, Expenditure Observer Saurabh Kumar Rai, IRS and CP Chandrakant IRS (C&CE) and Police Observer, Navneet Sekera IPS and Rajiv Swaroop IPS were reviewed the election arrangements at Panchayat Bhawan Gurdaspur. On this occasion Mohammad Ishfaq District Election Officer-cum-Deputy Commissioner Gurdaspur, Dr. Nanak Singh

SSP Gurdaspur, Gaurv Toora SSP Batala, Rahul Additional Deputy Commissioner (G) Gurdaspur and all the ROs and Nodal Officers of various teams were present. The arrangements made by the General Observers at the polling stations as per the directions of the Election Commission of India were scrutinized. He asked all the Returning Officers present in the meeting to ensure that all the facilities inside the polling booths like drinking water supply, toilets and ramps were functional so that the voters would not face any difficulty on the day of polling.

Four General, 1 Police and 3 Expenditure Observers reach in Hoshiarpur

DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIAHPUR, FEB 3

Eight observers have been appointed by Election Commission of India to keep an eye over electoral process in Hoshiarpur district. This includes four General Observers, one Police Observer and an Expense Observers, who have reached Hoshiarpur. Deputy Commissioner-cum-District Election Officer Apneet Riyat informed that 4 General Observer Naveen Kumar for Vidhan Sabha Constituencies Umar and Sham Chaurasi, Amarnath R. Talwade for Assembly Constituency Mukerian and Dasuya, Prakash Bindu for Vidhan Sabha constituency Chabbawal and Garhshankar and Dr. Arvind Kumar Chaurasia has been posted for

Assembly Constituency Hoshiarpur. The Police Observer Dr. B. Naveen Kumar will oversee all the Vidhan Sabha constituencies of the district. The District Election Officer said that if anyone has any complaint related to the election, they can contact General Observer IAS Naveen Kumar on mobile number 76579-75323, Amarnath R. Talwade on mobile number 76579-75324, Prakash Bindu on Mobile number 76579-75325, Dr. Arvind Kumar Chaurasia on Mobile number 76579-75326 and Police Observer Dr. B. Naveen Kumar can be contacted on mobile number 76579-75327. The General Observers are staying at PWD Rest house and police observer at forest rest house Bassi Jana. DEO said that if anyone wants to meet the Observers

personally regarding any election related problem, he can meet General Observer Naveen Kumar between 9 am to 10 am, Prakash Bindu between 10 AM to 11 AM, Dr. Arvind Kumar Chaurasia between 10 am to 11 am and Police Observer Dr. B. Naveen Kumar between 5 pm to 6 pm. Riyait informed that the expenditure observer appointed for the assembly constituencies Mukerian, Dasuya and Umar Bawan Lal Meena can be contacted at mobile number 89681- 32254, for Vidhan Sabha constituency Sham Churasi and Hoshiarpur expenditure observer Mukesh Thakwani can be called at mobile number 76579-75328 and for Vidhan Sabha constituencies Chabbawal and Garhshankar Ankit Somani can be contacted on mobile number 84271-32253.

Health department makes people aware about corona vaccination



HEMANT SHARMA
RAMPURA PHUL, FEB 3

Under the able guidance of Civil Surgeon Bathinda Dr. Balwant Singh and under the supervision of Senior Medical Officer Dr. Anju Kansal Civil Hospital Rampura Phul anti corona activities are being carried out, vaccination camps are being organized in the city every day. Under this link, preliminary work has also been started in Rampura city through speaker so that message about corona vaccination can be given to every household. SMO Dr. Anju Kansal today dispatched a rickshaw which would go through all the streets and neighborhoods of the city through the speaker to make the announcement about vaccination so that the awareness message could be conveyed to every household. He said that the health department is committed to vaccinate all the eligible persons and help us to prevent the spread of corona infection in the society.

Shopkeepers beat up youth after he tries to flee with Panjiri

RAKESH JINDAL
NABHA, FEB 3

Instead of finding employment, the youth of Punjab are resorting to theft in new ways. In Punjab, day-to-day incidents of thieves snatching purses and wiping their hands on gold items are commonplace.

But this is probably the first time you have heard of thieves trying to make off eatables made of desi ghee. The latest example of which was seen in Nabha. An attempt was made by these thieves to target a grocery shopkeeper in a crowded market in Nabha.

Shopkeeper Rahul said that these three young men came on a motorbike and a young man asked me to pick up Panjiri goods from the shop. And after getting panjiri made with eight kilos of pure ghee, he started going out to show it to his friends. Rahul said he followed him, and when he started running away, he grabbed him and he had a kirch type weapon. He was also beaten by the shopkeepers and he was in a state of intoxication and could not walk away.



Business leader Sanjeev Kumar said that this was not the first case.

But due to poor performance of the police, all these incidents are happening in Nabha city. Investigating officer ASI Buta Singh said that the ghee-made items were taken by the youth and when he tried to flee with the eatables, he was beaten up.

He was admitted to the hospital. When he regains consciousness, he will be interrogated and action will be taken against him, the police said. A sharp weapon has also been recovered from him.

India, Eng to clash in Men's U19 WC final

AGENCY
ANTIGUA, FEB 3

Captain Yash Dhull and his deputy Shaik Rasheed's 204-run stand for the third wicket here on Wednesday knocked out Australia to set up a summit clash against England. This will be the fourth consecutive U19 World Cup final for India and the eighth overall. Chasing a 291-run target, Australia were bowled out for 194 in 41.5 overs. Spinner Vicky Ostwal ran through the Australia middle-order when the Aussies were making attempts to put themselves back into chasing a mammoth 291-run target set by India. Ostwal picked up 3 wickets for 42 runs in 10 overs. Campbell Kellaway (30) was the first of his victims, followed by William Salzmann (7) and Tobias Snell (4), which twirled the noose around Australian innings. Other bowlers Ravi Kumar, Angkrish Raghuvanshi and Nishant Sindhu picked wickets at regular intervals. While Sindhu and Ravi Kumar bagged two wickets each, Raghuvanshi scalped one. The middle order collapse put tremendous pressure on Australia as a run rate of 9 runs per over was too much of an asking when they needed 100 plus runs. The Aussies lost by 96 runs. After electing to bat, Rasheed (94) and Dhull (110) built a 204-run for third wicket which helped India reach 290 for 5, along with a late blitz by Nishant Sindhu (12 no) and Dinesh Bana (20 no). Following the dismissals of openers, Dhull and Rasheed staged a



brilliant fightback to bring India back on to the track. Ravi Kumar (13 from 10 balls) and unbeaten knocks of Nishant Sindhu (12 from 10 balls) and Dinesh Bana (20 from 4 balls), along with Dhull and Rasheed, helped India amass 108 runs in last 10 overs. With both Dhull and Rasheed falling off consecutive deliveries in the 46th over, Australia had a wonderful chance to restrict India to 265 something, but Dinesh Bana (20 from 4 balls), Nishant Sindhu (12 from 10 balls) and Rajvardhan Hangargekar (13 from 10 balls) did not give the Aussies a chance. India ended putting on 290 for 5 in stipulated 50 overs. It was the mammoth 204-run partnership between Dhull and Rasheed for the third wicket that set it up for India after getting together at 37 for 2 when the side was staring at massive trouble against the indomitable Aussies. Dhull kept the scoreboard busy while Rasheed took his time and made it even more quicker once he raced past his 50.

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Formula 1: Red Bull announce launch date for their 2022 car

MILTON KEYNES : Red Bull on Thursday have nailed down the date on which they will reveal the car with which Max Verstappen will defend his Formula 1 title. The 2022 Red Bull F1 car will be called RB18, and will be launched on February 9 - nine days before rivals Mercedes launch their W13. Last season saw Verstappen win his maiden F1 title in a thrilling finale at Abu Dhabi, at the helm of the RB16B. Mexican racer Sergio Perez continues with Red Bull, readying for his second season with the drivers' championship-winning team. This season will also see Red Bull Powertrains supply engines for the first time, as Honda have departed the sport.

Beijing Winter Olympics: Manager of Indian contingent tests negative for COVID-19

BEIJING: Indian Olympic Association (IOA) President Narinder Batra on Thursday confirmed that the manager of the Indian contingent at the Beijing Winter Olympics has tested negative for COVID-19. "The manager of Indian team Abbas Wani tested negative in the 2 tests done on him in last 24 Hours. Hence the entire Indian contingent in Beijing is Covid Free, Thank you, Harjinder Singh Chef de Mission, Indian Embassy in China, and MYAS Govt of India for taking care of everyone," Batra said in an official statement. Earlier, the manager of the Indian contingent for the upcoming Winter Beijing Olympics had tested positive for COVID-19. The development was confirmed by Indian Olympic Association (IOA) President Narinder Batra. "The manager of the Indian contingent Abbas Wani tested Covid-19 positive at Beijing Airport. The chef de mission Harjinder Singh is coordinating for a re-test," Batra had said in an official statement. The Beijing Winter Olympics are slated to run from February 4-20. Kashmir skier Arif Khan is the only athlete from India to have qualified for Beijing Winter Olympics 2022. Arif will be competing in Slalom and Giant Slalom events.

IPL 2022: Ready to go to any team, says Yuzvendra Chahal

NEW DELHI: India leg-spinner Yuzvendra Chahal said that he wants to be a part of Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) for the upcoming edition of the Indian Premier League (IPL) but will be happy if any other franchise picks him.

Chahal was a part of the RCB squad since 2014 but he was retained by the franchise ahead of the IPL 2022 mega auctions.

"The journey for eight years [with Royal Challengers] has been memorable. There is no right to match [which the franchise used to retain him in 2018] this time, so I will go to whoever pays the most for me. This is the first time where I might end up going to another team because there is no right to match. I am ready to go to any team. As a professional player, you should be ready to play for any team," Chahal told Ravichandran Ashwin on the latter's YouTube channel.

"Obviously, I want to go to RCB again. But I won't feel bad if I go somewhere else. All of them have to build new teams. Whoever takes me, I have no problem. I will continue to give my 100 per cent. But yes, when you go to a new franchise, it takes a little time to adjust. But that's why we call ourselves professional players," he added.

The leg spinner further praised batter Virat Kohli for showing belief and supporting him during his initial days in the franchise.

"I realised that he [Kohli] had a lot of positive energy. He never tried to change me, he never asked me to bowl this way or that way. We always had two plans, and the first plan was always mine.



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(For candidate to publish in newspapers, TV)

Declaration about criminal cases

Social media platforms & website of the party)

(As per the judgment dated 25th September, 2018 of Hon'ble Supreme Court in WP (Civil) No.536 of 2011 (Public interest Foundation & Ors.Vs Union of India & Anr.)

Name and address of Candidate:- Jeetmohinder Singh Sidhu S/o Bhopinder Singh

Name of Political Party : Shiromani Akali Dal

(Independent candidates should write "independent" here)

Name of Election: Punjab Vidan Sabha Election 2022

Name of the constituency:- Talwandi Sabo (094) Distt. Bathinda

I, Jeetmohinder Singh Sidhu S/o Bhopinder Singh (name of candidate) a candidate for the above mentioned election, declare for public information the following details about my criminal antecedents:

Sr. No.		
1	Criminal antecedents	
a	Nature of the offences	I) FIR No. 138 Dt. 19-05-2019 In Cross Case vide DDR No. 13 Dated 19-05-2019 P.S T.Sabo U/S 307-324-323-427-148-149 IPC &, 25-27-54-59 Arms Act. PS Talwandi Sabo, Distt. Bathinda. II) FIR No. 369 Dt. 08-12-2017 U/S 341 283-188 IPC PS Talwandi Sabo, Distt. Bathinda
b	Case No.	I) Case No CRMP/2/2020 Titled as State of Punjab V/s Unknown. II) Case No. CHI/169/2021 Titled as State of Punjab Versus Jeet Mohinder Singh Sindhu EX MLA and others.
c	Name of the court	I) Pending before the Hon'ble court of Sh. Rattandeep Singh, Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Talwandi Sabo for 25-01-2022 II) Pending before the Hon'ble court of Sh. Rattandeep Singh, Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Talwandi Sabo for 23-03-2022.
d	Weather the charges have been framed or Not (Yes/No)	NO
e	Date of Conviction, if any	NO
f	Details of Punishment undergone, if any	NO
g	Any other information required to be given	That the aforesaid false cases have been registered due to political vendetta.
2	The reasons for the selection of the candidate. Selection shall be with reference to the qualifications, achievements and merit of the candidate, not mere "winnability" at the polls (Not more than 100 words)	That the Jeet Mohinder Singh is a Highly Educated person as he has done B.Sc. Engineering (Civil). He is a person of integrity and vision. He has passion to work for the welfare of the needy persons and committed to the welfare of the general public.
3	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidate (Not more than 100 words)	That as aforesaid, Since Jeetmohinder Singh is having a social able approach to work for the welfare of the needy persons and aforesaid criminal cases have been falsely registered against him and others, due to political vendetta after the gaining of power by congress party in the state of Punjab in 2017.

In the case of election to Council of States of election to legislative Co concerned in place of name of constituency.

NORTHERN RAILWAY E-TENDER NOTICE						
No. SW-Sig/UMB/NIT-11/2021-22				Dated : 02.02.2022		
S. No.	Tender No.	Name of work	Date & Time of opening	Approx. Cost Rs.	Earnest Money Rs.	Completion period
1.	OT-17/2021-2022	AMC of 5 Line True color LED Display Boards at Saharanpur, Patiala and Double Face true colour Indoor LED platform/at a glance coach guidance display boards Ambala Cantt, Saharanpur & Bathinda Railway Station of Ambala Division.	02.03.2022 at 15:00 hrs.	Rs. 6473143.25/-	Rs. 129500/-	84 Months
2.	OT-18/2021-2022	Up gradation of Existing SCADA system with latest RDSO Guidelines.	02.03.2022 at 15:00 hrs.	Rs. 5163481.60/-	Rs. 103300/-	06 Months
3.	OT-19/2021-2022	Provision of TMS Connectivity at New Goods office at Sirhind	02.03.2022 at 15:00 hrs.	Rs. 1678505.77/-	Rs. 33600/-	06 Months
Note: 1. Open tenders through E-tendering are invited by Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom. Engineer/N. Railway, DRM Office, Rail Vihar, Ambala Cantt from the willing contractors for above noted work up to 15 HRS on date shown against the work and will be opened soon thereafter. Tenderer(s) are required to upload scanned copies of all related eligibility documents including PAN etc. as per conditions. 2. Please refer to the Website www.ireps.gov.in for detailed notice and tender documents. 3. Tenderer should have class-III Digital Signature Certificate and registered themselves on website stated above to participate in E-Tendering and they are requested to read all the instructions contained in the tender notice and tender documents carefully before submitting their offer so as to comply with all the requisite provision/special conditions.						
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POSSESSION NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

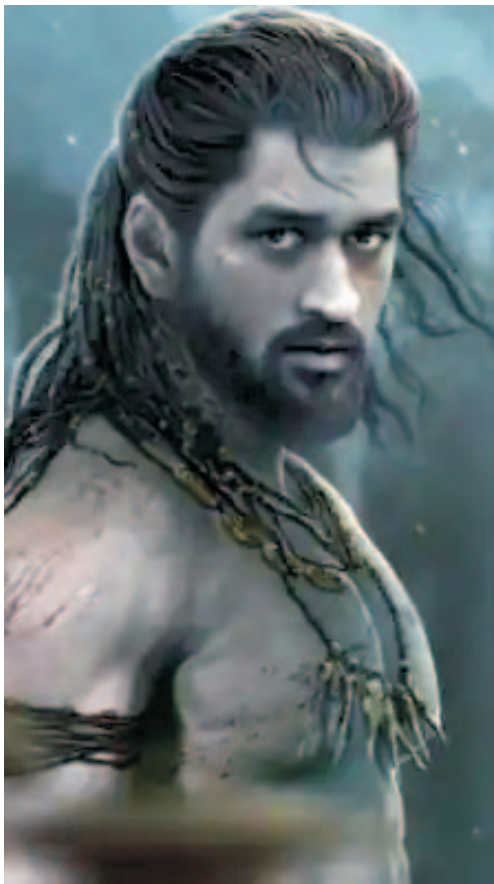
Whereas The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Axis Bank Ltd. under the Securitization, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ here under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Axis Bank Ltd.

Sr. No	Name of Borrower/ Co-borrower	Description of mortgaged Property	1. Date of Demand Notice 2. Date of Symbolic Possession 3. Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)
1.	1. Mr. Deepak Kumar S/o Sh. Raghunandan Singh (Borrower), 2. Mr. Pankaj Kumar S/o Sh. Raghunandan Singh (Co-Borrower), 3. Mrs. Sunaina Devi w/o Sh. Raghunandan Singh (Co-Borrower) all are R/o # 826, Hullo Majra, Chandigarh-160002. Also at: House built upon Plot No. 10, Situated at Guru Gobind Singh Enclave, Village Dappar, Tehsil Dera Bassi, District- S.A.S. Nagar Also at: Mr. Deepak Kumar S/o Sh. Raghunandan Singh C/o M/s Eclerx Services Ltd. 1 st Floor, TOWER-B, Rajiv Gandhi Chandigarh Technology Park, Chandigarh-160101 Also at: Mr. Pankaj Kumar S/o Sh. Raghunandan Singh C/o of M/s Vishal Enterprises SCO- 265, 2 nd Floor, Sector 32 D Chandigarh-160030. Having Loan account No. PHR004102523830	All that part and parcel of the Residential Property/ House built upon plot No. 10, measuring 2 Biswa – 16 Biswas (140.97 Sq. Yds.) being 58/16700 share of total land area 41 Bigha- 15 Biswa - comprised in Khewat Khatauni No- 26/61-62, Kharsa No. 283 (4-0), 284 (4-0), 285 (4-0), 286 (4-0), 287 (4-0), 288(3-12), 289(3-7), 290 (3-14), 291(3-14), 292(3-14), 293 (3-14), Hadbast No. 20 situated at Guru Gobind Singh Enclave, Village Dappar, Tehsil Dera Bassi, District- S.A.S. Nagar registered in the name of Smt. Sunaina Devi W/o Raghunandan Singh, Sh. Pankaj Kumar S/o Raghunandan Singh and Sh. Deepak Kumar S/o Raghunandan Singh vide Sale Deed having Vasika No. 1498 dated 07-07-2017. Boundaries (As Per Document): North: NA South: NA East: NA West: NA	1. 13th May, 2021 2. 31-01-2022 3. Rs.13,81,832/- (Rs. Thirteen Lacs Eighty One Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Two Only)
2.	1. Mr. Khazan Singh S/o Sarwan Singh (Borrower), 2. Mr. Ranjit Kaur w/o Sh. Khazan Singh (Co-Borrower), both are R/o # 58, Badal Colony, Patiala Road, Zirakpur. Also at: Village Faridpur Jattan, P.O. Sandharis, Tehsil Rajpura, District-Patiala. Also at: Apartment-Flat No. 203, Second Floor, Tulip Tower, Bollywood Heights, Village Peer Muchhalla, MC, Zirakpur, Tehsil- Dera Bassi, District- SAS Nagar-Punjab Also at: Khazan Singh S/o Sarwan Singh, Junior Engineer at Military Engineer Services, HQ, Chief Engineer Chandigarh Zone, 'N' Airport Road, Chandigarh. Having Loan account no. PH041010198693	All that part and parcel of the Residential Property/ Apartment- Flat No. 203 measuring- 1727.04 Sq. Ft., Second Floor, Tulip Tower, Bollywood Heights, Village Peer Muchhalla, MC, Zirakpur, Tehsil- Dera Bassi, District- S.A.S. Nagar-Punjab registered in the name of Smt. Ranjit Kaur w/o Sh. Khazan Singh vide Sale Deed having Vasika No. 6570 dated 01/12/2009. Boundaries (As Per title deed): North:NA South:NA East:NA West:NA	1. 13 th May, 2021 2. 31-01-2022 3. Rs.6,27,723/- (Rs. Six Lacs Twenty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Three Only)
3.	1. Mrs. Parveen Rani W/o Sh. Yashveer Singh, House No.120, Hill View Enclave, Dhaoli, Zirakpur-160104 Also at: Village, Chahurni Jattian, Thanesar, District- Kurukshetra, Haryana-136135 Also at: House No. 62, Second Floor, Victoria Floors, Village Kishanpura, Hadbast No.52, Sub-Tehsil-Zirakpur, Tehsil-Dera Bassi, District-S.A.S. Nagar 2. Mr. Rajesh Kumar S/o Nirmal Singh # 244 C, 1 st Floor, Surbhi Street, Green City, Zirakpur-160104 Also at: House No. 87, Village Naraingarh, Ambala (HR)-134203. Also at: House No. 62, Second Floor, Victoria Floors, Village Kishanpura, Hadbast No.52, Sub-Tehsil-Zirakpur, Tehsil-Dera Bassi, District-S.A.S. Nagar Having Loan account No. PHR004104109178	All that part and parcel of the Residential Property/ House No. 62, Second Floor, measuring 08bigha-0Biswa-13/13Biswas being 13-1/3 / 8900 share of Land area 25Bigha – 4Biswa, Comprised in Khewat Khatauni No. 9/9, Kharsa No. 21-12), 3(3-2), 4(4-0), 5(3-18), 17(4-5), 25(2/6 (0-5), 255(7/0-4), 257/16 (1-2), 318/317/256/ 16(0-9), 307/6(3-6), 309/7(3-1), Kite-11, situated at Victoria Floors, Village Kishanpura, Hadbast No.54, Sub-Tehsil-Zirakpur, Tehsil-Dera Bassi, District-S.A.S. Nagar registered in the name of Parveen Rani w/o Sh. Yashveer Singh vide Sale Deed having document No. 2019-20/13/1/1922 dated 17-May-2019. Boundaries (As Per Document): North: NA South: NA East: NA West: NA	1. 13 th May, 2021 2. 31-01-2022 3. Rs.29,80,392/- (Rs. Twenty Nine Lacs Eighty Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Two Only)
4.	1. Mr. Kabal Singh S/o Gurnam Singh, House No.67, Second Floor, Krishna Enclave, Haibatpur Road, Village Sadhe Majra, Hadbast No-12, Tehsil Dera Bassi, District- S.A.S. Nagar Also at: Flat No. 9, Ground Floor, Shivam Apartment, Zirakpur, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali), 140603 Also at: VPO, Dhandian Kalan, Ferozepur-142047 Also at: Kabal Singh S/o Gurnam Singh, Site Supervisor at M/s AB Infotech, Shop No. 44, Royal Estate Market, Ambala Road, Zirakpur-140603 2. Mrs. Amarjit Kaur w/o Gurnam Singh, House No.67, Second Floor, Krishna Enclave, Haibatpur Road, Village Sadhe Majra, Hadbast No-12, Tehsil Dera Bassi, District- S.A.S. Nagar Also at: VPO, Dhandian Kalan, Ferozepur-142047 Also at: House No. 30, Village- Dhandian, Tehsil Jeera, Ferozepur-142047 Having Loan account No. PHR004104767292	All that part and parcel of the Residential Property/ House No. 67, Second Floor, measuring 0Bigha – 0Biswa – 13 1/3 Biswas) being 13-1/3 / 8900 share of land 22Bigha – 8Biswa comprised in Khata No. 51/102, Kharsa No. 173(4-0), 174(4-0), 177(4-0), 178 (3-19), 414/160 (2-10), 416/161 (2-18), 587/172 (0-18), Kite 7, situated at Krishna Enclave Colony, Village Sadhe Majra, Hadbast No-12, Tehsil-Dera Bassi, District- S.A.S. Nagar registered in the name of Kabal Singh S/o Gurnam Singh vide Sale Deed having document No. 2019-20/14/14453 dated 11-Dec-2019. Boundaries (As Per Title Deed): North: NA South:NA East:NA West:NA	1. 13 th May, 2021 2. 31-01-2022 3. Rs.17,61,082/- (Rs. Seventeen Lacs Sixty One Thousand and Eighty Two Only)
5.	1. Mr. Pawan Kumar S/o Mohan Lal, House No. 129, Ward No. 1, Street o.4, Ambekar Nagar, Tehsil Jaito, Faridkot (PB)-151202 Also at: Water Supply & Sanitation Department Kolkapara Road, Near DC Residence Division No. 1, Sri Mukatsar Sahib (PB)-152026 (Working as Clerk EMP Id- 213208) Also at: Property having Kharsa No. 1329/2(10-0), 1330/2(9-13) Khata No. 1001/1458 situated at Street No. 1, Dashmesh Nagar, Sri Mukatsar Sahib Road, Tehsil Jaito, District Faridkot 2. Mrs. Amandeep Kaur w/o Sh. Pawan Kumar, House No. 129, Ward No. 1, Street o.4, Ambekar Nagar, Tehsil-Jaito, Faridkot (PB)-151202 Having Loan account No. PHR024204356450	All that part and parcel of the Property/Plot measuring 8.5 Marlas being 17/186 share of total land 19K-13M comprised in Kharsa No. 1329/2(10-0), 1330/2 (9-13) Khata No. 1001/1458 situated at Tehsil Jaito-1, District Faridkot registered in the name of Pawan Kumar S/o Mohan Lal vide Sale Deed having Vasika No. 480 dated 24.05.2010 before Sub-Registrar Jaito. Boundaries (As per Documents) East-Avar Singh 30' West-Street 30' North-Boota Singh 75' South-Harjinder Singh 75'	1. 25 th May 2021 2. 31-01-2022 3. Rs.13,79,681/- (Rs. Thirteen Lacs Seventy Nine Thousand Six Hundred Eighty One Only)
6.	1. Mr. Gurpreet Singh Chahal S/o Sukhminder Singh Chahal, Kothi No- 1483, Phase-X, Sector- 62, SAS Nagar (Mohali)-160062 Also at: Gurpreet Singh Chahal S/o Sukhminder Singh Chahal, Prop. Of M/s Chahal Travels, SCO- 23-24-25, Basement Cabin No- 4, Sector-34A, Chandigarh-160036 Also at: House No- 725, Preet Colony, Village Lohgarh, Tehsil Dera Bassi, District- SAS Nagar Also at: House no- 4, Sector-11B, Chandigarh 2. Mr. Sukhminder Singh S/o Chand Singh, House No- 725, Preet Colony, Village Lohgarh, Zirakpur, Tehsil Dera Bassi, District- SAS Nagar. Also at: House no- 4, Sector-11B, Chandigarh Having Loan account No. LPR004102115861	All that part and parcel of the Residential Property/ House No- 725 measuring 148 Sq. Yds. i.e. Okanak-4Marle- 8Sarsai being 44/4257 share of total Land measuring 23kanal- 13Marla comprised in Khewat Khatauni No -628/924, Kharsa No- 10/112(1-9), 13(1-16), 17(2-0), 18(7-13), 23(8-0), 24(1-2), Kite-6 as per Jamabandi for the year 2004-2005, Hadbast No- 46, situated at Village Lohgarh (NAC Zirakpur) Tehsil dera Basi, district – SAS Nagar registered in the name of Sh. Sukhminder Singh S/o late Sh. Chand Singh Vide Sale Deed having Vasika No. 8319 dated 09/03/2007. East: Road West: Road North: Road South: Gyan Chand lakhotra	1. 02 nd -Aug.-2021 2. 31-01-2022 3. Rs. 26,58,522/- (Rs. Twenty Six Lacs Fifty Five Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Two Only)
7.	1. Mr. Jasvir Singh S/o Sharda Ram (borrower) and 2. Mrs. Parmjeet Kaur w/o Jasvir Singh (Co-borrower) both are R/O # 195, New Vivek Vihar, Ambala City. Also at: Flat No.- 41 & 42 (EWS), First Floor, Gulmohar City Extension, Village Sadhamejra, Tehsil Dera Bassi, District- S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) Also at: Mr. Jasvir Singh S/o Sharda Ram (borrower) Village Rani Majra, Tehsil Dera Bassi, District – S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) Also at: Mrs. Parmjeet Kaur w/o Jasvir Singh House No. 195 (Abadi Ram Dass Nagar), Village Patti Acharja, Tehsil & District-Ambala. Also at: Mrs. Parmjeet Kaur w/o Jasvir Singh Village & PO Rani Majra, Lalru, Tehsil Dera Bassi, District – S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) Having Loan account No. PHR004101223228	All that part and parcel of the Residential Property/ Flat No.- 41 & 42 EWS), First Floor, Gulmohar City Extension, Village Sadhamejra, Hadbast No. 12, Tehsil Dera Bassi, District- S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) registered in the name of Jasvir Singh S/o Sharda Ram vide Sale Deeds having Vasika No. 8534 dated- 13.01.2015 and vasika No. 8535 dated-13.01.2015 respectively. Boundaries (As per Documents) East: NA West: NA North: NA South: NA	1. 03 rd -Sep.-2021 2. 31-01-2022 3. Rs.7,31,027/- (Rs. Seven Lacs Thirty One Thousand and Twenty Seven Only)
8.	1. Smt. Gurbhinder Kaur W/o Avar Singh (Borrower) and 2. Mr. harpreet Singh Chahal S/o Avar Singh (Co-Borrower), both are House having Plot no- 113 Village Hamidpura Abadi Pairadize Enclave, Tehsil & District- Amritsar Also at: Patti Manna Di, Village Guru Ki Wadali, Post Office Chheharta Tehsil & District Amritsar-143001 Also at: Mr. harpreet Singh Chahal S/o Avar Singh, C/o M/s Chhabra Karyana Store, VPO Village Guru Ki Wadali, District Amritsar-143001 Having Loan accounts No.-PHR068501297074 & HTR068501343779	All that part and parcel of the Residential Property/ House built upon Plot no- 113 measuring 250 Sq. Yds. (Length 75 * Breadth 30') Comprised in Kharsa No. 39/15 min, situated at Village Hamidpura Abadi Pairadize Enclave, Tehsil & District- Amritsar registered in the name of Gurbhinder Kaur W/o Avar Singh vide Sale Deed having Vasika No- 5213 dated 13/07/2007. Boundaries (As per Documents) East-Plot No- 114 West- Plot no- 112 North-Plot No. B-35, 36 South- Road 35 wide	1. 02 nd -Aug.-2021 2. 31-01-2022 3. Rs.10,50,164/- (Rs. Ten Lacs Fifty Thousand one Hundred Sixty Four Only)
9.	1. Mrs. Nancy W/o Kulbir Singh (Borrower) and 2. Mr. Kulbir Singh S/o Sukhdev Singh (Co-Borrower) both are R/o House No. 107, Ward No. 13, Street No. 1, Dashmesh Nagar, Old Cantt. Road, Faridkot- 151203 Also at: House/Kothi No.50, Dream City, Aggar Bhattian Opp. Bharat Petroleum Pump, Machaki Mal Singh Road, Tehsil & District- Faridkot. Also at: Mrs.Nancy w/o Kulbir Singh, Teacher at Govt. Middle School, Gujjar (Munara), Faridkot - 151203 Having Loan account no. PHR024205293168	All that part and parcel of the Residential Property/ House built upon Plot No.50 measuring 00kanal 6.61 Marle (200 Sq. Yds) being 200/11404 share of total land area 18 kanal – 17 Marls comprised in Kharsa No. 1. 14687/7744/ 18-17, Khewat No. 371/75 as per Jamabandi for the year 2014-2015 situated at Dream City, Aggar Bhattian, Tehsil & District- Faridkot registered in the name of Nancy W/o Kulbir Singh vide Sale Deed having document No.-2020-2142/1/845 dated 27-July-2020. Boundaries (As per Documents) East-Road side 30' West- Pritam Singh side 30' North-Plot No. 51 side 60' South- Plot No. 49 side 60'	1. 03 rd -Sep.-2021 2. 01-02-2022 3. Rs. 30,30,886 /- (Rs. Thirty Lacs Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Six Only)
10.	1. Mr Monish Kumar S/o Ashwani Kumar (Borrower) and 2. Mrs. Satish Kumar W/o Ashwani Kumar (Co-Borrower) both are R/o House No. 13, Khalsa College Avenue, Near Dear Computer Centre, Amritsar. Also at: House No. 63, Tungupali, Sub-Urban, Street No. 1, Golden Avenue, Majitha Road (Abadi Mustafabad), Tehsil & District Amritsar Also at:- Mr. Monish Kumar S/o Ashwani Kumar- M/s Satguru Immigration Consultancy, Shop No 30-A Ranjit Avenue, Opp Anmol General Store Amritsar. Having Loan account No. PHR068502242410	All that part and parcel of the Property bearing No. 63 measuring 97.77 Sq. Yds. comprised in Kharsa No. 1944/346- 354 min, Khata-Khatoni No.593/987 as per Jamabandi for the year 2012-13, situated at Tungupali, Sub-Urban, Street No. 1, Golden Avenue, 88' Foot Road, Majitha Road (Abadi Mustafabad), Tehsil & District Amritsar, registered in the name of Monish Kumar S/o Ashwani Kumar and Smt. Satish Kumari W/o Ashwani Kumar vide Sale Deed having Vasika No. 13577, dated 13.02.2017, before Sub Registrar Amritsar-II. Boundaries (As per Documents) East-Street 16' wide West-Ownership of Others North-Plot No.64 South-Plot No. 62	1. 01 st -Sep.-2021 2. 01-02-2022 3. Rs.16,3621/- (Rs. Sixteen Lacs Thirty Six Thousand Two Hundred Nineteen Only)
11.	1. Mr. Ganga Ram S/o Devi Prasad (Borrower) and 2. Mrs. Kusum Rani w/o Ganga Ram (Co-borrower) both are R/o # 322/A, Indra Colony, Sector-17, Panchkula-134109 Also at: HouseNo.927, measuring- 21 Sq. mts., Sector-20, Part-II, Urban Estate, Panchkula Having Loan account no. PHR004104789091	All that part and parcel of the Property/ Residential EWS House No.927, measuring- 21 Sq. mts., Sector-20, Part-II, Urban Estate, Panchkula registered in the name of Kusum Rani w/o Ganga Ram vide Sale deed dated 17-12-2019. Boundaries (As Per Sale Deed): North: NA South: NA East: NA West: NA	1. 13 th May, 2021 2. 31-01-2022 3. Rs.15,68,225/- (Rs. Fifteen Lacs Sixty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Five Only)

The above-mentioned borrower(s) co-borrower(s) / guarantor(s) are hereby given a 30 days' Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold on the expiry of 30 days' from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Place:- Ludhiana
Date: 04-02-2022

Sd/-
(Authorized Officer)
Axis Bank Ltd.



Kangana Ranaut completes filming of 'Tiku Weds Sheru'

Actor Kangana Ranaut announced the wrap up of her upcoming maiden project 'Tiku Weds Sheru' on Wednesday.

Taking to her Instagram handle, Kangana expressed her gratitude to the whole team of 'Tiku Weds Sheru', which stars Nawazuddin Siddiqui and Avneet Kaur in lead roles.

"Today by the grace of God we have completed filming of our first project of Manikarnika Films Pvt Ltd ... it's been a gratifying experience and we have so many people to thank for this ...

Heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has been a part of this journey personally, emotionally or in spirit... Thank you ... eagerly awaiting to present this gem to the world now ... see you in cinemas soon," Kangana wrote alongside a series of pictures featuring the lead stars, and BTS pictures from the film set. 'Tiku Weds Sheru' marks the first project produced by Kangana's production house, Manikarnika Films.

On Tuesday night, Nawazuddin hosted the whole team of 'Tiku Weds Sheru' at his

new bungalow in Mumbai.

Kangana shared a glimpse from the get together on her Instagram stories.

'Tiku weds Sheru' is being touted as a dark comedy. Nawazuddin will be seen playing the role of Sheru and Avneet will play Tiku in the film.

The film will first release in theatres before streaming on Amazon Prime Video.



MS Dhoni's first look from 'Atharva: The Origin' unveiled

Former India skipper Mahendra Singh Dhoni on Wednesday unveiled the first look of him as Atharva from his upcoming graphic novel titled 'Atharva: The Origin'. Dhoni shared the first look teaser of his upcoming mythological sci-fi web series on his Facebook handle.

"Happy to announce my new Avatar.....Atharva....," he captioned the post. The preview features Dhoni in an animated

avatar on a battlefield. The former cricketer's character could be seen fighting against an army of demons. Touted to be a "new age graphic novel", 'Atharva: The Origin' is an adaptation of debutant author Ramesh Thamilmani's unpublished book of the same name. The upcoming series is backed by Dhoni Entertainment, the media company that was founded by Dhoni and his wife Sakshi Singh Dhoni in 2019.

Salman Khan, Katrina Kaif to resume filming 'Tiger 3' as Omicron wave subsides

Bollywood superstar Salman Khan will be resuming the shoot of his upcoming film 'Tiger 3' soon. The 'Sultan' actor will resume filming for the upcoming movie in Mumbai this Saturday.

The news was revealed by a source, who also divulged that Salman and his film's co-lead Katrina Kaif will wrap the last big outdoor schedule of the movie in New Delhi from February 14 onwards.

The lead stars "will most probably be travelling to Delhi on the morning of February 12 or 13," the source further informed. The source added, "There they will be filming for around 10-12 days."

This outdoor schedule has been possible as the Omicron wave seems to be subsiding across the country. However, strict protocols will still be followed by the makers.

Earlier, the Delhi schedule was expected to commence on January 12 but it was later postponed, given the surge of COVID cases across India, including the national capital.

The upcoming action thriller has been majorly shot across several countries including Turkey, Russia and Austria. Helmed by Maneesh Sharma, the movie also stars Emraan Hashmi.

'Tiger 3' will have Salman reprise his role of R&AW (Research & Analysis Wing) agent Avinash Singh Rathore aka Tiger, while Katrina will be seen playing the female lead, Zoya.

The first film of the popular franchise called 'Ek Tha Tiger' came out in 2012 and was directed by Kabir Khan. The film received an overwhelming response and was a massive success at the box office.

The second movie, 'Tiger Zinda Hai', had released in 2017 and was directed by Ali Abbas Zafar. Salman and Katrina have featured in both instalments of the franchise.



Devoleena Bhattacharjee, Vishal Singh 'not engaged'

After exchanging rings, actors Devoleena Bhattacharjee and Vishal Singh took to social media to reveal that it was not an actual engagement but an announcement for their upcoming music video.

The 'Saath Nibhaana Saathiya' co-stars trended on Twitter after they shared a post announcing their engagement on social media. Vishal shared a slew of pictures featuring him hugging Devoleena while the latter flaunted her giant ring and bouquet of flowers with the

couple's fans. A few hours later, the duo went live on their Instagram handle and shared an update on the same. They revealed that they are 'engaged' to be part of an upcoming music video which is titled 'It's official'. "The video is called 'It's official' and it's a very romantic track," they shared. Meanwhile, Vishal also extended thanks to the couple's fans for the response they received from the post.



Alia Bhatt's 'Gangubai Kathiawadi' to have grand trailer launch on February 4

Keeping fans on their toes after the announcement of the film, the makers of 'Gangubai Kathiawadi' have now levelled up the excitement after revealing that the Alia Bhatt starrer will have a grand trailer launch on February 4.

Earlier in the day, Bhatt shared the new poster of her upcoming Sanjay Leela Bhansali directorial magnum opus.

Bhatt exuded major boss lady vibes in the new poster and revealed that the movie's much-awaited trailer will be released on February 4, 2022, Friday.

Now, giving the latest update to their fans, the makers have now announced that for the first time ever the major multiplexes— PVR, INOX, Cinépolis, Carnival and Miraj will simultaneously host the trailer launch of the film on 4 Feb. These multiplex chains will launch 'Gangubai Kathiawadi' trailer across their screens PAN-India.

Directed by Sanjay Leela Bhansali, the upcoming film also stars Ajay Devgn in a pivotal role.

The period drama has been adapted from one of the chapters of noted author Hussain Zaidi's

book, 'Mafia Queens of Mumbai' and features Alia in the lead role of Gangubai, one of the most powerful, loved and respected madams from Kamathipura during the 1960s.

'Gangubai Kathiawadi' also stars Vijay Raaz, Indira Tiwari, and Seema Pahwa. The film is produced by Bhansali and Jayantilal Gada (Pen Studios).

'Gangubai Kathiawadi' which will have its much-awaited world premiere at the 72nd Berlin International Film Festival, will be released in theatres on February 25, 2022.