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Backward Classes to get reservation in Haryana PRIs



BUREAU CHANDIGARH AUGUST 31-

Ensuring the political reservation rights of Backward Classes (A) in the Panchayati Raj Institutions, Haryana Cabinet which met under the Chairmanship of Chief Minister, Sh. Manohar Lal today accepted the Haryana Backward Classes Commission's report regarding the same.

The Commission headed by former Judge, Punjab and Haryana High Court, Justices (Retd) Sh. Darshan Singh had conducted the dedicated empirical enquiry for assessment of the political backwardness of the Backward Classes of Citizens. In the assessment the Commission found that the Backward Classes of Citizens, Block- A (BC-A) are not adequately represented in the political setup, so they require po-

litical reservation in the Panchayati Raj Institutions.

Seats of Panch in every Gram Panchayat shall be reserved for the Backward Classes (A) in same proportion of the total seats as one-half of the percentage of population of Backward Classes (A) to the total population in that Gram Sabha Area. In case the decimal value is 0.5 or more, it shall be rounded off to the next higher integer.

Provided that every Gram Panchayat shall have at least one Panch belonging to the Backward Classes (A) if its population is two percent or more of the total population of the Sabha area.

Eight percent of the total number of offices of Sarpanch in a block and rounded off to the next higher integer in case the decimal value is 0.5 or more shall be reserved for Backward

Classes (A).

Seats of member shall be reserved for the Backward Classes (A) in every Panchayat Samiti in same proportion of total seats as one-half of the percentage of population of Backward Classes (A) to the total population in that block. In case the decimal value is 0.5 or more, it shall be rounded off to the next higher integer.

Seats of member shall be reserved for the Backward Classes (A) in every Zila Parishad in same proportion of total seats as one-half of the percentage of population of Backward Classes (A) to the total population in that Zila Parishad area.

The Commission has stated that as per the direction of Apex Court, the reservation shall not exceed aggregate of 50 percent of the total seats reserved in

favour of Scheduled Castes and BC (A) taken together in a particular Panchayati Raj Institution.

It is further made clear that where the number of seats so reserved for Backward Classes (A) under the foregoing classes added to the numbers of the seats reserved for Scheduled Castes exceeds 50 percent of the total numbers of seats in the given Panchayati Raj Institutions, then the numbers of seats reserved for Backward Classes (A) shall be restricted to such largest number that will lead to the total seats reserved for Backward Classes (A) and Scheduled Castes taken together not exceeding 50 percent of the total seats of the Panch in the Gram Panchayat, Member of Panchayat Samiti and Member of Zila Parishad respectively.

India's first vaccine against cervical cancer to be launched today



AGENCY NEW DELHI, AUG 31

The Serum Institute of India (SII) and the Department of Biotechnology (DBT) are set to launch India's first indigenously developed Quadrivalent Human Papillomavirus vaccine (qHPV) against Cervical Cancer on September 1, official sources told.

The most awaited vaccine will be launched by the Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Science & Technology Jitendra Singh on Thursday.

According to Dr N K Arora, Chairperson of the COVID working group, National Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (NTAGI) said it is an exciting experience to launch a made-in-India vaccine.

"It is very exciting and I must say it makes us very happy that our daughters and granddaughters will now be able to get this much-awaited vaccine."

"In fact, this is one of the last major vaccines to be introduced. In fact, this is one of the last vaccines that will be launched in the programme. Now, Indian vaccines will be available and we hope that it will be launched in the National Immunisation programme for 9-14-year-old girls," he added.

"It is very effective and prevents cervical cancer because, 85 per cent to 90 per cent cases, cervical cancer is because of this particular virus and this vaccine is against those viruses. So, if we give it to our young children and daughters, they are protected from the infection and consequently probably 30 years later, cancer does not occur," Dr Arora further explained.

"There was a shortage in the global market. Now Indian vaccine has come. So, we will be able to take care of our requirements within our made-in-India vaccine," he said.

Pb CM orders probe into desecration incident in Church at Tarn Taran

SHASHI PAL JAIN CHANDIGARH, AUG 31-

Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on Wednesday ordered a probe into the desecration and fire incident in a church at village Thakarpura in Tarn Taran district.

"This is a highly condemnable incident and severest of severe action must be taken against the perpetrators of this heinous crime" said the Chief Minister.

The Chief Minister said that he has directed the Director General of Police (DGP) to minutely probe into this unpardonable incident. He said that this incident is a handiwork of the forces inimical to the peace, prosperity and progress of the state. Bhagwant Mann said that this unfortunate tragedy is aimed at vitiating the peaceful atmosphere of the state and derailing communal harmony and brotherhood in Punjab. However, the Chief



Minister said that the state government will not allow any such nefarious attempt to succeed. He further said that the state government will foil all such conspiracies and take strict punitive action against culprits so that it acts as a deterrent for others in future. Bhagwant Mann asserted that the state government is committed to preserving the hard earned peace of the state and no one will be allowed to disturb it at any cost. Condemning the incident, the Chief Minister unequivocally said that the government will leave no stone unturned to put the perpetrators of this heinous crime.

Cong announces 10 guarantees ahead of HP polls

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, AUG 31

To register victory in the Himachal Pradesh Assembly polls, the Congress on Wednesday announced 10 guarantees for the people of the state.

These announcements were made at the state party headquarters Rajiv Bhawan Shimla in the presence of Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, party state in-charge Rajiv Shukla. During this, Bhupesh Baghel said the old pension of the employees will be implemented as soon as the Congress government is formed in the state.

Along with the arrangement of



employment for five lakh unemployed youth, farmers and gardeners will be given the right to decide the price of fruits. Apart from this, 300

units of electricity will be given free of cost to domestic consumers per month.

The Congress party leaders said

Mikhail Gorbachev: Last Soviet leader passes away at 91

AGENCY MOSCOW, AUG 31

One of the most influential politicians of the 20th Century and former Soviet Union leader Mikhail Gorbachev has passed away. He was 91. The former president who opened up the USSR and brought the Cold War to a peaceful end, died at a hospital here in the Russian capital, media reports said Wednesday. As per

ABC news, he died "after a serious and long illness", the Central Clinical Hospital reported on Tuesday. Gorbachev assumed office in 1985 and opened up the then-USSR to the world introducing a set of reforms at home. He was, however, unable to prevent the slow collapse of the Soviet Union, from which modern Russia emerged. Tributes have been pouring in for Gorbachev from around the world.

200 cr money laundering case: Delhi court summons Jacqueline

AGENCY NEW DELHI, AUG 31

A Delhi Court on Wednesday issued a summons to Bollywood actor Jacqueline Fernandez to appear before it physically on September 26 in Enforcement Directorate (ED) case related to Rs 200 crore money laundering scam involving conman Sukesh Chandrashekar and others.

On August 17, a supplementary chargesheet was filed by the Enforcement Directorate in the Rs 200 crore extortion case against conman Sukesh Chandrashekar in a Delhi Court mentioning the name of Jacqueline Fernandez as an accused.

The Additional Sessions Judge Praveen Singh on

Wednesday, after taking cognizance of the supplementary chargesheet, directed the newly made accused Jacqueline Fernandez to appear before it on September 26. The Court also directed ED to supply a



copy of the chargesheet to all the accused in the present case. Meanwhile, a lawyer who appeared for Delhi Police EOW which is also probing the same case informed the court that Jacqueline Fernandez was recently asked to appear for it on August 29. Still, she did not appear so we have issued a fresh summons to her to join the investigation. To this, the lawyer appearing for Jacqueline assured the court that she would join the investigation and co-operate with the probe agency.

BCCI is a 'shop,' provisions of ESI Act applicable: SC

AGENCY NEW DELHI, AUG 31

The activities of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) are commercial in nature and can be termed as a "shop" for the purposes of attracting the provisions of the Employees State Insurance Act, the Supreme Court has said.

The top court said ESI Act is welfare legislation enacted by the Centre and a narrow meaning should not be attached to the words used in the Act as it seeks to insure the employees of



covered establishments against various risks to their life, health, and well-being and places the charge upon the employer.

A bench of Justices M R Shah and P S Narasimha said no error has been

committed by the ESI Court and/or the High Court in treating and considering the BCCI as a shop for applicability of the ESI Act. "Considering the systematic activities being carried out by the BCCI namely, selling of tickets of cricket matches; providing entertainment; rendering the services for a price; receiving the income from international tours and the income from the Indian Premier League, the ESI Court, as well as the High Court, have rightly concluded that the BCCI is carrying out systematic economic commercial activities and, therefore, the BCCI can

be said to be 'shop' for the purposes of attracting the provisions of ESI Act," the bench said. The top court was dealing with the question of whether the BCCI can be said to be a shop as per the notification dated September 18, 1978, and if the provisions of the ESI Act shall be applicable to the BCCI or not. The Bombay High Court had said that BCCI is covered within the meaning of shop as per notification dated September 18, 1978, issued by the Government of Maharashtra under the provisions of Section 1(5) of the Employees State Insurance Act, 1948.

Seema Patra sent to jail till Sept 12 for physical abuse of domestic help

RANCHI: Suspended BJP leader and spouse of a retired IAS officer Seema Patra was on Wednesday sent to Birsia Munda Central till September 12 in judicial custody. The woman was arrested in the morning following an FIR against her for perpetuating atrocities against a poor tribal girl and was produced before a city court for further legal action after a proper medical examination at the Sadar Hospital. She claimed that she had been framed in the case while she was being taken to court lock up after the judicial order. Her face was covered with a black scarf when she was being escorted by a section of women constables on the way to the lock-up from the court.

Two held by Gujarat ATS in Punjab heroin haul case

AHMEDABAD: The Gujarat Anti-Terrorist Squad (ATS) has detained two men from Kutch district for their alleged involvement in receiving and transporting 38 kg of heroin, seized by the Punjab police a few days back, an official said on Wednesday. Umar Khamisa Jat and Hamda Harun Jat were nabbed from Lakkhi village in Lakhpatt taluka of the Kutch district on Tuesday and brought to the ATS headquarters here.

GDP grows at 13.5 pc in April-June quarter

NEW DELHI: India's economy grew by 13.5 per cent in the first quarter of the current fiscal, mainly due to the base effect, official data showed on Wednesday. The gross domestic product (GDP) had expanded by 20.1 per cent in the corresponding April-June period of 2021-22, according to data released by the National Statistical Office (NSO). Many analysts had projected the Indian economy will expand at a double-digit growth rate due to the base effect.

Sonia Gandhi's mother passes away in Italy

NEW DELHI: Congress' interim president Sonia Gandhi's mother Paola Maino passed away at her home in Italy, the party General Secretary in charge of Communications Jairam Ramesh informed on Wednesday. "Smt Sonia Gandhi's mother, Mrs. Paola Maino passed away at her home in Italy on Saturday the 27th August, 2022. The funeral took place yesterday," Jairam Ramesh tweeted. Sonia Gandhi and his son Rahul Gandhi including Priyanka Gandhi are in Italy.

Workers are backbone of BJP: Sumer Chand

MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI: Bharatiya Janata Party's District Vice President Sumer Chand Muradgarh, while addressing a press conference during a program in Ward No. 3 of the Zilla Parishad, said that the workers in the BJP are the power of the organisation. The views of workers are given importance only in the BJP. Based on these ideas and suggestions, the top leadership takes decisions in the interest of the party. Sumer Chand Muradgarh has been the Chairman of Panchayat Samiti Indri, Member of Planning Board and former President of BJP and member of Ward No. 3 of Zilla Parishad in the past. On reaching the programme, people gave him a warm welcome. Pradeep, Rajveer, Shamsheer said that Sumer Chand Muradgarh has been associated with politics for a long time and in view of his work in public interest, appealed to him to contest from Ward No. 3. He said that while being chairman and member of Zilla Parishad, he appealed to him. He has got development work done for every section. He has a good status in every section of the society. Sumer Chand said that BJP is the largest party in the world. This has been possible due to the efficient leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chief Minister Manohar Lal. The party has done unprecedented work in terms of development. The strong network of National Highways is being appreciated everywhere. New dimensions have been established in rural areas. Now in the Panchayat elections, the policies of the party have to be conveyed to the people. For this, on the basis of the opinion of the district executive, the state level organization will prepare a strategy. He enumerated the achievements of the government and appealed to the workers to take it to the people.

Those who call late Beant Singh slaughterer are terrorists: Shandilya



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
CHANDIGARH: Anti Terrorist Front India National President Viresh Shandilya today remembered late Punjab Chief Minister Beant Singh on his 27th martyrdom day and said that the Punjab whose roads were red with blood had been got rid of the terror of terrorists. Rangla Punjab was built by Beant Singh and gave his martyrdom by giving peace to Punjab, which no one can forget. Shandilya said that Beant Singh eliminated terrorism in Punjab but made Punjab green again but he was killed by the terrorists of Babbar Khalsa International in collaboration with Pakistan's ISI and Pakistani terrorist organisations and in Punjab then the anti-national forces conspired to create an atmosphere of fear. National President of Anti Terrorist Front India Viresh Shandilya said that terrorism will not be allowed to return in Punjab at any cost and will not allow Khalistani campaign and literature of Bhindranwala to be sold in Punjab. He has demanded from the Home Minister Amit Shah and Punjab CM Bhagwant Mann that the terrorists who describe the martyr Chief Minister Sardar Beant Singh as slaughterer should be put in jail after registering a case of sedition. Bhindranwala was a terrorist and he fought with the Indian Army and killed Army soldiers. In such a situation, who made Bhindranwala a saint and a martyr. He spoiled the atmosphere of the country. Today Anti Terrorist Front India passed a resolution regarding these demands of Shaheed Beant Singh and sent Bhagwant Mann and Amit Shah. On this occasion a large number of front members including Kulwant Singh Manakpur, Jasmeet Jassi, Lakhwinder Singh, Surender Pal KK, Suresh Sharma, Sanjeev Victor, Ashwani Goyal, Ankur Agarwal, Sachin Sharma, Deepak Natraj, were present.

HARYANA

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Discussions held to strengthen bilateral ties between Haryana and Indonesia

BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 31

Indonesia's Ambassador to India, Ms. Ina Hagniningtyas Krisnamurthi met Haryana Chief Minister, Sh. Manohar Lal, who paid a courtesy call at the Chief Minister's residence today in Chandigarh. Sh. Manohar Lal said that India and Indonesia have shared two millennia of close cultural and commercial contacts.

During the meeting, the Chief Minister and Indonesia's Ambassador had an extensive discussion on various topics for strengthening the bilateral ties between Haryana and Indonesia. Ms. Krisnamurthi said we invite Haryana to invest in sectors like Pharma, FMCG (Fast Moving Consumer Goods), Medical and other commodity sectors in Indonesia so that we can accelerate the growth of these sectors for mutual growth.

Sh. Manohar Lal added that out of



various models of businesses like B2B, G2G, B2G etc. we here in Haryana believe in H2H model of working i.e. Heart to Heart. He assured Ms. Krisnamurthi that possibilities of exploring other sectors of investment will also be discussed in other series of meetings at administration level from both ends. He invited Indonesia to be part of Gita Mahotsav festival and Suraj Craft Mela which is organised in Kurukshetra and Sura-

jkund every year respectively. He said that Indonesia shares a long cultural bond with India and we look forward to nurturing the relationship by becoming partners in various sectors ensuring mutual benefits.

Ms. Krisnamurthi highly appreciated the Chief Minister's contribution in making Haryana as a sports hub. She said it is the consistent efforts of Sh. Manohar Lal that Haryana has the best sports infrastructure to offer to its players and also has succeeded in creating a harmonious environment for the budding players to enhance their skills and credentials. She said in future we will look forward to a sports exchange programme, as our players are extremely competent in games like Badminton and Table Tennis. The Chief Minister and Ambassador also discussed the opportunity to have a sister-sister relationship between Haryana and the province of Indonesia.

Drug awareness programme held under Jadhav



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
AMBALA: Haryana State Narcotics Control Bureau and Prayas India under the joint aegis of Sanatan Dharma Mahavidyalaya, Ambala organised a one-day drug de-addiction awareness workshop at Government Senior Secondary School, Dukheri and took out a walking awareness tour. This was the 37th one day drug de-addiction awareness program in Ambala district. This awareness programme was held under the guidance of Haryana State Narcotics Control Bureau chief, founder of Prayas India and Additional Director General of Police, Ambala Division, Shrikant Jadhav. Dr. Ashok Kumar Verma, Deputy Inspector-in-Charge of Awareness Programme and Rehabilitation of Haryana State Narcotics Control Bureau came as keynote speaker while Professor Monika Sharma, Professor Anita, Dr. Satbir Singh and Dr. Mohit from Sanatan Dharma Mahavidyalaya Ambala implemented the programme. Jagadeshwari, Principal of the school felicitated the guests. Addressing the students Dr. Ashok Kumar Verma said that the Narcotics Control Bureau has geared up to make Haryana state drug-free. The campaign to bring the criminals to their proper place is going on at a very fast pace, but if everyone co-operates in this campaign, then this war can be stopped very soon.

National Sports Day celebrated at Govt School



RAMAN GUPTA
KAITHAL, AUG 31

At the beginning of the sports day, the teacher of Physical Education Sports Lab, Ravi said that the students of the whole school participated enthusiastically in these games. The games were inaugurated by the Principal Suresh Kumar Singla by flagging off. On the occasion of Sports Day, children participated in Lemon Race, Matka Race and Water Bottle Competition. Matka race for all female teachers and lemon race for male teachers was conducted.

All the students and teachers of the school enjoyed these games. At the closing ceremony, the students who came first, second and third were awarded with medals. Teachers Shishan, Rajendra Kumar, Sameer Saini, Subhash, Pawan Kumar, Bharat, Sunita, Pooja, Manju, Urmila, Neelam, Rajni, Sunil Dutt, Ramesh, Anirudh, Premrata, Rajvindrakur, Poonam etc. also participated on the occasion of Sports Day.

Players should play with the spirit of sports: Rana

RINKU GONDAR
NISSING, AUGUST 31

On the occasion of annual fair on Guru Gorakhnath Jharveer Goga Medi in village Gondar, till late night, on the last day of Chel State Level Circle Kabaddi Mahakumbh, Sanch Kaithal defeated Ahar Panipat's team and won the first prize of Rs.41 thousand. In the semi-finals of the competition, the team of Sanch defeated Hathalana and the team of Ahar Panipat defeated the team of Aungad Karnal and entered the finals which was presided over by committee head Nakhi Ram in which social worker Ishwar Rana, Rakam Singh Rana, Bajinder Rana, Mohan Sharma arrived as chief guests.

The role of judges in the competition was played by coaches Sulendra Hathlana, Ranjit Manzora and Shivkumar Gondar. Team Sanch



Kaithal, which stood first, was felicitated by the committee head and chief guests by giving a cash prize of Rs 41 thousand. On the other hand, the team of Ahar Panipat, which finished second, was given a cash prize of Rs 31 thousand. Along with this, best raider and catcher were also awarded. Social worker Ishwar Rana honoured all the players. Rana said that it is necessary for the players to play the games with the spirit of the

DC inspects e-Girdawari work

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, AUGUST 31

Karnal, Deputy Commissioner Anish Yadav visited Kuchpura, Pakka Kheda, Bambarehri, Block Nising and Assandh's villages and inspected the work of e-Girdawari investigation. During this, the Deputy Commissioner matched the crop standing on the spot in Sijra, Tab and the field, which was found to be correct. As per the instructions of the government, the work of e-Girdawari check is being done by the administration for the convenience of the farmers so that they do not face any kind of problem in the mandis while selling their crops.

The DC first visited village Kuchpura of Nising Khand for e-Girdawari investigation, where the standing crop in fort number 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 15 of measles number 27 was matched by Sijra and Mary. The crop-mera details were uploaded



on the portal through the upload tab which was found correct. After this, the DC visited village Bambarehri of Assandh block and checked fort number 7 and 14 of Khasra number 37, in which the paddy crop standing on the spot was matched through the upload tab on the Sijra and Meri Fasal-Mera Byora portal, which was found to be correct. The Deputy Commissioner then reached Pakka Kheda village, where he matched the standing crop of Khasra No. 50 in Fort No. 15/1, 11, 14,

16 and 20 through Sijra and uploaded the details on the portal through a tab which was found correct.

During the e-girdawari investigation, the Deputy Commissioner was accompanied by SDM Mandeep Kumar, District Revenue Officer Shyam Lal, Assand Tehsildar Lalita, Naib Tehsildar Praveen Kumar, Naib Tehsildar Sagarmal of Nising, Kanungo Rajkumar, Surendra, Ramesh Kumar, Raghubir, Patwari Vijay Veer Sunil Mann and Dinesh Kumar were present.

Villagers protest drain water



PREETI SAINI

SADHAURA: Villagers shouted slogans against the administration and the government by blocking the road when the stopped rain and dirty water drains were opened by the Panchayat Department in the direction of Salempur village. On receiving the same information, Duty Magistrate Tehsildar Bharat Bhushan, after explaining to the villagers, pacified the villagers and opened the jam on the assurance of making a drain by Block Development and Panchayat Officer Pankaj Chauhan. The villagers protested that rain and dirty water was stopped near Salempur on Kotla road because this water was spreading dirt in front of the crops and houses of the villagers. The villagers had also requested the department and the administration many times to get the drain constructed, but no one paid any attention to this problem. When the water of this stalled drain was opened with the help of the administration, the villagers got furious and raised slogans against the government and the administration. Villagers said that the administration has taken the initiative to drain the water and increase the problems of the villagers, but no action has been taken so far to solve the problem.

If daughters are educated, society will be educated: Kashyap

MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI, AUGUST 31

If the daughters are educated, then the society will be educated. Therefore, parents should pay full attention to the education of daughters along with sons. Social worker Shyamlal Kashyap said this in a seminar on the role of women in nation building under the Jan Jagran program in Ward No. 2 of the Zilla Parishad. Addressing the seminar, he said that unless the daughters are educated, progress of the society is not possible. A 40-minute film was shown during this. In the film, people were made aware about Beti Padhao, Beti Bachao Yojana, Swachh Bharat Abhiyan and Ganga Swachh Abhiyan.

He said that the govern-



ment is running many schemes to educate girls. People should take advantage of these schemes. He said that today the daughters of the country are making more names than sons in every field. That's why we should pay more attention to the ed-

ucation of girls. In this, a large number of people were present on the occasion like Rajpal Numberdar, Fakirchand, Ramprasad, Shishram, Randhir, Jeev Sanjeev, Devendra, Jaipal, Goldie, Gurnail, Mahindra, Roshan etc.

Dr Sunil Raheja honoured with Unnat Bharat Award

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
NEW DELHI, AUG 31

The Unnat Bharat Sevashree Award ceremony was held at the Constitution Club of Delhi. The programme was conducted by the National President of the organisation, Sushma Nath, and Chief Guest Padmashree Vijay Chopra, Dr. SM Raheja, Dr. SM Raheja, Dr. Samarendu Mohanty, Dr. Arjun Saini and many eminent personalities were honoured in Delhi by the Chief Guest. The National President of the organisation remembered the work done by the former National President and her husband Late Shri Bharat Prem Nath in this first award ceremony after them. While addressing the programme he thanked Late Bharat Prem ji that he devoted his whole life in service to spread public consciousness in the society. The youth president of the institution, Akhil



Nath also gave details of the future programs of the institution and conducted the stage. The convener of the program Dr RK Midha and Suresh Jain honored Hindu, Sikh and Jain religious teachers by Sarvadharm Samman.

This year also the eminent personalities were honoured with awards in different categories. Four names were included in the civil service this year, including Vivek Mahajan of Himachal Pradesh Administrative Service, former

Inspector General of Police Suresh Kumar Sharma, Inspector Sanjay Kundu, and Bir Singh Negi. Three names were selected this year for Medical Ratna. Medical Ratna given to Dr. Ritu Chauhan, Dr. Ashish Aneja, Dr. Anil Arora. This year Dr. RP Saini, Dr. Sanjeev Kumari, R. Alvin Devdas, Rishabh Gupta, Dr. Hari Singh Rawat, and founder of Green Icon School Praveen Kumar Sharma were selected in the education world this year. Former judge

OP Gupta, former judge Sajjan Jindal along with advocate Sandeep Kumar, advocate Deepak Saini were selected in the law category for Jan Kalyan Vahini. Awards were given to Charanjit Singh, Madan Lal Pardesi, Ashok Bhagat, Harish Hans, Vineet Agarwal, Dr. Paramjit Singh Ranu and Virender Singh in Samaj Ratna. Pramod Kaushik, Dinesh Kumar along with Atul Singhal and Krishna Dhamija were honoured in the journalism world. This year's special award was given to Nitin Lalit for his wonderful innovation, through which pots were invented to grow green vegetables at home and also save water. Padmashree Vijay Kumar Chopra said that he was associated with this award started by the late Bharat Prem ji many years ago. Bharat Prem worked for the society like planting trees, improving education.

Awareness programme on employment in DAV School



NIRMAL

RADAUR: An awareness programme was organised in DAV Public School regarding the selection of future employment. Employment officer Rajesh Kumar attended the programme as the keynote speaker. While Principal Raman Sharma presided and welcomed the keynote speaker on his arrival at the school. Speaking about the various employment opportunities, the keynote speaker Rajesh Kumar said that there are many employment opportunities in the field of arts and sciences. In today's era of competition, students need to work hard for this. If students perform well in education, then many doors of employment can open for them. On this occasion, Principal Raman Sharma said that due to less knowledge of these subjects in rural areas and small towns, we are not able to move ahead in the field of employment. For this it is necessary to hold such programmes from time to time due to which the students come to know about employment opportunities and their knowledge also increases. All the staff members of the school were present on this occasion.

Ganesh Chaturthi celebrated in SVM Public School



NIRMAL

RADAUR: Ganesh Chaturthi was celebrated at SVM Public School, Alahar. Students reached the school in the costume of Bal Ganesh. Other children were also seen in colorful clothes. After the worship of Siddhi Vinayak in the school, children presented programmes like dance, drama, poetry recitation and speech etc. School Principal Swarn Sharma, while explaining the importance of Ganesh Chaturthi to the children, said that Shri Ganesh ji, the renewable storehouse of wisdom and knowledge, is worshipped before starting any work, so that all the tasks are completed smoothly. Prasad was distributed to all at the end of the function. All the staff members of the school were present on the occasion.

NEWS AT A
GLANCEGrewal, Dhaliwal
appointed rural, urban
congress block presidents

SUKH NAHAR

JAGRAON: Punjab state congress committee president Amrinder Singh Raja Warring issued list of block and district level appointments made within the party. In the issued list, Navdeep Singh Grewal has been appointed as the president of Jagraon (rural) while Harpreet

Dhaliwal has been appointed as Jagraon (urban) president. The workers of Jagraon congress congratulated both the leaders on the achievement and wished them all the luck for their duties besides assuring complete support to them. In their

respective address, both Dhaliwal and Grewal thanked the party high command for trusting them and proving them with a "chance" to serve the people of Jagraon. They also thanked the party workers for their constant support and assured that they shall be loyal and dedicated to their duties. Congress Ludhiana rural president Karanjit Singh Soni Galib and constituency incharge Jagtar Singh Jagga Hisowal congratulated them and said that the congress workers shall continue working unitedly for the betterment of the people.

Sports festival
organized in Delhi
Public School

BHUPINDER KAPOOR

RAJPURA: Playing sports, whether team-based or individual, is essential for children as they provide not just physical activity, but also help build children's self-esteem, confidence, and social skills and motivate them to excel in life. In recognition of the importance of sports in one's life, a week-long sports festival 'Khele Utsav' was held with great zeal and excitement at DPS Rajpura. Students of all grades competed in various events including shuttle run, badminton, tug of war, three-pointers and skipping the rope. From helping children maintain good health to helping them to increase self-esteem and mental alertness, sports and games do it all. Dipsites were enthusiastic and participated wholeheartedly in the event.

Tractor driver booked
for rash driving

ASHOK KAURA

PHAGWARA: The Shahkot police have booked a tractor driver on the charges of rash driving and causing hurt by act endangering life. The investigating officer Aatamjit Singh said that the accused has been identified as Harbans Singh a resident of Akbar Pur village. Harjinder Singh a resident of Dhaliwal village complained to the police that the accused was driving his Tractor very rashly and negligently on August 15 late evening and hit his motorcycle on which he was traveling and broke his leg. IO said that a case under sections 279, 337 IPC has been registered against the accused.

No space for illegal colonies in
state, assures Aman AroraCHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA,
AUG 31

Punjab Housing and Urban Development Minister Aman Arora on Wednesday said that illegal colonies would soon become thing of past in Punjab and assured that the colonisers developing approved colonies would be facilitated as well as promoted by the Punjab government.

He also directed Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA) to unleash development works under its jurisdiction on war footing. He also directed them to ensure that residents of all approved colonies get the best of facilities as the Bhagwant Mann led Punjab government is committed for wholesome development of the State.

Aman Arora said this while reviewing development works of GLADA at GLADA Office and later while interacting with colonisers and Resident Welfare Associations at Bachat Bhawan, here. While charing a meeting with officials at GLADA building to review the development works, regularization of illegal colonies and financial position of



urban body, the Cabinet Minister said that the Bhagwant Mann led Punjab Government was making sincere efforts to ensure balanced growth of urban areas by ensuring effective mechanism.

He also directed the GLADA officials to carry out a detailed survey of all areas under their jurisdiction and carry out comprehensive development works, with focus on enhancing green cover. He also directed them to chalk out a strategy under which maximum funds are spent on infrastructure in approved residential colonies and industrial estates. He also directed them to find suitable places where new urban and industrial estates can be developed. Further, the Minister emphasised that officers

must not keep the funds stocked in the bank accounts for the sake of earning interest and asked them to use the money for development works in a planned manner for the benefit the residents of approved colonies. He also assessed the progress of various projects being implemented by GLADA including Government Senior Secondary School, Community Club, 100- Ft road, special park, construction of minor bridge, Re-carpeting of Chandigarh road and other road and sewerage works. Arora further stated that GLADA had 181 licensed colonies in its jurisdiction and asked the officers to ensure unprecedented development of these areas by bringing more development projects.

Spl meeting by International
Krishan Chetna Samaj Pathankot

PATHANKOT (R. SINGH): A meeting was organized under the chairmanship of Sanjeev Mahajan on behalf of International Krishan Chetna Samaj Pathankot. He told that on September 7 in the meeting, the foundation stone for Hare Krishna Prachar Kender and other work was discussed with all the members.

Offering humble prayers to all the charitable gentlemen, he said that Hare Krishna Prachar Kender should contribute for Pathankot and become a partner of virtue. On this occasion Dr. Munish, Suresh Sharma, VK Verma, Rajneesh Verma, Sandeep Sharma, Shubham, Amit Kundra, Subhash Sharma, Rajesh, Sanjay Gandhi, Yogesh, Amit, Monu, Vikram, Rohit, Ritesh, Abhishek, Munish Verma, Deepak Arora, Sanjeev Ghai, Shiv Khular and Parmod were present.

District BJP Secretary Naval Jain distributes
free gas connections to 100 familiesGAMBHIR
LUDHIANA, AUG 31

District BJP Secretary Naval Jain distributed free LPG connections to more than 100 families under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana in a function organized at Thaman Gas Agency located in local Guru Vihar.

Naval Jain, while giving information about the free gas

connections presented to the needy families, said that during the reign of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, gas connections were distributed free of cost to crores of people in different states.

He said that under this scheme, those families which were deprived of this benefit till now, they are being identified and linked to this scheme. At the same time, he

Satnam Jalalpur becomes AAP District President of Nawanshahr



NAWANSHAHR (CHET RAM RATTAN): Expanding the organizational structure, Aam Aadmi Party Punjab has made Satnam Jalalpur the District President of District Nawanshahr. On receiving this news, there was a wave of happiness among officials and volunteers of Nawanshahr district. District Media Incharge Chandra Mohan JD said that Satnam Jalalpur is the founder member of Aam Aadmi Party, before that he has also held the posts of Halka Incharge Balachaur, Joint Secretary Farmers Wing Punjab and now Spokesperson Punjab. In view of his loyalty, hard work and honesty, the party has given him the important responsibility of District President.

Dhaliwal intervenes to get one
month extension for farmers to get
verification through e-KYC

CHANDIGARH, AUG 31

Punjab Agriculture Minister Kuldeep Singh Dhaliwal today participated in a video-conference meeting held by Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar regarding Pradhan Mantri Kisan samman Nidhi Yojana. Sharing information about the meeting, Kuldeep Singh Dhaliwal said that 44 percent of farmers in the state have been verified through e-KYC to avail benefit of Pradhan Mantri Kisan Yojana.

There was a slight delay in verification of farmers through e-KYC, for which the Punjab Minister appealed to the Union Agriculture Minister to give one month's extension. On this the Union Agriculture Minister asked the states to complete this work by September 30.

It is worth mentioning that in the year 2019, the Pradhan Mantri Kisan samman Nidhi Yojana was implemented by the central government to give



a benefit of 2 thousand rupees every four months to the farmers. Nearly 17.50 lakh farmers of Punjab are registered under this scheme, who are getting the benefit of this scheme. But the central government has ordered all the states to re-review the registered farmers under this scheme so that only the eligible beneficiaries can get the benefit of the scheme. After e-KYC 44 percent of the farmers of Punjab have been verified under this scheme. Agriculture Minister Kuldeep Dhaliwal has

appealed to the farmers of the state to visit Common Service Centers for e-KYC registration or go to the online portal for registration to avail the benefits of Pradhan Mantri Kisan samman Nidhi Yojana. Besides this, he also issued directions to the officials of the Agriculture Department to ensure that this work is completed in time. He also directed the officials to link land records of farmers under this scheme so that the farmers can get the benefit of this scheme.

Drug racket holders to
be in prison: SSPGULSHAN KUMAR /KULDEED SOOD
BARNALA, AUG 31

Drug trade is not stopping in Barnala, everyday youths are found roaming around intoxicated, as a result, drug smugglers are rampant in Barnala district. All kinds of intoxicants are easily available to the youth in the district, in which intoxicants like medical intoxicants, bhukki chura poppy, ganja, smack and chitta etc. are easily available to the youth. Of course, SSP Sandeep Malik is serious about stopping drugs supply in the district as the drug smugglers are unbridled. Medical intoxicants are continuously being sold and coming in the district, for example, police of police station City 01 raided the house of a woman Baljeet Kaur Pammi and recovered 450 intoxicating capsules and 200 intoxicating pills from her house and in last days the police had caught 1100 intoxicants, from which it is clear that all kinds of intoxicants are being sold freely in the district. Similarly, the police of Thana Thullial has caught 456 bottles of illegal liquor. SSP District Barnala Sandeep Malik said that A special police cell is on duty to catch the drugs racket holders and will be in the prison soon.

108 Ambulance organizes First
Responder Program for students
of Govt Sr. Sec. School

BATALA (VERMA): Leading Healthcare Service provider and responsible for handling emergency Accidental cases in Punjab, 108 Ambulance services today organized a First responder program at Government Senior Secondary School, Dhupsari, Batala. This type of program was specially organized to make students aware about effective first aid and its importance whenever an emergency occurs. The program was organised in the presence of Cluster Manager Gagandeep Singh and FRP Trainer Jaswinder Singh. The Pandemic taught us countless life lessons along with reinforcing the well-known phrase Health is wealth. Keeping this saying in view Ziqitza scheduled the training where FRP Trainer Mr. Jaswinder Singh gave a clear understanding on how First Aid in emergency situations like CPR, Heart Attack, Bleeding, Fracture, Snake Bite, Fainting, Choking, and Hypoglycemia, etc. must be given to the patients. A practical demonstration was also shown to the school students for better understanding, wherein the team showed how emergency cases are well taken care of. Around 50 + students attend the Training Program.

Royal Cambridge School students
secure 3rd position in state level
Roll Ball ChampionshipGURDARSHAN SINGH PRINCE
BEAS, AUG 31

Ruhani Satija, Arayina Watts, Prabhnoor Kaur, Anshpreet Kaur and Apkirat Kaur, students of Royal Cambridge School, Beas, performed at the state level in the championship organized at La Blossom School, Jalandhar under leadership of Roll Ball Federation of India. The school has brought laurels to the school and its locality by securing

the third position in the competitions. In this achievement of the championship, the principal of the school, Dharwinder Kaur, honored children. This Mackay School Director Paramveer Anand, Chairman Gaurav Anand, Coach Navkiran Singh, Davinder Singh, Amandeep Kaur while praising the excellent performance of the students expressed hope that they will work harder in future.

Woman among three
booked for theft,
breach of trustASHOK KAURA
PHAGWARA, AUG 31

The Nakodar city police have booked three persons including a woman on the charges of theft and criminal breach of trust.

The investigating officer Mangat Gupta said that the accused have been identified as Seema Rani a resident of Nur Pur Chatha village, Ajay, a resident of Purewal colony Nakodar and Daman, a resident of Rishi Nagar. Nindar, a resident of Kamal Pura complained to the police that Seema used to open parcels received in his office and fill them with old materials and send them back and Ajay and Daman stole cash amounting to Rs 1,50,000 and a parcel worth Rs 11,500 in his absence.

IO said a case under sections 381, 408 IPC has been registered against the accused.

'Khedan Watan Punjab
Diyan-2022' will commenceVERMA
BATALA, AUG 31

Deputy Commissioner Gurdaspur, Mr. Mohammad Ishfaq informed that the 'Khedan Watan Punjab Diyan 2022' organized by the Punjab government will start tomorrow on September 1. The block level games will be started with the preparations for which have been completed.

The Deputy Commissioner further informed that block level sports competitions of football, athletics, kho-kho, kabaddi, volleyball, kabaddi national style and tug-of-war will be held in these sports and under-14, 17, 21, 21-40 in sports competitions. 41-50 and above 50 years age group players can participate.

The Deputy Commissioner further informed that block level competitions will be conducted from 01 September to 07 September 2022, while district level

sports competitions will be conducted from 12 September to 21 September.

On this occasion, Madam Shairi Bhandari Commissioner Municipal Corporation Batala said that there will be football, volleyball, kho-kho and tag of war competitions on September 5 to 7 at village Kotli Sahiyan (Batala Rural). Similarly, from 5th to 7th September 2022, ITI Batala and Government Polytechnic College will be held at Kahanuwan Road.

The first day will be football, volleyball on 5th September, football, volleyball and tag of war on 6th September and Kabaddi on 7th September 2022.

She said that sports competitions will be held at Polytechnic College Batala on September 5 and 6. Similarly, football, volley, kho-kho and tag off will be held at Guru Nanak College Stadium Kala Afghana from September 1 to 3.

Cultural House-Show Cum Investiture
ceremony at Kirpal Sagar AcademyCHETRAM RATTAN
NAWANSHAHR, AUG 31

The Investiture ceremony of KSA for the academic year 2022-23 was held with great pomp and dignity in a special ceremony at school. The event was presided over by Chairman, Vice Chairperson and all the Executive Management of Kirpal Sagar along with special guests from foreign countries.

Ceremony began with Shabad and the guests were formally welcomed by School choir with the welcome song. The ceremony was held with lots of zeal and zest. The elected leaders' profiles were displayed. They were conferred with badges and sashes by esteemed guests and the parents



of newly elected council. The students' council took the pledge to hold the school motto in high esteem.

Gurjeet Singh, Principal, proposed vote of thanks to the management, Parents and Staff members of Kirpal Sagar Academy for sparing their valuable time to boost the morale of the students. He urged the students to hone their talents and potentials to not only carve a niche for themselves but also aim to bring

glory to their state as well as their nation.

The event was a spectrum of mesmerizing performances by the students. To spread a peace around the world our youngsters gave an impressive performance by singing Light a Candle for peace song.

The kindergarten students depicted a remarkable show through a ramp walk to save the earth by their wonderful act where they touched the hearts of audience.

MRS-PTU signs MoU with NIT U'kand to
promote academic and research partnershipANIL VERMA
BATHINDA, AUG 31

Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University (MRS-PTU), Bathinda and National Institute of Technology Uttarakhand (NITUK), Srinagar Garhwal (Uttarakhand) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to explore strengths in research and education in one or more disciplines of Science, Engineering, Humanities and Social Sciences and their mutual interest in engaging themselves in academic cooperation. A memorandum of understanding (MoU) was signed by the MRS-PTU Vice Chancellor, Prof. Buta Singh Sidhu and Dean Academic

Affairs, Dr. Kawaljit Singh Sandhu and from NITUK, Director, Prof. (Dr.) Lalit Kumar Awathi, Dean Consultancy and Research Dr. Hariharan Muthusamy in the presence of dignitaries at the VC Conference room on Tuesday. Central University of Punjab (CUP), Vice Chancellor, Dr. R. P. Tiwari, MRS-PTU Registrar Dr. Gurinder Pal Singh Brar and senior Deans and Directors of the University were also present on this occasion. MoU aimed to promote Academic and Research collaboration in the areas of mutual interest, collaborative research projects, joint supervision of Ph.D students, joint workshops, conferences.

Sekhwan made people aware by planting
saplings to keep environment safeVERMA
GURDASPUR, AUG 31

As part of the campaign launched to keep the environment clean and safe, this campaign was promoted by the Gurdaspur district in-charge Advocate Jagroop Singh Sekhwan today by planting saplings in constituency Qadian, village Bhangwan.

On this occasion, Jagroop Singh Sekhwan said By planting trees, we will be healthy because the way trees have been cut and buildings have been constructed in the past, global warming has increased. If we are not aware now, then in the coming time the future of our children will be



in danger. He called upon all the people of the area that they must also plant at least 2 saplings in their life so that we can secure our future. While there, his effort was also praised.

On this occasion, former Sarpanch of the village, Ranjit Singh, Member Gurnam Singh, Bikkar Singh

Sarpanch Paramjit Singh, Sarpanch of village Basrawan Balwinder Singh, Amarjit Singh, Com. Gurmejit Singh Sonu Bajwa Panchayat Secretary Dilbagh Singh Chanchal Singh Bagaria, former Chairman PA Rupinder Singh PA Daljit Singh. etc. were present.

Sunita Jaryal retires
after serving for
twenty eight years



MANOJ THAKUR DAULATPUR CHOWK: After serving for twenty-eight years from Government Senior Secondary School, Daulatpur Chowk, Sunita Jaryal was given farewell after supeannuation. She served in this school as Commerce Manager and Deputy Principal for 28 years. On this occasion the students of the school presented a colorful presentation. Sunita Jaryal gave an incentive of Rs 3100 to the children for performing cultural programs to the school. On this occasion, the Principal of the school, Sanam, congratulated her on retirement. On this occasion the staff of school and children were present.

Country's 42nd Model Career Center will open in Dharamsala

SANJAY AGGARWAL DHARAMSHALA: Justice Meher Chand Mahajan Trust of Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) in association with MCM is running North India's first multi-skill center at Khaniyara in Dharamsala, hill state of Himachal Pradesh. In which a large number of students are now getting ready for their self-employment and employment by doing endwas course. Along with this, now the 42nd Model Career Center will also be opened by CII across the country at Dharamsala Khaniyara from September 1. Due to which the youth of neighboring states including across the district will also be able to register themselves and open the doors of employment. In this, registration will be done by conducting counseling-test for free. In the Global Investor Meet Dharamsala, CII had talked about opening a skill development center in Dharamsala in the presence of PM Narendra Modi, so that the youth can be prepared for employment. Due to this, MCM Trust, in association with CII Himachal, is improving the skills of the youth and preparing them for the industry. In the first phase, endowment courses in Information Technology IT, Electrician, Stitching and Tailoring and Beautification and Wellness have been started in the Skill Center.

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YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2022

State govt committed to welfare of all sections: Jai Ram Thakur



AGENCY SHIMLA, AUG 31

Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur said that the State Government has made a respectable increase in the honorarium of Panchayat Chowkidars during its tenure. He said that efforts have been made to provide all possible help to the workers who get less honourarium. He was addressing the Abhaar Karyakaram organized by Himachal Pradesh State Panchayat Chowkidar Association here today to thank the Chief Minister for making the Panchayat Chowkidars as daily wagers who have completed 12 years of continuous service. Chief Minister said that during the

current financial year, the honorarium of Panchayat Chowkidars has been increased by Rs. 900 per month. The state government has also increased the minimum wages of unskilled daily wagers from Rs. 210 to Rs. 350. The honorarium of para workers has also been increased, he added. Jai Ram Thakur said that the government employees and pensioners who play the most important role in the successful implementation of the schemes and programs of the government have been given the benefit of the revised pay scale. The Chief Minister urged for strengthening the hands of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and providing support in achieving the mission repeat target of the government. State

CM presides over meeting of Joint Consultative Committee for Pensioners

SHIMLA: The pension allowance which presently was being provided to the pensioners at the age of 65 years, 70 years and 75 years would now be given on the revised pension which would provide financial benefits worth Rs. 130 crore annually to the pensioners. This was stated by Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur while presiding over the Joint Consultative Committee for Pensioners of the State held here today. Jai Ram Thakur announced that revision of pension/family pension of pre-2016 pensioners/family pension at the rate of 50 percent and 30 percent of the notionally revised pay in levels of the Pay Matrix with effect from 01.01.2016 and Finance Department would soon issue orders in this respect. He announced that pensioners

would be issued identity cards at the earliest and announced Rs. 25 crore for payment of medical reimbursement bills. Chief Minister said that there were 2,40,640 employees and 1,90,000 pensioners in the Government and PSUs in the State and were being provided all their dues well in time. He said that pension and family pension and other retirement benefits of the pensioners were revised with effect from 1st January, 2016. He said that minimum pension and family pension was revised from Rs. 3500 to Rs. 9000 per month w.e.f. 1st January, 2016. He said that maximum limit of gratuity was enhanced from present Rs. 10 lakh to Rs. 20 lakh and interim relief at the rate of 8 per cent and four percent was granted w.e.f. 1st January, 2016 and 1st July, 2018.

President Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh, Himachal Pradesh Madan Rana welcomed the Chief Minister on this occasion. State General Secretary, Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh Yashpal Heta, Secretary Dinesh

Sharma, former President Surendra Thakur, President Panchayat Chowkidar Sangh Tarsem Singh and other officials and Panchayat Chowkidars from all the districts of the state were present on this occasion.

Himachal to get multi-crore pharma park

BUREAU UNA, AUG 31

Ahead of assembly elections, the central government has approved a multi-crore Pharma Park for bulk medicine in Himachal Pradesh's Una district that will aim to end dependence on China besides providing lakhs of jobs.

A letter in this regard has been received by the state government that said 90 per cent of the project cost will be provided with a ceiling of Rs 1,000 crore. The park will see an investment of around Rs 10,000 crore. With the establishment of this park, about 20,000 people will get direct and indirect employment. For setting up the park, 1,405 acres of land has been identified at Polian, Tibbi, Malluwal in Haroli Tehsil of District Una, said a spokesman of the Industries department. The main objective of allotting Bulk Drug Pharma Park to the state is to encourage domestic drug manufacturing and ensure drug safety. Apart from this, salts used in medicines will also be prepared here. This will reduce dependence on China. Notably, there are more than 600 pharmacy manufacturing units in the state and the annual demand for bulk medicine in the state and their turnover is about Rs 35,000 crore per annum. The Centre will give Rs 1,000 crore rupees for the development of infrastructure facilities at the park. About 100.120 MW power is required



for the park. To give additional incentive to the investors, the government will provide electricity at the rate of Rs 3 per unit for 10 years. The land rate of Re 1 per sqm per annum for 33 years, stamp duty exemption will be available in addition to zero maintenance charges and warehouse charges for 10 years. In the proposal of the state government to ensure high return of maximum investment to the investors, 7 per cent interest on term loans up to Rs 51 lakh per annum and 70 per cent rebate on net SGST was also offered. With the construction of the park, the demand for bulk medicine will be met. The pharmacy companies of the state will get the raw material right here. This will save the cost as well as time of the pharma companies. Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur has thanked Prime Minister Narendra Modi for sanctioning the bulk drug park. He said the allocation of the project of national importance to Himachal will also provide employment besides giving prominence to the state.

Without women, the country can't even run: Bhagwant Mann

SANJAY AGGARWAL DHARAMSHALA, AUG 31

Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann said that without women, even the country cannot run at home. With the participation of women, a clean image government will be formed in the country and the state. Women should increase their participation. In Punjab, 12 women were given tickets and 11 have won. Now MLA. Mothers and sisters have to move forward. Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann was speaking at a program organized in Palampur. Aam Aadmi Party guaranteed women empowerment in Himachal. Earlier, the party had given guarantee of education, health and honor to the martyrs. On this occasion, Bhagwant Mann said that we do not give speeches, speech is that which is written by officers sitting in AC rooms. Speak this, don't say this, but we talk about the soil and the heart of the Aam Aadmi Party. Talking eyes in the eyes. Those who can do say, those who can't say don't. Delhi Assembly elections were going on. Kejriwal directly told the public that if the work done till 2015-20 is not good, then do not vote. Aam Aadmi Party has the courage to say so. Can BJP leaders say in Himachal that look at our work and vote on work. Now BJP has made jumlas so that people get emotional.



15-15 lakh rupees will come in every account. Women were the worst victims of this. Mothers and sisters have a habit. She saves some money. Now Modi did demonetisation at midnight. Now women are trapped in the worst situation. Even if they tell, they do not tell the problem that even if there is money, there is a problem. Can't go to the bank myself. Women suffer the most due to inflation. Women know what is the cost of salt and pepper, how much cylinder is being sold. GST was not levied on breath only. If you want to change the lives of poor children, you have to get free travel for women, if you want to give education, you will not get anything by applying ED or applying something else. The central government is only misusing the ED. When it comes to giving something to the public, it is said that the treasury is empty.

Hamirpur: Five decades of its glorious past

PANKAJ BHARTIYA

HAMIRPUR: The district of Hamirpur enters into the fifty-first year of its existence today (September 1st) and its glorious past is excellent and worth highlighting. Known as (Veer Bhoomi), the land of brave soldiers and martyrs for their contribution to the nation, the district of Hamirpur that is located in the middle of the state has seen its glorious path during the last fifty years after it was made a fully-fledged district of the state on September 1st, 1972 by the then Chief Minister, Dr. YS Parmar. A function was held in the old JBT building where the offices of the Education department and the Ex-servicemen medical center are located at present. Hamirpur derives its name from Katoch ruler, Hamir Chand, and the remains of forts of the Katoch dynasty are found at Tira near Sujanpur and Amtar near Nadaun. The seat of power of Raja Hamir Chand is located at Anu near Government Degree College, where a temple of Lord Shiva is seen these days. Hamirpur was made a fully-fledged subdivision of Himachal Pradesh in 1966 when the state of Punjab was reorganized and many parts of Punjab were transferred to Himachal Pradesh and Kangra was made the district and Hamirpur became its part. In 1967, state Vidhan sabbha elections were held and the Congress party won two seats and three seats went to the erstwhile Jan Sangh. Thereafter a struggle was started for the formation of a fully-fledged district of Hamirpur and for that many rallies were organized at Hamirpur ultimately Hamirpur got the status of a fully-fledged district on September 1, 1972. The then state Chief Minister, Dr. YS Parmar visited the town and inaugurated the new district amid fanfare in the grounds of the local boy's school.

Dalai Lama returns to Dharamsala after visiting Leh Ladakh

SANJAY AGGARWAL DHARAMSHALA, AUG 31

Tibetan spiritual leader the Dalai Lama returned to Dharamsala on Wednesday after a month-long visit to Leh Ladakh. On arrival in Dharamsala, he was warmly received by the local Tibetans, devotees and well wishers. Upon his arrival at Kangra airport, His Holiness the Dalai Lama was received by the Speaker of the Tibetan Parliament in Exile, Khenpo Sonam Tenphel, who was in charge of Sikyong Tharalam Dolma Chhangra, Security Kalon Dolma Gyari, Tibetan Institute of Performing Arts and the Tibetan Youth Congress. Hundreds of Tibetans, holding ceremonial Tibetan white scarves and incense sticks, lined the streets to warmly welcome the Dalai Lama. Acting Chief Justice Commissioner Karma Dadul, Vice President Dolma Tsering,



Justice Commissioner Tenzin Lungtok, Department of Information and International Relations Kalon Norjin Dolma, Election and Public Service Commissioner Wandgu Tsering Pesur, Auditor General Pema Dadul Arya, Member of the Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile, Central Secretaries of various departments of the Tibetan administration and heads of Tibetan non-governmental organizations received the Dalai Lama near

Tsuglagkhang. His Holiness the Dalai Lama will give a two-day sermon on the Entry into the Middle Way of Chandrakirti from September 15-15 in conjunction with auto commentary (Uma Jukpa Rangadrel Thok Ne) at the Main Tibetan Temple at the request of a group of Southeast Asians. The followers of the Dalai Lama said that Tibetan society and all the organizations are very happy that their religious leader has returned to Dharamsala again.

Discussion on upcoming activities in press club held

JOGINDER DEV ARYA BANGANA, AUG 31

The meeting of Press Club Bangana was organized in Bangana under the chairmanship of Chairman Anil Thakur. In this meeting, discussion regarding increasing the activities of the organization, accounting of income expenditure, starting of membership campaign was held. The issue of misuse of the name of Press Club by some people also arose. If these people do not stop using the name of Press Club, then legal action will also be taken against them.



Members discussed various problems in meeting. During this, the members of the political programs in which the reporters will not be invited. It was decided not to publish the news of those programs collectively. Membership ID cards will

also be issued to all the members of the Press Club. During this, it was decided to prepare a roster based meeting schedule for smooth running of the organization. It was also decided to organize club meetings in a time bound manner.

Getting Una district one of 3 bulk drug parks in country is a big achievement: Satti

UNA, AUG 31

Chairman of the 6th State Finance Commission, Satpal Singh Satti has thanked Prime Minister Narendra Modi for getting approval for the Bulk Drug Park in Polian Beet under Haroli VS area of Una district. He said that the Central Government has given approval for setting up three Bulk Drug Parks in the country, out of which one would be built in Polia Beet and this is a big achievement for Una district. Congratulating Chief Minister Jai Ram for this achievement, Satti said that an investment of Rs 10000 crore would come in the



district through drug park, which would provide employment opportunities to more than 20000 youth. He said that under the leadership of CM, the State Government

firmly placed the side of District Una before the Central Government, the result of which is in fore front of development. He said that sufficient land is available in Una for setting up of drug park and the district is also connected by rail facility. Satti said that Himachal Pradesh is famous in the name of pharma hub in the country and there are more than 600 pharma units here. In such a situation, the drug park will meet the API requirements of district Una as well as the whole of North India. It will also play an important role in strengthening economy of the state.

3 link roads to be built in Dhamandari, Nangal Salangdi at Rs 2.73 cr: Kanwar

UNA, AUG 31

Rural Development, Panchayati Raj, Agriculture, Fisheries and Animal Husbandry Minister Virendra Kanwar has said that State Government has sanctioned Rs 2.73 crore for construction of two link roads in Dhamandari Gram Panchayat and one in Nangal Salangdi. He said that Rs 87.22 lakh has been sanctioned for the construction of Siddha Mandir Dhamandari Link Road along with providing Rs 87.22 lakh for the connectivity road from Ambehada Marg to Abadi Dharampal in Gram Panchayat Dhamandari. Apart from this, the State Government has also approved Rs.90.45 lakh for the construction of link road from Sanjhot Kaddu Road in Nangal Salangdi Gram Panchayat. He said that the construction work would be done through HPSIDC and very soon the tender process for the construction of these roads would be completed. Kanwar said that during last four and a half years, uniform development of the entire Kutlahar has been done. An amount of more than Rs 250 crore is being spent on the roads of the area and roads have been provided to every village of the area.



Prakriti Vandana Diwas celebrated

S GAUTAM BADDI, AUG 31

National Swayamsevak Sangh, Nalagarh District Environment Unit organized a program of nature worship for environmental protection at the Dhashi Ashram of Madhanwala near Baddi which was presided over by Bal Yogi Maharaj of Ayodhya and as the main speaker, Pawan Kumar was the Environment Co-Provincial Coordinator. First of all, more than two dozen



families worshiped Tulsi, after that they took a pledge to save trees and water in their lives. In his address, Pawan Kumar said that in today's era, the most important three things are seen, one of which is trees, second is

water and third is plastic, which we also call single use plastic. Expressing his concern, he said that the average tree per capita in India is very less, whereas in many other countries, there are more

than one thousand trees per person, due to which the health life of the people there is very good. Second, there is less than one percent of potable water left in India, if concrete steps are not taken in this direction, then we will have to be prepared to face very serious consequences in the coming times. Speaking on single-use plastic, he said that every family must ensure that no plastic goes out of their house at all. Giving an example for this, he said that by packing the

plastic of milk, namkeen, biscuits in a big plastic bottle, we can prepare Eco Brick, which is very economical and useful in many places. Bal Yogi Ji Maharaj, presiding over the program, said that on the occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi, many volunteers have taken a pledge to conserve trees and water, which is very appreciable. He said that whatever we get in our life without hard work, we should always welcome and remember it.

Jagat Ram Sharma terms Ghulam Nabi Azad traitor of Congress

KISHORI LAL BAINS

UNA: Comrade Jagat Ram Sharma, Organizing Secretary of National INTUC and General Secretary of Himachal INTUC, said in a press release that it is very indecent to condemn Nehru, Indira Gandhi family and any other family. Those people of Ghulam Nabi Azad and G-23 group who condemn the leaders of Congress, these people are traitors. He said that when Congress national leader Sonia Gandhi took over the reins of Congress in 1998, former Congress President Sita Ram Kesari was



equally removed. When Sonia Gandhi was elected leader during the UPA-era in 2004, she respectfully refused to hold the post of Prime Minister. Such an example is not found anywhere in the world. Manmohan Singh was the Prime Minister for Ten Years. He said that he can say with certainty that many people in the G23 group, even in the times of Indira Gandhi, Manmohan Singh, Rajiv Gandhi and Narsingh Rao, MLAs, Ministers, Members of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha would have been on advantageous positions of any other government.

51-year-old laborer's death due to electrocution case registered at Dhakoli



VICKY BHABAT
ZIRAKPUR: A 51-year-old laborer died due to electrocution at Krishna Enclave under Dhakoli police station. He was working as a stone scrubber when he was electrocuted. The police have registered a case of negligence against the contractor and the landlord and started action. While giving information to the reporters, Pardeep Kumar said that his uncle Bal Chand, aged 51 years, was working as a stone scrubber at Krishna Enclave on August 29. He was suddenly electrocuted due to which he died on the spot. He said that his uncle died at nine o'clock in the morning but his family members were informed about the death at three o'clock in the afternoon. Accusing the contractor and the landlord, he said that the death of his uncle was due to their negligence as they had installed a stone grinding machine in the direct meter which caused an overcurrent and he died on the spot. went They said that the police did not take any action for three days, due to which they had to protest in front of the police station. After which the police registered a case. Police station chief Simranjit Singh said that on the basis of the complaint, a case has been registered against the landlord Manoj Tiwari and the contractor Ranjit Singh under section 304 A IPC and action has been started. The deceased has left behind five girls.

3 kg 117 grams of opium, cash worth Rs 8 lakh recovered from two drug smuggler brothers



BHUPINDER KAPOOR
RAJPURA: The police have taken strict action against drug smugglers from Punjab. Due to this, today the CIA team of Rajpura Police has arrested 2 interstate drug smuggler brothers. Along with this, a case has also been registered against two brothers on the charge of bringing opium from Himachal Pradesh to Punjab and selling it. According to the information received, a case has been registered under the NDPS Act in Rajpura police station. The accused have been identified as Ajay Kumar and Sanjeev Kumar of Prem Colony near Rajpura railway station. Police sources said that these two are brothers and work as vegetable gardeners. Both brothers bring vegetables from Himachal Pradesh and sell them in Rajpura. These two brothers used to supply opium from Kullu in Himachal Pradesh under the guise of bringing vegetables to Punjab. Yesterday, when the car bearing the number of Himachal Pradesh was stopped at a checkpoint, the accused started running away after seeing the police. Later, 3 kg 117 grams of opium and drug money worth Rs. 8 lakh have also been recovered. According to the police, after presenting the accused in the court, they will be remanded for more interrogation and the steps of the dealers who used to sell these drugs will also be traced.

29 nominees for not following orders of High Court

DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR: Deputy Commissioner Mr. Sandeep Hans said that in Mahindwani village of Garhshankar, the orders of the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court were not followed, Section 144 was violated and the material trucks coming to Punjab from Himachal Pradesh border were illegally stopped. IPC against 29 people by police station Garhshankar. A case has been registered under section 283 and 188 of The Deputy Commissioner said that the factories belonging to Haroli Block Industries Association Himachal Pradesh in Adda Mahindwani are located in the villages of Gondpur Jai Chand, Gondpur Bula, Bahli, Bhandiyar, Haroli and Tahlial (Himachal Pradesh). Loaded trucks and tippers with goods from these factories go from Himachal Pradesh to Punjab and further to other states with commercial purpose, but illegally stopping these trucks in accordance with the orders of the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court and Section 144 issued by the District Magistrate. The orders have been ignored. He said that the High Court has appointed SDM in this regard. Garhshankar was instructed not to block the road by anyone, despite this, the protestors were demonstrating by building a concrete shed on the road. He said that while this is having a bad effect on the business of Himachal Pradesh and Punjab, there is a lot of protest among the businessmen of Himachal Pradesh and Punjab.

New circuit house will be built at Pathankot: CS

SHASHI PAL JAIN
CHANDIGARH, AUG 31

Punjab Chief Secretary Vijay Kumar Janjua on Wednesday said that a new circuit house will be built at Pathankot and regarding this directions have been issued to the concerned departments. This new circuit house will be built in an area of about two acres at a cost of 8 Cr, which is set to be completed by March 2024.

The Chief Secretary on Wednesday held a meeting with the officials of the concerned departments and the Deputy Commissioner of Pathankot to discuss the new circuit house at Pathankot. During the meeting, instructions regarding this were given to officials. Janjua said that this decision has been taken on the directives of Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann to strengthen government departments and build a new circuit house at Pathankot, a border district bordering Jammu Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh. He said that the circuit



house at Pathankot is very much needed due to border and security sensitive, movement of dignitaries of the Government of India going to neighboring states and being a tourist and religious center. Chief Secretary asked PSPCL to change ownership of 14 kanals of power department required for circuit house. He also asked officials to write to the Finance Department to release required funds for construction. In the first phase, an amount of Rs. 3 Cr has been earmarked for the current financial year 2022-23 and the remaining

amount in the next financial year. The target is to complete its construction by the end of the next financial year by March 2024. The circuit house will have a total of 12 rooms including two suits, Chief Secretary said. The meeting was intended by Principal Secretary Public Works Anurag Verma, Principal Secretary Electricity Tejveer Singh, Principal Secretary Local Government Vivek Pratap Singh and Secretary General State Administration Kumar Rahul and Deputy Commissioner Pathankot Harbir Singh.

150 saplings planted in Abohar Court



ABOHAR, AUG 31

Plantation of 150 trees has been done in Court Complex, Abohar by judge Anish Goyal (Sr.), Judge Rajan Aneja, Judge Arjan Singh Sandhu, Judge Smt. Rubina Josan, Judge Miss Jaspreet Kour, Amandeep Dhaliwal (President of Bar Council), Hemant Malhi (Forest Range officer) and Avinash Chander (Block officer).

'Kshamayachana Parv' is unique feature of Jain religion: Satya Pal Jain

RAJIV JAIN
CHANDIGARH, AUG 31

Satya Pal Jain Ex MP and Additional Solicitor General of India has said that "Kshamayachana Parv" is a unique feature of the Jain Religion, which is celebrated once in every year, on which day everybody accept his past mistakes towards others and seeks pardon for that (Kshamayachana) from them. Jain said that this Parv of the Jain community helps in eradicating unnecessary tension in the society, and by forgetting the past mistakes and misunderstanding, an endeavour is made to work in a more and more smooth manner, keeping in view the overall development of the society and the nation.

Jain was addressing a gathering of Jain Community in Jain Sathanak, Sector 18-D Chandigarh today morning in



a function organized to celebrate the "Kshamayachana Parv" as Chief Guest.

Jain said that a look at the history shows that sometimes even small misunderstandings led to serious tensions

School head, teacher are promoting parent-teacher meeting

PATHANKOT (R. SINGH): Education Minister Harjot Singh Bains Under the guidance of the school heads have started campaigning loudly regarding the parent-teacher meeting to be organized by the Education Department on September 3. For this, the department has also issued its logo by the Inspire Meat 0.1. In this, parents and teachers will be able to inspire the child for a bright future. Giving more information in this regard, District Education Officer Jaswant Singh said that the school chief inspector is going to celebrate Meat 0.1 like a celebration. For which teachers, students and school face are giving heartfelt invitations to students' parents, parents and dignitaries. He said that many schools in the district are going to public places in the morning and evening and the parents are aware to participate in the parents-teacher meetings of school.

After Narendra Modi became PM, India's stature in foreign countries increased: Shekhawat

SHASHI PAL JAIN
KHARAR, AUG 31

Union Minister Gajendra Shekhawat, while addressing a meeting at Chandigarh Resort at Badali village of Kharar Vidhan Sabha, said that after Narendra Modi became the Prime Minister, India's stature has risen in foreign countries. Even within the country, the country is on the path of progress with the policies and achievements of the government.

He said that the previous governments never thought about India, but every day news of big scams were published on the leading pages of newspapers. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is carrying a 25-year vision for the development of the country, with the decisions taken by him, the Ram temple is being built today and he has established peace in Kashmir by abolish-



ing Article 370 from Jammu and Kashmir. He said that within five months of the Aam Aadmi Party government, which came to power by deceiving the people of the state, the situation of law and order has become very bad and incidents of extortion, dacoity and murder are coming to the fore. The guarantees that were given to them are not being fulfilled. People have tried the old parties and now people have only BJP as the only alternative because there is a BJP government at the center and people

want to see a BJP government in Punjab as well. He said that 2024 elections will be the semi-final for the party and 2027 will be the final and the BJP government will be formed at the Center and Punjab.

On this occasion, besides others, Subhash Sharma General Secretary, Rajesh Bagha General Secretary Kamaldeep Saini, former Minister Balbir Sidhu, Tikshan Sood, Sukhwinder Goldi, Khushwant Roy Giga and other speakers spoke.

2.5 lakh saplings have been planted to make Sangrur greener : DC

SUMER GARG
SANGRUR, AUG 31

As part of the commitment of the Chief Minister, Bhagwant Mann led Punjab government to make the state green and pollution-free, lakhs of saplings have been planted in Sangrur district this year.

Deputy Commissioner (DC), Sangrur, Jitendra Jorwal said that during the financial year 2022-23, as many as 2 lakh 50 thousand saplings have been planted in 5 assembly constituencies of the district under Shaheed-e-Azam S. Bhagat Singh Haryana Lehar. He said that under this campaign, priority has been given to planting traditional saplings of Punjab and around 575 trivenis have been planted in the entire Sangrur district, in which Neem, Banyan and Peepal saplings have been planted.

DC, said that planting more saplings was the need of the hour to save the polluting environment. He said that the district administration has also set a target to develop dense forests along with planting saplings on the vacant areas on the instructions of Chief Minister, Bhagwant Mann. He said that the district administration has not only laid emphasis on planting saplings, but also the responsibility of their care was



being carried out diligently. He said that Van Mitras have been deployed to take special care of timely watering as well as weeding.

The DC said that along with the forest department, various other departments have also been given the duty of planting saplings for the preservation of the environment by the district administration. He said that the saplings have been distributed free of cost to BPOs, government schools, pan-chayats and farmers and people were also being appealed to plant more saplings so that the area under forests can increase. On this occasion, Divisional Forest Officer, Sangrur Dr. Monika Yadav, IFS said that 1.38 lakh saplings under CAMPA scheme, 26,031 saplings under Compensatory of Forestation and 5000 saplings under Green Punjab Mission scheme, 2 Pavitar Van and 2 Nanak Baghchis have been planted by the forest department.

Health dept will support BVP in other camps as well: Civil Surgeon



SARWAN
QADIAN, AUG 31

Bharat Vikas Parishad Branch Kadian Organised the second blood donation camp dedicated to the memory of former Advocate General Ardumanjit Singh Lali Sandhu in the afternoon under the leadership of president Mukesh Verma with the support of Bhai Kanhaiyimpia NGO. 35 people donated blood during this camp.

On this occasion, Civil Surgeon Harbhajan Ram



Mandi along with Assistant Civil Surgeon Dr. Bharat Bhusan were specially present as the chief guests to motivate the people. On this occasion, District Guidance Counselor Parminder Singh Saini and State Awardee Surinder Mohan were present as special guests. Speaking on this occasion, Civil Surgeon Gurdaspur Dr. Harbhajan Ram Mandi praised the organizers for the second camp organized by Bharat Vikas Parishad. He said that in today's time do-

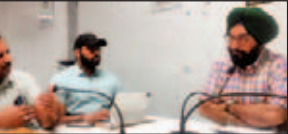
nating blood is not less than saving someone else's life, he said that there should not be any panic while donating blood as the donated blood is replenished in the body within 24 hours. Everyone who is not suffering from any ailments should donate blood. Donating blood protects the body from many diseases. Where Civil Surgeon Gurdaspur appreciated the initiative taken by BVP and assured to support in other camps in the future.

Preparations complete in district Pathankot for games of Punjab

SHARANJEET
PATAHNKOT, AUG 31

'Khedan Watan Punjab Dia' was started in Punjab from August and block level games are being started in district Pathankot from September 1, for which all preparations have been completed in district Pathankot.

This expression done by Harbir Singh Deputy Commissioner Pathankot. On this occasion besides others, Ankurjit Singh Additional Deputy Commissioner(s), Balraj Singh Additional Deputy Commissioner (D), Kala Ram Consul SDM Pathankot, Manjit Kaur SP Pathankot, Ram Lubhaya District Public Relations Officer, Satwant Kaur District Sports Officer, Jaswant Singh District Education Officer, Dr. Aditi Salaria Assistant Civil Surgeon and vari-



ous other departmental officers were present. He said that from September 1 to September 7, block level sports competitions are being conducted under which BSM will be held on September 1 at Sujampur block of Pathankot district.

Kho-Kho, Volleyball, Ropes, Kabaddi at Rajput Senior Secondary School Sujampur and Football and Athletics at Sujampur Stadium Ground Sujampur on September 2 Athletics, Football, Kho-Kho and Volleyball at Government Senior Secondary School Jugial on September 1 within Dhar Kala Block , on September 2, a tug-of-war.

MCM holds skill development workshop on Electronic Equipments



CHANDIGARH, AUG 31

The Physics Department of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh, under the aegis of Skill Development Committee of the college, organised a skill development workshop on Electronic Equipments. The resource person for the workshop was Mr. Balwinder Singh Rawat, Managing Director, Lab Tech Equipments, Ambala. The workshop aimed to impart practical knowledge of various electronic components used in household appliances such as fan, bulb, mixer-grinder, electronic iron, etc. The participants were apprised about the uses of different components in such appliances followed by a practical session in which repairing of such devices was carried out by the students themselves. In the later session, students put into practice the practical knowledge imparted by the resource person by making a bridge rectifier. More than 40 undergraduate students enthusiastically participated in the workshop. Principal Dr. Nisha Bhargava expressed appreciation for this initiative to equip students with life skills as well as professional skills. She added that the skills learnt during this workshop will not only make them self sufficient in repairing their household equipments but also nurture their career as an electronic technician.

Literary event held to celebrate Amrita Pritam's birth anniversary

ISHWAR GARG
TALWANDI SABO, AUG 31

A special literary event was organized on the occasion of the 103rd birth anniversary of Amrita Pritam by the Department of Guru Kashi Languages and Guru Kashi Campus Sahitya Sabha at Punjabi University Guru Kashi Campus Damdama Sahib.

The event was divided into three sessions. In the first session, a special speech was given on the biography of Amrita Pritam. In which Dr. Arvinder Kaur Kakra as the main speaker shed light on Amrita Pritam's biography through her special speech.

In the second session, the students recited Amrita Pritam's poems. In the third session, good suggestions were given regarding the creative art of the students, what things every writer should keep in mind while writing and how to



make his topic important. In this event, Dr. Kumar Sushil, Head of Guru Kashi Languages Department, presided over the meeting.

Dr. Arvinder Kaur Kakra, Mrs. Deepak Rani Girdhar, Dr. Manminder Kaur, President of Guru Kashi Campus Sahitya Sabha and Arshdeep Singh (RD) participated. At this time, Karandeep Soni, the vice-president of Guru Kashi Campus Sahitya Sabha, appealed to all the students present to join the Sahitya Sabha. The role of stage management was performed by Dr. Manminder

Kaur and Sahitya Sabha secretary Ramanpreet Kaur. In this event, Dr. Sandeep Rana, Dr. Sunita Rani, Dr. Sandeep Kaur, Dr. Veerpal Kaur, Dr. Payaldeep, Prof. Gurpreet Singh, Prof. Amritpal Kaur, Prof. Rajpal Singh, assistant secretary of Karamjit Singh Sahitya Sabha and students were present. Dr. Kumar Sushil, Head of the Department of Languages thanked the guests and gave information about the campus and said that students are enthusiastically enrolling in the MA Punjabi and MA English courses running at the department.

RN KHERA
CHANDIGARH, AUG 31

'The Flowers in Her Room', a book consisting of five short plays, penned by Nikasha Luthra, a Class IX student of Vivek High School, Chandigarh, was unveiled during a press conference at Hotel Mountview here. Nikasha was accompanied by her father Deepak Luthra and her mother Nisha Luthra who is also Founder of The Narrators which is a performing arts society. Nikasha informed that four of the plays are based on human emotions and their conflicts, while one play is about the French revolution.

The titles of short plays are: 'The Emptiness Inside the Heart', 'Twelve Apples', 'When She Opened Her Eyes', 'The Silence of Her Lips', and 'Louis the Sixteenth'. The final piece is a play that depicts the mood of a young man when he suddenly becomes a king. This anecdote of history makes the book interesting for

children. While 'Louis the Sixteenth' is in English the rest of the four plays have been written in a mix of Hindi and English writing.

Explaining the difference between story writing and playwriting, Nikasha said that in a play, many characters have to be tied up. Presenting that narrative on stage in a given time frame is a challenge in itself. The play writer goes through an internal struggle to keep the mood of the character in front of the audience. Regarding her next book, Nikasha said that she is working on a novel in the fiction genre and which is a murder mystery. Nikasha's age doesn't hamper her inner writer and she gives a new flight to her emotional thinking through these plays. During the Covid 19 period, when the whole world was spending most of the time at hand on the internet and video calls, Nikasha was busy creating new characters through her pen.

Two plays from the book to be staged at Tagore Theatre on Sep 2



HARPREET SINGH LEHAL
JALANDHAR: The Department of Physiotherapy of Apeejay College of Fine Arts, Jalandhar organised a vaccination camp in the college with the assistance of Civil Hospital, Jalandhar. In this camp both the vaccines - Covishield and Covaxin were available. Not only the students and staff of the college but the camp was open for their family members as well. More than 100 people got vaccinated in this camp. On this occasion, Principal Dr. Neerja Dhingra said that when it comes to contribute its part for the social welfare or to serve the society, Apeejay College never lags behind and in fact gives its best to bring out the best of the given opportunity. She congratulated Dr. Neeraj Katyal, HOD, Physiotherapy and the faculty members of the Department for organising the camp successfully.

Vasant Valley Public School
will also contribute in
'Mission Hariyali-2022'



VIKAS VERMA
DHURI: Various programs are being prepared by Punjab-Foundation formed on the subjects of health, education and environmental protection. The President of this foundation, Dr.Jagjit Singh Dhuri said that the foundation is taking an initiative in the protection of green environment, under which lakhs of saplings will be planted on September 12, 2022. Members of entire Federation of Private Schools and Association of Punjab and other organizations will cooperate in this campaign named as Mission Hariyali-2022. Parents and students will also participate in this campaign. All the students of Grade Nursery to V onwards will plant a sapling along with their parents at their preferred location on 11 September, 2022 i.e Sunday. Apart from this, the photo and location must be shared on an app created by the foundation. On the other side On 12 September, 2022 , students of Class VI to XII will plant saplings at different places along with their School Staff members. Certificates will be distributed to encourage the students to participate in this campaign to make this tree plantation a world record, which will be mentioned in their report cards. These saplings will be planted in Panchayat lands, along roads, parks and institutions with the permission of the concerned authorities. Giving information about this campaign, the Principal of the school, Mrs. Yogita Bhatia said that there is a lot of enthusiasm in the school children to make this mission successful and to make world record of growing small plants in order to protect our mother earth. She added that parents , teachers and students expected to take part in this campaign with full fervour and keenness.

Wisdom School shines
in sports competitions



MAHAVIR GOYAL
AHMEDGARH: Students of local Wisdom World School participated in Zonal Sports Competitions being held at Zonal Green Valley, Ahmedgarh. In which under 14 students of Wisdom World School participated in "Judo Karate" and Chess competitions. Students showed their skills. The students of the school Kanika, Kamal, Akshi, Ranbir, Hashim, Khushdeep, Ravneet, Haram, Anam, Jaina, Alia, Jaskomal, Gobind, Abhijot, Gurnoor and Krishav, Gobind, Manav Jain and Param participated in the chess competitions. On this wonderful victory of the students, Mrs. Amita Mittal, Principal of the school encouraged the students and congratulated them and the other children as well. Encouraged to participate in sports.

FM to review state of economy at FSDC meeting on September 15

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, AUG 31

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman will review the state of the economy amid global and domestic challenges at a meeting of the Financial Stability and Development Council (FSDC), scheduled on September 15. The 26th meeting of the high-level panel to be held in Mumbai will be attended by all financial sectoral regulators, including RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das, sources said. The FSDC is the apex body of sectoral regulators, headed by the Union finance minister. The meeting will review the current global and domestic economic situation and financial stability issues, including those concerning banking and NBFCs, according to the sources. The council would also discuss measures required for further development of the financial sector and to achieve inclusive economic



growth with macroeconomic stability, they said. As per the RBI estimate, the country's GDP is expected to witness a growth of 7.2 per cent in the current financial year amid elevated retail inflation at 6.7 per cent. The focus of both the government and RBI is to tame inflation, which has remained above the RBI's tolerance level of 6 per cent since January this year. Besides, the falling rupee hovering

around 80 per dollar is adding pressure to inflation. The recent pronouncement of Fed chairman Jerome Powell to brace for more large interest rate hikes in coming months to rein in inflation will have implications for other currencies of the world, including the rupee. The FSDC meeting will also review activities undertaken by the FSDC Sub-Committee chaired by the RBI Governor and the action taken by

members on the past decisions of FSDC. The last meeting of FSDC was held in February after the presentation of the Budget 2022-23. Besides RBI Governor, Securities and Exchange Board of India Chairman Madhabi Puri Buch, Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) Chairman Debasish Panda, Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) Chairman Ravi Mital and Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority Chairman Supratim Bandyopadhyay will attend the meeting. The sources said the FSDC meeting will also be attended by Minister of State for Finance Bhagwat Kishanrao Karad, Finance Secretary T V Somanathan, Economic Affairs Secretary Ajay Seth, Revenue Secretary Tarun Bajaj, Financial Services Secretary Sanjay Malhotra, and other top officials of the finance ministry.

Students of Blossoms attend NCC Camp



SUKH NAHAR
JAGRAON: NCC Cadets of Blossoms Convent School attended seven days camp organized at the premises of GNE College Ludhiana. School principal Dr. Amarjeet Kaur Naaz givng more information about this, said that the students participated in numerous activities under the able guidance of defense personnel and Mr.Amandeep Singh ANO and learnt a lot of new things. "Students gave a marvelous performance while representing the school as school student Baljot Singh won gold medal in 100/200 Mts. race and Harjot Singh won silver medal in 100/200 Mtr race," she said. She highly appreciated the efforts of the teachers as well as the students and mentioned that NCC helps in making students disciplined and Patriotic besides teaching them several important things that may prove helpful in emergency situations.

U-Can Immigration opened IELTS center after tremendous success in visa system

KARANPREET DHANDRAL
BARNALA, AUG 31

Study of students in Europe including Canada, Australia, USA, UK, IELTS in Barnala after tremendous success in the visa system byU-CAN



Immigration, a famous organization that arranges spouse visas. The center opened, which started with 25 admissions on the first day of its opening. At the time of the inauguration, Chairman of Green Avenue

Babu Lakhpat Roy. IELTS Center District President Kulwinder Singh Bittu, Shiv Singla, Sardar Buta Singh Sidhu, Principal Raj Mahinder, Bayant Singh, former Sarpanch BJP District President Yadwinder Shanti, including Saharis participated. Gurdeep Singh Sidhu, MD of U-Can Immigration, IELTS Head Simran Sherry Sidhu, said that U-Can India (Barnala) and Canada (Winnipeg) through its centers are successful due to the quality of education.

other dignitaries from Government ITI, Dharamshala and HMSI.On this occasion, Atsushi Ogata - Managing Director, President & CEO, Honda Motorcycle & Scooter India said, "Fulfilling its corporate social responsibility, HMSI proactively supports Skill India Mission to empower Indian youth. Constant changes in rapidly evolving automobile industry have raised the demand of skilled technical manpower. Keeping this as a priority, HMSI has inaugurated its first Skill Enhancement Centre of Himachal Pradesh. The new developed centre in Dharamshala is a testimony to our commitment to upskill local youth and enhance their employability."

District authorities up for prevention of dengue in Kalka and Pinjore

SD SHARMA
PANCHKULA, AUG 31

The Deputy Commissioner, Mahavir Kaushik apprised of the various activities being carried out by the Health Department and Municipal Council, Kalka for the prevention of dengue in Kalka and Pinjore areas of the district. Apart from carrying door-to-door fogging, black oil is also being sprayed in the drains of residential areas so as to prevent the growth of mosquito larvae Maintained the DC. Kaushik stated that door-to-door water containers are being checked by the team of Health Department so as to check the spread of dengue. Besides, source reduction activities are being carried out to prevent the breeding of mosquito larvae. A total of 76 cases of dengue have so far been found in Pinjore, Kalka and Panchkula. Fogging has been completed in 25 wards of Kalka, Municipal Council. He said that anti-larvae spraying are being made by the teams of Health Department in the dengue affected areas. Fogging has already been completed in 25 wards of Kalka Municipal Council area and the remaining six wards would also be covered in the next two days, he said adding that black oil is also being sprayed in drains of residential areas so as to prevent the mosquito larvae to grow. Along with adopting measures to check the spread of dengue, people are being made aware through different mediums.



Congress guarantees election stunt in election time : Trilok Kapoor

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, AUG 31

Himachal Pradesh BJP General Secretary Trilok Kapoor termed the Congress guarantee schemes as an election stunt and said that to come to power, the Congress party is misleading the people with such guarantees which are never going to be fulfilled. Trilok Kapoor said that Congress party leaders are talking about giving old pension after coming to power, but Congress could not give it in Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. Just a few days ago, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel has admitted that he has not given pension yet but is saying that he will give. They don't even know how to give it. He said that Mukesh Aggihotri is saying that we will not take the bowl but will take our rights from the Centre. Let the Congress leaders sit down and



decide this matter first. He said that Congress is talking about giving 1500 rupees every month to women, while Rajiv Shukla and Baghel themselves are saying that from where the money will come and how will they give it. Will Congress leaders bring money from Chhattisgarh and give it to the women of Himachal? Trilok Kapoor said that today the Congress leaders are talking about giving 300 units of electricity to the people, when the state BJP government decided to give

Drug Peddler arrested

ASHOK KAURA

PHAGWARA: The Phagwara Police have arrested a drugs smuggler and recovered 10 Gms of Heroin from his possession last night. SHO Rawalpindi(Phagwara) Surjit Singh Patarr while confirming it said that the accused was identified as Sunil Kumar a resident of Bedian Mohalla Khalwara Gate Phagwara and was nabbed at a check point near Village Panchhat. A case under NDPS act has been registered against the arrested accused.

Director PGIMER honors 12 officers, officials on their superannuation



CHANDIGARH, AUG 31

Prof. Vivek Lal, Director PGIMER honored 12 officers/officials on their superannuation today by giving speech & presenting mementos to them. Prof. R.K. Sharma, Dean/ Academics; Prof. K. Gauba, Dean/Research; Prof. Vipin Kaushal, Medical Superintendent; Prof. Ashima Goyal, Deptt. of OHSC; Prof. M. S. Sandhu, Head, Deptt. of Radio diagnosis & Imaging; Prof. S. K. Singh, Head Deptt. of Urology; Prof. Atul Parashar, Deptt. of Plastic Surgery; Prof. Pankaj Arora, JMS -cum-Officer In charge, Central Store; Jaspal Kaur, CNO and Paramjeet Kaur, Warden, Nivedita Hostel were also present on the occasion. Kumar Gaurav Dhawan, Dy Director (Admn) wished them well in life. Kumar Abhay, Financial Adviser handed over

beneficiary cheques comprising GPF, gratuity and group insurance to the retirees. Prof. R.K. Sharma, Dean/ Academics and Head, Deptt. of Plastic Surgery; Prof. Krishan Gauba, Dean/Research and Head, Deptt. of Oral Health Sciences, Prof. Jasvinder Kaur Kalra, Deptt of Obst.& Gyane; Lalit Kumar Gupta, Lecturer, Deptt. of Radiodiagnosis & Imaging; Veena Rani, ANS, ATC; Usha, ANS, ACC; Veena Rani (VRS on 31-08-22) Sr. Nursing Officer, APC-OT; Rajesh Kumar Luthra, Office Superintendent, Engg. Deptt; Satish Kumar, ASO, Central store; Bimlesh Devi, Lab Attendant (PRC), Deptt of Urology; Kiran Rawat, Computer operator (PRC), Deptt of Neurology and Amrik Singh, H/A Gr.I, Nivedita Hostel retired from PGIMER after devoting 21 to 42 years of their lives to PGI.

KU UIET team wins Innovative National Hackathon Award

KURUKSHETRA, AUG 31

A team of Students of University Institute of Engineering & Technology (UIET) of Kurukshetra University has won the Innovative National Hackathon Award worth Rs 1 lakh at the National Smart India Hackathon (Software Edition) which was organized at Cambridge Institute of Technology, Bangalore. The National Level Smart India Hackathon is the grand finale of the world's largest open innovative model. Congratulating the Students, UIET Director and faculty, KU VC Prof Som Nath Sachdeva said "KU is constantly striving to promote startup, innovation and skill development along with education and research so that students can become self-reliant. An incubation center has been established in the institute, which is directly benefiting the students of the institute. KU is working on the path of continuous progress to give impetus to the goal of entrepreneurship of the Government of India." Director UIET Prof Sunil Dhingra informed that it is a matter of great pleasure that the winner of UIET will get



a chance to participate in Team Morse Coder International Hackathon. Prof Dhingra said that the students of the institute have solved the problem of potholes in the DRDO. Every year 25 thousand people are injured and 9 thousand people die due to too many potholes on the roads. To avoid this problem, our students have come up with smart and effective solution. A mobile and web application has been prepared using drone and ultrasonic sensor with smart sensor which will warn the people about conditions of the roads . The Government of India, from time to time, invites students to solve their problems through startups through various departments, ministries, added Prof Dhingra.

Political activities intensified with approach of polls



SANJEEV MAHAJAN
NOORPUR, AUG 31

So far only two political parties have dominated the Nurpur assembly, but this time there is a possibility of change in politics, mainly due to displeasure with BJP. BJP leader Ranveer Singh Nikka has intensified his public relations campaign and started his campaign. Seeking cooperation in support has been started, he said that the opposition leaders are getting distracted by the public support they are getting from the people and are doing misleading propaganda. Nikka said that the reality is that people want a new option and are unhappy with the old leaders. Nikka said that this time the election will be public versus corruption and family issue. Addressing the people, Nikka said that for almost three decades, only two political houses are ruling in Nurpur. He said that now the time has come that a new face should be chosen for the development of Nurpur. Nikka said that the politicians of Nurpur make big claims in the development of the area but the reality is something else. Nikka said that on the first day of the public relations campaign, when she visited the Panchayat Devbharadi, there were 85 houses which were kutcha. He said that a list of 500 kutcha houses has been prepared in the panchayats he has visited so far.

HMSI inaugurates its 1st Skill Enhancement Centre in HP

DHARAMSHALA, AUG 31

Committed to Skill India Mission, Honda Motorcycle and Scooter India (HMSI) inaugurated Himachal Pradesh's 1st Skill Enhancement Centre at Dharamshala in collaboration with Government Industrial Training Institute (ITI) of the city. The new centre operational from today will empower local youth with job-oriented technical skill training in the city. The inauguration was held in the august presence of Mr. R.K Sharma (Secretary, Technical Board, Dharamshala, Himachal Pradesh), Ravinder Sharma (Deputy Secretary, Technical Board, Dharamshala, Himachal Pradesh), Abhinandan Kalia (Deputy Secretary, Technical Board, Dharamshala, Himachal Pradesh), Masashi Yahata (Executive Coordinator – Customer Service, HMSI), Saravjeet Chauhan (General Manager - Regional Business North Customer Service, HMSI), Pankaj Kumar Agrawal (General Manager – Customer Service Technology & Customer Relations, HMSI) and



other dignitaries from Government ITI, Dharamshala and HMSI.On this occasion, Atsushi Ogata - Managing Director, President & CEO, Honda Motorcycle & Scooter India said, "Fulfilling its corporate social responsibility, HMSI proactively supports Skill India Mission to empower Indian youth. Constant changes in rapidly evolving automobile industry have raised the demand of skilled technical manpower. Keeping this as a priority, HMSI has inaugurated its first Skill Enhancement Centre of Himachal Pradesh. The new developed centre in Dharamshala is a testimony to our commitment to upskill local youth and enhance their employability."

Inauguration ceremony of 'let's learn Persian'



RAWEL SINGH BHINDER
PATIALA, AUG 31

The inauguration ceremony of `Bhai Veer Singh Chair` at the series of his 150th birthday, under the guidance of professor Arvind (vice chancellor of Punjabi university Patiala) has been done today. The warm welcome note is given by professor and incharge of `Bhai Veer Singh Chair` Dr. Harjodh Singh. He told that more than seventy students has participated in this program who are much interested in Persian language. All these Students belongs to various streams such as Arts, Punjabi, Punjabi literature, Economics, Fine Arts, Computer Science, Religion, etc. Our respected visiting professor Lela Chaman Kha (Iran) by giving his devotion towards the students, during his speech said that he will help the students to learn Persian if anybody wants to for further research in Persian language.

Pathankot police bust interstate drug racket - arrest two brothers, seize 3 quintal poppy husk

R. SINGH
PATAHANKOT, AUG 31

In a major crackdown against drug menace, the district police on Wednesday busted an interstate racket of smuggling of poppy husk to Punjab and arrested two brothers besides seizing three quintal of poppy husk hidden in a special cavity of truck.The accused have been identified as Jagmohan Singh and Sewa Singh of village Pulara, Gurdaspur. In a press release, Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Harkamalpreet Singh Khakh told that district police was keeping a close vigil on the activities of Narcotics smugglers active in Pathankot. He said that special checking teams were formed under the supervision of SP Manoj Kumar and DSP Rajinder Minhas along with other police officials. SSP Khakh added that the police teams while patrolling in the area stopped a truck on suspicion immediately and while checking, the cops recovered three quintal of poppy husk hidden in the special cavity of truck and took two accused into custody on the spot. SSP further stated that



the accused in preliminary investigation revealed that they were habitual smugglers and had dozen of criminal cases registered against them in different police stations. They smuggled this consignment from Jammu and Kashmir and now they went to call their customers in the area to deliver it. He told that every time, these smugglers opt a new modus operandi to hide these drugs. SSP said that the accused were booked under sections various sections of NDPS Act in this fresh case. He added that the accused would be produced in the local courts and would be taken on remand for further interrogation racket to arrest the remaining members of the racket.

EDITORIAL

On the margins

Adivasis living in Central India make up one of the most marginalised sections in the country. But they live in the most resource-rich areas that attract industrialists and the State. Although scheduled tribes constitute 8.6% of the total population, they make up 50% of the people who have been displaced or dispossessed from their land for the extraction of minerals, construction of large dams or establishing wildlife sanctuaries after Independence.

In spite of work by the government and non-governmental organisations, development has eluded adivasis. Continuous dispossession and displacement is one reason for this. Development programmes have been imposed from above and executed without taking into account the distinct economic, social and cultural needs of these people.

Recently, Professional Assistance for Development Action brought out the Status of Adivasi Livelihoods Report 2021, covering two tribal-dominated states — Jharkhand and Odisha. SAL 2021 shows the overwhelming deprivation of adivasis in terms of income, food security and child nutrition as well as in access to public service, education and landholding. This influences their livelihood outcomes.

In Jharkhand, the average annual income of adivasi households is Rs 75,378 and in Odisha, it is Rs 61,263. A National Sample Survey report puts the average income of agriculture households in India in the year 2018-19 at Rs 122,616. Adivasi households thus earn at least 60% less. There are nearly 195 million undernourished people in India — around 16% of its total population. SAL 2021 finds that 53% of adivasi households in Jharkhand and 55% of those in Odisha are food-insecure in varying degrees. A staggering 50% of children under the age of five in the adivasi households in both states have head circumferences outside the 3-97 percentile, indicating that they are malnourished.

Roads and telecommunication are crucial to livelihood. The SAL 2021 shows that 74% of adivasi villages in Jharkhand and 72% in Odisha were connected with all-weather roads. Of these, 63% and 80%, respectively, are motorable. This figure is much worse than the national average. The situation of public transport is also poor in adivasi villages. In Jharkhand and Odisha, only 46% and 57% of villages, respectively, are linked to their block headquarters through public transport. Mobile network was available for only around 70% of adivasi villages in both the states.

NASA ready to launch Artemis Moon Rocket

NASA will make another attempt to launch the Artemis moon rocket on Saturday, the space agency's Artemis Mission Manager Mike Sarafin said, as per media reports.

"We also agreed to move our launch date to Saturday, September the third," Sarafin as quoted by Sputnik News Agency said on Tuesday.

On Monday, NASA called off a planned test flight of the Artemis rocket around the moon after a series of setbacks including an engine issue, a hydrogen leak, and stormy weather off the coast of Florida. "The launch of Artemis I is no longer happening today as teams work through an issue with an engine bleed. Teams will continue to gather data, and we will keep you posted on the timing of the next launch attempt," NASA said in a tweet.

The countdown clock was put on hold at T-40 minutes. The hydrogen team will discuss the plans with Artemis 1 launch director. "The countdown clock is on a hold at T-40 minutes. The hydrogen team of the @NASA_SLS rocket is discussing plans with the #Artemis I launch director," NASA added.

NASA had planned to launch the Artemis I mission on Monday from Kennedy Space Center in Florida, sending the Space Launch System (SLS) rocket and Orion capsule on a more than month-long journey around the moon.

NASA said that the launch is on unplanned hold.

"Launch is currently in an unplanned hold as the team works on an issue with engine number 3 on the @NASA_SLS core stage," the US space agency said.

The teams are evaluating why the bleed test to condition the engines was not successful. Engineers are looking at options to gather as much data as possible. The Artemis I rocket and spacecraft are in stable, safe condition.



ble, safe condition.

While liquid oxygen loading into the interim cryogenic propulsion stage continues and core stage tanks continue to be replenished with propellants, engineers are troubleshooting an issue conditioning one of the RS-25 engines (engine 3) on the bottom of the core stage.

Rachel Kraft, Senior Communications Specialist, NASA, said launch controllers condition the engines by increasing pressure on the core stage tanks to bleed some of the cryogenic propellant to the engines

to get them to the proper temperature range to start them. "Engine 3 is not properly being conditioned through the bleed process, and engineers are troubleshooting".

Teams also are assessing what appears to be a crack in the thermal protection system material on one of the flanges on the core stage. The flanges are connection joints that function like a seam on a shirt, are affixed at the top and bottom of the intertank so the two tanks can be attached to it, Rachel said. It's the first mission in NASA's Artemis lunar program, which is

expected to land the agency's astronauts on the moon by its third mission in 2025.

NASA plans to fly Orion as close as 60 miles above the moon's surface, before moving into a wide orbit around the lunar body. To return, Orion will use the moon's gravity to assist it in setting a trajectory back into Earth's orbit.

Orion is expected to splash down in the Pacific Ocean off the coast of San Diego, California where a team of NASA and Department of Defense personnel will recover the capsule.

Russia unveils economic development plan until 2030



The Russian Economic Development Ministry unveiled on Tuesday the scenarios for the development of the Russian economy until 2030.

Earlier in the day, Russian Prime Minister Mikhail Mishustin held a strategic session on economic policy priorities under the external sanctions pressure. In September, the government will report to Russian President Vladimir Putin the results of a series of meetings on the country's social and economic development in the short and long term. Russian Economic Development Minister Maxim Reshetnikov took part in the session and made a report on the main directions of economic policy in the context of sanctions.

"The Russian Economic Development Ministry, together with indus-

try departments under the leadership of deputy prime ministers, has developed scenarios for the development of the Russian economy until 2030. The target scenario is the accelerated adaptation of the economy to new conditions.

It is based on the implementation of systemic solutions that will make it possible to overcome the recession and achieve sustainable growth as early as 2024, which is a priority set by the Russian President," the ministry said in a statement.

The growth of the Russian economy will be driven by domestic demand, both from investors and consumers, the ministry noted, adding that areas of activity that will allow the country to reach growth targets will be worked out during industry sessions.

FATF team in Pakistan

The Global money laundering and terrorism watchdog Financial Action Task Force (FATF) team has arrived in Pakistan to verify the steps taken by the country to exit the watchdog's grey list, local media reported.

The FATF team will visit the Federal Investigation Agency's (FIA) headquarters and the Anti-Money Laundering (AML) Directorate, where the Anti-Money Laundering (AML) and Combating the Financing of Terrorism (CFT) Directorate will give a briefing on the implementation of the action plan. During the visit, the FATF review team will also review the strategy for future actions. On the basis of the report compiled by the FATF's review team, the financial announcement will be made whether to remove Pakistan from the grey list or not, ARY News reported.

Following the visit of the FATF's team, the entry of visitors into the FIA headquarters was prohibited.

It is pertinent to mention here that Pakistani authorities established different circles across Pakistan including the AML Directorate for the implementation of the FATF Action Plan. The circles had sent their reports to the concerned directorate, whereas, the relevant data of the concerned ministries were also possessed by the directorate, reported ARY News. The FATF on June 17 said that Pakistan will continue to stay on its 'grey list' and a final decision to remove it from the list will be taken after an "on-site" verification visit by the Paris-based body. This decision was announced after the conclusion of the FATF plenary in Berlin, where delegates from governments around the world and partner organizations, including



the UN and IMF discussed key money laundering and terrorist financing issues.

"At its June 2022 Plenary, the FATF made the initial determination that Pakistan has substantially completed its two action plans, covering 34 items, and warrants an on-site visit to verify that the implementation of Pakistan's AML/CFT reforms has begun and is being sustained and that the necessary political commitment remains in place to sustain implementation and improvement in the future," the FATF said in a statement. "The FATF will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation and conduct an on-site visit at the earliest possible date," it added. Pakistan has been on the Paris-based global money laundering and terrorist financing watchdog's grey list for deficiencies in its counter-terror financing and anti-money laundering regimes since June 2018. This greylisting has adversely impacted its imports, exports, remittances.

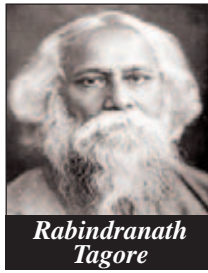
POEM

Little Of Me

Let only that little be left of me
whereby I may name thee my all.
Let only that little
be left of my will
whereby I may
feel thee on every
side, and come to
thee in everything,
and offer to thee
my love every moment.

Let only that little be left of me
whereby I may never hide thee.
Let only that little of my fetters be
left whereby I am bound with thy
will, and thy purpose is carried
out in my life---and that is the fet-
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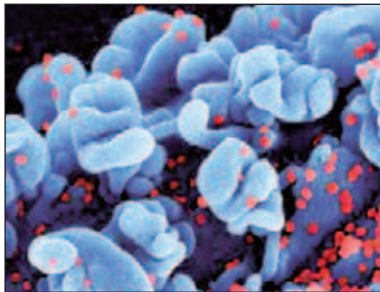
Rabindranath Tagore



SARS-CoV-2 antigen levels linked to patient outcomes

According to a recent study published in the Annals of Internal Medicine, the amount of SARS-CoV-2 antigen detected in the blood of patients hospitalized with COVID-19 is related to the severity of the illness and other clinical outcomes.

Researchers from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), a division of the National Institutes of Health, and their collaborators examined levels of SARS-CoV-2 antigen in blood samples taken from study participants and evaluated the association of those levels with disease progression after the ACTIV-3 trial of COVID-19 therapeutics in people hospitalized with



COVID-19. More severe disease was correlated with higher viral antigen levels in the blood, which may signify ongoing SARS-CoV-2 replication. According to the authors, SARS-CoV-2

antigen levels show promise as a biomarker, or measurable element, to identify COVID-19 hospital patients who are more likely to experience negative outcomes.

People hospitalized with COVID-19 between August 2020 and November 2021 were enrolled in the ACTIV-3 trial. After providing a baseline blood sample, participants were randomly assigned to receive either a COVID-19 experimental therapeutic or a placebo. Absent medical reasons, all participants received the antiviral remdesivir. The researchers tested baseline blood samples from 2540 participants for SARS-CoV-2 antigen levels in this follow-up analysis.

On Day 5 of the trial, the researchers evaluated each participant's pulmonary symptoms to determine whether they had persisted, gotten worse, or improved since enrollment. They also evaluated the relationship between each participant's SARS-CoV-2 blood antigen levels and when they were discharged from the hospital. With all of this data available, the researchers ran statistical analyses to see if plasma antigen levels were related to the participants' pulmonary function at the time the blood sample was provided--and to see if they could forecast how the participants would fare over time. The researchers also looked at the association between the number of par-

ticipants, viral, and antigen levels. The analysis showed a significant correlation between worse pulmonary function at the time of enrollment and higher SARS-CoV-2 antigen levels (1000 nanograms per litre). Importantly, regardless of the severity of their illness at the time of study entry, participants with higher SARS-CoV-2 antigen levels in the blood at enrollment typically had decreased pulmonary function on Day 5 and required longer to be discharged from the hospital. Additionally, being a male and having high blood antigen levels were both associated with known risk factors for more severe illness. Lower antigen levels were found to be associated with three addi-

tional participant traits, including the presence of SARS-CoV-2 antibodies, prior remdesivir exposure, and longer length of stay in the hospital. Participants who had the delta variant infection also had higher antigen levels than those who had the earlier circulating strains.

The study's authors came to the conclusion that blood antigen levels are probably a sign of ongoing viral replication and may help predict a patient's disease course and likely outcomes after hospital admission. The findings, according to the authors, point to the potential benefit of using a precision medicine strategy in upcoming antiviral therapy clinical trials.

'Pesticide's use did not affect Basmati rice export'

ROHATAK: India is a global leader in rice exports - both Basmati and non-Basmati. In the last 10 years from 2012-13, India's Basmati rice export (in volume terms) has grown 46% at a CAGR of 4%. The Basmati rice export steadily grew from 346 lakh tons to 463 lakh tons between 2012-13 and 2020-21. The slight decline witnessed in the last financial year (2021-22) came mainly on account of reduced purchase by Saudi Arab. Data from the WTO show that during 2021 when the Covid was epidemic, Saudi Arab's import of rice from all sources drastically declined by nearly 6 lakh tons. Purchase from India declined too. However, the current FY (2022-23) year, the trend shows a significant increase in import of Indian Basmati rice by Saudi Arab. Deepak Shah, Chairman of Crop Care Federation of India (CCFI) asserted that the recent move by the Punjab and Haryana governments to suspend use of 10 generic pesticides was ill- conceived, unwarranted and would in no way help increasing Basmati rice export. Instead, it would only increase the cost of cultivation as the farmers would be forced to use expensive alternatives. He further observed that the decision to suspend the use of 10 pesticides was taken by the Punjab and Haryana governments without any material evidence under Section 27.

Unacademy National Scholarship Admission Test is coming-up with its second edition

HISAR/Chandigarh: Unacademy, India's largest learning platform* announces the second edition of the Unacademy National Scholarship Admission Test (UNSAT), its biggest scholarship test supporting the growing aspirations of Learners. The test will be conducted on dates between 8 to 15 October 2022 across 64 key educational hubs in India. UNSAT will be open to all the aspirants of NEET-UG, IIT-JEE, and Foundation (9-12) courses. UNSAT will be a significant step forward in Unacademy's efforts to empower Learners and enable them to engage in their desired course. Based on their performance, the applicants will be eligible for upto 100% scholarship on online subscription and Unacademy Centre enrolments. They will get exclusive access to Unacademy's Special Rankers Group, a unique group created for intellectual Learners by top Educators who mentor and produce All India Rankers every year. The test will take place in online and offline mode on 8 and 15 October. Those who choose the online mode can take the exam from home; while applicants who choose the offline mode must visit their allocated test center on the day of the exam.

Fund launched for meeting retirement objectives

Ludhiana/Amritsar :Union AMC announces the launch of Union Retirement Fund for meeting retirement objectives. This is an open-ended retirement solutionoriented scheme having a lock-in of 5 years or till retirement age (whichever is earlier). The NewFund Offer (NFO) of this fund will open on 1st September 2022 and close on 15th September 2022. The minimum investment required is Rs. 1,000 and in multiples of Rs.1 thereafter. The allotment date will be 22nd September 2022 and the Scheme will re-open for ongoing sale and repurchase on 29th September 2022. The fund will be managed by Vinay Paharia and Sanjay Bambalkar. Union Retirement Fund comes at a time when companies across industries are being challenged by record attrition and one needs serious planning and discipline to trulycapitalize on the freedom of the post retirement years. G. Pradeepkumar, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Union AMC, said "Union Retirement Fund is not just an NFO. It is a bugle that calls for serious introspection amongst all stakeholders to dovetail Aspiration planning with Financial planning. Renewment planning is how one meticulously plans for Freedom in a disciplined manner. It goes beyond just planning for the pursuit or accumulation of wealth."

Star Health and Allied Insurance expands operation in J&K

PATHANKOT: Star Health and Allied Insurance Co. Ltd., one of the leading standalone health insurance companies in the country, announced the expansion of its business and customer service in Jammu and Kashmir with 5 new branches in the region. The company targets a 30% growth in gross written premium from the union territory by the end of the current financial year (FY) 2022-23. Star Health plans to set up 5 new branch offices in Srinagar, Udhampur, Doda, Rajouri, and Samba respectively. The new zonal office will support the existing major branches located in Jammu, Kathua and Pathankot. These offices will be further supplemented by around 10 one man offices in all district headquarters across Jammu and Kashmir. In Jammu & Kashmir, Star Health has issued more than 25,000 policies from all channels in FY 2021-22. Star Health is expecting to achieve a growth of 30% to 35% in new policy sales from the region in FY 2022-23.Commenting on the expansion, Himanshu Walia, Executive Director - Sales and Marketing at Star Health and Allied Insurance Co. Ltd., said, "We at Star Health are excited to announce our business expansion in Jammu and Kashmir."

Punjab Gets a Taste of globally acclaimed Oaksmith

Amritsar/Jalandhar/Ludhiana, August 31-- Oaksmith®, India's First Truly International Blended Whisky, created by Suntory's Chief Blender Shinji Fukuyo, creator of iconic Japanese whiskies Hibiki® and Yamazaki® - combines the finest Scotch Malts with the smoothest American Bourbons using world class Japanese blending techniques, bringing the best of East and West to Indian.O aksmith® has been created by world-renowned Shinji Fukuyo, Chief Blender, Suntory, the founding house of Japanese Whiskies – with world-class Japanese craftsmanship, blending high quality Scotch Malt whiskies and smoothest American Bourbons to build a recipe that is unique and designed taking inspiration from the Indian palate. From seed to sip, the whisky is meticulously crafted to achieve a blend like no other resulting in a bold spirit that is rich on the nose yet approachable and well balanced with a bright, smooth and unexpectedly long finish. Launch of Oaksmith® Gold whisky in Punjab is key to Beam Suntory's growth strategy, and this expansion signifies the importance of India to the global spirits company.

Balraj scores century against Sukhna, Plaza consolidate against Leisure

Chandigarh, A total of four matches played at the ongoing UTCA Under 16 Multi Days Cricket Tournament at various venues on Wednesday. Balraj Singh (120) hammered a century which helped Bird Park Zone to pile up 214 runs against Sukhna Zone during a match played at SD School, Sector 24. For the opposition, Arshdeep Singh (4/28) took four while Ankan Hang (3/58) gathered three wickets. Sukhna Zone managed 28 runs for the loss of two wickets the end of the day's play. Meanwhile at Baba Balak Nath Cricket Institute, Saketi , Plaza Zone has strengthened its position by scoring 375 runs for the loss of nine wickets against Leisure Zone. Aparajith Sharma (110) scored a century while Rryan Singh (73) and Daksha Arora (59) smashed their half-centuries. Gaganpreet Singh (3/68) and Shivam Nagrath (3/68) took three wickets for Leisure.

NEWS/BUSINESS

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Treatments and home remedies for stretch mark removal

In these days of selfies and filters, it is understandable to feel the pressure to maintain a flawless body and complexion. Due to celebrity influence, we have become fascinated with unattainable bodies and skin. If stretch marks have recently affected your confidence, you are not alone. Read further to discover the facts regarding stretch marks shared by Dr. Geetika Srivastava, Dermatologist & Founder of Influenznz Skin & Hair Clinic.

What Are Stretch Marks?
Stretch marks, also known as striae, are caused by the actual "stretched" of skin. Consider our skin as a stretchy balloon. That balloon can only hold so much air/water before it bursts beyond a "stretch" threshold. That is exactly what occurs with our skin. Our skin is composed of collagen and elastin fibers, which maintain skin suppleness. Due to numerous causes including:
Rapid weight gain
Pubertal growth spurt
Pregnancy
Hormonal imbalances as in Cushing's disease
Types Of Stretch Marks
Stretch marks are of two types and they are:
Striae rubra, or early stretch marks, are formed early and are red/purple in color.
Striae Albicans, or mature stretch marks.
Stretch marks can fade to form shiny, white, atrophic lines on the body.
These are linear scars formed on breasts, thighs and abdomen in women and arms and buttocks in men. These stay lifelong until medical

intervention is done.
Home Remedies
Stretch marks are not as rare as you may believe. According to a recent survey, up to 90 percent of people suffer from stretch marks. Some far more than others. Aloe vera, coconut oil, almond, and olive oil are among the many home cures for stretch marks that are abundant on social media. But



what is the exact truth?
Despite the fact that many companies claim to be able to cure stretch marks, this is not the case. Stretch marks can only be treated by preventing them in the first place. The most effective home cure for stretch marks is moisturising the skin so that they do not appear or are less severe if they do.
Vitamin A
In skin care products, vitamin A is referred to as a retinoid. Retinoids can help skin appear more youthful and supple. Many over-the-counter (OTC) topical cosmetic products contain them. Vitamin A

products at times can irritate the skin, so it's advisable to carefully follow the recommendations if you decide to use them.
Aloe Vera
The aloe vera plant's inner leaf gel can be applied directly to the skin to soothe and hydrate. Regular application of gel from the plant or aloe gel purchased from a store has an effect on stretch marks.
Coconut Oil
Virgin coconut oil has several proven skin advantages. It can help maintain the protective barrier of the skin. There is limited evidence to support the use of coconut oil for stretch marks, but it has been suggested that gently rubbing oil into your skin could prevent stretch marks.

Olive Oil
Olive oil is rich in vitamin E and antioxidants. If you consistently apply the moisturising substance to your skin, stretch marks may eventually disappear. Massage the area thoroughly and leave it overnight for optimal effects.
Self-Tanner
Self-tanners are not treatments, but rather concealing cosmetics used to conceal stretch marks. Stretch mark concealers help disguise the white, jagged lines on your stomach and buttocks, but they cannot cure stretch marks. The efficacy of Centella or circa-containing Korean items that claim to treat stretch marks has yet to be demonstrated. Scrubs containing sugar or caffeine can merely exfoliate the skin. These cleaning detergents are often used as stretch mark home treatments.

Meta launches No-Cost EMIs for advertisers in India

Chandigarh :Today Meta hosted the second edition of the Grow Your Business Summit, its annual event dedicated to the growth agenda of small businesses in India, and announced new working capital support and enhanced service support features for all advertisers in the country. To address the evolving need for working capital, Meta has announced a new financial support feature to ease cash flow for small businesses in India. No Cost EMI. India is the first country within Meta where No Cost EMI is available. Advertisers can now pay Meta for their advertising installs over 3 months additional cost of interest to them. It is payable to the bank, and give it less on its ad spends. Working with new and growing businesses in India, they can choose any amount upto 1000 to convert to EMIs. Meta is taking to digital and the Meta Ads Manager, they need enhanced support to resolve their queries. Today Meta also announced 24 x 7 chat support for all our active advertisers in India. This means that day or night, 365 days a year, they get the support you need. To access this support, they can visit the 'support' option on the Meta Business Help Center. Said Ajit Mohan, VP and MD (Facebook India) Meta, "With these announcements, every advertiser on Meta in India, irrespective of their ad spends, has access to financial and service support, at the click of a button to unlock new growth opportunities. We know that each business is on a distinct journey, and we are committed to building India-focused solutions keeping in mind their

Ready for the future: ŠKODA AUTO unveils new brand identity and accelerates e-campaign



CHANDIGARH/ LUDHIANA: ŠKODA AUTO is presenting its new brand identity as part of the NEXT LEVEL – ŠKODA STRATEGY 2030. The focus is on a new design language, a new logo and comprehensively updating the corporate identity (CI). In addition, the Czech car manufacturer is accelerating and expanding its e-campaign: ŠKODA AUTO is going to have three new all-electric models on the market as early as 2026, with more to follow. The VISION 7S concept study provides a specific preview of one of these models. The all-electric share of the ŠKODA brand's European vehicle sales will rise to over 70% by 2030. To support this, the Czech car manufacturer will be investing a further €5.6 billion in e-mobility and €700 million in digitalisation over the next five years. ŠKODA AUTO CEO Klaus Zellmer emphasises: "Today is a very special day in ŠKODA AUTO's history: We're unveiling our new brand identity, including a new logo and CI update. With the VISION 7S concept study, we're giving a specific preview of an entirely new ŠKODA model that will round off the top end of our product portfolio and customer base. Also, we're significantly accelerating our e-campaign and will be launching three additional all-electric models already by 2026, with more in the pipeline..." Accelerated e-campaign: Three new models already by 2026, more to follow. The Czech carmaker is significantly accelerating its e-campaign and will be launching three more all-electric models as early as 2026. Besides a small car, there are plans for a compact SUV and a seven-seater for families.

Audi India launches new Audi Q3



LUDHIANA: Audi, the German luxury car manufacturer, today launched the new Audi Q3 in two variants – Premium Plus and Technology. The new Audi Q3 is a perfect family car with great all-round talents. Now in its second generation, the Audi Q3 is not only visually more dynamic but has also taken a leap forward in terms of spaciousness, versatility and technology. Equipped with quattro all-wheel drive as standard and a 2.0 L TFSI petrol engine, the new Audi Q3 with 190hp and 320 Nm of torque, goes from 0-100 km/h in just 7.3 seconds. Deliveries for the new Audi Q3 will begin towards the end of the year. Mr. Balbir Singh Dhillion, Head of Audi India, said, "Today, we enhance our product line-up with the launch of the new Audi Q3. The Audi Q3 has been amongst our best-sellers in India and a segment leader, and we are confident that the new Audi Q3 will replicate its success. With the new Audi Q3, we are offering a stellar proposition with its new look and best-in-class features."

Super Value Days on Amazon Fresh

CHANDIGARH: As we enter the festive season, indulge in celebrating with online shopping for grocery favorites with convenient delivery slots during 'Super Value Days' on Amazon.in till 7th September. Customers can enjoy 45% off on grocery essentials and avail of great prices and fresh offers from popular brands including Daawat, Cadbury, Tata, and Nestle among others at convenient delivery options from a single online destination. Prime members can enjoy free delivery on a minimum order of INR 199 and flat INR 200 back on a minimum purchase of INR 1200. Customers ordering for the first time get flat INR 200 back on a minimum order value of INR 1000. In addition, customers can save an additional 10% by using SBI Credit Cards (valid between 1st - 3rd September) and ICICI Debit and Credit Cards (valid between 4th - 7th September). Get ready to celebrate Ganesh Chaturthi with a wide selection of specially curated products ranging from Puja offerings, fresh flowers, festive feasts, household essentials, and much more on Amazon.in till 8th September. Click here to explore.

Star cast of Teri Meri Gal Ban Gayi in Bollywood Gupshup on 3rd September



The ensemble of the upcoming film Teri Meri Gal Ban Gayi will appear on your favourite show Pollywood Gupshup this Saturday to share new gossip with host Jassi Kaur. In a highly unique tale that will be presented in Teri Meri Gal Ban Gayi, a daughter seeks to arrange for her father to wed. The episode will also feature a few melodic moments, as debut actor Akhil, will calm our ears with some of his great hit songs. In addition, Priti Sapru, the film's producer, will relate some mind-blowing events that occurred while shooting. The complete celebrity ensemble will participate in a fun game led by Jassi Kaur, making the audience's weekend even more memorable. What was it like for Akhil to work on his debut movie? How eager are they for this movie's release? This Saturday at 7 PM on Zee Punjab, the cast of Teri Meri Gal Ban Gayi will answer all of these queries on Pollywood Gupshup.

Gillco International School organizes a Workshop on "Thinking beyond Engineering"

Gillco International School Mohali organized a Workshop on "Thinking beyond Engineering" on 28th August which witnessed a magnificent response with more than 130 students from grades 9th to 12th participating in the Workshop . Mr. Tarun Gupta, Director Communications and Career Counseling organized the workshop on behalf of Gillco International School and welcomed the Dr. Padmakumar Nair, Dean TSLAS (Thapar School of Liberal Arts and Sciences), an Eminent Educationist par excellence to address the students on the captioned topic. Dr. Nair captivated the students with his charismatic delivery of the workshop and took students to the unconventional careers beyond engineering . He said, "Empathy is the mother of excellence and success is much more meaningful with empathy." He urged students to choose careers based on interest , passion and humanity and center life around learning , creating and helping. Another underlying value which student should absorb is Self improvement which is key to successful life. He kept the audience actively involved with his interactive and articulate presentation supported by interesting case studies and success stories of many greats with paradigm shifts in their illustrious careers. He also briefed everyone about various courses offered by TSLAS as well as Thapar University along with Admission modalities. There were a lot of questions asked by GIS students which were very promptly answered by Dr. Nair. All participating students were given Certificate of participation duly signed by the Guest of Honor. He also invited GIS students for a physical tour of Patiala campus. Principal Ms Ruchi Sharma gave a vote of thanks to Dr. Nair. She said, "It was wonderful to welcome Mr Nair who enhanced the students with his impeccable life learning and cerebral values." Visibly happy Ms Jai Sandhu, Executive Director GIS and master brain behind the turnaround of the school shared that the school has already been ranked number 1 in Punjab as per Education World Career Counseling Leaders rankings 2021 and that the School also won Career Changemakers award.

Tamilnad mercantile bank limited initial public offering to open on September 05

GURUGRAM: Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Limited (the "Bank") will open its Initial Public Offering on Monday September 05, 2022. The total offer size of up to 15,840,000 Equity Shares of face value of ₹ 10 each comprising of fresh issue of up to 15,840,000 Equity Shares (the "Offer"). The Price Band of the Offer has been fixed at ₹ 500 to ₹ 525 per Equity Share of face value ₹ 10 each. Bids can be made for a minimum of 28 Equity Shares and in multiples of 28 Equity Shares thereafter. Bank proposes to utilise net proceeds of the fresh issue towards augmentation of Bank's Tier-I capital base to

meet Bank's future capital requirements which are expected to arise out of growth in the Bank's assets, primarily the Bank's loans/advances and investment portfolio and to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements on capital adequacy prescribed by the Reserve Bank of India from time to time. The Offer is being made through the book building process, in terms of Rule 19(2)(b) of the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Rules, 1957, as amended ("SCRR") read with Regulation 31 of the SEBI ICDR Regulations and in compliance with Regulation 6(2) of the SEBI ICDR Regulations, wherein not less than 75 % of the Offer shall be allotted on a proportionate basis to Qualified

Institutional Buyers ("QIBs", the "QIB Portion"), provided that the Bank may, in consultation with the Book Running Lead Managers, allocate up to 60% of the QIB Portion to Anchor Investors on a discretionary basis in accordance with the SEBI ICDR Regulations ("Anchor Investor Portion"), of which one-third shall be reserved for domestic Mutual Funds, subject to valid Bids being received from domestic Mutual Funds at or above the Anchor Investor Allocation Price. In the event of under-subscription, or non-allocation in the Anchor Investor Portion, the balance Equity Shares shall be added to the Net QIB Portion.

Virgin Atlantic and IndiGo announce new codeshare agreement



Amritsar, August 31-- Virgin Atlantic and IndiGo are delighted to announce a new codeshare between the UK and India, offering seamless connections and increased opportunities for frequent flyers to earn more points than ever before. The codeshare partnership will mean customers booking a Virgin Atlantic ticket will be able to fly on the airline's London Heathrow to Delhi and Mumbai flights and connect to and from 7 additional cities in India. Later this year the agreement will be expanded to cover a total of 16 destinations throughout India, as well as connections onto Virgin Atlantic's extensive US network, operated via London Heathrow. The codeshare flights will be available this week for booking for travel beyond 27th September, subject to government approval. The agreement will allow Virgin Atlantic to sell seats to passengers connecting onto IndiGo flights. The



initial codeshare destinations in India include Chennai, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Ahmedabad, Amritsar, Goa, Delhi and Mumbai. The additional destinations will include Kochi, Chandigarh, Jaipur, Pune, Coimbatore, Nagpur, Vadodra, Indore and Visakhapatnam. Juha Janvinen, Chief Commercial Officer at Virgin Atlantic,

commented, "We're thrilled to launch a new codeshare partnership with IndiGo. This summer marks our largest ever flying programme from India with three daily direct services to London and our new partnership takes our commitment to even greater heights. IndiGo is India's largest airline and its extensive network will offer Virgin Atlantic customers even more choice when travelling between the UK and India, as well as offering seamless connections for onward travel across our extensive US route network. Mr. Ronjoy Dutta, Chief Executive Officer and Wholesale Director, IndiGo said, "We are pleased to announce our codeshare with Virgin Atlantic to provide enhanced connectivity to the passengers. This will not only help offer a seamless travel experience from London to as many as 16 destinations in India, but also open up international travel.

realme 'MTV Hustle 2.0' premieres on 3rd September

Amritsar/Ludhiana:Hustle Kar, Haasil Karl! Realme 'MTV Hustle 2.0', co-powered by Wild Stone new classic range, and produced by Fremantle Media, is all set to hunt for new rap sounds and catapult one into stardom! Featuring global artist and rap supremo Badshahs the judge, with eminent Indian rap trendsetters and pioneers EPR, King, Dino James and Dee MC as Squad Bosses, the latest season of India's first-ever rap reality television show will pit 16 of the country's most unique rap voices, in 10 power-packed weeks! Realme MTV Hustle 2.0, starting September 03, every Saturday and Sunday at 7pm on MTV India and Voot, heightens the stakes with double the competition and unmatched fierceness! Sharing his thoughts about judging the show, Badshah says, "Realme MTV Hustle 2.0is the ultimate platform for unrecognized rappers to shine. To me, a sensation is born when consistent skill meets that hunger and willingness to do more for the sake of the craft. This show identifies that unique fire.

Here's everything you need to know about Nykaa X Anomaly Launch

Mumbai, August, 2022: Anomaly, the brainchild of global icon Priyanka Chopra Jonas, finally makes its India debut exclusively on the country's leading beauty and lifestyle focused retailer, Nykaa. Founded by actress, producer, activist, and author Priyanka Chopra Jonas, in partnership with global beauty incubator Maesa; Anomaly has disrupted the haircare aisles globally with its clean, performance-driven formulas, eco-conscious packaging, and now brings its powerful hair solutions to Priyanka's home country. Launching exclusively on Nykaa on 28th August, Anomaly was built on the philosophy that everyone should have access to quality haircare without compromising on choice, price, or the planet. Anomaly, as the name suggests, is built upon Chopra Jonas' belief that we are all unique as individuals and our hair reflects that. Committed to making more sustainable choices in her personal life, Priyanka was motivated to channel her passion for the environment into her brand. Anomaly introduces Indian consumers to choices that empower them without costing them the earth. Everything in the collection is gender neutral, priced starting INR 750, and is housed in bottles made from 100% plastic trash and infinitely recyclable cans.



Start-up stalwarts launch 'Artha School of Entrepreneurship'



Chandigarh : Some of India's pioneering start-up founders and operators have come together to set up the Artha School of Entrepreneurship with the mission of accelerating the journeys of entrepreneurs in scaling their ventures and contributing to the economic and social prosperity of their communities. The first offering by this school is the Artha Scale Program. This program is designed for founders of early start-ups that have achieved some degree of product-market fit and are

poised for scale. The objective of the program is to make the art and science of scaling accessible to these founders. The defining component of this program is a set of in-person and intense problem-solving workshops facilitated by experienced practitioners. The participants will also have access to online content, in multiple formats, relating to all elements of scaling as well as to a set of committed mentors, who are successful founders and startup executives, to help them think through some of their scale challenges. The first set of workshops have already taken place in Kochi. Workshops have been scheduled in Hyderabad, Bengaluru, Delhi, and would soon be extended to Ahmedabad, Chandigarh, Pune, Mumbai, and Chennai. Artha is partnering with T-Hub in Hyderabad and KSN Global in Kochi. Discussions are also underway to partner with ecosystem enablers in other states. The key themes for the initial set of workshops include Founder Growth, Organization and Culture, Funding and Capitalization, and Building a Sustainable Business. The founding team has made a very conscious choice of structuring the Artha School of Entrepreneurship as a Section 8 Company (a not-for-profit organization).

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Eco-Friendly Ganesha at FCBL to bless world with peace, harmony

Ambala: Praying for peace and universal brotherhood, Fateh Chand Bansil Lal jewellers, Ambala Cantt on Wednesday welcomed Lord Ganesha marking the 10 days long Ganesh Chaturthi festival. The FCBL family brought home a one feet long beautiful idol of Lord Ganesha which has been made using eco-friendly sand which will dilute completely in the water post immersion towards the end of the festival. The eco-friendly sand will not pollute the water and help maintain the

aquatic ecosystem. Rishi Verma, Director, Fateh Chand Bansil Lal Jewellers said, " During the festival our entire team will pray for harmony and prosperity in every ones life. At the end of the festival, we would invite all the Ambala residents irrespective of their religious beliefs to join us for 'Ganesh Visarjan' and spread love and peace all around."

Truecaller launches Vastly Improved iPhone App

CHANDIGARH: Truecaller, the world's leading global communications platform, today launched a brand new version of their iPhone app for users around the world. iPhone users have been underserved by CallerID and Spam blockers. Consumers have been clamouring for a solution, and Truecaller has built a better mousetrap. The iOS app has been completely re-written from the ground up to be lighter (smaller app size), more efficient (works faster, even on the older iPhone 6S) but most important of all, it offers 10 times better spam, scam and business call identification compared to previous versions of the app. This change has been brought about by an all-new architecture that can more effectively take advantage of advanced background features in iOS. All-new Truecaller for iPhone has developed the most current, accurate, and complete first ring Caller ID and spam detection for every geography by automatically updating spam information in the background. The app also has a complete design refresh and user experience flow that results in far shorter times for initial onboarding and quicker day-to-day navigation through the app.

NEWS AT A GLANCE

Group Housing Delegation meets Minister Arora



SHARMA LUDHIANA: Group Housing Welfare Society's one delegation met Minister Aman Arora regarding their pending demands and problems. The delegation was led by President Hargunjit Singh, General Secretary Vaibhav Pandey, Ajay Sehgal, Nimish Sachdeva. On this occasion, President Hargunjit Singh gave details of the demands and problems of his society in front of the minister and said that people have chosen the Aam Aadmi Party government with great hope. He demanded stern action on their applications filed before GLADA.

3 thieves arrested with vehicle



KULDEEP SOOD BARNALA: Sandeep Malik 1PS, Senior Captain of Police, Barnala under the campaign against anti-social elements under the supervision of Mr Satvir Singh PPS, Deputy Captain of Police Sub Division Barnala Ji, INSP Baljit Singh Chief Officer Police Station City Barnala, action against the bad elements. Today on 28-08-2022, Fuhara Chowk was present in connection with the checking of suspects of the police party including Gursimranjit Singh, then the informant came and informed that Tarsem Singh alias Ram son of Jagvir Singh, Resham Singh son of Kalu Singh son of Shambhu Singh, Jaswant Singh alias Diwana son of Teja Singh resident of Nandi Basti Dhillwa Who are engaged with the gang of stealing and selling motorcycles.

PNB CPPCS to coordinate with DOPPW & lead transformational reforms in pensioners' welfare

AMRITSAR (VISHAL KUNDRA): To enhance Ease of Living of pensioners and family pensioners, Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare, Government of India has taken a number of welfare measures in pension policy as well as in digitization of pension related processes. There have been a number of amendments in the pension rules and several clarificatory orders/instructions have been issued during the last 50 years. These have been compiled and brought out as Central Civil Service (Pension) Rules, 2021 in December, 2021. Since the major Pension Disbursing Authorities are banks, the Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare (DoPPW) has started a series of Awareness Programs for Central Pension Processing Centres and field functionaries handling pension related work in the bank.

Sangrur MP holds meeting to review progress of CSS

SUMER GARG
SANGRUR, AUG 31

While presiding over the meeting of the District Development Coordination and Monitoring (DISHA) Committee at the meeting hall of the District Administrative Complex, the Committee Chairman and Member Parliament from Sangrur, Simranjit Singh Mann reviewed the progress of centrally sponsored schemes (CSS) being run by the Government of India and issued guidelines to the officers of various departments.

He said that the grants received from time to time should be used in a transparent manner for implementation of various schemes. After reviewing the schemes, the Lok Sabha member expressed his satisfaction on the ongoing development works in the constituency.

While conducting the proceedings of the meeting, Additional Deputy



Commissioner(D), Varjit Walia issued instructions to the officials of the concerned departments to provide information about the development works going on in the district under the centrally sponsored schemes. Mann reviewed the PWD, Central Works Division Sangrur, Punjab Mandi Board Scheme, Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana, Water Supply and Sanitation, Soil Conservation Department, District Social Security Department, Animal Husbandry Department, Fisheries, Agriculture, District Education Department (Elementary) and

(Secondary), MGNREGA, Livelihood, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, District Welfare Department, Punjab Skill Development Mission, Health Department, RSETI scheme, horticulture and the progress of implementation of other central government schemes. On this occasion, Deputy Commissioner Mr. Jitendra Jorwal gave information about the successful implementation of the flagship programs of the Punjab government for the convenience of the people in the district. Among the prominent, Additional Deputy Commissioner(G), Anmol Singh

DC tells officers to show courtesy while dealing with public

VINOD DHIMAN

JAGADHRI: Deputy Commissioner Rahul Hooda asked the officers and employees working in the DC office to deal with the general public with courtesy. Newly appointed deputy commissioner Rahul Hooda reviewed the work being done by the officers and employees of all branches of the DC office in the auditorium of the District Secretariat on Wednesday. He explained to every employee about the work he was doing at the table. He said that for better work, he should treat the incoming person well and satisfy them so that the image of the government and administration is not damaged. The common man does not have so much information, so let them know about their work and guide them, only then will people respect the employees and officers. The Deputy Commissioner said that whatever work the employee is doing, he should have complete information. If he does not have complete information about any work, then he should ask his senior in time so that the work of the common citizen is not delayed due to lack of information. He also said that if possible, the list of the work for which the documents are required should be posted on the table and outside the gate so that the common man can know about the documents.



Need to complete works of public interest without delay: Saini



RANVEER PARASHAR
KAITHAL, AUG 31

MP Naib Singh Saini said that development works should not remain confined to paper, but the meaning of development works should reach the doorsteps of the beneficiaries. The main objective of the government is to benefit the beneficiaries in a better way under the policies issued. There is no dearth of any kind on this subject. For this everyone needs to work together. MP Naib Singh Saini was reviewing the ongoing and to be done development works in the district in the meeting of the District Development Coordination and Monitoring Committee in the auditorium of the local mini secretariat on Wednesday. Local MLA Leela Ram, Deputy Commissioner Dr. Sangeeta Tatarwal and officials of the

concerned departments were present in the meeting. Naib Singh Saini, while understanding the agenda related topics closely, told the officers of the concerned departments that the main objective of the government is to carry out the works of public interest smoothly and in this direction better efforts of the government need to be given a meaningful form. He said that officers of many departments are doing good work. Officers of other departments also need to learn from them and do better work. In the meeting, 44 topics were placed according to the agenda, which one by one the MP understood in detail and instructed to complete the development works under the schemes as per the stipulated time so that the development work could be completed in time and manner.

Children of Kidzee School worship Lord Ganesha

NARESH GARG
LADWA, AUG 31

Children of Kidzee School in Ladwa visited the Ganesh Chaturthi-related pandal organized near Beera Mill in the city. There, the school children worshiped Ganesh ji. School Principal Vimmi Taneja said that Ganesh Utsav is celebrated on Chaturthi of Shukla Paksha in Bhadra month (August and September). This festival is celebrated as the birthday of Lord Ganesha. Ganesh Chaturthi is a huge festival of 11 days. Anant Chaturdarshi Tithi is also observed on this day. The 15-day Pitru Paksha begins with Ganesh Visarjan. He said that whoever worships Lord Ganesha with true heart, God fulfills all his wishes. By worshipping Lord Ganesha in this period of Mahaparva, every trouble is removed and the devotees also get the desired wish. Geeta Sharma, Aaradhana, Neha Goyal, Sonia, Muskan, Harsimran, Sonia, Seema, Ankita, Neha, Visakha, Kavita and Simran were present on the occasion.



Early Step students to perform Ganesha puja for 5 days

NARESH GARG
LADWA, AUG 31

On Ganesh Chaturthi on Wednesday in Early Step Pre School of Ladwa, the idol of Lord Ganesha was installed by making a grand pandal and slogans of Ganapati Bappa Moria were also chanted by the small children studying in the school. School Principal Sonia Goyal said on the occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi that this festival is celebrated with great pomp in the whole country. She said that earlier this festival was celebrated only in Maharashtra. But now for the last few years this festival is celebrated with great fanfare throughout the country. With this, a beautiful small pandal was built in the school premises and the statue of Lord Ganesha was installed. He said that for the next five days, the children of each class in the school will perform aarti and worship of Lord Ganesha every morning. Prasad will be distributed to the children every day by offering different types of dishes to God. On Wednesday, the statue was installed and children from home arrived at school dressed as Bal Ganesha. They worshiped Lord Ganesha and performed Aarti. At the same time, by offering laddoos to God, prasad was distributed to all the children and staff. Sonia Goyal said that the statue will be immersed in the western Yamuna canal after five days. Rajni, Sonali, Rekha, Manju, Lakshmi, Pinky from the school staff were present on the occasion.



Three held for assaulting hotel receptionist

VINOD DHIMAN
JAGADHRI, AUG 31

Acting under the guidance of Superintendent of Police Mohit Handa, the team of Crime Branch - 2 arrested Tigra resident Vikas alias Shubham and his brother Rajat and Mandebari resident Amandeep in the case of assaulting Piyush, an employee of the hotel located in Tau Devilal Complex in Yamunanagar police station area of the city. Illegal weapons, live rounds and cash were recovered from the accused and produced in court, from where they were sent to judicial custody. Various cases have been registered against the accused including murder, which is under consideration of the court. Currently, the police are investigating the case. In-charge Rakesh Kumar said that he received secret information that the three accused are roaming at Radaur Triveni Chowk in connection with the incident. Based on this information, a team of sub-inspectors Ranbir, Mohan Walia, Kuldeep, Rohan, Sanjay was formed. The team went to the spot and arrested the youths roaming there, who were identified as Tigra resident Vikas alias Shubham, his brother Rajat and Mandebari resident Amandeep.



When the accused were interrogated, the accused disclosed the matter of fighting by showing a pistol in Devi Lal Complex. The accused were produced in court and sent to judicial custody. The accused had a fight over a birthday party. Accused Amandeep has three cases registered against him, including under the Amrs Act. Three cases have been registered against Rajat, including Section 307 of the Criminal Procedure Act. He is in criminal activities since 2016. Five cases have been registered against the accused including murder. Both Vikas and Rajat are brothers.

Chautala promises jobs to youth if INLD come to power



NIRMAL
RADAUR, AUG 31

Former Chief Minister Om Prakash Chautala arrived at Agarwal Dharamshala in Jathlana to invite people for the INLD party rally to be held in Fatehabad on September 25. He urged people to reach the rally in large numbers. The program was presided over by Radaur Area President Sarvpriya Jathlana. Oprakash Chautala said that the rally to be held in Fatehabad will create history. Today, the people of the country and the state are fed up with the misuse of the BJP, he said. The BJP government is making the people among themselves in the name of religion. The youth are struggling on the streets for employment. He said that when he did the work of giving employment, he was sent to jail. If his government is formed in the future, then his government will prioritize the work of giving employment to the youth. On this occasion, former MLA Shyam Singh Rana, former MLA Dilbag Singh, Sarvapriya Jathlana, Subhash Khurdban, Rajesh Kashyap, Ghanashyam Saini Fatehgarh, Kambir Khurdban and Brijbhushan Rana Bhagwargarh were present.

Lakhs will take part in Cong's Halla Bol rally: Rajesh Vahid



VIRENDRA JANGRA
TARAORI, AUG 31

On September 4, the Congress party will hold a Halla Bol rally against inflation at the Ramliha Ground in Delhi to raise the voice of the people who are struggling against the rising inflation. And through this rally, farmers, laborers, traders, Dalits, the backward and the youth who have been treated badly by the Modi government will raise their voice. These views were expressed by Congress leader Prof. Rajesh Vahid today while appealing to the rural people in the villages of Sambli, Nilokhedhi village, Karasa, Savat, Gholpura of Nilokheri Vidhan Sabha to attend the rally. He said lakhs of people will take part in Cong's Halla Bol rally Prof Vahid said that today the poor are longing for two meals a day. He said that taxes have been imposed on everything from cooking gas prices to food and drink so much that today the poor as well as the middle class are unable to support their families. He is struggling with big problems but today there is no one to listen to him.

8-day police remand for man held in opium seizure case

SAMBHALU RAM
GUHLA CHIKA, AUG 31

During the year 2020, Major Singh, a resident of Mahmoodpur, a co-accused in the case of 31 kilograms of opium, was arrested by ASI Ramchandra of the Special Detective Staff as per the rules. SP Maqsood Ahmed said that on July 12, 2020, a team of ASI Pradeep Kumar of CIA-2 Police raided the house of Ramesh Kumar in Chika Sanjay Basti based on reliable intelligence. Ramesh was sitting on a Hero Splendor Pro bike in front of the house. Kumar was overpowered but his two companions managed to escape from the spot. During the search, one kilogram of



opium in a polythene was recovered from the possession of accused Ramesh. During the extensive investigation conducted by the police, when the accused Ramesh's house was searched, from where a total of 31 kg of opium was recovered by the police, including 15 kg of opium in polythene in two plastic boxes kept in the divan bed inside his house.

Villagers apprised of welfare schemes at camp



RAKESH JINDAL
NABHA, AUG 31

A camp was organized under the leadership of Sarpanch Gurmeet Kaur at village Banera Kalan of Nabha constituency, in which the supervisor Manjinder Kaur, Harpreet Kaur along with her team from the CDPO office Nabha, provided information regarding welfare schemes related to disability pension, old age pension. Information was also given regarding the filling of forms of the needy persons as well as the facilities provided by the government. On this occasion, former sarpanch Bhim Singh, Baljit Singh, Kala Singh, Gurdeep Singh, Raksha Devi, apart from all Pancha, Anganwadi workers Sunita Rani, Jatinder Kaur, Amandeep Kaur, Beant Kaur, Manjit Kaur, Malvinder Kaur, Sukhdev Kaur, Amritbir, Patwari Sonia Rani, helper Charanjit Kaur and a large number of beneficiaries participated.

Lifetime trustees honoured at Agarwal meet



NARESH GARG LADWA: Lifetime Trustees from Ladwa were felicitated at the National Felicitation Ceremony of the All India Agarwal Conference in Haridwar. On the occasion, Chairman of Stalwart Foundation and philanthropist Sandeep Garg, State Executive President Ashwani Jain and Rajesh Gupta were honored for becoming Lifetime Trustees. Social activist Sandeep Garg said that each of our breaths is given by our mother. What can we do to build that mother's temple? Also, he appealed that every Agarwal should donate generously to Agroha. He said that by donating, money is multiplied by four times. A generous person's wealth never decreases. At the same time, state executive president Ashwani Jain said that there is nothing more than Pitro. There are four dhams for the whole world but only for the Agarwal community there are five dhams not four and that fifth dham is Agroha.

BDPO urged to get Chohla Sahib streets cleared of stagnant water

RAKESH NAYYAR
CHOHLA SAHIB, AUG 31

Due to the lack of proper drainage system in the Chohla Sahib village, the streets and drains are filled with water and mud due to which the people living here are facing a lot of trouble. There is a risk of spread of various diseases due to the mosquitoes that are born due to the dirt in the streets. Regarding the problems faced by the people, Ratan Singh Chohla Sahib, Block President of Bharatiya Kisan Union Rajewal and District Core Committee member Amrik Singh, under the leadership of the former Sarpanch, Union unit Chohla Sahib President Ranbir Singh, Senior Vice President Paramjit Singh, Karj Singh, Avtar Singh, Jatinder Singh, Manjinder Singh and Harjinder Singh along with a delegation of SC community met BDPO



Chohla Sahib and submitted a demand letter to clean the pond to prevent the spread of filth and diseases in the streets of Patti Sahjare. The residents of Patti Sahjare said that if the pollution in their streets is not resolved soon and the pond is not cleaned, they will be forced to stage a dharna in front of the BDPO office. The delegation that arrived on this occasion was assured by BDPO Chohla Sahib that soon the work of cleaning the pond will be started and arrangements will be made to drain out the standing water in the streets.

Shri Ganesh fulfills everyone's wishes: Ramdas Maharaj

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, AUG 31

At many places in the city of Karnal, devotees and the common people of the city duly installed the idol of Shri Ganesh with worship recitation on the occasion of Shri Ganesh Chaturthi. In the 27th Shri Ganesh Chaturthi festival being celebrated by Shri Jai Ganesh Mahotsav Mandal and District Trade Board, the idol of Shri Ganesh was established in Shiv Mandir Sarafa Bazar. Shri Shri 108 Ramdas Ji Maharaj Pritam Nagar Kutya Wale attended as



the chief guest. While wishing Ganesh Chaturthi, Ramdas Ji said that before doing any auspicious work, worship of Shri Ganesh is done. The work of a person who worships Shri Ganesh is always successful. On this occasion, State Spokesperson of Vyapar Mandal, Kishore Nagpal said

that this festival is celebrated all over India with pomp and gaiety. On reaching the programme, representatives of various organisations and businessmen welcomed the guests by garlanding them. Wishes were sought by performing aarti of Shri Ganesh. Pandit Laxman Pandey got the worship done. Kishore Nagpal, Datta Bhosle, Shahji Kadam, Dilip, Sagar, Alankar, Ramdas, Sanjay, Chandra, Vinod, Devindra, Manoj, Vicky, Swaran, Surinder, Naveen Jain, Aman Bansal and others were present on the occasion.

SHORT
TALKSGrandhomme
announces
retirement from
international cricket

WELLINGTON: New Zealand all-rounder Colin de Grandhomme announced his retirement from international cricket on Wednesday.

De Grandhomme, 36 made the decision to bring down the curtain on an impressive international career after discussions this week with New Zealand Cricket - which has agreed to release him from his central contract.

The Zimbabwean-born Kiwi said a range of factors had played a part in his decision, not least his struggles with injury and the increasing competition for places in all three formats.

"I accept that I am not getting any younger and that the training is getting harder, particularly with the injuries. I also have a growing family and am trying to understand what my future looks like post-cricket. All of this has been on my mind over the past few weeks," said the all-rounder in a statement.

"I have been fortunate enough to have had the opportunity to play for the BLACKCAPS since debuting in 2012 and I am proud of my international career - but I feel this is the right time to finish."

De Grandhomme departs the international stage with an impressive record, particularly in the Test arena; his 29 matches realising 1432 runs at 38.70, including centuries against the West Indies and South Africa, and 49 wickets at 32.95 - including six for 41 on debut against Pakistan. A measure of his influence in the Test environment is that he featured in 18 wins, playing a key role in the BLACKCAPS inaugural ICC World Test Championship campaign, which ended with a victory over India in the final at Southampton.

Venus Williams, Raducanu, Osaka
all out in US Open 1st round

AGENCY
NEW YORK, AUG 31

The welcome and support for Venus Williams in Arthur Ashe Stadium on Tuesday afternoon were not the same as they were for her sister, Serena, a night earlier. Nor was the result. Venus, who turned 42 in June, has not made any pronouncements about her future in tennis, unlike her younger sibling, and while she has been successful and influential, too a seven-time Grand Slam champion; a Black woman in a predominantly white sport the fanfare and attention are not the same.

Playing in front of thousands of empty blue seats in an arena quite silent at the start,

although growing louder later, Venus bowed out in the first round of the U.S. Open for the second consecutive appearance, losing 6-1, 7-6 (5) to Alison Van Uytvanck.

She means so much to female tennis. Tennis, in general, Van Uytvanck said. She's a legend.

This was the 23rd trip to Flushing Meadows for Venus, who made it to the final in 1997 as a teen then won the trophy in 2000 and 2001, and her record 91st time participating in a major tournament.

Venus had never lost in the opening round at the U.S. Open until 2020, then was absent last year. Asked what keeps her motivated these days, she answered: Three let-

ters: W-I-N. That's it. Very simple. At night, Emma Raducanu became only the third defending U.S. Open champion to lose in the first round, eliminated by Aliz Cornet 6-3, 6-3. And yet another past champ bowed out in straight sets when Naomi Osaka, who won two of her four Grand Slam titles in New York, was eliminated by Australian Open runner-up Danielle Collins 7-6 (5), 6-3 in a match that ended after midnight. Osaka, a former No. 1, also lost in the first round of the French Open this year and has slid to 44th in the rankings. She had been 3-0 head-to-head against Collins, but this fun-to-watch, hard-hitting matchup went the other way.

Srikanth wins; Lakshya,
Saina exit from Japan Open

AGENCY
OSAKA, AUG 31

Star Indian shuttler Kidambi Srikanth registered a stunning straight-game win over world number 4 Lee Zii Jia but Commonwealth Games champion Lakshya Sen suffered a shock defeat in the opening round of the Japan Open Super 750 tournament here on Wednesday.

Srikanth, a former world number 1, recovered from his early exit from last week's World Championships, to outwit fifth seed Lee 22-20 23-21 in his men's singles opener which lasted 37 minutes. It was his first win over the Malaysian in four meetings.

The 21-year-old Sen, a 2021 world championships bronze medalist, however, squandered an opening game advantage to go down 21-18 14-21 13-21 to world number 21 Japanese Kenta Nishimoto in his first match.

London Olympics bronze medalist Saina Nehwal was also no match for top seed Akane Yamaguchi as she lost 9-21 17-21 to the local favourite in 30 minutes.

Fast-rising men's doubles pairing of MR Arjun and Dhruv Kapila, who jumped nine places to reach world num-



ber 26 after a quarterfinal finish at the World Championships, also lost 21-19 21-23 15-21 to Korean combination of Choi Sol Gyu and Kim Won Ho after wasting a match point in the second game. In other results, Birmingham Commonwealth Games bronze medalists Gayatri Gopichand and Treasa Jolly lost 7-21 18-21 to seventh seeds Jongkolphan Kititharakul and Rawinda Prajongjai of Thailand in women's doubles category. Mixed doubles pair of Juihi Dewangan and Venkat Gaurav Prasad lost 11-21 10-21 to Chinese top

seed Zheng Si Wei and Huang Ya Qiong in 23 minutes. It was a gritty performance from world number 14 Srikanth, who is often guilty of not being able to close out narrow matches, despite doing all the hard work in setting up the points. On Wednesday, Srikanth once again found himself in a similar position when he almost wasted a 15-11 advantage by allowing Lee to grab three game points but the Indian held on to his nerves to reel off five points on the trot to leave his younger rival stranded and seal the opening game.

Pandya gains big in T20 rankings

AGENCY
DUBAI, AUG 31

Stars at the Asia Cup have made climbs in the latest ICC T20 Rankings, with India's Hardik Pandya headlining the multiple moves.

Pandya's exceptional individual performance against Pakistan helped him jump eight places on the T20I all-rounder rankings, up to fifth position, his highest ever spot. The hard-hitting fast-bowler claimed 3/25 and made 33 not out from just 17 balls, showing how vital his impact will be in India's T20 World Cup campaign later in the year in Australia. Elsewhere, Afghanistan's blistering start to the tournament has not gone unnoticed, with a number of players rewarded in the updated rankings. Rashid Khan's push for the No.1 bowler position has been helped with a two-spot jump to third (708 points), over fellow leg-spinners Adil Rashid and Adam Zampa (Australia). South Africa left-arm wrist-spinner Tabraiz Shamsi (716) is next in Rashid's sights, though Australian Josh Hazlewood (792) boasted strong margin at the top of the list. Rashid's compatriot Mujeeb Ur Rahman meanwhile has entered the top ten with a seven-spot move up the rankings (660), currently edged out for eighth by Bhuvneshwar Kumar (661).



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In case anybody has any objection for the Sale/Purchase in respect of above said dwelling Unit, he/she may submit the objection, if any, in writing within **15 days** of the publication of this notice before the undersigned alongwith documentary evidence, if any.

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If any body has any objection upon the mutation of the said property in favour of applicant, he/she/they may submit the objection in writing to the undersigned within **15 days** of the publication of this notice, failing which, the ownership of the said dwelling unit shall be transferred in favour of above said claimant(s).

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Chandigarh Housing Board, Chandigarh

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The audience's praises for 'Vikram Vedha' teaser has made actors Hrithik Roshan and Saif Ali Khan extremely happy. On receiving great responses from people over his upcoming film's teaser, Hrithik said, "The whole team of Vikram Vedha submitted to the vision of Pushkar & Gayatri in bringing this film to life. Our teaser was a little glimpse of the world of Vikram Vedha, and the response that it has garnered is heartwarming. I've been told that Vikram Vedha's teaser stands to be the most liked Hindi Film teaser, and the number of viewers it has reached to across social media platforms is hugely rewarding for me as an artist. We cannot wait to present our film to the audience." Saif, also, expressed his happiness.

"It feels good to know that the teaser of Vikram Vedha is the most liked teaser for a Hindi film till date. We all have put in so much of our love and hard work into making this film, and learning that our audience is as excited as we are to witness the film in theatres is the most positive outcome for me as an actor," he shared. 'Vikram Vedha' is an official Hindi remake of a Tamil film with the same title, which starred R Madhavan and Vijay Sethupathi in the lead roles.

The story of 'Vikram Vedha' is full of twists and turns, as a tough cop Vikram (Saif Ali Khan) sets out to track and chase a dreaded gangster Vedha (Hrithik Roshan). What unfolds is a cat-and-mouse chase, where Vedha - a master storyteller helps Vikram peel back layers through a series of stories leading to thought-provoking moral ambiguities. Helmed by the director duo Pushkar and Gayathri, the film is all set to hit the theatres on September 30, 2022.

Bollywood actor Malaika Arora never fails to catch eyeballs with her amazing looks and the actor, on Tuesday, shared a mirror selfie on social media in which she is seen flaunting her stretch marks.

Taking to her Instagram stories, the 'Dil Se' actor treated fans to a new picture.

In the picture, the Bollywood diva looked gorgeous as she struck a stylish pose while taking a mirror selfie. Malaika was seen wearing a black corset top that she teamed up with grey joggers.

For makeup, she opted for a dewy makeup look. Malaika wore a sleek ponytail to raise the chic quotient of her outfit.

Talking about Malaika, she is very active on social media and gives fans a glimpse



of her daily routine regularly.

Recently, power couple Malaika Arora and Arjun Kapoor grooving to Shah Rukh Khan's iconic track 'Chaiyya Chaiyya' video had gone viral. The couple slayed the dance floor with their energetic moves at designer Kunal Rawal's wedding bash.

Malaika and Arjun have been dating for quite some time now. However, it was not until a couple of years ago that both decided to make their relationship public.

Meanwhile, Malaika, after glamorizing the film industry with her sexy moves is all set to become an author. She will soon write her debut book which is going to be all about nutrition. The actor, who also serves as a judge on the reality show 'India's Best Dancer', will be sharing her wellness tips in the book.



Cricketer Shubhman Gill and actress Sara Ali Khan have become the talk of the town ever since pictures and videos of them having dinner together at a restaurant went viral on social media. A video shared on TikTok, shows a woman saying that she just 'saw Sara at Bastian', followed by a clip and a still of the actress sitting with Shubhman.

In the viral images, both of them could be seen placing their order. While

the actress looked pretty in a pink outfit, the sportstar kept it casual in a white and green shirt. Reacting to Sara and Shubhman's images, a netizen commented, "Watt??? Shubman Gill is dating Sara Ali Khan?"

"New friends in the town?" another one commented. Meanwhile, on the work front, Sara will be seen sharing screen space with Vicky Kaushal in Laxman Utekar's next. She also has 'Gaslight' with Vikrant Massey and

Chitrangada Singh. The film is being directed by Pawan Kriplani who earlier helmed 'Bhoot Police' and is bankrolled by Ramesh Taurani.

On the other hand, Shubhman was praised by everyone last week as he slammed his maiden ODI century in India colours during the 3rd ODI against Zimbabwe at Harare. Shubhman, who made his ODI comeback with the series against the West Indies, was a treat to the eye during his innings comprising 15 fours and a six.

images and videos of a Ganpati idol went viral, where the deity can be seen sitting in a white kurta-pyjama similar to how Arjun wore in the film. The statue also performed Pushpa's signature hand gesture from the film. "#GanpatiBappaMorya.Allu Arjun's 'Pushpa' is creating new heights of stardom for the actor as Lord Ganeshesh idol," a social media user commented. However, there's a section of social media users who did not like the idol makers' creativity.



Kriti Sanon has expressed gratitude as she bagged the Filmfare trophy for Best Actor. On Tuesday, Kriti bagged the Best Actor in a Lead Role (female) award for 'Mimi' at the 67th Filmfare Awards in Mumbai. After receiving the award, Kriti took to Instagram and penned a gratitude note, saying she has fulfilled her dream. "I ain't sleepin alone tonight! Heart is full...#Gratitude. The black lady is finallyyyyy here..Thank you @filmfare for this much needed validation and for making my dream come true," she wrote, adding a video in which she is seen kissing her trophy.

<https://www.instagram.com/p/Ch5reJAUv5r/?hl=en>

In her note, Kriti also thanked director Laxman Utekar for giving her the opportunity to headline 'Mimi', in which she essayed the role of a surrogate mother. "A biggggg thank you to @Dinoo and @laxman.utekar sir.. for giving me this beautiful role and for being my constant supporters.. I love u both! @maddockfilms The entire cast and crew

who made this film beyond special..And the lovely audiences and all my fans for giving Mimi and me so so much love. Mom, dad, Nups.. I did it! Here's to dreaming big.. Goodnight everyone," she added. As soon as Kriti posted the clip, fans chimed in the comment section to congratulate her. "You truly deserve it," a social media user commented. "So sooo proud of you Kriti! I've seen you grow from literally strength to strength as an actor over the last 8 years. You deserve this the most, congratulations," another one wrote. Kriti Sanon made her Bollywood debut with "Heropanti" in 2014, and since then her career has only been on the rise. From the big actioner Dilwale (2015) to slice of life Bareilly Ki Barfi (2017), from quirky comedy Luka Chuppi (2019), to historical drama Panipat (2018) and 'Mimi' (2021), Kriti has enthralled the audience with her versatility over the years. In the upcoming months, she will be seen sharing screen space with Varun Dhawan in 'Bhediya'.

