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A look at massive achievements of 'Black Pearl' Pele

When you talk about the beautiful game of football then the first name which comes to your mind is legend Pele. Edson Arantes do Nascimento popularly known as Pele was born on October 23 1940 in Tres Coracoes in Brazil. The son of Fluminense footballer Dondinho and Celeste Arantes. He was the elder of two siblings. He was named after the American inventor Thomas Alva Edison. He received the nickname

"Pele" during his school days. Pele has also been known for connecting the phrase "The Beautiful Game" with football. Also known as a 'Black Pearl' Pele was a prolific goal-scorer who was known for his ability to anticipate opponents in the area and finish off chances with an accurate and powerful shot with either foot. The most famous and possibly the best-paid athlete in the world Pele was part of the Brazilian national teams that won three World Cups.

Pele is the most successful top-division scorer in the sport with 541 goals in 560 games. His total of 1283 goals in 1363 games including the friendlies In 1956 de Brito took Pele to Santos to try out for professional club Santos Football Club. Pele impressed Santos coach Lula during his trial and he signed a professional contract with the club in June 1956. Pele was highly promoted in the local media as a future superstar. ... ON PAGE 12



PM performs last rites of mother Heeraben

AGENCY
GANDHINAGAR, DEC 30

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday performed the last rites of his mother Heeraben Modi here who passed away earlier around 3:30 am at the UN Mehta Institute of Cardiology and Research Centre in Ahmedabad.

The Prime Minister's brother Somabhai Modi and other family

Manohar Lal expresses deep condolence

CHANDIGARH: Haryana Chief Minister, Sh. Manohar Lal expressed deep condolences on the demise of Smt. Heeraben Modi, mother of Prime Minister, Sh. Narendra Modi. The Chief Minister paid homage to Smt. Heeraben Modi on behalf of the Haryana government.

members were also present on the occasion. The Prime Minister, who reached here earlier in the day, consigned the mortal remains of his mother to flames along with his brothers. Heeraben was hospitalised on Wednesday after her health deteriorated. The Prime Minister recalled his mother saying that he always felt the trinity of a tapsvi's journey, selfless Karmyogi and a life dedicated to values in her.



Chill to intensify on New Year's eve

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, DEC 30

North India, including Delhi, Haryana, Punjab and Chandigarh will experience cold wave on New Year's eve and the winter chill would intensify further in early January, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) has said.

The lowest minimum temperature recorded in Northwest India was at Padum (-16.5 degrees Celsius), followed by Gulmarg (-4.8 degrees Celsius) and Keylong (-4.8 degrees Celsius). In contrast, the highest temperature in the country was recorded from Kannur in Kerala at 35.4 degrees Celsius. Wednesday was relatively warmer for the National Capital Region, but the cold wave-like conditions prevailed in Punjab and pockets of Himachal Pradesh, South Haryana and North Rajasthan.

Meanwhile, Northeast India is likely experience dense fog with low visibility in the next five days, starting from Thursday. The IMD

High reaches of HP drapes in white sheet of snow

AGENCY
SHIMLA, DEC 30

High reaches of Himachal Pradesh were draped in white sheet of snowfall in five districts and it is likely to be snow in next 24 hours, the Met Office said.

Khadrala(Shimla) got five centimetre snow Kalpa(Kinnaur) 4.6 cm, Sangla(Kinnaur) four cm, Shilaroo in Shimla, Kukamseri 3.4 cm, Keylong two cm. Chamba recorded 14.5 mm rain, Manali(Kullu) 14 mm, Wangtoo(Kinnaur) and Dharamshla(Kangra) 11mm, Dal-



housie nine mm, Palampur 6.8 mm, Kangra & Seobagh 5.8 mm, Una & Bhuntar 4 mm and Shimla 2.4 mm. Minimum temperature improvised slightly as Keylong in

Lahual Spiti was at minus 6.3 degrees (two degrees above normal), Shimla 3.5 degrees, Kalpa minus 0.5, Dharamshala 6.2, Una 8.5, Nahan 7, Solan 2.4, Manali 1.8, Kangra 9.4, 13 Mandi eight, Bilaspur 7.5, Hamirpur 9, Chamba 7.3, Dalhousie 0.7, Jubberhatti 7.3, Kufri 0.2 & Narakanda minus 0.3 respectively. Light Snowfall occurred over isolated places in the high hills of the state. The Met office forecast light rainfall at isolated places in the low or mid hills for Friday and afterwards the weather will be dry over the state.

also predicted thick fog over Delhi, Haryana, Chandigarh and North Rajasthan from the December 30 to the January 1.

Temperatures are not likely to

go below 4 degrees Celsius as the cold wave is expected to return to Delhi only in the first week of the new year. In the next five days, the minimum temperature will likely

rise by 2-3 degrees Celsius in the Northern plains, IMD officials said, while adding that it would gradually decrease by 2-3 degrees Celsius after the new year.

Centre raises interest rates on post office deposits

NEW DELHI: The government today raised interest rates on most post office savings schemes that do not get income tax benefits, in line with the firming of interest rates in the economy. While the interest rate for popular PPF (Public Provident Fund) and girl child savings scheme Sukanya Samridhi were retained, rates for deposits up to 5 per cent as well as NSC (National Savings Interest Rate), senior citizen savings scheme and Kisan Vikas Patra (KVP) where income accruing is taxable have been hiked by up to 1.1 percentage points, according to a finance ministry notification.

This is the second quarter of an increase in a row in interest rates for some schemes. This follows a status quo or unchanged rates for nine straight quarters. Interest rates for small savings schemes are notified on a quarterly basis. With the revision, a one-year term deposit with post offices would earn 6.6 per cent, for two years (6.8 per cent), three years (6.9 per cent) and five years (7 per cent).

Fast track courts for NRIs to be set up in Punjab: Dhaliwal

GURDARSHAN SINGH PRINCE
CHANDIGARH /
AMRITSAR, DEC 30:

Punjab NRI Affairs Minister Mr. Kuldeep Singh Dhaliwal said that Punjab Government would soon set up fast track courts in the state to facilitate Punjabi NRIs in addressing their issues in a short span of time.

Presiding over Fifth 'Punjabi NRIs Naal Milni' held at Convention Center GNDU, the Cabinet Minister Mr.



Kuldeep Singh Dhaliwal said that the state government was committed to prompt resolution of their grievances by taking the initiative of such meets. He said that this endeavour of the state government led by Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann will go a long way bringing positive results.

The Minister said that these courts would be functioning dedicatedly for the speedy redressal of Non Resident Indians' (NRIs) issues pertaining to civil cases.

Next 8 years will see Indian Railways on new journey of modernisation: PM

AGENCY
GANDHINAGAR, DEC 30

Prime Minister Narendra Modi today inaugurated multiple projects of the Indian Railway in Kolkata.

Just a short while after he performed the last rites of his mother Heeraben who passed away early this morning, PM Modi joined the event at Howrah Railway Station through video conferencing.

Apologising for not being able to be present physically at the event, PM Modi said, "I was supposed to come to West Bengal but due to personal reasons, I am unable to be



there. I seek forgiveness from the people of Bengal."

Speaking at the inauguration

event of Railway projects, the Prime Minister said the Central government is making investments to modernise Indian Railways. PM Modi said that metro routes introduced today will further improve the ease of living of citizens of West Bengal.

"I bow to the holy land of Bengal, where the freedom struggle of India began. We started from Vande Mataram and today we have reached up to Vande Bharat," he said.

He further said that in the next eight years, India will see railways on a new journey of modernisation.

"Central government is making record investments to modernise In-

dian Railways. Now modern trains like Vande Bharat express, Tejas express and Humsafar express are being made in India. In the next eight years, we'll see the railways on a new journey of modernisation," said PM Modi.

PM Modi flagged off the Howrah-New Jalpaiguri Vande Bharat Express and the purple line of the Kolkata Metro. He said that the Howrah-New Jalpaiguri train route will boost connectivity in the North-East sector.

The PM said that the new India is aiming for 475 Vande Bharat trains.

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Burglars steal jewellery, bathroom fittings from Raj MP's House

JAIPUR: Burglars stole jewellery, ₹ 1.5 lakh in cash, some documents, and even bathroom fittings from the official residence of Nagaur MP Hanuman Beniwal in the Jalupura area here, police said on Friday. Beniwal noticed the theft Friday morning and lodged a complaint at Jalupura Police Station. The police station is barely 30 metres away from his residence. The national convener of the Rashtriya Loktantrik Party (RLP) posted a series of tweets on the matter.

Haryana man who killed wife, arrested

NEW DELHI: The Haryana police today arrested a man who had murdered his wife by putting her face on a burning stove after she stopped him from drinking alcohol. After the crime, in August 2021, the man was on the run and kept shifting his location across Haryana, Delhi, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, and Punjab, to escape the police. There was ₹ 5,000 reward for catching him. The police conducted raids at several locations, which eventually led them to the accused. The accused has been identified as Pinku, who is a resident of Bulandshahr in UP.

Aung San Suu Kyi sentenced to another 7 years in prison

NAYPYIDAW: A court in Myanmar's capital, Naypyidaw, on Friday sentenced the country's ousted leader, Aung San Suu Kyi, and former President Win Myint to seven years in prison each on five corruption charges. Myanmar's Mizizma News portal reported, citing the court. The sentence was announced at a court hearing held inside the Naypyidaw Central Prison and the accused have the right to appeal, the news portal said. All five charges are reportedly related to the lease and use of a helicopter purchased with state funds. Aung San Suu Kyi and Win Myint allegedly abused their positions and caused a loss for state funds by not following all the required legal.

10 residential houses, shops gutted in a massive fire in Anantnag

SRINAGAR: At least ten residential houses and some shops were damaged in a devastating fire incident that erupted at Dangerpora area of south Kashmir's Anantnag district on Friday, officials said. A leading fireman identified as Arshed Ahmad Hurrah was also injured in the operation who has been hospitalized for treatment where his condition is stated to be stable.

Separate offices for Nissing and Chiwdawa blocks



RINKU GONDAR
NISSING: Nilokheri MLA and Haryana Forest Corporation Chairman Dharampal Gondar said that soon separate offices will be set up for Nissing and Chi-dawa blocks. In the month of May 2022, by issuing a gazette notification, the government had separated Chidav and Nissing blocks in which the elections of the recently concluded Block Committee and Sarpanch both were held under different blocks. But in view of the elections both the people were not yet established separately. But now it will be separated soon due to which the villagers who are facing the problem of commuting will be solved. Along with this, proper staff will also be made available in both the blocks.

Memorial in name of Prithviraj Chauhan soon

DARSHAN SHARMA
NILOKHERI: Nilokheri MLA and Haryana Forest Corporation Chairman Dharampal Gondar said after the Vidhan Sabha session that a memorial and research centre in the name of Prithviraj Chauhan would soon be constructed at Tarawari. He raised his voice in the assembly also. Due to these reasons, due to non-availability of land, this construction could not be started till date. The gate of the historic fort located at Taraori will also be renovated. This announcement was made by the Chief Minister in 2015, which was reminded to the officers by the MLA from time to time. After this, the Chief Minister again reiterated his announcement in Jhajjar district. The MLA said that the Haryana Urban Local Bodies Department would soon find a solution to this problem by finding some land. Apart from this, the MLA said that soon a proposal to construct a grand gate at Tarawadi would also be brought to the notice of the municipality. Tarawadi is a historical city, he considers it one of the most invaluable parts of history. It will be completed after getting it passed with the consent of councillors and MC chairman.

Brother-in-law arrested for raping sister-in-law

VINOD KUHAR
GANNAUR: Police arrested a brother-in-law accused of raping his sister-in-law and making a video in the Gannaur police station area. The accused was identified as Devendra, a resident of Gannaur. The Gannaur police produced the accused in court, where the court sent the accused to jail. While giving a complaint to the police, a girl from a village in Kharkhoda said that her elder sister was married to Devendra of Gannaur village 10 years ago, and since then she used to visit her sister's house. It is alleged that during the same time her brother-in-law started keeping a wrong eye on her. He also did obscene acts with her many times, but she remained silent so that her sister's house would not be ruined. Finding her alone in the house, the accused forcibly raped her and made an obscene video. After which he kept blackmailing her. When the relatives learned about the brother-in-law's act, they went to explain it to him, then threatened that he would marry her, i.e., the wife's younger sister. If he didn't get married, then he talked about divorcing his wife. The victim alleges that one of the brother-in-law's companions used to demand wrongdoing from his sister, in which the brother-in-law also supported his friend. Police investigation officer woman ASI Manisha said that after arresting the accused Devendra in the rape case, he was presented in court and sent to judicial custody.

Seva Bharti distributes warm clothes to needy

NIRMAL RADAUR: Seva Bharti, Radaur distributed warm clothes and shoes to the migrant labourers living near the PWD office in Radaur. Ved Prakash and Amit Kamboj, President of Seva Bharti Radaur, said that Seva Bharti Radaur has started a campaign to distribute warm clothes to the poor and deprived people of the area. In the harsh winter, we also have some duty for the betterment of humanity. Many clothes and shoes of adults and children are lying in vain in all of our homes. Those clothes and shoes had become small for us in size. According to the organisation, some poor people need those clothes and shoes more than us. Keeping this in mind, Seva Bharti Radaur has started this campaign that in this cold season, cooperation should be extended to the needy person by taking cooperation from the able people so that people can be benefited. Ved Kamboj, Amit Kamboj, Mangat Ram Bathla, Dhanpat Saini, Narpal Rana, Gurdial Saini, Naveen Saini and Neeraj Kamboj etc. were present on this occasion.



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State will continue to maintain its performance in ease of doing business: CS

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, DEC 30

Haryana Chief Secretary, Sh. Sanjeev Kaushal today directed all administrative secretaries of departments to ensure the satisfaction of all the citizens and business stakeholders in order to strengthen the ease of doing business across the state. Sh. Kaushal today took a detailed review of the Business Reform Action Plan (2022-23) with the administrative secretaries. He directed the administrative secretaries to resolve the pending grievances of citizens and business stakeholders at the earliest. Sh. Kaushal stated that Haryana is able to maintain its stature of being the most preferred investment destination due to the strenuous efforts contributed by the various departments. The Chief Secretary stated that

in the last Business Reform Action Plan (BRAP) ranking, Haryana has been ranked in the category of 'Top Achievers'. He stated that he is optimistic that the state will continue its stellar performance in ease of doing business this year as well. Under the current BRAP 2022 report released by DPIIT in the month of June 2022, there are 352 Reforms pertaining to Ease of Doing Business which are further divided into two parts Plan Action A consisting of 261 reforms relating to business, and Plan Action B consisting 91 reforms directly relating to citizens, he added. It was apprised in the meeting that the implementation of BRAP is already done by November 30, 2022, and an online single window is developed through which continuous monitoring is being carried out. All departments are reaching out to the stakeholders to ensure a conducive

environment in the state. During the meeting Additional Chief Secretary, Financial Commissioner, Revenue and Disaster Management and Consolidation Departments, Sh. Varinder Singh Kundu, Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Haryana, Labour Department, Sh. Raja Sekhar Vundru, Additional Chief Secretary to Govt. Haryana, Public Health Engineering Department, Sh. Apoorva Kumar Singh, Additional Chief Secretary, Finance and Planning Departments, Sh. Anurag Rastogi, Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Sh. V. Umashankar, Additional Chief Secretary, Industries & Commerce Department, Sh. Anand Mohan Sharan, Chief Administrator, Trade Fair Authority of Haryana, New Delhi, Smt. G. Anupama, Managing Director, Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Ltd., Sh. Phool Chand Meena were present.

Krishan Bedi condoles demise of PM's mother



GOLDY CHUGH
SHAHABAD: A large number of BJP workers, including Political Secretary to Chief Minister and former Minister of State Krishan Bedi, have condoled the demise of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's mother Heeraben. Former Minister of State Krishan Bedi said that the entire BJP and the country is with Prime Minister Narendra Modi at this time of separation from the mother. He said that Modi's mother Heeraben was hardworking, with humane values and principles. Modi is serving the country today and is a unique example in the world. On this occasion District President Ravi Battan, Raju Chawla, Raj Satija, Tilak Raj Aggarwal, Harvinder Sandhu, Rinku Bairagi, Deepak Anand, Narendra Singla, Ramesh Pal Nalvi, Sarabjit Kalsani, Advocate Gaurav Bedi, Karan Pratap Singh, Sukhwinder Gumti, Tevar Khan along with A large number of BJP workers were present.

Gagan Bhardwaj wins bronze medal in the 35th Junior National Netball Championship



JASWINDER SHARMA
KARNAL: The 35th Junior National Netball Championship was held from December 25-28 at the Salt Lake Sai Complex in Calcutta, West Bengal. Gagan Bhardwaj, a Karnal native who plays for Haryana, won the brown medal. On the occasion of which Gagan Bhardwaj was welcomed by Subharni Gram Panchayat with flowers. The Sarpanch of Subharni village, Ranjit Pal, honoured the player by giving him a cash prize of Rs 20,000. On this occasion, he said that everyone should take inspiration from this and participate enthusiastically in sports and bring laurels to their state and district. On this occasion, Pandit Vinod Bhardwaj spoke about the importance of sports and urged everyone to participate in sports along with their studies. Previously, the village's players won medals at the national and state levels. On this occasion, Panch Deepak Tyagi, Balkar, Kala, Panch Pankaj, Suresh Bhardwaj, Sultan Khan, Praveen Sharma, Kamaldeep Sharma Ganjogadi, Anup Sharma Labkari, and Sahil Tyagi Bijna, etc. encouraged the players by distributing sweets. Dozens of dignitaries were present on the

Rajni Sharma elected chairman of Thanesar block committee



DALBIR MALIK
KURUKSHETRA: Rajni Sharma, member from Ward No. 11 in Thanesar Panchayat Samiti, has been elected as the Chairperson of the Panchayat Samiti, while Neha, a member from Ward No. 15, has been elected as the Vice-Chairman. MLA Subhash Sudha has congratulated and given his best wishes to both of them. On Friday, the second meeting of Panchayat Samiti Thanesar was organised in the BDPO office under the chairmanship of Sub-Divisional Officer, Citizen Surendra Pal. In this meeting, ward number 11 member Rajni Sharma's wife Ramme-har Sharma has been appointed as chairman and ward number 15 member Neha wife Naveen Dhonchak as vice chairman. MLA Subhash Sudha said that villages will be developed on the lines of cities and there will be no shortage of funds for the development of villages. BJP youth leaders Sahil Sudha, Paramjeet Kaur Kashyap, Devi Dayal Sharma, Suresh Saini Kukku and other BJP leaders were present on the occasion.

Prakash Parv of Guru Gobind Singh ji on January 3

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: The Prakash Parv of Dasmesh Pita Guru Gobind Singh ji will be celebrated with pomp by the Guru Parv Prabandhak Committee under the leadership of Mahant Baba Sukkha Singh Ji of Dera Kar Sewa. Prakash Parv of Singh ji will be celebrated on January 3 at Dera Kar Seva Gurudwara in Karnal city. Before this, a nagar kirtan will be held on January 1. General Secretary of Guru Parv Committee Sardar Inder Singh said that at 10.30 am Nagar Kirtan will start from Gurudwara Dera Karseva Kalandari Gate and will go to Gurdwara at Karn Gate, Committee Chowk, Dawat Hotel Road, Hospital Chowk, Model Town, Sector 12, Nirmal Kutiya Chowk, Sector 7. Gurudwara Baba Kashmira Singh Meerut Road, Chowk, Maharana Pratap Chowk, behind Gurudwara Sector 6, will reach Dera Karseva Kalandari Gate.

40 crore people have seen film 'SP Chauhan the Struggling Man'

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, DEC 30

Skills and interests are not subject to any particular period. Skill proves its ability and interest always inspires a person to do something new. The film SP Chauhan The Struggling Man, made on the life of SP Chauhan, an educationist and convenor of Navchetna Manch, representing several social organisations living in Nigdhu village of Karnal, has now come out in Punjabi as well. This film, which set new records for Karnal and Haryana, was watched by more than 600 million people across the world through various social media and other mediums by the year 2021, not only this, IMDb, an organisation that evaluates films, given 8.8 out of 10 points to the film. Released on February 8,



2019, the film depicts the depth of his social consciousness and struggle against drug addiction and other social evils. In the year 2022, about 40 crore people saw this film. SP Chauhan A Struggling Man film is based on Sangharsh Ko Salaam, a biography written by senior journalist Sandeep Sahil on

the life of SP Chauhan. In this biopic it is said that Satpal, born in a simple family of Nigdhu village of Karnal, had to become SP Chauhan. He had to go through ups and downs. He not only made himself resourceful by winning the battle of economic plight, but also raised the standard of living of the poor, labourers for the society on his own, as well as worked with his colleagues and women to save the new generation from intoxication, alcohol, drugs. He also raised his voice on the issue of obscenity, nudity and lack of trust in husband-wife relationship in the new era and infidelity as well as other social issues.

Farewell party given to Kanungo, Naib Tehsildar



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: According to the orders of the Patwar and Kanungo Association Haryana, the Patwaris and Kanungo of Karnal continued their strike. Today, on the fifth day of the dhama, Congress MLA from Assandh Shamsheer Singh Gogi came and gave his support and said that the only demand of the Patwaris is to increase the pay scale and said that the Patwari is correcting the demand of his pay scale according to his qualification. Sarv Karamchhari Sangh district Karnal also came and supported the strike and Pradhan Sushil Gujar said that Sarva Karmachari Sangh is standing with them in this movement of Patwaris. Today, at the protest site itself, a farewell party was also given to Kanungo Gurpreet Singh and Naib Tehsildar Ramkumar. On this occasion, District Revenue Officer Sham Lal also reached the spot and also honoured Tehsildar and Kanungo. On this occasion, Pradhan Kashmir told that the protest will continue until the government accepts our demands. General Secretary Ashok Kumar said that this dhama is also getting support from Sarv Karamchhari Sangh Haryana, Nambardar Association, Revenue Association Haryana, farmers and Khap Panchayats.

Education takes forward people: Rajbala

PARI BAJAJ KARNAL, DEC 30

Education takes us forward on the path of progress in life. An educated person can easily achieve his set goal. Education is the medium through which we get the knowledge of good and bad, said Joint Secretary of Women and Child Development Department, Haryana, Rajbala Kataria. She was speaking as the chief guest in the state level programme organised by the Women and Child Development Department on the auspicious arrival of the new year 2023 at MDD Bal Bhavan, located in Phosgarh on Friday. On this occasion, President of Child Welfare Committee Karnal Umesh Channa, Members of Child Welfare Committee Karnal Nirupama Sadar and Meena Kamboj, District



Child Protection Officer Reena Rani, Radheshyam Dudeja from Shraddhanand Sansthan, M.D. General Secretary Sardar Parminder Pal Singh, Haryana Amit Gandhi, Dinesh Bakshi and other dignitaries from State Bal Bhavan Madhuban were present. She said that an uneducated person can neither discharge his duties properly nor can he protect his rights. This is the reason that under the Right to Education Act, the

government has provided equal opportunity to all to study and progress. She called upon the children that we should be careful about our health as well. She instructed the officials of the department to take care of the food of the children in the child protection institutions working for helpless children including all the Anganwadi centres under them and inform them about the beneficial benefits of fortified flour, rice and oil.

All Congress workers should participate in Panipat rally: Vaidya



DARSHAN SHARMA
NILOKHERI: Rahul Gandhi's Panipat rally will be historic and thousands of Congress workers from Nilokheri assembly will participate in it and Panipat rally will be the biggest ever rally of Haryana. Prof. Vaidya said that Bharat Jodo Yatra is a different kind of journey in the whole world and media all over the world is excited about Bharat Jodo Yatra and today people of 36 fraternities want to join Congress through Bharat Jodo Yatra. Today it is the duty of the worker to go to every village and appeal to the people to join the Bharat Jodo Yatra and appeal to reach the rally to be held in Panipat on 6th January! On this occasion, Prof. Rajesh Vaidya imposed the duty of all the workers. Senior Congress leaders Narayan Das Verma, Amarjeet Dhiman, National President of Indian Farmer Labour Union Sardar Sukhwinder Singh, Avinash Kor Poli, Nitin Malhotra, Vishwanath Sharma, Heera Singh Sarpanch, Ramesh Chauhan, Uday Gholpura, Subhash Solo, Rajpal Sharma. Hundreds of workers including Ranpal Sandhu, Sajjan Dhul, Krishna Barana, Vishal Chowdhary, Ratan Valmiki, Kehar Singh Vaish, Rajkumar Jhanjhari, Precious Lal, Phool Singh Rana were present.

Martyrdom of 4 Sahibzadas remembered

NIRMAL RADAUR, DEC 30

The martyrdom of four Sahibzadas of Guru Gobind Singh ji was remembered on the premises of DAV Public School, Radaur. On this occasion children were depicted as Panj Pyaras. All the children made the atmosphere resonating with the chanting of 'Jo Bole So Nihal Sat Shri Akal'. On this occasion, Vimmi Khurana said that December 21 to 27 is the biggest martyrdom week in Sikh history. She said that on December 22, Guru Gobind Singh along with 40 Sikh soldiers were fighting 10 lakh Mughal soldiers in a raw fort of Chamkaur. In this war, 17-year-old Ajit Singh, the elder son of Guru Gobind Singh ji, was martyred while fighting with the Mughals. Looking at the elder brother's martyrdom, 14 year old son Juhar Singh sought permission from his father to go to the



battlefield. The father decorated his son and sent him to the battlefield. Heavy on the Mughals, Sahebzada Juhar Singh fought very bravely in the battlefield but was martyred while fighting. On the other hand, Guru's two younger sons Zorawar Singh at the age of 5 and Fateh Singh at the age of 7 were separated from their father during the war along with their grandmother Mata Gu-

ji ji. Nawab Wazir Khan of Sirhand made them a prisoner because of the fraud of the cook Gangu. On December 27, both were walled up for not accepting Islam. Shabad singing was also presented by the children on his martyrdom, recalling the martyrdom of the four Guruputras by Anju Beniwal, along with the Shabad narrated their life stories and stories of bravery.

Hira Ba's life was a symbol of generosity, simplicity, hard work and values: Rana

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, DECEMBER 30

BJP workers including Yogesh Rana paid tribute to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's mother Hira Ba after garlanding her picture on her death. On this occasion, BJP District President Yogendra Rana, Municipal Corporation Mayor Renu Bala Gupta, Chief Minister's Representative Sanjay Bathla, Amarnath Sauda, former District President Ashok Sukhija, State Executive Member Krishna Garg and many other senior workers were present. Paying homage to Heera Ba, Rana said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi's mother Heeraben Modi is no more in this world. Respected Hira Ba was a symbol of generosity, simplicity, hard work and high values of life. He said that "I am deeply saddened by the demise of Heera Ba, mother of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The death of a mother leaves a void in one's life that is impossible to fill. I pray that God rests his soul in peace."



tribute to her, Mayor Renu Bala Gupta said that the death of Mata Shri Hira Ba is very painful news. Mother's place is special in a person's life. I pray to God to grant the departed soul a place at his feet and give strength to the Prime Minister and his family to bear the loss. Paying tribute, Chief Minister's representative Sanjay Bathla said that the news of the demise of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's respected mother Heera Ba is very sad. Mother is the first friend and teacher of a person's life, the pain of losing someone is

undoubtedly the biggest pain in the world. District General Secretary Rajbir Sharma, Sunil Goyal, District Vice President Mukesh Arora, Rajni Parochia, Sumer Chand Kamboj, Amrutlal Joshi, District Treasurer Brij Gupta, District Secretary Megha Bhandari, Manju Khainchi, District IT Cell Chief Vikas Kathuria, District Media Chief Dr. Ashok Kumar, Gadhibir-bal Mandal President Amit Kamboj, Kunjpura Mandal President Mohan Saini, Urban Mandal President Sunil Gupta, Ramesh Gill, Councillor Veer Vikram, Kisan Morcha District President Narendra Gors, Mahila Morcha District President Minakshi Bhinder, Mahila Morcha District General Secretary Neeru Saini, Minakshi Sharma, Kisan Morcha District General Secretary Vinay Sandhu, Urban Circle General Secretary Ramesh Gill, Urban Circle President Sahil Madan, Kumar Rishi, Staff Cell District Coordinator Shyam Singh Chauhan, Jagat Singh, Sunil Goyal, Alka Chowdhary, Sonia Pandit, Sohan Lal, Raj Singh, Eelam Singh, Din-nesh Taneja etc. were also present.

NEWS AT A
GLANCE1 year data of arrests,
recoveries issued by
Ludhiana police

SUKH NAHAR

JAGRAON: District Ludhiana rural police is carrying out a campaign against drug peddling under the guidance of SSP Harjeet Singh. The police department issued the record of arrests made by police and substances recovered by them under various FIRs during the year 2022. As per the

press note issued by SSP Harjeet Singh, police filed 379 and arrested 571 persons and recovered 1 kg 464 grams Heroin, 35 kg 445 grams opium, 24

quintal 65 kg 150 grams poppy husk, 3 kg 698 grams charas, 8 kg 84 grams ganja, 30 grams ice drug, 752 grams intoxicating powder, 133192 intoxicating pills, rupees 2194165 drug money and 135 vehicles under NDPS act. Under the excise act, police filed 196 FIRs and made 202 arrests and recovered 2509 liters 950 ml illicit liquor, 3217 liters licit liquor, 11542 liters English liquor, 347575 liters "lahan" and recovered rupees 60300 drug money and 51 vehicles. 19 FIRs have been filed for gambling, 54 arrests have been made and rupees 71535 have been recovered. Under the arms act, 15 FIRs have been filed, 26 persons are arrested and 17 pistols, 2 revolvers, 4 rifles, 75 cartridges and 1 magazine have been recovered. Moreover, in 74 vehicles were recovered in 72 cases including 4 trucks, 2 jeeps, 11 cars, 46 motorcycles, 8 scooters, 3 scooter with reserve price of rupees 18,65,900 and open auction was held for vehicles which ended with rupees 26,80,768 rupees.

ETO condoles death of
Prime Minister Narendra
Modi's mother

KULJEET SINGH

JANDIALA GURU: Expressing grief over the sudden demise of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's mother Heera Ben, said that leaving the company of the mother who is the mother for the son is a never-ending deficiency. From childhood to growing up, the mother's education in life. Plays an important role in success. He said that no one can take the status of mother. Cabinet Minister Harbhajan Singh prayed for her soul's peace.

Punarjyothi eye donation
society social welfare
organization

HEMANT KUMAR SHARMA RAMPURA PHUL: Malwa's well-known social service organization 'Punarjyoti Eye Donation Society' has struck a mark during the current month of December by providing eye surgery to hundreds of people at their own expense and providing expensive lenses for free. Which is being appreciated everywhere. Rakesh Tayal, the chief attendant of the organization, gave such information and further said that the society conducted free operations on 118 such patients in village Ubha and 89 in Mullanpur at the Sant Tirvanni Giri Memorial Hospital of its organization located near the main bus stand of the city only on behalf of the society.

Beginning of new
year with mother
Ashapurni

SHARANJEET PATHANKOT: The meeting of Seva Committee Mata Ashapurni was organized under the chairmanship of President Vinod Kumar Malhotra. During this, after discussion with the members, it was decided that like previous years, this year too, Mahamai Ki Chowki would be organized at Ashapurni temple from 9 pm to 12 noon on 31st December. Prayers will be offered at the feet of Mata Ashapurni for the auspicious arrival of the new year, in which Jyoti Pujan will be performed by Tarlok Nanda, Dr. Nitin Gupta and Anil Vasudeva and inauguration of Mahamai Ki Chowki by Moti Lal Mahajan, HP Abbi, Satish Mahindru. Raj Chanchal will sing the praises of Mahamai.

Making jails reform house
in true sense: SpokesmanSHASHI PAL JAIN
CHANDIGARH, DEC 30

The Punjab government led by Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann is making continuous efforts to make the state crime free. In the same direction, the state government has first taken a step in the direction of turning the state's jails into reform houses. Giving information in this regard, a Spoke-sman of the Punjab government said that random checking is being done continuously to make the prisons of the state free from drugs and mobile phones.

He said that strict action has been taken against the employees of the prison department who are delivering drugs and mobile phones in the Jail and during the



Sincere efforts to make Punjab a leading state in sports again

CHANDIGARH: Restoring the lost glory of Punjab in the field of sports and making the state a leading state again across country is the top priority of the Punjab government led by Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann. To achieve this goal, increasing the sports budget for the year 2022-23 by 38.14 per cent compared to the previous year, was the first groundbreaking step taken

by the Punjab government. A total budget of Rs 229 Cr was allocated. Throughout the year, special efforts were made by the government in the field of sports. Divulging the further details, Sports Minister Gurmeet Singh Meht Hayer said that on the directions of the Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann, the department organised 'Khedan Watan Punjab Deya-2022' from the block

to the state level. For the first time in Punjab, online registration of players was conducted in these games. About 3 lakh players participated in 29 sports, while the number of players in the previous games did not exceed 20,000. The Chief Minister inaugurated these games on August 29 (National Sports Day) at Jalandhar by playing volleyball himself. Prize money of Rs 6.85 Cr was distrib-

uted to 9961 winning players to encourage budding players to enthusiastically participate in sports and stay away from drug menace. In this year's Commonwealth Games held at Birmingham, 19 players from Punjab won three silver and four bronze medals in hockey, cricket and weightlifting. Apart from this, four players participated in judo, cycling and athletics.

checking so far 4716 mobile phones have been seized from the prisoners which is the highest number in the past years. Family Visits: Prisoners who maintain good conduct in prisons can now meet their family members physically also by registering under the Family Visits

project. This was started in Punjab Prisons on 15.09.2022 to motivate prisoners to shun path of crime and for their re-integration with their families. Since then, 7497 such family visits have taken place across the prisons of the State of Punjab. He said as a first in the

country, all the prisoners lodged in various prisons of Punjab (approx. 30000) were screened for drug abuse. Apart from this In order to design and implement a better de-addiction strategy, a survey of all addict prisoners lodged in Punjab prisons has been conducted.

Huge protest to be held in front of DC
office in Barnala on January 10KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA, DEC 30

An emergency meeting of Punjab Subordinate Services Federation District Barnala was held at Chintu Park Barnala under the chairmanship of District President Darshan Cheema and District General Secretary Tejinder Singh Teji.

State senior vice-president Karamjit Singh Bihla and Anil Kumar, who specially participated in the meeting, said that the apathy of the AAP government of Punjab, which came to power with the slogan of change, will not be tolerated anymore and the accused Sirmour Organization Punjab Subordi-



nate Services Federation has prepared to fight the war across the border against the government.

On this occasion, leaders of Asha Workers Union, Sandeep Kaur Patil, Vinod Sharma, Rano Kaur, Gurmeet Kaur Handiara of Mid Day Meal Workers Union said that The Punjab government is making an unpleasant attempt to reduce the public's eyes by falsely advertising the recruitment of raw employees, while in reality, thousands of Pun-

jab employees are still receiving meagre honorariums as Asha workers, mid-day meal workers. Anganwadi workers are forced to undergo exploitation.

The leaders said that the lame notification of restoration of old pension issued to gain political advantage in the elections of Gujarat and Himachal Pradesh is still annoying the accused, but it has not been implemented in reality, due to which the accused There is a lot of protests.

Gurmat Samagam on 1st January at
Gurdwara Singh Sabha Abrol Nagar

PATHANKOT (SHARANJEET): Sarbat Khalsa Pathankot is conducting Gurmat Samagam at Gurdwara Singh Sabha, Abrol Nagar, Pathankot on Sunday, January 1st at 8 am. Giani Sukhraj Singh of Headgranthi Gurdwara Barth Sahib, a famous narrator and preacher of the Panth, will explain the ongoing Bani while Bhai Datar Singh's ragi jatha will entertain the sangat by performing kirtan. This information was shared by Jathedar Gurdeep Singh Gulati, Chief Manager, Manager Sohan Singh and Gursharan Singh. He appealed to the sangat to reach the function on time. At the end of the ceremony, the Guru's langar will be used incessantly.

4.17 lakh Power consumers
of district got zero bill &
relief of 196.20 Cr : FMSUMER GARG
PATIALA, DEC 30

Punjab Finance Minister (FM), Harpal Singh Cheema, as the minister in-charge of Patiala district, while reviewing the various development works going on in the district, instructed the officials to resolve the complaints of the people immediately and complete all the ongoing projects on time. While presiding over the review meeting of the development works at the District Administrative Complex here today, Mr. Harpal Singh Cheema said that the Punjab government, under the leadership of Chief Minister, Bhagwant Singh Mann is fulfilling every

promise made to the people of the state, under which the electricity bill of 4 lakh 17 thousand 117 consumers of the district has come to zero, due to which these consumers got the relief of Rs. 196.20 crores. On this occasion, Health Minister, Chetan Singh Jodamajra; M.L.A., Ajitpal Singh Kohli; Dr. Balbir Singh, Harmmeet Singh Pathanmajra, Neena Mittal, Gurdev Singh Dev Mann, Gurlal Ghanoor and Kulwant Singh Bajigar and District Planning Committee Chairman Jassi Sohianwa were also present, who raised various issues before the FM, on which the Finance Minister issued instructions to the Departments.

Meeting to replace MC President
ends up in chaos at Jagraon

JAGRAON (SUKH NAHAR): Councilors of Municipal council Jagraon conducted a meeting to pass motion of no confidence against MC president Jatinderpal Singh Rana but the meeting reached no conclusion and ended up being chaotic. Heated arguments and quarrels were being highly anticipated in the meeting so the police department made efficient arrangements to ensure maintenance of laws and order during the meeting. MLA Jagraon Saravjit Kaur and councilors started reaching municipal council Jagraon office to participate in the meeting but the meeting had to be adjourned for indefinite time period as councilor Anmol Gupta suddenly suffered from cardiac arrest just before the commencement of the meeting. Congress councilors and supporters protested against this saying that the councilors of congress party formed majority in MC so the entire "event" was "staged" by councilors willing to become MC president with the support of ruling party.

MLA Sherry Kalsi reviews
sanitation system in city

BATALA (R VERMA): Constituency MLA Batala Mr. Amansher Singh Sherry Kalsi checked the attendance of the employees employed in the Municipal Corporation along with the cleanliness of Batala city today. Officials of the Municipal Corporation were also present with him on this occasion. Constituency MLA Sherry Kalsi told that today they have inspected the cleanliness in Batala city. He said that Simbal Chowk, Bus Stand, Jalandhar Road, Cinema Road, Nehru Gate etc. He gave instructions to the sanitation workers to work honestly and diligently to keep Batala city clean. He asked the sanitation workers to ensure cleanliness in the city's wards including Gandhi Chowk, railway flyover and Bajara. He further said that with the support of the administration, the Municipal Corporation Batala will leave no stone unturned in keeping the city clean and tidy. He instructed the employees of Municipal Corporation Batala to divide the city into sectors and assign the duties of their employees in each sector so that every sanitation worker does not slacken in cleaning his sector on time and keeping the city of Batala clean.

SHS holds annual prize distribution function,
honours 46 meritorious studentsSUSHIL GOYAL
SANGRUR, DEC 30

Under the presidentship of Achhinder Dev Goyal, Sadhu Ashram Sarv Hitkari Vidyai Mandir (School), Sangrur, organised its annual prize distribution function in the premises of the school here.

On the occasion 46 meritorious students of 5th, 8th, 10th and 12th classes who got more than 90 percent marks in the examinations were honoured. Besides, six players who got second position in Vidyai Bharti National Rope Skipping Competition and seven other players were also honoured.

SP (D) Palwinder Singh (Arjuna Awardee) and Organising Secretary of Sarv Hitkari Education Society Rajinder Kumar were Chief Guests at the function. Director (Independent charge) of



NHPC of Energy Ministry Dr. Amit Kansal was also present. President of the school management committee Achhinder Dev Goyal said the school has planned to start N.C.C. (Air Force Wing), NSS and Scout / Guide wings for the bright future of the students. He said school management had also started table tennis, volleyball, badminton and throw ball games to promote sports among students in the school.

SP (D) Palwinder Singh and Rajinder Kumar appreciated the achievements of the

students. Palwinder Singh also appealed to the students to keep distance from social media platforms to achieve their respective goals and success in every sphere of the life in future. School Head Sushma Walia read annual report of the year 2021-22 and said that the results of the school remained 100 percent. On the occasion, over 300 students of the school presented cultural programme and took part in Bhangra, Malwai Gidda, Lawni, Rajasthani Dance, Haryanavi Dance, Qawali, Group Song etc events.

Police, public meeting held
by Nabha administrationRAKESH JINDAL
NABHA, DEC 30

According to the instructions of the Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann and the DGP of Punjab, instructions have been issued to keep the performance of the police in front of the public for 6 months across the state. Under which a police and public meeting was also held in Nabha Constituency. In this meeting, DSP Davinder Attri and SHO of all police stations presented their performance. The police appealed to the people to support the public in cracking down on bad elements. The people who came to the public meeting also appreciated the police that the

police has taken action against the drug addicts. This is the first time that the AAP government has put the big drug traffickers behind the bars. On this occasion, Nabha DSP Davinder Attri said that this meeting has been held between the police and the public and the police has also assured to support the public in every way because the bad elements are bent on ruining the young generation. And we are also catching them and sending them behind bars. He said that within 6 months we have registered cases against drug traffickers on a large scale and the DSP said that people should rise above any fear and tell the names of drug traffickers.

Seminar against drugs
conducted by Punjab policeKULWINDER KARWAL
SARDULGARH, DEC 30

Punjab Police from time to time tries to make people aware about the ill effects of drugs through various methods. In this sequence, under the direction of SSP Mansa Dr. Nanak Singh and under the guidance of DSP Sardulgarh Gobinder Singh, a public meeting was organized by Sardulgarh Police at Sweet Blossom School to make people aware about the ill-effects of drugs.

Addressing the people present on the spot, DSP Sardulgarh Gobinder Singh said that today Punjab is getting trapped in the drug gang. Where the youth of Punjab are losing their youth by falling prey to drugs, on the other



hand, mutual relations are also deteriorating. He said that the need today is that we all together wage a war against these drug traffickers, coordination between the police and the public is very important in this work.

On this occasion, he also shared his personal number with the people and said that if anyone in his knowledge is doing drug business, then they

should call the police and inform them so that these elements can be caught. On this occasion, SHO Jourkian, SHO Jhumir, Police team Sardulgarh and city patriarchs, trade union president Prem Garg, AAP leader Virsa Singh, Charandas, Jagga Brar, Baljinder Singh Kaka, Satish Kumar Lehri, Gora Lal Soni, Panch Sarpanch of the villages were also present.

Green Punjab Mission submits memorandum
to speaker Kuldar Singh Sandhwan

JAGRAON (SUKH NAHAR): Green Punjab Mission has submitted a memorandum to Punjab legislative assembly speaker Kuldar Singh Sandhwan in which they highlighted the issue of threatening climatic changes. Talking about the memorandum, association's members Satpal Singh Derhka and Kanchan Gupta said that they have reminded the government authorities that drinking water in Punjab is at the lowest levels and if nothing is done about this, Punjab shall turn into desert by year 2030 as mentioned in the reporters of WHO and green tribunal. They stated that the association has presented some suggestions to prevent Punjab from turning into desert and emphasized that 1/3rd part of Punjab should be under forest cover but currently only 3-5% of the total area is covered by trees. "In the memorandum, we suggested tree plantation in 1/3rd area of Panchayat, complete ban on cutting of trees, no tree should be cut for construction of roads, murder case should be filed for cutting trees and separate courts should be set up for "tree murder" cases, stricter laws should be formed for environment conservation," they stated.

564 students awarded
degrees during annual
convocation of IIT RoparBAHADURJEET SINGH
RUPNAGAR, DEC 30

As many as 564 students were awarded degrees during eleventh annual convocation of Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Ropar which was held in institute campus on Friday. The students who were awarded degrees include 64 from the Ph.D Programme 2 from the M.Tech, 138 from the M.Sc., 67 from the M.Sc., 281 from the B.Tech and 11 from the B.Tech-M.Tech dual degree. Besides this president and institute medal were also given to meritorious students on the occasion.

Founder and Chairman of Trident group Rajinder Gupta was the chief guest on the occasion while Chairman of Board of Governors of IIT Ropar Dr. K. Radhakrishnan also attended the convocation. In the annual report IIT Ropar director Prof. Rajeev Ahuja, provided a broad sketch of the Institute's achievements and accomplishments. In his convocation address Chief Guest Rajinder Gupta shared that, "We need knowledgeable leaders like you - educated experts who can help business and industry understand how to transform this information into usable intelligence."

Kuldeep Singh
Banshtu assumed
charge of OSD to CM



SHIMLA: Newly appointed OSD to Chief Minister Himachal Pradesh at Delhi Kuldeep Singh Banshtu assumed charge of his office at Himachal Bhawan, New Delhi today. He is a retired colonel from Indian Army. He served Indian Army for 26 years. He belongs to an orchardist family of Rohru in Himachal Pradesh. He also had a stint of 8 years with Ministry of Sports Gol as a sports consultant.

Sukhu releases song
composed by
Ravinder Thakur

SHIMLA: Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu today released a song composed on him. The song has been composed by Ravinder Thakur and has been directed by Congress candidate of assembly elections 2017 from Jogindernagar assembly segment Jeevan Thakur. The song has been sung by Sandeep Sharma and music was given by Anil Thakur. The Chief Minister appreciated the efforts of the whole team in this regard.

Delegation of Scouts
and Guides calls on CM



SHIMLA: A delegation of Scouts and Guides led by Director Higher Education Dr. Amarjeet Sharma called on Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu here today and apprised him of various activities of the organization. The Chief Minister, while appreciating the works being done by the Scouts and Guides, asked them to diversify their activities to benefit the society.

6 HP (Ind) Company NCC
Unit's Shruti selected for
R-Day Parade camp

JOGINDRA DEV ARYA
BANGANA: Shruti of NCC Unit of Atal Bihari Vajpayee Government Post Graduate College has been selected for the Republic Day Parade (Delhi Camp). This information was given by the Commanding Officer Colonel RK Saini (Army Medal). He said that it is a matter of pride for the entire unit that the cadet of our unit has been selected. Shruti is a resident of Marot Post Office Hatli village falling in Bangana Tehsil of District Una and B.Sc in Bangana College.

CM condoles the
demise of Smt.
Heeraben Modi

SHIMLA: Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu has condoled the sad demise of Smt. Heeraben Modi, mother of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. She was 100 years old. She breathed her last at around 3.30 am today morning. She was admitted to U N Mehta Institute of Cardiology and Research Centre in Ahmedabad earlier this week due to health issues. In his condolence message Chief Minister prayed to the Almighty to grant peace to the departed soul and strength to the bereaved family members to bear this irreparable loss.

HIMACHAL

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2022

Govt to start innovative schemes for redressal of public grievances: CM

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, DEC 30

Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu visited the multi storeyed parking building near Tutikandi here today. He directed the officers to ensure time bound shifting of major offices which were presently functioning from private building to this building which is lying vacant.

Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu said that all the dead walls must be removed and replaced with spacious windows to ensure proper ventilation of the complex. He said that charging stations for HRTC buses will be established on the top floor of the parking lot. He also directed the concerned authorities to ensure that no private buses were allowed to be parked in



above mentioned parking lot.

Later, the Chief Minister also visited the Chief Minister's Helpline office and envisaged

keen interest in the functioning of the Helpline. He directed the officers of IT Department to strengthen the functioning of the

Woman arrested with Heroin in Kangra district

DHARAMSHALA: A woman, resident of Hamota Patta, of Kangra district was arrested on Thursday under Narcotics Drug and Psychotropic Substances NDPS Act near Post Office Hamota, Tehsil Jwali, District Kangra district after 7.6 grams of heroin was seized from her possession, Police said here on Thursday. Kangra District Senior Superintendent of Police Khushal Chand Sharma told UNI today that under Police Station Jawali police recovered 7.6 grams of Heroin from Anjana Devi, a resident of Hamota Patta, Tehsil Jwali, District Kangra, at Hamota near post office late last evening. SSP Said that police arrested her under section 21-61-85 of NDPS Act at Jwali police station and the investigation was in progress.

Exhibition of art of painters of five countries in Art Museum

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, DEC 30

In the art exhibition, the painters highlighted all the problems caused by the rising temperature in nature. Arup Chandra, President of Society of Prabal Pramanik Kala Akademi (Panjabandh) and Kangra Art Museum, Dharamshala, Himachal Pradesh jointly organized by the painters have resolved to make paintings in their own style especially on world nature. And whether time will be fixed to discuss important points to understand the nature. Curator Ritu Malkotia has said that the program has been kept till 31 December 2022. The international art exhibition aims at conveying the message of climate change and all the problems caused by rising temperatures associated with nature and a major threat to the livelihood of the rural poor through art and paintings by painters from around the world. Prominent artists have



been selected from each country, this program is being organized to give a meaningful message through art. Where countries like Nepal, India, Egypt, Bangladesh, Russia, Germany, Barcelona are participating. Prominent Artists Prof. Ishwar Dayal, Dr. Bharat Bhushan, Seema Shah, Uma Shankar Shah, Kishore Nakarmi, Bipna Maharaj, Tauheed Shimule, Sushma Rajbhandari, Abhijeet Mallick, Saroj Mishra, Maria, Shvetkina, Elizabeth, Shrayansi Manu, Dr. Sharda Devara, Mamta Devara, Man Goldie, Dr. Laxman Prasad, Pradipta Biswas, Sarvinder Jeet Singh, Dr. Vik Kumar Shibdoyal, Dr. Sudipta Bhushan, Avijit Sarkar, Ajay Desher, Suraswar Dhalaye Kancha Kazi are participating.

Dy CM's aunt Kanta Agnihotri passes away



KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA, DEC 30

Kanta Agnihotri, aunt of Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri, passed away on Thursday. On hearing the news of his demise, the Deputy Chief Minister reached his native village Gondpur Jaichand late at night. The last rites of Kanta Agnihotri were performed on December 30 at village Godpur Jaichand in the presence of Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri, family members and residents of the area.

Meaningful life of mother is an inspiration to all: Dhumal

HAMIRPUR, DEC 30

Former HP Chief Minister cum-Senior BJP leader, Prem Kumar Dhumal while paying rich tributes to Maan Hira Ben said that the meaningful life of the mother, who educated Prime Minister Narendra



Modi with the valuable values of national interest struggle and sacrifice since childhood, is an inspiration for all. In a statement today, he said that while living life in difficult circumstances with unwavering faith in God, you dedicated your son to the country in the form of a Kohinoor diamond, who is raising the name of India all over the world today. The former chief minister prayed to God to give the departed soul a place at his holy feet and give strength to the bereaved Prime Minister, family members, well-wishers and supporters to bear patience in this sad hour.

Lecture on industrial revolution organised



JOGINDER DEV ARYA

BANGANA: Department of Political Science Atal Bihari Vajpayee Government College held lecture on fourth Industrial Revolution 4.0, Right to Information Act 2005 and Right to Education Act 2009 in India. Palak Thakur, a final year student, first expressed her views on Fourth Industrial Revolution 4.0, saying that Fourth Industrial Revolution 4.0 is a new term given to new digital industrial technologies, including Cyber-Physical Systems, Internet of Things, Cloud computing, cognitive computing, artificial intelligence, robotics, 3D printing, energy storage, and quantum computing are included. Industry 4.0, also known as the Fourth Industrial Revolution, will bring about more significant changes in the business environment. Due to such a technological revolution, traditional jobs will be replaced by new jobs in modern industry. After this, second year student Vishal Soni expressed his views on the Right to Education Act 2009 and said that 21(A) was added to 86 of the Constitution by the Amendment Act 2002, which provides that by enacting a state law, education should be provided in the age group of 6 to 14 years.

Ban on all tracking activities above 3000 meters

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, DEC 30

All trekking activities above 3000 meters in Kangra district have been completely banned till further orders. Deputy Commissioner Kangra Dr. Nipun Jindal has issued an order regarding its compliance today. Along with this, in view of the bad weather, special instructions have also been issued regarding tracking activities in the district. According to the order, for the permission of trekking on Kareri, Triund and Adi Himani Chamunda routes, it will be mandatory to obtain prior permission from the office of Superintendent of Police, Kangra. For its implementation, the Superintendent of Police, Kangra has been asked to depute adequate number of



police personnel in the office. They have also been urged that the police personnel must keep in mind the weather forecast issued by IMD Shimla while giving permission on the above routes. The order also states that all earlier permissions granted for trekking routes (Kareri, Triund, Himani Chamunda, etc.) will be deemed to be canceled when warnings or alerts are issued by IMD Shimla. However, the disaster management agencies NDRF, SDRF and the search and rescue teams of the Mountaineering

Center Mcleodganj and the police will be exempted from the above instructions. Dr. Nipun Jindal has asked the District Tourism Officer to instruct all the stakeholders associated with the tourism business of Kangra district to inform about the restrictions of tracking activities for all the tourists staying there. They have also been asked to inform about the penal provisions imposed by the district administration for violation. The Deputy Commissioner has instructed all the concerned departments to ensure compliance of the orders. Action will be taken against the person violating the order under section 188 of the IPC and sections 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act 2005. These instructions will be applicable till further orders.

Annapurna Seva Samiti to start food service for attendants of patients in Regional Hospital Solan

S GAUTAM
BADDI, DEC 30

An important meeting of the Annapurna Management Committee was held, in which on the arrival of the new year 2023, Annapurna Seva Samiti unanimously decided to start breakfast service to the attendants of the patients admitted in the Regional Hospital Solan in the morning.

All the members present in the meeting agreed to start breakfast service from Sunday, January 1, 2023. Committee chairman Satish Bansal said that it has also been decided in the meeting that the distribution of breakfast prasad will be started from 8.30 am. Since June 2018, with everyone's cooperation and support, the committee is continuously distributing midday meals to the Timardars in the form of Prasad. The committee has now decided to distribute breakfast prasad daily in the morning after lunch for the convenience of the Timardars.

Any one of our sisters/brothers who want to serve this Prasad can make their booking by contacting on the numbers given below. The contact number for booking is as follows: E. Balwant Singh, Joint Secretary 94180-81600, RP Rana Governing Body Member 98160-08724, Satish Bansal President, Annapurna Sewa Samiti, Solan 98160-75960.

5-day district level pre-primary training workshop concludes



SANJEEV MAHAJAN
NURPUR, DEC 30

The five-day district level pre-primary training workshop concluded under the overall education campaign at the Government Senior Secondary School Sulyali in Noorpur block. A five-day workshop was organized for those selected under the Star Project. Dharamshala Diet DPO Vinod Chaudhary participated as the chief guest

and in this closing ceremony Government Senior Secondary School Sulyali Principal Virendra Guleria, Primary Head Teacher Kusum Jasrotia, VRCC Shailendra Balauria and teachers of star schools from district Kangra were included. DPO Dharamshala DIET Vinod Chowdhary, in his address to all the teachers present in the workshop, asked them to pay special attention to the fact that if all the teachers teach the

children coming to the school as their own children, then all these children will go in a better direction. It is the duty of all teachers to learn and teach children in a better way. DPO Dyed Dharamshala Vinod Chaudhary said that World Bank money had come under the Star Project, in which six states of our country were selected, Himachal Pradesh is one of those six states, if we talk about Kangra district, 54 schools were selected.

Clash between two groups of youths at Kangra, two injured

KANGRA, DEC 30

Tension gripped the College Road area of Kangra temple town on Thursday when there was a clash between two groups of Youths over some issue. According to the reports there was an altercation between two groups of Youths which resulted in a clash leaving two persons injured. The two groups had earlier too indulged in a war of words but today it was a physical altercation. The clash took place on the famous college road adjacent to Kangra Municipal ground, a private college and two private schools. Following beating and attack two persons were injured including a MCM DAV College student who was rushed to hospital and was given medical aid. The injured youth alleged that he was attacked with hockey and sharp edged weapons by a student of MCM DAV College and a group of outsiders. The police was informed by the local shopkeepers about the clash on phone however police reached the spot after half an hour despite the fact the police station is at the stones throw distance from the site of the clash. Police has registered two cases following two cross FIRs registered by both the groups and the investigation was in progress, police told an news agency. Local people alleged that the law and order situation was deteriorating in the town with police a mute spectator to the situation. They said that thousands of students use college road daily which include girl students but there is not a single police personnel deputed in the area to keep an eye on the antisocial elements. To avoid such incidents the deployment of the police in area seems to be essential and unavoidable.

BJP councilors issue no-confidence motion against Reena Sharma

ANWAR HUSSAIN
NALAGARH, DEC 30

Atmosphere got hot in the Municipal Council for President case. Today, outside the SDM office, BJP councilors have issued a no-confidence motion against BJP's rebel Reena Sharma. A few days ago, supporting independent candidate KL Thakur in the assembly elections has cost her dearly. Reena Sharma was in support of the BJP until the BJP ticket was not decided, but as soon as the assembly elections were announced and ticket allotment took place, along with KL Thakur being a rebel, other supporters of the party were also behind KL Thakur. Reena Sharma is facing the brunt of the same today. On the other hand, Reena Sharma had to prove



her majority on this day but she did not reach SDM office and 5 councilors of BJP have issued no-confidence motion against her. They urged DC

Solan to fill the vacant post for the post of President in Municipal Council as Reena Sharma lost confidence of councillors.

RBU to introduce new courses, offer more scholarships

LK BANSAL
MOHALI: The Rayat Bahra University has decided to introduce new courses of study keeping in view the demand of the employment market. These new technical and job-oriented courses would have immense employment potential for the students in different sectors. More scholarships would also be started in the forthcoming session. Announcing this at a media briefing here today, Gurvinder Singh Bahra, Chancellor of the Rayat Bahra University, said that besides the new courses the university would also offer more scholarships in the coming session. He said that the University had already introduced a large number of new age courses in collaboration with top multinational companies to increase the employment potential of the students. The University, one of the best in this part of the country, offers attractive scholarship schemes, has the highest placement record.

Southern Command undertakes Gram Seva-Desh Seva campaign



RAJ SADOH
ABOHAR: Southern Command of the Indian Army undertook the "Gram Seva - Desh Seva" campaign in 75 remotely located border villages in the state of Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka, Telangana, Tamil Nadu and Gujarat today. Under the theme of "Gram Seva - Desh Seva", this day-long drive saw the conduct of joint Swachhta Abhiyaan, by the Army personnel and village residents. Medical Camps were also organised by the Army for preliminary screening wherein free medicine worth Rs 15 Lakhs was distributed in remote areas. The village youth were also enlightened about the Agniweer Scheme and motivated to join the Armed Forces as a career. Sports competitions were conducted between the village youth and the Army Jawans. Post the match, Army Units presented sports items worth Rs 10 Lakhs to the village youth and urged them to develop sportsmen like spirit in life.

"Think & act big is in the DNA of LPU": Chancellor



ASHOK KAURA
PHAGWARA: Three-day 21st Annual Conference "Share the Vision" of Lovely Professional University (LPU) concluded at its campus, where all LPU faculty and staff members participated avidly. Counting year-long achievements in diverse fields; the vision up to 2025 was put forth for future growths. On this occasion, more than 600 university employees were also honoured with 20, 15, 10 & 5 Years' long 'Association Awards' for providing their valuable services. LPU Chancellor Dr Ashok Kumar Mittal invoked faculty & staff members to continue working in exemplary ways, which would surely be followed by the world. He inspired all by quoting, "Think & act big is in the DNA of LPU". On this occasion, various achievements made in academics, research, placements, accreditations, rankings & awards, scientific & technological competitions, sports & cultural activities and more were shared. Recollecting various milestones covered in previous years since LPU's inception in 2005; Dr Mittal suggested to adopt quality teaching and learning for innovations & placements; research works for illustrious rankings; sports & culture to propagate nationalism through global achievements; and, community services to turn students into globally responsible citizens. Suggestions for all were to create an innovative education system not only for the country but for the world also. Be pioneers in doings by aiming at sustainable development goals. Use your potentialities as are used in a democratic set up for the country and the world. LPU Pro Chancellor Mrs Rashmi Mittal; Vice Chancellor Dr Preeti Bajaj; Pro Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Sanjay Modi; Vice President of LPU Dr Aman Mittal also graced the occasion through their addressing for decisive togetherness and joint endeavours.

The conference was also comprising its second part 'Sanidhya', which recognized the services of Faculty/Staff members in the form of 'Association Award' to cherish their long association with the university. Many staff activities including LPU IPL cricket matches, songs, dances, and a four kms long walk in the lap of nature were also organized.

Kharar MC passes various dev work items worth Rs 45 crore

SHASHI PAL JAIN
KHARAR, DEC 30

In the meeting of Kharar Municipal Council under the chairmanship of President Jaspreet Kaur Logian today, there was a lot of discussion among the various members and development resolutions worth about 45 crores in various parts of Kharar work approved.

It is worth mentioning that in today's meeting, Kharar MLA and Cabinet Minister Anmol Gagan Mann and Chamkaur Sahib MLA Charanjit Singh did not participate. Many a time scene of fish market work seen in the meeting. At the beginning of the meeting, there was a lot of bickering among themselves regarding the resolution to confirm the proceeding of previous meeting which was held on 24th June 2022. In the meeting, AAP leader Ram Saroop



Sharma, Manpreet Singh Man-na, Gobindar Singh Cheema's senior leader of Akali Party, Man Singh Saini, were involved in a dispute over an issue. Similarly Mann Singh Saini and Rajinder Singh Nabardar were about to reach a scuffle but the other counselors calmed them down. On this occasion, there was a lot of debate between Council President Jaspreet Kaur Logian and senior member Harinder Pal Singh Jolly regarding an issue,

and the President said that personal attacks should not be made against her because she has not done anything on any land of Municipal Council. In the meeting, Rajbir Singh Raji, Sohan Singh Chhajumajra, Gobindar Singh Cheema have demanded that boards should be placed on the land of Municipal Council by marking that this land belongs to Council. They said that there is illegal encroachment on the land of the council and they have

repeatedly brought this matter to the attention of the authorities.

Cheema also said that flats are being constructed illegally on the land of his village. Similarly, regarding the works included in the agenda of Darpan City, Prime City, etc., Manpreet Singh Manna, Gobindar Singh Cheema, Gurjit Singh questioned that they should be informed weather these colonies have been handed over to the Council.

New village unit of Bharatiya Kisan Union Ekta Dakonda formed



KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA, DEC 30

Today, the election of the village unit of Handiyaya village of Barnala block of Bharatiya Kisan Union Ekta Dakonda was held under the leadership of the block president Parminder Handiyaya.

At this time, District Vice President Inder Pal Singh was specially present. At this time, all the villagers who agreed with the

pro-farmer ideology of BKU Ekta Dakonda unanimously elected a total of 62 member committee. Out of which 12 key officials were selected whose names are as follows - Unit President Jathedar Surjit Singh Jalal Ka, Senior Vice President Bhola Singh, General Secretary Balkaran Singh, Vice President Gurdeep Singh, Vice President Roop Singh Jalal Ka, Vice President Kulwinder Singh, Vice President Babu Singh Du-

lat, Press Secretary Amrik Singh, Organizing Secretary Gurvinder Singh Aulakh, Treasurer Gurdeep Singh Ramnavasia, Joint Treasurer Surinder Singh Bhullar, Secretary Mahinder Singh. At this time the full block committee Sikandar Singh Brown, Mela Singh Khuddi Kalan, Mahender Singh Aspal Kalan, Darshan Bawa Dhanula, Basant Singh Sanghera etc. were present as election observers.

Govt is responsible for delay in over bridge: Amit Vij



BUREAU
PATHANKOT, DEC 30

Former MLA and treasurer of Punjab Pradesh Congress Amit Vij thanked the government for releasing an amount of 1 crore 81 lakh for the Dhaki Railway Over Bridge and said that this bridge is like a lifeline for the people of Pathankot.

This Dhaki Railway Over Bridge was approved during the tenure of his MLA and the then Congress government, understanding the problems of the people of Pathankot. He said in a statement issued here that the approval of this project had to be taken from the Legislative

Punishment of drug addicts by Gram Panchayat of Dhanula Khurd

BARNALA (KULDEEP SOOD): The decision was taken by the Panchayat of nearby village Dhanula Khurd in consultation with the religious and social bodies of the village Committee Gurdwara Shri Guru Granth Sahib Committee, Mandir Baba Ramthaman Committee, Baba Ravidas Dharamshala and various clubs. The Gram Panchayat warns the users of heroin or any medical drug or poppy etc. and those who sell such drugs as well as the village shopkeepers who sell jarda, beedi, cigarettes, tobacco, gutka etc. All drug sales should be stopped by 31 December 2022. If any shopkeeper is caught selling any drug, he will be fined five thousand rupees and those who inject drugs etc. Others who do medical drugs will be admitted to a de-addiction centre or hospital for treatment, otherwise, they will be caught and admitted to de-addiction centres with the help of the police.

Civil Surgeon inspects renovation, construction work at health centers



SHASHI PAL JAIN
MOHALI, DEC 30

Civil Surgeon Dr. Adarshpal Kaur today visited various Health Centers which are soon being upgraded as 'Aam Aadmi Clinics'. She first visited the Urban Primary Health Center at Mundi Kharar and reviewed the ongoing renovation and construction work there.

She instructed the officials that the repair and construction work must be completed within the stipulated time and there should be no

deficiency in the standard of work. She went to various rooms of the health center and made a thorough inspection and also inquired about the required medical equipment, availability of medicines etc. After this, Dr. Adarshpal Kaur visited Urban Primary Health Center at Santemajra, Mini Primary Health Center at Landra and Majat and inspected the health facilities being provided to the people. The Civil Surgeon said that a total of 20 such health centers are being upgraded as Aam Aadmi

Clinics in the district. The construction and renovation work in these centres is going on at war level. According to the government's plan, these centers will be dedicated to the public as Aam Aadmi clinics on January 26. She added that the health department is fully committed to provide quality and efficient health facilities to the people of the district. With the establishment of these clinics, the health facilities provided to the people will surely improve and they will get good facilities near their homes.

Guv Punjab condoles demise of Prime Minister's Mother

CHANDIGARH, DEC 30: The Punjab Governor and Administrator, UT, Chandigarh, Shri Banwarilal Purohit expressed profound grief at the sudden demise of Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi's mother.

In the condolence message, Shri Purohit said "Losing a loved one is extremely painful, but there is nothing as tragic as losing a parent, especially the mother. She stands with her children through all turmoils and happy times. Ever present in our lives, she forever will remain in our memory even when she passes away into the ages". He said that the loss of respected Heeraba is irreparable and offered his deepest and heartfelt condolences. He prayed that the Almighty might give Hon'ble Prime Minister and his family the strength to bear the tragic loss. May God grant eternal peace to the departed soul and may the family find peace comfort and courage in the days to come.

Gunman of Union MOS Som Parkash died in accident

PHAGWARA (ASHOK KAURA): Akshpreet Singh (21) Gunman of Union MOS Som Parkash posted at his Phagwara residence was killed on the spot while his friend Yudhbir Singh sustained injuries when their Creta Car in which both were travelling dashed against a tree near Ramneek Chowk Kapurthala on midnight last night. The accident occurred when the deceased lost his control from the vehicle. The injured Yudhbir has been admitted to Kapurthala hospital.

Municipal officials visits Ward 7 under Mera Shehar Mera Maan Yojana



PATHANKOT (SHARANJEET): Municipal officials visited Ward 7 under Mera Shehar Mera Maan Yojana. Corporation officials under the leadership of Superintendent Engineer Satish Saini met the ward residents and listened to their difficulties.

Along with SE Satish Saini, Secretary Rahul Sharma, SDO Pankaj Hans, JE Darshan Lal, JE Mehar Singh, Health Inspector along with Chief Sanitary Inspector Deepak Kumar were also present. On the occasion, Aam Aadmi Party youth leader Abhi Sharma informed the Municipal Corporation officials about all the problems including broken roads, stalled construction work of drains, street lights, overflow sewerage. Abhi Sharma said that the condition of Lamin road of the ward is very pathetic. Everyday people are getting hurt. Apart from this, the work of the drain on the side of the backside road of the swimming pool has stopped. There is a problem of sewerage overflow, even after several complaints the problem remains the same. SE Satish Saini said that the main objective of this campaign is to solve the problems of the people prominently. He said that as soon as the look plot starts, the Lamin road will be made, the problem of sewerage will also be solved in time.

Countdown BJP-JJP govt in state starts : Hooda

SUMER GARG
HISAR, DEC 30

Regarding the preparations for the Bharat Jodo (Connect India) rally to be held in Panipat on January 6, Member of Parliament, Deepender Hooda held a meeting with the workers of Hisar, Sirsa and Fatehabad districts at the Congress Bhavan here and handed over the responsibilities to all.

While welcoming the Bharat Jodo (connect) Yatra entering Haryana from Sonoli border on January 5 in the second phase of Haryana and inviting the historic Bharat Jodo rally to be held in Panipat on January 6 said that this rally would break all the records so far. He said that the people suffering from unemployment, inflation and corruption have made up their mind to change the government. The countdown of the BJP-JJP government has started in the state. The wide-



spread public support being received for the Bharat Yatra has given sleepless nights to the BJP leaders. This is the reason why the Govt is adopting all kinds of tactics to stop the yatra. But people have now understood the anti-people policy and intentions of the BJP alliance government.

Under the leadership of Rahul Gandhi, large number of people from Hisar, Sirsa and Fatehabad will also reach the Panipat rally and will also participate in the Bharat Jodo Yatra, he added. He further said that the yatra got unprecedented support in the first phase in Haryana. Which

is a symbol of the fact that due to the austerity of Rahul Gandhi, people's faith in the Congress party has increased even more. People in Haryana are completely fed up with the government due to record breaking unemployment, price rise, rampant corruption.

The people of Haryana also have been disenchanted with the discriminatory policies of BJP-JJP. Earlier, Member of Parliament, Deepender Hooda addressed a press conference at the residence of senior state spokesperson of Haryana Congress, Mr. Bajrang Garg.

There will be an unprecedented gathering in Punjab during journey: Raja Waring



RAWEL BHINDER
PATIALA, DEC 30

The Bharat Jorro yatra being taken out by the former President of All India Congress Rahul Gandhi will come to Punjab on January 11. The next route of this yatra will be made public after discussions with the High Command.

Regarding this arrival, Punjab Congress has started preparations with full force. A large number of senior leaders including Punjab Congress President Amarinder Singh Raja Waring, Deputy Leader of Opposi-

tion Raju Kumar Chabewal and Media Coordinator Bharat Jorro Yatra Sandeep Singla arrived at a function at Bhadson Road Petrol Pump today to take stock of the preparations.

Addressing the media during a press conference here, Raja Waring said that during the Bharat Jorro Yatra, there were lapses in the security of our leader Rahul Gadhri at many places in Delhi yesterday. Therefore, our High Command has informed the Home Department about making strict arrangements for their safety in other states including Punjab.

Warm farewell to ADPR Dr. Opinder Singh Lamba on his Superannuation



CHANDIGARH, DEC 30

The officers and staff of the Information and Public Relations Department, Punjab today gave a warm farewell to the Additional Director Dr. Opinder Singh Lamba on his superannuation.

Dr. Lamba has retired after putting in 36 years of distinguished services. In an impressive function held here at Punjab Bhawan, the Principal Sec-

retary, Information and Public Relations Mr. Rahul Bhandari and Additional Director (Admn) Mr. Sandeep Singh Garha and other officers lauded the flawless services rendered by Dr. Lamba and said that the exemplary hard work, dedication and perseverance exhibited by Dr. Lamba will ever inspire his colleagues and other staff members to discharge their responsibility with full zeal and dedication. The offi-



cers also said that Dr. Lamba had been an asset to the department and his retirement has created a void that will be difficult to fill. Wishing Dr. Opinder Singh Lamba a healthy and prosperous post-retirement life, the officers wished him a bright future ahead with constructive engagement in his favourite field of Law.

The officers expressed hope that he will continue his literary pursuit in future too and

come out with continuous publications.

They also said that after the successful completion of his long professional career, Dr. Lamba will be able to spare more time for his family besides discharging his social responsibilities more efficaciously. While appreciating Dr. Lamba for his passion for further higher studies despite hectic schedule of PR job and done Ph.D on "Changing Strategies

and Technologies of Public Relations in Government, Public and Private Sector: A Comparative Analysis", the Senior officers also urged the headquarters and districts officers to hone their skills by upgrading their education as was done by Dr. Lamba. In his address, Dr. Lamba shared his experiences in the department and thanked the seniors for supporting him during his entire career. On the occasion, Dr. Lamba was given

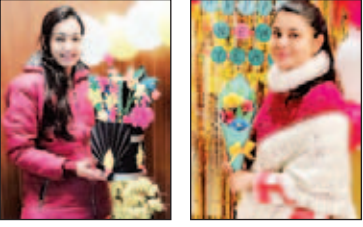
a token of love by the officers of the department. Prominent amongst others present included Mr. Randeep Singh Ahluwalia and Mr. Harjit Singh Grewal (both Joint Directors), Mr. Ishwinder Singh Grewal, Ms. Shikha Nehra and Mr. Manwinder Singh (all Deputy Directors), IPROs, DPROs, APROs, and other officers of the department, besides family members of Dr. Lamba.

Apeejay College
published his first
collection of poetry



HARPREET SINGH LEHAL
JALANDHAR: Continuing with the cultural and literary tradition of the college, Sandeep Singh of Apeejay College of Fine Arts Jalandhar published his first collection of poetry at South Asian Cultural Center, Oxford University. The preface of the book is written by Punjabi laureate, Padam Shree Dr. Surjit Patar and Lakhwinder Singh Johal, Secretary of Punjab Kala Parishad. Principal Dr. Neerja Dhingra congratulated him and said that literature always guide its admirers and readers about the various stages of life. She added, hopefully this book of Sandeep acts as an inspiration for our students too. On this occasion, Yash Sathi Ludhianvi, Nuzhat Abbas, Mahinderpal Abbas Muhammad, Mantej Singh, Rupali Razdan and other writers living in the UK were present.

Innocent Hearts
College welcomes
New Year 2023 with
glee and gaiety



JALANDHAR: The student-teachers of Innocent Hearts College of Education, Jalandhar celebrated the new year's party with the title 'Skilled India 2023' incorporating the theme 'Dream big, stay positive, work hard and enjoy the journey ahead.' In order to enhance the creativity, imagination and cognitive skills of the student-teachers, various competitions were organized in which all the student-teachers prepared artistic items and milk-based products with economic value for gifting and sharing in the new year eve. These activities aimed at providing experiential learning and work education for getting better job prospects in the future. Beautiful digital cards were created and gifted by student-teachers. The celebration continued with best wishes and blessings from the Principal Dr. Arjinder Singh and faculty members. Sakshi Thakur achieved first prize in decoration contest. Nandini Luthra achieved first prize in bouquet-making competition. Preeti bagged first position in preparing sweets. All wished each other peace, harmony, prosperity, physical, mental and spiritual well-being in the coming year and in the years to come.

Delegations and
general public
congratulates CM



DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA: Delegations and the general public from different parts of the State called on the Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu here today and congratulated him on becoming the Chief Minister of the State. A delegation of Banjar led by MLA Kullu Sunder Singh Thakur honoured the Chief Minister by presenting him with a Himachali cap and shawl. It also apprised the Chief Minister about various developmental needs of the area and invited him to visit the assembly constituency. Delegations from Barsar and Galore area of Hamirpur district also met the Chief Minister and congratulated him on assuming the office of the Chief Minister. Another delegation of Municipal Corporation Solan also called on the Chief Minister and apprised him about various issues pertaining to functioning of the Corporation.

Dr. Ranjit Singh appointed as
President of National Industries Wing



CHET RAM RATAN
NAWANSHAHR: All India Human Rights Council will honor the persons serving humanity in India, Punjab society. National President Asa Singh Talwandi said that Dr. Ranjit Singh appointed as President National Industries Wing. Ludhiana District Chairman Industries Wing Maninderjit Singh, Harjinder Singh Punal appointed as Chairman. Bibi Jasveer Kaur Sekhupura appointed as Crime wing. He congratulated all the countrymen for the new year and Lahori. On the martyrdom day of Chaar Sahabzade, tribute was paid to Shahida and prayed for the safety of Sarbat. Pradhan Talwandi also appealed to the youth to stay away from dangerous drugs like white and also appealed to the Punjab government to ban China door.



YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2022

Manufacturing at Noida-based pharma
company halted: Health Minister

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, DEC 30

Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya on Friday said that all the manufacturing activities of the Noida-based pharma company have been stopped in view of the reports of contamination in cough syrup Dokl Max.

"Following inspection by @CDSCO_INDIA_INF [Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation] team in view of reports of contamination in cough syrup Dokl Max, all manufacturing activities of Marion Biotech at NOIDA unit have been stopped yesterday night, while further investigation is ongoing," Mansukh Mandaviya said in a tweet.

Noida-based pharma Marion Biotech has come under a cloud as reports of children dying after consuming cough syrup made here came in from Uzbekistan.



The matter is under investigation.

The company is waiting for the reports as it needs to be found out why cases came from a single hospital in Uzbekistan.

"We await the reports, factory was inspected. We have halted the production of all medicines. It needs to be found

why cases came from a single hospital there. Our products also go to other countries," Marion Biotech Pharma Company legal head Hasan Harris said.

Health Ministry of Uzbekistan had claimed on Wednesday that as many as 18 children had died of acute respiratory disease after

Burning fireplace inside the room is dangerous: DC

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

KARNAL: Deputy Commissioner Karnal Anish Yadav told the general public that lighting a fireplace in a closed room can be fatal. Common people should not do this at all. This increases the level of carbon monoxide gas inside the room, which can also kill a person. He said that the general public should be very careful about this. Deputy Commissioner Anish Yadav said that these days it is cold weather in North India. In such a situation, some people go to sleep by burning the fireplace inside the room. Doing so is harmful to your health. A large amount of carbon monoxide is released when wood and coal are burned. Carbon monoxide is considered very harmful to the human body. This can cause a person to faint. In a closed room, carbon monoxide dissolves and gradually reduces oxygen. This can result in death. The Deputy Commissioner has suggested that the general public take maximum precautions.

4.17 lakh households of Patiala district
recieves zero power bills: Harpal Cheema



**RAKESH JINDAL/
RAWEL BHINDER**
PATIALA, DEC 30

Punjab Finance, Planning and Taxation and Excise Minister Harpal Singh Cheema, as the minister in charge of Patiala district, on Friday while reviewing the various ongoing development works in the district, directed the officials to resolve the grievances of the people on priority besides completing all the ongoing projects in a time bound manner. While presiding over the review meeting of the development works at the District Administrative Complex here, Mr Harpal Singh Cheema said that the Punjab government, under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, has been fulfilling every

promise made to the people of the state. The AAP government in Punjab has also fulfilled its promise of providing 300 units of free electricity per month and as such 4.17 lakh, domestic consumers of district Patiala getting the relief of Rs. 196.20 crores, have received zero electricity bills, Cheema added. On this occasion, Health Minister Chetan Singh Jouramajra, MLAs Ajitpal Singh Kohli, Dr Balbir Singh, Harmeet Singh Pathanmajra, Neena Mittal, Gurdev Singh Dev Mann, Gurlal Ghanoor and Kulwant Singh Bajigar and District Planning Committee Chairman Jassi Sohanwala were also present, who raised various issues, on which the Finance Minister asked the officials to take the required action.

2 accused arrested for
stealing mobile phones,
purses from house

RAMAN GUPTA
KAITHAL, DEC 30

According to the instructions of SP Maqsood Ahmed, ASI Randeep Singh of the police station city police, investigating the case of stealing mobile phones and purses from the house. Arjun and Ankit alias Shubham, residents of Sirta Road Kaithal, were arrested by the team. A police spokesman said that according to the complaint of Pawan Kumar, a resident of Mahadev Colony, Kaithal, on the night of August 20, unknown persons stole three mobile phones and a purse from his house. Regarding which a case was registered in the police station. 3 stolen mobile phones were recovered from the possession of both the accused. Both the accused will be produced in the court on Friday, from whom extensive interrogation is being done by the police.



Birthday of Lord Shri
Krishna celebrated



VINOD DHIMAN

JAGADHARI: The birthday of Lord Shri Krishna was celebrated by the devotees by cutting a cake on the fifth day within the ongoing Srimad Bhagwat Katha by ISKCON Prachar Samiti. The material world has been called Bhavsagar. Whoever comes to this material world will have to suffer the pains of birth, death, old age, and disease. The medicine for these troubles is the story of God. The story of God attracts Shivji, Brahmaji, the four Kumaras, etc. Lord Shri Krishna is telling Arjuna in the Gita that, "O Arjuna, my birth and deeds are divine, and those who listen to the stories of my birth and deeds know me from the elements." And those devotees who know me from the element do not have to come back to this material world; they will directly go to my abode, Vaikunth. The story of Lord Shri Krishna ji frees a person's mind from suffering. In today's time, 88% of the diseases are of the mind; the diseases of the body are only 12%. Our mind becomes powerful by telling the story of Lord Shri Krishna, it adds spiritual power to our mind.

Jerseys give to 219 children by Narayan
Seva Sansthan in village Taragarh

RAMAN GUPTA
KAITHAL, DEC 30

The helpless and poor people are troubled in the bitter cold, Narayan Seva Sansthan is becoming their support in the bitter cold by providing jerseys and blankets to these people. In this series, the Kaithal branch of Narayan Seva Sansthan today, on December 30. Gifted free jerseys to 219 needy children in the government school of village Taragarh, district Kaithal. In the morning, Dr. Vivek Garg, Head of the Kaithal branch team, Patron Satpal Mangla, Service Pracharak Gyanchand Bhalia, Sher Singh, Pawan Sharma, Sumit Chaudhary and Somnath village reached the government school in Taragarh. Amarnath, the head teacher of the school present there welcomed the team of Narayan Seva Sansthan and told all the



children about the service projects being done by this Sansthan for the disabled and needy people. Dr. Vivek Garg, head of branch Kaithal, while addressing all the children, told them about the importance of education and told them that by getting good education, they too can make their lives come true and one day become a good person and contribute to the

society. After this, all the teachers and members of Narayan Seva Sansthan presented Jasia free of cost to 219 children one by one, on receiving which all the children were very happy. In the end, all the teachers and Principal Hakam Singh expressed their gratitude and thanks to the team of Narayan Seva Sansthan for their selfless service.

Farewell programme organised on
retirement of IFS Dr. Surajbhan Chandela

RK KASHYAP
CHHCHHIROLI, DEC 30

On the occasion of the retirement of IFS Dr. Surajbhan Chandela, District Forest Officer, a farewell programme was organised by the Forest Department Yamunanagar in the Forest Department office. In which the chief guest was DFO Yamunanagar Dr. Surajbhan Chandela and special guest Forest and Education Minister Chaudhary Kanwar Pal Gurjar, Forest and Education Minister Chaudhary Kanwar Pal Gurjar, while addressing the guests present in the programme on the occasion of the retirement of IFS Dr. Surajbhan Chandela, District Forest Officer, said that the working style of Dr. Surajbhan Chandela has been praiseworthy. Ever since he took charge of the Yamunanagar District Forest Officer, he has laid more and more emphasis on the work of plantation. Due to the government's plan and their working style, fruit gardens have been planted in more than half a dozen panchayats of the district under their guidance, which will become a good source of income for the panchayats in the future.



He said that the work done to plant orchards on Panchayati land in Begunpur, Leather Khadar, Shahzad Wala, Bahadurpur, and Ranipur is commendable. The education minister said that he has always done his work with full devotion and honesty. The department will always remember the work he did. After the retirement of Dr. Surajbhan Chandela, the department will continue to do plantation work under his guidance. The chairman of the Haryana Staff Selection Commission, Bhopal Khadri, who was present at the farewell ceremony on this occasion and who appreciated his working style, said that Surajbhan Chandela has done commendable work in the department. Dr. Surajbhan Chandela has given his services in different positions in the Forest Department for 20 years and 2 months. He had earlier held the position of manager at SBI Bank.

Workshop on mitigation strategies
to combat climate change



DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, DEC 30

The Department of Environmental Science, Dr. Yashwant Singh Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni in collaboration with Ambuja Cement Foundation, Darlaghat organized a workshop on the theme 'Ways to fight climate change' to find out the sector-wise adaptation and mitigation strategies to combat climate change. The workshop brought together more than a dozen experts from environmental science, agriculture, horticulture and animal husbandry sectors, members of the watershed development team, members of climate-proofing projects and farmers to jointly discuss the causes and impacts of climate change on these various sectors as well as suitable adaptation and mitigation strategies. Over 100 participants took part in the workshop and discussed the problems faced due to climate change. Dr. SK Bhardwaj, Coordinator cum head of the department briefed about the status of climate change and its global challenge.

Youth should focus on positive things
instead of negative ones: Renu Sulag

MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI, DEC 30

The Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan, an autonomous organisation of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, organised the closing ceremony of the three-day residential youth leadership and community development training program, in which the Chief Guest, Additional District Collector Vaishali, remained. The programme was started by District Youth Officer Renu Silag by welcoming the chief guest and other guests present in the program. Motivating the youth, District Youth Officer Renu Sulag said that they should focus on positive things instead of negative ones. She says that a leader is not only a politician; a leader is a person who takes different types of people along. Inspiring the youth, Chief Guest Mrs. Vaishali stated that they had received information about the schemes based on what they had learned during the three-day training. They should not keep it to themselves but rather share it with everyone in the village and motivate the youth to do more publicity. She said that the foundation of leadership rests on speaking the most; your thinking should be such that all the companions accept it; the youth should be truthful, loyal, and objective; both of these things teach us morality. Along with this, she told them to work in any field, don't copy anyone's idea, and adopt their skills.



MLA Ramkumar Kashyap raises problem in
winter session of assembly of Indri Halke

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In the winter session of the Haryana Vidhansabha last day, all the MLAs of the state kept the main demands related to their constituencies in the House. Giving information in this episode, Indri MLA Ramkumar Kashyap said that being a people's representative, in the winter session of the Vidhansabha, he also drew attention to the demands of the people of Indri Vidhansabha and put forth demands to complete as soon as possible. In the winter session of Vidhansabha, MLA Ramkumar Kashyap, keeping the demand related to Haryana Roadways buses, said that due to less number of buses in the roadways depot, there is obstruction in the traffic,



due to which the people including students have to travel between the villages and the city. There is a lot of difficulty in commuting. People have to face accidents due to overcrowding of buses. That's why they demand that the number of buses should be increased in their constituency for the convenience of the passengers. While demanding the shortage of rural sweepers in the House, he said that today the number of

sweepers is very less in proportion to the population. He said that keeping in mind cleanliness and hygiene, the shortage of rural sweepers should be removed. He thanked the Chief Minister Manohar Lal and the government for setting up the Scheduled Caste Commission and demanded the formation of the Mati Kala Board, saying that with its formation, the problems of Prajapati Samaj would be solved soon. Along with this, he demanded the unregistered medicine providers in the villages and rural areas in the house and demanded from the government that after listing all these, they should be registered by training them so that these people can fearlessly provide their services, because of Corona He has contributed a lot in the past.

MLA Harvinder Kalyan expresses deep
grief over demise of PM Modi's mother



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

GHARAUNDA/KARNAL: Gharaunda MLA Harvindra Kalyan has expressed deep sorrow over the demise of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's mother, Heeraben Modi. He along with party workers observed 2 minutes silence for the departed soul. MLA Harvindra Kalyan said that the life of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's mother is a symbol of ideals. The Prime Minister molded her ideals in life. I am deeply saddened by the demise of Prime Minister's mother, it is impossible to compensate her. MLA Harvindra Kalyan expressed condolences to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his entire family in this hour of grief. Workers including Divisional President Naresh Kumar, Block Committee Chairman Representative Mahendra Kamla, Vice Chairman Representative Sunil Dua, Divisional General Secretary Rajesh Jogi were present.

EDITORIAL

Inner turmoil

Are the feelings of fear, hate and anger that overwhelm us today emerging from just the recent past? Or are they being aggravated by the incessant multiple and multidirectional bombardment? Given my caste, sex and gender privileges, I have not really known violence in its stark avatar. When violence is not an everyday emotional and physical reality, life seems calmer, even prettier. For Muslims, Dalits, women and transpeople of this country, life has always been about facing compounded percentages of aggression.

But even members of marginalised communities point to a difference between the past and the present. They agree that something has changed. Social media has accentuated and exaggerated our feelings but it is not the cause for the explosion of violence. In the past, despite society's oppressive nature, contestation was a possibility. There was breathing space, collectives could come together, and hate-mongers were periodically pushed back. Today, institutional sanction, violence becoming a badge of honour, and indemnity from punishment have led to a normalised state of fear. Many of us have responded by retreating into our shells and securing our own safety. Except for signing letters, writing periodic columns and the occasional meeting, many of us remain closeted in our homes. Those who do not have this luxury face the wrath of man's worst qualities. Ironically, it is we — the protected privileged — who write reams on revitalising on-the-street activism!

Let us keep that aside for a moment and ask a deeper question. As so-called public intellectuals, how have we addressed hate and anger in our discourse? We explain them in terms of cause and effect or seek solutions in the philosophies and public actions of a Gandhi, an Ambedkar or a Nehru. These reminders are supposed to be learnings. But, more often than not, they turn out to be nostalgic recollections that lead nowhere. It is said that when a famous writer was asked how he writes so brilliantly, he responded, "because I do not read".

Of course, this is not to be taken literally, but there is something profound that can be drawn from that thought. Irrespective of whether the impact is positive or negative, the past is a burden. Every time we seek to understand the life around us, instead of observing reality acutely, we reach backwards and hope that someone has already provided the answer. The past is our crutch, an escape from the hard, unforgiving reflection and action that are needed.

Number of seriously ill COVID patients surges in China

China's medical system is straining as the number of seriously ill COVID patients is reportedly surging in Beijing and other parts of the country, reported NHK World.

Coronavirus infections have been spreading rapidly in many regions since the Chinese government eased its strict pandemic restrictions on December 7.

However, the Chinese Government continue to downplay the Covid related deaths in the country even though the hospitals are getting overwhelmed.

In order to conceal the actual figures of deaths related to Covid, the Government has now decided (December 20) that only deaths caused by pneumonia and respiratory failure would now be counted as Covid deaths. The number of such patients is also increasing in China's inland provinces, where medical facilities and personnel are less equipped to deal with an outbreak, reported NHK World. At an emergency care department at a hospital in Anhui Province, the entire medical staff have reportedly tested positive for Covid-19.

With no backup available, they are apparently staying on duty while taking fever medication. The department is reportedly examining more than 1,000 people a day, prioritizing those at higher risk, such as the elderly and patients with underlying health conditions, reported NHK World.

Meanwhile, with the Lunar New Year approaching, there is a high probability that the number of Covid cases in China may witness a further steep rise.

Although there is a high vaccination rate, the low effectiveness of Sinopharm and Coronovac vaccines against Omicron variants means that 80 per cent of the population is susceptible to Covid. The Government is, however, yet to take measures to support hospitals, re-implement social distancing & mask mandates and impose restrictions on movements to reduce the transmission of



Covid. Amidst the rapidly escalating covid situation across the country, the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) has been rushing healthcare workers to Beijing to assist the hospitals, which have come under intense pressure. The health infrastructure in the country is stretched due to insufficient medical supplies and a shortage of critical drugs, reported NHK World.

Consequently, the authorities have imposed restrictions on the distribution of critical medical equipment/drugs. The scarcity of medical resources has also impacted the CCP officials below the Vice-Minister rank and the retirees, who have been finding it difficult to access the necessary medical facilities.

President Xi Jinping is deeply concerned over the rising number of Covid cases in the country following the recent relaxation of the zero-Covid policy of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP). Consequently, in his first public response to the deteriorating Covid situation in the country, Xi

urged (December 26) for a targeted public health campaign for the prevention and control of Covid as the country has been facing new challenges on this front.

Xi also appealed for additional efforts to guide the public on promoting health knowledge and skills, developing good personal hygiene habits and practising a civilized & healthy lifestyle.

Chinese social media platforms have been reflecting the worsening Covid scenario in the country including mounting dead bodies as morgues and funeral homes could not cope with the unprecedented spurt in Covid deaths. Meanwhile, the Government's handling of the Covid situation also came under intense criticism from academia and intelligentsia. Many Chinese experts from academia have also been accusing the Government of abdication of its responsibility and have been censuring it for failing to prevent the spread of the epidemic. These

experts have also questioned the rationale behind the Government's sudden change of stance, stipulating that only pneumonia and respiratory failures would be counted as Covid related deaths.

Despite the spike in Covid cases, the Chinese Government is keen to project to the international community that the country's Covid situation is under control.

In this regard, the NHC of China has downgraded (December 27) the Covid situation from Category 'A' to Category 'B' from January 8, 2023, which implies: the reopening of borders; no designation of high-risk areas; and no quarantine for foreign visitors. However, contrary to this projection, the Covid situation is now severe in Chaoyang (Beijing), Shijiazhuang, Guangzhou, Chongqing, Shanghai and Tianjin. Incidentally, ICU beds are exhausted in most Beijing hospitals, with Jingxi Hotel (Haidan, Beijing) being converted into ICU for the treatment of senior party leaders/cadres.

New Year's Eve: Follow these 5 tips to make your bash a memorable one

The New Year's eve calls for an unforgettable celebration and whether you celebrate it as a couple, a small family, or with friends, you need to ensure that the New Year's Eve party is an unforgettable event.

Whether intimate or extravagant, New Year's Eve parties are always full of surprises and exciting energy. Whatever your New Year's Eve party theme might be, you can never go wrong with cute decorations, a sparkly outfit, delectable appetizers, and plenty of booze.

To make sure that your New Year's party preparation becomes memorable, here are some tips:

Board Games

Why go out on New Year's Eve to celebrate with your friends or partner when you can do the same in the comfort of your home instead? Play a few board games at home to re-live our youth. Bring out all the games, including Twisters, Ludo, and Monopoly. No game will be too long or too silly for a new year's party.

Set a theme

It's easier to plan a party around a theme because doing so makes shop-



ping, menus, and decorating much more effortless. Your party's style should match the special sentiment of the event from start to finish with a theme that spreads good cheer.

New Year Resolution Jar

Encourage everyone to write down their resolutions for the New Year. Make a jar of blank cards or pieces of paper available so that everyone can keep one in their purse or pocket.

Have a Dance-off

A dance party is a simple yet the most favourite thing to do for any special occasion. You can get a playlist with your favourite music and have a dancing night. Also, you can organise face-offs, dance numbers.

20 million people to face acute hunger by end of March 2023 in Afghanistan

The United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) in a report highlighted the economic and humanitarian situation in Afghanistan for the coming year as about 20 million people are at risk of facing acute hunger by the end of March 2023, TOLO news reported.

The report predicted that four million children and women will experience acute malnutrition, with malnutrition rates continuing to be exceedingly high.

"The deteriorating economy has caused sharp declines in income, rising debt, and high unemployment. Due to a severe increase in commodity prices, people now spend 71 per cent of their income on food," TOLO news said citing the report.

Moreover, due to the approaching winters, the residents of Afghanistan have time and again expressed their concerns over their deteriorated situation. Afghanistan is currently grappling with a serious humanitarian crisis as according to international assessments, the country now has the highest number of people in emergency food insecurity in the world, with more than 23 million in need of assistance, and approximately 95 per cent of the population having in-

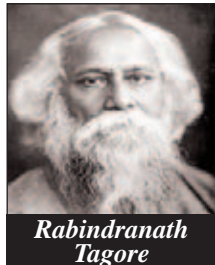


sufficient food consumption. Moreover, the situation of human rights in Afghanistan has worsened since the collapse of the Afghan government and the Taliban's return to power in August last year. Although the fighting in the country has ended, serious human rights violations continue unabated, especially against women and minorities. As a result of this, women and girls in Afghanistan are facing a human rights crisis, deprived of the fundamental rights to non-discrimination, education, work, public participation, and health.

POEM

Dungeon

He whom I enclose with my name is weeping in this dungeon. I am ever busy building this wall all around; and as this wall goes up into the sky day by day I lose sight of my true being in its dark shadow. I take pride in this great wall, and I plaster it with dust and sand lest a least hole should be left in this name; and for all the care I take I lose sight of my true being..



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Singing-based therapy support communication of stroke patients



Through singing-based therapy, patients' and their families' psychological health as well as language function can be enhanced. Group intervention is both cost-effective and offers possibilities for peer support.

Aphasia, a problem understanding or producing spoken or written language brought on by a cerebrovascular accident, affects about 40 per cent of stroke survivors. One year after a stroke, the linguistic deficit is still present in 50 per cent of these individuals. Aphasia can easily cause social isolation in stroke survivors and has a wide range of negative implications on their capacity to function and quality of life.

According to a recent study conducted at the University of Helsinki, singing-based group rehabilitation can support communication and speech production of patients and increase social activity even at

the chronic phase of stroke. The burden experienced among the family caregivers participating in the study also decreased notably. "Our study is the first where caregivers participated in rehabilitation and their psychological well-being was evaluated," said Postdoctoral Researcher Sini-Tuuli Siponkoski.

Versatile use of music supports recovery

Previous research has established that the ability to sing can be retained even in severe aphasia. However, the use of singing, especially choral singing, in aphasia rehabilitation has not been widely studied.

"Our study utilised a wide variety of singing elements, such as choral singing, melodic intonation therapy and tablet-assisted singing training," said Doctoral Researcher Anni Pitkaniemi.

In melodic intonation therapy, speech production is prac-

tised gradually by utilising melody and rhythm to progress from singing towards speech production.

In the study, rehabilitation sessions were led by a trained music therapist and a trained choir conductor.

New and effective forms of rehabilitation needed

In addition to speech therapy, melodic intonation therapy has been used to some extent in aphasia rehabilitation. Therapy has typically been implemented as individual therapy, requiring a great deal of resource.

According to the researchers, singing-based group rehabilitation should be utilised in healthcare as part of aphasia rehabilitation.

"In addition to training in speech production, group-based rehabilitation provides an excellent opportunity for peer support both for the patients and their families," said Sini-Tuuli Siponkoski.

Google Pixel Series to Get 5G Support in Q1 2023, Company Working With Indian Carriers: Report

5G is here in India as major network carriers roll out the high-speed internet service across the country. Most 5G capable smartphones in the country have also received updates from their manufacturers to enable 5G network support. However, Google Pixel users have been made to wait on that front. Google's 5G capable handsets have not yet received an update that would enable the service on the phones. That is said to change soon as Google has reportedly confirmed that 5G support will be rolled out soon. Google has reportedly said that 5G support will be rolling out to eligible Google Pixel smartphones in the first quarter of 2023. In an email response to CNETTV18.com, Google said that it will roll out updates that will enable 5G on Pixel 6a, Pixel 7, and Pixel 7 Pro handsets in India. "We have been actively working with Indian carriers on the various requirements that go into provisioning 5G and look forward to rolling this out for Pixel 7, Pixel 7 Pro and Pixel 6a in Q1 2023," Google reportedly said. Notably, most major smartphone manufacturers, including Apple and Samsung, have already unlocked 5G support on their smartphones here.

Seva Sadan donates material for Rain Basera



Abohar: (Raj Sadosh) While a councillor had donated one month's salary for the Rain Basera (night shelter) established by the Municipal Corporation here, members of the Social Welfare Society (Seva Sadan) on Friday offered substantial help to Mayor Vimal Thatai for the shelter. While expressing gratitude to the organization, Mayor Thatai appealed to the people of the area to cooperate as much as possible. As per the information, a team led by Prof. B. S. Chaudhary provided 20 quilts, 20 mattresses, 20 warm sheets and 20 pillowcases for the night shelter. Notably, Nai Abadi councillor Narinder Verma had handed over his one month's salary for the convenience of the night shelter.

Jnanpith award winner Dr. Pratibha Rai released her first poetry book

DHARIWAL(Verma) Distinguished Writer, Jnanpith Awardee, Padma Bhushan Dr. Pratibha Rai at an informal book release function organized at her residence in Gajapati Nagar, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, first poetry book 'Splendid Signature - Rhythmic Strokes of a Quill' by Malaxmi Barthakur, multilingual poetess and translator' was released. Dr. Rai was very impressed after reading some of the poems in the book and appreciated the pen of poetess Malaxmi Barthakur. The event was organized by Black Eagle Books, USA. This book has received a lot of appreciation from readers from different parts of the world.

Oppo Reno 8T 5G Bags Multiple Certifications, Could Launch Soon: Report

Oppo is believed to be working on the Oppo Reno 8T, even though the company has just released three new Oppo Reno 9 series smartphones. In addition, a recent report suggests that Oppo could also be developing a 5G variant of this rumoured model. The Oppo Reno 8T 5G has been purportedly spotted on various certification sites. Unfortunately, there are no pricing or launch details attached to these listings. We can expect more information to come out in the coming days.



According to a recent PriceBaba report, the Oppo Reno 8T 5G has surfaced on the IMDA database bearing the model number CPH2505. In addition, this model has purportedly also made its way to the Bureau of Indian Standard (BIS), Europe's EEC, and Thailand's TKDN certification sites. These listings are said to confirm that this Oppo smartphone will offer 5G, LTE, Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, NFC, and GPS connectivity. The company is said to officially delve into any specifications about the Oppo Reno 8T 5G. In related news, the Oppo Reno 8T (4G) had also surfaced on TKDN, EEC, and BIS in early December. An Oppo smartphone bearing the model number CPH2481 had reportedly also bagged SIRIM and Element Materials Technology certifications. This variant is expected to come with 33W fast wired charging support. Its pricing information is still under wraps. However, the slower charging compared to the Oppo Reno 8 — which offers 80W fast charging — could indicate that it will be a cheaper model. The vanilla Oppo Reno 8 was launched in India earlier this year at a starting price of Rs. 29,999. Meanwhile, the Oppo Reno 9 series has also debuted in China. Its base model is priced at CNY 2,499 (roughly Rs. 30,000). This new flagship lineup also includes the Oppo Reno 9 Pro and Oppo Reno 9 Pro+.

UT boys faced massive defeat of an innings and 87 runs from Gujarat

CHANDIGARH: A lethal bowling attack led by duo of HP Patel (4/66) and SA Desai (3/86) helped hosts Gujarat to beat Chandigarh by an innings and 87 runs in their Ranji Trophy match being played at Motera (Ahmedabad) on Friday. In reply to Gujarat's 596/4, Chandigarh were all out for 304 in their first innings while 205 in second innings. On the final day of the match, Chandigarh while resuming its overnight score to 46/2, skipper Manan Vohra (40) added just eight more runs and was clean bowled by SA Desai. HP Patel added more runs to UT boys when he demolished middle order - Gaurav Gambhir (31), Ankit Kaushik (26), Gaurav Puri (23) and Bhagnendra Lader (0) with seven for 151 on the board. Desai wrapped up the tailenders - Kunal Mahajan (12) and Guninder Singh (7). With the dismissal of top scorer Jagjit Singh Sandhu (46), Chandigarh were all out for 205 in 75.3 overs. Chandigarh will play its next match against hosts Tripura in Agartala for January 2.

NEWS/BUSINESS

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Are meal replacements helpful in losing weight?

In this new age of weight loss, meal replacements are a two-decade old invention. Focused on replacing meals with a shake, this weight loss liquid has become extremely popular in recent years. Meal replacements have gradually taken over the supermarket shelf. But are meal replacements as effective as they promise to be? Let's find out : Main idea

The concept behind meal replacement shakes is simple. All you need to do is replace any one meal with a shake and stick to normal food in the other meals. You need to include exercise in your regime, however many meal replacements also promise rapid weight loss even without exercise. Meal replacement brands often sell attractive boxes with nutritive quantity and quality mentioned on them. These shakes are affordable for a middle class family, depending on how vigorous their use is. Since weight loss is such a havoc in present times, meal replacement offer the perfect solution. The confusion about what menu options you have for breakfast, lunch or dinner is sorted with this one shake and the flavours usually range from vanilla, strawberry to chocolate. The idea is to drink a liquid in place of a meal and this calorie controlled meal is meant to make you lose weight.

Lesser calories Weight loss is a calorie game which most fanatics are trying to crack. On every kilo of

weight, your body requires 30 calories. For example, if you are 60 kilos, you need 1800 calories every day. However, as per this weight loss theory, a calorie deficit needs to be created. This is where meal replacements enter the picture. In order to create this deficit, many start consuming meal replacement shakes since they promise lesser calories and yet a filled stomach.



A combination of proteins, fiber, carbohydrates, vitamins and minerals form a meal replacement shake. This makes the shake an equivalent of a proper meal. Most meal replacements promise 250-300 calories per shake, which is also the ideal calorie quantity of a healthy meal. How do they help in weight loss?

Meal replacements help in weight loss because of two major reasons, calorie deficit and the need to not eat anything with it. As per experts, meal replacements do offer short-term results. The person loses weight due to initial water loss. This should not be mistaken for actual weight shedding as it can come back.

The science behind meal replacements is easy because these shakes are usually made up of powdered vegetables and fruits, or so they are promised to be. This is why they are also rapidly sold in the market.

Experts speak As per nutritionists and dieticians, meal replacements can sometimes be filled with synthetic nutrients to fool you into buying them. This, however, does not mean that all of them are the same as there are brands which deliver authentic nutrients.

But experts believe that one should know where to draw the line. Going overboard with these shakes can lead to permanent health issues. Meal replacements can be consumed in place of snacks but not as meals. They can work for professional athletes or those following a vigorous workout regime to complete their calorie intake. Also, it is advised to consume them only after expert consultation.

Researchers develop Android app to help people eat right 5 portions a day

London: A team of researchers has developed a new Android app to help people reach the recommended target of eating five portions of fruits and vegetables a day. It tells users whether they are eating the right portion sizes, as well as the right foods, to meet the recommended guidelines, according to the study by Bournemouth University in the UK. "Almost everyone knows they should eat five portions a day. But when we looked a little further, it was clear that a lot of people did not know what counts towards the target, they did not know what a portion size is, and many did not realise that they needed to eat five different things," said Katherine Appleton, Professor of Psychology at Bournemouth University. "Our studies also showed that lower knowledge was associated with lower consumption of fruits and vegetables," she added. Figures from Public Health England have shown that only a third of adults, and 12 per cent of eleven to 18-year-olds eat the recommended amount. The free 'SMART5-A-DAY' app has been created specifically to help people understand portion sizes and see how the amounts of fruits and vegetables that they eat contribute towards their daily target. Users select the fruit or vegetable they have just eaten and will then be asked to enter how much of it they ate. The app will then tell them whether that amount made up a full or partial portion and how much more would be needed to take it up to a full portion. It also keeps a running total of their progress towards the five a day target. "What is unique about this app is that as well as tracking daily fruit and vegetable intake, it teaches people about portion size, so they get to the point where they know what they need to eat themselves," said.



Microsoft adding new features to make Excel formulas simpler

Washington: American tech giant Microsoft has announced that they are making Excel's autocomplete even smarter, at least in the web version that comes with Microsoft 365. According to The Verge, an American technology news website, the company unveiled formula suggestions and formula by example last week. These two features may help automate various tasks that were previously required to be done manually. The idea behind formula suggestions is very straightforward: whenever you enter the equals sign in a cell, Excel for Web will attempt to propose an appropriate formula based on the data that's around it. For instance, Excel can suggest adding the range of cells if you have a column at the end of your spreadsheet named 'total' and a row full of quarterly sales data, reported The Verge. According to a blog post from Microsoft, the feature currently only works in English and will suggest sum, average, count, counta, min, and max formulas. Then there's Formula by Example, which is similar to the Flash Fill feature that can automatically identify patterns in data and fill out the remaining columns. Microsoft's blog post also includes several other feature announcements. For testing purposes, the company is also bringing nested Power Query data types and the capability to access data from dynamic arrays to the Insider version of the Windows programme, in addition to a feature that will allow you to add photos with all-text to your tables for Windows, Mac, and the web. As per The Verge, another potentially useful web feature is "suggested links," which will automatically assist you in fixing broken links to other workbooks stored in the cloud.



Spotify launches 'New Year's Hub' feature for upcoming celebrations

Los Angeles : Music app Spotify is preparing its users for the coming year with a brand new feature that will be of great help in the spree of festivities ahead. The streaming platform launched 'New Year's Hub', a one-stop spot for users to access their favourite party tunes contained in a number of playlists. Some special numbers were also included from a host of pop artists like Celine Dion and Chari XCX. Spotify took to its official blog to make the announcement for the upcoming New Year's special feature. "We've got plenty of music to kickstart your celebration, and it's all in our freshly launched New Year's Hub. At this one-stop destination you can find classic party playlists and special takeovers from artists like Chari XCX, Rita Ora, N-Dubz, and Madame Canada herself, Celine Dion. And whether you want a low-key night or a heart-pounding dancefest, we have you set with featured playlists to match the vibe you're channeling," the blog post read. The streaming app further mentioned that starting from January 1, users can find content to help them set their resolutions. According to a report by US-based tech portal, TechCrunch, this content would likely consist of workout and meditation playlists. Earlier, the streaming service decided to put an end to the production of some of its audio shows. As per TechCrunch, a spokesperson for Spotify confirmed the end of some audio shows on the audio platform like 'Deux Me After Dark,' "Doughboys: Snack Pack," "The Movie Buff" and "A Gay in the Life". However, shows like "The Fantasy Footballers" and "The Ringer MMA Show" would continue to operate their accompanying live audio offerings, TechCrunch cited the spokesperson. In April, the Swedish audio service integrated its live audio capabilities from its companion app, Spotify Greenroom, into its main app itself. Greenroom was formerly known as 'Locker Room', which Spotify acquired in March 2021 after the 62 million USD purchase of its owner company, Betty Labs, as per a report by TechCrunch.



Google Chrome to Bring Ability to Block Suspicious HTTP Downloads: Report

Google Chrome is reportedly working on a new development that will protect users from insecure HTTP downloads. With the most secure websites now using HTTPS encryption, Chrome is planning to block all HTTP downloads, encouraging safe and secure browsing. Currently, the browser has a couple of security features including mixed elements and an "Always use secure connections" toggle in security settings. The browser also flags a "Not Secure" warning for older sites that are only HTTP-encrypted in the address bar. According to a report by 9To5Google, a recent code change for Google Chrome has been spotted with a feature that will warn users of insecure downloads from sites using HTTP. The feature is currently under development and there is no word from the tech giant on the same. The feature will flag a warning to users to use a secure HTTPS connection. It will block downloads from an insecure website with HTTP encryption. The report explained that the browser will block the download as unsafe even if the website with HTTPS encryption redirects the user to an insecure HTTP server for download, which eventually takes the user to another secure HTTPS connection.

Google Voice introducing special label denoting 'suspected spam' callers

California : Google Voice is set to launch yet another update to its layout after the addition of Wi-Fi and network cellular switching. According to a report by US-based tech portal 9to5google, the incoming call screen of Google's own telephone service is set to receive a "Suspected spam caller" label soon. The label shall appear both on the caller screen and in the history list of callers. On the caller screen, the message would appear underneath the phone number, with the caller's avatar also changing accordingly. The users would have two options in response to such a call. If they confirm a call as 'spam', it will cause future calls from that particular number to go straight into voicemail. The resulting call history would end up in the spam folder. On the other hand, the call can also be marked as 'not spam', which would remove the spam label from that number in future incoming calls. Google earlier updated the camera app on its mobile phone device Pixel 7 Pro which allowed users to have more control over its macro mode. According to The Verge, an American technology news website, the new update adds a toggle that lets users manually turn the macro mode off or on instead of having to rely on the auto mode. While the phone can still try to detect if you're close enough to a subject like it has since launch, it's nice for there to be an actual menu for those who want finer-grain control. The Verge has reported that these new options live in the settings cog accessible in the top-left corner of the camera's viewfinder. Google's added a "macro focus" option that lets users choose between off, auto mode, and on. According to 9to5Google, previously one was only able to temporarily turn it off after it had activated.

ACC recognises Champion Truck Drivers at Barmana in HP

BARMANA: ACC, a part of Adani Cement organised a programme related to road safety for truck drivers at its Barmana plant located in Bilaspur district of Himachal Pradesh, in which truckers participated enthusiastically. The Company recognized truck drivers for their safe driving techniques and provided them instructions on the safety measures they should take when driving up hills, especially in foggy conditions. Through its Driver Management Centre Program, the Company engages truck drivers and offers them guidance on how to make deliveries more efficiently in the future. Such programs are organized by the plant at regular intervals, in which the truck drivers reflect on the problems faced by them and the various incentives are also given in these programs to maintain the morale of the drivers. The truck drivers have expressed their gratitude and delight for the company's ongoing efforts to support them in trying circumstances. They particularly mentioned how the briefings & lessons around safety-related occurrences have helped them in improving their driving skills. They conveyed their appreciation for the Company's efforts in the area of safety while expressing themselves on this particular occasion. At all its plants, ACC has been constantly interacting with truck drivers to institutionalise safe driving practices and ensure that the top drivers receive recognition and rewards.



Toyota Kirloskar Motor Announces Prices of the All New Innova HyCross

DHARAMSHALA, 30, December, 2022: Toyota Kirloskar Motor (TKM) today announced the much-awaited prices of its new Innova HyCross. The new vehicle from Toyota is available in the price range of Rs.18,30,000 to Rs.28,97,000(ex-showroom).AtuSood, Associate Vice President, Sales, and Strategic Marketing, TKM, said, "The launch of the Innova HyCross is a significant milestone for us in India and we are truly humbled by the overwhelming response received from across the country. This feature packed vehicle demonstrates the spaciousness of an MPV and is perfectly crafted to meet the aspirations of customers. We are certain that the pricing of the new InnovaHyCross will strengthen the legacy of brand Innova while boosting Toyota's quest for promoting sustainable mobility. This versatile vehicle provides powerful performance, quick acceleration which along with its comfort and safety , is sure to provide exceptional driving experience." The new InnovaHyCross is available in Super White, Platinum White Pearl, Silver Metallic, Attitude Black Metallic, Sparkling Black Pearl Crystal Shine, Avant Grade Bronze Metallic and an exciting new color Blackish Ageha Glass Flake. Interiors in Black and with two new colors Chestnut & Black and Dark Chestnut, reflecting advanced and premium impression.



Brilliance World School hosts a twinning program

Panchkula: Team Brilliance welcomed the students from Sarthak school sector -12, Panchkula for the twinning program. The students of visiting school had a look at all the amenities and had an experience of the to a different approach to teaching learning. Ms Niranjana Chatterjee, Principal said. Children from both the schools played together and also watched documentaries related to the curriculum followed by a quiz. It was a wonderful experience both the schools.



New Year Eve: 'Dil Le Gayi Kudi' fame singer Jasbir Jassi to perform at Chandigarh Club

Chandigarh, Dec 30, 2022: 'Dil Le Gayi Kudi' fame singer Jasbir Jassi will perform at Chandigarh Club on New Year Eve. The popular singer interacted with the media at Chandigarh Club to share details of his performance. The performance will be the grand finale under the club's Countdown 2023 celebration. During his interaction with the press the famous singer said " I am delighted to be performing at Chandigarh Club on New Year Eve. I am looking forward to exhibit three colours of music that is Folk, Sufi and Pop. The prime focus is to highlight the true art of singing through these three colours and to cheer everyone into welcoming the new year." Jassi is slated to sing his top hit songs on the last night of Chandigarh Club's winter festival and Club Carnival. This musical night will also include some of his chartbuster tracks like Dil Le Gayi Kudi, Koka, Laung Da Lashkara with a special performance of Folk and Sufi songs on the new year's evening. The celebration is set to last for 4-5 hours starting at 8 p.m on 31st December. He further added "With the beginning of a new year I appeal to every artist to create songs free of lyrics that promote violence and weapons. The lyrics should showcase pure Punjabi culture. Moreover I want to spread the message of peace and harmony with the commencement of a new year." Jassi Jassi also said that his new upcoming song Jatt Seena 'Taan Bolda' is going to be released on the night of 31st. Folk singers Ustad Puran Shah Koti and Balbir Beera will also be seen performing alongside Jassi Jassi on New Year Eve . The grand performance will mark the end of Countdown 2023- the winter festival and club carnival organized by Chandigarh club. The eight day festival started on 24th December, 2022 and under it many events were organized throughout the week including Christmas.



Will Geet Dholi be able to accept Bhairavi's words?

The course of events in the Zee Punjabi series Geet Dholi is taking a dramatic and suspenseful turn, and Geet will be stunned when she discovers a significant fact about Bhairavi. While the Mehra family is celebrating Geet's appointment as the company's managing director in today's episode, there is also a major revelation that Geet will be shocked to learn about. Geet will discover Bhairavi's mother is in a mental hospital by investigating various leads. Additionally, Bhairavi will be completely honest with Geet about her past, including the fact that J.K. and Jasleen Mehra are to blame for her mother's and her own misery. Is it true that JK and Jasleen are to blame for the state of Bhairavi's mother? What will Geet do when she learns this truth? Watch tonight's episode of Geet Dholi on Zee Punjabi at 8 p.m. to find out what happens next.



Enjoy baking this winter with Borosil'sHeat & Serve dishes!

Chandigarh: Before the winters get over, enjoy the joy of baking in the multi-purpose range of BorosilHeat and Serve dishes. As the name indicates, these dishes not only serve the purpose of being completely oven-safe but also add an aesthetic sense to your tables to store and serve your favourite cakes, puddings and cookies. These dishes come in square, round and oval variants. They can be used to prepare any sweet treat ranging from souffles and cakes, to savoury delights including pasta and baked dishes. These good-looking and easy to use dishes work for parties and everyday meals. The dishes can be used safely in the microwave, oven, fridge & freezer. Price: INR 775/- onwards Available at: Borosil's serving dishes are available across all leading homeware stores in India as well as online at www.myborosil.com.



Samsung Galaxy A34 Renders Leak Online; Tip Four Colourways, Triple Rear Cameras

Samsung Galaxy A34 has leaked a couple of times this year. Now, alleged renders of the yet-to-be-announced handset have surfaced online, offering us the first look and suggesting the shades that it could be offered in once it goes official. The renders show the handset in graphite, lime, violet, and silver colour options and suggest a triple camera setup at the back. The Galaxy A34 is said to feature the Exynos 1280 SoC under the hood. It is likely to arrive as a successor to Samsung Galaxy A33 that debuted in India in March. A report by TheTechOutlook has leaked the alleged images of Samsung Galaxy A34. The leaked renders show the handset in graphite, lime, silver, and violet colour options. It seems to have a waterfall-style cutout on the display to house the selfie sensor. Three camera sensors arranged in ring-shaped camera modules are seen placed at the upper left corner at the back in a linear vertical manner along with an LED flash.

NEWS AT A GLANCE

MP Sanjay Bhatia expresses grief over demise of Modi's mother

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: Kamal Lok Sabha MP Sanjay Bhatia has expressed deep sorrow over the demise of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's mother, Heeraben Modi. He said that respected Heeraben ji was a unique form of collective spirit and sacrifice of India's mother power. Mother Heeraben has played an important role in shaping the personality of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. My deepest condolences to Prime Minister and entire family in this time of grief.

Karnal's newly appointed CTM, Aman Kumar, take charge

PARI BAJAJ
KARNAL: Kamal Karnal's newly appointed Municipal Magistrate (CTM) Aman Kumar took charge on Friday, December 30. Please inform them that CTM Aman Kumar is the HCS officer of the 2020 batch. He started his services as Joint Director in the Department of Information, Public Relations, and Languages, Government of Haryana. This is his second appointment as CTM in Karnal. Before joining Haryana, CTM Aman Kumar worked as a gazetted officer for the Government of India for 12 year.

Sardhanjali event on behalf of Mata Harbans Kaur, Khattrra thanks the attendees



RAWEL BHINDER
PATIALA: A large number of people from all over the area participated in the funeral ceremony of Mata Harbans Kaur, the mother of The Patiala Welfare Society and former sarpanch Balwinder Singh Kang of Rodewal village. During this event held at the historical Gurdwara Shri Gufa Sir Sahib Rodewal, Ragi Singhs performed Gurbani kirtan and after that the last prayer was offered. Apart from religious and preacher personalities, MLA from Sangrur and AAP leader Bibi Narinder Kaur Bharaaj, State General Secretary of AAP Harchand Singh Burst, former chairman and youth leader Advocate Satbir Singh Khattrra, Powercom Emplices Fedration President and Punjab Govt Emplices Leader Manjit Singh Chahal, Former Chairman and Founder President Patiala Media Club R.S.Bhinder, A large number of political.

Farmers and BKU members express resentment as rain water still remains in fields of Ramgarh Pandawa

SATISH SETH
KALAYAT, DEC 30

Though 6 months have passed, water has not been drained from the fields of Ramgarh Pandawa. On Friday, outside the BDPO office, the aggrieved farmers and farmers' union members expressed their anger against the government and the administration and demanded an early draining of water. They also handed over a memorandum to the BDPO. Farmers Raghuveer Singh, Surendra Chaushala, Pritam Singh, Jasmer Singh Ramphal, Raja Ram, Naresh Kumar, Bhururam told that rain water is accumulated on about 70 acres of agricultural land in village Ramgarh Pandawa. Their paddy crop has been completely ruined due to waterlogging. And now even wheat has not been sown. Many times they have appealed to the departmental officers and Minister of State Kamlesh Dhanda regarding water accumulation. But till now there is no drainage. They have demanded from government and administration to drain out the



water earliest. BDPO Rosie said that she has informed the officials of the canal department regarding the stagnant water in village Ramgarh Pandawa and soon the water will be drained from the fields. Farmers Raghuveer Singh and Surendra Chaushala told that

they spent thousands of rupees to drain the rain water accumulated in the fields, but drainage could not be possible, due to excessive waterlogging, their paddy crop was completely destroyed. Neither the Girdawari of his damaged crop has been done by

the administration nor they have received compensation. They have demanded the administration to drain the water under the day-plan and compensation for the damaged crop should be given as soon as possible.

Programme on Jan 1 regarding Bharat Jodo Yatra

MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI, DEC 30

Rakesh Kajoj, former MLA of Indri, through a press conference, on Sunday, said on January 1 at Kundan Palace Indri at 10 am, a programme is being organised regarding the Bharat Jodo Yatra. All the workers of the area have been called upon to gather. Giving information, Rakesh Kamboj said that Bharat Jodo Yatra will enter Haryana on January 6 and a huge rally is also being organised in Panipat on that day. After this the yatra will reach Karnal on January 7. Therefore, on January 1, a meeting of all the workers will be held at Kundan Palace regarding the preparations for the Yatra. Rakesh Kamboj said that this time crores of people are participating in the Jodo Yatra which is being taken out all over India. He said that the biggest thing is that Rahul Gandhi starts his journey every day at 6 in the morning, we have never seen such a hardworking person. This Bharat Jodo Yatra will pass through some places of Indri area. On January 1, a meeting of workers of the area will be organised at Kundan Palace.



Delegation of BJP councilors meets MLA



GAMBHIR
LUDHIANA: Bharatiya Janata Party district Ludhiana has taken strict cognizance of removing the inauguration stone of Satpal Gosain himself, installed in the Mini Rose Garden. Today a delegation of BJP councilors and office bearers headed by the newly appointed District President Rajneesh Dhimman met the Central MLA Ashok Parashar Pappi and presented roses as a mark of anger. On this occasion, Rajneesh Dhimman said that taking out the inauguration stone in this way is a wrong tradition in politics. Self Satpal Gosain was a mass leader of Ludhiana and apart from BJP, he had a different influence among other party leaders and general public, everyone loved him from heart. And even today it is in the hearts of the people of Ludhiana. Satpal Gosain, while being an MLA and minister, did many things for the city, while the construction of the Mini Rose Garden was his dream project, and in this way. Rajneesh Dhimman said that the AAP government should refrain from such antics and the Municipal Corporation should immediately reinstall the stone there.

Benefit of govt schemes will be delivered to every citizen of state: Jimpa

DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHARPUR, DEC 30

The process of establishing new milestones in the development of the state by the Punjab government is continuing and by the end of this year, the Punjab government has taken many historic decisions and fulfilled the promises made to the people even before the completion of one year. Work on development works and projects is also going on at a fast pace. Under this link, the Urban Improvement Trust is conducting an auction of properties to give the benefit of residential and commercial properties to the public. This information was given by Cabinet Minister Bram Shankar Jimpa while giving information about the auction to be conducted by the Urban Improvement Trust. Chairman of the Trust



Harmeet Singh Aulakh was also present on this occasion. On this occasion, Cabinet Minister Jimpa said that the registration of auctioneer has been started from December 14, which will be closed on January 3, 2023 by 5 pm. He said that the online bid will start on January 4 at 9 am and will be held on January 6 at 5 pm. He said that this is a golden opportunity to buy residential and commercial plots and those who want to buy it should register as soon as possible. Jimpa said that

the Bhagwant Mann government of Punjab has given great relief to the people by providing important and basic facilities like electricity, water and sewerage and apart from this, work is being done with full commitment for the all-round development of the state. He said that this auction will be conducted with full transparency and the property buyers in the auction will be given the right to their property after formalities.

Due to HDCA's dedicated spirit towards cricket, children are getting golden opportunities to move forward: Jimpa

DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHARPUR, DEC 30

Under the Trident Malwa Inter-District Under-15 Cricket Cup being organized by the Trident Group, the second match of the tournament was conducted today at the HDCA Cricket Sports Ground, Railway Mandi. Giving information about this, HDCA Secretary Dr. Raman Ghai said that Cabinet Minister Bramshankar Jimpa was present as the chief guest during the match. Mayor Surinder Kumar Shinda and Senior Deputy Mayor Praveen Latta Saini were also present with him on this occasion. Addressing the players and attendance, Mr. Jimpa said that he appreciates the efforts of HDCA to organize quality matches from time to time to promote cricket. He said that the enthusiasm of the players regarding the Cricket Cup being organized by Trident Group would motivate them to stay connected with sports along with education. He said that every possible cooperation will be done by the Punjab



government not only in cricket but in any sports and the Punjab government is working very seriously to connect children with sports. Congratulating HDCA President Dr. Daljit Khela, Secretary Dr. Raman Ghai and their entire team, Jimpa said that such efforts should continue. Because, with these efforts, our state and country will get top class players. On this occasion, Dr. Raman Ghai on behalf of HDCA thanked Cabinet Minister Bram Shankar Jimpa for sparing his precious time to bless the players. In the match played today, Gurdaspur batted. The entire team of Gurdaspur got all out for just 51 runs. In response to this, Hoshiarpur's team entered the next round by scoring 52 runs in 11.2 overs.

Heeraben Modi was an epitome of simplicity, struggle and sacrifice: Gian Chand Gupta

SD SHARMA
PANCHKULA, DEC 30

Haryana Vidhan Sabha Speaker Gin Chand Gupta paid rich tributes to Heeraben Modi, the revered mother of Prime Minister Narendra Modi at meeting organized at Panchkamal office here today. He Said that she was an epitome of simplicity, struggle and sacrifice. He added that her ideals are very much reflected in the persona of her great son Narendra Modi. Panchkula mayor Kulbhushan Goyal and senior leaders joined him for expressing condolences and paying floral tributes praying for the peace of the departed



soul during a two minutes silence. Senior leaders Ranjeeta Mehta Om Parkash Devinagar, Umesh Sood, Banto Kataria, Sonia Sood Jai Kaushik Harendra Malik and others too joined. In another condolence

meeting the Ambala MP Rattan Lal Kataria expressed grief over the demise of Heeraben Modi worthy mother of our PRIME Minister. At the age of 100 years she was an inspiration to all of us said Kataria.

District President of AAP and Councilor start work of installing interlock tiles



KARANPREET DHANDRAL
BARNALA: Aam Aadmi Party District President Gurdeep Singh Bath and Councilor Rupinder Singh Bunty Sheetal started the work of installing interlock tiles in the sub-streets of the local Handiaya Road. Speaking on the occasion, District President Gurdeep Bath and Councilor Bunty Sheetal said that the development works are continuing in the city under the directions of Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann and Cabinet Minister and MLA from Bamala Constituency Gurmeet Singh Meet Har. will be developed as a city of Under which they are installing interlock tiles in the sub-streets and the street with tube wells on the back side of Hind Bus Walan Road in Shakti Nagar so that the residents and passers-by do not face any problem. He said that apart from installation of interlock tiles, there was a demand of the residents for a long time, under which this work has been started.

Students at Kidzee and Kids Planet Prem Public School celebrate New Year

DALBIR MALIK
KURUKSHETRA: Dr. Sheetal Singh (HPS Deputy Superintendent of Police, Kurukshetra) and Ramdutt Nain (Deputy Superintendent of Police, Kurukshetra) joined as chief guests to celebrate the new year with the students of Kidzee and Kids Planet Prem Public School, Kurukshetra, Sector-3. Guest speakers Randeep Singh Shyokand (Secretary Red Cross Kurukshetra), Captain Gurmel Singh (Director Fire and Safety Institute Kurukshetra), and Rajendra Saini (Co-Director Field Red Cross UK) participated. He wished all the students a very happy new year. Giving his message, he said that every moment of life is new. That's why we should live every moment of life with joy and happiness. The meaning of life lies in performing our duties with honesty and integrity, wishing the staff a happy new year and praying to God that the new year brings lots of happiness to every Indian. On this occasion, the school manager, Parminder Singh ji, presented them with a memento. The students of the school presented them with beautiful designs made by them. Parminder Singh ji also congratulated all the students and staff of the school for the new year and said that the coming new year should be auspicious for everyone and happiness should always ring in everyone's life.



Former BJP MLA elected Block Committee Chairperson

KULBHUSHAN SHARMA
GUHLA-CHIKA, DEC 30

The election for the Block Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson, which was held under the supervision of the Sub-Divisional Officer Citizen in Block Development and Panchayat Officer's Office Guhla, was completed with a lot of hesitation. When the polling started again, speculations were made that only JJP would become chairperson. But after the elections, Dimple Rani was elected as the chairperson, and Gyan Chand was elected as the vice chairperson. It should be known that the election of the chairman of the block committee was seen as being divided into two factions from the beginning. Thirteen block committee members who came into the BJP's court on the first election date had reached the BDPO office on the day of the election, but due to the non-arrival of block committee members supported by MLA Ishwar Singh and the non-completion of



quorum, the election officer had to conduct the election on that day. had to be postponed, and January 6 was fixed for the next election. However, only a few days later, the election officer abruptly postponed the 30th election. Everyone was thinking that this election would be an attempt by the BJP and JJP to make their favourite person sit in the chairperson's chair. But in reality, due to the mutual tussle between JJP and JJP workers in this election, the BJP was able to take advantage of it.

Bharat Jodo Yatra will pave the way for Congress to return to power at the Center: Suresh Gupta

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, DEC 30

Working President of Haryana Pradesh Congress Suresh Gupta has said that Congress national leader Rahul Gandhi's joint visit to India will pave the way for Congress to return to its true form in the country. The Congress will return to power in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections and in the Haryana assembly elections. He said that a historic rally will be held in Panipat on January 6. Earlier on January 5, it will cross the Yamuna to enter Haryana from Sanauli village. There will be a grand reception for the visit. There will be a rally in Panipat after reaching sixth. He said that after independence, this is the biggest post-tour of Rahul Gandhi's Bharat Jodo Yatra. From Kanya Kumari to Kashmir, Rahul Gandhi has covered a distance of 3570 km. This journey has created history. Crowds of people are getting support during Rahul Gandhi's padyatra. Congress Working State President Suresh Gupta was talking to reporters. Senior Congress leader and supervisor Sukhrum Bedi, Observer Sanjib Kamboj, Joginder State



Spokesperson Valmikirajendra Nambardar, Rampal Saini, Akhlesh Gautam, Laxmi Kant Sharma, Valbir Singh, and Kapil Gupta also gave information on this occasion. He said that he is also the chairman of the Cultural Program Committee. During the visit, a tableau of Haryana's culture will be presented in front of Rahul Gandhi. Rahul Gandhi's yatra will reach Panipat on January 6. There will be a transformational rally on January 6 at Panipat Ground. Big leaders will be present, along with Congress National President Mallikarjun Kharge, National General Secretary Randeep Surjewala, Sister Kumari Selja, State President Udaybhan Singh, Former CM Bhupendra Singh Hooda, Sand Deepender Hooda, Kiran Chaudhary, Captain Ajay Yadav, and Incharge Shakti Singh Lahiri Singh.

Scholars Public School celebrates 10th annual function 'Jhalak'

SD SHARMA

PANCHKULA: The Scholars Public School, Panchkula celebrated its 10th annual function 'Jhalak'. All the students, their parents, teachers and other invitees attended the function. Dr. Kuldeep Saini, Additional Director, Information, Public Relations and Languages Department, Haryana was the Chief Guest on this occasion. The function started with the lamp lighting and by giving obeisance to Lord Ganesha. Students across all age groups presented several performances which cut across cultural, educational and social aspects. The key feature of the programme was that every performance was centered around a prevalent theme and was instrumental in spreading the message to the complete audience. The whole audience was enthralled by witnessing the programme which was managed and organized very professionally and meticulously by the school staff. At the concluding end of the function, the chief guest gave away the prizes to the meritorious students and to all the worthy performances. The Chief guest shared his various experiences and inspired the students to work hard in order to get success. The school Principal Ms. Meenu Goyal thanked all the distinguished guests and parents and greatly appreciated the hard work put in by teachers, students and other supporting staff of the school.



<p>The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act and read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates.</p> <p>The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Axis Bank Ltd.</p>		
S. N.	Name of Borrower / Co-borrower	Date of Demand Notice
1.	<p>1. Mrs. Monika Singh w/o Mr. Avesh Kumar 2. Mr. Akash Kumar s/o Mr. Mahipal Singh and 3. Mr Avesh Kumar s/o Mr. Mahipal Singh all are R/o House No. 191/B-2, Radha Kishan Nagar, Dharampur Colony, Pinjore, Tehsil-Kalka, District-Panchkula-Haryana- 134102. Also at: House No.-01977, having UID No.53M012200760H01977, Shiv Colony, Pinjore, Village Bitna, Tehsil-Kalka, District-Panchkula-Haryana Also at: Mrs. Monika Singh w/o Mr. Avesh Kumar Proprietor of M/s. Ma Bhagwati Provision Store Shiv Colony, Near Khera Mandir, Pinjore, District- Panchkula-Haryana- 134102 Having Loan Account No. PHR004105715952</p>	<p>23rd-Aug-2022</p> <p>Date of Possession 27-Dec-2022</p> <p>Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.) Rs.241,935/- (Rupees Twenty Three Lacs Forty One Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Five Only)</p>
<p>DESCRIPTION OF MORTGAGED PROPERTY:- All that part and parcel of the Residential Property/ House No.-01977, having UID No 53M012200760H01977 measuring 02Biswa – 10Biswas (125 Sq. Yds.), comprised in Khewat No. 53/70, Haryana No 194(17-6) as per Jamabandi for the year 2016-2017, HB No 153 situated at Shiv Colony, Pinjore, Village Bitna, Tehsil-Kalka, District-Panchkula-Haryana registered in the name of Mrs. Monika Singh w/o Mr. Avesh Kumar West Side Sale Deed dated 28-01-2021. Boundaries (As per Sale Deed): East: Passage, West: House of Rajendra Devi, North: House of Vimala, South: House of Krishna Sharma</p>		
S. N.	Name of Borrower / Co-borrower	Date of Demand Notice
2.	<p>1. Mrs. Jyoti W/o Sukhdesh Singh 2. Mr. Sukhdesh Singh S/0 Kuldeep Singh and all are Flat No 38 C, Saachi Homes, Khara Mohali-140301 Also at: # 117 Vikas Nagar Mauli Jagran, Chandigarh 160102 Also at: House No 98 Gold City, Randhwa Road Village Khanpur, District-Sahebganj, District-Nagaland</p> <p>Having Loan Account No. PHR004106070418</p>	<p>30th-Aug-2022</p> <p>Date of Possession 27-Dec-2022</p> <p>Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.) Rs.248,789/- (Rupees Twenty Four Lacs Ninety Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Nine Only)</p>
<p>DESCRIPTION OF MORTGAGED PROPERTY:- All that part and parcel of the Residential Property/ House No 98 measuring 00Biswa - 2Biswa (100 Sq. Yds) comprised in Khewat/Khatoni No 254/258 Kharsa No 1400/980(1-0), Hadbast No 183 situated at Gold City, Randhwa Road Village Khanpur, Tehsil Chhar, District-Sahebganj (Mouhali) registered in the name of Mrs. Jyoti W/o Sukhdesh Singh West Side Sale Deed having document No. 2021-22/15/11/1349 dated 26-Apr-2021.</p> <p>Boundaries (As per Sale Deed): East: House No 99, West: House No. 97, North: Plot No 110, South: Road 30' wide</p>		
<p>The above-mentioned borrower(s)/ co-borrower(s) / guarantor(s) are hereby given a 30 days' Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold on the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rule 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.</p>		
<p>Dated: 31-Dec -2022, Place: Ludhiana Sd/-, Authorized Officer, Axis Bank Ltd.</p>		

A look at massive achievements of 'Black Pearl' Pele

When you talk about the beautiful game of football then the first name which comes to your mind is legend Pele. Edson Arantes do Nascimento popularly known as Pele was born on October 23 1940 in Tres Coracoes in Brazil. The son of Fluminense footballer Dondinho and Celeste Arantes. He was the elder of two siblings. He was named after the American inventor Thomas Alva Edison. He received the nickname "Pele" during his school days.

Pele has also been known for connecting the phrase "The Beautiful Game" with football. Also known as a 'Black Pearl' Pele was a prolific goal-scorer who was known for his ability to anticipate opponents in the area and finish off chances with an accurate and powerful shot with either foot. The most famous and possibly the best-paid athlete in the world Pele was part of the Brazilian national teams that won three World Cups.

Pele is the most successful top-division scorer in the sport with 541 goals in 560 games. His total of 1283 goals in 1363 games including the friendlies

In 1956 de Brito took Pele to Santos to try out for professional club Santos Football Club. Pele impressed Santos coach Lula during his trial and he signed a professional contract with the club in June 1956. Pele was highly promoted in the local media as a future superstar. He made his senior team debut on 7 September 1956 at the age of 15 against Corinthians Santo Andre and had an impressive performance in a 7-1 victory scoring the first goal in his prolific career during the match. When the 1957 season started, Pele was given a starting place in the first team and at the age of 16 became the top scorer in the league. Ten months after signing professionally the teenager was called up to the Brazil National team. Pele's first international match was a 2-1 defeat against Argentina on 7 July 1957 at the Maracana. In that match, he scored his first goal for Brazil aged 16 years and nine months and he remains the youngest goal-scorer for his country.

In the 1958 FIFA World Cup, Pele arrived in Sweden sidelined by a knee injury but his colleagues stood together and insisted upon his selection. He was at the time the youngest player ever to participate in the World Cup. Against France in the semi-final, Brazil was leading 2-1 at halftime, and then Pele scored a hat-trick becoming the youngest in World Cup history to do so. On 29 June 1958, Pele became the youngest player to play in a world cup match at 17 years and 249 days. He scored two goals in that final as Brazil beat Sweden 5-2 in Stockholm, the capital. Pele hit the post and then Vava scored two goals to give Brazil the lead. His first goal where he flicked the ball over a defender before volleying into the corner of the net, was selected as one of the best goals in the history of the World Cup. It was in the 1958 World Cup that Pele began wearing a jersey with number 10. The press proclaimed Pele the greatest revelation of the 1958 World Cup, and he was also retroactively given the Silver Ball as the second-best player of the tournament, behind Didi.

The Black Pearl won his first major title with Santos in 1958 as the team won the Campeonato Paulista; Pele would finish the tournament as top scorer with 58 goals a record that stands till today.

Pele also played in the South American Championship In the 1959 competition he was named best player of the tournament and was top scorer with 8 goals, as Brazil came second despite being unbeaten in the tournament. He scored in five of Brazil's six games, including two goals against Chile and a hat-trick against Paraguay.

The Black Pearl helped Santos win nine Sao Paulo league championships and in 1962 and 1963 both the Libertadores Cup and the Intercontinental Club Cup.

Going into the 1962 World Cup Pele was the best-rated player in the world. In the first match of the 1962 World Cup in Chile, against Mexico, Pele assisted the first goal and then scored the second one, after a run past four defenders, to go up 2-0. He injured himself in the next game while attempting a long-range shot against Czechoslovakia. This would keep him out of the rest of the tournament, and forced coach. However, it was Garrincha who would take the leading role and carry Brazil to their second World Cup title, after beating Czechoslovakia at the final in Santiago.

Rough play and injuries turned the 1966 World Cup into a disaster for both Brazil and Pele, as the team went out in the first round, and he contemplated retiring from World Cup play. After a forgettable World Cup the Brazilian vowed not to play for his country again in the World Cup but later on he changed his decision.

In 1969, the two factions involved in the Nigerian Civil War agreed to a 48-hour ceasefire so they could watch Pele play an exhibition game in Lagos. Santos ended up playing to a 2-2 draw with Lagos side Stationary Stores FC and Pele scored his team's goals.

Brazil declares three days of mourning for football legend Pele

BRASILIA - Brazil on Thursday declared three days of mourning over the demise of football legend Pele, reported Brazilian news portal G1 citing a decree signed by outgoing Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro. According to G1, the decree signed by Bolsonaro reads, "Official mourning is declared throughout the country, for a period of three days, counted from the date of publication of this Decree, as a sign of regret for the death of Edson Arantes do Nascimento, Pele, a former football player."

Pele passed away on Thursday at the age of 82 after battling cancer.

Earlier, Jair Bolsonaro tweeted, "With regret the passing of a man, who through football, took the name of Brazil to the world. He turned football into art and joy. May God comfort your family and welcome you into his infinite mercy."

The funeral of Pele will take place on Monday, January 2, Brazilian news outlet G1 reported citing a statement released by Santos Futebol Clube. His body will be laid to rest at the Urbano Caldeira Stadium in Vila Belmiro in Santos.

The wake for Pele is expected to start at 10 am on Monday and should continue until 10 am on Tuesday, January 3 (local time), when a parade will be held through the streets of Santos.

In a medical bulletin, the Albert Einstein Hospital confirmed that Pele died at 3:27 pm "due to multiple organ failure, a result of the progression of colon cancer associated with his previous clinical condition, as per G1 report. Pele, whose real name is Edson Arantes do Nascimento, is considered as one of the greatest to ever step on a football pitch.



Brazilian footballer Pele, only player to win three FIFA World Cup titles

Legendary Brazilian footballer Pele passed away on Thursday at the age of 82 after battling bowel cancer.

A few days back, the football legend's health deteriorated and doctors had said that he needed care for renal and cardiac dysfunction. He was also undergoing treatment for a respiratory infection that was aggravated by COVID-19.

Pele, whose real name is Edson Arantes do Nascimento, is considered as one of the greatest to ever step a foot on a football pitch. He is the only player to have won three FIFA World Cup titles, having won the top prize in football in 1958, 1962 and 1970. The footballer also boasts of numerous trophies at the club and country level.

Pele has also won many individual accolades as well. He won the 'Best Young Player' award in FIFA World Cup 1958. He has also won the prestigious Ballon d'Or award a massive seven times. His astonishing goal-scoring record makes him the rightful 'Greatest of All-Time'.

The striker dominated the sport from the 1950s to 1970s an era marked by unstructured and decentralised record-keeping in the sport. This deprived the fans of knowing the exact measure of the footballer's greatness. His goal-scoring record is an issue hotly debated among fans and statisticians alike.

At the international level, Pele remains his country's all-time top-scorer. With 77 goals in 92 international appearances, this football legend's feet and the nets could not be separated. He announced himself with a thunderous performance in 1958 World Cup, in which he scored six goals throughout the tournament. He



emerged as the second-highest goal-scorer in the tournament.

This goal tally also makes Pele the 11th-highest run scorer among international footballers

At the FIFA World Cup, Pele has scored 12 goals in 14 matches across four editions, which is the second most by any Brazilian after Ronaldo. This three-time world champion is also the joint-sixth in the list of highest scorers at the marquee football event.

At 17 years and 239 days of age, he is also the youngest footballer to have ever found the nets in men's FIFA World Cup, accomplishing this feat during the quarterfinals of the 1958 edition of the tournament against Wales.

If that was not enough to give indications of a bright future, Pele turned a household name in his nation by becoming the youngest hat-trick scorer in World Cup history, against France in semis and lastly, becoming the youngest to score a goal in a World Cup final. It was hosts Sweden who were the Pele's victims in the summit clash. Now, at club level, in official matches, Pele has 680 club football goals. A massive 643 goals were scored for Santos in domestic level tournaments (at national and state levels), the Copa Libertadores and the Intercontinental Cup (the precursor to the FIFA Club World Cup).

