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India test fires nuclear capable Agni-5 missile

NEW DELHI: Amid heightened tension with China at the LAC, India successfully test fired Agni-5 intercontinental nuclear capable ballistic missile that has a notified operational range of 5,500 plus kilometers. The missile was test fired on Thursday from Abdul Kalam Island off the coast of Odisha. Several people in capital Cuttack as well as some other north eastern states posted videos of the missile travelling in the sky on social media.

Prez, VP pay homage to armed forces on Vijay Diwas

NEW DELHI: President Droupadi Murmu and Vice President Jagdeep Dhankar on Friday paid rich tributes to all those brave armed forces personnel who ensured India attained an exceptional win in the 1971 war on the occasion of Vijay Diwas. Taking to twitter, the President wrote, "On Vijay Diwas, we remember with gratitude the exceptional valour displayed by our armed forces during the 1971 war. Stories of their unparalleled courage and sacrifice for the nation continue to inspire every Indian."

"On Vijay Diwas, I join the nation in remembering the bravery and sacrifice of our armed forces, who led to our triumph in the 1971 war. I pay my tributes to the martyrs, who lost their lives in the service of our nation," the Vice President tweeted.

Delhi teacher throws Class 5 Girl off balcony after attacking her with scissors

NEW DELHI: A school teacher in Delhi's Karol Bagh flung a class 5 girl from the first floor of the school building on Friday, according to Delhi police. The injured girl identified as Vandana was immediately rushed to Bara Hindu Rao hospital.

Protest continues against Pathan movie

NEW DELHI: The controversy around actor Shahrukh Khan's upcoming movie Pathan does not seem to end any time soon. After burning Khan's effigy and public boycott appeal, the movie is in the news again after Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP) sought the actor's apology over his upcoming movie Pathan's 'Be-sharam Rang' song.

Dialogue, diplomacy only way forward on Ukraine war : Modi to Putin

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NEW DELHI, DEC 16

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday spoke to Russian President Vladimir Putin over phone and reiterated his call for dialogue and diplomacy "as the only way forward" in the ongoing war between Russia and Ukraine.

"In the context of the ongoing conflict in Ukraine, Prime Minister reiterated his call for dialogue and diplomacy as the only way forward," the Prime Minister's office said in a statement.

During the telephonic conversation, PM Modi and Russian President Putin reviewed several aspects of the bilateral ties, including energy cooperation, trade and investments, defence and security cooperation and other sectors.

The talks between the two leaders follow their September 16 face-to-face meeting in Samarkand on the sidelines of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Summit.

During today's telephonic conversation, PM Modi briefed Putin on India's ongoing G20 Presidency and highlighted its



key priorities. Modi said that he looked forward to both nations working together during India's chairship of the SCO, the statement from the PMO said. The two leaders agreed to remain in touch with each other.

During their last meeting in Samarkand, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Russian President Vladimir Putin appreciated the sustained momentum in bilateral relations, including contacts at various levels. In his

remarks, PM Modi said, "today's era is not of war."

"Today's era is not of war and I have spoken to you about it on the call. Today we will get the opportunity to talk about how we can progress on the path of peace."

India, Russia have stayed together with each other for several decades," PM Modi said.

"We spoke several times on the phone about India-Russia bilateral relations and various issues. We should find ways to address the problems of food, fuel security and fertilizers. I want to thank Russia and Ukraine for helping us to evacuate our students from Ukraine," he added.

Meanwhile, Vladimir Putin had said, "I know about your position on Ukraine conflict. I know about your concerns. We want all of this to end as soon as possible."

He added, "But the other party, the leadership of Ukraine has claimed... that they refuse to engage in the negotiation process. They said they want to achieve their objectives, as they say, on the battlefield militarily. We will keep you abreast of everything that is happening over there."

Two juvenile among six held in Tarn Taran rocket attack case



SHASHI PAL JAIN
CHANDIGARH, DEC 16:

As part of the ongoing drive against anti-social elements launched on the directions of Chief Minister (CM) Bhagwant Mann, Punjab Police has solved the Tarn Taran Rocket Propelled Grenade (RPG) attack case in less than a week with the busting of a foreign-controlled terrorist module leading to arrest of six persons, including the two juveniles in conflict with law, who carried out the terror attack at Police Station Sarhali building in Tarn Taran at about 11.18pm on December 9.

Director General of Police (DGP) Punjab Gaurav Yadav, while addressing a press conference at Punjab Police Headquarters here on Friday, said that the

terror attack was masterminded by the foreign-based wanted terrorists Lakhbir Singh alias Landa Harike, Satbir Singh alias Satta and Gurdev alias Jaisel, with the help of Ajmeel Singh, currently lodged at Goindwal Sahib Jail.

Apart from the arrest of two juveniles in conflict with law, the remaining four module members arrested have been identified as Gurpreet Singh alias Gopi Numberdar (18) of Naushera Pannua; Gurlal Singh alias Gahla (19) of Chohla Sahib; Surlal Singh alias Gurlal alias Lali (21) of village Thathiya Mahanta; and Jobanpreet Singh alias Joban (18) of Naushera Pannua. Pertinently, Gopi Numberdar, who was on bail as he was arrested as a juvenile, turned 18-years-old a day after his release on November 22, 2022.

Bihar: After Chhapra hooch deaths, now spurious liquor kills 5 in Siwan

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SIWAN, DEC 16

Days after the hooch tragedy in Bihar's Chhapra claimed over 50 lives, at least 5 people died after allegedly consuming spurious liquor in the adjoining Siwan district in the state.

All five deceased are residents of Brahasthan and Sondhani villages of Bhagwanpur Police Station area. According to sources, the death toll is expected to rise. Angry family members of the deceased obstructed the Siwan-



Chhapra Malmalia main road and undertook a protest. The distance between Siwan and Chhapra is around 10 kilometers.

ters.

The deceased have been identified as Mahesh Rai (40), Sambhu Yadav (36), Amir Manjhi (45), and Awadh Manjhi (36) of Brahasthan Village while Ramendra Pandit hailed from Sondhani village. According to locals, the death toll is expected to go up and the condition of some people are stated to be serious. The bodies of the deceased are being transported to Sadar Hospital in Siwan. Police Circle Inspector reached the Sadar Hospital with a large police posse.

Upcoming budget will follow spirit of earlier budgets: Sitharaman

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NEW DELHI, DEC 16

The upcoming Union Budget will follow the spirits of the earlier budgets, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said on Friday.

"We are not only going to set the template which was set earlier but follow it and take it further for India's next 25 years. In 2047, we look forward to our children living



in India which will be far more developed," she said while addressing the inaugural session of "FICCI's 95th

Annual Convention and AGM' here. Sitharaman said there is a need to further strengthen the Indian manufacturing sector along with exploring newer areas of the service sector. "It is necessary to strengthen our manufacturing sector and in that Indian start-ups have shown us the way by bringing more innovation. I would urge the industry to keep close watch on the innovations.

More than 28 lakh BPL families to get digital yellow ration cards in Haryana

CHANDIGARH, DEC 16

This New Year, 'Manohar Sarkar' will gift yet another 'Manohar' gift for Antyodaya as more than 28.93 lakh BPL families in Haryana will get yellow ration cards digitally, thus reiterating the government's commitment to maximum governance-minimum government.

While this digital reform brought by Chief Minister has not only put an end to the Opposition's blame-game politics but has also saved the BPL families from the tiring exercise of getting their ration cards made. With this, as per directions of the Chief Minister a fresh survey of BPL families has also been conducted while cancelling surveys conducted by previous governments, so as to ensure that the actual beneficiaries get the benefits.

Along with conducting the new survey, a separate Citizen Information Resource Department has been formed and data of BPL families has been cross verified with the Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Department. Not only this, the minimum annual income limit for BPL cards was increased from Rs 1.20 lakh to Rs 1.80 lakh, as a result of which the number of BPL beneficiaries increased from 11.50 lakh to 28.93 lakh. Parivar Pehchan Patra (PPP) data was also matched to further verify the BPL data.



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IMA celebrates 50 years of service with veterans of 1972 batch

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DEHRADUN, DEC 16

The Indian Military Academy (IMA) celebrated its 50th anniversary on Friday. The anniversary event was attended by veterans of 50th Regular and 34th Technical Courses, who had passed out of the IMA in December 1972. The veterans gathered at their alma mater to celebrate the golden jubilee of their commissioning in the Army. The IMA has contributed to the commissioning of 404 Gentleman Cadets (CGs) to the Army, till date. The cadets include 330 from 50th Regular course and 74 from the 34th course as "2nd Lieutenant". These 'One Starred' officers of the December 1972 batch gave the Army 10 Lieutenant Generals, 13 Major Generals and 46 Brigadiers, excelling at all



levels of command, staff and instructional appointments during their service to the nation, an official statement read. Further, according to the release, these veterans have earned at least one Vir Chakra, five Sena Medal (Gallantry), five Param Vishisht Seva Medal (PVSM), three Uttam Yudh Seva Medal (UYSM), 24 Ati Vishisht Seva Medal (AVSM), one Yudh Seva Medal.

Principal Vijay Singh takes over charge of Govt Polytechnic



DARSHAN SHARMA
NILOKHERI: Principal Vijay Singh took charge in Government Polytechnic Umri today. Vijay Singh was earlier working at Ambala as Head of Auto Engineering Department. He has a vast experience of about 23 years in the engineering field. He said that he will work mainly for the all-round development of the institute and placement of the children. He thanked all the staff members heart for welcoming him to the institute.

'Canada Aao' seminar today



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: 'Canada Aao' awareness Seminar by Karna CAD Immigration Services, will be held tomorrow at 10 am at Tripti Hall, Karnal Club. This information was given by MD Arvind Kadian of the institute. He said that on this occasion, information about Study Visa, PR, Visitor Visa, Work Permit, Spouse Visa will be given to go to Canada. He has appealed to the interested people to participate in the seminar. Doubts will be resolved on this occasion.

Forest department holds plantation camp



PREETI SAINI
SADHAURA: A one-day plantation camp was organised by the Forest Department at Ranipur village of Sadhora range. District Forest Officer Suraj Bhan was present. He instructed all the Forest Officers, Inspectors and Guards of the district to do maximum plantation. In the camp organised in Ranipur, District Forest Officer Suraj Bhan said that according to the departmental guidelines, all the employees should lay emphasis on plantation and its maintenance, so that our district can become green. He also emphasised on preparing varieties of plants in the nursery. On this occasion, he told all the forest officials and inspectors to motivate farmers, schools, public places and other people of the society to plant saplings in their respective areas and provide them saplings from nurseries. He said that there is no dearth of plants with the Forest Department. Wherever there is a demand to plant trees in schools, colleges, hospitals or other places, the Forest Department will promptly fulfill them. On this occasion Forest Officer Krishna Kumar of Sadhaura Range, Dinesh Punia from Chachhrauli, Kuldeep Singh from Kalesar, Sonu Kumar, Deepak Kumar, Forest Inspector Mansingh, Ajay Kumar etc were present.

Waste management system will be implemented in villages also: Babli

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, DECEMBER 16

Haryana's Development and Panchayat Minister Devendra Babli said that all the people's representatives of Panchayati Raj should work with the vision of development by taking a vow of social service, only then the villages will be developed. Together we have to repair the basic facilities in the villages. To complete this work, cooperation will be extended by the government to all Sarpanch Gram Panchayat, Zilla Parishad members and Panchayat Samiti members. Development and Panchayat Minister Devendra Babli was speaking as the chief guest in the public representative dialogue program at the district level Panchayati Raj Sammelan on Friday.

Minister Devendra Babli said that the Haryana government is planning to implement the work of waste management in villages on the lines of cities. In this regard, preparations are being made

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Right to Service Commission slaps a fine of Rs. 10,000 on a clerk of HSAMB

BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, DEC 16

The Auto Appeal System (AAS) is playing a pivotal role in ensuring good governance. Currently, 640 services/schemes have been notified under the Haryana Right to Service Act, 2014 which are ensuring benefits of the welfare schemes in a time-bound manner to the common public.

In this series, an appeal was automatically raised to the Commission on behalf of appellate Ms. Savita a resident of district Rohtak who had applied for Mukhya Mantri Kisan Evam Khetihar Mazdoor Jivan Suraksha Yojna in December, 2021 but the benefit was not delivered to her stating the reason that some legal action is involved in the case.

The Commission taking immediate cognizance of the matter conducted a detailed inquiry and it was found that file was wrongly sent to Additional District Attorney by the Secre-

tary, HSAMB, as no legal issue was involved in the case.

The said scheme was launched by the Haryana Chief Minister during the year 2013 with the aim to provide Financial Assistance to the Farmers/ Labourers who met with an accident during the Agricultural operations.

Under the scheme the extent of financial aid under different circumstances is in case of Death Rs. 5,00,000/-, Permanent disability due to breakage of back bone or otherwise Rs. 2,50,000/-, Amputation of two limbs/permanent serious injury Rs. 1,87,500/-, Permanent serious injury/amputation of one limb (amputation of four fingers shall be deemed as loss of Rs. 1,25,000/-, Amputation of full finger Rs. 75,000/-, Partial amputation of finger Rs. 37,500/-, Auto Appeal System (AAS) files an automatic appeal to FGRA on behalf of the citizen when the RTS timeline of a no-

tified service is breached. The appeal is subsequently forwarded to the SGRA when the same is not resolved within 30 working days. Since no action was taken by the FGRA and SGRA on the appeal was raised to the Commission. The Commission conducted a detailed inquiry and it was found that the file was wrongly sent to Sh. Ashish Sharma, Additional District Attorney by the Secretary, HSAMB, as no legal issue was involved in the case.

Sh. Gurdeep, clerk in the office of Secretary, HSAMB, Rohtak who kept the file pending with him for 2 and half months. A notice was issued to him and during the hearing he could not provide justifiable reasons for the delay caused by him. Thus exercising powers under Section 17 (1)(h) of the Haryana Right to Service Act, 2014, the Commission imposed a penalty of Rs. 10,000 on Sh. Gurdeep Clerk.

Armed forces had written a glorious history by winning the war of 1971: SDM

PARI BAJAJ
KARNAL, DEC 16

SDM Anubhav Mehta said that exactly 51 years ago, the armed forces of independent India had created their glorious history. On today's historic day i.e. 16th December 1971, 93 thousand soldiers of Pakistan Army with their huge stock of arms and weapons along with their commander General A.A.K. Biyazu had surrendered in Dhaka in front of the Indian Army. Behind such a glorious victory, the story of unprecedented valour, sacrifice and bravery of our armed forces is connected. The entire nation will always remember the indomitable courage of those brave soldiers. The SDM was addressing the families of the martyrs present after offering a wreath at the Martyr's Memorial on the occasion of Victory Day celebrations or-



ganised by the district administration in honour of the armed forces in the auditorium of the District Sainik Board office on Friday. On this occasion, Col. Chand Saroha, Lt. Col. Kuldeep Sharma, Lt. Col. DDS Sandhu, Brigadier (Retd.) N.K. Bhandari, Brigadier Randhir Singh, Mukhtyar Singh Yadav, Anil Kumar, Captain Haridas, Ishwar Chand, Rajbir and other officers also paid homage to the martyrs. On this occasion, the chief guest and other guests paid tribute to the pictures of the soldiers of the district who

were martyred in the 1971 war.

On this occasion, Brigadier (Retd) N.K. Bhandari said that India fought many battles after independence, but in the war of 1971, the armed forces had written the most beautiful golden page of its glorious history. Bangladesh was also born as a result of this war. He said that there are two main objectives of celebrating Vijay Diwas, one is to remember the sacrifice of the martyrs and take a pledge to help their families in every possible way.

Bhandara organised in Jagadhari



VINOD DHIMAN
JAGADHARI: Punjabi Haryana Ekta Manch organized a Bhandara outside Civil Hospital today on Sankranti, State President of Fame and Chairperson of Haryana State Social Welfare Board, Malik Rozi Anand was present in this Bhandara. After the Bhandara, Malik Rozi Anand told that through Fame Bhandara is organized in every district of Sankranti and he said that this Bhandara of ours is done with the thought that no one should go hungry. Chairperson Malik Rosi Anand said that many schemes of the government are going on so that no one sleeps hungry, therefore the BJP government works in the interest of the common man. But the good policies and plans of the government are not enough, for these service works, the capable citizens of the society should also ensure their participation in a big way, so that every person can be connected to the main stream of our society so that everyone can cooperate.

Narendra Singh Kalsaur elected head of Bar Association



MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI, DEC 16

Indri Bar Association elections have become peaceful under the chairmanship of ROPS Bhati, ARO Kulwant Singh Ranga and Pradeep Kamboj. Giving this information, the former President

of the Bar Association, Kaldeep Kalsaura said that the Indri Bar elections have been completed peacefully. Narendra Singh Kalsaura elected Pradhan, Vice Pradhan Siddhant Kamboj, Sanjeev Kamboj Journal Secretary, Satnam Co-Secretary and Vipin Swami as Treasur-

er. Newly appointed Pradhan Narendra Singh Kalsaura said that he has got full cooperation from all the advocates. This is not my victory, it is the victory of all the advocates. Whatever be the problem of the advocates, it will be taken up prominently.

Patwaris to hold protest for not increasing pay grade

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, DECEMBER 16

Patwaris will now protest over non-implementation of pay grade hike despite the announcement made by Haryana's Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala in this regard. Patwaris at the state level will start their protest by tying black bands from December 19, which will gain momentum if the demand is not fulfilled. This information was given by district head Kashmir Singh during the meeting. Giving information about this, the district head said that a meeting was held under the chairmanship of state head Jabir Singh Chahal at Patwar Bhavan in Kaithal, in which all district unit heads and secretaries participated. He said that the issue of pay grade of Patwaris has been pending for a long time and on March 29, 2022, Deputy Chief Minister of the state Dushyant Chautala had announced to increase the pay



grade of Patwaris in this financial year through a public forum in Jind. But even after a long time, the pay grade is in cold storage, due to which there is resentment among the Patwaris.

The district head Kashmir Ssingh said that in the state level meeting from December 19 to December 23, Patwari will register a protest by tying a black band on hand and after that from December 26 to 28, they will leave work and sit at the district headquarters. He said that even after this,

if their pay grade is not increased by the government, then after two weeks a strategy will be made to speed up the movement. District Secretary Ashok said that today about 1200 posts are vacant in the entire Haryana, due to which each Patwari has to shoulder the responsibility of handling 2 to 8 Patwar circles. He said that due to the additional charge, the common people, especially the farmers, are facing the problem of not getting the work done on time.

Maa Bhagwati jagran, bhandara held in village Kolaveri

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, DEC 16

In the holy memory of Baba Ram Das Giri Kali Kamli Wale, the programme started in village Kalaveri under the chairmanship of Baba Ji's Gaddishin Vaidya Devendra Batra under the link of 114th Bhandara. First of all, the samadhi abhishekam of Baba Ramdas ji Kali Kamli people was performed. Under this link, a huge chowki of Maa Bhagwati was organised in the evening. Maa Bhagwati's holy flame was lit by Gurudev Vaidya Devendra Batra, Darshana Batra, Varun Manocha family Dubai, Gandhi family Gwalior, Mehta family Jhansi, Hemant Sharma Canada, Commissioner Mahendra Singh. Pooja was performed by Pt. Chetan Dev Sharma. Ashok Jagran Party's artist



Mintu Deewana praised Mahamai in his melodious voice, fruit prasad was distributed and bhandara was organised collectively by performing

aarti. On this occasion Yash Battra, Dr. Manav Battra, Mahamandaleshwar Swami Gureja, Subhash Wadhawan, Ranjan Vohra, Ramlal, Sham Chawla, Rajendra Mohan Sharma, Ramkumar Nagpal, Pawan Arora, Deepak Ahuja, Krishna Kamra, Amit Chawla, Ramesh Pal, Sachin Kwatra, Surendra Majoka, Anil Kumar, Dwarka Lal, Ishwar Dutt were present. Before this Ganesh Vandana was performed. Singer Hemant Lalit sang 'Kali kamli wala mera yaar hai, mere man ka mohan tu dildar hai' bhajan. Bharat Bhushan Kaku, head of the Bhandara Committee, told that in this 3-day programme, Amritvani of saints will be recited on Saturday, Sunderkand will be recited, and a huge Bhandara will also be organised on December 18.

New building construction in schools

KULBHUSHAN SHARMA
GUHLA CHEEKA, DECEMBER 16

MLA Ishwar Singh said that under NABARD scheme, new buildings will be constructed in government schools of Daba and Bhusala with an amount of Rs.6 crore 15 lakh 74 thousand by the School Education Department. After the construction work, school children will get better facilities for getting education. Special efforts are being made continuously to provide more opportunities for education to the children of the region so that all the children can achieve success by getting education. The MLA said that for other schools of Guhla block, Rs 25 lakh each will be sanctioned soon for development work. When the school students get the best basic facilities in the schools, they will be able to sit and study in a good environment. He said that a building has been constructed in Siwan also with an amount of Rs 2 crore.

Along with this, Physics, Chemistry, Biology labs have been approved in many schools. With this system, children will get the facility to get knowledge about related subjects in the schools itself. In the constituency, work is being done by giving priority to education, medicine and other things related to the common people.



Shandilya's plea in Chandigarh court against Hawara's appearance

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
CHANDIGARH: National President of Anti Terrorist Front India, Viresh Shandilya today reached Chandigarh District Court where he filed a petition before Additional Sessions Judge Narendra and Shandilya himself argued the case. A sedition case against Babbar Khalsa's hardcore terrorist Jagtar Singh Hawara in which the court asked to shift terrorist Hawara from Tihar Jail to Chandigarh Budail Jail on the condition if no trial is going on against him in Delhi. Against this decision, National President of Anti-Terrorist Front India Viresh Shandilya appeared in the court today and petitioned that bringing terrorist Jagtar Singh Hawara to Chandigarh would spoil the environment of Punjab, Chandigarh and other states. Shandilya told the court that the Punjab and Haryana High Court had ordered Hawara and other hardcore terrorists to be produced through video conferencing because these terrorists were brought from Tihar to Chandigarh, causing problems to the police and huge expenditure to the state. Shandilya argued before the Additional Sessions Judge in the Chandigarh court that keeping Hawara in the Chandigarh Burail Jail and producing him personally in the Chandigarh court was in contempt of the orders of the High Court. Shandilya said that Amritpal Singh is spoiling the atmosphere of Punjab and if Hawara is brought to Chandigarh, Amritpal Singh's Khalistani campaign will gain strength.



NEWS AT A
GLANCE

Gurmat Samagam on 18th at Gurdwara Singh Sabha Keshav Nagar Dheera



SHARANJEET PATHANKOT: Sarbat Khalsa Pathankot is conducting Gurmat Samagam at Gurdwara Singh Sabha, Keshav Nagar, Village Dheera, Pathankot on Sunday, December 18 at 8 am. Bhai Jaswinder Singh, a famous narrator and preacher of the Panth, will explain the ongoing Bani while Bhai Surjit Singh's ragi jatha will entertain the sangat by performing kirtan. This information was shared by Jathedar Gurdeep Singh Gulati Chief Manager, Master Chanan Singh and Gursharan Singh. They appealed to the sangat to reach the function on time. At the end of the ceremony, the Guru's langar will be used incessantly.

Dhillon advocate become president



ISHWAR GARG TALWANDI SABO: The presidential election for Bar Association Talwandi Sabo went off peacefully. During the presidential race, advocate Varinder Singh Dhillon was elected president by defeating his opponent advocate Gursewak Singh Sidhu by 60 votes. RO Advocate Sanjeev Lehri and Assistant RO Advocate Ankush Gupta appointed for the Bar Association elections, said that out of a total of 104 votes, 101 votes were polled in which one vote was cast. Advocate Varinder Singh Dhillon got 80 and Advocate Gursewak Singh Sidhu 20 votes were polled. Varinder Singh Dhillon won with 60 votes. He said that Ramandeep Sharman for Vice President, Gurjit Chahal for Secretary, Joint Secretary Jaswinder Singh Mann and Cashier Jagtar Singh Golewala have won without competition. The newly appointed office bearers thanked the entire Bar Association.

Sumitra Devi Arya School's annual sports day concludes with great fanfare



JASPOONAM KOHLI DINANAGAR: A grand function was organized on the occasion of the annual sports day of the local Sumitra Devi Arya Senior Secondary School. The function was presided over by Principal Upma Mahajan while Colonel Alok Dhami as the chief guest and Swami Sadanand Saraswati, President of Dayanand Math, Secretary of the School Management Committee Dhamindhu Gupta attended as the special guest. First of all Principal Upma Mahajan gave a grand welcome to the Chief Guest Col. Alok Dhami and special guests who arrived at the function by presenting a sapling to them. On this occasion, Colonel Alok Dhami and Swami Sadanand Saraswati said in their address that along with education, sports are very important in student life. He said that the students who work hard on time and respect their parents.

Five booked for assaulting villager

ASHOK KAURA PHAGWARA: The Nakodar Sadar has booked five persons on the charge of assaulting a villager. The investigating officer (IO) and Shankar police post-in-charge Sanjivan Singh said that the accused have been identified as Ajit Singh, Harwinder Singh, Jagdeep Singh residents of Sarhih village, and Jagraj Singh a resident of Chak Muglani village. Suba Singh a resident of Sarhih village complained to the police that the accused attacked and seriously injured him on December 14. IO said that a case under sections 323, 324, 341, 506, 148, 149 IPC has been registered against the accused.

CM launches online affiliation portal for educational institutes

SHASHI PAL JAIN CHANDIGARH, DEC 16

In order to provide better services to technical training Institutes in a transparent, efficient, reliable and convenient manner, the Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on Friday launched Online Affiliation Portal for Institutes affiliated to Punjab State Board of Technical Education and Industrial Training.

Launching the portal here at his office in Punjab Civil Secretariat- I, the Chief Minister described the portal as a revolutionary step that will streamline the functioning of the board. He said that every year the board processes affiliation files of around 250 Institutes. Bhagwant Mann said that at present these Institutes submit filled Affiliation Performa of nearly 125 pages along with annexure in the form of physical file. Bhagwant Mann said that currently requisite affiliation fee is also submitted by the Institutes in the form of demand draft only. However, the Chief Minister said that with the launch of this portal, the applicant Institutes will not be required to visit the Board's office for submission of Affiliation Performa and other documents. He said that more-over Institutes can download/ upload Affiliation



Performa along with other documents and submit requisite fees from anywhere under their login/ password. Bhagwant Mann further said that this portal will also help in ensuring that the process to analyze data collected for affiliation in the last three years becomes faster and efficient. Reiterating the firm commitment of the state government to impart quality technical education to the students, the Chief Minister said that it is the

need of the hour to cope with the needs of industrial giants who are coming in a big way to invest in the state. Bhagwant Mann said that through technical education the state will be able to have a huge pool of skilled manpower which will be beneficial for the industry. He also said that the skill education will also open new vistas of self employment for the youth thereby enabling them to live a life with dignity and pride.

Providing economic empowerment to women is top priority: Dr Baljit Kaur

CHANDIGARH, DEC 16

Social Security, Women and Child Development Minister Dr. Baljit Kaur said that Punjab government is committed to the welfare of every section of the state. Working under the same direction, Social Security Department has uploaded data of 1,45,023 beneficiaries under Mata Tripta Mahila Yojana on M-Seva app.

Dr. Balji Kaur said Punjab Government led by Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann is working sincerely for the economic empowerment of the women of the state and the top priority of the Punjab government is to provide economic empowerment to



the women of the state.

Social Security, Women and Child Development Minister Dr. Baljit Kaur Giving information said that the Mata Tripta Mahila Yojana has been implemented for the empowerment of women-headed families. In this regard, anganwadi workers are conducting a survey of women-headed families in the state of Punjab.

Women headed families data of 1,45,023 beneficiaries have been uploaded on M-Seva app.

Dr. Baljit Kaur said that by working under the commitment of the Punjab government for the economic empowerment of women in the state, implementation of various schemes related to the economic empowerment of women is being ensured. She said that the state government will take all possible steps for the economic empowerment of women.

The Cabinet Minister directed the officials to ensure transparency in the work of the department and implementation of the schemes being run by the Government.

Burning of chairs in Gurdwara: Dharam Prachar Committee of SGPC seeks Akal Takht Jathedar's guidance

RUPNAGAR (BAHADURJEET SINGH): Dharam Prachar Committee (DPC) of Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (SGPC) has sought the guidance of Akal Takht Sahib following unfortunate incident of burning of chairs at Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha Model Town Jalandhar. A meeting of Dharam Prachar Committee (DPC) was held on Friday at Gurdwara Sri Bhatta Sahib, Kotla Nihang in Rupnagar. The meeting was presided over by SGPC President Harjinder Singh Dhami, and attended by SGPC & DPC members Rampal Singh Bahniwal, Ajaib Singh Abhyasi, Pritpal Singh, Manjit Singh Bapiana, Amarjit Singh Chawla, Ajmer Singh Khara, Karnail Singh Panjoli and DPC secretary Balwinder Singh Kahlwan. In this meeting, the recent incident of burning of chairs at Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha, Model Town, Jalandhar was strongly condemned. It was felt that such controversy within the Sikh community is very worrying and issues related to Maryada (Sikh code of conduct) should be resolved together by dialogue. Akal Takht Sahib is the highest temporal authority of Sikhs, which guides the community in all matters and it has given guidance from time to time to resolve the matters of Maryada of Sangat (congregation) within the Gurdwara Sahibs.



Raghav Chadha seeks amendment in existing law on sacrilege incidents

GAURAV GOEL CHANDIGARH, DEC 16

Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) Rajya Sabha MP from Punjab Raghav Chadha has taken a major action against sacrilege and demanded that the IPC section related to sacrilege be amended and made stricter to give harshest punishment to those who commit sacrilege.

He gave issued a Suspension of Business notice under Rule 267 in the Rajya Sabha to discuss amendments to the laws on Friday. After the Chairman refused to discuss the sacrilege, Raghav Chadha vehemently opposed it. He then sat on a sit-in in front of the Gandhi Statue outside Parliament House and demanded a discussion on sacrilege. In his written notice to the Chairman, Chadha said that this House should discuss the increasing cases of sacrilege by suspending the work listed under Rule 29. This is a very serious and sensitive issue. Punjabis across the globe are ex-



tremely anger over rising incidents of sacrilege. "For us, there is nothing more important than the respect of our Guru Sahiban. We can sacrifice our life, but they cannot tolerate the sacrilege of Guru Sahib," Raghav Chadha said. In the last few years, there have been several attempts by anti-social elements to desecrate Guru Sahib in Punjab. In 2015, Sri Guru Granth Sahib ji was desecrated in Bargari. Then in Ludhiana, the holy Shrimad Bhagwat Gita was desecrated. Incidents of sacrilege of Muqaddas Quran were also reported.

Dr. Aman Sharma honoured at village Manuke



JAGRAON (SUKH NAHAR): Dr Aman sharma PCMS- 1 has been honored by shabad Alag sahit sabha, village pan-chayat and Raj kumar Trust at Manuke for his Meritorious Health services. He was honored by the organizers Goldy Goel and Navdeep Goel. It is worth mentioning here that Dr Aman Sharma worked at Manuke Govt hospital in year 2009 - 2012 and provided excellent Health services to population of nearby 20 villages during his tenure. In reciprocation of his outstanding health services, he was honored by the society. They highly appreciated Dr. Sharma for his selfless and dedicated services for the welfare of people. In his address, Dr. Sharma thanked the society for the honor and assured that he shall continue working for the welfare of people with all his heart and continue serving humanity to the best of his abilities. "This is real income of a Doctor that even after 10 yrs of his transfer from manuke, people still remember his services," he said. During this function, Dignitaries including, Gurbhajan Gill, Makhan brar, shamsher sandhu were also present.

AAP govt is committed to accessible, affordable healthcare: Jouramajra

SACHIN MOUDGILL LUDHIANA, DEC 16

In order to ensure the best medical facilities for everyone and everywhere, Health and Family Welfare Minister Chetan Singh Jouramajra said that the Punjab Government led by Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann was working tirelessly to augment health infrastructure in the state and in this direction, 521 new Aam Aadmi Clinics will be thrown open for people of the state on January 26, 2023.

Presiding over the Sena Fateh Diwas event to pay tributes to eight soldiers who got martyred in various wars and five freedom fighters in Begowal village, the Cabinet Minister said that the government was according topmost priority to healthcare and these new 521 clinics will



ensure medical services to every people of the state near their doorsteps. He was also accompanied by Payal MLA Manwinder Singh Giaspura.

He said that a massive response was given by the people to 100 Aam Aadmi Clinics which were opened on August 15 this year. He added that earlier healthcare was completely ignored by previous governments but now it will not happen.

The Minister said that better health of people was crucial for the bright future of Punjab. The AAP government will also construct 16

new medical colleges in the next five years which will produce world-class doctors. He said that with the opening of these institutes, the students of Punjab will not have to go outside the country to pursue medical education, and further, they will be able to avail cheaper and quality study here.

Earlier, Chetan Singh Jouramajra paid rich tributes to the village's seven martyrs Jai Singh, Bacchitar Singh, Amar Singh, Sarwan Singh, Ajit Singh, Gurdev Singh, Sohan Singh, Sudarshan Kumar.

DC launches Mission 'Abad' from border village Jhabkara



JASPOONAM KOHLI DINANAGAR, DEC 16

On the instructions of the Punjab Government, Deputy Commissioner Gurdaspur Dr. Himanshu Aggarwal Taking a new initiative, Mission 'Abad' (Absolute Border Area Development) was launched today from the border village of Jhabkara for the comprehensive development of the border area. A large number of residents of Makora, Marara, Aman, Daburji, Jogar, Bharil,

Toor, Kana, Faridpur and Chit-ti villages participated in the special camp organized by the district administration in Jhabkara village under Mission Abad. During this camp, the residents of the border area were given the benefit of the welfare schemes of the government and their problems were also heard. Deputy Commissioner Dr. Himanshu Aggarwal first inspected the stalls set up by various departments during the camp organized under Mission Abad.

Period of toll plazas is ending, Bhagwant Mann is fooling public by creating false drama of closing tolls: Jeevan Gupta

GAMBHIR LUDHIANA, DEC 16

Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann reprimanded the Punjab government for the drama caused by reaching the toll plaza to close the Lachowal toll plaza in Hoshiarpur to close the toll plazas running on the National Highway of Punjab. Jeevan Gupta, state general secretary of the Bharatiya Janata Party in Punjab, stated that almost all toll plazas located on national highways in Punjab are nearing the end of the time period specified in the agreement.

In such a situation, Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann is trying to fool the people of the state by creating a false drama about getting the toll plaza closed. Because the public



will now question Bhagwant Mann and his leaders on the performance of the AAP government for 8 months and the claims of increased development in Punjab, and Bhagwant Mann and his leaders will not have any answers for this. That's why Bhagwant Mann is doing these false dramas—to divert the attention of the public from all this. Jeevan Gupta said that the construction of the Chupki toll plaza, which runs under the Punjab gov-

ernment's Rohan-Rajdeep Company and is located on the Samana-Patiala highway, was completed on November 23, 2022, and the workers and public were inaugurated by Palwinder Singh, the Patiala rural president of the Bharatiya Janata Party.

A protest was also held in order to stop the toll. But Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann has extended the period of this chupki toll plaza for another 476 days. Many other toll plazas in Punjab are also about to expire, and Bhagwant Mann can no longer extend the duration of all of them. That's why, by creating a false drama about getting these toll plazas closed, they reached the toll plaza to get photos shot for media coverage.

SDM launches special campaign against illegal occupations



SUMER GARG SANGRUR, DEC 16

On the orders of Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur, Mr. Jatindra Jorwal to streamline the traffic system in the markets of Sangrur city, a special checking campaign under the leadership of Navreet Kaur Sekhon, SDM, Sangrur has been launched. The team issued instructions to the shopkeepers to remove excess their goods from the footpath built in front of their shops on the road from Barnala crossings to Nabha Gate and the team also removed goods obstructing the traffic.

SDM, said that it is being reported that some shopkeepers are creating problems for the pedestrians by flouting the rules. She added that illegal encroachments would not be tolerated and the checking campaign should be continued continuously. She further said that due to the goods lying outside the shops in the markets, there is a lot of trouble for the people, who comes for shopping and the two-wheeler drivers and people have also brought this to their attention that the markets are getting congested due to these illegal encroachments which are causing problems to the public.

Bhai Vir Singh festival of flowers, plants, rangoli concludes



JANDIALA GURU (KULJIT SINGH): With the message of love nature and protecting environment, Bhai Vir Singh Festival of Flowers, Plants and Rangoli was concluded here today in Guru Nanak University. This festival was dedicated to 150th birth Anniversary of Bhai Vir Singh.

Today, Prof. Dr. Jaspal Singh Sandhu, Vice Chancellor presided over the prize distribution function and gave away prizes to the winners. While congratulating to winners and others, he said that today in era of technology and machines all around, we need a break to associate ourselves with environment and beauty of nature. He said that these type of festivals create awareness among youth to feel beauty of nature closely. He said that flowers not only attracts youth towards nature but also encourage them to love and protect nature.

Dr. J.S. Bilga Consultant Horticulture said that in the competitions, B.B.K.D.A.V. College Amritsar got the first overall position while Lyallpur Khalsa College, Jalandhar stood second and Khalsa College for Women Amritsar remained third. Incharge of the Festival, Mr. Gurwinder Singh, Landscape Officer and Dr. Sunaina, Assistant Professor, Agriculture Department and other staff members were present on this occasion.

Team selected for National
level Junior Throw Ball
Sports Competition



JOJINDER DEV ARYA
BANGANA: Himachal's team was selected for the 32nd National level Junior Throw Ball Sports Competition to be held in Ranchi, Jharkhand by the Throw Ball Himachal Pradesh unit. Subhash Shastri, in-charge of Panchrukhi police station of Kangra district, participated as the chief guest. He said that youth power is a valuable asset of the country. While the experience of senior citizens is of special importance for the development of the country, the energy, passion and knowledge of the youth are equally important. He said that it is the moral duty of both family and society to provide right direction and guidance to the country's youth power. He called upon the youth to stay away from evil like drugs and make sports a part of their daily routine. Consumption of drugs not only harms a person physically and mentally, but he also lags behind economically. He explained the importance of sports in education. State President Aman Sharma announced the list of players as follows.:Naman, Ayush, Karthik, Ankit, Tikshna, Rahul Rana, Satyam, Dhurav, Nitin, Rahul Chowdhary, Keshav Prabha Kar, Adarsh, Ayush, Ashish, Akshit Anurag.

Bawa congratulates
CM,Dy CM for
formation of Cong govt



ANWAR HUSSAIN
NALAGARH: Congress State General Secretary Hardeep Singh Bawa congratulated Chief Minister Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu and Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri at a press conference in Nalagarh after the formation of Congress government in the state. He said that the people of Nalagarh gave more than 20000 votes to Congress party and in Nalagarh, the Congress has been on the second number, but the Congress government has been formed in the state under leadership of Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu, full development will be done in Nalagarh.

HIMACHAL

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2022

Winter session of HP Assembly from December 22 to 24

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SHIMLA, DEC 16

The winter session of Himachal Pradesh legislative assembly has been convened by state Governor Rajinder Vishwanath Arhlekar at Tapovan Vidhansabha complex in Dharmshala from December 22, 2022. A notification issued by Secretary Vidhansabha Yash Paul Sharma said governor convened three days winter session from December 22 at 11 am at Tapovan Vidhansabha complex near Dharmshala in Kangra district Friday.

First day of session would be dedicated to Oath of newly elected legislators and introduction of Chief minister and his cabinet members. On December 23 on the Second day Election of new speaker and deputy speaker. It would be



followed. The proceedings of Assembly also begin with inaugural address by Himachal Pradesh Governor Rajinder Vishavnath Arhlekar on December 23.

On the last day of the session, House would pay obituary references to demise of

former members and also transact the official business and introduce and expressed the thanks motion on the governor address. The house is scheduled to sine die on December 23 by the speaker. It is first session of Congress government led by Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu after

recent assembly polls in the state. Cabinet expansion also be Likely during and before the Assembly session at Dharmshala, however no scheduled was issued so far. Including Chief minister Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu and Deputy Chief minister Mukesh Agnihotri two members are inducted in the government.

Congress has 40 members in 14 the state legislative Assembly, BJP 25 and Independent three. House may elect leader of Opposition during the session. Senior most members of Vidhansabha and Congress MLA from Jawali Chander Kumar (82) was appointed proteem speaker by the Governor who would be administered oath of office and secrecy to new members in the new house according to their seniority.

CM, Deputy CM and MLAs participate in ‘Bharat Jodo Yatra’ in Rajasthan



DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, DEC 16

Chief Minister Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu along with Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri, State Congress President Pratibha Singh and other Congress MLAs of the State participated in the ‘Bharat Jodo Yatra’ of Senior Congress leader

and Member of Parliament Rahul Gandhi at Dausa in Rajasthan today. Bharat Jodo Yatra has entered 100 days and was launched on 7th September, 2022 in Kanyakumari has traversed eight states including Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and now, Rajasthan.

Rajeev Rana appointed State Chairman of unorganized workers and employees Cong

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA, DEC 16

Himachal Pradesh, District Hamirpur: Congress leader Rajeev Rana of Dalalar village under sub-division Bhoranj has been appointed as State Chairman of Unorganized Workers and Employees Congress. Late evening of December 15, Unorganized Workers and Employees Congress National Chairman Udit Raj has sent an appointment letter to

Rajeev Rana, dissolving the Himachal Pradesh State, District and all other level executive of the Unorganized Workers and Employees Congress (KKC) with immediate effect. Rajeev Rana has been appointed as the Chairman of Himachal Pradesh for the purpose of doing better work in the organization. Rajeev Rana has expressed his gratitude to Unorganized Workers and Employees Congress National Chairman Udit Raj, Chief Minister Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu, Congress President Pratibha Singh, for his appointment and said that he will perform his duties honestly.

AC manufacturing company locked



S GAUTAM
BADDI, DEC 16

The management of Ace Bros Limited company, which manufactures ACs located in Theda, has shown the way out to its workers. More than 70 workers have become unemployed, who are now protesting outside the company. It is being told by the company management that they have 2 days off and the employees say that this management is completely lying, if this were the case, we would not have taken a complaint against the company today to the labor officer and to the SDM Nalagarh. While leaving the company is doing its arbitrariness, some employees have accused the company and also the company's employees say that 70% of the youth of Himachal are not getting jobs here, the company made false promises to all the youth of Himachal. They said that within 6 months you will be made on company roll but it has been more than 3 years till now no employee has been on company roll and they say that we have been removed without notice for which we want notice should be given along with 3 months salary.

Union Power Minister inaugurates first LAHAR Conclave organized by SJVN & CBIP

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, DEC 16

R.K. Singh Union Minister of Power & NRE Minister inaugurated the first ever LAHAR (Large Hydro Active Reach out) Conclave organized by SJVN in association with CBIP. Alok Kumar Secretary (Power), Govt. of India graced the conclave as Guest of Honour. Eminent Hydro experts of National & International repute participated in this Conclave, besides senior officers from Ministry of Power, Central Electricity Authority & Chairman & Managing Directors & Directors of Central Hydro Power Public Sector Undertakings. Nand Lal Sharma, Chairman & Managing Director SJVN & Chairman, LAHAR in his welcome speech apprised dignitaries that in line with the Prime Minister's Vision of 50% of energy from Non-Fossil Fuel & 500 GW from Renewable Energy sources, harnessing of Hydro Energy is of paramount significance to achieve this mammoth goal. Besides enabling Grid Stability, Hydro Power has been silently contributing to the growth story of the Nation, since last many decades. Sh. Sharma informed that, in light of the certain challenges being faced by this Sector, there arose a need for concerted & collaborative efforts by all the



stakeholders. SJVN has taken lead to organize the First Ever LAHAR Conclave in which all Central Hydro PSUs met for intensive deliberations to discuss the challenges the hydro sector is facing and finding the way forward. On this occasion, R.K. Singh Union Power & NRE Minister said that Hydro Power is God's Gift to the Planet and being utilized by civilizations from time immemorial. He further said that all the developed countries have harnessed almost entire Hydro Power potential available with them. Experiences suggest that development of hydro power has positive impact on the ecology of the area in terms of water table & greenery. Sh. Singh said that, most of the population now appreciate the positive impacts of development of Hydro Power Projects.

DC flags off 5 TB survey teams

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA, DEC 16

Five TB survey teams were flagged off from the district hospital by Deputy Commissioner Una Raghav Sharma under TB free India campaign. These five teams will go door-to-door in the district to identify TB patients. Five teams have been selected from Himcaps Nursing Institute consisting of two members in each team.DC said that a target has been set to make district Una a TB free district by 2023. He informed that for the last few years, Tuberculosis testing has been increased in different



places of the district and specially hand held digital X-ray machine has also been fielded this year by using which tuberculosis patients can be quickly identified and treated. He said that in

this survey data will be prepared by screening 10,000 houses so that it can be ascertained that year by year the condition of TB patients is decreasing in the district.

Books are basis of knowledge and creation: Governor

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, DEC 16

Governor Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar presided over Inderprastha Literary Festival organized in association with Karuna Foundation and Ministry of Culture in New Delhi today.

On this occasion the Governor said that books are the foundation of knowledge and creation. "Through books we get to know about our cultural heritage and it is also a strong medium to teach future generations about our rich Art and literature" he said. The Governor while stressing the need to motivate students and others to read good books said that reading good books not only helps in gaining knowledge but also develops positive thinking and attitude among the readers. He said



that Indian literature is the best example of scientific as well as creative writing skills. He said that literature is an integral part of life and India has preserved and nurtured it for thousands of years. By promoting literature and other genres, we have tried to keep this knowledge tradition in front of the whole world. He said that along with a scientific outlook, creative potential is also displayed in

Indian literature. He said that today, along with the publication of good books there is a need to create interest among readers to read good books. On the occasion, the Governor applauded the efforts of the Karuna Foundation for successfully organizing the festival. Members of the Karuna Foundation and other eminent persons were present on the occasion.

Young generation will solve India's problems: Atul Rawat

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, DEC 16

Indo-Pak War 1971 Victory Day was celebrated with enthusiasm on Friday at Shaheed Samarak Dharamshala. In this, first tribute was paid to the martyrs at the Gajay War Memorial. Chief of Army Staff Major General Atul Rawat (Ati Vishisht Seva Medal) of 9th Corps Yol attended the program as a special guest. He paid tribute to the martyrs while saluting them. Also lit the immortal flame. On this occasion, the chief guest interacted with ex-servicemen officers, brave women and NCC cadets and students. While congratulating Vijay Diwas, he told the youth that in the coming time, you are going to be seen in all the three wings of the Indian Army. Along with this, only the young generation will solve the upcoming problems of India. He inspired the youth to increase their age by becoming good citizens of the country. During this, Col. KKS Dadwala, Chairman of the Martyr's Memorial Committee, KS Chahal, Deputy Director of the Department of Military Welfare, DC Kangra Dr. Nipun Jindal, SP Kangra Dr. Khushal Sharma also paid tribute to the martyrs. It is noteworthy that during the India-Pakistan war in 1971, India Victory Day is celebrated on the victory won by In this war, the soldiers of the country had sacrificed their lives to protect the country of India. At the end of the war, 93 thousand Pakistani soldiers surrendered and India gave a crushing defeat to Pakistan.

Sudarshan Sharma flays closure of cement plants

SANJEEV MAHAJAN
NOORPUR, DEC 16

State Congress spokesperson Sudarshan Sharma said that as soon as the BJP government in Himachal Pradesh left, Adani's indefinite closure of ACC, Ambuja, cement industries with a sense of revenge reminds the East India Company.

Describing the closure of two prestigious industries in Himachal Pradesh by Adani after the results of the elections, it is unfortunate, said Sharma. He said that if both these industries were in loss then why Adani bought them. Somewhere this is a political conspiracy of the central government. If there is any issue of transport expenses, it can be resolved through dialogue and not by shutting down the cement industries indefinitely, he added. I want to ask Adani that how many loss-making industries have you closed in other states? It is unfortunate that immediately after the results of Himachal Pradesh, the livelihood of about 15,000 families is being attacked with political sentiments.



Sukhu to be accorded rousing reception on 1st visit to Kangra dist as CM on Dec 21: Pathania

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DHARAMSHALA, DEC 16

Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu will come to Dharamshala on December 21 on his first visit after assuming the charge of Chief Minister of this hill state after a tremendous victory in 2022 polls. Shahpur's Congress MLA and state general secretary and coordinator of the felicitation ceremony Kewal Singh Pathania told UNI today that all the workers of the Congress party including the residents of the district are very excited about the grand reception of the Chief Minister who is coming to Kangra district for the first time after assuming the office. Along with the grand reception of the Chief Minister in Dharamshala, a

felicitation ceremony will be organised at Jorawar Stadium, Pathania said. The assembly session is going to be held in Tapovan, Dharamshala from December 22, the Governor has issued a notification regarding this.

Congress state general secretary and coordinator of the felicitation ceremony Kewal Singh Pathania said Chief Minister Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu's first visit to Kangra district as CM will be historic and he will be accorded a grand welcome. People are eagerly waiting for his arrival here. He said along with party workers, common people are also very excited to welcome their Chief Minister. Kewal Singh Pathania said Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu, who has come from a common family and

reached the top position of the state by his merit, is an ideal of success through struggle for the common man. Kewal Pathania said the journey of Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu from a common worker of NSUI to becoming the CM is inspirational for everyone including party workers. People will come from all over the district in the felicitation ceremony. He said Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu will be warmly welcomed by organizing a grand felicitation ceremony at Jorawar Stadium. In this function, workers and common people from all over the district will come in large numbers to congratulate the Chief Minister, express their happiness and take a pledge to walk together with full strength.

Self-proclaimed leaders of Govt Teachers Union are making blatant statements: Naresh Mahajan

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA, DEC 16

State President of Himachal Government Teachers Union Naresh Mahajan, State General Secretary Narottam Verma, State Finance Secretary Paras Ram, Women's Wing President Nisha Mishra, Senior Vice President Suresh Narayal, Chairman Grievance Redressal Committee Mansa Ram, District Bilaspur President Yashveer Ranaut, Chamba President Sanjay Thakur Hamirpur Pradhan Sanjeev Thakur, Kangra Pradhan Naresh Dhiman, Mandi Pradhan Ashwani Guleria, Solan Pradhan Kashmiri Thakur, Shimla Pradhan Mahavir Kainthala, Sirmour Pradhan Hardev



Thakur, Una Pradhan Dr Kishori Lal presented Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu to the Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh and Mukesh Agnihotri. Congratulation and best wishes on behalf of the Sangh on becoming the Deputy Chief Minister and assured that the Sangh will walk shoulder to

shoulder with the government and said that the Sangh will very soon pay a courtesy call to the government along with the team force. The State Head of the Union expressed surprise yesterday at the self-proclaimed leader of the Himachal Pradesh Teachers Association by Virender Chauhan calling himself the state head of the Himachal Pradesh Teachers Association because it was denied by the general secretary of its state executive, Sham Lal Handa, State Vice-Secretary Dev Raj Thakur, Shimla District President Mahaveer Kainthala, Una District President Dr Kishori Lal and all the elected District Presidents left because of its bad behavior but still it is beyond comprehension to call yourself the State President.

Victory Parade organised on Vijay Diwas



RAJ SADOSH ABOHAR: Commemorating the country's victory in the Indo-Pak War of 1971, a Vijay Diwas parade was organized at Fazilka. The parade dedicated to Vijay Diwas by Martyrs Memorial Committee Asafwala started from Shaheed Bhagat Singh Market near District Administration Complex and passed through Sanjeev Cinema Chowk, Gaushala Road, Cycle Bazar, Shastri Chowk and ended at the historic Ghanta Ghar. Deputy Commissioner Dr. Senu Duggal said that the soldiers who made sacrifices to maintain the honour and glory of the country will be remembered till the end of the world. It is the moral responsibility of every citizen to respect the families of martyred soldiers and their dependents.

Team of Forest officers from different parts of India visit to Chhatbir Zoo



VICKY BHABAT ZIRAKPUR: Today, a team of Forest officers from different parts of India paid an exposure visit to Chhatbir Zoo as part of their coursework for the Post Graduate Diploma in Advanced Wildlife Management of the Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun. The team was joined by faculty members of the Institute L. Kawni and S. Dutta. They visited the zoo exhibits and interacted with management and staff to learn about various aspects of zoo management. The whole team was briefed regarding ex-situ conservation and management practices in Chhatbir zoo by Kalpana K, Field director, Chhatbir zoo. Zoo Education Officer, Harpal Singh took them around in the zoo and showed them zoo practices. They were accompanied by S.V.O. Dr. Ashish and zoo biologist Dr. Aarthi who interacted with them and provided them information regarding animal husbandry practices, animal behavior and habitat enrichment in Chhatbir zoo.

Ashu Sharma becomes Punjab President of Global Educator Forum

BUREAU PATHANKOT: Ashu Sharma, who has received thousands of awards in the field of education, who is currently serving as the Principal of Decent Public School, Ludhiana, has been awarded the post of Punjab President by the Global Educator Forum. Padma Legend Professor Dr. Viren Dave, Global President of

Global Educator Forum told that while making Principal Ashu Sharma Punjab President. Feeling proud that such a face is associated with his institution, which has made a different place in the field of education. Principal Ashu Sharma expressed his gratitude to his parents for this achievement, who made him capable of this.

11-kv AP The feeder inaugurates by Kataruchak



SHARANJEET PATHANKOT: The problems in the area of Vidhan Sabha constituency Bhoja are being continuously worked on and today 11-KV. AP After inaugurating the feeder, the electricity problem of about 15 to 20 villages in the area will be solved, I am grateful to the Chief Minister of Punjab. Bhagwant Singh Maan Chief Minister of Punjab and National Convener of the party Arvind Kejriwal gave him a place in the cabinet and gave him an opportunity to serve in the Vidhan Sabha constituency Bhoja and Punjab. This was revealed by Shri Lal Chand Kataruchak, Minister of Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs and Forest and Wildlife Protection, Punjab today. New 11-kv at Bani Lodhi AP Addressing during the opening ceremony of the feeder. On this occasion, Javinder Pal Axion Powercom City, Gagan Bhaskar Axion Powercom Rural, Both Raj SDO. Sarma, Chetan Manhas SDO., Ram Lubhaya District Public Relations Officer, Vijay Kumar Kataruchak Media Incharge, Gurdayal Singh Saini, Sarpanch Kasim Singh, Robin Singh, Vikas and other party workers were also present.

Historic agreement for 24X7 Water Supply Project worth Rs 510 crore signed

RN KHERA CHANDIGARH, DEC 16

Achieving the final and much awaited milestone of the ambitious 24x7 pan city water supply project, the Municipal Corporation Chandigarh signed the historic project agreement with the French Financial institution, Agence Française de Développement (AFD) with the support of the European Union today at Punjab Raj Bhawan, Chandigarh. This agreement was signed by Ms. Anindita Mitra, IAS, Municipal Commissioner, Chandigarh on behalf of Municipal Corporation Chandigarh and Mr. Bruno Bosle, Country Director for India of the Agence Francaise de Developpement (AFD), in the presence of Sh. Banwarilal Purohit, Governor, Punjab and Administrator, Chandigarh, H.E. Ugo Astuto, Am-



bassador of the European Union in India Smt. Sarbjit Kaur, Mayor, Chandigarh, and other dignitaries. While addressing the gathering, the Governor said that though the 24x7 Water Supply System has been implemented in various cities in India, Chandigarh's pan city project with Smart Water Metering for all the 1.77 lacs connections, is the first of its kind. He said that Chandigarh's deep rooted relationship with France is well known as the entire city

was planned by the famous French architect, Le Corbusier. It was in 2016, that the then Ambassador of France and the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi visited Chandigarh and in the iconic rock garden of Chandigarh, it was decided that France shall support crucial infrastructure projects in Chandigarh. He appreciated the vision and commitment of the European partners for the project. AFD has accompanied the design of the pro-

gramme and is funding the major part of the investment through a 412 crores soft loan. The European Union on the other hand is providing a 98 Crores grant through AFD to accompany the implementation of the investment. He said that the project was the need of the hour as the entire water supply system of Chandigarh was an ageing one. Also, due to slow and steady rise in the population, criss-cross pipelines have come up across the city making it near impossible to isolate and detect leakages leading to low pressure on upper floors of the buildings. He said that, to address the above mentioned issues, as much as 270 kms of the water supply network which was non-conducive for supply of high pressure water shall be replaced during the execution of the project.

CM says No Thermal power plant to face coal shortage in future

SHASHI PAL JAIN ROPAR, DEC 16

Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on Friday said that state has taken leap towards being power surplus as none of the Thermal Power plants will face any sort of coal shortage in the state. The Chief Minister, who welcomed the first coal rake from state's captive Pachwara Mines, said that the day is not far when Punjab will be the lone power surplus state in the country. He said that no power cut was imposed in state during previous paddy season as Punjab produced 83 percent more power from previous years. Bhagwant Mann envisioned that with the resuming of coal supply from Pachwara mine the production will enhance manifold. The Chief Minister said that power is the engine of growth and development, due to which his government



is focusing on enhancing its generation. He said that it will help in putting the state on high growth trajectory of industrial growth. Bhagwant Mann said that this in turn will help in creating new vistas of employment for the youth. The Chief Minister said that the Pachhwara coal mines were allotted to state but have been closed since 2015. He said that though the matter had been pending in Supreme Court of India but none of the previous govern-

ments bothered to get the supply of coal resumed. However, Bhagwant Mann said that after assuming the charge of office his government raised the matter in March 2022 and with proper arbitration the supply of coal has been resumed. Chief Minister said that Coal production at Punjab state's captive mine Pachhwara Central has commenced now and this mine has sufficient surplus coal for transfer state.

Students of GSSS Bakhopir make educational visit to IIT Nabha

RAKESH JINDAL NABHA, DEC 16

According to the instructions of the Punjab Government, the students of the Government Senior Secondary School, Bakhopir village, participated in the Government Industrial Training Institute Nabha (Boys) to acquire technical education. The entire staff of the institution welcomed the students and staff. The students were gathered in Placemat Cell. Kewal Singh, Placemat Officer, gave detailed information to the students about the trades going on in the institution and encouraged them to get technical education. Discussions were held with the staff regarding the institution and they were urged to conduct maximum skill courses. They were



made aware about the admission process of the institution. The students were also invited to the Art and Craft Teacher Training Institute, where the principal, Avtar Singh and all the staff thanked the students for coming to the institute. Amritpal captivated the students by giving a demo of Kopa, the students were divided into two groups and participated in the workshop. The trade instructors themselves gave informa-

tion about their trade to the students. Refreshments of apples and bananas were given to the students. Finally, the students thanked Kewal Singh, Placemat Officer and the other staff. On this occasion, Principal Avtar Singh, Satnam Singh, Rajesh Kumar, Kanwalpreet Kaur Vocational Training Teacher, Ranjit Kaur, Vocational Training Teacher Bakhopir, Jatinder Kaur, Jaspreet Singh, Amritpal Singh, Bhupinder Lal were also present.

Residents of Khatkar Kalan demand medical college from CM Mann



JAGDISH BANGA, DEC 16

Members of the Shaheed Bhagat Singh Welfare Society meeting senior Aam Aadmi Party leader Harjot Kaur Lotia in Khatkar Kalan, the native village of Jagdish Shaheed Azam Sardar Bhagat Singh, have demanded from the Punjab government that Shaheed Azam Sardar Bhagat Singh in Khatkar Kalan Open medical college in the name of Apart from this, a career and counseling center should be made in the village! To encourage sports, a

sports stadium should be built in the village; for this purpose, the village panchayat and the welfare society will together make land available to the government! The villagers handed over a demand letter to Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwan Singh Mann to your leader Harjot Kaur Lotia. Former Sarpanch Sukhwinder Singh, NRI Ranjit Singh, Dusanj, Gurjit Singh, Baba Harinder Singh Lucky, Member Panchayat Tarlochan Singh, Amardeep, Meva Singh, Ravindra Singh, Ramendra Singh were present.

Fateh Group of Institutions organized seminar on Traffic Rules



HEMANT KUMAR SHARMA RAMPURA PHUL, DEC 16

A special seminar on traffic rules was conducted by the National Service Planning Department of Fatih Group of Institutions, Rampura Phul, a famous co-ed education institution of Malwa. In which Hakam Singh Traffic Police Education Cell Bathinda Traffic Incharge Gurtej Singh and Madam Kokila who provides services in the country and abroad mainly arrived. On the occasion of the grand event, hundreds of drivers from the educational institutes of the district arrived who listened carefully to the various speakers and took a pledge to follow the traffic rules while driving on the road. On the occasion of this event, the organization presented souvenirs to the drivers. Hakam Singh, who came as the main speaker during the event, explained the traffic rules seriously. He said that by following the traffic rules, precious lives can be saved. Chairman of the organization S S Chatha welcomed the chief guests and drivers and told them many useful things while sharing important points regarding traffic rules.

Cheema lays foundation for lining, relining works



RAJ SADOSH ABOHAR, DEC 16

Ranjit Singh Cheema, chairman of Punjab Water Resources Management and Development Corporation, today laid the foundation stone of the 34-crore project for lining and relining works under Sirhind feeder canal system near Killianwali village, 8-km from here. He said that with the commencement of this project, 125 canal outlets will benefit about 228 km area. He said that the long-pending work in Abohar constituency has been started today and the remaining works will also be carried out soon. The Punjab government is committed to the welfare of farmers and priority will be given to the villages that have been waiting for basic facilities. Cheema said that proposals have been sent to the government for new development projects in Balluana and Fazilka constituencies also, the same will be started soon after receiving sanctions. Balluana MLA Amandeep Singh Goldy Musafir welcomed Cheema.

Career conclave program organized at Modern Sandeepni School



SHARANJEET PATHANKOT, DEC 16

Career Conclave program related to the future of the students was organized in Modern Sandeepni School under the chairmanship of Principal Neeraj Mohan Puri. Career In this mega event, students from class 8th to class 12th were present. Different Universities

like LPU, Amity University, Chitkara University, DIT University, Sun stone tech pvt. Ltd., Chandigarh University, CGC Jhanjeri, CGC Landra, participated and they advised the students to dream beyond the obvious, not only go for conventional career options but also explore other avenues as per your aspirations and capabilities and work towards real-

izing those dreams. This mega event was to provide skill awareness to students, career guidance for courses and employability as well as information about career path. Chairman Pawan Mahajan said that Modern Sandeepni School will continue to organize such programs in future as well which will guide the students properly.

Punjab govt is committed to deliver basic facilities to people: MLA



SACHIN MOUDGILL LUDHIANA, DEC 16

The Punjab government led by Chief Minister Bhagwant Maan is committed to providing basic facilities to the people and now the people will not be allowed to suffer. MLA from Constituency Atma Nagar Kulwant Singh Sidhu expressed this while listening to the problems of the people at Javadi and Punjab Bagh (Ward No. 45) through a mobile office van. On the occasion, he also directed the concerned offi-

cials to resolve the problems of the residents as soon as possible. MLA Sidhu said that as per the promise made to the people during the assembly elections, their problems are being listened to from house to house. He said that many complaints are settled on the spot while instructions have been issued to the concerned officials for quick resolution of some problems. It may be mentioned that this mobile van is being run from the personal fund of MLA Kulwant Singh Sidhu.

Minister Fauja Singh Sarari inaugurates Patiala Heritage Festival

PATIALA (RAWEL BHINDER): To promote Patiala as a centre of tourism, the Patiala Heritage Festival organized by the District Administration under the leadership of the Punjab Government was inaugurated by Punjab Food Processing and Horticulture Minister Fauja Singh Sarari with the inauguration of Guava Festival and Guldaudi (Chrysanthemum) Show at the ancient Barandri Bagh of Patiala. Speaking on the occasion, Fauja Singh Sarari said that the Punjab government under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann has started efforts to bring Punjab's heritage, folk arts, folk fairs and Punjab's heritage to the common people to make Rangla Punjab again so that the district administration is organising the Patiala Heritage Festival. The cabinet minister said that the Bhagwant Mann government was committed to the welfare of farmers of Punjab, under which efforts have been started to increase the income of the farmers by promoting horticulture by changing the concept of throwing the crop in the market to the concept of selling the crop. He said that our farmers first brought the green revolution, then the white revolution with milk production and now the fruit revolution is being brought with fruit production. Appreciating this Guldaudi show, Minister Fauja Singh Sarari said that our gardeners brought 192 entries in different categories of flowers, including 34 winners of best flowers have been awarded, while in the guava fest, the gardeners have put up an attractive display of various types of guava and products made from guava. On this occasion, the Cabinet Minister honoured 45 progressive farmers who did not burn stubble, including growers of flowers, fruits and vegetables, he also distributed certificates to officials.

DA commits to change lives of needy children through 'Gyan Kiran Di Choh': DC



SUMER GARG SANGRUR, DEC 16

District administration(DA), Sangrur has planned to connect the children of the families living in the backward areas of Sangrur with school education and to raise their standard of living has started a mobile school under the banner 'Gyan Kiran Di Choh'. Deputy Commissioner(DC), Sangrur, Jatindra Jorwal has distributed track suits to 28 children studying in the School on wheeltlo protect them from the cold. On this occasion, Deputy Commissioner, said that the DA is making continuous efforts to improve the qualities and skills of needy children in every possible way to change their lives. He further said that this mobile school named 'Gyan Kiran Di Choh' is regularly sent by buses to the backward areas of the city where parents are unable to send their children from schools. He added that by using this bus as a primary center of education for children, they are encouraged to go to school, which is showing significant results. "In this mobile school, books, pictures and other academic activities are conducted for children and these children are also taken on educational tours to different places through this bus", DC, added.



BUREAU PATHANKOT, DEC 16

As per the instructions of Punjab School Education Department and District Education Officer Rajesh Kumar, block level online computer quiz and typing competition of Block Pathankot-3 was organized at Shaheed Makhan Singh Government Girls Senior Secondary School Pathankot. The competition was organized by Principal Meenam Shikha, and under the supervision of B.N.O. Rahul Gupta and B.M. Computer Science Brij Raj was done. Students of classes IX and X of Block Pathankot-3 participated in this competition. First position was bagged by Bhavna Shaheed Makhan Singh Gov-

ernment Girls Senior Secondary School Pathankot, second position by Aditya Government Senior Secondary School Jandwal and third position by Bhumika Bhagat Shaheed Makhan Singh Government Girls Senior Secondary School Pathankot. Similarly, in Class Xth competition, Abhishek Government High School Dehriwal got the first position, Ankush Awasthi Government Senior Secondary School Ghiala got the second position and Vedika and Nashchint Shaheed Makhan Singh Govern-

ment Girls Senior Secondary School Pathankot got the third position. Principal Meenam Shikha said that computer is very important in today's era and nowadays knowledge of computer has been made mandatory in every work. Such competitions will increase the interest of students towards computer subjects, which will be beneficial for them in future. Principal Meenam Shikha honored the winning students by giving them certificates and medals.

DAV College
organizes various
activities



HARPREET SINGH LEHAL
JALANDHAR: Department of Food Science and Technology, DAV College, Jalandhar organized Food quiz and Food tombola and an industrial tour to Markfed canneries under the guidance of worthy Principal Dr. Rajesh Kumar. Prof. Bhartendu Singla (HOD) addressed the students and encouraged them to participate in such competitions. All of the students participated in a food tombola activity which was knowledgeable and full of fun. 51 students of the department visited Markfed canneries, Adampur, Jalandhar under the supervision of Prof. Anu Gupta, Prof. Pankaj Gupta and Prof. Swati Singla. The students got practical information on various processes like bottling of honey, canning and packaging of different foods like Daal Makhani and Saag. They were also told about effluent treatment and testing of empty cans.

Victim student's
family has not yet
received justice



KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA: It has been some time since the incident of beating up a child by the school students in the school premises at the YS School in the town of Handiaya, but till now the victim student has not received any justice. Rakesh Kumar, the father of the victim student, while informing the press, said that he had sent an online complaint to the Chief Minister of Punjab, which has not been heard yet, nor has anything been said about the investigation conducted by the Deputy Education Officer. It should also be mentioned here that this school, opened in a rural area, remains in discussion due to the hooliganism allegedly committed by the students. When the District Police Officer Mr. Sandeep Malik was contacted about the above incident that took place in the school, he said that orders have been given to the DSP City to investigate the incident, and once the investigation report comes, the details will be given.

On the fourth day, Art
and Craft instructor Alka
Jain taught clay art



MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI: The activities of the fifth day of the seven-day "Art and Craft" workshop under the "Women's Cell" at Shaheed Udharnagar Singh Government College, Matak Majri, were conducted under the direction of Dr. Meenakshi, in-charge of the Women's Cell. Art and Craft Instructor On the fourth day, Mrs. Alka Jain taught and made the students practise clay art on different designs made on suits and bottles. On this occasion, all the members of the women's cell, Professor Mamta, Professor Sonia, Professor Savita, Professor Pooja, and Professor Nareish Kumar, along with other teachers of the college, Professor Anila, Professor Bharti, Professor Shalini, Professor Vibha, Professor Bal Rishi, and Professor Naveen, were present.

Paramjit Bakshi
elected as President
of Bar Association



CHET RAM RATAN
NAWANSHAHR: Bar Association Nawanshahr Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar Bar Association Election Officer Advocate Harmesh Lal Suman told that Paramjit Singh elected as Pradhan. Election Officer Advocate Suman told that Vice President Randhir Singh, Secretary Risu Rana, Dusanjh Treasurer, Sanjeev Sharma Joint Secretary were unanimously elected.

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2022

Shraddha Murder Case: Court to hear Aaftab's bail plea on Dec 17

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, DEC 16

Shraddha Walkar murder case accused Aaftab Poonawala on Friday moved an application in Delhi's Saket Court seeking bail, which the court is likely to hear on Saturday.

Poonawala, who has been arrested based on his confession of killing Walkar and chopping her body into 35 pieces to dispose it of, was arrested last month and is currently lodged in Tihar jail.

On December 9, he was produced before a court via video conferencing and his judicial custody was further extended by 14 days.

Some of the remains of the body parts recovered from forests in Mehrauli and Gurugram belonged to Walkar, the Delhi Police confirmed on Thursday. Special Commissioner of Police Law and Order, Delhi,



Sagar Preet Hooda in a conversation with ANI said that they have received the DNA and polygraph test reports from Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CFSL).

A total of 13 decomposed bones and part of a jaw were collected from the Mehrauli forest that were suspected to belong to the 27-year-old woman. "Police have received

DNA and polygraph test reports from Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CFSL). These reports will help us further in the investigation," Sagar Preet Hooda has said.

On December 15, Delhi Lieutenant Governor VK Saxena approved the proposal of the Delhi Police to appoint special public prosecutors to represent the Union Territory in the trial

court in the Shraddha Walkar murder case.

According to the L-G office, advocates Madhukar Pandey and Amit Prasad will represent Delhi Police as special public prosecutors in the matter.

Shraddha Walkar was murdered allegedly by her live-in partner Aaftab Poonawala (28) at the couple's rented flat in Delhi's Chhattarpur Pahadi area.

"LG VK Saxena has approved the proposal of Delhi Police for the appointment of Special Public Prosecutors, to represent the State in the Trial Court in case FIR No. 659 dt. 10.11.2022 u/s 365/302/201 IPC, registered at PS Mehrauli. The matter relates to the gruesome Shraddha murder case. Madhukar Pandey and Amit Prasad, Advocates will be accordingly representing the Delhi Police as Special Public Prosecutors in the matter," the L-G office said in a statement.

Good Administration Week will be celebrated from 19 to 25 Dec: DC



KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA, DEC 16

According to the guidelines of the Punjab Government, Good Administration Week is being celebrated from 19th to 25th December under which welfare camps will be organized at different places in Barnala district. Deputy Commissioner Barnala Mrs. Poonamdeep Kaur gave this information during the meeting called regarding organizing these camps. He said that in these camps the general public will be given information about the schemes of various departments and the documents required to avail of the schemes.

Giving more information about the camps, he said that on 19, 24 and 25 December at Red Cross Barnala, on 20 December at Sub Division Tapa, on 21

December at BDPO Office Mahal Kalan, and on 22 December at Market Committee Office Bhadur. In these camps, government subsidies related to agriculture, horticulture, fish farming, dairy etc. will be told. Also, full information will be given regarding the easy loans given by the banks to the people so that the work can be started by taking the loan. Similarly, information will be given about opening accounts in banks and the documents required for that. Apart from this, the district industry centre will also provide information about the schemes of the department.

The Deputy Commissioner appealed to the residents of Barnala that they can participate in these camps and get information according to their interests and need.

Gang of women arrested for blackmailing them on pretext of taking a lift from vehicles at night



KARNPREET DHANDRAL
BARNALA, DEC 16

Sub-inspector Sukhjot Singh, head of Police Station City 2, informed the press that a gang of women has come under the arrest of Police Station City 2 for blackmailing them on the pretext of taking a lift from vehicles at night! He said that on the statement of Prithi Singh son of Chandgi Ram resident of Village Khala Mahajan Police Station Agroha Khel District Accounts Haryana on 14.12.2012 regarding such a gang, a case was registered that on 13th December, Ram Singh son of Shakar was loaded in Mahindra pickup number 8610958. The resident of village Khala Mahajan was going to Moga with people, it was around 1 o'clock in the morning, when he reached near Baba Barnala Bathinda Road, three ladies were seen standing on the left hand side of the road, who showed their hands to stop the vehicle. When pointed out, he stopped the vehicle as a humane act, who took two girls with him for a lift and went forward, fearing that they would get a ticket for rape, and took the wallet with about 18,000 rupees and his mobile phone from this side. The screen was taken by these girls and they sat with the boys who came on a motorcycle, and on their statement, a case number 569 dated 17 2012 Adh 19, 20B was registered in the police station City-2 Barnala.

Narayan Seva Sansthan branch Kaithal will become support of 60 disabled brothers, artificial limbs will be fitted on Dec 18

RAMAN GUPTA
KAITHAL, DEC 16

Narayan Seva Sansthan branch Kaithal is constantly striving to serve the disabled brothers and the needy people. In this series of service, Narayan Seva Sansthan branch, Kaithal, to give a new life to such disabled brothers and sisters who have lost their hands or legs in an accident and have lost courage in this life, and to connect them with the mainstream of the society. Dr. Vivek Garg, head of Narayan Seva Sansthan Branch, Kaithal, said that these modular prostheses are made from German technique and due to their very low weight, Divyang brothers can use them very easily. By installing this modular artificial limb, the Divyang brothers and sisters will join the mainstream of the society and will be able to do their routine work easily. Branch Patron Satpal Mangala told that this ceremony will be held on December 18 in the premises of Sanatan Dharma



Temple located at Committee Chowk. All the arrangements have been made by the Kaithal branch team to ensure that the Divyang brothers do not face any kind of trouble during the camp. Co-convenor Durga Prasad told that a team of doctors and technicians under the leadership of Lal Singh Bati ji from Narayan Seva Sansthan Udaipur will come to Kaithal a day in advance to install this artificial limb and by them this artificial limb will be given to the disabled brothers on December 18 will be imposed. All the members of branch Kaithal thanked the founder chairman of Narayan Seva Sansthan Udaipur respected Shri Kailash ji

Manav and international president Shri Prashant Agarwal ji, under whose guidance the team of branch Kaithal is providing these free facilities day by day to the Divyang brothers of their city. Dr. Vivek Garg said that even before this, artificial organs have been presented free of cost to more than 600 Divyang brothers by the branch. He also informed that for the last 15 days free blankets and jerseys are being distributed daily by branch Kaithal to protect the needy people from the bitter cold and further this program of distribution of jerseys and blankets will be done continuously by the branch president.

Doing religious work awakens a sense of devotion in the mind: Garg



NARESH GARG
LADWA, DEC 16

On Friday, all the villagers of Ladwa's Beed Khairi village organised a Havan Yagya and a massive Bhandara at Gau Samadhi, in which Sandeep Garg, Chairman of the Stalwart Foundation, participated as the chief guest. Social worker Sandeep Garg said that it is a very good thing that the people of the entire village unitedly participated in the Havan Yagya at Gau Samadhi and organised a huge Bhandara. By doing such religious work, the feeling of devotion awakens in the mind, and by participating in such works, one also feels like doing social service. He said that cows should also always be fed fodder, jaggery, etc. He says that the three kitchens that have been run on his behalf make Ladwa Halke, which comes as the midday meal. The mother cow receives the bounty of that food, which is then distributed to the people in all three kitchens.

Farmers from Ujjain visit at school after hearing about Nanheda school's arrangement

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNALA, DEC 16

Under the leadership of Dr. Anuj Kumar, Principal Scientist, National Wheat and Barley Research Institute, Karnal, the farmers studied every system of the school closely. He went to the classes, asked questions of the children, and praised their knowledge and skills. When the team of farmers reached the school, lunch was being prepared in the kitchen. He congratulated the midday meal worker and the school management after seeing the cleanliness and decoration of the kitchen. When the farmers asked the teachers about the arrangement of swings installed in the school for the children to play, the school head, Mahindra Kumar, said that the school had been rejuvenated only by the personal efforts of the Gram Panchayat, the Education Department, and the teachers. Giving information to the



farmers, Mahindra Kumar said that people and people's representatives from far-off institutions are coming to see the Nanheda School. He informed the farmers about the different species of fruit and medicinal plants planted in the school park. He described how a mutual organisation and Dr. Ramjilal Dadbi sowed saplings of seasonal flowers in the school and how approximately 30 species of flowers are prepared and distributed free of charge in Nanheda school every year. Seeing the greenery of the school,

Ujjain's teacher and farmer, Dharmaraj, and team leader Dr. Yogendra Kaushik said that this place is better than any tourist attraction. He congratulated the Gram Panchayat Nanheda and the villagers, and he suggested that social workers working in environmental protection learn from Nanheda school. The farmers of Ujjain also tasted the mid-day meal prepared in the school, and Dr. Anuj Kumar presented an amount of one thousand rupees to the mid-day meal incharge for feeding sweets to the children.

Farmers stages protest at powerhouse against imposition of additional charges on electricity bills of villagers



MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI, DEC 16

The Bharatiya Kisan Union staged a 2-hour symbolic protest at the village of arhi Birbal Power House in the Indri constituency to protest the imposition of additional charges on villagers' electricity bills. Farmer leaders say that the bills sent by the Electricity Department are being sent by imposing additional charges, which is an injustice. He said that this additional fee would not be tolerated in any way. The department should not charge this extra fee on the electricity bills of farmers and villagers because they have already deposited the security of their connection. Today this symbolic strike has been demonstrated; if the government does not forgive it, then it can also take the form of a big movement. Vedpal Gupta, SDO of the Electricity Department, told me that it is being implemented by the department and is applicable throughout Haryana; only the government can forgive the additional charges, we have no control over it. Farmers Manjit Singh Lalhar, Surendra, Rahul, Nareish, Jasvindra, Raghuveer Mor, Om Singh, Dhanpat Mor, Karambir, Ravin, Viraj, Rajesh, etc. were all present with him on this occasion.

BJP leader Pradeep Sehgal met with National President JP Nadda

NARESH GARG

LADWA: Pradeep Sehgal and Satprakash Sharma, former members of the intellectual cell, went to Delhi, met BJP National President JP Nadda, and informed him about the problems of the Ladwa constituency. Senior BJP leader Pradeep Sehgal said that the meeting with National President JP Nadda in Delhi and the main problems of Ladwa Halke Senior BJP workers from the Ladwa constituency informed the National President about other issues such as the bypass, the women's college, the state of the roads, and so on. He said that soon Ladwa Halke



would be rejuvenated. Because he has been assured by the National President that there is not a single constituency or district in the entire country or state where development work is not being done under the BJP's rule.

Brahmasarovar pilgrimage, located in Thana village, will be beautified and developed from a tourism point of view: Sandeep

SANJAY VERMA
PEHOWA, DEC 16

Sports Minister Sandeep Singh stated that efforts would be increased in the direction of tourism and beautification of the historical Brahmasarovar pilgrimage. It is through their efforts that devotees and tourists can see the magnificence of this pilgrimage during the International Geeta Jayanti Festival and other religious events. Sports Minister Sandeep Singh was speaking at a programme organised at the residence of Zilla Parishad member Sachin



Nambardar in the village. He listened to the problems of the villagers and addressed them on the spot. During this, the Sports Minister said that instructions will be given to the concerned departments to close the sewage drain leading to the Brahmasarovar shrine of

the village and replace it with sewerage. His effort is to maintain the cleanliness of the ancient and historical Brahmasarovar pilgrimage. Concerning the village's youth, the Sports Minister stated that if the Panchayat unanimously proposes to provide the Sports Department with approximately four acres of land, a sports complex with modern facilities will be prepared in the village so that the youth can practise their sports here as well prepare for recruitment in the army. He committed to donating Rs. 2 lakh for lighting in the village's community center.

EDITORIAL

Double trouble

There's a new trend in the world of conservation. On the one hand, countries in the Global South are advancing their development agenda with a massive thrust towards building infrastructure. On the other, they are tightening their grip on biodiversity in line with the goals set by the Conference of Parties last year. Both approaches bulldoze local communities that have always conserved forests.

In India, the paradox of development and conservation is quietly unfolding around forests. Call it a double whammy: communities get evicted both by development and conservation. Neither approach sees locals as integral to the landscape. For instance, the country went into a collective ecstasy when cheetahs were reintroduced in the Kuno National Park in Madhya Pradesh. Few cared about the eviction of tribals. This is not all; around the same area, several infrastructure projects have been unleashed to showcase development.

Kuno is but one example. The disregard for taking communities along is stark. Otherwise, how is it that there isn't one example of locals being roped in for conservation? Take a look at every major protected area, you'll find both notions going hand in hand, much to the detriment of communities, with the brunt being borne largely by scheduled tribes who live amidst some of the pristine forests.

From dams to expressways to coal-fired power plants, India's biodiversity is being battered by the development juggernaut. The same goes for mindless conservation projects that do not factor in the locals inhabiting the ecosystem. The latest strategy adopted by the different states and the Centre is to carve out smaller conservation and community reserves instead of creating big national parks or sanctuaries. The former evokes less opposition and also allows authorities to push for infrastructure projects if needed in those very landscapes they aspire to conserve.

The protected area database (http://www.wiienvis.nic.in/Database/Protected_Area_854.aspx), throws up a startling development: India hasn't really seen an increase in sanctuaries and national parks in the last few years. But there's a burst of small community and conservation reserves — terms denoting protected areas acting as buffer zones or connectors and migration corridors between established national parks or sanctuaries. These categories were first introduced in the Wildlife (Protection) Amendment Act of 2002 "because of reduced protection in and around existing or proposed protected areas due to private ownership of land, and land use".

Christmas 2022: Budget-friendly Decor ideas

Christmas which commemorates the birth of Jesus Christ has transcended across borders of nations, cultures and ethnicities to become a festival encasing a lot of diversity in its meaning, significance and celebratory traditions.

Some of these traditions are quite interesting as they reflect the ethos of the particular area they belong to. The joyous vibe around this time makes for a great occasion to catch up with friends and family. Any celebration is incomplete decoration and if you are planning to invite guests for a Christmas party this time, then look at these budget-friendly decoration ideas.

Christmas tree
One can't imagine celebrating Christmas without decorating the tree. Not only children, everyone eagerly waits for 25th of December every year to mark the occasion by decorating the tree with ornaments, lights, candies, and gifts. One can easily get real or artificial Christmas tree from markets. From small to large, Christmas trees are available in different sizes in markets. It is an evergreen tree such as fir or pine, usually placed in the living room.

Christmas tree accessories
People usually accessorize the



Christmas tree with a star that goes on top of it. It symbolises the 'Star of Bethlehem' that guided the three kings to the place of birth of Jesus. Also, it represents humanity.

Apart from Christmas Star, people also decorate Christmas trees using 'Merry Christmas' banners, baubles, bells, and mini Santa ornaments among others. You also can use a tree skirt to wrap around the base of your Christmas tree. And the utmost important element is fairy lights, to make your tree shine.

Wreath

Like the Christmas tree, a Christmas wreath is considered one of the most important decor items. It is a circular decoration that helps to dress up any door they are placed on. Wreaths are generally made of evergreen, berries, or other natural materials.

Financial Inclusion – Journey So Far

Ensuring access to financial services, timely and adequate credit for vulnerable groups such as weaker sections and low-income groups at an affordable cost is recognized as a key driver of economic growth and poverty alleviation the world over. Access to formal finance can boost job creation, reduce vulnerability to economic shocks and increase investments in human capital. Seven[1] of the seventeen United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) have financial inclusion as a key enabler for improving the quality of lives of poor and marginalized sections of the society. In 2010, G20 countries endorsed a Global Partnership for Financial Inclusion (GPFI)

to facilitate dialogue on financial inclusion, focusing on unserved and underserved individuals, micro, small and medium enterprises. In 2011, G20 leaders made a commitment to bring down the cost of remittances.

High-Level Principles (HLP) for Digital Financial Inclusion (DFI) were developed in 2016 as a guide to countries on their path to digital transformation. GPFI continues to focus on facilitating digital financial inclusion and working towards providing options of finance to SMEs, while addressing financial customer protection and financial literacy aspects. The drive towards financial inclusion has been unique for each country, conditioned by national priorities, institutional capacity to implement reforms, evolution of financial markets, payments infrastructure, financial capability, and cultural beliefs that drive financial behaviour. In India, policies for financial

inclusion include expansion of bank branch networks to unserved and underserved areas, credit flow to sections of society that get excluded by credit markets, launch of the Lead Bank Scheme, promotion of Self-Help Groups and Joint Liability Groups (JLG), introduction



of Kisan Credit Cards (KCC) and Basic Savings Bank Deposit Accounts (BSBDA), improving last mile delivery through business correspondents. A watershed moment was the launch of the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) programme for providing access to bank accounts to every household and further to every unbanked adult under the expanded coverage.

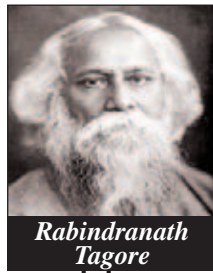
PMJDY was announced by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in his I-Day address on August 15, 2014. While launching the programme on August 28, 2014, the PM had described the occasion as a festival to celebrate the liberation of the poor from a vicious cycle. Taking this initiative forward, the JAM (Jan Dhan, Aadhaar and Mobile) trinity brought about a major shift in the field of financial inclusion and enabled universalisation of digital payments in a convenient, safe, secure, transparent, and affordable manner. The resilience of the JAM eco-system was tested during the pandemic, when timely relief was provided to vulnerable sections through direct benefit transfer (DBT) amounting to Rs. 5.53 lakh crore across 319 government schemes spread over 54 ministries.

Ajay Seth and Michael Debabrata Patra

POEM

Baby's World

I wish I could take a quiet corner in the heart of my baby's very own world. I know it has stars that talk to him, and a sky that stoops down to his face to amuse him with its silly clouds and rainbows. Those who make believe to be dumb, and look as if they never could move, come creeping to his window with their stories and with trays crowded with bright toys.



Rabindranath Tagore

"My Legacy and My Colours" - An exhibition of paintings by Roopinder Kaur Sandhu

Artist Roopinder Kaur Sandhu's exhibition titled "My Legacy & My Colours" opens this week at Bikaner House, New Delhi. The exhibition will be on view for a week, from 15th December to 21st December.

Commemorating Eighty-Three years of Roopinder Kaur Sandhu - who has touched many lives with her colour, forms and the tenderness of her brush, this exhibition presents more than thirty works from the artist including oils on canvas, photographs and text that share the artist's treasured memories through the course of her extraordinary life. This exhibition also showcases her oeuvres into seasons: Winter, Spring, Summer and Autumn. It is an ode to the artist's life captured through the lenses of how the passing seasons are a metaphor for the changes in our lives.

An artist cannot stop creating. The act of creation is as essential as breathing. Likewise, a warrior for social justice cannot stop confronting injustice. How can these two impulses coexist in one person - the creativity of the artist and the fighting spirit of the warrior? It is only possible with great difficulty and determination.



They are compelling drives that pull in orthogonal directions. Possessing these complex and driving impulses, the artist has cultivated intuition, insight and wisdom.

Her art expresses a love of beauty and the seasons. Her eyes are able to discern beauty even in amid the horrible destruction of a wildfire or the depth of a sunset that drinks in the light of the sky. Forever changing with the seasons, landscapes are dynamic, restless, and alive. Her paintings express a world perceived like a jewel discovered beneath a layer of seemingly conventional appearances.



Born in the late 1930s within a social circle where girls were more often reared as debutantes rather than encouraged for their talents and intellect, Ms Sandhu cultivated a deep appreciation for the need to advocate for women in a man's world, especially the needs of young girls. Supporting the notion with the help of her family a percentage of proceeds will be donated to the Caring for the Girl Child Foundation and to her local Gurdwara for building a school. The artist also chooses to leave the world a better place for the next generation by making this one of a kind carbon neu-

tral art exhibition in India with the help of her granddaughter Saba Rajkotia and Climes the company she work for.

About Roopinder Kaur Sandhu

All too often the story of one's life can go unnoticed for decades as it becomes hidden amongst the privileged folds of society. The story of our protagonist, RoopinderKaurSandhu wouldn't be any different if it were not for her silent resolve to boldly chart her own course not only in society, but also as an artist.

Born into a family known for its wealth, impeccable position, tremendous power, and unimpeachable reputation, her story might seem to be taken from a page out of a fairy-tale. But to Sunny, as she was fondly called by her father, it was just the beginning - the start of an incredible life journey where she would become one of the most noteworthy women of Delhi's Gilded Age.

Ranked amongst some of the country's most successful industrialists, her father, SardarAjaib Singh married the fabled beauty PrakashKaur of Laylilpur (near Lahore). RoopinderKaurSandhu (Sunny) was born on the 19th of March 1939 at the

sprawling family estate in Jamshepur. The dynastic name of her paternal and maternal ranks carried with it a flurry of RaiBahadurs, H'bleSardar Sahibs and Sirs. With an upbringing comprised of doting parents, governesses, schooling at Tara Hall in Shimla and her intermediary studies at the Roman-Catholic Loreto School in Calcutta, Roopinder's formative years resembled a vibrant canvas portraying an exultant structured life.

Known fondly to family and friends affectionately as Roop, her creative talents took root early under the watchful eye of Mother Elisia at Tara Hall.

Her confident brush strokes and an inherent knack for landscape accentuated by her flair for Impressionism shone brightly through in her works.

Her parents encouraged and cultivated her genius, and Roop's talents soared after her marriage to her beloved husband Avtar Singh Sandhu - a gifted engineer working in America. Both newlyweds came from equally affluent families that nurtured a well-rounded and refined upbringing with adequate exposure to culture and commerce alike. Roop and Avtar

travelled the globe and soon nested in the decadent rolling hills of Sonoma County, California in a vineyard they fondly christened 'Murcha' (the name of the ancestral village to which Avtar's family traced its lineage).

For Roop, each new canvas propped on an easel presented a new beginning; a symphony of colour and form echoing the myriad forms of nature traced from her memory as well as vistas she so fondly (and clearly) remembers to this very day.

At the age of 83, Roop now resides in what can be best described as a living museum - with a collection that is appreciated by many critics and art aficionados. As glamorous the collection may be, Roop's gaze most affectionately settles upon her own works and the photographs of her family that grace the walls.

As she binds us in her spell of stories from a forgotten age, Roop allows herself the occasional indulgent smile and the mischievous sparkle in her eye (some of her most endearing qualities) leaving us wanting to know more... and hoping that we too might live our lives as well as she has.

Medix Global and Mpower are partnering

LUDHIANA/JALANDHAR/AMRITSAR: Globally, the world is witnessing an ongoing rise in mental health issues, accelerated by the global pandemic. Medix, a global health management company, delivering impactful responses to health needs servicing millions of customers, with a team of over 300 in-house physicians, and a global quality accredited network of over 4,500 world-leading specialists, has entered into a strategic partnership with Mpower - an Initiative of Aditya Birla Education Trust and leader in the mental health space in India that brings together a strong force of over 600 experienced mental health professionals, offering world-class, scientifically proven intervention techniques impacting more than 121 million lives positively. As part of the collaboration, Mpower and Medix will offer integrated and advanced tech solutions for making mental health services more accessible in India. Commenting on the partnership, Dr. Neerja Birla, Founder and Chairperson of Mpower said, "Mpower has always been a pioneer in the mental health space in India and this partnership is yet again a step forward to consolidate our position as a change-maker in the space."

Amazon Music reveals 'Best of 2022' Playlists

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: Amazon Music, one of India's leading audio streaming services, today unveiled its 2022 Best of the Year campaign. Best of the Year is an annual roundup of the top artists, songs, albums, and podcasts across languages on Amazon Music. It celebrates the most streamed artists, albums, and songs through its Best of 2022 Playlists, which are currently available to stream in multiple languages. Mamta Saraf, Director Amazon Music India said, "We are extremely excited about our fifth edition of 'Best of the Year' campaign. Our aim is to identify and acknowledge most streamed artists, tracks and podcast creators across genres who have kept India entertained in 2022. We would like to thank our listeners for tuning in to Amazon Music and making music a part of their everyday life. We are committed to bring forth these exciting playlists and podcasts for our listeners and recognize talents across languages year on year." This year, Hindi, English and Tamil emerged as the most streamed languages on Amazon Music where Hindi contributed to over 36% of the overall plays on the platform. Amazon Music is also presenting a personalized playlist for each listener titled My Year in Review 2022, featuring each listener's personal favorites and their most streamed tracks in 2022.

Kotak, METRO Cash & Carry India Launch Credit Card

CHANDIGARH: Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited (KMBL/Kotak) in association with METRO Cash & Carry India, India's leading organized wholesaler and food specialist today launched a new co-branded Credit Card - 'METRO Kotak Credit Card'. This card will provide easy, interest-free credit facility, for up to 48 days to over 3 million registered METRO India customers. The card has been launched on the RuPay network. METRO's customer base includes small traders, Kirana owners, MSMEs, small restaurants, HoReCa (Hotels, Restaurants, and Caterers) players, offices, companies, institutions, as well as self-employed professionals. "We are delighted to launch a credit card tailor-made for the millions of small traders, Kirana store owners, and MSMEs - who form the backbone of the retail industry in the country," says Mr. Frederick Dsouza, Business Head - Credit Cards, Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited. "Unorganized players constitute about 80% of the fast growing retail market. Through this unique offering, we are catering to the credit and finance needs of this segment. It is a sizeable market opportunity." Speaking about METRO's commitment towards being the voice of Kiranas & MSMEs, Mr. Arvind Mediratta, MD and CEO, METRO Cash & Carry India said, "As Champion for Independent Business, we have always been committed to support the local businesses and MSME ecosystem and empower them to make their business more profitable and successful. Commenting on the launch, Denny V Thomas, Head - RuPay, NPCI said.

Meta restores Insta video of sexual assault on tribal woman citing newsworthiness in content

New Delhi: Social media major Meta's oversight board has upheld company's decision to restore a video of sexual assault allegedly on a tribal woman by a group of men on Instagram citing newsworthiness in the content, the board said on Wednesday. In March 2022, an Instagram account describing itself as a platform for Dalit perspectives posted a video from India showing a woman being assaulted by a group of men. Sharing details of the case, the board said the woman's face is not visible in the video and the text accompanying the video states that a "tribal woman" was sexually assaulted and harassed by a group of men in public, and that the video went viral. The account which posted the video has around 30,000 followers, mostly located in India. "The board has upheld Meta's decision to restore a post to Instagram containing a video of a woman being sexually assaulted by a group of men. The board has found that Meta's 'newsworthiness allowance' is inadequate in resolving cases such as this at scale and that the company should introduce an exception to its adult sexual exploitation policy," the board said in the decision copy.

After a user reported about the post, Meta removed it for

Swal's wuxal helps increase wheat crop yields by 10%, despite heat stress

AMBALA / KARNAL - Heat stress resulting from an unprecedented spike in temperature adversely impacts wheat crop production. Thus, interfering to combat heat stress with innovative nutrition practices. SWAL Corporation limited, a leading provider of sustainable agricultural solutions, introduced its product Wuxal in Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan last Rabi season that recorded a staggering 10% hike in wheat yield in treated plots as compared to untreated plots. This year yet again, the company intends repeat the feat, reducing the impact of imminent heat stress with this innovative offering. After the introduction of Wuxal in Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan, the farmers experienced enhanced flag leaf development and, with the sudden advent of heat wave in March, an active resilience against the losses incurred in the final yield. 131 farmers from Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan participated in wheat trials on total acreage of 3126 that lead to an average incremental Yield of 2.16 Q/Acre. It also increased the income of farmers by an average of more than Rs. 3,500/ acre. Pankaj Joshi, Business Head - SWAL, said: "With farmer and crop resilience being a topic close to our hearts, we are very happy with the results farmers have seen across the wheat belt on heat stress. We are working closely with our farmers to ensure that the wheat growing regions of the north are best equipped to deal with heat stress, that hits close to the harvest stage of wheat."

Medix Global and Mpower are partnering to further reduce stigma around mental health in India

DHARAMSHALA: Globally, the world is witnessing an ongoing rise in mental health issues, accelerated by the global pandemic. Medix, a global health management company, delivering impactful responses to health needs servicing millions of customers, with a team of over 300 in-house physicians, and a global quality accredited network of over 4,500 world-leading specialists, has entered into a strategic partnership with Mpower - an Initiative of Aditya Birla Education Trust and leader in the mental health space in India that brings together a strong force of over 600 experienced mental health professionals, offering world-class, scientifically proven intervention techniques impacting more than 121 million lives positively. As part of the collaboration, Mpower and Medix will offer integrated and advanced tech solutions for making mental health services more accessible in India. Commenting on the partnership, Dr. Neerja Birla, Founder and Chairperson of Mpower said, "Mpower has always been a pioneer in the mental health space in India and this partnership is yet again a step forward to consolidate our position as a change-maker in the space."

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Celebrate this Christmas mindfully with a handful of almonds!

CHANDIGARH : Christmas is undoubtedly one of the most awaited celebrations of the year. As comes December, it is time for X-mas trees, jingling bells, caroling choirs and secret Santas. Starting from get-togethers and dinner parties, surprises, holidays and gifts, Christmas has something in store for everyone. Adding to this is the winter chill and the sweater



Christmas. Almonds are indeed a gift of good health which you can give to yourself, friends and family. Known to contain a host of essential nutrients including vitamin E, protein, iron, riboflavin, manganese and folate amongst others, almonds are a nutritious and healthy snack. Nutritional benefits aside, almonds are crunchy nuts which

weather which makes it even more merry. While Christmas is exciting for a number of reasons, the variety of lip-smacking scrumptious foods is what most of us look forward to. This year, make conscious and informed food choices and enjoy a merry and yet healthy

can be paired with many food items. Christmas offers the opportunity to refresh your cooking style and try out newer recipes that are delicious and healthy. Leading Bollywood Actress and Celebrity, Soha Ali Khan, mentioned, "Christmas is one of the most sought-after time for us at home. I love to decorate our house with lights, an ornamented Christmas tree, and bake delicious goodies with my daughter. However, amidst all this fun, I always make sure we resort to healthful food options and ingredients to keep our health intact. I bake our Christmas special cake with almond flour instead of maida. I also garnish it with crushed almond flakes as it makes the cake more nutritious. Almonds are a source of several nutrients such as vitamin E, protein, calcium, magnesium, potassium etc. making them a great addition to our diet."

According to Fitness and Celebrity instructor, Yasmin Karachiwala, "Festivals in general are a time for merriment and parties. It is also a time when many of us tend to neglect our diet and fitness schedule. An easy way to counter this, is to opt for healthier snacks like roasted or flavored almonds, fresh fruit or oatmeal which will help keep you satiated without adding empty calories." Ritika Samaddar, Regional Head - Dietetics, Max Healthcare, Delhi said, "Christmas is a great time to decorate our house with our family and indulge in feasts. However, one must not lose sight of one's health in the process. If you want to take care of yourself while having fun at the same time, ensure that you keep a check on what you consume and never miss out on your workout routine. It can be replacing fried foods with healthier options like handful of almonds, and going for a walk at least for thirty to sixty minutes."

SRL Diagnostics launches state of art laboratory in Panchkula

SRL Diagnostics, India's largest diagnostics service provider today announced the launch of a new laboratory in Panchkula, Haryana. The state of the art laboratory has the capacity to conduct 20,000+ tests in a month ranging from simple routine tests to semi-specialized and specialized tests. Recognizing the rising demand for quality diagnostic services, SRL has expanded its capabilities by launching the additional laboratory in Haryana. The citizens of Panchkula will now have access to SRL's extensive test menu comprising of 3500+ tests and a range of well-curated preventive healthcare packages. The lab will cater to the population in Panchkula as well as sub districts Barwala, Pinjore, Kalka, and Raipur Rani. Mr. Anand K, Chief Executive Officer, SRL Diagnostics said "SRL Diagnostics enjoys a strong brand recall both in Haryana and Chandigarh. This additional laboratory in Panchkula along with home visit services will enable us to provide superior customer experience and offer the best turnaround time for our local customers. The pandemic has highlighted the importance of accurate lab insights in early diagnosis, disease management and for the maintenance of overall good health. We are committed to provide high quality testing and reports to the citizens of Panchkula and Haryana." The advanced laboratory spread over 2200 Sqft has multiple laboratory divisions including Hematology, Biochemistry, Clinical pathology, Serology and Microbiology.



Dress Up the BIBA Way this Wedding season from Wardrobe to Accessories

CHANDIGARH : The wedding season is around the corner and if you have a wedding to host or attend this year, we understand how exciting and nerve-racking it can be! It's no surprise that if you are a bride-to-be to someone from her family then you must be looking for a one-stop shopping destination. If you are looking for that one-stop shopping experience, then BIBA is the best place for all of your sartorial festive needs. From modern bold looks to classic traditional suit sets and even jewellery, clutches, and footwear for every occasion from haldi to cocktail party. From easy to stitch suit sets to exclusive designer range from Rohit Bal to various gifting option for friends and family, Biba has come up with perfect one-stop-shop destination. The latest collection of BIBA is full of variety including salwar suit sets, ready-made, easy-to-stitch options in a wide range of colors and combinations. It has traditional and elegant salwar-kameez sets, as well as suit-pants sets, ankalis, gorgeous lehenga set and many other



combinations. To ensure that you do not stress wondering where to go for wedding shopping, here is a list: Haldi Ready: Add a fusion touch with trendy suit sets from Biba. Flaunt this stylish yellow suit set for your best friend's haldi ceremony. The set comes with an asymmetric style kurta featuring round neckline, subtle print and mirror work. It has three fourth sleeves. Yellow Art Silk Asymmetric Suit Set: INR 4,595. Sage Green Splendor: Get ready for the function with this gorgeous lehenga set from Biba.

Nuvoco adds ultra-modern Aluminium Body Trucks in its Logistics Fleet



PANIPAT : As part of its 'Protect Our Planet' sustainability initiative, Nuvoco Vistas Corp Ltd, India's fifth-largest cement group and leading cement player in the East, in terms of capacity, has added advanced Aluminium Body Trucks to its Logistics Fleet. These trucks are built with aluminium that is sourced from Hindalco Industries Limited, one of the leading aluminium manufacturers in India. This unique model enhances Nuvoco's logistics efficiencies and strengthens its sustainable supply chain. Aluminium-body Trucks are lighter with better load-bearing capacity which boosts the overall mileage by reducing fuel consumption. This leads to decreased CO2 emissions, leading to reduced vehicular emissions, positively impacting the environment. Aluminium offers excellent resistance to corrosion and rust, resulting in a longer lifespan for vehicles. Moreover, the metal can be recycled repeatedly, making automotive manufacturing highly sustainable. In FY22, Nuvoco's direct carbon emissions were 478 kgCO2t of cementitious products, which is considerably lower than the global average of 580 kgCO2t and the Indian average of 560 kgCO2t. The introduction of lighter aluminium body trucks for cement dispatches will help Nuvoco save approx. 28 CO2t/vehicle in its life-cycle by reducing fossil fuel consumption leading to natural resource conservation. This initiative will help Nuvoco cut its indirect carbon emissions considerably. Mr. Jayakumar Krishnaswamy, Managing Director, Nuvoco Vistas Corp. Ltd, commented, "A key component of Nuvoco's sustainability roadmap is its approach to decarbonization."

Maximise earnings with Piaggio Vehicles' all new Apé FX Max range of commercial 3 wheeler Electric Vehicles



CHANDIGARH: Piaggio Vehicles Pvt Ltd (PVPL), a 100 % subsidiary of the Italian Piaggio Group and India's leading manufacturer of small commercial vehicles launched two new electric 3-wheelers: Apé E-City FX Max in the passenger segment and Apé E-Xtra FX Max in the cargo segment. The new vehicles were unveiled by His Excellency, Mr. Vincenzo de Luca, Ambassador of Italy to India in the presence of Mr. Diego Graffi, Chairman & MD, Piaggio Vehicles Pvt Ltd, and Mr. Sudhanshu Agrawal, EVP and Business Head, Electric Vehicles and Exports, Piaggio Vehicles Pvt Ltd along with invited Govt. of India dignitaries. Besides the launch of the new range, Piaggio Vehicles Pvt Ltd also signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) with key industry partners to ensure continued strides in building a robust EV infrastructure in India. The new variants, Apé E-City FX Max and Apé E-Xtra FX Max have a superior driving range, 12" tyre size offering better ground clearance, and improved grade ability among other advancements. This EV range is fully assembled by an all-women team at Piaggio's Baramati factory. Available as a fixed battery solution, Apé E-City FX Max and Apé E-Xtra FX Max boast of superior Italian design legacy with a new and attractive bezel and eye-catching graphics.

Chandigarh to host three-day long World Mithai Namkeen Convention & Expo



CHANDIGARH, The Federation of Sweets & Namkeen Manufacturers (FSNM) is hosting a three day long World Mithai Namkeen Convention & Expo from December 19-21, 2022 at Parade Ground, Sector 17. The expo will witness more than 250 stalls and attend to nearly 25,000 visitors and delegates from all over India and overseas. While revealing the information during a press conference held at Chandigarh Press Club on Friday, Firoz Haider Naqvi, Director General, FSNM said the event is being organised in association with Halwai Association Punjab and Mithai Association Chandigarh. The mithai and namkeen industry is widespread throughout the nation, with thousands of enterprises participating in the trade. The majority of the members are transforming their conventional businesses into contemporary ones, and modern enterprises are creating new opportunities for trade on the domestic and international markets. Hence, they are implementing automation and AI in their businesses. The Federation of Sweets & Namkeen Manufacturers (FSNM) selected the capital of two states, Chandigarh, as its centre stage to organize its annual expo this time. Undoubtedly, Chandigarh has always been the pivotal point for mithai makers, connecting northern Indian states such as Punjab, Haryana, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, and Uttarakhand, said Neeraj Bajaj, Owner, Sindhi Sweets. Speaking about the said industry, FSNM President Virendra Kumar Jain informed that the latest survey reflects the perfect image of the market, which is worth more than Rs. 1.25 lakh crores and employs more than 1 crore people directly and many more indirectly. The Mithai and Namkeen sector is the largest agri-based industry, giving employment to men and women alike. Year on year, the overall segment is growing at a rate of 15-18%.

Ziqitza Healthcare provides Scholarship program 2022 with support of Ambulance Access for All Foundation



MOHALI: In an attempt to reach out to the employee beyond work through their family and recognize their hard work, Ziqitza Healthcare provided its annual scholarship grant with support of Ambulance Access for All Foundation to meritorious students to help them pursue higher education and sports training. With this program Ziqitza Healthcare facilitated 108 Ambulance Crew staff children for their excellent academic and sports performance in 2021-2022. Ziqitza Healthcare believes in being instrumental in shaping students who can make a positive impact on their communities — students who are smart, talented, motivated, involved, community-focused, etc. In association with Ambulance Access for All Foundation, Ziqitza Healthcare organized an annual Punjab Scholarship program 2022 at Mohali today, where 13 students were awarded for their meritorious performance in academics and sports.

Instagram to help hacked users regain account access

SAN FRANCISCO :Photo and video sharing platform, Instagram announced that it will now help users to regain access to their hacked accounts. The platform said in a blogpost on Thursday that it has created Instagram.com/hacked, a new destination for users where they can report and resolve account access issues. Users will need to visit Instagram.com/hacked on their mobile phone or desktop browser, if they are unable to log in to their account. They will be able to select if they think they have been hacked, forgotten their password,

lost access to two-factor authentication or if their account has been disabled. Then the platform will guide them through a series of steps to help them regain access to their accounts. If someone has multiple accounts associated with their information, they will be able to choose which account needs support. "We know losing access to your Instagram account can be stressful, so we want to ensure people have multiple options to get their accounts back if they lose access," Instagram said.

Use defence optical fibre for telecom coverage in remote Himachal Pradesh areas: Trai

NEW DELHI: The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (Trai) has said that the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) should approach the Ministry of Defence (MoD) for accessing a part of its optical fibre network or suitable bandwidth to extend telecom coverage in the far-flung areas of Himachal Pradesh. The regulator has recommended that in Lahaul and Spiti, Mandi, Kullu and Chamba districts, the villages that are yet to be connected under

the BharatNet Project, should be immediately connected on VSAT media that can be surrendered as soon as the optical fibre cable (OFC) backhaul is made available. The identified districts have 181 uncovered villages, of which 14 are planned to be covered under the '354 village scheme' and 142 are to be covered under the 'Saturation of 4G Mobile' scheme of the USOF. Trai in its recommendations on "improving telecom connectivity and infrastructure in far-

ABD India launched Iconiq

CHANDIGARH: Allied Blenders and Distillers (ABD) launched its ICONIQ White Whisky. ICONIQ White is an exceptional blend of premium Indian grain spirits, selected matured malt, and imported Scotch malts aged in bourbon oak casks. Discussing the launch, Bikram Basu, Vice-President- Strategy, Marketing, and Business Development, ABD, said "ICONIQ White is a contemporary whisky for blend, packaging, and communication. It will appeal to the young adult and plays in an affordable premium segment. We are here with something very special and here to win."

Re'equil won Nykaa Femina Beauty Awards

CHANDIGARH: Re'equil India Private Limited's sunscreen - Re'equil Ultra Matte Dry Touch Sunscreen Gel SPF 50 PA++++ UVA emerged winner of the Nykaa Femina Beauty Awards (NFBA) 2022 in the Skin- Sunscreen category. Over thousands of patrons voted for their favorite product followed by a judging panel comprising Falguni Nayak, Founder and CEO of Nykaa; Ambika Muttoo, Editor in Chief, Femina; Malaika Arora, Actor; Sandhya Sekar, Makeup Artist; Dr. Jaishree Sharad, Celebrity Dermatologist; Sushant Divgkar, Pop culture, LGBTQIA+ Icon; Rahul Jhangiani, Photographer and Juhi Godambe Jain, Content Creator who carefully tested every product to select the winners of Nykaa Femina Beauty Awards 2022.

Commenting on the win, Vipul Gupta, Founder and Director, Re'equil India Private Limited said, "Grateful to all the consumers for trusting their skincare with Re'equil. We are committed to offering effective cosmeceutical solutions and are truly humbled by this recognition." 88% of Re'equil Ultra Matte Sunscreen's consumers have vouched for its efficacy and have rated it 4 star and above. It's a clinically tested gel-based formulation. It is non-greasy and leaves behind no white cast making it optimal sun shield for all weathers. It is a perfect pick for people across various walks of life due to its water/sweat resistance property. Being non-comedogenic in nature, it feels light on skin and keeps skin pores healthy. Suited for all skin types not only does it help avoid pigmentation but also helps prevent early signs of skin ageing.

ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel India Collaborates with NSDC

CHANDIGARH: ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel India (AM/NS India) – a joint venture between ArcelorMittal and Nippon Steel – today signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to provide digital skills training to more than 1600 young people across the country. The initiative aims to motivate young people from four states – Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, and Maharashtra – and equip them with vocational skills that will support their ability to secure and undertake employment in roles such as IT helpdesk attendant, and data entry operator. Mr. Shingo Nakamura, Deputy Director- HR & Admin, ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel India (AM/NS India), said: "We are pleased to extend our partnership with NSDC on this important initiative to equip young people across the country with skills that will help them secure employment and a path to economic prosperity" Mr. Ved Mani Tiwari, COO & Officiating CEO, National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), commented: "This partnership with AM/NS India will provide momentum for large-scale participation by private players in skill development. With the promised resources, NSDC will conduct digital learning sessions to train 1600 bright students from various backgrounds. This will enable them to become valuable members of the workforce."

bigbasket becomes most loved online grocery store in Kurushetra

KURUSHETRA : bigbasket a TATA Enterprise, entered Kurushetra market recently and has rapidly gained acceptance by the local people. Customers in the city are now ordering a wide range of products through the app, including rice, dals, oils and masalas, personal care, kitchen, and household items at min 6% off across every single item. Kurushetra is among the newest additions to bigbasket's rapidly expanding network including Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities such as Kurukshetra, Moga, Yamuna Nagar. Kurushetra is one of the most flourishing cities of Haryana and is an important market for bigbasket. Apart from the convenience of doorstep delivery, bigbasket also offers an unmatched array of 10,000 SKUs to choose from. The platform offers short delivery window, safety and a diverse range of products catering to all daily needs. Speaking about the presence of bigbasket in Kurushetra, Sri Harsha Jetli, Business Head, bigbasket, said, "We keenly understand the grocery needs of the Indian consumers and are proud to be extending our services to the people of Kurushetra. We are happy to announce that in the last few months we have been able to expand our footprint. The fact that we offer on-time delivery, a no questions asked return policy and competitive prices apart from the availability of a wide range of products, help us in maintaining excellent retention rates and basket size. All these from the convenience and safety of home only add to increased demand from our customers. Going forward, we aim to expand to other cities as well." bigbasket is currently present in over 400 cities in India and is creating milestones in the online grocery market by consistently delivering high-quality products at everyday low prices in every city. Servicing over 15 million customer orders per month, the company's current revenue stands at 1.2 billion dollars.



HDFC Bank opens 100 new branches across India

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: HDFC Bank announced that it has opened 100 new branches across India. The new branches were opened in 83 cities/towns spread across 15 states and Union Territories. Nearly 50% of these branches are in semi-urban and rural geographies. The new branches were digitally launched by the bank's MD and CEO, Mr. Sashidhar Jagdishan. Senior bank officials from Madhya Pradesh were also present. Commenting on the new branches, Mr. Arvind Vohra, Group Head – Retail Branch Banking, HDFC Bank, said: "We are committed to serve our customers through a combination of physical branch units and digital banking services. We will continue to open more branches in coming months, making quality banking products and services available across the country." The bank has opened 425 retail branches and four digital banking units in the current financial year. At the end of December 15, 2022, the bank's distribution network comprised of 6,762 retail branches, four digital banking units, and 17,076 ATMs across 3,279 cities/towns. HDFC Bank's expanded distribution network is expected to support the growth across its businesses and will help the bank in serving its customers across the country.

Toyota Kirloskar starts its first Regional Stockyard in Haryana



KARNAL: In line with its Customer-First philosophy of enabling easy access to world-class products and services to its customers, Toyota Kirloskar Motor (TKM) announced the inauguration of its first regional stockyard at Faruknagar in Haryana. Ensuring a leaner and efficient distribution network across the region, the strategically located stockyard will reduce delivery time from the current 6-8 days to a maximum of two days for dealers in Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Kashmir. This development by TKM will also benefit customers in the region who will now have speedier access to their favourite Toyota vehicles as a regional stockyard will ensure deliveries in the shortest possible time to dealers, considering proximity and availability to vast stock of all Toyota vehicles. The five-acre stockyard which has a parking capacity of 900 vehicles, is the second such for TKM, following the launch of its first regional stockyard in Guwahati in 2020. The regional stockyard I Guwahati has majority benefitted the dealers and customers in the North-eastern region of India. Furthermore, the Faruknagar stockyard will aid in speed, flexibility, cost reductions and more importantly CO2 reduction for, as dispatches from the TKM plant to the stockyard will be maximised through trains/journeys.

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NEWS AT A GLANCE

Illegal occupation of Panchayati Gauhar alleged



RK KASHYAP CHHACHHRAULI: The victim filed a complaint on the CM window after complaining to the authorities about the illegal occupation of Panchayati Gauhar in Mujafat Kala, but no action was taken. In the complaint to the CM window, Arju Sharma, a resident of Mujafat Kala, has said that on February 2, 2021, he had marked the path to go to his fields, which was shown as illegal occupation. The victim had also complained to the officials of the Panchayat Department to remove the illegal occupation, but no action has been taken till date. The complainant says that the above Gohar is of 3 blocks which is illegally occupied by some people of the village, due to which the peasants face a lot of trouble to come to the fields. As no action was taken on his complaint to remove the illegal occupation, he has lodged a complaint on the CM window in which the complainant has demanded that the illegal occupation be removed from the Panchayati Gauhar in Mujafat Kala so that the commuters and the farmers are spared from the hardship.

BSNL provides more than 1 lakh household connection every month

CHANDIGARH: The combined network of BSNL and BBNL today is adding more than 1,00,000 household connections every month. Imagine now, in rural areas having more than 1,00,000 household connections every month, providing good bandwidth providing good connectivity. Today the data consumption in these connections is close to 120 GB per month. So, this new model where we have taken the local village entrepreneurs on board and making sure that the village economy grows using the infrastructure, which is being provided, I think this model is very good, it is progressing very rapidly and I'm sure in coming years, coming months honourable member will see the results."

CM congratulates HP police for getting first position in CCTNS implementation

SHIMLA, DEC 16

Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu congratulated the State Police for bagging first position among hilly states in implementation of Crime and Criminal Tracking Network and Systems (CCTNS) and third award in implementation of ICJS (Inter Operable Criminal Justice System). Chief Minister said that good policing practices are necessary for providing a secure and hassle-free environment to the people. Himachal has won the prestigious CCTNS award continuously for the third year in a row. Director General of Police Sanjay Kundu called on the Chief Minister in New Delhi today and apprised him about the awards won by the State. Sunil Sharma, Political Advisor to the Chief Minister, Chairman H. P. RERA Dr. Shrikant Baldi, ACS Finance Prabodh Saxena, DIG D. K. Chaudhary, and other prominent people were present on the occasion.



BJP Mandal president duped of Rs 10L by own party worker, wife

VINOD DHIMAN JAGADHARI: The president of the BJP Mandal here has been allegedly duped of Rs 10 lakh by own party worker and his wife on the pretext of sending the former abroad. The couple is reportedly absconding with the local police hot on its heels. The BJP Mandal President meanwhile is running from pillar to post to get back his money and to get the couple arrested. Neeraj Gupta, BJP Mandal president and a resident of the Veena Nagar camp, said that he works as a contractor in a factory. But due to the Covid lockdown, he suffered financial loss in the business. Because of which he was facing a tough time. In such a situation, his acquaintance and Harbanspura resident, BJP worker Sushil alias Raju Sapra and his wife Kiran Sapra told him that some of their relatives live in Germany and Canada. They said that they can arrange his citizenship there. It will cost around Rs 20 lakh, in which Rs 10 lakh has to be paid first and Rs 10 lakh after settling there. Taken in by their offer, Neeraj Gupta gave them his documents and Rs 10 lakh in cash. But as the time went by, neither he got the visa nor did they return the money. Raju gave Neeraj two cheques. But when these were deposited in the bank, both of them bounced. Every time Neeraj asked the couple about the money, he did not get any satisfactory answer from them.

Primary Teachers Association submits memorandum to ADC



DALBIR MALIK KURUKSHETRA, DEC 16

Today, under the leadership of District General Secretary Sandeep Chauhan, the Government Primary Teachers Association submitted a memorandum to the additional suitable Kurukshetra regarding the opposition to the family identity card work. The Haryana School Teachers Association and the Haryana Scheduled Caste Association also extended their support by reaching the protest site. Everyone spoke out against non-educational projects and criticised the administration's irresponsible behavior. During the memorandum, State Secretary Devdutt expressed concerns to the Tehsildar about the behest organisation and teachers regarding this work and stated that the work of income verification is not the responsibility of the teachers. Because of this, the tension between the villagers and the teachers is increasing. Along with this, teachers are being taken away from their classroom work. This is an affront to the interests of the public. Along with this, the Additional Deputy Commissioner was requested to fix a meeting so that the teachers could put their problems and concerns before him.

Mission 'ABAD' launched by DC from border village Jhabkara

GURDASPUR (VERMA): On the instructions of the Punjab Government, Deputy Commissioner Gurdaspur Dr. Himanshu Agarwal taking a new initiative by, Mission 'Abad' (Absolute Border Area Development) was launched today from the border village of Jhabkara for the comprehensive development of the border area. A large number of residents of Makora, Marara, Aman, Daburji, Jogar, Bharil, Toor, Kana, Faridpur and Chitti villages participated in the special camp organized by the district administration in Jhabkara village under Mission Abad. During this camp, the residents of the border area were given the benefit of the welfare schemes of the government and their problems were also heard. During the camp, apart from prominent public leader Mr. Shamsher Singh from Vidhan Sabha constituency Dinanagar, SDM, Dinanagar Dr. Varun Kumar, Indian Army Major Sri Hari Ram, Lieutenant S. Simarpreet Singh, Mr. Sanjay Kumar Second in Command BSF 58 Battalion, Mukesh Yadav Assistant Commandant BSF, Tehsildar Dinanagar S. Parampreet Singh Guraya, Nayab Tehsildar Abhishek Verma, officials of various departments were also present.



'First meeting fixed for election of President and Vice President of Zilla Parishad, Panchayat Samiti on Dec 22'

RAMAN GUPTA KAITHAL, DEC 16

District Election Officer (Panchayat) Dr. Sangeeta Tatarwal informed that the date of the first meeting has been fixed for the election of President and Vice President of Zilla Parishad and Panchayat Samiti and duties of officers for all concerned places. She informed that the first meeting for the election of Zilla Parishad President and Vice President will be held on December 22 at 11 am in the Zilla Parishad office.

Additionally, Deputy Commissioner's duty has been imposed to complete the entire process. Similarly, the first meeting of Panchayat Samiti Kaithal will be held on December 23 at 11 am in BDPO office Kaithal. DDPO's duty has been imposed for this. The first meeting of Panchayat Samiti Rajound will be held on 23rd December at 3 pm at BDPO office Rajound.

For this, the duty of Kalayat SDM has been imposed. The first meeting of Panchayat Samiti Guhla will



be held on December 24 at 11 am at BDPO office Guhla. For this, the duty of SDM Guhla has been imposed. She informed that the first meeting of Panchayat Samiti Dhand will be held on December 26 at 11 am at BDPO office Dhand. For this, the duty of SDM Kaithal has been imposed. First meeting of Panchayat Samiti Kalayat on 26 December BDPO office will be in Kalayat at 3 pm, for this the duty of SDM Kalayat has been imposed. Similarly, the first meeting of Panchayat Samiti Siwan will be held on December 27 at 11 am at BDPO office Siwan, for which the duty of SDM Guhla has been imposed.

Parties back United Road Safety Front's stir against bad roads

KULBHUSHAN SHARMA GUHLA CHIKA, DEC 16

On the second day of the relay fast of the United Road Safety Front against the dilapidated roads of Guhla Halka, while the leaders of the political parties came forward to extend their support, the administration also showed seriousness about the sit-in. Giving information about this, the spokesperson of United Sadak Sangharsh Morcha, Advocate Jeevan Singh Nain, said that on the second day of the fast, five of our colleagues Dr. Surendra Bansal, Advocate Dalbir Nain, Gurjit Insa, Subhash Punia and Sunny Kalra sat on hunger strike. He said that even today, people started coming to Shaheed Udham Singh Chowk from early morning. Today, Congress leader and former MLA Dillu Ram Bajigar, District President of



Bharatiya Kisan Union (Chaduni faction), Mahaveer Singh, former MLA Kulwant Bajigar, Block President of INLO Saheb Singh Sandhu, Aam Aadmi Party Halka President Baldev Bansal, Kulbhushan Sharma, Sonu Kamboj, Sir Chhotu Ram Jan Kalyan Trust President Narendra Seeda, State Core Committee Member of Bharatiya Kisan Union (Shaheed Bhagat Singh) Jassa Singh Harnoli gave their support to the movement. Farmer leaders Jassa Singh,

Mahaveer Singh and Narendra Seeda, AAP leaders Kulbhushan Sharma, Baldev Bansal, said that they will give full support to this movement being carried out regarding dilapidated roads. Former MLA Dillu Ram Bajigar, giving his reaction to the fast on the roads, said that it is enough to prove the failure of the government. When the people have to come to the streets for their basic facilities, it simply means that the MLA and the government care two hoots for the people.

Shoes distributed to needy children at Govt School Baram

GOLDY CHUGH SHAHABAD, DEC 16

Shoes were distributed to needy children of Government Primary School, Baram. These shoes were distributed by Prof. Rajbir Singh, Principal of Markanda Sports Club, to the children from his personal fund. Prof. Rajbir Singh said that in order to strengthen the social fabric in the society, it is necessary that the capable people fulfill their responsibility towards the needy in the society. He said that the season of winter has started, but even today there are people in the society who do not have a roof over their heads and do not have warm



clothes to protect themselves from winter. In such a way, it is our duty along with the social organizations to deliver warm clothes, shoes etc. to such people. Prof. Rajbir said that he will try to distribute shoes and sweaters to more and more school children. School Head Amit Sharma thanked Prof. Rajbir Singh for distributing the shoes and presented him with a commemorative sign on behalf of the school. Head

Amit Sharma said that Prof. Rajbir Singh, while being a teacher, is creating a difference in education among children, he is also making an incomparable contribution in social service, which is a source of inspiration for others. School Head Amit Sharma, SMC Principal Nishu Rani, Geeta Devi, Mamta Devi, Santosh, Nisha Devi, Anju Bala, Reshma, Shushma and Anu were present on the occasion.

Chhachhrauli residents await power connection for decorative lights

R K KASHYAP CHHACHHRAULI, DEC 16

The decorative lighting installed to beautify the town have been reduced to toys. Even after the work was completed, the electricity connection could not be done. Until they are not connected to electricity, these hoardings and signboards are serve no purpose. It may be mentioned that decorative and beautiful lights were installed in the middle of the highway at a cost of about 50 lakh rupees in the town of Pratap Nagar, which is in an area of about 2 kilometers. These lights were installed from Kishanpura to Bahadurpur, about 4 to 5 months have passed. But they



have not been connected to electricity till date. Although the PWD has also written to the Panchayat Department to connect the electricity, but due to the absence of Panchayats and the tenure of the Panchayats not having started, they are only hanging as toys. The department took 3 months to install these decorative lights at a cost of around 50 lakhs. But even after more than 3 months, no process has been initiated for power connection

to these lights. In Kishanpura, an electric pole was also broken due to a collision with a vehicle, it was removed by the department. Political boards and commercial hoardings are visible on these beautiful lights which are not working to enhance the beauty of the town but to make it ugly. Regarding this, SDO Sukhdev Sharma of Electric Department of PWD said that the work of installing decorative lights has been completed by PWD. Now they can be turned on only after the connection of electricity. While the Panchayat has been notified by the PWD to turn on the electricity connection in these lights.

Anti-Drug campaign organized at Govt Sr. Sec School Pathrehri



PUSHPENDER NARAINGARH, DEC 16

A program was organized on the anti-drug campaign in the premises of Government Senior Secondary School, Patrehri. In which Chief Guest SDM (Naraingarh) C Jaya Sharda and team of Health Department Shahzadpur and Sarpanch Gursaran Devi from Gram Panchayat Patrehri along with the members of the Panchayat Management Committee and all the members of the School Management Committee participated in this program. School head Mrs. Deepa Kaushik and all the staff members and members of Gram Panchayat Patrehri welcomed the guest C. Jaya Sharda. SDM Naraingarh C Jaya Sharda called upon the children to stay away from drugs and assured to provide all kinds of treatment help to those who are suffering from this addiction so that in future they can get rid of this habit and bless them for their bright future.

Chandigarh LitFest 2022 begins

SD SHARMA PANCHKULA, DEC 16

The flagship event of Chandigarh Literary Society (CLS), Literati 2022, was inaugurated here today at Indradhanush Auditorium. Gian Chand Gupta, Speaker of Haryana Vidhan Sabha, formally declared open the 10th edition of Literati 2022, with an evening of humour, wit, and satire. Gupta greeted participating poets and complimented CLS for organising this event. Poetry not only portrays society's culture and poets have the ability to show direction to society through simple yet meaningful portrayal of events and emotions. Poetry helps human improve their lives here said. Dr Sumita Misra, IAS, CLS Chairperson and the Festival



Director said that CLS had been bringing in some of the leading authors, writers and poets of English, Hindi and Panjabi, year after year at Literati providing a platform for the aspiring authors to get inspired. They also honoured each of the participating poets by presenting shawls. The Hasya Kavi Sammellan was moderated by the renowned humorist of our times, Surendra Sharma, and tickled the bones of the full

house, supported by equally popular and versatile poets, Shambhu Shikhar, Dr. Sita Sagar, Anil Agravanshi, Chirag Jain and Ved Parkash Ved. The kavi sammelan was held with the support of Haryana Sahitya Akademi, and the Department of Cultural Affairs, Haryana. Literati 2020, shall be held for next two days at the Sukhna Lake Club, starting at 10:30am to 4:30pm daily, informed Dr Sumita Misra.

Mayor Renu Bala Gupta inaugurates developmental works

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, DEC 16

Mayor Renu Bala Gupta inaugurated the road in front of the office of Chief Medical Officer at the Red Cross Bhavan, and road and toilets located on Hansi Road of Ward-16. Both the development works will be carried out by the Municipal Corporation under the D-Plan grant, which will cost an estimated amount of Rs. 25 lakhs. The mayor first inaugurated the path connecting one gate of the office of the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) in the Red Cross building with another gate. The Mayor said that this road was in a bad condition for some time, due to which the officials and employees coming to the office were facing hardship, which is now going to be resolved. He said that the interlocking of this road will be paved with paver block tiles, on which an estimated amount of Rs14 lakh will be spent. This work will be completed in next 3 weeks. On this occasion CMO Dr. Yogesh Sharma, Deputy CMO and office staff were present.



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, DEC 16

Under the auspices of SS Jain Sabha Gandhi Mandi Panipat, Mahasati Uppravartini Shri Kusum Prabha Ji Maharaj, Ramesh Muni Ji Maharaj Mahasati Gyan Prabha Ji Maharaj today, it was the seventh day of Santhara Samadhi. Addressing the Dharma Sabha on this occasion, Ramesh Muni Ji Maharaj said that in the world, due to the influence of ignorance, the soul keeps getting bound by new actions every day and its journey of life keeps on moving forward, as the enlightened soul keeps on moving ahead with its knowledge. He walks on the right path in the light, without getting entangled in the false illusions of the world and touches a new dimension of



spiritual practice. It recognises the golden opportunity that has come in his life. He said that Shthiravasi Mahasati Kusum Prabha Ji Maharaj is such a great doer, who has accepted Santhara Samadhi death after recognising her last time. Will be remembered for centuries. Mukesh Muni Ji Maharaj said in the Dharma Sabha today man is trapped in the world's worldly illusion, he has no

future, Mahasati Shri Kusum Prabha Ji Maharaj, immersed in the death of Santhara Samadhi, has made his future so bright, that no one can imagine. Mahasati Gyanprabha Ji Maharaj, Mahasati Madhubala Ji Maharaj, Mahasati Shakti Prabha Ji Maharaj said that Uppravartini Kusum Prabha Ji Maharaj's Santhara Sadhana will remain an ideal and strength for generations to come. Mahasati Santa Ji Maharaj, Sadhvi Shiva Ji Maharaj said that Santhara Samadhi Maran Sadhna is that religious practice of Lord Mahavir in which the seeker turns his back towards the world, and leaves the attachment of the body and enjoys the self. He attains those heights by this religious practice which transforms the soul into the divine.

SHORT TALKS

Uncapped Rehan Ahmed named in England XI for Karachi Test

KARACHI: 18-year-old Rehan Ahmed is all set to make his Test debut as England name their XI for the final clash against Pakistan.

Ahmed, a leg-spinner, will come into the side as a replacement for Will Jacks. He will become the youngest player to play Test cricket for England Men's team at 18 years and 126 days.

Earlier this year, Ahmed impressed in the ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup as England's second-highest wicket-taker with 12 wickets in four matches at an average of 12.58.

England, who are leading the three-Test series 2-0, also made one more change to their playing mix with Ben Foakes coming in for Jimmy Anderson.

Rohit Sharma likely to return for second Test against Bangladesh: Sources

MUMBAI: Indian skipper Rohit Sharma is likely going to return to Bangladesh to lead India for the second and final Test match of the two-match series to be played in Mirpur starting 22nd of December. As per sources close to a news agency Rohit Sharma went for rehabilitation and will recover in time before the second Test match and will fly to Bangladesh for the second Test. India skipper Rohit Sharma missed the third and final ODI against Bangladesh with a finger injury sustained in the second match and could not make it to the ongoing first Test match being played at Chattogram.

After a special consultation in Mumbai, it was found out by the medical team that this persistent injury was keeping him out of action, and even forced him out of the first Test against Bangladesh, which began on 14 December.

KL Rahul led the Indian Test team in his absence while uncapped batter Abhimanyu Easwaran replaced him in the squad. 27-year-old Easwaran has played 78 first-class matches so far, scoring 5576 runs at 45.33.

Not only Rohit Sharma but there were many other cricketers who failed to make it to the Indian squad like Jasprit Bumrah (back), Mohammad Shami (shoulder) and Ravindra Jadeja (knee). These star players have failed to recover in time and have been ruled out of both Tests.

India set 513-run target for Bangladesh
Gill, Pujara score tons

AGENCY CHATTOGRAM : Shubman Gill's maiden Test ton followed by Cheteshwar Pujara's 19th Test century helped India set a 513-run target for Bangladesh in the third day of the first test at Zahur Ahmed Chowdhury Stadium here. The hosts were 42 for no loss at stumps.

Resuming post-tea session at 140/1 Shubman Gill didn't waste time and went on to score his maiden Test ton and India also crossed the 150-run mark. The duo of Gill and Cheteshwar Pujara also notched up a 100-run stand for the second wicket. Pujara went on to score his half-century in 87 balls

with the help of four boundaries.

The Gill-Pujara 113-run partnership ended after Gill was dismissed by Mehidy Hasan Miraz. Virat Kohli joined Pujara to help India go past the 200-run mark.

Pujara and Virat Kohli batted aggressively and scored a fifty-run partnership of just 48 balls for the third wicket.

Pujara shifted gears and went on to score his 19th Test ton in just 130 balls. This was Saurashtra lad's first after January 2019.

India went on to declare the second innings at 258/2 setting a massive 513-run target for hosts. In reply, Bangladesh too gave a good fight as openers Najmul Hossain



Shanto and Zakir Hasan went on to score 42 runs. India bowled out Bangladesh for 150 taking two remaining wickets in a short span after resumption of play on the third day. Kuldeep Yadav was the pick of Indian bowlers and picked up five wickets conceding only 40 runs. India started off positively and did not lose any wicket till lunch. India openers were watchful in their brief stay at the crease going into lunch as Rahul looked the more fluent of the two openers. Gill was declared out but resorted to DRS to save his wicket. The duo watched out the bowlers as they took India to 36 runs at lunch without a loss.

Pak's Azhar Ali decides to hang his boots

KARACHI: One of Pakistan's most successful Test batsmen and former captain, Azhar Ali, will retire from the longest format after the third and final Test of the ongoing ICC World Test Championship series against England. Azhar has represented Pakistan in 96 Tests so far, scoring 7097 runs at an impressive average of 42.49. He made his debut in the longest format in 2010 against Australia at Lord's. Throughout his 12-year-long illustrious Test career, he struck 19 centuries and 35 fifties. In his swansong Test against England in Karachi, he would get another opportunity to add more to these numbers and finish his Test career on a high. He also captained the side on nine occasions between 2016 and 2020. "It has been a great honour and privilege for me to represent my country at the highest level," Azhar said in a statement on Friday, 16 December. "Deciding on when to call it a day is always tough, but, after contemplating deeply, I realised that this is the right time for me to retire from Test cricket. "There are many people who I am grateful to in this strenuous, yet beautiful journey. I want to make a special mention of my family without whose sacrifices; I would not have been where I am today.

CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD
8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, Chandigarh

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified for the General Public that the following person(s) have applied for the transfer of allotment of the below said Dwelling Unit under the **Blood Relation Transfer Policy** (FATHER TO SON), in their names under Regulation of the Chandigarh Housing Board (Allotment, Management and Sale of Tenements) Regulations 1979 :-

S. No.	Name of the applicant (Proposed Transferee) Sh./Smt./Ms.	Name of the allottee/transferee (Proposed Transferor) Sh./Smt./Ms.	D.U. No.	Cat.	Sector
1.	Sh. Jagnoor Singh Grewal S/o Sh. Balbir Singh Grewal	Sh. Balbir Singh Grewal S/o Sh. Balwant Singh Grewal	424	HIG UT	Sector 44-A, Chd.

In case anybody has any objection in respect of transfer of the allotment of the above said Dwelling Units, he/she may submit the objection, if any, in writing within 15 days of the publication of this notice before the undersigned along with documentary evidence, if any.

Secretary,

Chandigarh Housing Board, Chandigarh

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CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Subject:- Mutation/Transfer of allotment/Registration of Ownership in respect of **DU No. 3174 of Category - MIG in Sector 41-D**, Chandigarh in the names of (i) **Sh. V.P. Singh S/o Sh. G.B. Singh** (ii) **Smt. Gurleen Kaur W/o Sh. Pranay Sharma, D/o Sh. V.P. Singh** on the intestate Demise of allottee/transferee **Smt. Manpreet Kaur W/o Sh. V.P. Singh**.

It is hereby notified for the information of the General Public and all concerned that **Smt. Manpreet Kaur W/o Sh. V.P. Singh** in owners of Dwelling Unit No. **3174 of Category - MIG Sector 41-D**, Chandigarh expired on 11.12.2016 at Chandigarh as informed by his legal heirs. (i) **Sh. V.P. Singh S/o Sh. G.B. Singh** (ii) **Smt. Gurleen Kaur W/o Sh. Pranay Sharma, D/o Sh. V.P. Singh** have requested for transfer of ownership of Dwelling Unit No. **3174 of Category - MIG Sector 41-D**, Chandigarh in their names on the basis of intestate demise of **Smt. Manpreet Kaur W/o Sh. V.P. Singh**. They have further stated that no other legal heir has been left out.

If case anybody has any objection regarding the claim/right/interest in the dwelling unit which is proposed to be transferred by the Chandigarh Housing Board in favour of (i) **Sh. V.P. Singh (Husband)** (ii) **Smt. Gurleen Kaur (Daughter)** he/she may submit the objection in writing to the undersigned within 30 days of the publication of this notice, failing which, the registration and allotment of the said dwelling unit shall be transferred in favour of the above claimant's.

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CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD, CHANDIGARH

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PNB wins the 1st Edition of Tricity Bankers League

CHANDIGARH: The PNB Phantoms won the 1st Edition of Tricity Bankers League (TBL), defeating the State Bank of India (SBI) team by 5 runs, in the final match held at the Tricity Sports Academy, Peer Muchalla. PNB scored 156/8 (20), limiting SBI to 151/8 (20).

Himanshu Wadhwa from PNB (4 overs, 29 runs, and 4 wickets) was declared Player of The Match, while Sonam Dawa from SBI (56 Runs in 33 Balls) was declared Best Batsman, Sonu from SBI (4 overs, 24 runs, and 3 wickets) - Best Bowler, and Karan Dua was the Game Changer for scoring 49 runs and defending 11 runs in the last over. TBL was hosted by SportSaga and powered by the Escon Primera.

As expected, it was a complete see-saw match and both the teams did not give up on any occasion to lift the title. After electing to bat first PNB players were off to a dream start but SBI bowlers took charge and started commanding the match. However, Karan Dua came with a different intention and started smashing from the first ball due to which PNB managed to score 150+ runs.



Centurion Gaurav Puri settles UT boys for a draw against Punjab

CHANDIGARH: A magnificent ton by Gaurav Puri helped UT boys to settle for a draw against Punjab at the Ranji Trophy match being played at PCA, Mulanpur on Friday. Chasing a mammoth 586 posted by the host team, Chandigarh averted the looming defeat by scoring 389. Visitors once again failed miserably in their second inning but managed a draw with four wickets in hand.

Punjab earned three points while Chandigarh consoled with one point on the basis of first innings lead.

Earlier, while resuming their overnight score of 310/6, Chandigarh just added another ten runs when

Gurinder Singh (17) lost his wicket. Thereafter, Arjit Singh not only completed his century but shared a 60-run off 259 balls partnership with Sandeep Sharma to dominate the pre-lunch session. Vinay Chowdhary marked the end of Sandeep Sharma (9) who faced 139 balls with 380/8 on the board. Post lunch witnessed the departure of Guarav Puri's innings as he scored 131 runs off 304 balls with 16 boundaries. With Jagjit Sandhu (1) and unbeaten Rohit Dhanda (7), Chandigarh managed 389 runs in 174.2 overs. Baltej Singh (3/48) took three wickets while Sanvir (2/36) and Mayank Markande (2/95) shared two each.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Before Secretary, CHB Exercising the Power of the Estate Officer, UT Chandigarh

Subject: - Mutation/ Transfer of ownership right in respect of Dwelling Unit No. **2932/2 (Second Floor) of Category LIG, Sector 47-C**, Chandigarh on the basis of Sale Deed in the name of **Mrs. Karanpreet Kaur W/o Sh. Shamsher Singh** from the name of allottee/transferee **Sh. Vas Dev S/o Sh. Telu Ram**.

It is hereby notified for the information of the general public and all concerned that the Dwelling Unit No. **2932/2 (Second Floor) of Category LIG, Sector 47-C**, Chandigarh stands in the name of allottee/transferee **Sh. Vas Dev S/o Sh. Telu Ram**. Now, **Sh. Vas Dev S/o Sh. Telu Ram** has sold the above said dwelling unit to **Mrs. Karanpreet Kaur W/o Sh. Shamsher Singh** vide Sale Deed Executed and registered in office of Sub-Registrar Chandigarh on 29.09.2022. **Mrs. Karanpreet Kaur W/o Sh. Shamsher Singh** has requested this office for transfer the above said dwelling unit in their name on the basis of sale deed.

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

Secretary,

Chandigarh Housing Board, Chandigarh

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CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD
8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, Chandigarh

PUBLIC NOTICE

Before Secretary, CHB Exercising the Power of the Estate Officer, UT Chandigarh

Subject: - Mutation/ Transfer of ownership right in respect of Dwelling Unit No. **3310 (Ground Floor) of Category LIG(U)** in Sector **40-D**, Chandigarh on the basis of Sale Deed in the name of **Smt. Suman Vaid W/o Sh. Arvind Kumar Vaid** from the name of allottee/transferee **Smt. Paramjit Kaur W/o Sh. Joginder Singh**.

It is hereby notified for the information of the general public and all concerned that the Dwelling Unit No. **3310 (Ground Floor) of Category LIG(U)** in Sector **40-D**, Chandigarh stands in the name of allottee/transferee **Smt. Paramjit Kaur W/o Sh. Joginder Singh**. Now, **Smt. Paramjit Kaur W/o Sh. Joginder Singh** has sold the above said dwelling unit to **Smt. Suman Vaid W/o Sh. Arvind Kumar Vaid** vide Sale Deed Executed and registered in office of Sub-Registrar Chandigarh on 30.11.2022. **Smt. Suman Vaid W/o Sh. Arvind Kumar Vaid** has requested this office for transfer the above said dwelling unit in his name on the basis of sale deed.

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

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AXIS BANK
Branch Office - Axis Bank Limited, SBB LOAN CENTER SCO-221, 2nd Floor, Paramjeet Tower, Sector-12, Karnal-132001 Corporate Office: 3rd Floor, Block-B, Bombay Dyeing Mills Compound, Pandurang Budhakar Marg, Worli, Mumbai-400 025 Registered Office: Trishul, 3rd floor, opposite Samarshwar Temple, Law garden, Ellisbridge, Ahmedabad-380006

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

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

NAME OF CO-BORROWER AND GUARANTOR NAME / ADDRESS	Description of Property	Date Of Demand Notice
		Date of Possession Outstanding Amount
1. Sh. Krishan Lal Kwatra S/o Sh. Issar Dass, R/o H.N. 706/ 24 DLF Colony, Rohtak, Haryana - 124001. 2. Smt. Raj Rani Kawatra W/o Sh. Krishan Lal R/o H.N. 706/ 24 DLF Colony, Rohtak, Haryana - 124001. 3. Rohit Kwatra S/o Sh. Krishan Lal, H No 567, Ward No. 28, Gandhi Nagar, Rohtak, Haryana 124001. 4. Tarun Kawatra S/o Sh. Krishan Lal R/o H.N. 706/ 24 DLF Colony, Rohtak, Haryana-124001	All Piece & Parcels of the freehold House No.644/24, Municipal Corporation ID No 118C1162U765 admeasuring i.e.250 Sq Yard (69'6" x 32'6") DLF Colony, Rohtak (Haryana), registered in the name of Sh. Krishan Lal S/o Sh. Issar Dass & Mrs. Raj Rani Kwatra for the year 2001-02 bearing Registration No. 15722 Dated 01-Feb-2018. Boundaries: East: House of Gurnidhar Kaur (Side 69'6") West: House of Sant Lal Wadwa (Side 69'6") North: House of Ashok Kumar Alabbhai (Side 32'6") South: Street (Side 32'6")	24-Feb-2021 14-Dec-2022 Rs.1,04,50,877/- (Rs. One Crore Four lakh Fifty Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Seven Only)
1. Mr. Narender Kumar S/o Sh. Kuriya Ram, H.No-1122/31, Preet Vihar, Rohtak, Haryana-124001 Also At: Mr. Narender Kumar S/o Sh. Kuriya Ram Jai Baba Mohajia T.P.T. Co., Shyam Lal Market, Hissar Road, Rohtak, Haryana-124001 2. Mrs. Sonia Rani W/o Mr. Narender Kumar, H.No-1122/31, Preet Vihar, Rohtak, Haryana-124001	All That Piece And Parcel Property Being House No. 1122/31, Measuring 103 Sq Yards, Bearing Nagar, Nigam Property Id No. 212-C-201-U-199, Ward No. 19, In Killa No. 8/15, 9/19, 20/1, 22/3, 59/21, 22/1, 74/1 Mouja Kanhel In Preet Vihar Colony, Rohtak, Measuring 103 Sq Yards And Bounded As Under Boundaries As Per Title Deed : East : 43 Ft. 0 Inch, Plot No.09, West : 34 Ft. 6 Inch Plot No.-11, North : 25 Ft. 6 Inch, Rasat 15 Ft Wide, South : 24 Ft 0 Inch Other Property	20-Apr-2021 14-Dec-2022 Rs.27,55,545/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakhs Fifty Thousand Five Hundred Forty Five Only)

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

Date: 15-12-2022, Place: Karnal

Authorized Officer, Axis Bank Ltd.

AXIS BANK
Axis Bank Ltd., Retail Asset Centre, 2nd Floor, Property # 7-E, Municipal 3903/1142/16, Malhar Road, Sarabha Nagar, Ludhiana -141001., Corporate Office: 3rd Floor, Block-B, Bombay Dyeing Mills Compound, Pandurang Budhakar Marg, Worli, Mumbai-400 025 Registered Office: Trishul, 3rd floor, opposite Samarshwar Temple, Law garden, Ellisbridge, Ahmedabad-380006

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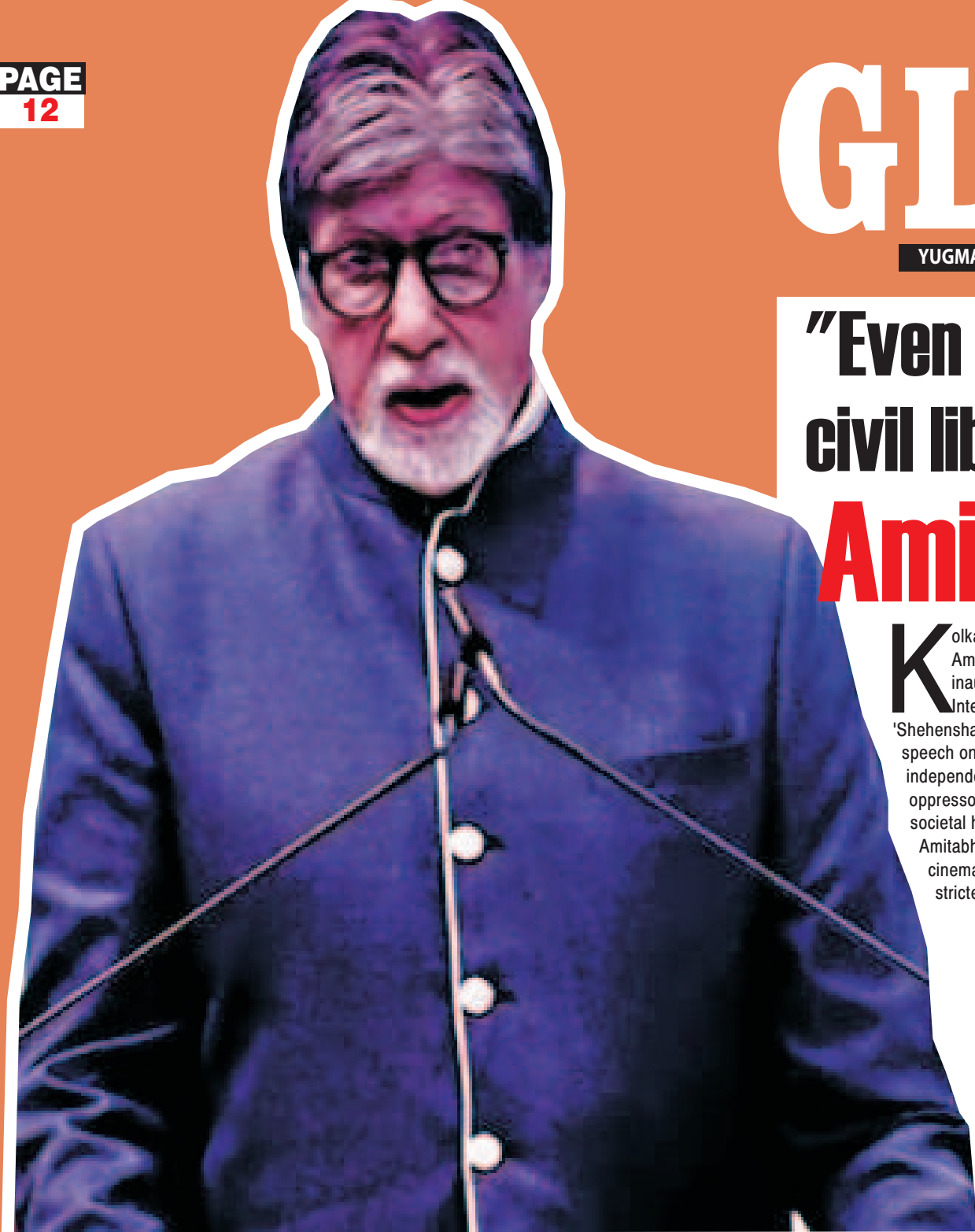
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NAME OF CO-BORROWER AND GUARANTOR NAME / ADDRESS	Description of Property	Date Of Demand Notice
		Date of Possession Outstanding Amount As Per Demand Notice
M/S SBR Enterprises Through its proprietor (Borrower) Address :- 161 Street No 03 Bharti Colony Bahadur Ke Road, Back side of Veer ho Central post office Ludhiana 141008 Mr. Amandeep Bharti S/o Satish Kumar (Borrower) Address:- House No B-34-1858, Street No 02, Chander Nagar Civil City, VTO Ludhiana, Ludhiana District Bharat Nagar Chowk Ludhiana Punjab 141001 Mr. Satish Kumar S/o Buta Lal (Guarantor) Address:- House Number B-34-1858, Street No. 2 Chander Nagar, Civil City Road Ludhiana Punjab 141001	PROPERTY NO 01 : All that part and parcel of non agricultural property i.e. plot no. 1858 measuring 200 square yards bearing municipal no. B-34-1858 situated in Chander Nagar, Village TaraPiRbanda, Ludhiana and comprised of Khasra No. 2714/1154-1158/663 Khata No 2035/2404 as entered in the Jamabandi for the years 2006-2007 of Village TaraPiRbanda, Hadbadi no. 167 Tehsil and District Ludhiana owned by Sh. Satish Kumar Bharti S/o Sh. Buta Lal, bounded as per the year 2001-02 bearing Registration No. 15722 Dated 01-Feb-2018. Boundaries: East: House of Gurnidhar Kaur (Side 69'6") West: House of Sant Lal Wadwa (Side 69'6") North: House of Ashok Kumar Alabbhai (Side 32'6") South: Street (Side 32'6")	15th Sept 2022 13-12-2022 Rs.1,97,43,080/- (Rs. One crore ninety seven lakhs forty three thousand and eighty only)
M/S Amandeep & Bros (through its Proprietor) Booth No. 228, New Grain Market, Khanna, Ludhiana (Punjab) 141401. Mr. Amandeep Singh S/o Jagjit Singh (Proprietor) #220, Street No. L-3, Guru Teg Bahadur Nagar, Ludhiana Road, Khanna, Ludhiana (Punjab) 141401. Mrs. Karamjit Kaur w/o Jagjit Singh #220, Street No. L-3, Guru Teg Bahadur Nagar, Ludhiana Road, Khanna, Ludhiana (Punjab) 141401	All that part and parcel of the Land/Residential Building located at H.No 220 street No L-3 Guru Tegbahadur Nagar Ludhiana Road, Khanna, Distt Ludhiana Punjab, comprised in Khata No. 2239 Khatauni No. 3289 Killa No. 15/22(2/0-15), 22/3(3-12) as per Jamabandi for the year 2001-02 bearing Registration No. 15722 Dated 01-Feb-2018. Boundaries: East: House of Gurnidhar Kaur (Side 69'6") West: House of Sant Lal Wadwa (Side 69'6") North: House of Ashok Kumar Alabbhai (Side 32'6") South: Street (Side 32'6")	06th Oct 2022 13-12-2022 Rs. 1,03,09,504/- (Rs One crore three lakhs nine thousand five hundred and four only)

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Date: 16-12-2022, Place: Ludhiana

Authorized Officer, Axis Bank Ltd.



“Even now, questions are being raised on civil liberties and freedom of expression”: Amitabh Bachchan at KIFF

Kolkata : Veteran Bollywood actor Amitabh Bachchan, on Thursday, inaugurated the 28th Kolkata International Film Festival. The 'Shehenshah' actor delivered a lengthy speech on British censorship, pre-independence films against oppressors, communalism, and societal harmony. During the speech Amitabh said, "The 1952 cinematograph act set out the stricter of censorship as it stands

today upheld by the film certification board, but even now ladies and gentlemen, and I am sure my colleagues on stage will agree, questions are being raised on civil liberties and freedom of expression." Apart from Amitabh, actors like Shah Rukh Khan, Rani Mukerji, Jaya Bachchan and director Mahesh Bhatt also attended the grand inaugural function in Kolkata.

According to the official website, the 28th edition of the Kolkata International Film Festival organized by the Information and

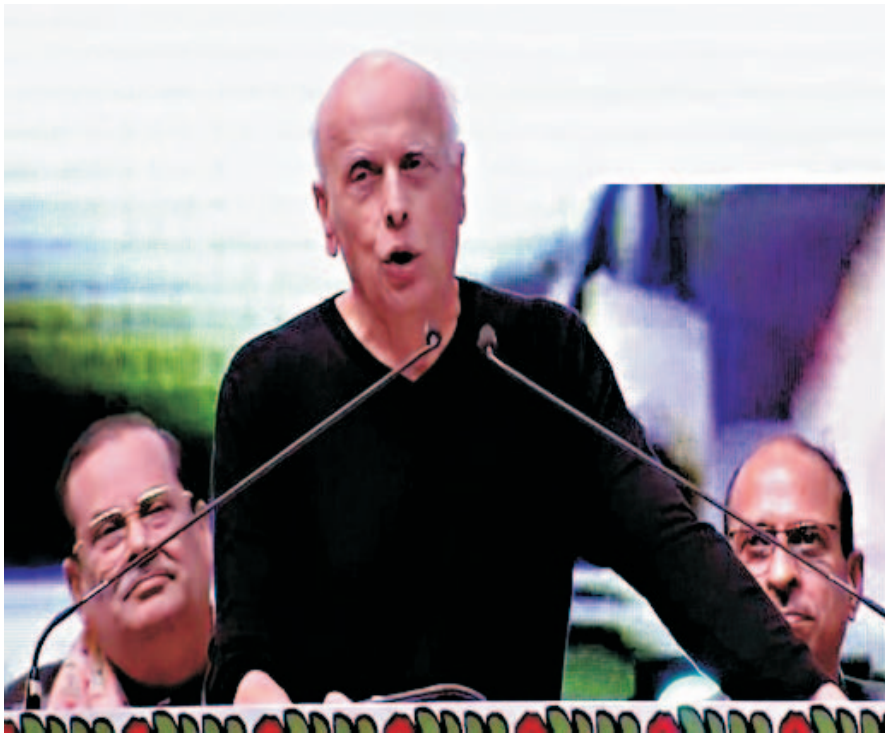
Cultural Affairs Department, Government of West Bengal is scheduled to be held between 15 - 22 December, 2022 in Kolkata. Meanwhile, on the work front, Amitabh was recently seen in the family entertainer film 'Uunchai' along with Anupam Kher, Parineeti Chopra and Boman Irani. Helmed by Sooraj Barjatya, the film got positive responses from the audience. He will be next seen in 'The Intern' along with Deepika Padukone and in a Pan India film 'Project K' alongside Deepika Padukone and Prabhas.

“India is there to unite all races”: Mahesh Bhatt remembers Rabindranath Tagore at Kolkata Film Festival

Kolkata : Indian filmmaker, Mahesh Bhatt, on Thursday remembered Indian poet Rabindranath Tagore at the 28th International Kolkata Film Festival in Kolkata. The 'Sadak' director during his speech, used the lines said by Indian poet Rabindranath Tagore when he

won the Nobel Prize for Gitanjali and said, "I do not think, it is the spirit of India to reject anything, reject any race, any culture. The spirit of India has always proclaimed the idea of unity. The ideal of unity never rejects anything, any race or any culture, it comprehends all and it has to be the highest aim of our spiritual exertion, to be able to penetrate all things with one soul, to comprehend all things as they are and not to keep out anything in the whole universe to comprehend all things with sympathy and love. This is the spirit of India.

Now when in the present time of political unrest, the children of the same grade India cry for rejection of the west I feel hurt. I feel it is a lesson that they have received from the west. Such is not our mission. India is there to unite all races. These are the words of India's greatest son Shri Rabindranath



Most searched Asians on Google 2022: Katrina Kaif beats Alia Bhatt, Deepika Padukone

Bollywood actor Katrina Kaif has been named in the 'Most Searched Asian Worldwide 2022' list by Google. In the list of most searched Asians on Google this year, Katrina has fetched herself the 4th spot while Alia Bhatt is at the 5th. Katrina has the distinction of topping among Indian actors making it to the list this year. Indian cricketer, Virat Kohli got the third spot on the Most searched Asian 2022 list and became the only Indian in the top three. For the top spots, the South Korean band BTS members Taehyung and Jungkook have the top 2 spots. The 'Sooryavanshi' actor is known for her amazing dance moves and gorgeous looks. She has worked in big Bollywood films like 'Ek Tha Tiger', 'Tiger Zinda Hai', 'Dhoom 3', 'Jab Tak Hai Jaan', 'Zindagi Na Milegi Dobara' and many more. Katrina tied the knot with actor Vicky Kaushal on December 10, 2021, and the couple never fail to shower love on each other on social media. She was recently seen in the horror comedy film 'Phone Bhoot' alongside Siddhant Chaturvedi and Ishaan Khatter which got decent responses from the audience. She will be next seen in Aditya Chopra's upcoming action thriller film 'Tiger 3' alongside Salman Khan, which is slated to hit the theatres on the occasion of Diwali 2023. Apart from that, she also has Sriram Raghavan's upcoming film 'Merry Christmas' opposite south actor Vijay Sethupathi and Farhan Akhtar's upcoming film 'Jee Le Zara' along with Alia Bhatt and Priyanka Chopra in her kitty.



No matter what, will stay positive, says Shah Rukh Khan

Bollywood actor Shah Rukh Khan on Thursday, while participating at the inaugural ceremony of the 28th International Kolkata Film Festival, emphasized that as negativity has increased social media consumption but individuals like him won't be affected and continue to remain positive.

"Social media is often driven by a certain narrowness of view that limits human nature to its baser self...I read somewhere-negativity increases social media consumption...Such pursuits enclose collective narrative making it divisive & destructive," Shah Rukh Khan said at the Kolkata event.

"No matter what the world does, people like us will stay positive," the actor added.

Amitabh Bachchan and Jaya Bachchan also inaugurated the 28th International Kolkata Film Festival, on Thursday evening.

Apart from them, actors Rani Mukerji, Mahesh Babu, CM Mamta Banerjee and cricketer Sourav Ganguly also attended the grand inaugural function.

The 'Swades' actor donned a black three-piece suit, while Rani was seen twinning with her 'Kuch Kuch Hota Hai' co-actor and opted for a beautiful black saree.

"At present times of political unrest, the children of India try to reject the ideas of the West, it's the lesson they've received from the West. Such isn't our mission. India's there to unite all races. These words of Tagore must echo in all Indians' hearts," Mahesh

Bhatt said.

"It's not the spirit of India to reject anything, any race, any culture... It has to be our highest aim to comprehend all things as they are with sympathy&love. It's the spirit of India," said filmmaker Mahesh Bhatt quoting Rabindranath Tagore at International Kolkata Film Festival

Amitabh on the other hand attended the event in a blue suit.

According to the official website, the 28th edition of the Kolkata International Film Festival organized by the Information and Cultural Affairs Department, Government of West Bengal is scheduled to be held between 15 - 22 December, 2022 in Kolkata.

Shah Rukh Khan is also the owner of the Kolkata Knight Riders, an Indian Premier League team.

Meanwhile, on the work front, SRK will be next seen in director Siddharth Anand's next action thriller film 'Pathaan' alongside Deepika Padukone and John Abraham.

The film is all set to hit the theatres on January 25, 2023.

Apart from this, Shah Rukh Khan will be also seen in south director Atlee's upcoming action thriller film 'Jawan' and director Rajkumar Hirani's next film 'Dunki' opposite Taapsee Pannu.

Amitabh, on the other hand, was recently seen in director Sooraj Barjatya's family entertainer film 'Uunchai' which got positive responses from the audience.



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