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Delhi Police files FIRs under UAPA against gangsters Lawrence Bishnoi, Goldie Brar



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NEW DELHI, SEPT 1

Delhi Police has filed two FIRs under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act against numerous infamous gangsters of Delhi and Punjab including Lawrence Bishnoi and Goldie Brar.

Bishnoi and Brar are accused in the Sidhu Moose Wala murder case.

According to the police, the action has been taken on the orders of the Union Ministry of Home Affairs. "The Delhi Police Special Cell has taken this big action against many famous gangsters of two big gangs of Delhi Punjab which have become synonymous with terror and crime. In

which two FIRs have been registered under UAPA against a dozen gangsters of Laresh Vishnoi gang and Bambiha Neeraj Babaniya gang," said the police.

The second FIR has been registered under UAPA on Kushal Chaudhary, Lucky Patiala and other gangsters of the Bambiha gang including Neeraj Babaniya.

Police in Mansa district of Punjab have filed a charge sheet against 34 people in the Sidhu Moose Wala murder case, of which eight are yet to be arrested, as per an official on Friday.

"As of now, 4 people are in foreign countries while 8 people are yet to be arrested. A total of 122 people are there for testimony," said Gaurav Toora, SSP.

Apex Court seeks details of FIRs

NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court on Thursday sought to know details of the number of FIRs filed against gangster Lawrence Bishnoi. A bench of justices Ajay Rastogi and BV Nagarathna asked Punjab Police to prepare a chart containing the number of FIRs lodged against Bishnoi. The court has listed the matter for further hearing on September 13. The court also sought to know in which FIRs he has been in custody since June 13 and the future plan of police relating to Bishnoi. During the hearing, the court remarked that "he (Bishnoi) is supposed to face the consequences if he has done anything wrong but not in such a way." The court was hearing Lawrence Bishnoi's father's plea challenging the transit remand to Punjab police. Earlier the Supreme Court had refused to entertain Punjab BJP leader Jagjit Singh's plea seeking to transfer the investigation in Sidhu Moose Wala's murder case to the CBI. In June, the Patiala House Court of Delhi had allowed Punjab Police to arrest gangster Lawrence Bishnoi in connection with Singer Sidhu Moosewala murder case and also allowed Punjab Police transit application and directed Punjab Police to ensure that the medical examination of accused Lawrence Bishnoi is conducted as per law/rules before leaving Delhi and also before his production before the concerned Court of CJM, Mansa, Punjab.

Sachin Bishnoi and Anmol Bishnoi detained in Azerbaijan and Kenya

CHANDIGARH: MEA spokesperson Arindam Bagchi while answering question related to extradition of Sidhu Moosewala killing accused— Sachin Thapan Bishnoi and Anmol Bishnoi— said both the persons have been detained in Azerbaijan and Kenya and MEA is in contact with the authorities concerned to mull over further legal course that could be adopted. Both the accused had fled India on fake passports before the crime was committed on May 29.

Haryana approves Ordinance to amend Panchayati Raj Act



BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, SEPT 1

With a view to give proportionate representation to the persons belonging to Backward Classes (A) in Panchayati Raj Institutions as per the recommendations of the Haryana Backward Classes Commission, Haryana Cabinet, which met under the Chairmanship of Chief Minister, Sh. Manohar Lal here today has approved the draft Ordinance to amend sections 9, 59 and 120 of the Haryana Panchayati Raj Act 1994. As per the amendment, seats of Panches in every Gram Panchayat shall be reserved for Backward Classes (A) in proportion of one-half of the percentage of their population to the total population of the Sabha area and shall be rounded off to the next higher integer in case the decimal value is 0.5 or more. Minimum one seat of Panch shall be reserved for the Backward Classes (A) if their population is two percent or more of the total population of the Sabha area. Such seats shall be allotted by rotation and by draw of lots among the wards other than that reserved for the Scheduled Castes. Eight percent of the total number of offices of Sarpanch in a Block shall be reserved for the Backward Classes (A) and shall be rounded off to the next higher integer in case the decimal value is 0.5 or more and shall be allotted by rotation and by draw of lots among the three times of the number of the Gram Panchayats proposed for reservation of Backward Classes (A) which are having the largest percentage of population of Backward Classes (A) excluding Gram Panchayats.

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Pb CM asks Milkfed to set up state of art procurement infrastructure in villages

SHASHI PAL JAIN
CHANDIGARH, SEPT 1

In a bid to strengthen cooperative sector in the state, the Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on Thursday directed the Milkfed to set up state of art procurement infrastructure in the villages for collecting and supplying best quality milk.

The Chief Minister, while chairing a review meeting of the Milkfed here, asserted that upgradation of the procurement infrastructure is the need of hour to ensure best quality of milk is collected from villages and then is supplied to consumers after processing. Bhagwant Mann envisioned that Milkfed will usher brand Verka to new horizons, where sole mantra shall be inclusive growth of all. He emphasized that Milkfed must ensure that it covers all the potential villages falling in Punjab and procure the maximum quantity of raw milk from there.



The Chief Minister unequivocally said that the sole aim of his government is to extend maximum support and best prices to the dairy farmers of Punjab by following the true essence of cooperation. He also asserted that farmer friendly schemes should be implemented so as to boost the dairying business amongst the youth so as to make them financially independent and self reliant. Bhagwant Mann also batted for setting in place modern technological interventions so as to ensure that the entire system remains transparent and user friendly.

SpiceJet Nashik-bound flight turns midway to Delhi after 'autopilot' snag

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, SEPT 1

Airline SpiceJet's Boeing-737 on Thursday returned to Delhi after taking off from Indira Gandhi International Airport.

Reportedly, an aircraft VT-SLP of SpiceJet, that took off for Nashik in Maharashtra from New Delhi airport returned after experiencing a malfunction in the flight's autopilot system informed the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) official.

"SpiceJet B737 aircraft VT-SLP, operating flight SG-8363 (Delhi-Nashik) on Thursday was involved in an air turnback due to an autopilot snag," he said.



However, all the passengers including the cabin crew are safe as the flight landed back safely at the airport.

"On September 1, 2022, SpiceJet B737 aircraft scheduled to operate from Delhi to Nashik returned to Delhi after the flight crew experienced a malfunction with the AutoPilot system. The aircraft made a normal landing at Delhi and passengers disembarked normally," said SpiceJet Spokesperson.

Meanwhile, SpiceJet has been going through a highly turbulent phase in recent times on account of several glitches and a non-adherence to mandated guidelines in regard to the training of some pilots.

It all started in April 2022 when the aviation watchdog the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) restrained 90 pilots of the airline from operating Boeing 737 Max aircraft, after finding they were not properly trained. Those pilots were trained on a faulty simulator, and the aviation regulator asked the airline to retrain

the pilots, besides slapping a fine of Rs 10 lakh. Multiple incidents were reported this year when SpiceJet and other carrier's aircraft either turned back to their originating station or continued landing at the destination with degraded safety margins Civil aviation regulator DGCA has recently ordered SpiceJet to operate a maximum of 50 per cent of its flights for eight weeks after several of its planes reported technical malfunctions. Upon having reported repeated snags, civil aviation regulator Director General of Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) Arun Kumar recently told ANI aircraft systems are reasonably robust and do have multiple redundancies.

Punjab registers GST growth of 23 percent during current fiscal year

BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, SEPTEMBER 1

Punjab Finance, Planning, Excise and Taxation Minister Advocate Harpal Singh Cheema on Thursday said that the state has registered a growth of 23 percent in GST Revenue during the current fiscal year as compared to the first five months of FY 2021-22.

In his tweet, the finance minister stated that

the measures taken by the Punjab Government led by Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann have been proved to be fruitful in plugging the leakages and the increase in revenue has been clearly reflecting in the results. The minister also shared the figures for the state-wise growth of GST revenues during the month of August 2022. Punjab registered a 17 percent growth of GST revenue during August and remained ahead of the large states.

Two Committees constituted for smooth work of Medical Devices Park in HP

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, SEPT 1

A spokesperson of the State Government said here today that in order to smoothly implement all the works related to the construction and establishment of the proposed Himachal Medical Devices Park at Nalagarh, district Solan the State Government has constituted two committees under the ambit of HP State Industrial Development Corporation (HPSIDC).

He said that the high level committee was constituted under the chairmanship of Administrative Secretary (Industries). Administrative secretary (Jal Shakti) to the govt. of



H.P. and Administrative Secretary (Power) to the Govt. of HP as its members and Director of Industries has been appointed as its member secretary.

The spokesperson said that other members includes Director, Department of Environment, Science and Technology, Managing Director of HPSIDC, Representative of the Pharmaceutical Department of the Central Government, Director of National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER), Representative of Center for Innovation and Bio-Design (CIBOD), PGIMER. Apart from these, Co-opted members decided by the committee could also be included.

The spokesman further said that this high level committee would be the highest decision-making body on any aspect of the project. It would

take policy and strategic decision in consonance with the DPR approved by the Govt. of India and would be responsible for approving annual budget of the Medical Devices Park (MDP). The committee would act as a link between the SIA and state government for any budget and funding related issues. He further said that apart from this high level committee, an executive committee has also been constituted under the chairmanship of the Director of the Industries Department. Additional Director would be its convener. The Managing Director of HPSIDC, representative of Central Drug Standard Control Organization (CDSCO) Baddi etc.

NIA announces cash reward of Rs 25 Lakh on Dawood Ibrahim

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, SEPT 1

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Thursday declared a cash reward of Rs 25,00,000/- against the fugitive 'Global Terrorist' Dawood Ibrahim and his close associates.

A press note that was released by NIA on August 18, 2022, said Dawood Ibrahim who has been designated as a "Global Terrorist" by the United Nation under United Nations Security Resolution 1267 and also listed under the Fourth Schedule of the UAPA Act, 1967 runs an international terrorist network, namely D-Company.

The press note further stated, "Ibrahim and other associates of him are involved in various terrorism, and criminal activities such as arms smuggling, Narco terrorism, underworld criminal syndicate, money laundering, circulation of Fake Indian Currency Notes (FICN), unauthorized possession and acquisition of key assets for raising terror



funds and is working in active collaboration with the international terrorist organization including Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT), Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) and Al Qaeda (AQ)."

Meanwhile, NIA also named a total of five terrorists on whom cash rewards have been declared by the agency for passing on any kind of information pertaining to the absconding accused leading to their arrest. Which can be shared on the E-mail address; do.nia@gov.in and info.mum.nia@gov.in.

However, for security reasons agency will keep the identity of the informant hidden.

House, 3 shops gutted in Srinagar fire

SRINAGAR: A residential building and three shops were razed in a fire in Srinagar on Thursday. No one was injured, officials said. Fire and Emergency service officials said it broke out in a shop at Barbar-shah area in the city earlier in the day and engulfed two other provisional stores causing extensive damage to properties. Fire tenders from the nearby stations rushed to the spot and doused the flames. The cause of the fire is believed to be due to electric short circuit.

Shivpal Yadav announces formation of new outfit

LUCKNOW: Pragatisheel Samajwadi Party Lohia founder Shivpal Yadav on Thursday announced formation of a new organisation for the Yadav community, and said it will fight for the cause of social justice. Yadav said the organisation -- Yadav Renaissance Mission -- was not for or against any political party. While Shivpal is the patron of the organisation, former MP from Sambhal DP Yadav is its president while writer Vishwatma is founder member of the Mission. "We will soon be constituting the unit of the Mission across the state and country," Shivpal Yadav said at a press conference.

Gold declines Rs 195; silver drops Rs 863

NEW DELHI: Gold price in the national capital declined by Rs 195 to Rs 50,723 per 10 grams on Thursday amid a fall in international precious metal prices, according to HDFC Securities. In the previous trade, the yellow metal had settled at Rs 50,918 per 10 grams. Silver also tumbled by Rs 863 to Rs 52,819 per kg from Rs 53,682 in the previous session. In the international market, gold was quoting lower at USD 1,703 per ounce while silver was flat at USD 17.73 per ounce.

PM to commission Aircraft Carrier IAC Vikrant today

CHENNAI: India will join select group of nations when Prime Minister Narendra Modi will commission the first IAC Vikrant at Kochi tomorrow morning. With the commissioning of the Vikrant, India will join the select group of nations having the niche capability to indigenously design and build an Aircraft Carrier, which will be a real testimony to the Make in India thrust of the Centre. An official release here said September two will mark the historical milestone of realisation of Nation's commitment.

Complaint against Raman Kumar

PRITI RANI SADHAURA: A complaint has been given against Raman Kumar AA, working in Government Veterinary Hospital, Sadhaura, regarding illegal treatment and extortion of money from cattle owners. It has been said in the complaint that one such case has come to light in village Sadhaura of Yamunanagar district of Haryana state in which Raman Kumar, a resident of Asgarpur of Sado- ra area, was found illegally treating animals. Two cases came to light in number 7, in which one case happened with the animals of Pankaj Saini behind the grain market and the other case with the animals of Valmiki Basti Dharamchand in which due to wrong vaccination of Dharamchand's cow by Raman Kumar, it aborted and a wrong injection to the animal caused a fracture in the animal's neck.

When Dr. Kuldeep, who was working on the main post in the Government Veterinary Hospital, was made aware about this, he came to the spot and inspected and informed about Raman Kumar who is not a resident of Asgarpur. Raman Kumar had lied and he was not a doctor but a peon. Then they submitted a memorandum to Dr. Kuldeep against Raman Kumar regarding the fake doctor and illegal or unlawful treatment, for which Dr. Kuldeep assured that the appropriate charges were filed against Raman Kumar. Action will be taken. In this context, an application has also been given in the police station, on which the proceedings are going on.

Jain saints discourse on Savantara on Mahaparva in Ganaur

VINOD KUHAR GANAUR: Savantsari Mahapary was celebrated with great fanfare in SS Jain Sthanak Gannaur. Along with conducting many cultural programs in Jain place on the last day of Samvatsari festival, Jain saints showered the nectar of discourses from their mouthpieces and enthralled all the devotees present. Eminent Jain sage Vikshakshan Muni Maharaj, while giving a message to the people through his discourses, said that there is so much power in a small word of forgiveness that it is able to end the biggest war and dispute, and there is peace in the heart burning with jealousy.

Forgiveness should not be for one day in a year, but daily. Only forgiveness is the beginning and end word of Paryushan, so understanding its importance, generosity should be adopted. Muni Maharaj said that this festival reminds us to be more tolerant, more generous and more compassionate. On this occasion, many sages including Uditram Muni, Prayag Muni, besides S. S. Many devotees including Jain Sabha Ganaur President Sunil Jain, Convenor Shekhar Chand Jain, General Secretary Jagdish Jain, Minister Pintu Jain, Treasurer Balram Jain, Sunil Jain, Gaurav Jain, Rakesh Jain and Suresh Jain were present.

Meeting against increased market fee on paddy

VINOD KUHAR GANAUR: There is anger among the arthiyas against the increase in market fees on paddy in the mandis of Haryana. Meanwhile, in Gohana on January 10, it has been announced to hold a state-level Arthiya conference in protest against the increase in market fees and other anti-adhti decisions. They demanded immediate withdrawal of this decision, citing low market fees in other states. Rajesh, head of the Ganaur Arthiya Association, said that the government is bent on ending the business of the arthiyas. He said that in 2020, the government had reduced the market fee on paddy to 1 per cent. In 2021, the fee was increased to 2.5 per cent. Now the government increased the same fee directly to 4 per cent in 2022. Pradhan said that this fee is very high. Second, the government made that online payment to the farmers should be deposited in their account. The miller does not have enough money to pay so much at once. He said that the government wants to remove the middleman. The decision of the government will have a bad effect on their business. He said that the government should take back other decisions of hike in fees.

Anti-Lumpi vaccines given to 60,000 cows: Dr. Chouhan

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, SEPTEMBER 1

The situation is under control of the Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD) spread in the cattle. Due to this the administration is fully alert to save the animals. Adequate quantities of vaccines have been made available with the state and district administrations. It is a disease caused by a virus which is commonly seen in cattle. It is a contagious disease that can also be transmitted through the bite of fly mosquitoes. This information was given by Dr. Virendra Singh Chouhan, Vice President of Haryana Granth Academy and State Spokesperson of BJP. He was talking to the veterinary doctors Dr. Baljit, Dr. Sanjay and other gausevaks at Shri Krishna Gausghala of Assandh on the measures to prevent the disease.

Dr. Chouhan said that the number of cows infected



with LSD is between 1 to 2 per cent in Karnal district. After Rajasthan, Punjab and Gujarat, now this disease is seen in Haryana as well. The Haryana government became alert as the disease spread. The work of vaccination of animals is going on in the village on a war footing. Apart from this, awareness campaigns are also being conducted. Generally this disease is found only in cattle,

but in some cases it has also been seen in buffaloes. Assandh Sub-Divisional Officer and Veterinary Doctor Baljeet said that there are about 22,000 cows in Assandh division. So far 19,700 doses of LSD vaccine have arrived in the division. He said that from August 20, the work of vaccination of animals has started. So far about 9100 animals have been vaccinated. The areas left out

from this will also be covered within two-three days. Dr. Baljeet informed that according to the government records, 8 cows have died in the sub-division so far, for which other reasons are also being considered responsible.

When lumpi symptoms occur, the animal stops eating and drinking and after that blisters and red rashes appear on their skin. Apart from antiseptic, home remedies are also very effective when the cow becomes infected. There are around 1900 cows in his Gausghala. Other Gausevaks also participated in the discussion and said that the Haryana Government and the general public deserve thanks for their full cooperation in the prevention of infectious diseases. Apart from these, Pritam Sharma, Narendra Sharma, Dr. Ashok, Narendra Rana Rahra and Madhusudan Goyal also participated in this discussion.

Women near Bhakt Singh Chowk irked by alcoholics



VIRENDER JANGRA TARAORI: The people of the city warned the street vendors and the people consuming liquor in front of the liquor contract under the Taraori railway overbridge and said that if such troubles happen in future, then the police and the district administration will catch them and complaints will be made. These people said that due to openly drinking liquor on the street in front of the contract, women and girls passing through have to face problems. Dozens of people from Bhakt Singh Chowk, Dayanagar Basti and Dayaram Colony gathered at Bhakt Singh Chowk and reached the street vendors of eggs and meat sellers directly in front of the contract and they were asked not to stand openly on the street and drink alcohol. Aam Aadmi Party's Gaurav Bakshi, who was present during this, said that the administration should not only remove these street vendors from here but also shift the liquor contract outside the city. Because the sale of liquor in the middle of the city is affecting the youth badly. Mayank Jogi and Bharat Sharma also demanded from the administration that they should get the problems of the people resolved, otherwise people will be forced to take to the road.

Women and child development to give message of nutrition: Baljit Kaur

VINOD DHIMAN JAGADHARI, SEPTEMBER 1

In the month of September, women and child development will make an important contribution regarding nutrition. The message of nutrition will be given to every household, Haryana will play an important role in the mass movement going on across the country to increase the nutrition of women and children. For this, the month of September will be celebrated as Nutrition Month by the Department of Women and Child Development, in which a series of programmes will be organised throughout the month at District, Tehsil and Anganwadi Centre. This time 1.25 lakh houses will be covered by setting up nutrition gardens in five houses under the purview of each Anganwadi centre in district Yamunanagar.

Baljit Kaur, District Program Officer, Women and Child Development Department, Yamunanagar informed that in the past years, serious work has been done in bridging the level of malnutrition among women and children. Haryana's role is better in the pledge taken by Prime Minister Narendra Modi to improve the nutritional level of women and children through the National Nutrition Mission. He said that from September 1, the entire month of nutrition would be organised in the district, in the series of programs of nutrition month, nutrition anthem, nutrition oath would be organized at the district level on September 1. Awareness of breastfeeding and additional nutrients under Khelo and Padho campaign, organising seminar under Healthy Mother-Healthy Child campaign, awareness campaign on personal hygiene among women, Green Haryana campaign will be run under five formulas of nutrition.

HARYANA

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16 IAS officers shifted in state

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, SEPT 1

Haryana Government has issued transfer and posting orders of 16 IAS officers with immediate effect.

Varinder Singh Kundu has been posted as Additional Chief Secretary and Financial Commissioner, Revenue and Disaster Management and Consolidation Departments.

Sudhir Rajpal has been posted as Additional Chief Secretary, Printing and Stationery Department, Chief Executive Officer, Gurugram Metropolitan Development Authority, Gurugram and Chief Executive Officer, Faridabad Metropolitan Development Authority, Faridabad.

G. Anupama has been given additional charge of Additional Chief Secretary, Medical Education and Research Department.

Apoorva Kumar Singh has been posted as Additional Chief Secretary, Public Health Engineering Department, Additional Chief Secretary, Mines and Geology Department and

Advisor, Haryana Saraswati Heritage Board.

V. Umashankar has been posted as Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Haryana, Principal Secretary, Citizen Resources Information Department, Administrative Secretary Incharge of CM Window, Principal Secretary, Power Department and Principal Secretary, New and Renewable Energy Department.

Anurag Agarwa has been posted as Chief Electoral Officer, Haryana and Principal Secretary, Elections Department and Principal Secretary, Information, Public Relations and Languages Department.

Vijayendra Kumar has been given additional charge of Principal Secretary, Sainik and Ardh Sainik Welfare Department.

Rajeev Ranjan has been posted as Commissioner and Secretary, Social Justice and Empowerment Department, Commissioner and Secretary, Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes Department and Resident Commissioner, Haryana

Bhawan, New Delhi.

Pankaj Agarwal has been posted as Commissioner and Secretary, Employment Department, Commissioner and Secretary, Skill Development and Industrial Training Department and Member Secretary, Kurukshetra Development Board.

T.L. Satyaprakash has been given additional charge of Managing Director, Haryana International Horticultural Marketing Corporation, Ganaur.

Vinay Singh has been posted as Secretary, Home-I Department and Secretary, Finance Department.

Prabhjot Singh has been given additional charge of Chief Executive Officer, Ayushman Bharat Haryana Health Protection Authority.

Mukul Kumar has been given additional charge of Director and Special Secretary, Hospitality Department.

Dr. Shaleen has been posted as Registrar, Cooperative Societies, Haryana and Managing Director, Haryana State Warehousing Corporation Ltd.

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, SEPT 1

Former Speaker of Haryana Legislative Assembly Kuldeep Sharma has said that Haryana's participation will be number one in the Halla Bol rally organised by All India Congress Committee on September 4 at Ram Leela Maidan in Delhi against corruption. He said that this rally will be the biggest rally ever against the BJP government. He said that this rally against corruption will prove to be the last nail in the coffin of the BJP government. He was speaking in the workers meeting organized by the District Congress in Karnal Manav Seva Sangh. In the meeting, district in-charge

and former MLA Lahiri Singh said that Congress workers should gear up for the next struggle. He said that those workers who support the par-



ty in the struggle will get further participation.

On this occasion, the All India Congress Committee discussed the strategy to make the Halla Bol rally organised on 4th September at Ramlila Maidan in Delhi a success. On this occasion, the duty of the workers was imposed. Every-

one resolved to take more and more workers to make the rally a success. The meeting was coordinated by District Convenor, Trilochan Singh. Former MLA Narendra Sangwan, Rakesh Kamboj, Anil Rana, Raghuveer Sandhu, Krishna Bastada Pappu Lath R, Rajesh Vaidya, Hari Ram Samba District Head, Usha Tuli, Female Leader Rani Kamboj, Ashok Khurana, Dharam Pal Kaushik, Nahar Sandhu, Ran Pal Sandhu, Jyendra Chauhan Lalit Butana, Congress leader Rajendra Balla, Satpal Jani, Bhupendra Lather, Daya Prakash, Rohit Joshi, Lali Dabari, Baljit Sharma, Karm Singh Khanpur, Karm Chand Chochda, Arjun Rode, Vinod Sharma, Sukhwinder Singh, Ved Prakash Tripathi etc.

CSNA Children Theatre Festival 'Rang Chetna' concluded



SD SHARMA CHANDIGARH, SEPT 1 : With a view to catch them young, instill and sharpen their aesthetic senses the Chandigarh Sangeet Natak Akademi led by Atul Sharma and Balkar Singh organized a three day programme of 12 theatre plays 'Prema ke Rang Bachon ke sang- Rang Chetna' which concluded at the Tagore theatre. Students from the city government schools and NGO's staged four plays each day, at Tagore Theatre, Sector 18, as part of Prema ke Rang Bachchon ke Sang Chandigarh Sangeet Natak Akademi organised theatre workshops Rang Chetna for the budding artistes and provided accomplished theatre exponents as facilitators for the students. On Day-3 the students of GMSSS- 38 West staged natak 'Rang Birange' directed by accomplished theatre artiste Vijay Machal. The play portrayed the day to day problems faced by the children, their dreams and aspirations. Students of Vijay Public Smart School, Sector 17, Panchkula, staged Hindi Play 'Khel Khel Mein' under the direction of Yogesh Arora. The 28 min play which conveys a message to the youth to stay away from drugs. The next presentation was Hindi Play Tamasha by the students of Bhawan Chetna Vidyalaya, Sector 15, Panchkula. The play 'The Fish' written by Anton Chekhov revolves around a boy who does not know how to swim.

Sub-division of plots under some schemes given nod: Karnal MC boss

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, SEPT 1

Karnal Municipal Corporation Commissioner Ajay Singh Tomar, quoting an order issued by the Director, Urban Local Bodies Department, Haryana, said that the government under the Haryana Municipal Act, 1973 and Section 398 of the Haryana Municipal Corporation Act, 1994, Town Planning Scheme, Rehabilitation Scheme and Improvement, has prepared a policy to pass maps after sub-division of the plots located in the municipal area. Under the policy, the people who were allotted different types of plots in the above area and their ownership remains in the name of the same person, it will be possible to divide such plots into parts and their maps will be approved as per the rules. He said that the pol-



icy was notified on July 22, 2022, which will remain in force for the next 6 months.

The Corporation Commissioner further informed that the actual allotted plots have been unauthorisedly divided into various parts in view of the demand for houses due to population density. In view of this, people are demanding that such unauthorised plots be regularized. He said that only those plots allotted under the scheme be-

fore 1980 will be regularized under this policy.

The plot to be sub-divided should be 200 sq. yards or more and plots less than 100 sq. yards shall not be sub-divided. Sub-divided plots should be adjacent to the road in the actual layout and as per the guidelines of the Haryana Building Code, such plots should also have provision for parking.

He said that the applicant will have to apply to the Municipal Corporation Commissioner in the prescribed format. Form-A is prescribed for fresh or recent sub-division plots, while Form-B is authorized for already existing sub-division plots. In these forms, the applicant has to attach the document of allotment letter or sale deed or transfer deed. Similarly, an affidavit signed by the First Class Magistrate will also have to be given.

Subhash Chandra of Swachh Bharat Mission inspects Ghogharipur village



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL: Executive Vice Chairman of Swachh Bharat Mission Haryana, Subhash Chandra reached Ghogharipur village of the district on Thursday, where he took stock of the village's government school, ponds, streets and drains along with sanitation and drinking water facilities. Subhash Chandra first took stock of the arrangements in the Government Senior Secondary School of the village. He interacted with the teachers and students regarding the cleanliness system, toilets, mid-day meal and education system here. The teachers informed him about the shortage of staff in the school and asked to make arrangements. He said that only seven teachers were left here after the recent transfers. Teacher Renu said that the lack of staff in the school is affecting the education of the students. Subhash Chandra spoke to the District Education Officer on the spot and asked him to arrange for additional staff in the school soon. After this, he inspected the streets and pond of the village along with the panchayat officials. Here, seeing the condition of overflow in the pond due to illegal encroachments around the pond, he directed the Block Panchayat and Development Officer to make its estimate and vacate the illegal encroachments within a week.

Three bodies found floating in the canal



MAINPAL KASHYAP INDRI : Three dead bodies were found floating in the Western Yamuna canal creating a sensation in the area. Passers-by saw the dead bodies floating in P Western Yamuna canal, which was reported to the police. As soon as the police team reached the spot, they called diver Pragat Singh's team to the spot. Pragat Singh's team of divers pulled out the three dead bodies with the help of ropes. The identity of the three bodies will be known only after investigation.

Diver Pragat Singh said that information was received that two dead bodies are floating on the Indri West Yamuna canal from Jaipur side. One of the bodies got stuck in the supporting pillars of the bridge while second got entangled in the river side bushes while third was seen coming from the Jaipur side. After great efforts, the team managed to retrieve the bodies. Indri police station in-charge Vinod Kumar said that he had received information that three bodies were floating in the canal. As soon as we got the information, we reached the spot and with the help of divers, the three bodies were taken out, he added. It will be known only after the investigation about the identification of the three bodies, he said.

Partha Lather's bid to increase greenery

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL:

As part of environmental protection efforts, student Partha Lather, a resident of village Nagla Rodan, is engaged in taking care of the saplings planted during the rainy season so that they can become adult trees.



In the area of Indri and kunjura of Karnal district, he did weeding and irrigation of the saplings planted near Indri escape drain on September 01, 2022. Along with this, the owners and villagers of the fields adjacent to the drain were motivated to protect the plants. Partha Lather told the villagers that with the inspiration of Dr. SK Kakaralia, former scientist of Climate Change Agriculture and Food Security Project of International Maize and Wheat Improvement Centre, Mexico, they are striving towards environmental protection. The total geographical area of India is about 328.73 million hectares. At least 33 per cent of the area should be covered by forests for environmental balance. Whereas in India only about 22 per cent of the total geographical area is forest area. Much effort will have to be made to bridge this gap. Protect the plants planted in the past and continue to plant from time to time in future also. Farmers should plant orchards in 33 per cent of their total agricultural land.

Block Agriculture Officer holds meeting on not burning crop residue

MAINPAL KASHYAP INDRI, SEPTEMBER 1

According to the guidelines of Deputy Commissioner Anish Yadav, under the guidance of Deputy Director of Agriculture, Dr. Aditya Pratap Dabas, Block Agriculture Officer Dr. Ashwani Kumar held a meeting of agricultural officers and employees regarding not burning crop residues in his office. In the day meeting, detailed information was given about the guidelines given by the Deputy Commissioner.

Block Agriculture Officer Dr. Ashwani Kumar said in the meeting that there is a complete ban on burning of crop residue by the government. Therefore, all the officers and employees should make the farmers aware about not burning crop residues. He said that burning of crop residue reduces the



fertility of the field, which directly affects our yield and also pollutes our environment. Crops also produce more diseases, due to which our cost increases more. He said that the Haryana Government is giving subsidies on machines for crop residue management. He called upon the farmers not to burn the crop residue left after harvesting, but to increase the fertility of the land by mixing it in the soil.

Dr. Ashwani Kumar re-

quested all the farmers that as soon as the farmer harvests the paddy in his field, then by not burning the remains of the paddy, the concerned agriculture officers and employees with the help of the concerned Patwari, Village Secretary etc. get stubble bundles made free of cost from the stubble making machines. Therefore, if the farmer burns the crop residue, then action will be taken against him as per rules.

NEWS AT A
GLANCE

10 percent discount to be available on depositing property tax by Sept 30

DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR: Deputy Commissioner-cum-Commissioner Municipal Corporation Mr. Sandeep Hans said that according to the instructions of the Punjab Government, a 10 percent discount is being given on depositing the property tax due for the year 2022-23 by September 30, 2022. He appealed to the residents of the city to deposit their due property tax by September 30 and get the benefit of 10 percent discount for the current year. He said that this tax can be deposited at the counter established at the Municipal Corporation and also at the online M Seva portal.

Prof. Jatinder Gill takes over as principal of Govt College Rupnagar

BAHADURJEET SINGH
RUPNAGAR: Prof. Jatinder Singh Gill has taken over as Principal at Government College Rupnagar on Thursday. Vice

Principal Dr. Harjas Kaur congratulated him on assuming the office and welcomed him with bouquets from all the staff. Non-teaching staff and students also gave him a warm welcome. He was given a guard of honor by the NCC cadets under the leadership of Prof Ravneet Kaur. The Principal, Jatinder Singh Gill has been a student of this college and has served as an Associate Professor in the Department of Physics. He has 31 years of experience in the field of teaching and also has significant experience and expertise in co-curricular activities. Before this, he was a principal of S. Dilbagh Singh Government College, Jadia. At the time of assuming office, Prof. Jitinder Singh Gill said that he will make every possible effort for the betterment of the college and will always strive for the all-round development of the students. On this occasion, he was emotional and said that his father, S. Harbans Singh Gill and many of his family members have been students of this college. Due to which they are emotionally attached to this institution and it becomes their responsibility to work for the betterment of the college.

Govt should stop giving trouble to employees under guise of dept test: Narinder Ajnoha



DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR: An important meeting of the teachers of Block Kot Fatuhi was held under the leadership of Old Pension Restoration Struggle Committee Block Convener Narinder Ajnoha and Finance Secretary Harmanoj Bhatti. In the meeting, the Punjab government employees expressed their protest against the imposition of departmental test condition on the officers and employees promoted after 2018. Narinder Ajnoha said that the Punjab government is giving trouble to the employees under the guise of departmental test doing instead of accepting the legitimate demands of the employees, the Punjab government is showing its anti-employee attitude by issuing such letters to its officials.

4-day tournament under Khedan Watan Punjab Diya Khed Mela starts at Manawala Sports Stadium

KULJIT SINGH
JANDIALA GURU, SEPT 1

The Block level 4-day tournament organized by Punjab Government under Khedan Punjab Diya Punjab Khed Mela started at Manwala Khel Stadium.

Mananwala Kanan Sarpanch Sukhraj Singh Randhawa informed that in these games, sports are being organized in different age categories at block level, district level and state level. War, football and athletics matches are being organized. He said that through this our children will brighten the name of parents and country in future by getting away from drugs and joining sports. On this occasion



Jaipal Dhillon Block Committee member, Sukhjinder Singh Randhawa former chairman, Iqbal Singh Wadali, Balwinder Singh, Baldev Singh Contractor, Sarabjit Kaur, Manjit Kaur, Mukhtar Singh, Charanjit Singh, Baldev Singh, Panichayat member, Niranjan Singh Gurpreet Singh Gopi, Shinda Singh Former Sarpanch, Avatar Singh Sukhdev Singh Jand, Vikramjit Singh, Jatinder

Singh, Satnam Singh, Sandeep Singh Dharad, Baljit Singh, Coach from Sports Department, Karmjit Singh, Neetu, Kabaddi Coach, Kulwinder Singh, Ranjit Singh, Sukhjinder Kaur from Education Department, Sukhbir Kaur, all PTI teachers, Baljinder Singh, Kulwinder Kaur, Rajwinder Kaur, Sarabjit Kaur, Jatinder Kaur Lecturer, Bhagwant Kaur Lecturer were present.

Aman Arora kick starts 'Khedan Watan Punjab Diyan'

SUMER GARG
CHANDIGARH/SANGRUR, SEPT 1

Punjab Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Mann has taken the noble initiative through 'Khedan Watan Punjab Diyan' to promote sports culture in every section of society in the state which was neglected by the previous regimes for the past several decades, expressed Mr Aman Arora, Minister for Information and Public Relations, New & Renewable Energy Sources and Housing & Urban Development, after inaugurating a function organized for grand opening of 'Khedan Watan Punjab Diyan' at block level from War Heroes Stadium in Sangrur.

On this occasion, the Cabinet Minister along with MLA Narinder Kaur Bharaj, Deputy Commissioner Jitendra Jorwal, SSP Mandeep Singh Sidhu and other administrative and police officials also encouraged the sports persons by participating in the 200 meter exhibition race. Padma Shri awardee Sunita Rani, Arjuna awardee Geeta Rani and State Awardee Maha Singh also participated



in the opening ceremony and encouraged the players. While addressing the sports persons and residents of Sangrur during the event, Mr Aman Arora said that these games, which will last for about 2 months, to be organised from block level sports competitions to the state level event and Punjab government will also give prizes worth Rs.6 crore to the winners. He said that these games include traditional games of Punjab as well as the games played at the international level. With the help of these games, Punjab will get a new boost in the field of

sports as the players will get an opportunity to hone their sporting skills. He said that after two months, when this sports extravaganza will end, there will definitely be a new enthusiasm and passion among the players, with which a large number of players from the state will record unique achievements at the national and international levels in future. Aman Arora said that Sangrur district has done its best in every field and he was sure that the players of the district will be the foremost in the 'Khedan Watan Punjab Diyan' too.

Students bring laurels to Sanmati School



JAGRAON (SUKH NAHAR): The students of Sanmati Vimal Jain senior secondary school performed excellently in zonal level volleyball and football games and brought laurels to the school. School director Shashi Jain and principal Supriya Khurana telling more about this, said that Punjab School education board organized zonal level sports tournaments and students of Sanmati School gave an amazing performance in the tournament. "The under-19 football team secured first position while volleyball team secured second position also, school's students including Jaskaran Singh, Gurmeet Singh, Nitin Sharma, Pawanjot Singh, Kabir Singh Rohit Bhatia, Amanveer Singh, Gurmeet Singh, Harpreet Singh, Gurjot Singh, Pawanjot Singh have been selected for district level games in various sports. School management and principal congratulated the students on this achievement and encouraged them to continue working hard to achieve their goals.

Teachers union seeks removal of 2-year ban on transfers

RAKESH JINDAL
NABHA, SEPT 1

The chairman of the Punjab Teachers' Association, Tejinder Singh Sanghedi, state president Gurjant Singh Walia, state chief advisor Pishaura Singh Dhalwal have strongly demanded to remove the two-year ban on the transfers in the new policy made by the Punjab government regarding the transfer of teachers.



Senior Vice President Baljit Singh Dharonki, Jagdev Singh Baura and Amar Singh Fatehpur Rajputa said that the leaders of various teacher organizations had already given suggestions to the Minister of Education regarding required changes in the transfer policy of teachers. The leaders of Teachers Association Punjab expressed the hope that Education Minister Harjot Singh Bains will definitely remove the two-year stay moratorium in the interest of the teachers by accepting the suggestions of the organizations.

Harinder Singh Sohi, Sukhwinderjit Singh, Rahal Jagtar Singh Tiwana, Praveen Kumar, Gurpreet Singh Dhillon, Jaspal Singh Shergill, Gurpreet Singh Tiwana, Dharamjit Bawa, Amrik Singh Sudhewal, Kulwant Singh Dhakrabha, Tarsem Singh Teja, Ashok Kumar, Jaswinder Singh Sandhu, Bhajan Singh Khaira, Bhupinder Singh Bholu and Krishna Lal were also present.

Bhullar constitutes teams to check fuel pilferage from buses

CHANDIGARH, SEPT 1

In order to stop pilferage of fuel from government buses, Transport Minister Laljit Singh Bhullar, on Thursday, formed state and depot level teams, to conduct continuous raids in the state. While state-level three teams have been asked to report directly to the Transport Minister, Depot level teams will report to concerned general/depot managers.

Giving further details, Laljit Singh Bhullar said, "In various meetings, I had sought cooperation from the officials, drivers and conductors to stop the fuel pilferage, but reports of fuel pilferage are being received despite this all." The Transport Minister said that the state level

checking teams have been asked to conduct raids anywhere and anytime and to report directly to him. Similarly, during their 8-hour rotation duty in a day, all three teams at the depot level will keep a strict vigil to catch fuel theft from the buses coming and going and staying at night at the respective bus stand and workshop and will report to the concerned General Manager/Depot Manager.

"All the General Managers/Depot Managers have already been given written instructions to form 3 teams each of inspectors and sub-inspectors at the depot level", said the Cabinet Minister, while adding that General Manager/Depot Manager will ensure to furnish report of depot level teams to the head of-

Old-age homes to come up in 10 districts: Dr. Baljit Kaur

CHANDIGARH: Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann led Punjab government is making continuous efforts for betterment of elderly people in the state. Government has proposal to open old age homes in 10 districts. Giving information in this regard, The minister of social security, women and child development Dr. Baljit Kaur said that old age homes to come up in Bathinda, Fatehgarh Sahib, Jalandhar, Kapurthala, Patiala, Tarn Taran, Gurdaspur, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, S.A.S. Nagar and Malerkotla districts.

She said that the state government has noticed that old age homes are much needed according to present scenario. So, there is proposal to build 10 old age homes in various districts. Government has also planned to run these old age homes through NGOs, trusts and red cross societies by giving them financial assistance. These old age homes will have the capacity to take care of 25 elderly to 150 elderly people. Department is taking swift action regarding this, Minister added.

283 citizen services approved for digital signature certificates: Meet Hayer

GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, SEPT 1

In line with the commitment of Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann to provide hassle free and transparent services to citizens, the Governance Reforms Department has approved 283 services for which certificates with digital signatures will be issued.

Applicants will now be able to receive these certificates with signatures directly from Sewa Kendras on WhatsApp or email.

Governance Reforms Minister Gurmeet Singh Meet Hayer gave this information in a press statement issued after a meeting held to review the functioning of the department today. While digitizing the delivery of 283 services, a regular notification has also been issued by the department in this regard.

These services include Caste Certificate, Birth and Death Certificate, Residence



Certificate, Old Age Pension, Marriage Services, Arms Renewal, General Caste Certificate, Non Encumbrance Certificate, Backward Area Certificate and other services which are most needed by people in their daily life.

Cabinet Minister further said that earlier people had queue up at Sewa Kendras when they needed these certificates. Every time one had to go to the service center and get the certificate signed with the hologram.

According to the instructions given by the Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann to end the hassle of the people, now after applying once for these 283

services certificate, the applicant will get the certificate with digital signatures sitting at home through WhatsApp or email and they can make copies of it according to their needs. Apart from this, 93 services can be applied online at home without the need to visit the service center. The Governance Reforms Minister reviewed the pending cases in the service centers and assessed them district wise and asked for their immediate disposal of pending files. He also asked Deputy Commissioners of all the districts to continuously monitor the Sewa Kendras functioning and get feedback from the people.

Heartfelt retirement party for Captain Naresh Verma



JAGRAON (SUKH NAHAR): The management and staff of RK senior secondary school bid farewell to principal Captain Naresh Verma on his retirement in a program held in honor of the highly respected personality of the area in the presence of his wife and other family members. Various spokespersons in their respective addresses, highlighted his achievements in 36 years long career and commended him for his honesty, dedication and truthfulness. He attained his school education from RK school itself and the higher education from DAV college and won several awards in his academic years and later became a teacher and then principal in RK school itself. "Verma has been constantly helping needy people for years now and has been an inspirational teacher for the students besides being one of the most respected persons in the city," they said. Verma has been hosting 26th January and 15th August programs of Jagraon for consecutive 33 years as the administration urges him to continue conducting the stage even after retirement. SDM Vikas Hira, Tehsildar Manmohan Kaushik, SSP Jalandhar Surinder Kumar, former MLA Bhag Singh Malah, Kanwaljeet Singh Mallah, Adv Naveen Gupta, Jatinder Bansal, Jatinderpal Singh Rana, Gulshan Arora, principal Mohan Lal Goyal, entire team of Lok Seva society.

Ganesh Chaturthi celebrated with gaiety



RAJ SADOSH
ABOHAR, SEPT 1

Ganesh Chaturthi was celebrated with gaiety at Tania University. Idol installation and ritualistic worship was performed.

Vice Chairman Dr. Mohit Tania, Ameesha Tania, Executive Director KS Sukhdev attended the special ritual organized at Ayurveda College. Principal Dr. Subhash Upadhyay, university staff and students were present.

The Ganesh Mahotsav for the first year MBBS students of Tania Medical College, Hospital and Research Center will continue till September 4. On the first day, they displayed their faith by dancing to the bhajans in the university campus.

DLSA organises medical camp at Cental Jail, 419 Jail inmates examined



PAWAN KALIA
KAPURTHALA, SEPT 1

As per guidelines of Punjab State Legal Service Authority and District & Session Judge cum Chairman, District Legal Service Authority (DLSA), Kapurthala Shri Amrendar Singh Grewal a monthly medical camp was organized a monthly medical camp on today by DLSA, Kapurthala at central Jail, Kapurthala with the assistance of Jail administration and health department under the leadership of CJM

cum Secretary, DLSA, Kapurthala Ms. Amandeep Kaur Chahal. As many as 419 jail inmates are examined by a team of specialized doctors including Dr. Parminder Kaur (Gynaecologist), Dr. Amrendar Singh (MO), Dr. Tushar (ortho), Dr. Avani Singla (Eye Specialist), Dr. Harpreet Momi (Child Specialist), Dr. Taranjit Kaur (Psychiatrist). On this occasion CJM cum Secretary DLSA, Kapurthala Mrs. Amandeep Kaur Chahal inspected the camp.

Rendezvous with Author Khushwant Singh at Modi College



RAWEL SINGH BHINDER
PATIALA, SEPT 1

The literary Society 'Arcadia' of Multani Mal Modi College, Patiala in collaboration with Book Lovers' Retreat Club, Patiala today organized a rendezvous with Author Khushwant Singh, State Information Commissioner, Punjab to discuss the thematic concerns of his novel, 'The Opium Toffee' and to reiterate the necessity of fictionalizing the turbulent times. It was focused at en-

lightening the students with the contemporary literary writings in English language and their impact on our society. College Principal Dr. Khushwant Kumar welcomed the speaker and said that it is important to develop reading culture among youth because literature is both the mirror and medium to reflect the realities, tragedies and truth of any society.

This programme was co-ordinated by Dr. Harleen Kaur, Assistant Professor, Department of English.

District level edu competition dedicated to 75th anniversary of independence concludes

VERMA
GURDASPUR, SEPT 1

District level educational competition dedicated to them 75th anniversary of independence was successfully completed. Giving information in this regard, Nodal Officer Educational Competition Deputy DEO.

Lakhwinder Singh and Assistant Nodal Officer Parminder Singh Saini, District Guidance Counselor informed that district level competitions were organized in the local government model school under the leadership of District Education Officer, Secondary Harpal Singh Sandhawalia from August 29 to September 1. In which the winning stu-



dents participated in the educational competition organized at the block level. They said that on August 29, speech, essay writing and painting competition was held on the first day of the middle and secondary wing, on August 30, song, poetry and poster competition in the secondary and secondary wing, on August 31, slogan, beautiful writing and collage competition in the middle and secondary wing, Choreogra-

phy competitions were organized for the middle and secondary wings on 1st September. Gurmeet Singh Bajwa, Mukesh Kumar, Satbir Bawa, Madam Neeta Bhatia, Madam Vandana, Jasbir Singh Samra played the role of judges in these district level competitions. Choreography of Government Girls Senior Secondary School camp Batala secured first position in middle and secondary level.

Father-son and father-daughter also applied for Congress ticket from Kutlahar area

JOGINDER DEV ARYA
BANGANA: More than one and a half dozen candidates have applied for Congress ticket from Kutlahar area. Candidates applying offline and online include one father son and father daughter. According to the information received, father and daughter include father Arun Patial and daughter Dr Pratibha, while father son includes father Kutlahar Congress secretary Desraj Gautam and son youth Congress leader Shobhit Gautam. Apart from this, among the ticket fans of Congress. Zilla Parishad member from Dhuma ward Satya Devi, Kutlahar Congress President Vivek Sharma, State Congress Secretary Devendra Bhutti, National Farmer Leader Deshraj Modgil, Congress Seva Dal leader Vijay Dogra, Youth Congress leader Munish Bains, Advocate Munish Sharma, Urmila, Surendra are also aspirants for ticket.

Major Dhyam Chand's birth anniversary celebrated by YSP team at Gagret

UNA: On the special occasion of National Sports Day and the birth anniversary of hockey magician Major Dhyam Chand, Councilor Chaitanya Sharma and his organization Yuva Shakti Parakram in Gagret assembly took a unique initiative to increase awareness about sports among the youth in the area. He honored 300 youths of Gagret with sports kits. In future, these youths will illuminate the name of our state and country. In fact, Chaitanya Sharma and his organization are making every effort to connect the youth with sports in their area. Earlier, he had awarded sports kits to junior women hockey players. Yuva Shakti Parakram Sanstha has been helping youth in every field in every Gagret. Similarly, sports are also being promoted by the organization. A few days back, YSP organized Gageathon 2022, in which youth of the area actively participated. Chaitanya Sharma believes that sports is the biggest medium among the youth to bring laurels to the country.



HIMACHAL/JK

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2022

Effective steps taken for ensuring upliftment of weaker sections: CM

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, SEP 1

Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur said that the State Government was sensitive towards the poor and weaker sections of the society and effective steps have been taken for the upliftment of these sections. He was presiding over the concluding session of one day seminar on "The Role of SC Commission in Solution of Schedule Castes issues after 75 years of Independence", organized by the Himachal Pradesh State Commission for Scheduled Castes here.

Chief Minister said that the population of scheduled castes in the state was around 25.19 percent as per the 2011 census and holistic development of the state could be possible only when there was all-round and balanced development of all the communities and areas.

He said that the State Government had always given top priority to fulfill the basic needs like livelihood and housing of all the communities and had ensured that everyone gets better and equal opportunities for education, health and development.

Jai Ram Thakur said that the State Government had been implementing the Scheduled Castes Development Program



with an objective of accelerating the economic and social development of the Scheduled Castes. He said that a budget provision of Rs. 2400.12 crore had been made under the Scheduled Castes Sub-Plan and Rs. 148 Lakh had been made under Follow up Programme to achieve the target of 8244 beneficiaries in this financial year. Total 20399 people have benefited under this scheme since the year 2018. Chief Minister said that the state government has increased the budget allocation for the empowerment of Scheduled Castes, Other Backward Classes, Minorities and Specially abled, by 113 percent in the last four years. As

compared to the budget amount of Rs.537.06 crore allocated in the financial year 2017-18, a provision of Rs. 1145.21 crore has been made this year, added the Chief Minister. He said that a budget provision of Rs. 75.00 had been made this year for the construction of houses under the Swarna Jayanti Ashray Yojana, to achieve the target of construction of 5000 houses and a provision of Rs. 310 lakh for Inter Caste Marriage Scheme. Jai Ram Thakur said that 348 villages were also selected in 2018-19 under Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojna phase-2, besides this, 213 villages under Gram Vikas Yojna. So far 167 villages have been declared as Adarsh Grams under Phase II.

He said that 'Mukhyamantri Adarsh Gram Yojana' was being implemented on the lines of Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana, under which Rs. 96.26 crore has been released so far, which has benefitted about 700 villages. Chief Minister said that various scholarship schemes were being implemented for providing scholarship to students of SC communities at school and college level. Jai Ram Thakur said that people of all communities and castes in Himachal Pradesh were contributing towards the all-round development of the state. The provisions of various Acts are being implemented effectively to provide social justice to the Scheduled Caste community. He said that due to concerted efforts of the State Government, there has been an unprecedented change in the attitude of the society.

The Chief Minister also released the book Safarnama written by Dr. Karam Chand on the occasion.

Earlier, Chairman Himachal Pradesh State Scheduled Castes Commission and former MP Virender Kashyap welcomed the Chief Minister and detailed about the activities of Commission and deliberations held in the four sessions of the seminar.

Gradual hunger strike started for restoration of old pension



SANJAY AGGARWAL DHARAMSHALA, SEP 1

On the appeal of the New Pension Scheme Employees Federation of Himachal Pradesh for a gradual fast in all the four Lok Sabha seats of Himachal Pradesh, the employees of Kangra Chamba started a gradual fast at the district headquarters Dharamsala on Thursday. They have raised the demand of the government that till their pension is not restored, their agitation will continue on the same lines. At the same time, after the Lok Sabha, he has now warned of agitation at the assembly and panchayat level also. The union has made a loud demand for restoration of old pension for one lakh 35 thousand personnel in the state. Kangra district head Rajinder Manhas and Chamba district head Sunil Jaryal informed that employees of 20 assembly constituencies of Kangra Chamba will participate

in this hunger strike. Both the district heads said that every employee would sit on this gradual fast for 24 hours. On this occasion, State Senior Vice President Saurabh Vaidhi and State Vice President Ajay Rana said that the government is continuously weeping the Center on the restoration of pension, while the restoration of pension is completely under the jurisdiction of the state government, even today the old pension is flowing in Best Bengal. With this, District General Secretary Anish Dhiman and District Senior Vice President Santosh Parashar said that if the government's sleep is still not broken, then this fast will be started in every Vidhan Sabha. Rajinder Manhas, Saurabh Vaidya, Sunil Jaryal, Vyas Dev sat on fast today. Starting this gradual fast, the district heads said that the employees of Banikhet would take part in this hunger strike for the next two days.

M3M Foundation's Empower Academy for Skills launched

SANJAY AGGARWAL DHARAMSHALA, SEP 1

M3M Foundation has partnered with CII and MCM Trust to launch Empower Academy for Skills in Dharamsala. Over a period of next three years, this project will provide employment and livelihood opportunities to the youth of Dharamsala all over India as well as in other parts of the world. The academy was inaugurated by MP Kishan Kapoor. Speaking on the occasion, Kishan Kapoor said that the establishment of Empower Academy by M3M Foundation and CII is a welcome initiative that will empower the youth of Dharamsala with an industry based curriculum backed by state-of-the-art faculty and established laboratories. He said that with the opening of



M3M's Empower Academy in Dharamsala, local youth would get better employment opportunities in industries. He said that the Academy would play its role well in realizing the dream of the Prime Minister for skill development. Dr. Payal Kanodia, Trustee, M3M Foundation said that the partnership with CII will bring industry expertise to the

training and local support from MCM Trust will ensure community participation in the program and we are happy to be a part of this initiative. Dr. Aishwarya Mahajan, President, M3M Foundation said that this project will train 700 youth in Himachal Pradesh in the next 3 years. These youths will be trained as sewing and assistant electricians. The program will

be carried out in laboratories established by Schneider and Singer with the best industry standards. The curriculum used for imparting training to these youth is also designed as per the latest industry standards keeping in mind the existing industry and employer requirements. He also mentioned that this is the fourth state where this academy has been started. Haryana, Uttar Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir are the other three states where academies are established. Vivek Mahajan, Managing Trustee, MCM Trust said that there is tremendous enthusiasm among the youth for these skill training programs and more than 100 seats have already been filled and we look forward to many more initiatives with CII and M3M Foundation in the near future.

Congress forming government in dreams: Rakesh Sharma

SANJAY AGGARWAL DHARAMSHALA, SEP 1

Himachal Pradesh BJP's media in-charge Rakesh Sharma has taken a jibe at the leaders of the Congress party and said that those people who have guarantee for themselves are given the guarantee, but what guarantee will the Congress which does not have its own guarantee give to the public. He said that the era of Congress party's government formation has already ended and whatever tactics the leaders of the Congress party adopt, neither they are going to form the government of the Congress in the state nor are they going to run among the



people. Rakesh Sharma said that once again there is a wave in favor of BJP in the 2022 Vidhan Sabha elections and it is certain that the mission of BJP's Jai Ram Sarkar is going to be repeated. He said that today the challenge remains before the Congress to save the disintegrating families.

Congress needs surgery. Congress party is living in illusion. He said that Congress MLAs and workers are leaving Congress and joining BJP. Congress is fighting for its existence, the factionalism of Congress has become well known. The existence of Congress is disappearing all over the country. He said that today the Congress, which describes itself as the oldest party of the country, has neither good leaders, nor policy nor intention. Today the people of the country have rejected the Congress because of familyism and corruption. He said that the misfortune of Congress in national politics is well known. In many states

of the country, the condition of the Congress is not even that of the opposition party and where the Congress is present as the main opposition party in one or two places, their condition is bad. Rakesh Sharma said that every leader of Congress has gone by considering himself as the President. Every leader is seeing himself as the Chief Minister. Elections have not even been held and dozens of Congress leaders are dreaming of becoming the Chief Minister. Congress leader and G-23 leader Anand Sharma also said goodbye to the chairmanship of the steering committee. Now they are also openly speaking that they cannot compromise.

13 students of Jawali school selected in state level tournament



DAULAT CHAUHAN JAWALI, SEP 1

The students of Government Senior Secondary School, Jawali have performed very well in sports. In Under 14, Boliwal student got first place, chess student got first place, Kabadi student got second place, Kho-Kho girl student got second place. Apart from this, the students of the school got first position in handwal, first place in taekwondo, second place in hoopkendo, second place in chess at U-19 district level. Jawali School became overall champion in sports competition going on in Daari School, got 8 gold, 7 silver and 1 bronze medal. Along with this, 13 students have been selected for state level competition in various sports. They were given a grand welcome when they reached the school. Principal Harbhajan Singh Sohla honored DPE of school. Congratulations to Ajay Kumar and PET Sushil Kumar and wished children a bright future.

Residents resent over not getting Pucca road of Amb Colony Ward No 8

KISHORI LAL BAINS AMB, SEP 1

Once again, the local residents have expressed deep anger for not getting the road for the first phase of Ambikanagar-Amb Colony Ward Number 8. The people of the first phase of the residential colony have once again made a strong request to the Chief Minister, District Deputy Commissioner Una, SDM Amb, for immediate intervention in the matter and to get the road paved with immediate effect. Ambikanagar-Amb Colony road near Sombhadra-Swan river market of Amb sub-divisional tehsil headquarters remains muddy in the rainy season. The residents of Colony here have to face a lot of difficulty in passing by vehicle or on foot. Many Panchayats and Governments have come since the last many years, but till date this path has not been paved. People say that Ambikanagar-Amb Colony has been settled for the last twenty years, whereas after this the roads of the Colonies of five years have been paved by the Nagar Panchayat. It is



clear that discriminatory attitude has been adopted by local administration towards this colony. Local Ambikanagar-Amb Colony has requested Deputy Commissioner, District Una to get this road paved.

MLA flags off CM mobile clinic ambulance service

DAULAT CHAUHAN JAWALI, SEP 1

Chief Minister Mobile Clinic Ambulance service has started at Jawali Civil Hospital by flagging off by MLA Arjun Singh here today. He said that a doctor, pharmacist and lab technician will be stationed in these medical vehicles of Chief Minister Mobile Clinic Vehicle Service with modern equipment. These vehicles will have facilities for regular health check-up as well as blood check-up, blood pressure and other health parameters. The MLA said that this service has been started in 6 hospitals in district Kangra, including



Jawali Hospital. Thanks to the Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur on behalf of the people of the assembly for starting the Chief Minister's mobile clinic vehicle service in the hospital. MLA also inspected the Oxygen Generation Plant set up in the hospital, he said that patients would get oxygen

24 hours a day from this plant built at a cost of Rs 2 crore. Nominated councilors of Nagar Panchayat Ankur Bhadwal, Gurdeep Singh, Attar Singh, Health Supervisor Raj Kumar Attri, Pharmacist Bharat Bhushan, Balkar Singh, Sanjay Kumar, Subhash Chand and many others were present.

Dr. Panna Lal Verma joins Cong



DINESH AGGARWAL SHIMLA, SEP 1

Dr. Panna Lal Verma, a child specialist belonging to Barchwar village of Dharampur village of Mandi district, today joined the Congress party in front of State Congress President MP Pratibha Singh at Rajiv Bhawan, State Congress Headquarters. Apart from this, retired lecturer Yashwant Singh Khanna, who belongs to Churah Jessore Garn of district Chamba, also joined Congress. Congress President welcomed both of them by wearing party's flag. State Congress Working President Rajendra Rana, Congress General Secretary MLA Vikramaditya Singh and many other leaders and officials were present.

One day camp on strengthening plan of pharmaceutical industry held

ANWAR HUSSAIN NALAGARH, SEP 1

Under aegis of Union Ministry of Chemicals, Fertilizers, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy and Laghu Udyog Bharati and Himachal Drugs Manufacturing Association, a one-day awareness camp was organized by the Department of Pharmaceuticals, Government of India at Baddi, District Solan on the strengthening Plan of Pharmaceutical Industry. The camp was presided over by



Bhagwant Khuba, Minister of State, Ministry of Chemicals, Fertilizers, New and Renewable Energy. He said that the Department of Pharmaceuticals has implemented various schemes which have proved to be friendly to the industrialists.

He said that policies have been framed by the Central Government on the suggestions of industrialists, which has created a positive synergy between industrialists and government. Bhagwant Khuba said that in pharmaceutical sector in country, Himachal Pradesh's pharma industries account for 35 percent of production, of which 20 percent is from Baddi region. He said that Himachal is a small state but its share in pharmaceutical sector of country is commendable.

Anganwadi worker union meeting held in Nalagarh

S GAUTAM BADDI, SEP 1

A two-day state level conference will be organized in Palampur from September 10 to September 11, 2022 regarding the problems of Anganwadi workers and helpers of Project Nalagarh, in which 10 representatives of Union Nalagarh will participate, Anganwadi worker head Nimal Kaur said. She said that the honorarium of Anganwadi workers has not been received by the Central Government from the month of July till now, during which he expressed her anger about which a meeting of Project

Nalagarh Anganwadi Worker and Helper was organized at the local rest house on Tuesday, which was presided over by the Anganwadi worker. Nimal Kaur, the head of the meeting. Other problems of Anganwadi workers were also discussed in the meeting and the government was urged to solve the problems at the earliest and it was also decided that according to the outline which will be decided in the state conference. On this occasion the head of Anganwadi worker, Nimal Kaur, deputy head Santosh Kumari, Gurwinder Kaur, Gurdev Kaur, Sudesh Kumari, Bant Kaur, Charan Kaur, Gurmeet Kaur, Karamjit Kaur, Sudarshana Devi, Phunwanti, Sunita Sharma, Ramamurthy, Nimala Devi, Rajkumari, Sushma Devi, Shashi Bala and others were present.

Case registered against husband for demanding dowry, beating him on complaint of wife

VICKY BHABAT ZIRAKPUR: On the complaint of a woman resident of VIP Road, the police have registered a case against her husband on the charge of beating her and demanding dowry. On the basis of the complaint, the police have registered a case against the husband under sections 406 and 498 of the IPC and have started searching for the accused. In the complaint given to the police, the complainant Meenakshi Sharma, a resident of Zirakpur, said that she was married to Umesh Kumar Agnihotri, a resident of Sector 43, Chandigarh in May 2016 and soon after the marriage, her in-laws started beating her. After which her husband Umesh went to Kuwait in November 2016. After which her mother-in-law and father-in-law did not let her stay at home. Whose complaint was given to SSP Mohali, whose lives DSP Mohali S. After which the police registered a case on the orders of the SSP and started searching for the accused.

Person arrest with 48 bottles of alcohol

VICKY BHABAT ZIRAKPUR: The police have recovered 48 bottles of liquor from the motorcyclist by blocking every Milap Nagar railway gate of Baltana. Against whom the police have registered a case under 61-1-14 Excise Act and arrested a person. Who has been identified as Lakhvir Singh resident of Nadiali Police Station Sohana District Mohali. Who used to bring liquor from Chandigarh at a cheap price and sell it at a high price in the surrounding areas. The investigating officer said that they along with the police party were present during the blockade at the railway gate placed at Har Millap Nagar. A young man was coming on a bike from Chandigarh side, who started turning back after seeing the police, then the police party followed him and searched the bag kept on the bike, then 48 bottles of country liquor brand Spiced for Sale Chandigarh Hui were recovered from the bag. On the basis of which further action has been started by registering a case under the Excise Act against the arrested accused.

Bhog Ceremony of Mata Tulsa Rani Held at Raikot

MAHAVIR GOYAL AHMEDGARH: Mother-in-law of Ahmedgarh social worker Bipan Sethi and mother of Anil Kumar Mrs. Tulsa Rani passed away a few days ago. At Shivala Kham in Raikot, indulgences from the legend of Garuda Purana were found for her spiritual peace. On this occasion, Director of Victoria Public School, Lehra Surinder Pal Singh Sofat and President Sanjay Dhand, President of Swarnakar Sangh Ludhiana, Dr. Ravi Sharma of Rotary Club Ahmedgarh, President Rakesh Garg of Munde Ahmedgarh De Welfare Club offered flowers of devotion to Mata Tulsi Rani. These speakers said that Mother was a symbol of love, sacrifice and mercy. She kept the whole family in garlands. Being the eldest in the house, She performed all her responsibilities well. Her departure has caused an irreparable loss to the family. We pray to God to rest her soul in peace and to give strength to the family.

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'5th Rashtriya Poshan Maah' inaugurated by UT Social Welfare Department

SHASHI PAL JAIN CHANDIGARH, SEPT 1

The observance of 5th Rashtriya Poshan Maah commenced with the inaugural event at Plaza, Sector 17 on Thursday. Nitika Pawar, IAS, Secretary Social Welfare Women & Child Development, Chandigarh Administration inaugurated the event. The kite flying ceremony marked the launch of the one-month programme meant to bring awareness regarding nutrition among children. Different departments are taking part in the programme. Chandigarh Institute of Hotel Management (CIHM) and Food Safety and Standards authority of India (FSSAI) took part in the event with display stalls. The attendees took part in Snakes and Ladders game coordinated by the Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER). The students of Govt College of Yoga, Sector 23, demonstrated a Yoga session on the occasion. On the 1st Day of 5th Rashtriya POSHAN Maah activities like home visit, lecture on vertical garden, pledge on



Poshan, pot making, awareness on medicinal plants, home visit, lecture on vertical garden, awareness on personal hygiene and hand wash activity were conducted in all 450 Anganwadi Centres. Govt College of Yoga, Sector 23, organised a session to bring awareness regarding apt nutrition for children. Students from various govt schools are taking part in the event so as to lay stress on the need for awareness on proper nutrition among the children as well as parents. The NSS Volunteers of GMSSS-37-B, Sri Guru Harkrishan Senior Secondary Public School, Sector 40-C, Chandigarh, GSSS-MM Town, GMSSS-26, GMSSS-Kaimbwala, GMSSS-10, GMSSS-20-D, GMSSS-Khuda Ali Sher, Sri Guru Gob-

ind Singh Senior Secondary School, Sector 35-B, GMSSS-Dhanas and GMSSS Raipur Khurd took a poshan pledge to mark the inaugural day. The NSS volunteers of GMSSS Behlana organised an awareness rally on the occasion besides taking the pledge. Students of GMSSS-44 are observing 'Poshan Pakhwara' that would include pledge on poshan (nutrition), rally and lectures to bring awareness. All the Health and Wellness Centres in the city are actively taking part in the awareness program. A Health Talk on 1000 Golden Days of Nutrition was conducted at Health and Wellness Centre (HWC), Sector 11, while HWC, Sector 27, hosted a lecture on balanced diet and prevention of anaemia.

'Sandeep Gupta Raise The City of Chandigarh Proud'

CHANDIGARH, SEPT 1

Sandeep Gupta, 49 years, Resident of #3219, Ground Floor, Sector 37-D, Chandigarh has been Running his Own Advertising Agency since 20 years alone. She got a chance to showcase her skills for the First Time after getting Selected in "Super Chef Season-6" in TV Channel PTC Punjabi, in which He Created "Green Apple Veggie Methi Delight" with Chef Harpal Sokhi. Also, He answered their questions well. The Program was Broadcast on 21 May 2021 at 8.30 pm. Sandeep Gupta of Chandigarh City will bring Glory to the City of Chandigarh with His Performance in the Reality Show "Hum Hain Hunarbaaz" by Disha TV, a TV channel. Now she has made her place in the top 50 in Disha TV's Reality Show "Hum Hain Hunarbaaz". He will also perform in Disha TV's Reality Show "Hum Hain Hunarbaaz" to be Aired on 10th September 2022. Sandeep Gupta told that He was Selected in the Top 50 After Passing the Audition in Disha TV's Reality Show "Hum Hain Hunarbaaz". He has sung the Title Song of the Movie "Jai Karni Waisi Bhumi". Sandeep Gupta will Show His Talent for the First Time in Disha TV's Reality Show "Hum Hain Hunarbaaz".

St. Soldier's Elite Convent School is honoured to parents of students who win gold medals

KULJIT SINGH JANDIALA GURU, SEPT 1

NKF Third National Karate Championship 2022 In the Karate Championship match organized by Kurukshetra University, the students of the school's Karate team once again proved their mettle. In this championship competition, students brought laurels to their school by performing vigorously. In these competitions, Komaldeep Kaur daughter Sardar Jagdeep Singh Class VII gold medal in weight 38 kg, Mandeep Kaur class III C silver medal in 32 kg weight, Tanveer Kaur class Bronze medal in third C weight 20 kg, Sahaj Noor Kaur class III C silver medal in weight 25 kg,



Akalpreet Kaur class VII C silver medal in weight 40 kg, Gurleen Kaur class VIII B bronze medal in 47 kg weight, Aditya Raj She brought laurels to the school by qualifying in the Kurukshetra National Karate Championship match by winning the silver medal in class VIII D weight 46 kg. The Managing Director of the school Dr. Mangal Singh Kishanpura, Principal Amarpreet Kaur, Pankaj Kumar SDO Elec-

tricity Board Jandiala Guru honored the parents of the children who had won. On this occasion Vice Principal Gurpreet Kaur, Coordinator Shilpa Sharma, Coach Sukhdev Singh were present. Special respect was given to Sardar Jagdeep Singh, father of Kamaldeep Kaur, who won the gold medal. Because he encouraged the children by going with the children and became the source of inspiration for the children.

Gyan Sagar Hospital near new bus stand inaugurated



RAJPURA (BHUPINDER KAPOOR): Regarding the development of Rajpura Constituency, Constituency MLA Neena Mittal is engaged in doing something new for the people of Rajpura every day so that common people do not face any kind of problem in the government of Aam Aadmi Party. have to do Chief Minister Sardar Bhagwant Singh Mann ji opened 75 mohalla clinics on August 15, which were later increased to 100, out of which one mohalla clinic was also opened in Banur town of Rajpura constituency and after that the constituency MLA. Neena Mittal ji working hard and keeping in view the health of common people, Guan Sagar Aam Aadmi Clinic was opened in Gaju Khara with the help of Gyan Sagar Hospital staff. Along with this, another branch of Gyan Sagar located near the new bus stand at Rajpura Baba Mor is inaugurated as Gyan Sagar Aam Aadmi Clinic. Constituency MLA Neena Mittal while addressing the media and people said that before the formation of our government, we had said that after the coming of the Aam Aadmi Party government in Punjab, no person will be deprived of treatment, under which today this Gyan Sagar Aam Aadmi Clinic has been handed over to the people, they said that it will be a branch of Gyan Sagar in which all the staff will be from Gyan Sagar Hospital.

Investiture ceremony in Budha Dal Public School



RAWEL SINGH BHINDER PATIALA, SEPT 1

The Investiture Ceremony of Budha Dal Public School, Patiala for the academic session 2022-2023 was held with great pomp and dignity in a special ceremony. The School Principal Mrs. Harpreet Kaur and Mrs. Amandeep Kaur In-charge Junior wing and Staff warmly welcomed the Director of Education and Advisor to Budha Dal Public Schools, Advocate Karan Rajbir Singh. The programme start-

ed with Shabad followed by the ceremonial lighting of the lamp. The School Prefectural board was led by School Captains, Jessica Singh and Jaskaranjeet Singh. Pahul Singh and Jasleen Kaur were elected as the Head Boy Head Girl of Junior Wing. Arman Singh Sandhu and Jasleen Kaur Arora were elected as the Head Boy and Head Girl of Senior Wing. The School Prefects and House Prefects were honoured with badges and sashes by The Director of Education and Advisor to

Budha Dal Public Schools, Advocate S. Karan Rajbir Singh. The Students' Council took the pledge to hold the school motto of Serve Strive and Conquer. The school choir mesmerized the audience with their performance. Our Honourable Chief Patron Singh Sahib Jathedar Baba Balbir Singh (Akali) 96 Crori and The School President Mrs. Sukhvinderjit Kaur congratulated and sent their blessings to the students' council.

RBU signs MoU with L&T EduTech to increase employability



LK BANSAL MOHALI, SEPT 1

The Rayat Bahra University here today signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with L&T EduTech starting from the first semester of the current academic session. The MoU was signed by Sanjeev Sharma, Head, Domestic Marketing Network, and Vishal Vaswani, Area Manager, Chandigarh and Delhi, from the L&T and Dr Parvinder Singh. Vice-

Chancellor of the RBU, on behalf of the university management. Gurvinder Singh Bahra, Chancellor of the RBU, was present on the occasion. Bahra said that of the unique feature of the Rayat Bahra Group of Institutions is its commitment to make the students employment ready even before they pass out their academic courses which stands them in good stead in placements. The MoU signed today is a step in this direction.

Program at party office on behalf of Shiv Sena Hind



R. SINGH PATHANKOT, SEP 1

A program was done in the party office on behalf of Shiv Sena Hind General Sector Surinder Sharma. In which Ravi Sharma was specially attended by National Core Committee Chairman and National Spokesperson Anti Khalistan Front. Giving information about the program, Ravi Sharma said that today Havan Yagya was

performed while paying homage to the martyrdom of Beant Singh and he was also bowled to those martyrs whose punjab terrorism was free in which the first name was the Prime Minister Iron Lady Indira Gandhi. Chief Minister of that time Punjab Beant Singh, DGP Punjab KPS Gill, and Operation Blue Star's hero General Arun Dhar Ved. Ravi Sharma said that after worshipping Pandit Satish Sharma duly wor-

shipped and bowed to the martyrdom of martyrs, Ravi Sharma thanked the administration especially the administration. Ravi Sharma said that it becomes our responsibility to make a young man who has given a significant contribution to this program to make this program successful. On this occasion Ashok Mehra, Pawan, Anil Sharma, Mohit, Jatinder, Prem, Dwarikadas, Ashish Kumar etc. were present.

Camp held in Mehraj to give information about Markfed products

RAMPURA PHUL (HEMANT KUMAR SHARMA): Markfed organized a camp at the multi-purpose cooperative society at Patti Sandli of village Mehraj, in which people were informed about their products like ghee, animal feed, capri, fertiliser, pesticides and lumpy skin spread in animals. Information was given about the disease and its prevention. The event was presided over by Jasbir Singh FSO Bathinda. Prof. Yeswant Singh of Gadwasu University while shedding light on the prevention of Lundi skin disease also told about the proper use of Markfed animal feed.



PEDA invites applications for state level energy conservation awards

SUMER GARG CHANDIGARH, SEPT 1

On the directions of Mr. Aman Arora, Minister for New & Renewable Energy Sources, Punjab Energy Development Agency (PEDA) applications for the State Level Energy Conservation, the department has invited applications for awards from consumers/utilities/units which have taken extra efforts for efficient utilisation, management and conservation of energy during the last two financial years 2020-21 and 2021-22 in the state of Punjab. An official spokesperson of the New & Renewable Energy Sources Department said that as per the directions of the minister, these awards would be awarded in four broad categories including Energy Intensive Industries, Manufacturing Enterprises, Commercial Buildings and



BEE Certified Energy Auditors. The first prize in all the above categories would carry a cash reward of Rs 50,000 each while the second prize would be of Rs 30,000 each, said the spokesperson while adding that interested participants can download the questionnaires and detailed advertisement from the PEDA's official website www.peda.

gov.in. The application forms are also available at PEDA head office, Sector- 33, Chandigarh. The extended date for submission of filled in questionnaires is 15th September, 2022. He further added that the vision of Chief Minister, Bhagwant Mann and Mr. Aman Arora is to give recognition to the stakeholders who have made tremendous contribution and put constant efforts for efficient utilisation of clean energy, energy conservation and promotion of energy efficiency. This step would go a long way to promote the energy conservation initiatives in the state. Notably, PEDA is the state nodal agency for promotion and development of renewable energy programmes/projects and energy conservation programmes in Punjab.

Important contribution being make by Rotary Club Kharar in campaign to donate eyes

SHASHI PAL JAIN KHARAR SEPT 1

Rotary Club Kharar President Nitin Garg and Secretary Amandeep Garg informed through a press note that the fortnight is being celebrated from August 25 to September 8 to create awareness about eye donation by the health department. He said that the important contribution of Rotary Club Kharar is also continuing. He further said that Harpreet Singh Rekhi, a member of the club, is also an eye donation motivator. For the past several years, they have been working hard to create awareness about eye donation after

death in this area. He said that if someone dies suddenly, even if he has filled the resolution form, the family members do not pay attention, but Rotarian Harpreet Singh Rekhi went to such occasions and inspired the families and so far eyes of 34 people have been donated by the families. Club President Nitin Garg has appealed that those who want to contribute to the service of humanity can fill the proposal form. The Rotary Club has these Concept Forms. If someone wants to donate eyes after death, he can get a form from them and he can fill their form. With this initiative, someone's dark life can be enlightened.

Unauthorised constructions demolished by Gamada in village Jhampur



SHASHI PAL JAIN KHARAR, SEPT 1

Taking a major action against the construction of unauthorized colonies in the area a team of Gamada took action and several dozen constructions were demolished at village Jhampur. Giving information in this regard, JE Varun Kumar of Gamada said that about a dozen lanterns were broken and 5-6 dozen filled foundations were demolished at vil-

lage Jhampur. He said that FIR has already been registered by Gamada in this regard and notices have also been given to these people but still the colonizers are not stopping here. He said that the colonizers are extending the already developed colonies in the area. He has asked such people not to take the law into their own hands and not to build unauthorized colonies, otherwise strict action will be taken against them.

Delegation of District Vaypar Mandal Pathankot meet SSP



PATHANKOT (R. SINGH): On behalf of District Vaypar Mandal Pathankot President Inderjit Gupta and Chairman Vivek Madia and District In-charge Rajesh Mahajan Babba met SSP Pathankot Harkamalpreet Singh Khakh on behalf of the group delegation under the supervision of District Vaypar Mandal Pathankot. Senior members of the District Business and Police/Traders Coordination Committee present on the occasion welcomed his appointment at Pathankot and congratulated him. On the occasion President Inderjit Gupta, Chairman Vivek Madia, District In-charge Rajesh Mahajan Babba, Senior Vice President Suresh Mahajan, Senior Vice President Nirmal Singh Pappu and Paramjit Saini Pamma raised various issues of district Pathankot with them. During this, the issue of drug addicts was prominently placed before him in the Civil Hospital and said that the pockets of poor people are being cut there, which is a matter of concern. At the same time, he said that due to illegal street vendors in Post Office Chowk, traffic is being adversely affected. On the occasion, Gulshan Sharma, traffic in-charge of district Pathankot and Pardeep Kumar, in-charge of traffic education cell, were praised for making people aware of traffic, which is also showing its impact in the city. On the occasion Sameer Sharda, Nirmal Singh Pappu, Abhishek, Jatinder Sarangal, Surinder Bitta, Laddu Baba, cabinet member Suresh Bitta, PRO Jatinder Jitu, Deepak Sharma besides other dignitaries were present with him.

HMV students of
B. Vocation Sem-II get
University Positions



HARPREET SINGH LEHAL
JALANDHAR: B. Vocation (Web Technology and Multimedia) Semester-II students of Hans Raj Mahila Maha Vidyalaya, Jalandhar brought laurels to college by bagging University Positions. Palak Soni bagged 1st position by getting 720/800 marks, Guneet Deo bagged 2nd position by getting 691/800 marks. Principal Prof. Dr. Ajay Sareen congratulated Head of the Department Ashish Chadha, Faculty and the students for this achievement. Rishabh Dhir and Abheyjeet Singh from PG Department of Multimedia was also present on this occasion.

Apeejay College students
excel in BA Sem 4th result



JALANDHAR: The students of BA Semester 4th of Apeejay College of Fine Arts, Jalandhar passed with flying colours in University exams and bagged top coveted positions. Parmeet Singh scored 707 marks out of 800 and bagged 2nd position in University and Jasleen Kaur Bhogal scored 699 marks out of 800 and bagged 3rd position. Principal Dr. Neerja Dhingra congratulated the students and wished them luck for their future endeavors. She also appreciated the faculty of Humanities for their efficient teaching methodology.

KMV organises 137th
Saraswati Poojan



JALANDHAR: Kanya Maha Vidyalaya (Autonomous) organized 137th Saraswati Poojan Samaroh in a ceremonial way with its traditional fervour and sanctity. The chief Guest Jaspreet Singh, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, Jalandhar was accorded floral felicitations on this auspicious occasion. Chander Mohan, President, Arya Shiksha Mandal presided over the ceremonies to mark the onset of the new academic session formally. Dr. Sushma Chawla, Vice President, KMV Managing Committee, Alok Sondhi, General Secretary, KMV Managing Committee, Mrs Neerja Chander Mohan, Member, KMV Managing Committee, Dr. Satpal Gupta, Member, KMV Managing Committee, Dr. Kamal Gupta, Member, KMV Managing Committee, Dr. Pardeep Bhandari, Principal, Doaba College & Anuradha Sondhi also graced the occasion. The Special Guest of the function was Padma Shri Dr. Kiran Seth, Professor Emeritus at IIT, Delhi and Founder of SPIC MACAY, actively engaged in the promotion of Indian Arts and Culture among youth.

Drug smuggler wanted by ATS,
Gujarat in 126 kg heroin case
arrested along with 2 kg heroin



KULJEET SINGH
JANDIALA GURU, SEP 1

An international drug smuggler, including a part of a consignment of 126 kg of heroin, sent to a fisherman at Dwarka port by Amritsar countryside police, was arrested. 5 lakh drug money, and 2 mobile phones were recovered. The arrested accused were identified as Gurjant Singh resident, Patti, Tarn Taran, who was then arrested by the Special Unit. When he was on his way to deliver heroin in a Swift car number PB 46 AG 7888. SSP Dehati said that this action was taken by the police on the basis of secret information. The 2 kg heroin seized is part of a 126 kg heroin consignment that was sent by a drug smuggler from Pakistan to a fisherman at the Dwarka port for further supply. Which was later arrested by ATS Gujarat from Ahmedabad railway station. taken. He told that in this case many persons have been questioned by SOSC Amritsar and more revelations are likely to be made in this matter.

Slogan raised against management
committee of Govt Adarsh School

KULDEEP SOOD/
GULSHAN KUMAR
BARNALA, SEP 1

During the government of Shiromani Akali Dal Badal, in the name of better facilities for the school children built at Kaleka under Bamala district, the Bhai Gurdas Institute, a well-known institution in Sangrur, which is running the government's ideal school, has been seized by the Bharatiya Kisan Union and raised the Slogans against the government. Bhakyu Ekta Ugrahan will not allow this harassment to happen to the teacher. The management is severely criticized by the organization. Fake parents and those who have no special knowledge about the demands of the teacher are being



instigated by the management to disrupt the Bhakyu Ekta Ugraha and the ongoing sit-in of the teachers. While the protest is going on for Shanti Purvik. The management of this school will be the police administration for the profit and loss in this sit-in. It is the responsibility of the officials related to this school to closely investigate this issue. If the officials concerned do not take this matter seriously, then the struggle will be intensified.

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Over 36 Congress leaders resign
in solidarity with Azad

SRINAGAR, SEPT 1

Over 36 Congress leaders including leaders of the National Students' Union of India, the youth wing of the Congress party, from various universities in Jammu have submitted their resignations in solidarity with Ghulam Nabi Azad's who recently announced his exit from the grand old party.

Among those who resigned include State Vice President Anirudh Raina and State General Secretary Manik Sharma who stepped down from the basic membership of the NSUI.

The development comes just in the wake of mass resignations from the Jammu and Kashmir unit of the Congress party in support of Ghulam Nabi Azad.

On Tuesday 64 senior Congress leaders, including



former Jammu and Kashmir Deputy Chief Minister Tara Chand, resigned from the party in support of veteran leader Ghulam Nabi Azad.

According to sources, the leaders submitted their resignations to Congress interim

President Sonia Gandhi.

The General Secretary of NSUI-J&K unit, Manik Sharma in his resignation letter said, "I support resignation of Ghulam Nabi Azad from Congress party. I am fed up with the favouritism in the party. The work of ground-

Father-Daughter duo booked for fraud

ASHOK KAURA
PHAGWARA: On a complaint lodged by Village Nangal resident Varinder Kaler the Satnampura Police have registered a case under section 420,406,120B and 13 Punjab Travel Professional Act against Nangal Colony resident Sukhdev Raj and his Cyprus based NRI daughter Suman on the charges of duping the complainant of Rs 10 Lac in the pretext of sending Shaminder Kaur the wife of the complainant to abroad. The Victim told before the police that neither the accused father-daughter duo could send his wife abroad nor despite repeated requests returned back his money. No arrest has been made till so far.

Telephone Advisory Committee
meeting - 2022 of BSNL held



CHANDIGARH, SEP 1

The meeting of Telephone Advisory Committee of Chandigarh Telephone District of BSNL was conducted on Ist Sept.2022 at UT Guest House, Sector 6 Chandigarh. The meeting was chaired by Honorable MPSmt Kirron Kher, 6 other TAC members also attended the meeting. At the outset Sh. M.C. Singh, General Manager, BSNL welcomed Hon'ble Chairperson and TAC members for sparing the valuable time besides their busy schedule for attending the meeting. He highlighted the role of BSNL as

Strategic Asset of India by telling footsteps of company in all areas of communication weather High speed broad band on fibre or Mobile telephony. BSNL has shown highest level of credibility in providing communication services to the society by launching various services in all urban as well as rural areas. Chandigarh stands first in punjab for mobile network availability. It stood 2nd in Punjab for providing high speed FTTH connections during last two years. At present 214 OLT are working in Chandigarh Telecom District to provide prompt fibreservices.

DTP interacts with the industrialists
for new IFP at Sunam

SUMER GARG
SUNAM, SEPT 1

For the development of industry in Sunam, the Punjab's Information & Public Relations, Housing & Urban Development and New & Renewable Energy Minister, Aman Arora has instructed the Town planning department to select a site around Sunam, so that an Industrial focal Point(IFP) could be developed here.

Under these persuasions, the officials of District Town planner(DTP) from Sangrur joined a meeting organised by the Sangrur District Industrial Chamber(SDIC), block Sunam at Green Lawn restaurant here last evening.

The meeting was held under the leadership of SDIC's block President, Rajeev Makhan; DTP,



Parwinder Garg Joined as chief guest, where as ATP, Rajinder Kumar Joined as guest of honour. DTP, Parwinder Garg said, "With the efforts of Cabinet Minister, Aman Arora, an industrial focal point will be made for the growth industry in Sunam assembly segment, for this, we come here to get the suggestions from the industrialists & investors, who are willing to install industry here, so that a suitable land, with transportation facility, wind

direction and from investment angle can be selected". While apprising the industrialists regarding the land pooling policy and 80:20 Policy, Mr. Garg said that Building Rules 2021 has given many relaxation for the construction of an industrial building. Vice Chairman of SDIC, Sangrur, Ghanshyam Kansal said that though Industrialists would get huge huge relief due to the IFP yet land should be made available to the industrialists at a lowest price, for this the panchayats of various village

could be contacted, if the cost of land would be more than the units would not be viable and entrepreneurs would hesitate to buy costly plots. All the guests in the meeting were honoured by the Chamber.

Other entrepreneurs said that the plots to be allotted at fix price not by auction and these be allotted to the actually investors, who would install units not to the land traders and berths also be given to the logistics and traders. Among the prominent, District General Secretary, MP Singh; Secretary, Munish - Monu; Er. Rajesh Garg, Dharampal, Prem Gupta, Bharat Bhushan, Sumer Garg, Pawan Gujra Wale, Chander Parkash, Tanuj, Prabhat Jindal, Bhushan Kansal and Ajaib Singh Saggi were present on the occasion.

SAD (A) meeting held regarding the village
Chhappar fair and Sri Amritsar Sahib

KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA, SEP 1

Regarding the stage to be set up at the local Gurdwara Baba Gandha Singh on the village fair of Chhappar and the preparations for the ceremony to be held at Sri Amritsar on September 15. Today, a meeting was held with the National General Secretary of the party, Jaskaran Singh Kahan Singh, under the leadership of Siromani Akali Dal Amritsar President and Member of Parliament Sangrur Simranjit Singh Mann. In this meeting, the issue of the Sangrur Member of Parliament, which was held in the past, was also discussed. On this occasion, the party's victory promised to solve the work of the people of the Lok Sabha constituency of Sangrur on the first basis, in the presence of Sri Guru



Granth Sahib Ji. He further said that the effort made by the intelligent voters of Sangrur, Malerkotla and Barnala districts was to send Simranjit Singh Mann to Delhi by winning the by-election of Lok Sabha constituency Sangrur. He congratulated the Aam Aadmi Party and the Akali Dal along with the Badal family for defeating them and also expressed deep concern over the non-election of the Siromani

Committee, given which he urged them to reach Sri Amritsar Sahib on September 15. this meeting, the organizational secretary of the party, Gobind Singh, ordered the Jathedars of the party, who were at the police station level, to work on the appointments of the newly created Patwar constituencies and encouraged them to go door to door to bring the benefit of 22 schemes coming from MP land to the door of the constituency.

Rakesh Pathania inaugurates Baranda to Seri link
road and Mahila Mandal Bhawan at Rs 30 lakhs

SANJEEV MAHAJAN
NOORPUR, SEP 1

Forest, Youth Services and Sports Minister Rakesh Pathania on Thursday inaugurated Baranda to Seri Sampark Road constructed at a cost of Rs 30 lakh in Baranda Panchayat of Nurpur assembly constituency and Sangam Mahila Mandal Bhawan constructed at a cost of Rs 3 lakh in Balkhoda. He said that they are trying to connect every village with road facilities. He said that Rs 3 crore has been spent on construction of roads and bridges in this panchayat in four and a half years. With the construction of Baranda-Kutta-Mava road, years old demand of the people of this area has been fulfilled. Apart from this, it has been included under NABARD for the expansion and improvement of Baranda-Chandrah road. Speaking on the development works done in Panchayat, he said that about Rs. 2.25 crore has been spent on improvement of drinking water problem. In view of low voltage of electricity, five new transformers have been installed, two new transformers will be installed soon.



Capacity of old transformer has also been increased. He said that in Baranda Panchayat, special priority has been given to roads, bridges, drinking water improvement, strengthening of health care infrastructure, improvement of power lines and opening of educational institutions so that the standard of living of the people can be improved. He said that after the formation of a separate Panchayat in Pakka Tiala, a separate Patwar circle has been opened for Baranda, which would speed up the disposal of revenue works. He listened to the problems of people and took stock of development works. He solved most of problems on the spot.

Special meeting organized
by CPRC committee



R. SINGH
PATHANKOT: A special meeting was organized by the CPRC committee under the instructions of SSP Pathankot Harkamalpreet Singh Khakh, in which DSP Headquarters Paramveer Saini and DSP Traffic Sukhjinder Singh Bhalla were specially present. On the occasion, on behalf of the committee members, Maninder Singh was welcomed along with the police officers on becoming the head of Pathankot Vaypar mandal. On the occasion, along with discussion on taking the services being provided by the Sanjh Kenders to the common people, the problems in the interest of the city were discussed. President Maninder Singh expressed concern over the challan being deducted by the police in the city and said that due to this people from other cities and towns are not coming to the city for shopping, they are afraid that the police may not cut their challan. He said that along with making the police aware of the traffic rules, they should be asked to follow the traffic rules, and not cut the challan and pay a heavy fine from it.

EDITORIAL

A song’s journey

Bankimchandra Chattopadhyay, the proficient scholar and novelist, composed “Vande Mataram” in 1874. Later on, he incorporated the song in Anandamath, published in 1882. Written in a blend of Sanskrit and Bengali, “Vande Mataram” was a prayer to the Motherland. It was severely criticised by his friends and even by his daughter. But Bankimchandra was confident about the mass acceptance of “Vande Mataram” as a national hymn.

In 1883, Anandamath was staged at the Great National Theatre under the direction of Kedar Chowdhury. The music was scored by the noted music director, Devkantha Bagchi, in Raga Tilak-Kamod. On an earlier occasion, “Vande Mataram” had been set to tune in Raga Malhar by Jadunath Bhattacharya, the sangeet guru of Bankimchandra and Rabindranth. In 1885, Pratibhasundari, Rabindranath’s niece, set the verses to tune, again, partly based on Raga Desh. The notation of the same was published in Balak, edited by Jnanadanandini Devi, along with an illustration of Mother India with her children as a goddess of plenty by Harish Chandra Halder, a good friend of Rabindranath.

At the Calcutta session of the Congress in 1896, Rabindranath sang “Vande Mataram” accompanied by Jyotirindranath on the piano. The song had an electrifying effect. The turn of the twentieth century witnessed nationwide protest against the partition of Bengal. “Vande Mataram” became the clarion call of the time. Hemendra Mohan Bose, an advocate of the swadeshi movement, succeeded in taking cylinder recordings of the song sung by Rabindranath as well as different recordings of “Vande Mataram” by the Vande Mataram Sampradaya — composed by Dakshinacharan Sen in Raga Khamaj — and the Bhawanipore Sevaka Sampradaya — composed by Raicharan Mukhopadhyay in Raga Malhar. Nicole Record recorded a version in Raga Malhar sung by Narainchandra Mookherjee and another version in the same I sung by R.N. Bose, under the banner of GramophoneMonarch Record.

Subsequently, several renowned singers — Satyabhusan Gupta, HemchandraSen, Harendranath Dutta, Himangshu Dutta, AmalaDas, Sarala Devi, Sati Devi, Sahana Devi, Kanak Das and others — performed it. Sarala, Rabindranath’s niece, even altered the verse, “Sapta koti (seven crore)” with “Tring-shakoti (thirty crore)”, keeping pace with time. Sister Nivedita introduced “Vande Mataram” as the daily prayer song at the school she ran. Kazi NazrullIslam, as music director of the film, Gora, used it too.

New research by the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK) in Germany suggests that living in timber cities could avoid emissions. The new study shows that housing a growing population in homes made of wood rather than conventional steel and concrete could prevent more than 100 billion tonnes of emissions of greenhouse gas CO2 until 2100. These represent about 10 per cent of the carbon budget still available for the 2°C climate target.

For the supply of construction wood, newly established timber plantations are necessary in addition to the harvest from natural forests. Even though this has no impact on food production, the scientists warn that if the situation is not carefully managed, biodiversity may suffer.

The study is the first to examine the effects of a widespread switch to timber cities on land use, emissions related to land use change, and long-term carbon sequestration in harvested wood products. It was published in the journal - Nature Communications.

Lead author for the study, Abhijeet Mishra, who is also a scientist from the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK), said, “More than half the world’s population currently lives in cities, and by 2100 this number will increase significantly. This means more homes will be built with steel and concrete, most of which have a serious carbon footprint.”

“But we have an alternative: We can house the new urban population in mid-rise buildings - that is 4 to 12 stories - made out of wood,” added Abhijeet.

As trees take CO2 from the atmosphere to grow, wood is recognised as a renewable resource with the lowest carbon footprint of any comparable building material. Abhijeet explains, “Production of engineered wood releases much less CO2 than production of steel and cement. Engineered wood also stores carbon, making timber cities a unique long-term carbon sink - by 2100, this could save more than 100Gt of additional CO2 emissions, equivalent to 10 per cent of the remaining carbon budget for the 2°C target.”

The scientists examined four different land-use scenarios for the paper using the open-source global land use allocation model MagPIE: one with traditional building materials like cement and steel, and three with increased demand for wood on top of the standard demand for wood.

They also examined the sources of the additional high demand for wooden building materials and the potential effects on both direct and indirect land-use-related carbon emissions.

Co-author of the study, Florian Humpenoder explained, “Our simulation shows that sufficient wood for new mid-rise urban buildings can be produced with-



out major repercussion on food production.” “Wood is sourced from timber plantations as well as natural forests. Most of the additional timber plantations needed - we are talking about roughly 140 million hectares - are established on harvested forest areas and thus not at the cost of agricultural land,” as Humpenoder underlines. “We need farmland to grow food for the people - using it to grow trees could potentially cause competition for the limited land resources.”

Increasing forest harvest levels while protecting the most valuable forests

The effects of replacing natural ecosystems with timber plantations on biodiversity were also examined by scientists.

Alexander Popp, head of the land use management group at PIK scientist and co-author of the study, explained: “The question of how and from where to source the wood for the construction of timber cities is crucial. In our computer simulations, we have set a clear limit to timber extraction and for adding new tree plantations: Nothing can be cut off in pristine forests and biodiversity conservation areas.”

In fact, Popp underlined, “The explicit safeguarding of these protected areas is key, but still, the establishment of timber plantations at the cost of other non-protected natural areas could thereby further increase a future loss of biodiversity.”

Other research suggests that steps like switching to a vegetarian or vegan diet could help free up land for food and wood production while preserving biodiversity.

Another author of the study, John Schellnhuber said, “The key challenge for global sustainability is the deep co-transformation of land use and construction. If carefully integrated, these two sectors can remove and store crucial amounts of carbon from the atmosphere without jeopardizing food security or biodiversity. This could become the climate solution we have been desperately looking for.”

Galina Churkina (one of the authors of the study) said, “Increasing carbon storage in cities in parallel to land ecosystems is very important for this transition to succeed as a climate change mitigation strategy. Forests have to regrow after harvest and accumulate at least as much carbon as they stored before.”

The lifespan of timber buildings has to be at least as long as the time needed to repay ‘the carbon debt’ in harvested forests on a sustainable basis.”

Lastly, Abhijeet Mishra concluded: “Our study underlines that urban homes made out of wood could play a vital role in climate change mitigation due to their long-term carbon storage potential. Strong governance and careful planning are required to limit negative impacts on biodiversity and to ensure a sustainable transition to timber cities.”

Saudi Arabian court sentences woman to 45 years in prison for social media posts

A Saudi Arabian court on Wednesday sentenced a woman to 45 years in prison for allegedly harming the country through her social media activity, the second such case this month.

Nourah bint Saeed al-Qahtani, who hails from one of the biggest tribes in Saudi Arabia and has no apparent history of activism, was sentenced to prison to almost half a century in prison after the judge accused her of “disrupting the cohesion of society” and “destabilizing the social fabric” via social media, Fox News reported.

The judge also ruled that al-Qahtani “offended the public order through the information network.”

It remains unclear what al-Qahtani posted online or where her hearing was held. She was taken into custody on July 4, 2021, according to Fox News citing Washington-based human rights watchdog Democracy for the Arab World Now (DAWN), which is critical of the kingdom.

“This seems like the beginning of a new wave of sentences and convictions by new judges who have been placed in the specialized criminal court,” Abdullah Alaudh, Research Director for Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates at DAWN, said about the case. Alaudh says that al-



Qahtani was jailed for “simply tweeting her opinions.”

The sentence follows an international outcry over a similar incident when a 34-year woman was sentenced to prison.

“It’s very hard to ignore the fact that we are seeing these sentences as (Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman) has received increased legitimacy in the international realm,” said Allison McManus, the group’s research director.

The social media sentences have renewed attention on Prince Mohammed’s crackdown on dissent, even as the ultraconservative Islamic nation has granted women new freedoms like the right to drive, the Washington Post reported.

Pakistan fears major disease outbreaks after severe floods



Pakistan health officials have warned of large-scale outbreaks of disease in the aftermath of biblical flooding that displaced millions of people. A rise in cases of diarrhoea and malaria has been reported after months of heavy rains left people stranded and without access to clean water.

Authorities fear spread of waterborne diseases after the floods killed almost 1,200 people since June. More than 880 clinics have been damaged, according to the World Health Organization, which has allocated \$10 million to emergency health relief efforts in the SouthAsian nation .

WHO chief Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus said on Wednesday that the agency has classified the floods as the highest level of emergency. He said the threat of waterborne diseases meant access to health services and disease monitoring and controls were a “key priority”. Arif Jabbar

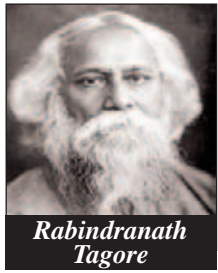
Khan, director of WaterAid Pakistan, visited the worst-affected Sindh provinceand said there was a severe risk of diarrhoea and dysentery because of the lack of clean water. “Families are now living on the banks of overflowed canals and rivers in ramshackle huts made of bamboo and plastic. They have even been drinking flood water because there is no other option – a recipe for large-scale disease outbreaks. We are doing all we can to reach them,” the Guardian quoted Khan as saying. Over 33 million people have been affected by the floods, which have contaminated water sources and left latrines unusable.

The Guardian quoted government spokesperson, Kamran Bangash, who said “hundreds of people had contracted waterborne diseases. With evacuation operations almost completed, the authorities would focus on providing clean water and food”.

POEM

Lord of My Life

Thou who art the innermost Spirit of my being,
art thou pleased,
Lord of my Life?
For I give to thee
my cup filled with
all the pain and delight
that the
crushed grapes of
my heart had surrendered,
I wove with rhythm of colors and
song cover for thy bed,
And with the molten gold of my
desires I fashioned playthings for
thy passing hours. I know not
why thou chocest me for thy partner,
Lord of my life..



Rabindranath Tagore

New York's Times Square to become "Gun-Free Zone"

Authorities on Wednesday (local time) announced that it will soon be forbidden to carry a firearm, even concealed, in the Times Square district and other public places in the city and state of New York.

Mayor Eric Adams as quoted by The Washington Times said that visitors to New York City will see signs in Times Square advertising it as a “sensitive location” where people cannot carry guns.

Adams said the signs will let people know that licensed gun carriers and others may not enter with a firearm unless specially authorized by law. Signs will be posted at other “sensitive locations” around the city in the future.



the city in the future. Amid the bright lights and elec-

tronic billboards across New York’s Times Square, city authorities are posting new signs proclaiming the bustling crossroads a “gun-free zone.”

On Tuesday, US President Joe Biden said that he is determined to ban assault weapons in America, amid the increasing gun violence in the country.

Three people have been detained for allegedly shooting a police officer in Memphis on Wednesday, according to Memphis Police Chief CJ Davis.

Addressing to media, DC Metropolitan Police Chief informed

that officers have confiscated more than 2,000 illegal firearms this year, about 800 more than at this time last year.

Separately, a 19-year-old man was charged on Wednesday with murder in a series of random shootings over around two hours last weekend in Detroit that killed three people.

On Sunday, the accused Dontae Ramon Smith killed three people in a shooting spree that started around 4:30 am, Fox News reported citing police. Meanwhile, authorities announced on Wednesday that it will soon be forbidden to carry a

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Toyota Kirloskar Motor sells 14959 units in August 2022

CHANDIGARH: TKM today announced that the company sold a total of 14,959 units in the month of August 2022, thereby registering a growth of 17% over wholesales in August 2021. For reference, TKM had sold 12,772 units in the month of August 2021. Cumulative wholesales in the period April to August in 2022, has also witnessed a promising growth of 68% when compared to the corresponding period last year. Commenting on the month's performance, Mr. Atul Sood, Associate Vice President, Sales, and Strategic Marketing, TKM said, "Last month our segment leading models like the Innova Crysta, Fortuner and the Legendr witnessed unprecedented customer orders, further reiterating the strong appreciation that Toyota models enjoy in these segments. The cool new Glanza and the Urban Cruiser continue to garner customer interest as well as robust customer orders. Toyota's luxurious yet sustainable offering in the premium MPV segment, the Vellfire has performed exceptionally well, registering a growth of close to 120%. Similarly, the Camry Hybrid has garnered very encouraging customer orders last month. In August, we also conducted the first media drive for the brand-new vehicle from Toyota, the Urban Cruiser Hyryder.

SBI Card Launches Cashback SBI Card

LUDHIANA: SBI Card announced the launch of Cashback SBI Card, the first-of-its-kind and the most comprehensive Cashback credit card in India. Cashback SBI Card is the industry's first Cashback-focused credit card that enables cardholders to earn 5% Cashback on all online spends without any merchant restrictions. Targeted at customers across all categories, from mass to premium, the card offers a simple, seamless, and completely digital joining experience. Consumers across India, including tier 2 & 3 cities, can easily get Cashback SBI Card instantly from the comfort of their homes in just a few clicks through digital application platform 'SBI Card SPRINT'. The contactless card is free for the first year till March 2023 as a special offer. Owing to its strong proposition, Cashback SBI Card customer will earn unlimited 1% cashback on all spends, cashback will increase to 5% on all online spends for up to maximum of INR 10,000 per monthly statement cycle. It's merchant agnostic nature ensures that the customers are not restricted to shopping with just a few merchants to avail the benefits. Cashback SBI Card comes with auto-credit of Cashback facility which allows automatic credit of entitled Cashback to the SBI Card account within two days of statement generation.

Falcon Corporation signs agreement with Lagos Free Zone

CHANDIGARH: A consortium of Falcon Corporation, ND Western Midstream Limited & FHN Gas Limited, has been selected to exclusively build, own, and operate a Natural Gas distribution infrastructure network within the Lagos Free Zone (LFZ). To actualize this opportunity, the Consortium shall incorporate a Special Purpose Vehicle Optimera Energy LFZ Enterprise (Optimera Energy) within LFZ. The consortium signed a Gas Infrastructure Development Agreement with the Lagos Free Zone to formalize this engagement. The signing ceremony was recently held at the Corporate Head Office of LFZ in Victoria Island, Lagos. At the event, Mrs. Audrey Joe-Ezigo, MD, Optimera Energy, said that the Optimera consortium is made up of like-minded shareholders passionate about a common goal: accelerating the further growth of domestic gas utilization in Nigeria. Having reliable dedicated gas supply infrastructure installed in the LFZ adds tremendous value to existing industrial concerns and will increase the Zone's attractiveness to future customers.

Kia India registers 22,322 units of domestic sales in August 2022

CHANDIGARH : Kia India, one of the fastest-growing carmakers in the country, docked 22,322 units of sales in August 2022, reporting year-on-year growth of 33.27% over the corresponding month last year. Continuing its healthy performance, the company retained its position on the 5 bestselling carmakers list. The Seltos led Kia India's healthy performance in the month with 8,652 units, followed by the Sonet, Carens and Carnival with 7,838, 5,558 and 274 units, respectively. Indicating improved market sentiment, the company sold 1,66,167 units in the domestic market in the first 8 months of CY22, 29% higher than the same period last year, much more than industry growth of approximately 17%. Notably, the company has sold over 1,20,000 Seltos, and Sonet combined in the first 8 months of the year, wherein Seltos has contributed with 65,513 units and Sonet with 55,740 units. The Carens has also kept its healthy momentum, with a contribution of 42,489 units at an average of over 6,000 units each month since its launch. Combining exports with its domestic sales, the company has crossed the 2.20 Lakh cumulative sales mark this year. Remarkably, Kia India has recorded its highest ever monthly export figure, dispatching over 8,100 units in global markets in August 2022.

Aag Laga di, Targaryens aur unke Dragons Ne: Music Director Malik

CHANDIGARH : With the release of the second episode of the highly-appreciated House of the Dragon on Disney+ Hotstar, award-winning music director Anu Malik sang praises for the series in his iconic style. Set with his Harmonic and 'Ek Garam Chai ki Pyali', Malik said, "It's raining fire on Disney+ Hotstar with the arrival of House of the Dragon." Set 200 years before the events that captivated global audiences in Game of Thrones, the 10-episode series is George RR Martin's story of the mighty Targaryen dynasty in the extraordinary world of House of the Dragon from his book 'Fire and Blood'. With new episodes dropping every Monday at 6:30 AM IST (the same time as the US telecast), a gripping saga takes us deep into the extraordinary world of Westeros. Rhyming with the mighty dragons and Targaryens of the series, Malik brought his Shaiyari to full glory. In his recital, he said, "Iron Throne pe bethne ki dua hai, is naye game mein, maut khel hai aur Zindagi Jua hai."

Kia India launches X-Line

CHANDIGARH: Kia India, one of the fastest-growing carmakers in the country, today introduced the range-topping 'X-Line' trim of its smart urban compact SUV, the Kia Sonet. Enhancing the sporty and youthful appeal of the Sonet badge, the Sonet X-Line trim is offered in 'Xclusive Matte Graphite Exterior colour' boosting the overall premium quotient of the car. With its Xclusive Splendid Sage Dual Tone Interior and Xclusive Crystal Cut Alloys with Black High Gloss (R16 - 40.64 cm (16"), the Sonet X-Line further elevates the overall cabin and driving experience. It is offered exclusively in 1.0 T-GDi petrol engine with 7DCT configuration and 1.5-litre CRDi diesel engine with 6AT configuration. The company has introduced the Sonet X-Line at a starting price of INR 13,39,000 (ex-showroom, pan India) which can be booked across all authorized Kia India dealerships in the country and through the company's official website www.kia.com/in

NEWS/BUSINESS

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Amazing benefits of olive oil for your hair

Recently, Netflix released a new show, Madam CJ Walker, based on the life of America's first female self-made millionaire, who climbed society's rank by selling hair products from her kitchen. She built an entire empire by bringing the focus of hair care to the masses in the late 1800s. Our hair is our identity, she asserted, and we agree! While we may not be able to pick the kind of hair we want, we can certainly make sure how healthy our mane is. The best way of taking care of your hair is by ensuring the right balance of maintaining hygiene, eating a healthy diet and using the right products. Our kitchen is full of beneficial home remedies that can do wonders for your hair. Take olive oil, for instance. This light-textured, multi-vitamin-rich oil can not only aid you in cooking or skincare but is also a boon for your locks. What Do You Know About Olive Oil? All thanks to its healthy properties, olive oil is now an essential item found in households. From a salad dressing, to face packs, and from massage oil to hair oils, this indispensable ingredient is a true multi-tasker. Extracted from tender olives, which usually grow in the Mediterranean region, olive oil is widely used all across the world.

Loaded with hair strengthening and rejuvenating properties, olive oil moisturises your hair and makes them smooth and dandruff free. It Moisturises Your Hair If your hair has taken a dull form due to pollution or dry weather, you can reap some of the benefits



of olive oil. Olive oil is not as cloudy or thick as other hair oils and is rich in moisturising properties. Some people also use olive oil as a replacement for conditioners. Regular use of olive oil on hair will give you smooth, frizz-free and shiny tresses. Makes Hair Frizz-Free The most common reason behind frizzy hair is

dryness. Manage are limp, frizzy and dry hair can be a real challenge. To restore your locks' luscious state, keep them well clean and healthy. Try doing olive oil hair spa at home for best results. This will nourish your hair and scalp and promote hair strengthening.

Smoothens Hair Not only dry hair can dampen your whole look, but they are also prone to damage caused by harmful sun rays and pollution. To add life to your dry tresses, olive oil is the safest bet. Not only does it rejuvenating properties help in locking moisture, but olive oil also deeply conditions your roots and promotes new soft and silky hair growth. Keeps Your Hair Dandruff Free If you have dry and damaged hair, a flaky scalp could be a probable cause. However, another major downside of the flaky or sensitive scalp is dandruff, which also causes acne and breakouts. Hence, it is essential to promote a healthy scalp for healthy hair. Add a new lease of life to your scalp using olive oil and say goodbye to dandruff. You can use three parts olive oil with one part lemon juice for exfoliation purposes. Make sure not to use a lot of lemons as it is acidic and natural and could damage your hair and lead to split ends.

Tata Motors registered total sales of 78,843 units in August 2022

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: Tata Motors Limited sales in the domestic & international market for August 2022 stood at 78,843 vehicles, compared to 57,995 units during August 2021. Domestic sale of MH&ICV in August 2022, including trucks and buses, stood at 12,069 units, compared to 8,962 units in August 2021. Total sales for MH&ICV Domestic & International Business in August 2022, including trucks and buses, stood at 12,846 units compared to 10,953 units in August 2021.

iQOO beats OnePlus, Apple, Samsung, and others

CHANDIGARH : Bringing exceptional performance and revolutionary power, iQOO - has remained the top smartphone brand when it comes to the maximum number of satisfied users in 2022, for the second year in a row - according to Great Indian Smartphone Survey by 91 Mobiles. Close to 70 percent of iQOO users expressed that they are happy with their smartphone's overall performance, service quality and features. Commenting on the accomplishment, Nipun Marya, Chief Executive Officer, iQOO, said, "It is heartwarming to see iQOO become the top brand with the most satisfied users for two years in a row. It is the trust of our consumers that has made us stand where we are today, growing and evolving. We will remain committed and passionate about bringing innovative and exceptional products and services to our young audience." In a short span of time, iQOO has witnessed consistent growth and has been carrying its relentless pursuit of perfection with exceptional performance-centric smartphones. The recently launched product iQOO Neo 6 became the No.1 Best-Selling smartphone on the first day of its launch alongside its high-performance smartphone iQOO 9T that garnered an applause-worthy Amazon rating of 4.5.



Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome Awareness Month

Mohali: "Polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) is a common health problem with significant reproductive and metabolic consequences. About 10% of reproductive age women have PCOS, however data suggest that up to 70% of women remain undiagnosed and deprived of optimal treatment." Addressing a health talk to mark the start of Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome Awareness Month at Ivy Hospital, Mohali on Thursday Dr. Jasmeet Kaur MD (Medicine) & DM Endocrinology from PGIMER and Consultant Endocrinology said that the disorder has diverse presentations which include abnormalities in menstrual cycle, excessive and masculine pattern of hair growth, baldness, severe acne, infertility as well as complications during pregnancy. She further informed that frequently, women with PCOS also suffer from psychological problems like anxiety, depression, eating disorders and low self-esteem. Equally worrisome are the long term complications comprising of pre-diabetes, Type 2 Diabetes, obstructive sleep apnoea, cardiovascular diseases and the risk of endometrial cancer, she asserted. Therefore, the management of PCOS entails a holistic approach, addressing the core symptoms as well as prevention, early detection and management of the various complications. Encouraging healthy lifestyle modifications pertaining to both nutrition and exercise is recommended in all cases, opined Dr. Jasmeet. The dietary approach should be tailored to individual food preferences, avoiding overly restrictive patterns. A minimum of 150 minutes per week of moderate intensity physical activity is advisable. A number of pharmacological therapies are available, which again need to be individualized, considering patient characteristics, preferences, needs and values, she informed.



Nissan registers wholesales of 8915 vehicles in Aug



CHANDIGARH, September 1: Nissan Motor India on Thursday announced cumulative wholesales of 8915 units, inclusive of domestic of 3283 units and export of 5632 units for the month of August 2022. The cumulative wholesale YTD growth stood at 29%. In line with its focus on the global market, Nissan India exported 5632 units in August 2022, 534% per cent month-on-month and 71% year to date increase. This strong export performance comes on the strength of Nissan products being modern and aspirational with Nissan achieving the key milestone of export of one million units in the month of July 22, on the philosophy of 'Make in India, Make for the World'. Rakesh Srivastava, MD, Nissan Motor India, commented, "The love for the Big, Bold, Beautiful Nissan Magnite continues to grow with strong performance in domestic and export markets. This festive season looks strong on strong fundamentals, preference for personal mobility and normalcy of work-life balance. Anticipating the strong demand, Nissan has introduced the new Nissan Magnite Red-Edition with enhanced value at a very attractive introductory price supported with increased production for more deliveries to the customers in the festive season." Launched in December 2020, the Big, Bold, Beautiful Nissan Magnite (currently at a starting ex-showroom price of 5.97 lakh), has been designed in Japan and made in India, underlining Nissan India's manufacturing philosophy of 'Make-In-India, Make for the World'.

ISB Hosted a Roundtable in Shimla with Govt. & Industry



SHIMLA: The Roundtable, hosted by the Indian School of Business along with Centre for Responsible Business, was held at Shimla on Boosting the State's Economy from a Responsible & thriving Forest Economy. "We will be able to show to the world in less than a year itself what the Forest Economy opportunity, built on security of tenure, will look like," said Prof. Ashwini Chhatre | Executive Director - BIPP, Indian School of Business. Forests play an important economic role in India's journey towards a greener economy - experts.Participation from industry majors - ITC- AgriBusiness Division, HUL, AAK, IKEA, Dabur, and traders of seasonal forest products.Participation from senior representatives Departments of WCD, Rural Development, Industries, Tribal Development & Forests, Himachal Pradesh.Senior representatives from the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Industry & Academia discussed the opportunity that security of tenure provides in building responsible and thriving forest economies; and in harnessing the triple-win opportunity of benefiting people, planet & profits. Prof. Chhatre highlighted, "We need to relook at our approach towards Forests. Forests are spaces of production and national economic opportunity, and not just spaces to be preserved and conserved". Prof. Ashwini Chhatre, Associate Professor & Executive Director, Bharti Institute of Public Policy, Indian School of Business shared the outline of the forest economy model, anchored in secure tenure.

Shreans Daga Foundation launches 'Manifestation Decoded' program

CHANDIGARH: 'MANIFESTATION DECODED', a 28-day free live online mega master course is a habit-forming, extensive course for inculcating mindfulness and meditation as a part of life launched by the Shreans Daga Foundation. Through careful curation of age-old philosophies, contemporary techniques, and an inherently scientific approach, this course is the missing puzzle to all the talk about manifestation, mindfulness and meditation in the world today. Conducted in English and Hindi the course starts from 3rd Sep 2022. Put together by the sibling duo Shreans and Varun Daga, the course has been scientifically designed to take participants on a journey of self-discovery, healing, and transformation. The goal is to provide participants with a once-in-a-lifetime experience in the two hours that they dedicate to the course for 28 days. Each topic is in-depth, scientifically supported, and handpicked to bring together the best knowledge from various global spiritual masters and scientists. Commenting on the launch, Shreans Daga said, "People lead hectic lives, with a plethora of activities to keep them busy or, at the very least, 'distracted.' What they struggle to find is the joy in the business, the calm in the chaos and the fun in the distractions. This generation may be the busiest, the most connected but is also the loneliest. This course is divided into 28 days since it not only helps people form habits but also promotes a sense of community." Additionally, it helps people be OK within themselves- providing tools, techniques, exercises that they can use to ground themselves, centre themselves, focus on tasks at hand and reclaim their choices. Participants are encouraged to ask questions and share their experiences with the community following each session. This gives each member a sense of belonging and camaraderie.



Yield 4 Finance comes against scam and fraud in financial sector

PANCHKULA: The financial instrument industry has constantly been a target of several fakes and scammers, especially the SBLC providers. Yield Group of Finance, a global cross-border finance company, shares the toughest part of being in this industry. Since a significant number of financial firms are offering bank instruments, fraud cases are rising at pace. According to the Chairman of Yield4Finance, Sanjeev Chadha, currently, there are no direct solutions for companies or banks from such fraudsters trying to defame you over issues out of your control. Company Vice President Ms Javela Macalalad said that in such cases, we could



only try to explain to the client or take our legal stand. Adding more to this, she said, "It is more important to focus on serving as many clients as possible to your best intentions and not think the factors you cannot control which can affect your servicing to any client." There are several issues in the trade finance sector, but one major problem leading to scams is the lack of direct customer communication with the firm. The clients usually come in contact with scammers instead of reliable company partners. People tend to believe and easily fall for the misleading information given by fraudsters, lending them to be problematic situations. In these circumstances, financial firms become the ultimate scapegoats as customers raise queries with the firm instead of the frauds they indulge with.

Prasar Bharati News Services Selects AWS to Rapidly Scale Digital News Services

CHANDIGARH: Amazon Web Services, Inc. (AWS), an Amazon.com, Inc. company (NASDAQ: AMZN), today announced that Prasar Bharati News Services (PBNS), the digital arm of India's public broadcasting service Prasar Bharati, is using AWS to host and scale its expansive network, which offers over 240 live radio channels, including live news and entertainment programs. By moving to AWS, PBNS has the compute capacity, reliability, and scalability to deliver news seamlessly to over 894 million viewers and listeners in more than 190 countries. Through this digital transformation, PBNS aims to provide innovative digital content formats and better engage its target audience, especially younger viewers and listeners. "At Prasar Bharati News Services, we have a responsibility to provide timely and accurate news. We inform and educate the public about India's development and cultural diversity. AWS is instrumental to PBNS's digital transformation roadmap, helping us reach existing and new audiences, who consume content digitally," said Samir Kumar, Head, PBNS and Digital Platform, Prasar Bharati. "With AWS, we have the reliability and scalability to distribute news across the nation at speed, constantly updating our growing audience with trusted information, even during peak periods. We are confident that our cloud-first approach to creating, transforming, and delivering digital content quickly, enabled by AWS, will help us continue to make information more accessible and relevant to the growing requirements of our audience. Using the cloud, PBNS drives its mission to be a trusted public broadcaster by innovating our operations, driving content reforms, and delivery."

Funds managed by Motilal Oswal Private Equity, India SME and Motilal Oswal Finvest Limited invest in Simpolo Group

CHANDIGARH : India Business Excellence Fund – IV, a fund managed and advised by MO Alternate Investment Advisors Private Limited ("MOPE"), along with India SME Investments - Fund I and Motilal Oswal Finvest Limited have completed an investment of USD 66 Mn in Simpolo Group, India's largest luxury and premium tiles manufacturer. Simpolo Group includes the flagship company Simpolo Vitrifired Private Limited and Nexion International Private Limited. Established in 2008, Simpolo Vitrifired Private Limited is the market leader in the premium tiles segment in India, is promoted by first generation entrepreneur Jitendra Aghara and is based out of Morbi, Gujarat, one of the largest tiles manufacturing districts in the world. Simpolo has a pan India presence with a robust network of 1,100+ dealers and exports to over 50 countries. Established in 2015, Nexion International Pvt. Ltd. is a JV between Simpolo promoters and the promoters and former owners of Emilceramica SpA, an Italian company established in 1961 and one of the global leaders in the luxury tiles segment. On a consolidated basis, Simpolo and Nexion are the largest player in the high-end segment of the Indian tiles market, with revenues of ~USD 150 Mn in FY 2022.



United Sikhs carry out massive relief work in flood-hit Pakistan

PESHAWAR: As Pakistan faces the worst floods the country has seen in decades, United Nations has launched \$160 million emergency plan for the country, floods affect more than 33 million people. Nightmarish scenes are being witnessed as massive floods wreak havoc and devastation across the country. UN-affiliated United Sikhs volunteers have stepped up humanitarian aid efforts in multiple locations in the country to help provide emergency aid to the flood affected people. United Sikhs distributed food and water among 12000 families including children, women, and men in two camps in Charsada district of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Nearly 2 lakh people are affected due to flash floods in the district Charsada, 70 km from Peshawar. Herdyal Singh, Project Director, United Sikhs Pakistan, said, "We have received request to assist 20,000 more families as we responded swiftly to the crisis, deploying teams and resources for emergency relief in the affected areas." Due to the massive scale of the floods, several areas still remain cut off as roads and bridges have been destroyed, and communication systems have collapsed. The teams are making every effort to reach and serve difficult-to-access areas as United Sikhs is making efforts to expedite the relief operations in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Sindh, Balochistan and Punjab as well, he said.



City cyclists complete toughest Tawa Madhai expedition organised by MP Tourism



CHANDIGARH, In one of its own kind of initiative, the Madhya Pradesh Tourism Department, has also opened the gates of the forests of its state for adventure activities. A cycling expedition was organized at Madhai, adjacent to the Satpura Tiger Reserve on Sunday which was attended by cyclists across the country. Amongst them three members of city based Cycleworx Club Vikrant Sharma, Ashwini Sharma and Sudeep Rawat accepted this invitation from the Department of Tourism and The Gypsy Adventures and rejoiced the wildlife bathed in the monsoon season. This beautiful and toughest trail of the state which stretched about 85 km long, Madhai -Tawa Cycling Expedition, was well supported by the local administration and Forest Department. The objective of this three-day event was to promote Eco-tourism as well as adventurous activities in the forests of Satpura through cyclists invited across the country. It was a memorable occasion for all the cyclists to not only get acquainted with the wildlife but also get to know the routine of the relocated tribal people. The expedition was flagged off by District Collector Neeraj Kumar Singh in the presence of other administrative officers. The organizer and Director of Gypsy Adventures Aditya Dhoot said that there has been an overwhelming response in the very first edition which indicates that people are eager to encounter wildlife through adventures apart from safaris. He said that Satpura invites tourists throughout the year, but in monsoon, the beauty of these forests is made more worth seeing.

Kotak Mutual Fund launches Smart Facility for SIP, STP and SWP

HISAR: Kotak Mutual Fund announced the launch of its Smart Facility for SIP STP and SWP for all investors. This feature takes the traditional SIP/STP/SWP facility a step further, where investors' instalment (in case of SIP/STP) or withdrawal (in case of SWP) varies based on market valuation. The new facility is available for all open-ended equity schemes, Equity Index Funds and Kotak Equity Hybrid Fund. The Smart SIP is aptly called 'Smart' as it considers valuations and makes investments accordingly. With the new facility, the amount of investment or withdrawal is based on equity valuations - Cheap, Neutral and Expensive. When valuations are expensive the default SIP

instalment will be half (0.5x) of the base SIP amount and when valuations are cheap the instalment would be (2x) of the Base SIP amount. This facility also allows you to choose the minimum and maximum SIP amount. Investors can also opt for this option through the Systematic Transfer Plan (STP) route. The valuations are decided based on the net equity allocation of the Kotak Balanced Advantage Fund, which uses a combination of adjusted trailing Price to Earnings ratio (P/E ratio), and the trend as well as the sentiment data. This platform is also available for redemptions through Systematic Withdrawal Plan (SWP). The Smart SWP enables the investor to redeem a higher amount when equity valuations are

expensive and a lower amount when valuations are cheaper. Nilesh Shah, Group President & MD, Kotak Mahindra Asset Management Company said, "The Kotak Mutual Fund's latest offering, the Smart Facility will help investors who are looking for an equity valuation-based investment approach to invest for their long-term goals. Equity markets will continue to be volatile. Smartness is in using this volatility in our favour. This is a very simple yet powerful tool for systematic investments which is easy to understand and even easier to invest in. I am sure investors in coming days will benefit from this offering."

Hindware limited relaunches luxury brand Queo with new range of European bath lounges

LUDHIANA: QUEO, a leading luxury bathroom brand from the house of Hindware Limited today launched a new collection of luxury faucets and sanitaryware. The new range entails a complete portfolio of pristine faucets called 'Forza'. While the optical sanitaryware portfolio, includes a range of products series for Tankless EWC, One-Piece Water Closets, Wall Mounted EWC and Over the counter Basin. With this launch, the company aims to expand its offerings in the luxury bathroom segment, a growing market with an increasing consumer demand for bathroom fittings with an exquisite design and superior built quality.

QUEO by Hindware Limited embodies the idea of luxury, every product in its portfolio reflects the comfort of grandeur. The brand offers a wide range of contemporary designs and unique functionality that allows consumers to experience rejuvenation. The new bathroom range emanates premium and minimalist representation of European bath lounges. Each color palette connoting beauty, and elegance in the most impactful way, capable of instantly elevating the look of any bath space. The collection is designed to be aesthetically appealing and built with the most durable finish. Commenting on the announcement, Mr. Sudhanshu Pokhriyal, Chief Executive

Officer, Bath & Tiles division, Hindware Limited, said, "As a leading player in sanitaryware and faucets segments, we've always been at the forefront of setting new trends and experiences. The same is reflected in today's launch as well, consumers can now experience the luxury of European bath lounges at the comfort of their home with Queo, premium brand from the house of Hindware limited. These masterpieces are seen as an extension of one's grand personality, making everyday living a style statement for others to follow. We are certain that our latest offering will be appreciated by consumers who seek delightful and aesthetic designs in their bath space.

MG Motor India introduces Advanced Gloster

CHANDIGARH: MG Motor India announced the launch of the Advanced Gloster starting at Rs 31.99 lakhs. India's first autonomous (Level 1) premium SUV now comes with new and advanced safety, style, and technology enhancements. The existing Gloster's Advanced Driver Assist System (ADAS) has additional first-in-segment features such as Door Open Warning (DOW), Rear Cross Traffic Alert (RCTA), and Lane Change Assist (LCA). These advances on the existing 30 standard safety features make the Advanced Gloster a safer and smoother drive. The towering road presence of the Advanced Gloster is further strengthened by the all-new British Windmill Turbine-themed alloy wheels in 4WD variants. It is now being offered in the newly introduced 'Deep Golden' colour option which further enhances the luxurious appeal of the SUV. This is in addition to the already existing colours of Metal Black, Metal Ash and Warm White. Speaking on the launch, Rajeev Chhaba, President and Managing Director, MG Motor India, said that "Technological disruption, constant evolution, and best-in-class customer experience are key priorities for us at MG. The Gloster is known for being bold, sturdy, versatile, and luxurious, and we are grateful for our customers' response to it.

NEWS AT A GLANCE

MLA Mewa Singh to hold a party meeting today

NARESH GARG
LADWA: Congress leader from Ladwa constituency, Rakesh Khurana said that on Friday, September 2, Ladwa constituency MLA Mewa Singh will hold a workers' meeting at a private palace on the Ladwa-Radaur road at 9 am. Khurana said that on September 4, the demonstration will be held by the Congress party against inflation in Delhi. Congress workers will go there in heavy numbers. MLA Mewa Singh will hold a meeting of Congress workers at a private palace on the Ladwa-Radaur, in which a large number of workers will take part.

Fatehabad rally on Devi Lal's birth anniversary on Sept 25: Manzora

RINKU GONDAR
NISSING: On the occasion of the rally to be held in Fatehabad on 25th September in honour of the birth anniversary of former Deputy Prime Minister Late Chaudhary Devi Lal, on Thursday, under the leadership of INLD Farmers Cell State President Phool Singh Manzora and former Chairman Market Committee Rampal Rana, village Manzora of Nising area visited a dozen villages including Aungad, Katlaheri, Hathlana. Manzora said that on September 8, former Chief Minister Chaudhary Omprakash Chotala will do the work of energising the workers reaching Karnal at Jat Dharamshala at 2 pm. Manzora said that today the crops were damaged due to heavy rains in the state and the state government should give compensation by getting Girdawari done. Manzora said that the rally on the birth anniversary of Tau Devi Lal to be held in Fatehabad on 25 September would be record breaking. There is a lot of enthusiasm among the people of the state regarding the rally.

Atul B. Patil takes over as C&MD, NFL

NOIDA: Atul B. Patil, Director (Marketing) has taken over the additional charge of C&MD, National Fertilizers Limited. Patil has over 32 years of work experience in Marketing and Personnel Management in the Fertilizers Industry. A Science graduate from Guru Nanak Dev University Amritsar, Patil holds an MBA (Master in Business Administration) in Marketing & Personnel Management from Shivaji University, Kolhapur, Maharashtra. As Director (Marketing), NFL, Patil has the credit of achieving best-ever Q1 sale of NFL products in the financial year 2022-23. NFL operates five gas based Ammonia-Urea plants in India with a production capacity of 36 lakh MT of Urea beside one 13 Lakh MT JV plant of RFCL in Telangana. NFL markets around 60 Lakh MT of total fertilizers through its pan India marketing network and commands a market share of 19.5% of urea in the country.

BKU lays blockade to protest poor condition of road

NIRMAL RADAUR, SEP 1

Due to the poor condition of Saharanpur-Kurukshetra road, farmers associated with Bharatiya Kisan Union Tikait blocked the road by parking vehicles and putting up tents on the side of the road even as they sat on dharna. During this time, the farmers shouted slogans against the government and the administration. The farmers had decided to hold a symbolic jam for two hours, but when the local administration and PWD department officials did not come to talk to the farmers, the angry farmers announced the jam till evening. Meanwhile, police station in-charge Rajkumar appealed to district president Subhash Gurjar to open the jam, but he told the SDM to come to the spot and give assurance to the farmers. The police station in-charge said that the SDM is busy now and



cannot come. The farmers bluntly told him that if the officials do not have time to come out of the AC room and talk to the farmers sitting in the sun, then the blockade will also not be lifted. About half an hour later, SDM Satindra Siwach and XEN Navin Khatri of PWD department reached the spot and on their assurance, the farmers lifted the blockade. The farmers warned the administration that if the assurance turned out to be false, they would lay siege to the office. DSP Rajat Gulia was present at the spot along with the police team to deal with any untoward incident.

Bhandara held by Singla family

VIRENDER JANGRA TARAORI, SEP 1

Like every year a Bhandara was organised by the Singla family at the Dargah of Sarwar Pir Baba near the Gurudwara near Dhobi Mohalla for the happiness and peace of the city. On this occasion, the Singla family offered Chadar on Pir Baba on behalf of the devotees. Apart from this, Bhajan Kirtan was sung along with it. Devotees stood in lines and bowed their heads at the dargah of Pir Baba and prayed for happiness, peace and prosperity. Poori, Kheer, Halwa, Vegetable Bhandara were prepared on this occasion. A large number of devotees took the prasad in the form of Bhandara. A large number of youth and women were also seen serving in the Bhandara. Rajesh Singla, Ashok Singla, Sonu Singla and people of the locality were present on this occasion.



66 units of blood collected at Karnal camp

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, SEP 1

The 75-day continuous nationwide blood donation campaign dedicated to the 75 years of the nation's independence entered its 18th day today and on this occasion a blood donation camp was organized at Golden Moments, Karnal, in which 66 units of blood were donated.

In this massive blood donation camp organized in collaboration with Haryana Roadways Driving School and Golden Moments, Chief Guest Haryana Roadways Driving School Karnal General Manager, Surinder Singh and Nifa Founder President Pritpal Singh Pannu honored the blood donors by wearing badges and giving certificates. He was accompanied by social worker Sunil Bindal, nominated councilor Subhash Kashyap, NIFA conservator Dr Lajpat Rai Chaudhary, SM Kumar, JR Kalda, Satinder Raman, Vinod Kumar from Haryana Roadways and Anju Sharma from Ashwani Shah women's wing. Veena Khetarpal, Dr Bharti Bharadwaj, Anita Devi was also present as special guests. Nifa District Secretary Hitesh Gupta, coordinator of the camp, said that there was great enthusiasm



among the students of Haryana Roadways Driving School for this camp and even when the blood donation camp was closed at 2 o'clock, many blood donors were ready to donate a unit of blood.

State President Shravan Sharma said that under this campaign, there will be blood donation camps for 75 consecutive days from August 15 to October 29 in Karnal Lok Sabha area and at least one blood donation camp will be organized every day. A target of 75 blood donation camps has been set apart from Karnal Lok Sabha constituency in Haryana.

A total of 750 blood donation camps and 75000 units of blood were collected in 75 days, the great

freedom fighters who sacrificed their lives for the freedom of the country and spent the precious years of their lives in the dungeons of the jail and the country to save this freedom. A tribute will be paid to the soldiers who were martyred while fighting the enemy on the borders. In today's camp, the Karnal Civil Hospital Blood Bank team collected blood under the guidance of Dr. Sanjay Verma. Dinesh Bakshi, Hitesh Gupta, Noneet Verma, Arvind Sandhu, Maninder Uppal, Indrajit Singh, Kamalkant Dhiman, Varun Kashyap, Deepak, Gaurav Punia, Sandeep, Ankit and Udayveer contributed significantly in making the camp a success.

Nineteen blood donation

camps have been organized in Karnal Lok Sabha constituency from August 15 till today, out of which 6 blood donation camps have been organized in Panipat and 13 blood donation camps have been organized in Karnal district. So far, 1069 units of blood have been donated from these 19 camps to the blood banks of Civil Hospital, Kalpana Chawla Medical College and Indian Red Cross Society Delhi.

More than 200 blood donation camps have been organized across the country so far. Participating NIFA branches and other organizations of the ongoing Blood Donation Maha Abhiyan till 29 October 2022 will be honored in a national level ceremony on Haryana Day on November 1.

HVPNL staff felicitated



RK KASHYAP CHHACHHRAULI, SEP 1

A felicitation ceremony was organized at Haryana Vidyut Prasaran Nigam (HVPNL) sub unit Pratap Nagar. This program was organized on the arrival of Circle Secretary Ashok Sharma. In the program, Sub Unit Pratap Nagar Secretary Kanwarpal, Joint Secretary Rajkumar, Sub Unit Principal Jai Singh, Secretary Ravi Rath, Vice Principal Mahaveer, Joint Secretary Rajendra Kumar, Cashier Mahendra Kumar, Organizer Vikas Kumar and Unit Organizer Praveesh Kumar were present. Secretary Ashok Sharma was honored by garlanding and putting on a turban. Kanwar Pal, Secretary of Sub Unit Pratap Nagar, said that along with this, officials of Jagadhari Unit, Yamuna Nagar Unit, Bilaspur Unit, Hydrel Unit were also honored with flower garlands by Sub Unit Pratap Nagar. In the program, all the dignitaries of the unit who came from outside presented their views towards the organization and discussed in detail about the executive. On this occasion, Unit Head Sunil Saini from Bilaspur, Unit Secretary Sumit Kumar, Unit Head Sudhir Rohilla from Hydrel, Unit Secretary Udhham Singh and all the unit executives were also present on the occasion.

Religious events should be regularly organized: Garg



NARESH GARG LADWA, SEP 1

A procession was taken out from the city's Nagar Kheda temple on the occasion of the Ganesh Utsav by the Shree Bal Ganesh Seva Mandal of the city, which was completed in Ward 12. There the stalwart foundation chairman and philanthropist Sandeep Garg installed the idol and performed aarti. Mandal representative Saurabh Sharma said that Ganesh festival has been celebrated with pomp for the last four years under Palika Bazar in Ward 12 on behalf of Shree Bal Ganesh Seva Mandal. In the same episode, the fifth Ganesh festival started with a procession. He said that the statue was installed by the social worker Sandeep Garg. Chief guest social worker Sandeep Garg said that such grand events not only increase the sense of devotion in the city, but mutual brotherhood also increases. He said that these types of events should be held in the city so that the feeling of love within the people continues to grow. With this, Sandeep Garg was honored with a memento on behalf of the whole group. Many board members including Arun Saini, Sanjeev Sharma, Vaibhav Chawla, Rohit Mahant, Vraman Kumar and Honey were present on the occasion.

NIRMAL RADAUR, SEP 1

The two-day inter-school sports competition being organized at the Indian Public Senior Secondary School has concluded. Students of Discovery School Ladwa and Indian Public School participated in the competition. Sports competitions like kho-kho, volleyball, running, lemon race, three leg race, long jump, high jump, sack race, tug-of-war etc. were organized in which the students participated enthusiastically and displayed their outstanding talent. The sports competition was presided over by manager Ish Mehta. Students of Indian



Public School emerged victorious in Kho-Kho, Cricket and Tug of War competitions. In the 50m race, Garv, Aryan, Varadaan, Avish ran the fastest and won the first position. While Abhinav, Shivank, Onir got the second position and Dhruv, Manitpal and Aryveer got the third position. In the three-leg race, Bhumik-Dhruvin, Lavit-Heman won first place, Saksham-Aniruddha, Hitesh-Divyansh won second place. Onir was first in the high jump, Evinn second, Aryan third, Akash first in lemon

Large quantity of ghee seized by health department to prevent adulteration

GULSHAN KUMAR /KULDEED SOOD

BARNALA: In order to prevent adulteration, the Health Department conducted raids across the district in the past, following which samples of suspected substances were taken and a large quantity of suspected ghee was recovered and seized. Giving information in this regard, Dr. Jasbir Singh Aulakh, Civil Surgeon Barnala said that under the said campaign, after taking 08 samples of suspected ghee and 01 sample of mustard oil in the last two days, the said suspected ghee and mustard oil have been seized. He said that the said samples have been sent to the state lab for testing. It is worth mentioning that the health department has been taking samples of artificial milk and milk products since August. On this occasion, Dr. Jaspreet Singh Gill, District Health Officer Barnala and Jaswinder Singh Food Safety Officer Barnala while giving information said that samples of milk and milk products are being taken since August. He said that on 30.08.2022 late evening, about 1 quintal 60 kg of suspected ghee was recovered and seized from a suspected ghee business person and the next day, about 3 quintal 20 kg of suspicious ghee was recovered from another suspected ghee business person.



Petrol pump attendant honoured for bravery



VINOD DHIMAN JAGADHARI, SEP 1

Police spokesperson Chamkaur Singh said that Mahendra Petrol Pump salesman Gaya Prasad has been honored by Superintendent of Police Mohit Handa. The miscreant who came to commit the robbery at the pump was caught by him. On Thursday, the Superintendent of Police called Gaya Prasad to his office, where he was honored. During this time Vishal Sharma, the owner of Mahindra Petrol Pump was also present.

The Superintendent of Police said that salesman Gaya Prasad has done a very brave act. He didn't panic after seeing a country made pistol in the miscreant's hand and caught him. The miscreant also opened fire. The fragments of which got

stuck in Prasad's side. Despite this, he did not back down and caught the miscreant. A big incident was averted only by his bravery.

It may be mentioned that the Mahindra petrol pump near Madhu Chowk has been running round the clock since 1970, when this petrol pump was set up. Gaya Prasad, a resident of Azadnagar, has been working as a salesman for about 30 years.

On Wednesday, he was putting oil at the petrol pump, when a miscreant Monu came and put a country made pistol on him. Threatening to shoot him, he started snatching the cash bag. On which the salesman Gaya Prasad showed courage and caught the miscreant. The salesman Gaya Prasad was honored with a certificate and cash reward.

Maharaja Agrasen stood for socialism, brotherhood: Jain

NARESH GARG LADWA, SEP 1

State President of Haryana Pradesh Vaishya Mahasammelan Rajiv Jain met the office bearers of Shree Agarwal Sabha at Ladwa Anaj Mandi Dharamshala and held a meeting. General Secretary of the Assembly Vikas Singhal said that Haryana Pradesh Vaishya Mahasammelan State President Rajeev Jain met the functionaries of Agarwal Assembly and discussed the work being done by the society. Durgesh Goyal, President of the Assembly, welcomed the guests and explained in detail about the activities being done by the Assembly. Ashok Gupta, State President of Haryana Pradesh Anaj Mandi Aarti Association, also welcomed Rajiv Jain and explained in



detail the cooperation work done by him for the association in the past. Chief guest Rajiv Jain said that Maharaja Agrasen was a symbol of socialism, brotherhood and non-violence and the entire Agarwal Samaj is leading the world by following his footsteps. He said that Maharaja Agrasen Jayanti is a symbol of socialism and mutual brotherhood. Therefore, the birth anniversary should be celebrated with pomp and the message of joining the society in the formula of unity

should be spread throughout the society. He said that if we unite and try to uplift our society, then society will develop not only socially but also politically. District President Rajeev Gupta, District Vice President Shyam Lal, Vishu Bindal, Youth President Manish Garg, Sunil Garg, Amit Singhal, Arvind Singhal, Sandeep Garg, Deepak Singhal, Vishal Mittal, Nareish Bansal, Sumit, Surendra Garg, Dr. Amrit Garg, Lucky Garg, Deepak Goyal and Amit Gupta were present.

Register your crop on Mera Byora portal, farmers urged

NIRMAL RADAUR, SEP 1

A one-day awareness camp on soil health card was organized



under Har Khet Swasthya Khet by the Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare in village Bakana. District Deputy Director of Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Jaswinder Saini attended as the chief guest. Addressing the farmers, he said that the farmers should get their crops registered on Mera Byora portal, so that no farmer has to face any problem in selling the crops. He said that under the scheme of Mera Pani Meri Virasat Yojana, if the farmer plants Urad, Moong, Arhar, Sesame and 1-year-old fodder instead of paddy, then the government will give a subsidy amount of seven thousand per acre. Assistant Land Conservation Officer Dr. Nareish Bharadwaj inspired the farmers to get the soil tested. Agricultural scientist Dr. Vishal Goyal told the farmers that there are 17 nutrients in the soil. Only by getting the soil tested, it is found out which nutrients are lacking in the soil. He said that on the basis of the soil health card, the farmer can get good yield by applying the recommended amount of fertilizer in his field.

Satsang held to signal start of construction of 'Art of Living Ashram'

RN KHERA CHANDIGARH, SEP 1

Prime Land Promoters and Builders (PLPB) in association with the Art of Living (AOL) held a satsang to mark the beginning of construction of North India's largest Art of Living Ashram. The ceremony was held at PLPB's upcoming project site - 'The Wellness City' on the Chandigarh-Patiala road. The auspicious ceremony was marked by a Guru Puja and Satsang, in the august presence of Prasana Prabhu ji and Mrs. Tripta from the Art of Living Foundation. Speaking on the occasion, Sumit Singla, CEO of PLPB said, "The AOL Ashram will be located in 'The Wellness City' which is in sync with bioclimatic architecture, and thoroughly environment friendly. The Ashram will be spread over 20 acres of land in a lush green



area and will be equipped with a meditation hall, an international school, Ayurveda College and many other features." Tripta, Trustee at the Art of Living said, "I want to congratulate PLPB for bringing such a unique and beautiful concept of residential project along with the Art of Living Ashram, in the region. People living near the Ashram can relieve their stress anytime by meditating in the Ashram when it's ready."

Goyal family donates ambulance to Bharat Vikas Parishad

VIRENDER JANGRA TARAORI, SEP 1

In memory of their parents, the Goyal family of Goyal International Pvt Ltd, a producer of Galaxy Basmati rice, presented an ambulance to the local branch Bharat Vikas Parishad Taraori. Vinod Goel, Vijay Goel, Krishna Goel of Goyal family along with their family members handed over the key of ambulance to Bharat Vikas Parishad Patron Brijmohan Garg and President Jai Bhardwaj on the premises of Goyal International Private Limited. Along with this, an amount of Rs 21 thousand was also given. On this occasion Vinod Goel and Vijay Goel of Goyal family said that we have handed over an ambulance to the BVKI in the memory of our mother Shri Mata Satya Devi and father Late Shri Devi Chand Goel ji. This ambulance is equipped with full AC, power steering as well



as modern arrangements. Even during the Corona period, the Goyal family had done a commendable job of giving hundreds of bags of ration and other materials to the poor families in the city, which is an example in the city. Apart from this, this family keeps on getting the blessings of their ancestors by participating in religious events and other works. On this occasion, the patron of the branch, Brijmohan Garg and president Jai Bhardwaj thanked the Goyal family and said that the council always gets support from this family.

SHORT
TALKSTendulkar to lead
Indian Legends in
Road Safety World
Series Season 2

MUMBAI: Master Blaster Sachin Tendulkar will lead defending champions India Legends in the second edition of the Road Safety World Series (RSWS) scheduled to be played from September 10 to October 1, 2022, in Kanpur, Raipur, Indore and Dehradun.

Kanpur will host the opener and Raipur will host the two semi-finals and final.

New Zealand Legends are the new team in this edition and they will join the Legends of India, Australia, Sri Lanka, West Indies, South Africa, Bangladesh and England during the 22-day event played primarily to create awareness of road safety in the country and around the globe.

The Road Safety World Series (RSWS) is supported by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways and the Ministry of Information & Technology and Youth Affairs & Sports Government of India. 27th Sports, backed by US-based 27th Investments, are the exclusive marketing rights holder of the league while Professional Management Group (PMG) is the event management partner. Speaking about Road Safety World Series Season 2, Nitin Gadkari, Union Minister for Road Transport & Highways Government of India, said, "The Road Safety World Series is a very good initiative to create awareness towards road safety through cricket. We want every individual in this country to be aware and obey every rule and regulation while on the road and for that to happen, we have to create awareness among the people, I strongly believe that this series will be able to do and achieve the goal of saving lives on Indian roads." Wishing all success to the event Anurag Thakur, Union Minister of Information & Technology and Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India said, "I am sure the Road Safety World Series will drive social change and work as an ideal platform to influence people's mindset towards their behaviour."

Flexible Suryakumar
ready to bat anywhere

DUBAI: Hard-hitting batter Suryakumar Yadav said he is flexible enough to bat anywhere in the Indian T20 team, having turned out for the Men in Blue in various roles, including opening the innings. Suryakumar scored a scintillating 26-ball 68 not out to pave the way for India's 40-run win over Hong Kong and sail into the Super Four stage of the Asia Cup on Wednesday.

On a two-paced wicket, Suryakumar, who came in to bat at number 4, played a wide range of shots which included six sixes and as many fours. "I am flexible to bat at any number, wherever you tell me. I have told the coach and captain to send me at any number but just play me," Suryakumar said at the post match press conference.

Vice-captain KL Rahul, who is coming off an injury, has looked completely out of sorts in the tournament. Against Hong Kong, he struggled to score a 39-ball 36.

"So you are saying we should not play KL bhai (Rahul)?" he said when asked if he would open the innings with Rohit Sharma. "He is coming after an injury and he needs some time now, we have time right now," he added.

With the T20 World Cup just around the corner, India are continuing to experiment in a bid to find out the best batting combination.

"Things will go on, there are lot of things we are trying and experimenting. There are things that we want to do and it's better to try those things in matches rather than in practice sessions." India had a woeful start after being sent to bat first with Rahul and Rohit failing to covert their starts, while Virat Kohli scored a 44-ball 59 not out.

"It is a challenge to bat first. We are working on that exactly, like what sort of target we need to set while batting first, that's what we are trying to get right. "Today as well, we were trying to do that, once we started batting first, what total should it be, what tempo and how to finish. Who are the batsmen left (to come in), what will be their role, it was very clear for us."

Virat Kohli
equals record of
most fifty plus
scores in T20Is

DUBAI: Virat Kohli scored his 31st half-century on Wednesday, equalling the record with Rohit Sharma for scoring the most 50-plus scores in T20Is. The former India captain achieved this feat during India's Group A tie against Hong Kong in Dubai in the ongoing 2022 edition of the tournament. Kohli found much-needed form in the match, scoring an unbeaten 59 of 44 deliveries with the help of a boundary and three towering sixes. He looked scratchy, to begin with, but found the middle of the bat in the later stages of the innings. He now has 31 half-centuries in 94 innings from 101 matches. His highest score was 94* which came against West Indies in December 2019. The 33-year-old is now tied with Rohit Sharma who also has 31 half-centuries in 126 innings from 134 matches along with four centuries. Babar Azam, David Warner, Martin Gupitll, and Paul Stirling are the only players with more than 20 scores of fifty or more in T20Is.

US Open: Serena storms into 3rd
round spurred by home supportAGENCY
NEW YORK, SEPT 1

The 23-time grand slam champion, Serena Williams stormed into the third round of the US Open on Thursday. Serena knocked out the second seed Anett Kontaveit in a three-set contest 7-6(4), 2-6, 6-2.

Williams, who is now 40 and holds the current ranking of No. 605, upset Estonia's Anett Kontaveit, the No. 2 seed, in a see-saw encounter, to advance to the third round of the US Open. This win keeps her pursuit of Margaret Court and the record 24 major victories alive.

The exuberant crowd, which included several WTA and ATP Tour competitors along with celebrities hoping to get (at least) one final look at the all-time great, supported the home-Slam favourite fervently.

Playing the 1,013th match of her stellar career Williams was in vintage form and did not disappoint the tennis fans as she won the first set 7-6(4) in a nail-biting finish.

The number two stepped onto the court in the second set with the change of plans and was able to take the second set 2-6.

The deciding set saw the 40-year-old display the dominating tennis she has been known for throughout her career, winning the set and the match. The Estonian did try to make a match of it but the support of the crowd spurred Serena to another win in her already illustrious career.

In her post-match interview, the American said that she has not played tennis this freely, ever since she made her debut in 1999. She said that she loves rising to the occasion and there is still a little left in her.

The tennis legend said, "There's still a little left in me," said Williams. "This is what I do best. I



love rising to a challenge. After I lost the second set, I said, 'Oh, my goodness, this could be it.' I just wanted to keep trying and just do my best."

Adding about enjoying her game she said, "Honestly, I'm just looking at this as a bonus. I don't have anything to prove. I don't have anything to win. And I have absolutely nothing to lose. I never get to play like this since '98. Literally, I've had an 'X' on my back since '99, so it's kind of fun." In another match, featuring future superstar Coco Gauff won her second-round match to advance to the third round of the US Open. The teenager defeated Elena Gabriela Ruse of Romania 6-2, 7-6(4) to advance to the next round. Playing in Arthur Ashe Stadium, the 18-year-old seemed more confident than in her debut at the very same tournament three years ago. She gave her opponent almost nothing in the first set, winning it without breaking a sweat. The second set saw her facing stiff competition from the Romanian,

but the American prevailed .

and won the second set, taking the match.

A platform that Gauff appears to be quickly taking a liking to, and one in which she will probably be making frequent appearances, it was her second career victory on tennis' largest stadium. Gauff is seeded No. 12 this year, is rated No. 1 in the world in doubles, and most recently added Roland Garros finals to her resume.

"I've always wanted to win in Ashe," Gauff said in her post-match interview.

On her memories of this stadium, she said, "I've been coming here for years, watching Venus and Serena play, and now I get to be here and play.

Finally, on Monday I was able to get a win on this court, so I think my record now is maybe almost even here, I don't know."

Gauff will now face fellow American and number 20 seed Madison Keys in the third round.

Parimatch launches World's
First Virtual Kabaddi SolutionBUREAU
SHIMLA, SEPT 1

Parimatch is thrilled to announce the launch of its virtual kabaddi product. PMI, a service company engaged in the development of Parimatch brand, reported that the organization has strengthened its market-leading portfolio of virtual sports games with the launch of Virtual Kabaddi. Parimatch has exclusive rights to this product and will be the first company to introduce virtual kabaddi to its fans. Starting September 1, the new betting line takes place live. The main betting markets include Match Result (1x2), Total, Team Total, Handicap, and Total (Even/Odd). Virtual kabaddi is a simulation of a real-life kabaddi game. The virtual betting product follows the same

rules as games in real life with one notable exception: it takes place online. The main difference between virtual and real-life kabaddi matches is that the former does not involve real players. Instead, the games use computer algorithms to determine which team wins each game. The mathematical algorithm analyzes the data to make sure the match is very close to a real-life game, thus creating a real-match kabaddi experience for its players. Virtual kabaddi is the perfect option for true kabaddi lovers who want to play the game as often as they wish—simulated kabaddi allows punters to bet on their favorite teams 24/7. Pitch-animation in the virtual kabaddi allows for simulating the actions that take place in a real kabaddi match.

HIMACHAL PRADESH
JAL SHAKTI VIBHAG
OFF LINE NOTICE INVITING TENDRE

The Executive Engineer Jal Shakti Division Nadaun invites off line tenders on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh from eligible contractors for the following work (s) through offline process:-

- Name of Work: LWSS Jhallan Basaral Phase 2nd. Providing House hold connection by Ministry of Jal Shakti " Har Ghar Nal se Jal " for Dhaneta & Kangoo and Multi village under Sub Division Dhaneta in Tehsil Nadaun Distt. Hamirpur HP. (Sh:-S/E of Centrifugal P/M of 60 HP with allied accessories).
 - Estimated Cost:-498000/-
 - Earnest Money:-9960/-
 - Time of completion:- 06 Months
 - Cost of Form:- 250/-
- Name of Work: Installation of Hand Pump near Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam Limited (SJVN) Dhaula Sidh Hydro Eclectic Jeehan Distt. Hamirpur HP (Sh:- C/O Bore well)
 - Estimated Cost:-323450/-
 - Earnest Money:-6469/-
 - Time of completion:- 01 Months
 - Cost of Form:- 250/-
- Name of Work:- Providing Water Supply for Dr. Radha Krishna Medical Collage at Jol Sapper in Tehsil Nadun Distt. Hamirpur HP (Sh:- Energisation of hand pump with 3 HP motor in Hand pump in village Thain and providing fixing storage tank 1000 liters with stand and laying Rising main upto Medical Collage storage tank).
 - Estimated Cost:-251450/-
 - Earnest Money:-5029/-
 - Time of completion:- 03 Months
 - Cost of Form:- 250/-
- Name of Work:- Providing House Hold connection by ministry of Jal Shakti "Har Ghar Nal Se Jal" under LWSS Tiliu Jalari in Tehsil Nadaun Distt. Hamirpur HP (Sh:- Renovation of existing building for Division office).
 - Estimated Cost:-168967/-
 - Earnest Money:-3379/-
 - Time of completion:- 03 Months
 - Cost of Form:- 250/-
- Name of Work:- C/O MIP to Nadaun Distt. Hamirpur HP (Sh:- Construction Cement Concrete approach road to head works of left bank at RD 135 to 180).
 - Estimated Cost:-455647/-
 - Earnest Money:-9113/-
 - Time of completion:- 01 Months
 - Cost of Form:- 250/-
- Name of Work:- C/O MIP to Nadaun Distt. Hamirpur HP (Sh:- Construction Cement Concrete approach road to head works of left bank at RD 180 to 210).
 - Estimated Cost:-303731/-
 - Earnest Money:-6075/-
 - Time of completion:- 01 Months
 - Cost of Form:- 250/-
- Name of Work:- LWSS Jhallan Basaral Phase 2nd. Providing House hold connection by Ministry of Jal Shakti " Har Ghar Nal se Jal " for Dhaneta & Kangoo and Multi village under Sub Division Dhaneta in Tehsil Nadaun Distt. Hamirpur HP. (Sh:- Excavation, dismantling, laying jointing and testing of GI pipe form main tank Mansai to Mandiani Tank).
 - Estimated Cost:-389110/-
 - Earnest Money:-7782/-
 - Time of completion:- 03 Months
 - Cost of Form:- 250/-
- Name of Work:- LWSS Jhallan Basaral Phase 2nd. Providing House hold connection by Ministry of Jal Shakti " Har Ghar Nal se Jal " for Dhaneta & Kangoo and Multi village under Sub Division Dhaneta in Tehsil Nadaun Distt. Hamirpur HP. (Sh:- Excavation, dismantling, laying jointing and testing of GI pipe 32 mm dia at Harizen Basti Dib).
 - Estimated Cost:-122342/-
 - Earnest Money:-2447/-
 - Time of completion:- 03 Months
 - Cost of Form:- 250/-
- Name of Work:-A/R & M/O of various LWSS under JSV Section Galore 2nd in JSV Sub Division Galore Tehsil Nadaun Distt Hamirpur HP (Sh:- Providing and Supplying of GM peat valves, GI union etc).
 - Estimated Cost:-137350/-
 - Earnest Money:-2747/-
 - Time of completion:- 02 Months
 - Cost of Form:- 250/-

Last date of sale of the tender from divisional office 05.09.2022 up to 5:00 PM and same will be opened on 06.09.2022 at 11:30 A.M. The tender forms and other detailed conditions can be shown from the website or from the Executive Engineer up to date specified above.

Note: - The department will not be responsible for any online/offline electronic media problem at website

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
Jal Shakti Division
Nadaun

DPR-HP-3674/2022-2023

HIMACHAL PRADESH
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
"NOTICE INVITING TENDER"

Sealed item rate tender on form No. 6 & 8 are hereby invited by the Executive Engineer, Mandi Division No.I, HP, PWD., at Padhar on behalf of the Governor of Himachal Pradesh for the below noted works from eligible Contractors/firms registered in H.P.P.W.D. in appropriate class as per revised enlistment rules, so as to reach in this office on or before 15.09.2022 up to 12:00 Noon and the same shall be opened on the same day at 12:30 P.M. in the presence of the Contractors or their authorized representatives who may be present. The tender form can be held from this office against cash payment (Non Refundable) on 14.09.2022 upto 1:00 P.M. The tender shall accompany with Earnest Money which should be in the shape of NSC/Time Deposit/Saving Bank account in the Post Office/bank in H.P. duly pledged in the favour of undersigned.

Conditional tenders, telegraphic and tender without earnest money will not be entertained. The Executive Engineer, Mandi Division No.I, HP, PWD., at Padhar reserves the right to accept or reject the tenders. The tender shall remain valid for 90 days from the date of opening of the tenders. If any of the date mentioned above happens to be local/ Gazetted Holiday the same shall be process on next date.

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost (in Rs.)	Earnest Money (in Rs.)	Cost of Tender Form (in Rs.)	Time
1	Deposit work BSP/2021/944, Repair of Health Sub-Centre at Tarswan. (SH:- Demolishing of stone masonry, dismantling of door and window shutter, Providing and laying flooring, distemping, painting, plastering etcetra in Health Sub-Centre Building at Tarswan, Tehsil Padhar Distt. Mandi (H.P.)	2,98,917/-	6,000/-	350/-	Six months
2	BSP/2021/953, Repair of Agriculture Development Office Building Drang at Padhar Distt. Mandi (H.P.) (SH:- Providing and laying vitrified tile flooring at SMS room & providing and fixing MDF board cupboard).	3,84,145/-	7,700/-	350/-	One month
3	Construction of playground of Senior Secondary School at Drang Tehsil Padhar Distt. Mandi (H.P.) (SH:- Construction of retaining wall at R.D. 0/0 to 0/018) (Deposit work)	3,93,779/-	7,900/-	350/-	One month
4	Construction of Drang Seridhar Soyla road Km 0/0 to 3/500. (SH:- Construction of 900mm diameter RCC Hume pipe culvert along with wing walls at RD 0/380)	2,81,711/-	5,600/-	350/-	One month
5	SDP/2013/494, Construction of Link road Kataula, Bajir Ka Baag to Chhipnu Mohal. (SH:- Providing and laying soiling WBM G-I in Km 0/0 to 0/290)	1,95,866/-	3,900/-	350/-	One month
6	Providing steel roof over vertical tank at semen Bank Khaliyar Distt. Mandi (H.P.)	1,53,252/-	3,100/-	350/-	One month
7	Repair and maintenance of Doctor residential accommodation Animal Husbandary Department Seman Bank at Khaliyar Distt. Mandi (H.P.) (SH:- Providing and laying R.C.C. 1:2: 4 in work top, providing and fixing panelled or panelled and glazed shutters and steel gate etc.)	1,09,450/-	2,200/-	350/-	One month
8	BSP/2020/277, C/O, Repair and widening of road from Kunnu to Lower Kunnu Mohal. (SH:- Construction of Breast wall in Km 0/600 to 0/613)	1,99,540/-	4,000/-	350/-	One month
9	Construction of Shilhabadhani Kungri Kortang road Km 0/0 to 8/255. (SH:- Formation cutting of jeepable to motorable standard 5/7 metre wide in Km 4/720 to 5/0).	4,46,396/-	8,900/-	350/-	One month
10	Restoration of rain damages on Katindhi to Jhatnigri road Km 0/0 to 28/280 (SH:- Construction of Retaining wall at RD 1/820 to 1/828.60)	1,98,326/-	4,000/-	350/-	One month
11	Construction of Missing C.D. on Padhar Hardgaloo road Km 0/0 to 5/500. (SH:- Construction of 900mm dia RCC Hume pipe culvert at R.D. 2/060 including wing wall).	2,98,231/-	6,000/-	350/-	Three months
12	Construction of Boaching Lapas Rulang road Km 0/0 to 8/0 (SH:- Construction of Beast wall at R.D. 1/015 to 1/035)	4,87,406/-	9,700/-	350/-	One month
13	VKY/2013/203, C/O Road from Khalatar Nashlo to Village Tanyandi Mohal Sadar. (SH:- Construction of Retaining wall at RD 0/045 to 0/055)	2,96,373/-	5,900/-	350/-	One month

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:-

- The Contractor/Firm shall have his GST. No. & copy of the same be attached with the application.
- The intending Contractor/Firm Should have attached copy of registration/renewal.
- The earnest money & cost of tender form for the above works should be submitted with the application for the purchase of the tender forms. The application received without earnest money & cost of tender form shall summarily be rejected.
- The tender form will be issued to those contractors who have not more than two works at the time of issue of tender forms. In this regard, contractor has to submit an affidavit that he is not having more two works.
- The intending Contractors are requested to see the site of the work before submitting the tender.
- The offer of the tender shall remain valid upto 90 days after the opening of tender.
- The tender shall be awarded to the lowest bidder if this tendered amount is within limit of (+) 5% to (-) 30% of the amount put to tender, otherwise the tender will be cancelled and recalled.
- The Executive Engineer reserves the right to reject/accept any or all the tenders without assessing any reason.

HIM SUCHANA AVAM JAN SAMPARK

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
Mandi Division No. I,
HPPWD., at Padhar Distt. Mandi (H.P.)

DPR-HP-3694/2022-2023

STATE BANK OF INDIA		SME MANDI GOBINDGARH, DISTT. FATEHGARH SAHIB. PH. NO. 0176-5503163	E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE	
PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E AUCTION FOR SALE NOTICE OF MOVABLE ASSETS ON 21-09-2022, 11.00 HRS TO 13.00 HRS.				
LAST DATE & TIME OF SUBMISSION OF EMD & DOCUMENTS ALONG WITH DEMAND DRAFT (HARD COPY) 19-09-2022 AT 16:00 HRS.				
LAST DATE AND TIME OF SUBMISSION OF EMD AND DOCUMENTS (ONLINE) 20-09-2022 AT 16:00 HRS.				
DATE AND TIME OF INSPECTION OF VEHICLES : 14-09-2022 FROM 10.00 AM TO 04.00 PM				
Offers are invited through bid along with KYC documents to be submitted as per detail above for sale of below mentioned vehicle on "As IS WHERE IS AND AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" for the recovery of Bank's Debts as well as the cost and other expenses from the following customers. SALE NOTICE FOR MOVEABLE ASSET				
Name of Borrower(s)	Amount Outstanding / Possession Date	Details of Vehicle:	Reserve Price EMD	Bid Increase Amount
(1) Manzoor Quarashi S/o Zameel Quarashi (2) Smt. Mamta Kumari W/o Mazoor Quarashi R/o House no. 237, Sec 4-A, St no. 13, Guru Nanak Colony, Mandi Gobindgarh, Distt Fatehgarh Sahib 147301	Rs. 4,39,930/- as on 12-06-2019 + interest, other charges Date of Physical Possession : 31-03-2021	LMV Car Tata MZEST XM1. 3L9GPS OJET ABS B84, Regd. No. PB23-S-9535	Rs. 90,000/-	Rs. 5,000/- + GST as applicable
			Rs. 9,000/-	
Terms and Conditions :- The e auction is being held on "AS IS WHERE IS AND AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" AND WITHOUT RECOURSE TO BANK" will be conducted "online". The auction will be conducted through bank's approved service provider: M/s C1 India Pvt. Ltd. Building no. 301, 1st Floor, Udyog Vihar, Phase - II, Gurgaon (Haryana) 122015, Help Line no. +91-124-4302021 / 2022 / 2023 / 2024, (M) 096467-96075, Helpline e mail ID : support@bankeauctions.com E-Auction Tender documents containing online e-auction bid form, Declaration, General Terms & Conditions of Online auction sale are available in address of website. The interested bidders shall submit their EMD through web portal; (the user ID and Password can be obtained free of cost by registering name with through Login ID and Password. The EMD will be payable through NEFT / RTGS in the following account, BR Parking Account with 37608278872, State Bank of India, SME, Mandi Gobinggarh, IFSC Code : SBIN0050023, Please note that the Banker Cheque / Demand Draft should be payable at Mandi Gobindgarh in favour of Authorised Officer, State Bank of India, Mandi Gobindgarh and shall be submitted at Mandi Gobindgarh with Hard copy on or before 19-09-2022 before 16:00 hrs and through ONLINE on or before 20-09-2022 before 16 hrs. To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorised Officer. However, the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding the vehicles, put on auction and claims / right / dues / effecting the vehicles, prior to submitting their bid. The e-auction advertisement does not constitute and will not be deemed to constitute any commitment or any representation of the bank. The authorised officer / secured creditor shall not be responsible in any way for any third party claims / rights / dues. The sale shall be subject to rules / conditions of the bank. The other terms and conditions of the e-auction are published in the following website: http://www.bankeauctions.com The bidder whose bid is found to be highest at the close of auction period shall be declared as successful bidder, subject to the approval by the Authorized Officer of the bank. The Successful bidder shall deposit full amount of the sale price within 7 days. In the event of the failure of the successful bidder to deposit the full amount of the sale price within 7 days, then the EMD deposited by him / her shall be forfeited by the secured creditors and bid accepted shall stand cancelled automatically. For further details you may contact Authorised Officer : Mr. Krishan Lal, Mobile no. 82838-12850, 0176-5503163 Note: The Authorised officer is not bound to accept the highest offer and he has the absolute right to accept or reject any or all offer(s) or adjourn / postpone / cancel the e-auction without assigning any reason thereof.				
STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8(6) OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002 :				
Date : 01-09-2022		Place : Mandi Gobindgarh		Sd/- Authorised Officer



Salman Khan gives a glimpse of Ganpati arti performed at sister Arpita's home

Superstar Salman Khan's entire family came together to welcome Lord Ganesha at his sister Arpita Khan Sharma's house. On Wednesday night, Salman took to Instagram and gave his fans a glimpse of the



Ganesh Chaturthi celebrations. In the clip, Salman is seen performing Ganpati arti and offering prayers to the Lord Ganesha at his sister's residence. The video begins with Salman performing the puja. He is followed by his brother-in-law Aayush Sharma and sister Arpita who go on

to perform the Ganesh aarti. Riteish Deshmukh also performed arti. "Ganpati Bappa Morya," Salman captioned the video. For the special occasion, Salman arrived at Arpita's residence wearing a white shirt and denim. Katrina Kaif, who shares a close bond with Salman's sister Arpita, also visited Arpita's house to pay respect to the deity. Not just she, Vicky Kaushal also made quite an appearance outside Arpita's house as he smiled for the paparazzi alongside his wife. Katrina was every bit stunning in a yellow sharara, while Vicky complemented her in a mustard kurta and churidar.

Salman's siblings Sohail, Arbaaz and Alvira and their mother Salma were also seen at Arpita's residence. According to the Hindu calendar, Ganesh Chaturthi is celebrated on Chaturthi Tithi of Shukla Paksha in the month of Bhadrapada. Although the festival is celebrated across India, it is extremely prominent in Karnataka, Maharashtra, and Gujarat.



Shah Rukh Khan welcomes home his 'Ganpatiji' with son AbRam

Shah Rukh Khan welcomed Lord Ganesha at his residence on Wednesday. He took to Instagram to post a picture of the idol and mention that along with him his youngest son AbRam welcomed 'Ganpatiji'. He wrote, "Ganpatiji welcomed home by lil one and me....the modaks after were delicious...the learning is, through hard work, perseverance & faith in God, u can live your dreams. Happy Ganesh Chaturthi to all."

Shah Rukh Khan welcomes Lord Ganesha to his house every year on the occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi. Ganesh Chaturthi, a ten-day festival that starts on the fourth day of the Hindu lunisolar calendar month Bhadrapada, started on August 31 this year. The festive period is also known as Vinayak Chaturthi or Vinayak Chavithi. It is celebrated with much fanfare in Mumbai and other parts of Maharashtra with lakhs of devotees converging onto pandals to seek blessing from Lord Ganesh. With 2022 bringing back Ganesh Chaturthi festivities following two-year-long COVID-induced hiatus, preparations are in full swing across the nation. For the festivities, people bring Lord Ganesh idols to their homes, observe fasts, prepare mouth-watering delicacies, and visit pandals during this festival. This auspicious ten-day festival starts with Chaturthi Tithi and ends on Anantha Chaturdashi. On the work front, Shah Rukh Khan is all set to return to the silver screen after four years with 'Pathaan', which is set to hit the theatres on January 25, 2023. The film also stars Deepika Padukone and John Abraham. He also has 'Dunki' with Taapsee Pannu and 'Jawan' with Nayanthara in his kitty.

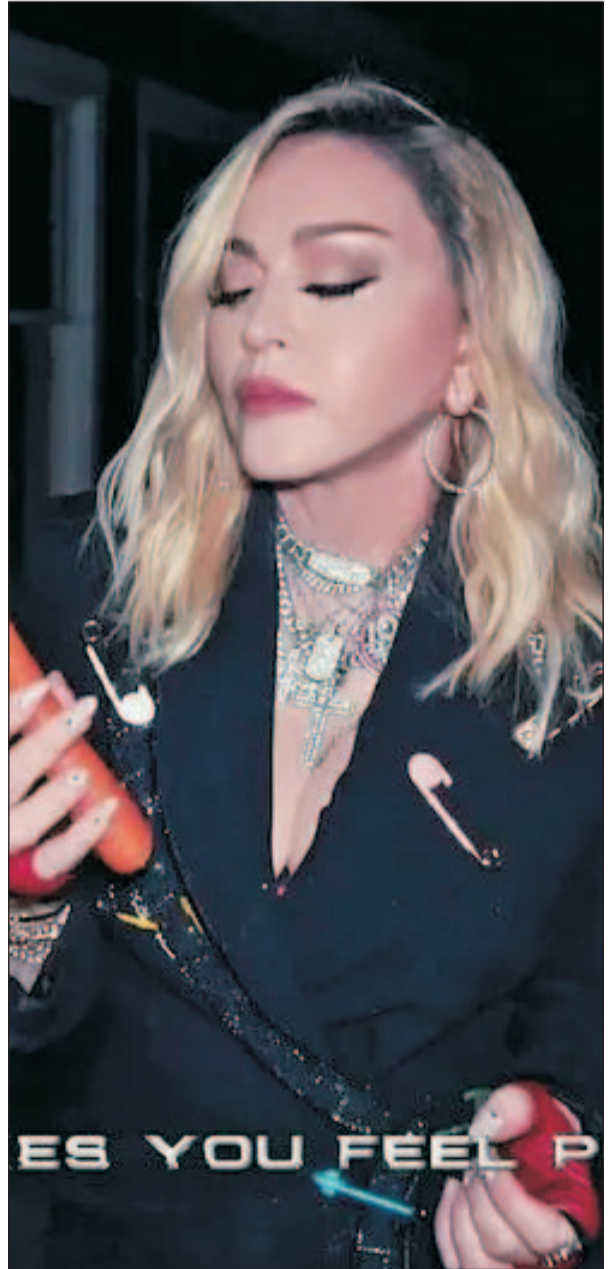
Is something cooking between Kriti and Aditya Roy Kapur?

With each episode of 'Koffee with Karan', filmmaker Karan Johar leaves the audience amazed by revealing interesting details about the personal lives of the celebrities who grace the famous couch on his show. And in the latest episode, Karan gave his 'Koffee' viewers a sneak peek into the personal and professional life of 'Heropanti' co-stars Kriti Sanon and Tiger Shroff. For the gossipmongers, the highlight of the episode must have been a moment when Karan kept prodding Kriti about whether something was cooking between her and Aditya Roy Kapur. While Kriti did not reveal anything, she hinted later that some flirting might be happening between the two. During a point in the episode, Karan mentioned that Kriti and Aditya were seen canoodling in a corner at his party. Karan said, "Kriti you have been single for a while now, Is there anybody? There were rumours, I mean it came from...somewhere in my party that Oh Kriti Sanon and Aditya Roy Kapur look so good together. We caught the canoodling in a corner, as in chatting." Responding to this, Kriti, know me, I don't canoodle and he is a fun guy to be Kriti and Aditya will be Leela Bhansali's next.



Madonna reveals why she regrets being married, calls sex her 'obsession'

American singer-songwriter Madonna has candidly admitted that though she regrets both of her marriages, she has found solace with a sex "obsession." According to Page Six, when questioned recently in a YouTube video about which decision of her life she thinks "wasn't the best idea," Madonna quipped, "Getting married. Both times!" The 'Material Girl' singer was married to Sean Penn from 1985 to 1989 and Guy Ritchie from 2000 to 2008. She shares daughter Lourdes with Carlos Leon and son Rocco with Ritchie. She has also adopted children Mercy and David along with twins Estere and Stelle. In the video, Madonna admitted that sex is not only her favourite guilty pleasure but also her current "obsession." The singer eventually became more G-rated in her responses when she shared that if she had not become the Queen of Pop, she would have chosen to be a teacher. Perhaps it's a blessing she passed on the education route because it likely would've been complicated having to explain her sometimes-graphic social media presence. As per Page Six, just a few weeks ago, in honour of her 64th birthday, Madge found herself making out with different women in Italy for the sake of her Instagram. "Birthday kisses with my side bitches," she captioned the video, which showed the group partying for her birthday. In another sexual snap, the 'Holiday' singer tried on black corset, fishnet tights and sky-high black stilettos while locking herself in a mirrored bathroom, reported the outlet. As per People magazine, elsewhere in the video, Madonna said her two favorite remixes on Finally Enough Love are 'Ray of Light' and 'Die Another Day', named Kendrick Lamar as her dream collaborator as well as Debbie Harry and David Bowie as her early musical inspirations.



Tiger Shroff confirms he is single

The manifestation game has been going strong in 'Koffee With Karan' Season 7! From Sara Ali Khan to Ananya Pandey to Sidharth Malhotra, stars are not shying away from naming who resides in their heart. In the season's ninth episode, the couch brings together two stars who started out as debutants together but have now carved a niche name in the

hearts of viewers. This week, 'action star', Tiger Shroff graces the couch alongside his former co-star and gorgeously talented Kriti Sanon. The duo makes viewers' hearts hopscotch with their manifestations, confessions and never-before-heard conjectures. Tiger Shroff, for the longest time, has been fiddling with the question - is he single? However, in the latest episode of 'Koffee With Karan', the actor finally comes clean, or so we would like to

believe! Sitting cool behind his coloured shades, the star finally reveals his relationship status. "I am single. I think so at least and I am currently looking around," admitted the star. However, the star did not just stop at the mere acceptance of his singlehood. He also went ahead to manifest a name that very few have linked with him. "I have always been infatuated by Shraddha Kapoor. I think she is great!" the star said. Well, talking about his love life, Tiger

was rumoured to be dating Disha Patani. Earlier this month, many reports claiming that the two have broken up started circulating. Both the actors have never openly admitted to being in a relationship but have on various occasions been snapped together by the paparazzi. On the work front, Tiger will be next seen in 'Ganpath: Part 1' alongside Kriti Sanon. The film is slated for release on the occasion of Christmas 2022. Apart from that he also has 'Bade Miyan Chote Miyan' with Akshay Kumar.

