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Panic grips US after man opens fire in mall, 8 killed

AGENCY
DALLAS, MAY 7

A man who went on a rampage at a Texas outlet mall on Saturday shot dead eight people before he was himself killed, authorities said.

The shooting sparked panic at Allen Premium Outlets, a sprawling shopping complex in Allen, 25 miles (40 kilometers) north of Dallas, filled with weekend shoppers.

A police officer was in the mall on an unrelated call when gunfire broke out around 3:30 pm (2030 GMT), said chief Brian Harvey of the Allen police department.

"He heard gunshots, went to the gunshots, engaged the suspect and neutralized the suspect," Harvey said. "He also then called for ambulances."

The identity of the shooter was not released. His body, sprawled on a sidewalk, was one of the seven deaths at the mall when more police arrived.

Among the wounded at area hospitals, "three are in critical surgery, and four are stable," Boyd, the fire chief, said.

Some of the victims were as young as five years old, a hospital official told NBC News. Texas Governor Greg Abbott called the mass shooting an "unspeakable tragedy."

President Joe Biden "has been briefed on the shooting," a White House official told reporters.

Local officials hailed the actions of the



police officer who charged and killed the shooter.

"We owe a debt of gratitude to first responders that ran toward the gunfire and acted swiftly to neutralize the threat," said Keith Self, a Republican congressman whose district includes the city of Allen.

Video footage aired by CNN showed the shooter getting out of a sedan in the parking lot of the mall, and beginning his rampage.

Authorities believed initially that a second shooter might be on the loose. As police

combed through stores in the mall, frantic shoppers and store employees rushed into parking lots.

Harvey later said police believe the unidentified shooter, who CNN said was wearing tactical gear, "acted alone."

Janet St. James, a spokesperson for Medical City Healthcare, which operates multiple trauma facilities in North Texas, said it received eight patients from the shooting, ranging in age from five to 61, NBC News reported.

Manipur violence: BJP MLA moves SC against HC order on ST status for Meitei community



AGENCY
NEW DELHI, MAY 7

The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) MLA, Dinganglung Gangmei, has approached the Supreme Court challenging the Manipur High Court's order in relation to Scheduled Tribe status for the Meitei/Meitei community as a tribe of Manipur.

The petition filed by Gangmei, before the Supreme Court, sought a direction to the state government to recommend a tribe for the Scheduled Tribes List falls solely within the jurisdiction of the State, and not the High Court.

The petition filed by Gangmei, a BJP MLA, said that the Manipur HC order has resulted in the unrest in Ma-

nipur that has caused the death of 19 people. As per the petition -

"Due to the order, tension between both the community have taken place and violent clashes have erupted across the state. As a result of it so far 19 tribal people have been killed, various places in the states are blocked, internet is completely shutdown and more people are at the risk of losing their lives," the petition said.

There are two other petitions also filed before the Supreme Court.

According to Supreme Court registry, and officials directly connected with listing the matters, said that keeping in view the seriousness and importance of the case, the matter is likely to be listed very soon.

My every effort is for Punjab and Punjabis : CM Mann



BUREAU
JALANDHAR, MAY 7

On Sunday, Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann along with Jalandhar West MLA Sheetal Angural offered prayers at the Satguru Kabir temple located at Bhargav Camp in Jalandhar and prayed for 'Sarbat da Bhala'. Amritsar MLA Jeevanjot Kaur, senior AAP leaders Mahinder Bhagat, Pravesh Tangri and other AAP leaders were also present with them.

In his address on the occasion, Chief Minister Mann told the Sangat that Kabir ji spent his entire life helping the oppressed, raising his voice for their rights and oppose the injustice in the so-

ciety.

He said that the words of Kabir ji will always guide us. Mann said that the land of Punjab is the land of gurus, pir-fakirs, warriors and martyrs. It is a matter of pride for us to be born here.

He said that his government is working diligently for the progress of every section of Punjab. Our aim is that every house in Punjab should progress. He said that we are improving the condition of government schools so that even the children of the poor families can get quality education and become officers. Mohalla clinics were built so that everyone gets proper and free treatment.

Prepare Panchayat Development Plan, upload on portal soon: Hry CM to BDPOs

AGENCY
CHANDIGARH, MAY 7:

Chief Minister, Sh. Manohar Lal said that all the Block Development and Panchayat Officers (BDPOs) should hold meetings with the Gram Sachivs and Sarpanches of their respective areas for preparing the Gram Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP) and upload it on the portal at the earliest. He announced that according to the requirement, government houses for BDPOs will be built at the block level in the state. The Chief Minister was interact-



ing with the newly appointed batch of Block Development and Panchayat Officers at Haryana Niwas here today. He motivated the officers to work in an honest and transparent manner. A total of 46

BDPOs have been selected in the batch of the year 2023. These include MBBS doctors, MTech, MSc, law degree holders, besides officers of central services. Discussing the developmental schemes of the

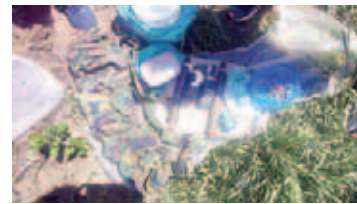
state government with the newly appointed BDPOs, the Chief Minister said, "It is your turn to introduce your talent by implementing them in a transparent and honest manner." He also motivated them to work neutrally in coordination with the Panchayat Samiti and Gram Panchayat. Talking about the priorities of the state government at the village level, the Chief Minister said that works like cleaning of ponds, maintenance work under Shiksha yojana, construction of parks-cum vyayamshalas and wellness centres are being done in the villages.

Major tragedy averted, IED weighting 5-6 kg recovered in Pulwama

AGENCY
SRINAGAR, MAY 7

Police on Sunday claimed to have averted a major tragedy when they arrested a militant associate and recovered an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) in Jammu and Kashmir's Pulwama district.

"Police averted a major tragedy by appre-



hending a terror associate Ishaq Ahmad Wani a resident of Arigam in south Kashmir's Pulwama district and recovered an IED weighing 5-6 Kgs approximately on his disclosure", police said in a tweet. A case under relevant sections of law has been registered and investigation started, police added.

Cong got so arrogant that no big Congress leader from Delhi even came to ask for your votes - Arvind Kejriwal

BUREAU
JALANDHAR: The Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) National Convenor Arvind Kejriwal and Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on Sunday campaigned in favor of AAP's candidate Sushil Kumar Rinku in Jalandhar by-

SAD-BJP and Congress governments did in 75 years, the Mann government has done more work in just one year.

He said that within just one year, the Mann government had given government jobs to more than 29,000 youths of Punjab. Apart from



poll by holding roadshows in various constituencies of Jalandhar Lok Sabha. Both the leaders held roadshow from Lohia Khas in Shahkot constituency to Adampur via Goraya in Phillaur constituency and appealed to the people to make AAP candidate win.

Punjab reached new heights of development in the last one year - Arvind Kejriwal

Addressing the people during the road show, Kejriwal said that Punjab has touched new heights of development during the last one year under the AAP government. He said that as compared to what the previous

this, thousands of temporary employees working in various departments were regularised. The previous government only misled the youth on the issue of employment.

Kejriwal said that in order to provide employment to the youth, Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann toured the country and abroad and met many big industrialists and appealed to them to set up industries in Punjab.

Republic Day 2024 likely to see all-women parade

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, MAY 7

Next year's Republic Day parade could feature only women participants, from the marching contingents and bands to the tableaux and performances, government sources said on Sunday, in a radical shake-up that is bound to make a statement.

The decision, part of a larger effort to promote female representation and empowerment in the military and other sectors, has been conveyed to the armed forces and government departments and its implementation is being worked out, they added.

A note sent in March to the forces



and other stakeholders involved in the organisation of the annual parade, which takes place at the Kartavya

Path, formerly known as Rajpath, in central New Delhi on January 26, had announced the plan, NDTV has learnt.

"It has been decided that Republic Day 2024 will have only women participation, including contingents (marching and bands), tableaux and performances during the parade," a senior government official said, requesting not to be named.

The ministries of Home Affairs, Culture and Urban Development have been informed about the plan, he said.

Army sources told that they had received the letter and were discussing how to implement it.

The Republic Day parade is a showcase of India's military might, cultural diversity and achievements, with thousands in attendance and many more watching on television.

Attack took place despite complaint: Shandilya

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
AMBALA: On February 1, National President of Anti-Terrorist Front India Viresh Shandilya had given a complaint to the Chairman of Haryana Human Rights Commission that BJP MLA of Ambala city Aseem Goyal could get him and his family murdered and anyone could hatch a conspiracy. And exactly after 3 days, on February 4, 2023, Viresh Shandilya's Palika Vihar office was attacked by masked men. Police arrested accused Praveen Chauhan, Manjinder, Shankar, Satpal Satta and Mangalnath on the basis of call details on the basis of CCTV cameras. But right now businessman Arvind Agarwal Lucky, a resident of Sector 1, Ambala City, who is the partner of MLA Aseem Goyal, and his accomplice are out of police custody.

People of Ward 11 take up beautification of park



DARSHAN SHARMA
NILOKHERI : In Nilokheri, Ward No. 11, the residents of the ward took up the beautification of the park. Due to the park in front of Bajarang Dal being in a very pathetic condition, the people of the locality are facing a lot of trouble. However, to prevent stray animals from coming into the park, the municipality and the people have repaired and closed all four gates of the park. By planting saplings in park, the people of the ward started for the beauty of the park. Veeranwali was entrusted with the responsibility for the maintenance of this park. S She told that with the help of all the people of the ward and meeting the secretary of the municipality, efforts will be made to set up an open gym in the park and the condition of the park will be improved. Former councilor and BJP leader Shiv Nath Kapoor said that cooperation will be taken from administration for the improvement of all the parks including this park. Ward residents said that we also thank the municipal secretary Ajit Kumar, who solved our problems by saying only once. Solved the problem and in the same way he continued to support all the residents of the city. If such officers remain in the municipality, then the city would develop well.

3 new corona positive cases found

PARI BAJAJ
KARNAL : Civil Surgeon Dr. Yogesh Kumar said that 3 new positive cases of corona have been found in the district on Saturday, while 9 persons have been cured. He informed that samples of 1089221 persons have been taken in the district so far and 167 samples were taken in the last 24 hours. Out of the total samples taken, 50705 positive cases were reported so far, out of which 50068 patients have been cured. There are now 33 active positive cases of corona virus in the district.

While shopping online, pay securely on website: Shantanu

DALBIR MALIK
KURUKSHETRA: Deputy Commissioner Shantanu Sharma said that in the era of social media, a helpline number 1930 has been issued by the central government for the consumer in increasing cases of online fraud on which immediate effective action starts as soon as information is given. In the last few years, the inclination of people towards online shopping is increasing. Its special craze is seen especially in the younger generation. Hoaxes of bumper discounts, lottery or prize advertisements are given on social media. In such a situation, the consumer should first make sure whether the website being used is secure or not.

DC Shantanu Sharma appealed to the general public to opt for cash on delivery option while ordering goods from online sites, so that bank and card details do not fall into the hands of cyber criminals. If there is any kind of cyber fraud in online transactions, then the consumer should first dial the helpline number 1930. Register your complaint on the Cyber Crime Reporting Portal. Beware of cyber criminals and also make your family members aware. In case of cyber fraud, going to the police station to register an FIR and get it investigated is a long process.

HARYANA

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Four-lane highway connecting Hisar, Tosham, Satanali, Kanina approved

BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, MAY 7

Haryana Deputy Chief Minister, Sh. Dushyant Chautala on Sunday announced 4 new roads including the bypass of Nizampur at a public function organized at Gehli village in Mahendragarh district. On this occasion, he laid the foundation stone and inaugurated various projects worth about Rs. 150 crores in the district. He said that the government has also approved the Hisar-Tosham-Satanali-Mahendragarh-Kanina-Rewari-Tauru four-lane highway.

Addressing the function, the Deputy CM said that the Haryana government is laying special focus on infrastructural facilities in the state. Many unprecedented developments have taken place in the last about 4 years. He said that the state is moving one



step ahead by making its mark in developing airways and highways.

He said that the Haryana government has decided that whichever gram panchayat passes the proposal of providing more than one acre of land for community centre, approval will be

given immediately. Apart from this, wherever suitable buildings will be made available, an e-library will be opened there.

Sh. Dushyant Chautala said that the state government is making schemes and services online to provide facilities to the common people at their doorstep. Presently 570 types of facilities/services are available online. The government is laying emphasis on digitization to increase facilities in rural areas.

He said that so far the government has disbursed Rs. 10,500 crores to the farmers' accounts for the procured wheat in rabi season. Similarly, Rs. 1,700 crores have been sent directly to the farmers' accounts for mustard.

State Social Justice and Empowerment Minister, Sh. Omprakash Yadav, Ateli MLA, Sh. Sitaram Yadav were also present on this occasion.

INLD will win all four assembly seats in Yamunanaagar : Dilbagh

RAJNI SONI
YAMUNANAGAR: Under the Chaudhary Devi Lal Expansion Scheme, a worker's conference was organised at the Indian National Lok Dal office in Yamunanagar on Sunday, in which senior leaders, workers and office bearers of the party participated. Chief speaker former MLA Dilbagh Singh while addressing the present workers said that today the present government in the state has lost its mass base. Unhappy with the Congress in 2014, the people of the state had handed over the power to the BJP, but for the last 10 years the situation in the state has gone from bad to worse. The government will be formed with a huge majority. The former MLA said that for this the party leaders, workers and office bearers will have to work hard. Chaudhary Devi Lal Vistar Yojana has been made by the party, under which every worker of the party should meet every person in his area and invite more and more people to join the party. He said that the youth is the future of the country, so party leaders and workers should make more and more youth aware of the policies of the party and connect them with the Indian National Lok Dal. The former MLA said that the people who left the party in the past due to the words of the opponents, today they are feeling cheated. He said that under the District Yamunanagar Chaudhary Devi Lal Expansion



Scheme, about 200 party workers and office bearers of the district would visit 258 booths of Sadhaura Halke to strengthen the party organisation and work to connect more and more people with the party. On this occasion, famous social workers and leaders of the district, Dr. Chandraprakash and Anantaram Contractor, along with hundreds of their supporters, joined the Indian National Lok Dal. Former MLA Dilbagh Singh welcomed all the colleagues who joined the party and said that they will get full respect in the Indian National Lok Dal. The former MLA also honoured him by wearing a party patka.

Benefits of fortified cereals given to Anganwadi workers



PREETI SAINI
SADHAURA: Information about fortified cereals was given to Anganwadi workers in Sadhaura town. CDPO Tarvinder Kaur told all the Anganwadi workers about the benefits of fortified cereals. He said that from August 15, 2021, oil, milk, salt, rice etc. are being given in Anganwadi centres. Along with this, information was also given about the method of making rice. Anganwadi workers were told that as much water should be taken as needed for making rice. This makes rice postic and tasty. Along with this, children also get the benefit of fortified and balanced food. We should also be aware of balanced food and nutritious diet so that our children can also get the right amount and balanced diet. Supervisor Lata, other Anganwadi worker Baljinder Kaur were also present on the occasion.

Lord Parshuram worshipped by all: Dr Arvind

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
MAHENDRAGARH, MAY 7

MP Dr. Arvind Sharma said that Lord Parshuram did not belong to one society, but is revered by all sections. The MP said that Lord Parshuram is the epitome of greatness and valour and he is also considered as the god of justice. The MP said that Lord Parshuram was born to destroy injustice, unrighteousness and sin and Lord Vishnu has also considered him as his sixth incarnation. Along with this, the MP called upon the people to strengthen brotherhood, so that the society gets strength. He said that unity is the greatest strength, help each other and stay united. Former minister Rambilas Sharma said that one should follow the path shown by Lord Parshuram. On Saturday, MP Dr. Arvind Sharma and former minister Rambilas Sharma participated in Lord Parshuram's birth anniversary programme organised at Old Ramlila Parishad.

The MP said that according to beliefs, there are seven such Chiranjeevi deities, who have been present on this earth for ages and one of them is Lord Parshuram, the sixth incarnation

of Lord Vishnu. He said that Lord Parshuram was born in the first quarter of the night of Baisakh Shukkal Tritiya and the time of Parshuram's birth is considered to be the confluence of Satyug and Treta and he is considered to be the



god of justice and all sections of the society are blessed with the birth anniversary. Should be celebrated.

According to traditions, the birth anniversary of Lord Parshuram is celebrated for a month and Lord Kshatriya is the deity of all of us. Former minister Ram Bilas Sharma said that all sections of the society should follow the path shown by Lord Parshuram. He said that Lord Parshuram was born to destroy injustice, unrighteousness and sinful deeds.

Health such a wealth that cannot be bought: Sanjay Bathla



DR ASHOK KUMAR
KARNAL : CHD Courtesy of Sakirtan Sewa Samiti, Sector 45, AYUSH Department, Karnal organized a free AYUSH medical camp at CHD City Karnal. Present on the occasion, Chief Minister's representative Sanjay Bathla said in his address that human health is such a wealth. Which cannot be bought from anyone and depends only on its diet, life style. In the present time, if a person improves his lifestyle, then he can lead a happy life. He told how a man controls his mind. If a person improves his lifestyle, then he can lead a disease-free life. He said that if a person practices yoga and a balanced diet for thirty minutes daily, he can lead a healthy life.

Alleged case of using poor quality materials comes to light

PREETI SAINI
SADHAURA: The Haryana government had recently implemented the system of e-tendering to end corruption in Panchayati Raj institutions. The lower level officials are engaged

in thwarting all the claims of the government. An alleged case of using substandard material in the under-construction road has come to the fore in Sarawan village of Sadhaura block of Yamunanagar district. For the first time the development work started in the village through e-tendering. But the contractor has used substandard interlocking tiles. A video is going viral on social media in which interlocking tiles are installed in a rural road.

The villagers allege that earlier this road was made of RCC, but the contractor put some stones on the road and installed poor quality interlocking tiles. These tiles installed a few days ago are now falling apart. Due to which the villagers are looking angry. He got the matter investigated and convicted. PR action has been demanded. On the other hand, when BDPO Shyam Lal was contacted, he said that he will send the technical team to get the quality checked.

Applications invited for National Awards by Ministry of MSME by May 10

PARI BAJAJ

KARNAL : Deputy Commissioner Anish Yadav informed that the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Government of India has announced the National Awards (National Awards-2023). This award is generally given by the seniormost authority/officers of the nation. This year the award is being given in three categories. DC said that this award is given to micro, small and medium enterprise units which are in the manufacturing and service sectors. Apart from this, national awards will also be given to advanced units in technology and excellent units in exports. Apart from this, some national awards are also being given for women entrepreneurs and for special categories such as Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Divyang entrepreneurs.

Editorial

Shifting tide

Last fall, eight months into the new world disorder created by Vladimir Putin's invasion of Ukraine, the University of Cambridge's Bennett Institute for Public Policy produced a long report on trends in global public opinion before and after the outbreak of the Ukraine war. Not surprisingly, the data showed that the conflict had shifted public sentiment in developed democracies in East Asia and Europe as well as the United States of America, uniting their citizens against both Russia and China and shifting mass opinion in a more pro-American direction.

But outside this democratic bloc, the trends were very different. For a decade before the Ukraine war, public opinion across "a vast span of countries stretching from continental Eurasia to the north and west of Africa," in the report's words, had become more favourable to Russia even as Western public opinion became more hostile. Similarly, people in Europe, the Anglosphere and Pacific Rim democracies like Japan and South Korea all turned against China even before Covid-19, but China was regarded much more favourably across the Middle East, sub-Saharan Africa and Central Asia. Putin's war in Ukraine shifted these trends only at the margins. Russia did become less popular in 2022, but overall, developing-world public opinion after the invasion was still slightly warmer to Russia than to the US, and (for the first time) warmer to China than to America too. To the extent that the Ukraine conflict betokened a new geopolitical struggle between an American-led "maritime alliance of democracies," as the report put it, and an alliance of authoritarian regimes anchored in Eurasia, with the authoritarian alliance having surprisingly deep reservoirs of potential popular support.

This reading of the geopolitical landscape has found vindication in the months since. Outside the Anglosphere and Europe, the attempts to quarantine the Russian economy have found little sustained support, and the attempts at diplomatic isolation likewise. Russian military forces are active across Africa. Moscow is finding willing energy buyers from South Asia to Latin America. Putin's regime convened a peace conference with Syria and Turkey and Iran in the hopes of stabilising its own position in Syria while sidelining the US and its Kurdish allies. Leaked documents from US intelligence indicate that President Abdel-Fattah el-Sisi of Egypt authorised secret arms sales to Russia notwithstanding his country's status as a US ally and aid recipient. Overall, according to a recent Economist Intelligence survey, outside of the Western alliance, there has been a slow bleeding of support from Ukraine: the number of countries condemning the Russian invasion fell slightly in the past year, and the number of neutral.

Vanishing glaciers pose threat to Alpine Biodiversity

Researchers have warned that with glaciers melting at unprecedented rates due to climate change, invertebrates that live in the cold meltwater rivers of the European Alps will face widespread habitat loss.

Many of the species are likely to become restricted to cold habitats that will only persist higher in the mountains, and these areas are also likely to see pressures from the skiing and tourism industries or from the development of hydroelectric plants.

The research study -- led jointly by the University of Leeds and University of Essex -- calls on conservationists to consider new measures to protect aquatic biodiversity. Invertebrates -- key role in ecosystems

The invertebrates, which include stoneflies, midges and flatworms, play a key role in nutrient cycling and organic matter transfer to fish, amphibians, birds and mammals in the wider Alpine ecosystem.

Using glacier, landscape and biodiversity mapping data collected across the Alps, scientists from across Europe simulated how key invertebrate populations across the mountain range are



likely to change between now and 2100 because of climate change. As the climate warms, the modelling predicted the invertebrate species would seek out colder conditions in the highest parts of the mountain range. In the future, these colder areas are also likely to be prioritised for skiing or tourism or the development of hydropower plants.

Lee Brown, Professor of Aquatic Science at the University of Leeds who co-led the research, said: "Conservationists need to be thinking about how protected area

designations must evolve to take into account the effects of climate change.

"It may be that some species will have to be moved to refuge areas if we want to safeguard their survival as many of them are not strong fliers so they cannot disperse easily through the mountains."

Alpine climate is changing rapidly

The research, involving a collaboration between nine European research institutions, brought together data on invertebrate species distribution in the Alps, an area

that covers more than 34,000 square kilometres, and mapped it alongside expected changes to glaciers and river flows. There was sufficient data to model what was likely to happen to 19 invertebrate species, mainly aquatic insects, that live in the cold-water regions of the Alps.

Dr Jonathan Carrivick, from the School of Geography at Leeds who co-led the research, said: "We have

quantified that as glaciers melt and retreat, the rivers running through the Alps will experience major changes in their water source contribu-

tions. "In the short term, some will carry more water and some new tributary rivers will form, but over several decades from now -- most rivers will become drier, flow slower and become more stable, and there could even have periods in a year when there is no water flow. Additionally, most water in Alpine rivers will also be warmer in the future."

Losers and winners By the turn of the century, the modelling predicts that most of the species would have experienced "consistent losses" of habitat.

Those hardest hit are expected to be the non-biting midges, *Diamesa latitarsis* grp., *D. steinboeckii*, and *D. bertrami*; the stonefly, *Rhabdiopteryx alpina*; and mayfly, *Rhithrogena nivata*. However, several species are expected to benefit from the habitat changes, including the flatworm, *Crenobia alpina* and the flat headed may fly, *Rhithrogena loyolaea*.

Other species would find refuge in low locations.

The scientists predict the stonefly *Dictyogenus alpinus* and the caddisfly *Drusus discolor* will be able to survive in the Rhone valley in south-east France while other

species will be lost from the rivers that flow into the Danube basin.

Conservation Writing in the paper, the researchers describe the "substantial work" that is necessary to protect the biodiversity in rivers that are being fed by retreating glaciers. The locations where glaciers still exist late in the 21st century are likely to be prioritised for hydropower dam construction and ski resort development.

Dr Martin Wilkes, from the University of Essex and who co-led the research, said: "The losses we predict for Alpine biodiversity by the end of this century relate to just one of several possible climate change scenarios."

"Decisive action by world leaders to reduce greenhouse gas emissions could limit the losses. On the other hand, inaction could mean that the losses happen sooner than we predict."

Understanding how invertebrate populations respond to climate changes is key to understanding how biodiversity in high mountainous areas can be affected, and the techniques developed in the study could be applied to other mountain environments.

Literature & Health

Bhutanese contemporary art now finding place on international stage

Bhutanese contemporary art is now finding a place on the international stage with exhibitions of several Bhutanese artists being held in Europe last year and in Taiwan, this year, The Bhutan Live reported.

According to The Bhutan Live, the three Bhutanese artists, including Bhutan's foremost contemporary artist, Kama Wangdi, who is popularly known as Asha Kama, opened their solo exhibitions in Taiwan recently.

65-year-old Kama Wangdi's solo art exhibition titled "Sacred Present" is ongoing at the Dr Sun Yat Sen National Memorial Hall in Taipei. It will end on Wednesday, according to The Bhutan Live.

His exhibition includes artworks done in the last five years such as mandalas, the Buddha and sacred dances among others. Likewise, Gyembo Wangchuk another artist opened his second solo exhibition in Tansbao Gallery last week. Zimbiri a female artist, also



opened her exhibition in Taipei. Founder of VAST Bhutan Kama Wangdi said, "Right now, in Taipei for the last two weeks, Bhutan art and artists have taken up a big front page right now and lots of collectors are interested. And we are praying that it goes well."

Tansbao Gallery where Gyembo Wangchuk's works are exhibited was opened by a young lady called Jill Lu for contemporary Bhutanese art. Kama Wangdi said that she is giving Bhutanese artists a

break. The plans to expand and showcase Bhutanese art in the regions like Hong Kong, Singapore and China are also in the pipeline, according to The Bhutan Live.

"It is late by then but still, for the next exhibition, it will help us to do better. There is a lot of inspiration and we get a lot of reality checks. So, it boils down to individual artists, of course, the platform is very important but we need a body of work to be there. So, we need to work harder," Wangdi added.

Censors in China deleting videos about poverty

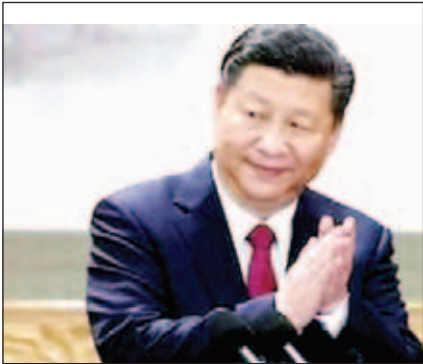
Due to propaganda and censorship, many people in China are not aware of how prevalent poverty is in the country. The New York Times reported.

Recently, a video of a retiree went viral that showed what groceries she could buy with 100 yuan, or USD 14.50, roughly her monthly pension and sole source of income. The video was later deleted by Chinese authorities.

A singer vented the widespread frustration among young, educated Chinese about their dire finances and gloomy job prospects, like gig work. "I wash my face every day, but my pocket is cleaner than my face," he sings. "I went to college to help rejuvenate China, not to deliver meals." His song was banned and his social media accounts were suspended, as per The New York Times.

Last year, a migrant worker labouring hard to support his family, gained widespread sympathy and attention after he tested positive for COVID-19, and officials released extensive details of his movements. He became known as the hardest-working person in China. Censors blocked discussions about him, and local authorities were stationed outside his house to prevent journalists from visiting his wife.

According to China, it is a socialist country that aims to promote common prosperity. In 2021, its top leader, Xi Jinping, declared "a comprehensive victory in the battle against poverty." Yet many people remain poor or live just above the poverty line. With the country's economic prospects dimming and the people's increasing anxiety about



their future, poverty has become a taboo subject that can draw ire from the government. The Cyberspace Administration of China in March announced that it would crack down on anyone who publishes videos or posts that "deliberately manipulate sadness, incite polarization, create harmful information that damages the image of the Party and the government, and disrupts economic and social development." It bans sad videos of old people, disabled people and children. According to The New York Times, behind the ban is a government eager to keep all talk about China positive. The Communist Party brags about how many people it lifted out of poverty in the past four decades, while refusing to mention how it had thrown the entire nation into abject poverty under Mao Zedong. Poverty alleviation is a medal the party flaunts to claim its legitimacy. But despite China's rise as an economic power, it has a drastically inadequate social safety net.

POEM

Paper Boats

Day by day I float my paper boats one by one down the running stream. In bid black letters I write my name on them and the name of the village where

I live. I hope that someone in some strange land will find them and know who I am. I

load my little boats with shiuli flower from our garden, and hope that these blooms of the dawn will be carried safely to land in the night.

Rabindranath Tagore



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Skipping meals and intake of prescribed diet pills linked to minimal weight loss

A new study analyzing data on over 20,000 U.S. adults associates a healthier diet and increased exercise to weight loss that reduces heart disease risk, while linking skipping meals and taking prescription diet pills with minimal weight loss, weight maintenance or weight gain.

For many in the study sample, however, losing a "clinically significant" 5% of their body weight did not eliminate their risk factors for cardiovascular disease, results showed. In fact, the average composite score on eight risk factors for heart disease was the same across the



entirety of the study population -- regardless of reported weight changes, up or down.

The research was published recently in the Journal of the American Heart Association.

The study is the first to compare weight-loss strategies and results in the context of the American Heart Association's "Life's Essential 8," a checklist promoting heart disease risk reduction through the pursuit of recommended metrics for body weight, blood pressure, cholesterol, blood sugar, smoking, physical activity, diet and sleep. The AHA

first defined a construct of cardiovascular health with "Life's Simple 7" metrics in 2010, and updated the recommendations to the "Life's Essential 8" in June 2022. The Ohio State University researchers found that overall, U.S. adults had an average score of 60 out of 100 on the eight measures -- suggesting there is plenty of room for improvement even among those whose diet and exercise behaviours helped move the needle on some metrics. "The Life's Essential 8 is a valuable tool that provides the core components for cardiovascular health, many of which are modifiable through

behaviour change," said senior study author Colleen Spees, associate professor of medical dietetics in the School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences at Ohio State. "Based on the findings in this study, we have a lot of work to do as a country," she said.

"Even though there were significant differences on several parameters between the groups, the fact remains that as a whole, adults in this country are not adopting the Life's Essential 8 behaviours that are directly correlated with heart health." Data for the analysis came from 20,305 U.S. adults aged 19 or older

(average age of 47) who participated in the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) between 2007 and 2016. Participants reported their smoking status, physical activity, average hours of sleep per night, weight history and weight loss strategy, and what they had eaten in the previous 24 hours. Health exams and lab tests measured their body mass index, blood pressure, LDL (bad) cholesterol and blood glucose.

The Ohio State researchers used the data to determine individuals' values for Life's Essential 8 metrics.

TPD Seven days NSS at
Malwa College, camp begins



KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL: Seven day NSS at Punjabi University TPD Malwa College, the premier institution of the area committed to multifaceted development of society and students. The camp was started. On this occasion, Vice Chancellor of Punjabi University Patiala Dr. Prof. Arvind, Director Constituent College Mahesh Thakkar and Head of NS Department from Patiala University, Mamta Sharma, started the camp with the blessing words of the principal of the college Dr. Bainder Kaur told the students of NSS. Giving information about the purpose and importance of the event, congratulated them and instilled enthusiasm in them. On this occasion, the group NSS. Apart from the department, camp volunteers, all the staff and students were present. It is worth mentioning that during this camp, volunteers will work for the heritage of their area and the maintenance of their campus.

1 person injured by firing of bullet due to rage

SUKH NAHAR
JAGRAON: An incident has come into light where a person was left injured due to firing of bullet as a result of old rage. According to the information from Munish Deen Dayal from police chownki Kaunke Kaslan, Gupreet Singh and his brother Balveer Singh son of Gurnam Singh where heading towards their fields when they had a clash with Jagdeep Singh son of

Harjinder Singh due to spraying of chemicals in their fields. "Due to this rage, accused Jagdeep Singh fired rounds at victim Gurpreet Singh with his licensed weapon that hit him on his chest and he was left seriously injured. The victim was admitted to DMC hospital Ludhiana and is said to be in a stable condition now," he said.

NEWS

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, MONDAY, MAY 8, 2023

High reaches experience snow, thunderstorm warning in NWI

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, MAY 7

In the summer season unprecedented snowfall experienced on the high reaches of Himachal drastically plummeting the mercury and increasing cold wave condition in the entire mid and high hills.

The IMD issued thunderstorm warning in North Western Himalayan State including Pubjab, Harnaya and Uttrakhand.

The district diaster control room of Lahaul Spiti district have issued warning to local people and tourists on Saturday evening to avoid unnecessary travel during bad weather conditions. "It was snowing n Lahaul Spiti ", an alert issued by the Administration said .

A video showing snow flakes on the south portal of Rohtang Tunnel also being posted to alert tourists on the face book page of the Lahaul Spiti police last night warning them to not venture in the high line areas.

For Today and tomorrow



IMD issued fresh warning of thunderstorm and more snowfall on the high reaches. An Orange alert was sounded this morning warning people to prepare for light to moderate rain and light snow on the high reaches and possibility of high speed thunderstorm.

Shimla Met Office issuing fresh advisory for Sunday said that Shimla, Solan, Sirmaur, Kangra (Badabangal, Baijnath), Mandi, Una, Bilaspur and Hamirpur district likely to witness wind and hailstorm.

It further warned that some

places of Sirmaur, Solan and Bilaspur district may hit by windstorm likely to have 20 to 25 km per hours wind speed.

The attributing un-seasonal rainfall or snow in the summer to Western disturbance and Cyclonic circulations IMD warns that it may hit states including Punjab and Haryana.

The cyclonic circulation over southeast Rajasthan & neighbourhood now lies over northeast Rajasthan neighbourhood and extends upto 0.9 km above mean sea level.

The rainfall, thunderstorm

and lightning in some places may cause damage to standing crops, fruit plants and new plantings. People are advised to take adequate safety measures. The average minimum and maximum temperatures would be expected below normal.

The weather warning also issued for state of Pubjab, Haryana and Untrakhland forecasting moderate to intense rain or thunderstrom with lightening and gusty winds with wind speed of 40 to 50 km per hours likely to occur at Ambala, Yamunanagar, Panchkula, Chandigarh and adjoining area in next two to three hours.

People were warned to stay in safer places during thunderstorm activity Don't take shelter under trees, suspend all farming operating during thunderstorm event. Don't state near the weak structure.

In the high reaches of Kullu, Lahaul Spiti, Chamba, Kangra and Kinnuar dark clouds were hovering on the sky and possibility of more rain and snowfall could not be ruled out, IMD added.

Financial stability and income opportunities through Fish farming

SHIMLA, MAY 7

There is immense potential in the fish farming in the rivers and sea areas of India. It also offers great opportunities for employment and self-employment in the view of bio-diversity in the fish farming sector. Himachal Pradesh is endowed with perennial rivers originated from glaciers. These rivers enrich the hilly and semi-plain areas of the state. Beas, Satluj and Ravi rivers are home to various fishes like schizothorax, golden mahseer and foreign trout species etc. The successful implementation of ambitious Indo-Norwegian Trout Farming Project has created a keen interest among people to utilize water resources of the state through modern techniques. More anvils were opened for local public to explore fish farming in Gobind Sagar and Pong Dam, Chamera and Ranjit Sagar Dam which is strengthening their economy. State government is promoting fisheries and allied sector through various schemes. A detail work plan is being prepared to increase income of fishermen by promoting



backyard fish farming, cage culture, re-circulatory aquaculture system and other technology based fish farming in the state. Around 20 hectare new fish ponds will be constructed in private sector in the current financial year. State government has decided to provide a subsidy of 80 percent to escalate earnings of fishermen. As many as 120 new trout units will be constructed to increase the capacity of fisheries sector. A carp farm will be set at Gagret in Una with an expenditure of Rs. five crore to facilitate training of farmers and other persons associated with fisheries. Total 600 fishermen will be trained every year in this centre. Fishermen dependent on riverine fish living in the plain areas will be provided with 1000 cast nets at subsidy.

Bharat Vikas Parishad holds meet



CHEET RAM RATAN
NAWASHAHAR, MAY 7

A meeting of Bharat Vikas Parishad Nawanshahar branch was held today under the chairmanship of Secretary Sushil Kumar Puri. In this meeting, the new team for the year 2023/24 was unanimously elected. Paramjit Singh Bakshi Advocate was elected as President, Mukesh Markanda as Secretary, Sanjeev Kumar Sharma Advocate as Treasurer. Jugal Kishore Dutta State Vice President, Vikas Narad Advocate, Varinder Singh Pahwa Advocate, Nipun Bhalla Advocate, Mughal Bajaj Advocate, Siddharth Narad Advocate, Rakesh Jyoti were present. Sushil Kumar Puri and Jugal Kishore Dutta congratulated the new team and assured the cooperation of all the members on behalf of the branch to the new team.

State level Maharishi Kashyap Jayanti function on May 24



MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI, MAY 7

A meeting of dignitaries of Kashyap community was organized at Indri Rest House to celebrate state level Maharishi Kashyap Jayanti celebrations in Indri on May 24. All the dignitaries of Kashyap Samaj of Haryana state were present in this meeting. State President of Haryana Kashyap Rajput Sabha, Samesingh presided over the meeting. Advocate Jagdish Kashyap conducted the proceedings. MLA Ramkumar Kashyap gave guidelines to the meeting of dignitaries of Kashyap Samaj by addressing them on the phone from Karnataka itself. In this meeting, all the dignitaries of the Kashyap community took a unanimous decision and said that this time in Indri, on May 24, the state level Maharishi Kashyap Jayanti ceremony will be celebrated with great fanfare under the leadership of Indri's MLA Ramkumar Kashyap. A committee will be formed regarding the preparations for Maharishi Kashyap Jayanti celebrations, in which everyone will be entrusted with the responsibility. Advocate Jagdish Kashyap said that duties will be imposed on all the volunteers to make the function grand.

Lt Gen Shravan Kumar Patial gets Kutlehar Gaurav Samman

JOGINDRA DEV ARYA
BANGANA, MAY 7

People who do social service are really great and are a great source of inspiration for others as well. Kutlehar MLA Davindra Bhuto was speaking at the annual function of Samaj Sewa Samiti Bangana as the chief guest. Bhutto said that it is from such people that the spirit of social service will be generated in the coming young generation. The people who do social service are the guide for the new generation, those who have compassion and charity towards others are called social workers. He said that Social Service Committee Bangana is doing commendable work in the field of social service. While presiding over the program,



Himotkarsh Una President Jitendra Kanwar said that the office bearers and members of the committee deserve congratulations for the successful organization of the programme. Meanwhile, Nav Jyoti, the annual souvenir of the committee was also released by the chief guest Devendra Bhutto. During the ceremony, the students of Arya Public School, Bangana, Nati-Nati Sirmouro Aali A, PAR

Dohgi, Mata Satyavati School, Government Primary School School Dhundla, Hatli, Sanskar School enthralled the audience by giving mesmerizing presentations. During the programme, meritorious students, people living below the poverty line and people doing commendable work in the field of social service were honored by the chief guest. Chief guest Devendra Kumar

Bhutto provided Rs 11,000 to the committee for organizing the programme. Lieutenant General Shravan Kumar Patial Gaon Hatli Patialan was awarded the Kutlahar Gaurav for his incomparable contribution in field of service to the nation. Brijlal village Tanoh, Barfi Devi village Badaihar, Bakshi Ram village Androli were honored with senior citizenship honour. Students of Arya Public School were honored with sports award. Shiv Kumar, Headmaster Kakrana, Roshan Lal Raunkhar were honored with social service honor. Retired BEEO Soma Devi, retired spokesperson Dr. Balkrishna Soni, BEEO Gagret Shala Devi, Shastriankar Nath Pharmacist Surjit Singh were honored after retirement from government service.

Martyr Arvind Kumar cremated with military honors

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, MAY 7

Arvind Kumar of Marhun village under Sulah sub-division of Kangra district, who was martyred during a terrorist encounter in Jammu's Rajouri, was cremated with military honours. Hundreds of moist eyes gave him the last words. On this occasion, State Agriculture and Animal Husbandry Minister Chaudhary Chandra Kumar, CPA Ashish Butail and many leaders, military officers and district administration officials were present. Martyr Arvind Kumar was lit by his elder brother Bhupendra Kumar. Tears were rolling from the eyes of thousands of people who had reached the last darshan of the martyr. Martyr's wife, elderly parents and elder brother are in bad condition by crying. Martyr Arvind Kumar was very courageous and talented since childhood. In the year 2010, he was admitted to the Punjab Regiment. Within just a few years of that, he had made his place in the Special Forces, currently, he was serving under 9 Para Commando. Arvind had also won awards in



the German Competition. Arvind has also played an important role in missions like surgical strike. Arvind has left behind 2 daughters, wife, aged parents and elder brother and younger sister. On this occasion, Agriculture and Animal Husbandry Minister Chaudhary Chandra Kumar said that the country will always remember the sacrifice of Martyr Arvind Kumar. He said that every possible help will be provided to the family members of the martyr from the government. He said that God may give him the strength to overcome the loss caused by the death of Arvind Kumar to his family.

HPCA offers prayers for organizing IPL matches

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, MAY 7

For the successful organization of IPL matches to be held on May 17 and 19 at Dharamshala International Cricket Stadium, Himachal Pradesh Cricket Association (HPCA) offered prayers at Lord Indru Nag temple and organized a huge Bhandara along with Kanya Pujan. Indrunag is considered the god of rain. It is believed that whatever big or small events are held in the area, prayers are offered to the Indrunag deity for no rain. The matches to be held in Dharamshala on 17th and 19th May are important for all the teams. These matches will be held here in the last phase of the league. Which can be a do or die situation for every team. Matches will be played between Punjab and Delhi teams on May 17 and Punjab and Rajasthan teams on May 19 in Dharamshala, although the department has predicted clear weather in the coming days, but rain has disrupted many matches played so far in Dharamshala. has been inserted. All the tickets for both the matches have also been sold out.



Due to this, the concern of the audience has also started increasing. Many matches at the International Cricket Stadium in Dharamshala have been canceled due to rain. HPCA spokesperson Sanjay Sharma said on the occasion that IPL matches are going to be held in Dharamshala after 10 years. Two matches will be played in Dharamshala on 17th and 19th and once again Punjab Kings XI have considered Dharamshala Cricket Ground as their home ground. He said that Indrunag, the presiding deity of Dharamshala, has been worshipped for the successful conduct of the matches. Bhandara was organized along with Yagya in the Indrunag temple. Before organizing the matches, we come to the shelter of Lord Indrunag, this is our belief.

Drug addiction awareness camp organized by Narayan Seva Sansthan at IG Public School

RAMAN GUPTA
KAITHAL, MAY 7

Narayan Seva Sansthan Branch Kaithal is running a very useful anti-drug awareness campaign to save the young generation coming to different educational institutions in the city from drugs. Under the same campaign today, the team of Narayan Seva Sansthan branch Kaithal, under the leadership of Dr. Vivek Garg, head of branch Kaithal and psychiatrist Dr. Naresh Garg, Gyanchand Bhalla and Somnath, reached among children at IG Public School Kaithal. First of all, Principal of IG Public School Mrs. Veena Aggarwal and Camp Coordinator teacher Meenakshi welcomed the team of Narayan Seva Sansthan. After that, Dr. Naresh Garg apprised all the children about why the young generation is going towards drugs. He also cited career pressure as the main reason for drug addiction among children. Dr. Vivek Garg told all the children about the side effects of drugs. He said that if there is to be intoxication in student life, then the young generation should be intoxicated by education, devotion and service. By doing this, his life will get a new and ideal direction and he will grow up and contribute in building a good nation.



Rohit of Jhajjar wins council election in UK

BUREAU
JHAJJAR: Rohit of Dhandhlan village in Jhajjar district of Haryana added another feather in the cap of Haryana when he won the council election for the first time in UK. The ruling Conservative Party of England has placed a big bet on Rohit Ahlawat, a young leader of Indian origin, in the council elections. The party has given Rohit a councilor ticket for the Hockden ward in the city of Lower Arleigh which borders London. Rohit is Indian origin to contested from this ward. The Prime Minister of England, Rishi Sunak of Indian origin is also the leader of the Conservative Party. Born in Dhandhlan village of Jhajjar district of Haryana, Rohit Ahlawat went to London for studies about 14 years ago. After completing his studies, he first started a job there and is now doing his business.



'Sushil Rinku of Aam Aadmi Party will win from Jalandhar with huge votes: Subhash Verma'

VERMA
GURDASPUR, APR 7

Aam Aadmi Party's State Joint Secretary Transport Wing Subhash Verma said that Aam Aadmi Party's candidate Sushil Rinku will win the Lok Sabha by-election in Jalandhar on May 10 by winning with huge votes. He told that on his behalf the people of Jalandhar are being motivated loudly to vote in favor of Aam Aadmi Party and Jalandhar is witnessing full air of Aam Aadmi Party. Subhash Verma said that the



Chief Minister of Aam Aadmi Party S. Under the leadership of Bhagwant Mann, the election campaigns are being done

with full noise and on the basis of the development works done in Punjab, the people of Jalandhar are going to vote in favor of the Aam Aadmi Party. He said that the Aam Aadmi Party is the people's own party, the works which were not done in the last 70 years have been completed by the Aam Aadmi Party within one year of assuming power and the remaining works will also be completed soon. He requested the public to make Sushil Rinku of Aam Aadmi Party victorious in the Jalandhar elections.

In the White Medical College, patients will get better treatment in less money

GURDITT RANDHAWA
SUJANPUR: Salaria Jan Seva Foundation Chairman Swaran Salaria today held a press conference at The White Medical College and Hospital on Sunday. A new scheme has been implemented with the aim of providing cheap treatment. He said that for the first time in the history of Punjab, Salaria Jan Seva Foundation and The White Medical College and Hospital were going to give a big gift to the needy people of Punjab. In the assembly constituencies of Gurdaspur, Batala and Pathankot, anyone who wanted to undergo any treatment or major operation, no matter how serious the disease, would be treated at a maximum cost of Rs 19500 only. This will include medicines, doctors' expenses, blood expenses, living expenses and even the expenses of going back to home. Apart from



this, the treatment of various diseases and operations will be done for Rs. 9500. He said that now people would not have to spend lakhs of rupees and no need to go to other hospitals for expensive treatment. He said that varicocele, bladder stone, laparoscopic surgery, tympanoplasty and scapoplasty, joint replacement, spine surgery, fracture due to injury, testicles will be treated for Rs 9500 to 19500.

NEWS AT A GLANCE

Bhagal police arrested 4 accused in case of snatching cash from person

KULBHUSHAN SHARMA
GUHLA CHEEKA: Bhagal Chowki police have arrested four accused in a case of snatching cash from a person going home on scooter. The accused were identified as Pragat, Krishna, Gurdas, residents of Bhusala and Gursevak, a resident of Theh Banera. Police spokesman said that according to the complaint of Hardeep, a resident of Manjhedi, there was a pesticide shop in his village Bhusala. On March 6, he was going to his home on a scooter from the shop in the evening. On the way, was blocked by the youth on the bike and his scooter was attacked with a stick. The said youth snatched the bag from his hand and ran away. According to the complaint, the bag contained Rs 3,000 in cash and other documents. A case was registered in this regard in police station Cheeka. The spokesman said that the baton used in the incident has been recovered from the possession of accused Pragat and Gurdas. All the accused will be presented in the court on Sunday, who are being interrogated by the police.

Inauguration ceremony of swimming pool held at Sahara International School



NARESH GARG
LADWA: Inauguration of swimming pool by Ladwa DSP Jai Singh at Sahara International School in Ladwa was held on SundaY. DSP Jai Singh said that this WAS a semi-Olympic level swimming pool, which would be the first of its kind in Ladwa. National level swimmers would be trained from here. He said that the swimming pool has been made of the best standard for swimmers by using modern resources. On the other hand, the school president Vikrant Agarwal said that it was auspicious to promote the physical and intellectual development of the children in the school. The school manager Geetika Agarwal informed that a splash pool has been made especially for the kindergarten and while there was a separate pool for the students of the senior wing. The depth of which is determined according to the government norms. Elaborate arrangements have been made here from the point of view of security as well. There is also a proper arrangement of changing rooms at the construction site, says the manager.

Healthy mind resides in a healthy body: Deepak Sharma



KULBHUSHAN SHARMA
GUHLA CHEEKA: The Panchayat of Bhagal village is constantly striving for the development of the village and is very active in every aspect. Sarpanch Sudesh Sharma and other panchayat members encouraged the cricket players by distributing kits in the presence of DIG (CRPF) Deepak Sharma on behalf of the panchayat in village Bhagal on Sunday. Speaking on the occasion, Chief Guest Deepak Sharma says a healthy mind resides in a healthy body and the best way to keep the body healthy is to encourage sports. This program has been kept for their cooperation and this will give more to the game of cricket and good players will come out. He said that in the same way the panchayat has been trying to promote other sports as well. He said that the constituency MLA Ishwar Singh has promised full cooperation for the development and he was also cooperating. He said that with the cooperation of the MLA, he would provide more facilities in the stadium here so that the players can get better conditions to play.

Draws of new pits for mining will be held on May 9: DC

SHARANJEET PATHANKOT: According to the Lotus Evaluation Committee the draw of lots of four numbers will be done on Tuesday May 9 at 2 p.m. at the venue meeting hall, deputy commissioner complex, Malakpur, Pathankot as per Department of Mining and Geology Punjab Notification No. 491988-P.J. This was stated by Harbir Singh Deputy Commissioner Pathankot. He said that in relation to the above, all those who have participated in the tender process, they themselves or through a letter of authorization, were invited to reach the place on the appointed time and place on the day of the draw. He further informed that a survey was conducted to find out new pits for mining in the district Pathankot in the past, in which the places where mining can be done were selected in the district Pathankot. After this, the survey report was put online after taking objections from the people. He said that the draws of Sahpur Gopi and Gol, Cluster 10 Mera Kalan, Cluster 11Khadkara and Cluster 12 Chak Hari Rai were to be drawn on Tuesday at the above place and time under all the procedures of the Mines and Geology Department. In the above draw, those who have participated in the tender process, they themselves or through a letter of authorization were invited to reach at the appointed time and place on the day of the draw.



VP Dhankhar interacts with Indian students in London

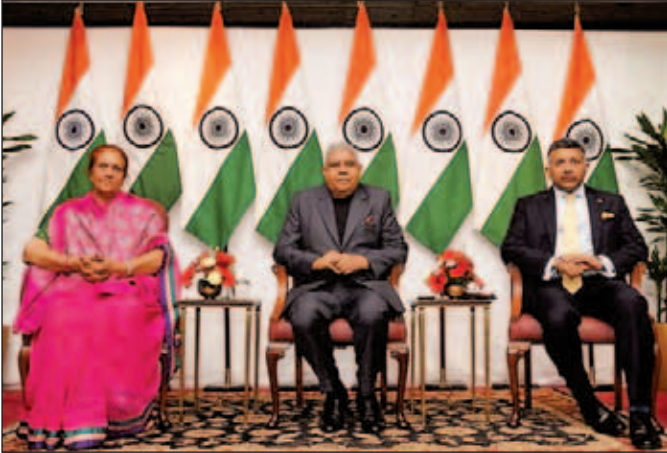
AGENCY
NEW DELHI/LONDON, MAY 7

Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar, who attended the coronation ceremony of King Charles III in London on behalf of the Government of India, also interacted with Indian students from various leading Universities of the UK.

In a tweet, the MEA spokesperson said that the Vice President urged the students to strive towards excellence and appreciated their role in advancing bilateral relations.

“VP Jagdeep Dhankhar @VPIndia met and interacted with Indian students from various leading Universities of the UK.

“VP urged students to strive



towards excellence and appreciated their role in advancing India-Great Britain relations.”

Earlier, the Vice President in a tweet said he was happy to be present at the coronation ceremony of King Charles III

2 accused arrested by CIA-1 police in robbery and murderous attack

SATISH SETH
KALAYAT / KAITHAL: 2 accused were arrested by the CIA-1 police in a major success on Sunday in the case of robbery and murderous attack at the point of pistol from a jewellers shop in Rajound. Disclosing this success through a press conference, DSP Kalayat Sajjan Kumar said that according to the complaint of Rajkumar son of Ranjit Singh, resident of Rajound, he has a shop named Shri Bala Ji Jewelers in Dada Kheda Wali Gali in Rajound. On which his elder son Sunil sits with him. On May 2, at around 5.30 pm, four boys came outside his shop on a motorcycle, all with cloths tied over their faces. The three boys who got down from the motorcycle came inside the shop and one boy stood outside near the motorcycle. The two boys who came inside were carrying pistols in their hands and the third boy was carrying a bag. As soon as the three boys came inside, they shouted that whatever you have, give them to us



quickly. Rajkumar asked them who are you to go out of the shop, then they said quickly give all the gold or else they will shoot you. When Rajkumar started making noise, a boy fired on Rajkumar with a pistol in his hand, which hit the bottom of his right cheek, then Rajkumar's son Sunil said that don't shoot, take what you want. Sunil took out the gold and silver ornaments kept in the safe and gave them to him. All of which they put in their bags and came out. When Rajkumar raised an alarm that our shop was being looted and taken away, one of the boys fired two or three shots at him.

Humour must in life: Prem Sethi

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, MAY 7

Bringing smiles on the faces of others while hiding one's own pain is the true sense of humour. It is better to die after laughing for a moment than to live choking. In today's era, laughter has disappeared from people's lives. Every man is living with his tensions and tensions. Getting high blood pressure along with sugar and heart disease as a gift. Today, on the occasion of Comedy Day, meet the state's renowned humorist Kavi Samrat Dr. Prem Sethi. His laughter suppresses the heartache of someone who has undergone heart surgery twice. Prem Sethi, who has written about 29 books, has been awarded by Haryana Punjabi Sahitya Akademi, Hindi Sahitya Akademi and PNV along with many national institutions. Through his satirical collection Hanuman Ka TA Bill, he attacked the systems. He has written comic collections like Maya Maha Thugni, Pau Barah, Puttha Pansa Nari Tu Narayani. Today, on Comedy Day, Dr. Prem Sethi said that the joy of life is in laughing and not in crying. They enjoy dying laughing. Told them that laughing relieves stress. Bank employee-turned-literate poet-satire Prem Sethi wrote Multani, Punjabi Hindi books. Sethi said that problems will come and go in life, but by laughing they can be overcome for some time. He said that today it is better to live laughing rather than going into depression in times of stress. He said that give wings to the children, give them freedom.



Social worker Sandeep Garg inaugurates volleyball competition in village Sanghaur



NARESH GARG
LADWA: A volleyball competition was organized in village Sanghaur of Babain by the chairman of Stalwart Foundation and social worker Sandeep Garg by cutting the ribbon. Chief guest Sandeep Garg said that the youth power should not go towards intoxication and practice sports in the ground in the morning and evening so that their health was also good and he himself was also interested in sports. He said that the volleyball academy of village Sanghaur was adopted on his behalf a long time ago. Today there was no dearth of anything in this Academy. There are many players in Ladwa Halka. But due to lack of resources, they became disheartened and cannot move forward. But the children of Sanghaur's volleyball academy were doing well in sports, two players have even joined the army, said he. On the other hand, coach Anil Kumar said that social worker Sandeep Garg has been cooperating with the academy from time to time. Recently lights have also been installed in the ground by Sandeep Garg. He told that in this competition, teams from nearby villages of Babain area participated and performed. A large number of villagers were present on the spot.

All sports have an important role in keeping youth away from drugs: Panjeta

NARESH GARG

LADWA: District level Pancake Silat Championship was organized by Pancake Silat Association Kurukshetra at KB Scholars School, Ladwa. In which 200 players from all the schools of the district participated. At the conclusion of the competition, Zilla Parishad Ward Seven member Jasbir Panjeta participated as the chief guest and awarded medals to the winning players. Jasbir Panjeta said that all sports have an important contribution in the development of Ladwa Halka and in keeping the youth away from drugs. He said that they should keep organizing these games from time to time. On the other hand, Association General Secretary Pankaj Khanna told that the players who won gold medal in this competition were selected for the upcoming Haryana level competition. In this competition, School Manish Papneja of Islamabad got the first position, Sugni Devi School got the second position and Jai Bharat School got the third position. At the same time, all the guests and coaches who came in the competition were honored by giving mementos.



82.23 pc lifting of wheat from Barnala markets: DC

KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA, MAY 7

Deputy Commissioner Mrs. Poonamdeep Kaur said that 82.23 percent of the wheat purchased in all the markets in the district has been lifted and 99 percent of the payments have been transferred to the farmers' accounts. Sharing more information in this regard, he said that 441093 metric tons of wheat has reached the market of district Barnala so far. Out of this, 440872 metric tons have been purchased. Giving information about this agency time, he said that 109896 metric ton from Pungrain, 118100 metric ton from Markfed, 95923 metric ton from Punsap, 80806 metric ton from Punjab Warehouse, 35903 metric ton from Food Corporation and 245 metric ton from private traders. While sharing information about the payments being made to the farmers, he said that 99 percent of the total purchased wheat payments have been transferred to the farmers' accounts, the total



amount of which is 917 crore rupees. He said that 100 per cent payments have been made by Pungrain, Markfed, Punsap and Punjab Warehouse, while 83 per cent payment has been made by Food Corporation of India. He said that there is no shortage of trucks to carry wheat from the markets of the district and trucks have been engaged in this work as per requirement. He said that 82.23 percent of the wheat has been lifted from the market. In the last 72 hours, 79 percent of the wheat purchased by Pungrain, 86 percent by Markfed, 78 percent by Punsap, 88 percent by Punjab Warehouse, 78 percent by Food Corporation of India and 104 percent by private traders have been lifted.

Tubewell will be installed at Kila Chowk for drinking water supply: Sandeep

SANJAY VERMA
PEHOWA, MAY 7

In Ward No.12 of Pehowa, Minister of State Sandeep Singh listened to the problems of the residents of the ward and gave directions to the officials of the concerned departments. When Ward Councilor Sarika Kaushik raised the demand for installation of drinking water tubewells at Qila Chowk for drinking water supply, the Minister of State instructed the XEN of the Public Health Department to install tubewells at Qila Chowk as soon as possible. Minister of State Sandeep Singh said that small electric hawkers will be purchased for the narrow lanes of Ward No.12 so that garbage can be picked up even from those lanes where dumpers cannot reach. He said that astrologer Deepak Pancholi always informs me about the problems of the ward and the spirit of doing such public service work is really commendable. Adequate funds are being made available by Chief Minister Manohar Lal for the development of pilgrimage town Pehowa. The tender process for the new four-lane bridge on Ambala Road drain has been completed and the construction work will start soon. The Minister of State also instructed SDM Sonu Ram to take legal action against the owner of the vacant plot, which has become a cause of trouble for the public in the ward.



Inspiration to save the glorious cultural heritage



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, MAY 7

In the monthly joint heritage program organized by Vikas Club Sahitya Kala Manch Kunjpura at Ramlila Bhawan of Kunjpura village on Sunday, gave the message of keeping patriotism of paramount importance. Student Sejal, taking your name in the morning, Prabhu Karte Hain, we start today's work Prabhu Rachna and with this the program started. Director of the club, Swami Prempal Sagar said that looking into the past, the invaders tried hard to destroy our culture and values. The culture has remained alive because of the sacrifices. It is everyone's responsibility to nurture the values. Poet Shakeel Jathedi (Sonipat) while presenting the composition said that it rains of your mercy, then my day begins. President of Ankan Literature Group, Panipat, Prof. Kamlesh Kumar Paliwal 'Kamal said that this was the only effect of the twenty-first century, earlier there was happiness in the absence, now there was a lack of happiness.

Woman body found, police start investigation

PREETI RANI
SADHAURA: A half-naked dead body of a woman was found under suspicious circumstances in village Rasulpur of Sadhaura block of Yamunanagar district. The age of the woman is said to be 35 years. There are also injury marks on the face of the woman. When a person reached the spot on Sunday, he saw the semi-naked body of the woman, after which the information was given to the police. As soon as the information was received, DSP and SHO Sadhora reached the spot and started action. According to the information received from the police, the age of the deceased woman has been stated to be about 35 years and her name is Varsha. The deceased belongs to the Dalit community. The deceased is said to be a resident of Barauli village of Chhachhrauli. According to the information, the deceased woman was married in the year 2012 in Rampur village of Narayangarh. The woman was divorced about two and a half years ago and has two children. Presently the woman was living alone on rent in Rasulpur. According to the information, the woman, a resident of Kala Mango, lived with a married man. The woman was murdered on the terrace of a shop near Allahabad Bank in Rasulpur on Friday night around 11 pm. The woman has been hung down with a chunni around her neck. Police have recovered the woman's purse and sandal from the spot.



Camps will be organized to solve the problem of deleting BPL card and Ayushman card: Sandeep



SANJAY VERMA
PEHOWA: Minister of State Sandeep Singh said that camps would be organized soon to solve the problems like deleting of BPL card and Ayushman card and these camps would be organized in the rural areas of Pehowa Ismailabad in this month itself. In which employees providing information online will also be present. He was addressing the villagers on Sunday during the programs organized at Malikpur, Bilochpura, Bodhani, Morthali, Bodha. He said that due to the income given in the family identity card, the cards of such people have been automatically cut, whose income was more than the limit set by the government. If someone's card has been cut due to online error, then he can get his income certificate and apply for re-starting his BPL card and Ayushman card in these camps. He said that Chief Minister Manohar Lal has announced that those whose cards have been cut by mistake, they would be given full stalled ration. Apart from this, so far 2750 old age pension has also been given by the government and would start reaching the account from next month. He instructed the officers to complete the work on the road of village Bodha soon.

State Election Commission decides to update voter list: DEO

PARI BAIJAJ
KARNAL: The Haryana State Election Commission has decided to update the voter list in view of the proposed by-elections of Panch, Sarpanch and Member Panchayat Samiti of Panchayati Raj Institutions under the Haryana Panchayat Raj Election Rules, 1994. Giving information, District Election Officer (Panchayat) and Deputy Commissioner Anish Yadav said that according to the final voter list published by the State Election Commission on January 5, 2023. The updated voter list will be prepared considering the qualifying date. He told that the draft publication of voter list for observation will be done on May 8, if any person has any claim or objection in the voter list, he can submit his claim or objection by 4 pm on May 11, 2023. Claims and objections received after this will not be considered, says Anish Yadav. He informed that the claims and objections will be settled by the District Electoral Officer (Panchayat) till May 15, 2023. He told that till May 19, 2023, an appeal can be filed against the decision of the District Electoral Officer (Panchayat) before the Deputy Commissioner and the District Electoral Officer (Panchayat). He informed that after disposal of the appeal filed by the Appellate Authority by May 25, 2023, the final publication of the voter list will be done by May 30, 2023. The District Election Officer has appointed District Electoral Officers of all nine blocks of District Karnal using the powers provided under the Haryana State Election Rules 1994 and the notification issued by the State Election Commission Haryana to update the voter list related to Panchayati Raj Institutions.



Gatka demonstration held



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: People of Karnal got to see the matchless feat of Sikh Shashtra Vidya Gatke at Dr. Mangal Sen Auditorium in Karnal today. In a series of events dedicated to the third centenary of Baba Jassa Singh Ramgarhia, the great journal of Sikh community, National Gatka Competition was organised today in Karnal in which a total 14 Gatka teams from different parts of the country participated. On this occasion Baba Balbir Singh Singh 96 Carodi, head of Shriromani Panth Akali Budha Dal got the Gatka match started. He said that Sikh weaponry was not given by Guru Sahab not to oppress anyone but to stop the oppression. Baba Balbir Singh also called upon the Sangat Sangat to participate enthusiastically in the Shatabdi Gurnat Samagam to be held at New Anaj Mandi tomorrow. Padma Shri Jagjit Singh Dardi specially arrived in Gatka competitions and he inspired the Sikh community to live life in Chaddi art by taking inspiration from the life of Baba Jassa Singh Ramgarhia. Surendra Pal Singh, who arrived from Gurdwara Guru Nanak Darbar in Dubai, described the national Gatka competition organised in Karnal as a unique experience and said that the youth should join hands with their heritage and take Gatka training.

100% purchase of wheat reached
till now in district markets: DC

DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR: Deputy
Commissioner Komal Mittal said that
100 percent of the wheat reached in
different markets of the district has
been purchased till last evening. She
said that till now 293809 metric tons
of wheat has
arrived in the
markets and
whole wheat has
been purchased.
The Deputy

Commissioner said that wheat is
being purchased uninterruptedly
from all 74 markets. She said that so
far 83255 metric tons of wheat have
been purchased by Pangrain, 70630
by Marked, 68274 by Pansp, 41963
by Punjab State Warehouse
Corporation, 23757 by FCI and 5930
metric tons by traders.
The Deputy Commissioner said that
the Punjab government will buy one
grain of wheat in the markets. She
appealed to the farmers and said
that the crops should be brought to
the markets after being completely
dried and harvesting should not be
done with combines from 7 pm to 10
am. She said that when harvesting
wheat with combines in the evening,
the combines also cut the moist
crop, due to which the amount of
moisture in the crop increases.

Candle march taken out to
get justice for the girl Komal
Valmiki of Yamunanagar



KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL: A candle march
was held in Rampura Phul to give
justice to Komal Valmik. Addressing
the huge gathering on this occasion,
Punjab President of Guru Gyan Nath
Valmiki Tirth Amritsar, Daljit Chauhan
said that whether the nationalist
government is in power in Kedar or
the Congress, Aam Aadmi or Akali
Dal governments are in power in the
states, oppression of Dalit people is
increasing day by day. Last day, the
charred body of Komal, an 18-year-
old girl of Valmik Samaj,
Yamunanagar, Haryana, was found
in the bushes. He said that Komal
was murdered and burnt with acid.
Komal's parents went to the police
station to file a report, but the
Yamunanagar police administration
did not pay any attention and
misbehaved with Komal's parents
and sent them away. When Komal's
body was found and the Valmiki
community came to the streets, then
the wake of the police administration
was opened.

Ahmadiyya Muslim Community
strives to promote interfaith
harmony, brotherhood



VERMA
GURDASPUR: The Holy Prophet
Muhammad (Pbuh) the founder of
Islam has given a beautiful
teachings. He said that "what you
like for yourself, you should like for
others as well". You will become the
most just. Islam teaches Muslims to
share in the grief and suffering of
their companions and neighbors,
and also advises to participated in
their happiness. As a result of acting
on this teaching, a person can
establish justice and fairness in the
world. Following this beautiful
teaching, the Ahmadiyya Muslim
Community organizes Eid Milan
Programs to celebrates Eid-ul-Fitr in
all over India, in which without ill will
or discrimination dignitaries of all
religions and sects are invited to
celebrate the happiness of this
festival.After completing the fasts of
the month of Ramadan, a Muslim
celebrates the joy of Eid and praises
Allah the almighty. A true Muslim is
happy on the occasion of Eid
because he has obtained nearness
to Allah through the days of fasting
and has resolved to stay away from
spiritual and moral weaknesses.

Lions club Jagraon
conducts 3rd free eye
check-up camp



SUKH NAHAR
JAGRAON: Lions club Jagraon
conducted third free eye check-up
camp at the premises of Sanmati
Vimal Jain senior secondary school
in the memory of Late Gurdeep
Singh. The camp was conducted
with the support of medical team
from Sakara eye hospital, Mullanpur.
Giving more information about this,
club president Sharandeep Singh
Benipal said that the team of
specialists examined more than 250
patients in the camp and gave free
medicines to the concerned people
while 60 patients were shortlisted for
surgeries. Benipal said that he feels
grateful to be able to help needy
patients and called it a tribute to his
late father Gurdeep Singh. He had
also arranged for snacks and lunch
for the members of club.

PUNJAB

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, MONDAY, MAY 8, 2023

History is being removed from school curriculum conspiratorially: Sandhwan

SHASHI PAL JAIN
CHANDIGARH, MAY 7

Expressing great concern over the conspiratorial removal of historical events, especially religious history from school curriculum, Punjab Vidhan Sabha Speaker S. Kultar Singh Sandhwan today said that this hidden agenda will deprive students from their Glorious past. He was addressing the gathering at the function, organized by the Ramgarhia Sabha Mohali, to commemorate the 300th birth anniversary of Sardar Jassa Singh Ramgarhia, the founder of the Sikh Empire and the great general of the 18th century, at Ramgarhia Bhawan, Phase 3B-1, Mohali.

The Speaker said that keeping our children connected with the glorious Sikh history is the need of the hour. If our children become good citizen by imbibing the great history and Gurbani, they will be able to overcome the rest of the stages of their life. He termed such events as a noble initiative in this direction. Highlighting the history of Misl, S. Sandhwan said that the rise of Sikh empire was started from Sardar Jassa Singh Ramgarhia, adding that the then Sikhs was only 6 percent, thus established a huge Sikh empire and all this because of the fact that Sikhs were firm to their religion and were connected with the Gurbani. Referring to Sardar Jassa Singh Ramgarhia's selfless service, the Speaker said that after conquering the Red Fort in Delhi,



he gave priority to build Gurdwaras instead of collecting money for himself. The Speaker said that the valour and heroism of such heroes have always inspired us to make selfless sacrifices for the nation. He said that the great Sikh Gurus had taught us to fight against tyranny, injustice and oppression, adding that the warriors like Sardar Jassa Singh Ramgarhia had followed the footsteps of the great Sikh Gurus. He said that it is

Children Academy Tarn Taran, conducts CISCE Annual Athletics Tournament

TARN TARAN (KULJEET SINGH HONEY): Punjab Children Academy Tarn Taran, conducted the CISCE Annual Athletics Tournament 2023 for 22 schools students of Amritsar/Tarn Taran Zone on 5th and 6th May. The honourable Chief Guest MLA Dr. Kashmir Singh Sohal inaugurated the Athletic Meet at District Sports Complex, Tarn Taran. Director Punjab Children Academy Harmanpreet Singh and Principal Mrs. Sandhya Khanna, viewed the events enthusiastically. The competition was started by the beats of the School Band group. The competition was conducted in 17 events. Participants partook in every events with enthusiasm and zeal and gave their best. The events were participated by around 700 girls and boys under 14, under 17, and under 19 categories.



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GPC Khunimajra emerges overall runner-up at State Level PTIS Tech Fest 2023



RAWEL BHINDER
PATIALA, MAY 7

GPC Khunimajra, a renowned polytechnic, emerged as the overall runner-up at the State Level PTIS Tech Fest 2023. The event was organized at GPC Patiala and witnessed fierce competition among various polytechnic institutes from the state. The institute's students participated in various categories and won four first positions in project display and one third position in paper presentation. The MLT and MOP departments' innovative projects, Covid Trolley and Innovative Safety Device for Modern Offices respectively, guided by Innovation Cell members, project incharges, and paper presentation in-charges for bringing laurels to the institute. The Civil Engineering department also showcased its excellence by winning the first prize in the Blind Curve project and secured the third prize in the Paper Presentation category, guided by HOD Civil Department Sh. Gurbakshish Singh. The Mechanical Engineering department won the first prize in Inventory Control System. Cash prizes were given to the winners by PSBTE and IT, which was an encouraging initiative taken by ACS Madam Mrs. Seema Jain. The principal of GPC Khunimajra, Sh. Rajeev Puri, congratulated the winners and expressed his gratitude to Innovation Cell members, project incharges, and paper presentation in-charges for bringing laurels to the institute.

World Athletics Day celebrated by Doon International School, Gurdaspur



VERMA
GURDASPUR, MAY 7

World Athletics Day was celebrated by Doon International School, Gurdaspur. Ms. Amandeep Kaur Ghumman, PCS, SDM, Gurdaspur graced the occasion as the chief guest and flagged off the walkathon by the students of classes VI to X. Students took part in it enthusiastically and gave the message of staying healthy to all. On this occasion, the students took a tour from the fish park to the agricultural land in Gurdaspur with great enthusiasm. The teachers of the school had special cooperation in making these competitions successful. School Principal Ms. Usha Sharma and School Directors Mr. Amandeep Singh and Gagandeep Singh motivated all the students to participate in sports with enthusiasm.

Punjabi, Sikh community should be aware of plot to rob precious water of Punjab again: Tiwana

KULWINDER RASULPUR
SRI CHAMKAUR SAHIB, MAY 7

Punjab is an agricultural state. The entire economic condition of Itho depends on agriculture and agricultural production depends on the irrigation of water from canals and rivers. When the water level in Punjab has gone very low and the polluted water is becoming a big threat to the production of crops and human lives.

At that time, the water coming from Bhakra Dam through rivers and streams for the irrigation of agriculture in the Punjab state is the only major source of irrigation for our crops. For a long time, Congress, BJP, RSS and other ruling classes in Sater have been forcibly taking away the precious water and electricity generated from the headworks of Punjab. Which is a big betrayal of Punjab state and Punjabis. Because there is a very strict



need for water to grow agricultural products. Due to non-availability of required water in proper quantity, increase in the cost of agricultural products, the financial condition of the farmers and farm laborers is already suffering a great loss.

Due to the forcible seizure of Paniya from Punjab for a long time, secondly, the realty value of this stolen Paniya, which is 16 thousand crore rupees, Haryana, Rajasthan, Delhi are constantly oppressing Punjabis due to non-payment

to Punjab. Secondly, due to non-availability of required water supply, farmers and farm-labourers are burdened with debt. Both sides are constantly discriminating against the state of Punjab. Then the financial condition of Punjab is being hurt by not opening the borders with Pakistan for trade in order to sell the crops and get the right price.

Which is a deep plan to make the entire Punjabis and the Sikh community a slave of the rulers. Whichever is condemned, it is little" This idea Iqbal Singh Tiwana Chief Spokesperson Political and Media Advisor Shiromani Akali Dal (Amritsar) under the auspices of the Centre, through the joint decision of the Governments of Himachal, Haryana, directly from the Bhakra Dam, the danger of robbing the precious water of Punjab again and making the Punjabis vulnerable.

Newly elected management committee of Gurdwara Sri Singh Sabha honoured

AJAY MALHOTRA
FATEHGARH SAHIB, MAY 7

Baba Banda Singh Bahadur Nagar and residents honored the newly elected Management Committee of Gurdwara Sri Singh Sabha. On this occasion, former Chairman Zilla Parishad Fatehgarh Sahib Baljit Singh Bhutta said that the management committees of the Gurdwara Sahib can play an important role in the promotion and dissemination of Sikh, which is greatly needed in the present time because the structure of the Gurdwara Management Committee is transparent. Conducting properly and the congregation should be connected with the verses of Sri Guru Granth Sahib ji as much as possible. Apart from this, Bhutta said that the young generation should be given the knowledge of Gurbani and should be taught Gattka for physical strength and security.



English Literary Society of Mata Gujri College felicitates meritorious students



FATEHGARH SAHIB (AJAY MALHOTRA): The English Literary Society of Mata Gujri College organized a special felicitation ceremony to felicitate the winning students in various events and activities organized by the society during the session 2022-23. On this occasion, the students who won first place in various competitions like essay writing, paper presentation, literary quiz, regional and inter-regional youth fairs, etc. were awarded special certificates. The function was presided over by the additional secretary of the college governing body Jagdeep Singh Cheema and Director Principal Dr. Kashmir Singh. The event was started by the convener of the English Literary Society. Maninder Kainth in which he welcomed the special guests and keynote speakers. Honorary Secretary Jagdeep Singh Cheema congratulated all the winning students and encouraged them to continue working hard in their careers. Director Principal Dr. Kashmir Singh also praised the honored students and praised the English Literary Society for organizing various constructive activities to bring out the hidden talent of the students throughout the session.

Solve all problems of ex-servicemen on priority basis: General V.K. Singh



JALANDHAR (PULKIT YADAV): Union Minister General V.K. Singh said that we will solve all the problems of ex-servicemen on priority basis. These things were said while addressing the ex-servicemen during a packed rally organized by Captain GS Sidhu, State Convenor of BJP Ex-Servicemen Cell at Private Palace, Jalandhar Cantonment. He said that the BJP government at the Center led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi is very serious and sympathetic towards the problems of ex-servicemen.

VK Singh said that earlier governments of other parties, including the Congress party, which was in power at the center of India, did only politics on the issues of ex-servicemen and kept the demand of one rank one pension of ex-servicemen hanging for 27 years. As soon as Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi came to power in 2014, he immediately accepted this huge demand of the ex-servicemen and implemented it and provided great relief to the ex-servicemen. He said that the shortcomings of OROP-2, which came into force from July 1, 2019, would also be removed soon.

Consortium of Higher Educational Institutions launched to implement NEP 2020 in true spirit

ANIL VERMA
BATHINDA, MAY 7

The Consortium for Higher Educational Institutes (CHEI) is launched to implement the New Education Policy (NEP-2020) in true spirit with the mandate to develop, explain, and advance the research contributions to improve higher education and serve the local community.

This consortium will focus on the advancement of knowledge-based enterprises, promote appropriate technical and management skills for future technology development, information exchange, and work towards effective research institu-



tion-academic partnerships for human resource development. This consortium includes the All India Institute of Medical Science (AI-IMS), Bathinda; Central University of Punjab (CUP), Bathinda; Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University (MRSPTU), Bathinda; Aadesh University, Bathinda; Baba Farid Group of Institutions (BFGI), Bathinda; Akal University, Talwandi Sabo; and Guru Kashi University, Talwandi Sabo. The high-level meeting of the Consortium of Higher

Education for signing the MoU was held at MRSPTU on Saturday, which was attended by Prof. Raghavendra P. Tiwari, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Punjab; Prof. Dinesh K Singh, Executive Director, AIIMS Bathinda; Prof. Buta Singh Sidhu, Vice Chancellor, MRSPTU; Prof. S.K. Bawa, Vice Chancellor, Guru Kashi University; Prof. Gurmial Singh, Vice-Chancellor, Akal University; Sh. Gurmeet Singh Dhaliwal, Baba Farid Group of Institutions.

Blood donation great donation: Satya Pal Jain

YUGMARG BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, MAY 7

Elohim Church of God organised a massive blood donation camp at Rotary & Blood Bank Society, Sector 37, Chandigarh. The members of the Church participated in this camp with great enthusiasm. Satya Pal Jain, Additional Solicitor General of India and former MP from Chandigarh, was the chief guest on the occasion.

The members of the church honoured him with a bouquet of flowers. In this camp, 120 units of blood were donated by the members of the church. Chief guest Jain said that blood donation is a great donation. This church believes in God the Mother. Blood donation is a very commendable step



by the church, many welfare works are being done by the church from now on for which they deserve to be congratulated. This church plays the role of salt and light through similar service works all over the world.

President Deepak Salhotra said that his organisation has held the first blood donation camp in Chandigarh. Apart from this, many welfare works like providing ration

to the needy including cleanliness campaign, old age homes and poor families will be done by the organisation. He said that our special aim is to shine the glory of Mother God all over the world, so we will continue the love of Mother through welfare works. Former Mayor of Chandigarh Kewal Krishna Adiwail, Shri Vijay Hans etc. were also present on this occasion.



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