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Raghubar Das sworn in as Governor of Odisha

BHUBANESWAR: Former Jharkhand Chief Minister Raghubar Das was sworn in as the new Governor of Odisha on Tuesday. Orissa High Court Acting Chief Justice Bidyut Ranjan Sarangi administered the oath of office and secrecy to the new Governor at a function held in Rajbhawan. Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik, Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan, Odisha Assembly Speaker Pramila Malik, several judges of the Orissa High Court, Ministers of Odisha Council of Ministers, and several MLAs and MPs attended the swearing-in ceremony.

Pro-Maratha quota protesters burn tyres on Mumbai-Bengaluru Highway

PUNE: Pro-Maratha quota protesters on Tuesday blocked the Mumbai-Bengaluru Highway in Pune city of Maharashtra and burnt tyres to press for the demand for reservation, police said. Members of the Maratha community have been staging protests in different parts of the state seeking reservation in government jobs and education under the Other Backward Classes (OBC) category. "A group of protesters blocked the road at Navale bridge on the Mumbai-Bengaluru Highway this afternoon, shouted slogans and set seven to eight tyres on fire," an official from Singhad Road police station said.

Security increased at RSS headquarters following blasts in Kerala

NAGPUR Security at the headquarters of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) here has been beefed up following the blasts in Kerala, a senior police official said on Tuesday. Police commissioner Amitesh Kumar held a meeting of top officials on Monday evening and directed them to tighten the security at sensitive locations in the city including the RSS headquarters in Mahal area, he said.

3 killed, 10 injured after explosion at illegal firecracker unit in Damoh

DAMOH: Three persons were killed and 10 others sustained injuries after an explosion occurred at an illegal firecrackers manufacturing unit in Madhya Pradesh's Damoh district on Tuesday, an official said. The illegal firecrackers manufacturing unit was situated in a residential area near Purana Pool locality in the city. On getting information about the incident, the police rushed to the spot and began the rescue operation. Superintendent of Police (SP, Damoh) Sunil Tiwari told ANI, "A factory was being operated illegally here in Purana pul area."

Opposition MPs claim their phones being hacked Govt orders probe

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NEW DELHI, OCT 31

The government has ordered an investigation after Opposition MPs claimed that they received warnings of attempts being made by state-sponsored attackers to steal information from their iPhones.

In a post on X (formerly Twitter), IT Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said the government takes its role of protecting the privacy and security of all citizens very seriously and "will investigate to get to the bottom of these notifications".

"In light of such information and widespread speculation, we have also asked Apple to join the investigation with real, accurate information on the alleged state-sponsored attacks," the minister said in his post.

The probe will be conducted by Cert-In, he said.

In a briefing in Bhopal, Vaishnaw took on the Opposition, saying compulsive critics were indulging in "distraction politics" as they could not tolerate the country's progress under the Prime Minister's leadership.

The minister pointed out



that Apple had issued such an advisory in 150 countries.

In his post, Vaishnaw said Apple has also claimed that Apple IDs are securely encrypted on devices, making it extremely difficult to access or identify them without the user's explicit permission.

This encryption, he said, safeguards the user's Apple ID and ensures that it remains private and protected.

"We are concerned by the statements we have seen in media from some MPs as well as others about a notification received by them from Apple. The notification received by them, as per media reports, mentions about 'state-sponsored attacks' on their devices.

However, much of the information by Apple on this issue seems vague and non-specific in nature," the minister noted.

Vaishnaw said that according to Apple, these notifications may be based on information which is "incomplete or imperfect".

The minister further said that Apple's statement has indicated "that some Apple threat notifications may be false alarms or some attacks are not detected".

Several Opposition leaders on Tuesday claimed they had received an alert from Apple warning them of "state-sponsored attackers trying to remotely compromise" their iPhones and post-

ed purported screenshots of the message on their X handles.

Shiv Sena (UBT) MP Priyanka Chaturvedi, Trinamool Congress' Mahua Moitra, Aam Aadmi Party's Raghav Chadha, Congress' Shashi Tharoor and his party's media and publicity department head Pawan Khera shared the message from Apple on X. CPI(M) general secretary Sitaram Yechury also received a similar message, sources in the party said.

iPhone maker Apple Inc has said it does not attribute threat notifications, such as the ones received by some MPs belonging to Opposition parties, to any specific state-sponsored attackers and that it cannot provide information on what causes such warnings. After some of the most vocal critics of the government said they received warnings that attempts have been made by state-sponsored attackers to steal information from their iPhones, Apple in a statement stated it is possible that some threat notifications may be false alarms and some attacks may not be detected.

'Meri Maati Mera Desh' illustrates how youth can together achieve every target: PM



AGENCY
NEW DELHI, OCT 31

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday participated in the event to mark the culmination of the 'Meri Maati Mera Desh' campaign's Amrit Kalash Yatra and said the youth can collectively achieve targets for the country's progress through synergy in their efforts.

The Prime Minister inaugurated 'Amrit Vatika' and 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Smarak' at the concluding ceremony of Meri Maati Mera Desh-Amrit Kalash Yatra. He said Amrit Mahotsav Memorial will tell the coming generations about the historic occasion.

The Prime Minister also

launched the 'Mera Yuva Bharat Portal'.

"While we are culminating an event, on the other hand, this is the beginning of the new resolution...In the 21st century, the 'Mera Bharat Yuva' organization will play a big role in the development of the country. 'Meri Maati Mera Desh' is an example of how the youth together can achieve every target," he said.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah also spoke on the occasion.

The programme will also marked the closing ceremony of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.

'Meri Maati Mera Desh' campaign also includes the Amrit Kalash Yatra, which comprises a collection of soil

and rice grains from over 6 lakh villages in rural areas and from wards in urban areas, which is sent to block level (where mitti of all villages in the block is mixed) and then to the state capital. The mitti from state level will be sent to the National Capital, accompanied by thousands of Amrit Kalash Yatis.

The campaign became a massive success, with over 2.3 lakh Shilaphalakams built in 36 states and UTs, nearly 4 crore Panch Pran pledge selfies uploaded, 2 Lakh plus 'Veeron ka Vandan' programs nationwide, more than 2.36 crore indigenous saplings being planted, and 2.63 lakh Amrit Vatikas created under the Vasudha Vandan theme across the country.

Hry CM administers Ekta pledge on National Unity



BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, OCT 31-

Haryana Chief Minister, Sh. Manohar Lal, commemorated the birth anniversary of the Iron Man of India, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, on National Unity Day, offering his respects by paying floral tributes during the National Unity Day oath-taking ceremony organized in Haryana Civil Secretariat in Chandigarh on Tuesday. During this, he also conveyed a message to society to walk the path shown by him.

He expressed that October 31 is celebrated nation-

wide as the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, honouring his significant role in the fight for independence. Post-independence, he undertook the unparalleled task of integrating the country.

Sh. Manohar Lal said that at the time of the nation's independence, the country was divided into several princely states. Although the British granted India independence, they left the decision of the 565 princely states to their discretion, whether they wished to be part of a unified constitution or remain independent and form their own constitution.

AAP steeped in corruption from Delhi to Punjab: Anurag

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, OCT 31

Following the Supreme Court's rejection of senior Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) leader Manish Sisodia's bail, Union Minister Anurag Thakur on Tuesday hit out to the party leaders and said that Aam Aadmi Party has done widespread corruption from Delhi to Punjab.

Anurag Thakur said, "Ever since they came to power, one leader after another has been found involved in corruption. Aam Aadmi Party has done widespread corruption from Delhi to Punjab. Just two months after the for-



Mukesh Ambani receives death threat again via same email

AGENCY
MUMBAI, OCT 31

Reliance Industries chairman Mukesh Ambani received a fresh death threat via the same email. The extortion amount, as demanded by the emailer, has been increased to 400 Cr, police said.

Mumbai police said that this time the emailer raised his demand from Rs 200 crore to Rs 400 crore due to lack of response to the previous email. "Now it is increased 400 crore rupees,

police can't track me, they can't arrest me that's why we have no problem killing you, no matter how good your current security is, but he is the only one of our sniper who can kill you", read the threat email. Earlier, Reliance Industries Chairman Mukesh Ambani on Saturday received death threats via email threatening to shoot him if he failed to pay Rs 200 crore. According to the Mumbai police, it was written in the threatening email that "You have not responded to our email now the amount is 200 crore otherwise the death warrant is signed", police said.

AAP claims BJP wants to finish party, after Kejriwal summoned by ED

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, OCT 31

AAP minister Atishi Marlena on Tuesday launched an attack on the BJP, a day after fresh summons were issued to AAP convener Arvind Kejriwal to appear before the ED. The AAP leader said that the BJP fears the Aam Aadmi Party, which is why central agencies are targeting AAP leaders. Addressing a Press Conference, AAP minister Atishi Marlena said "We are getting information that when Arvind Kejriwal appears before ED on November 2, ED will arrest and put him in jail. BJP and the PM want to finish AAP. Arvind Kejriwal will be arrested not because there is any case against him, it is because the PM fears



him." Atishi alleged political rivalry the reason behind arrests made by central agencies in the Delhi Excise Policy scam. "BJP and PM Modi know that they cannot defeat AAP in polls. Now to finish AAP, its leaders are being put in jail. Putting all the big leaders of the Aam Aadmi Party behind bars means only one thing that they (BJP) to finish AAP".

ED raids at MLA Kulwant Singh's residence

MOHALI: Officials of the Enforcement Directorate (ED) on Tuesday conducted raids at the residence of Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) MLA Kulwant Singh here in connection with alleged liquor scam of Delhi and Punjab. The raids at the premises of AAP MLA from SAS (Sahibzada Ajit Singh) Nagar Assembly came a day after Delhi Chief Minister and party's national convener Arvind Kejriwal was issued a summons by ED in connection with the Delhi excise policy 'scam'.





“शौर्य और कौशल, जवान और किसान, प्राचीन संस्कृति और नव तकनीक की संगम स्थली हरियाणा के निवासियों को राज्य के स्थापना दिवस की बहुत-बहुत बधाई। विकास की राह पर निरंतर अग्रसर यह प्रदेश आगे भी देश की समृद्धि में अपना अमूल्य योगदान देता रहे।”

- नरेन्द्र मोदी



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(हरियाणा नाम का एक देश (प्रदेश) है जो इस धरती पर स्वर्ग के समान है।)

Greetings
on the

50th

Haryana Day

November 1, 2023

Haryana at the Forefront

Highest annual income limit for BPL families – **Rs. 1.80 lakh**

Maximum monthly social security pension – **Rs. 2,750**

Highest per capita income among major states – **Rs. 2,96,685**

Highest cash rewards to sportsperson up to **Rs. 6 crore**

Highest per capita daily milk availability – **1081 grams**

The highest number of solar water pumps under PM-KUSUM Yojana – **56,263**

Highest daily wage under MGNREGA – **Rs.357**

24x7 electricity available in 86% of villages

Har Ghar Nal Se Jal- **Clean drinking water** to all 30.96 lakh rural households

Ownership rights within Lal Dora of villages

50% participation of women in Panchayats

The first state in the country with **educated Panchayats**

Procurement of **14 crops** at MSP

First state to provide **Bhavantar Bharpayee** of crops

The first **kerosene-free** state in the country

The first state to implement **Online Transfer Policy** for employees

First in implementing **e-ticketing** in public transportation

Women police stations, cyber police stations and **cyber desks** in every district

The country's first **AYUSH** University and **Skill** University

Every district connected with **National Highway**

Leading state in **per capita GST** collection among major states

Distribution of **5.50 lakh free tablets** to students of government schools

Benefits of **397 schemes to 45 lakh families** through **Parivar Pehchan Patra** within the comfort of home

Offices of world's **400 Fortune companies** located in Haryana

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NEWS AT A GLANCE

Wife strangles husband to death for lover



SUKH NAHAR
JAGRAON: A terrifying incident has come into light from village Madhepur of Sidhwan Bet where a woman allegedly killed her husband with her of her lover. According to information accused Baljeet Kaur who is a mother to three children developed illicit relations with Charanjeet Singh from village Bhangiwal. He would visit the accused several times but her husband and neighborhood objected to this and even on the day of murder, Charanjeet Singh visited Baljeet Kaur. After deceased Gurdeep Singh objected to this the duo killed him mercilessly by strangulating him.

In Ferozepur, Agri Deptt takes fire-fighters to fields for pollution fight



RAMESH KASHYAP
FEROZEPUR: Don't be surprised to see fire tenders zooming on a rural road in Ferozepur district. They are probably on their way to stop the burning of stubble in some fields. Under the direction of Deputy Commissioner Rajesh Dhiman, the agriculture department reached the fields for a pollution fight, on taking notice of the incidents of stubble burning in villages Sande Hasham and Saida Wala, to extinguish the fire. Added here, this year between September 15 and October 27, Punjab has recorded around 50% less stubble burning incidents compared to the same period in 2022. Several experts have attributed the decrease in the number of farm fires this year to an ex-situ stubble management program that encourages industries to use stubble as a fuel.

PAU inks pact with mandi-based firm for biogas plant



AVTAR SINGH BHANWARA
CHANDIGARH: The Punjab Agricultural University (PAU) has inked a pact with Baalak Industries Private Limited, Mandi, Himachal Pradesh, for the commercialization of PAU fixed Dome Type Family size Biogas Plant, having capacity from 1 m3/day to 25m3/day technology. Dr AS Dharti, Director of Research, PAU and Sh Rahul Sharma, a representative of the firm, signed the Memorandum of Agreement (MoA), as per which the University offered non-exclusive rights to the firm for manufacturing PAU fixed Dome Type Family size Biogas Plant within India. Dr Gursahib Singh Manes, Additional Director of Research (Farm Mechanization and Bio-energy), and Dr PPS Pannu, Additional Director of Research (Natural Resources Management), PAU congratulated Dr Rajan Aggarwal, Head, Department of Renewable Energy Engineering for the commercialization of this technology which has been developed by Dr Sarbjit Singh Sookh, Principal Scientist etc.

AAP appeals to all opposition parties to participate in debate today

SHASHI PAL JAIN
CHANDIGARH, OCT 31

The Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) Punjab appealed to the leaders of all opposition parties to participate in the debate called by Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on November 1st. AAP Punjab chief spokesperson Malvinder Singh Kang and spokesperson Govinder Mittal addressed media on Tuesday evening.

The AAP Punjab chief spokesperson Malvinder Singh Kang said that the leaders of Akali Dal, Congress and BJP are doing press conferences and are making excuses to back out of this discussion. He said that this debate will focus on all the issues of Punjab as mentioned by the chief minister in his tweet.

Bhagwant Mann inviting BJP president Sunil Jakhar, Akali Dal president Sukhbir Singh Badal, PPCC president Amarinder Singh Raja Warring and Leader of opposition Pratap Singh Bajwa to come on common platform for debate said that it will unveil all the corrupt who looted Punjab, brothers-nephews, brothers-in-law who prioritised their personal interests. He said that debate will focus on toll plazas, youth, farmers, agriculture, businessmen, waters of Punjab and the words of Guru



Sahib. Kang said that these leaders are trying to run away from this debate because they are not serious about the issues of Punjab. He said that Bikram Majithia, today again in a PC, raised some questions and said that the Mann government in court said that they are ready to

construct the SYL canal but opposition parties are not letting them. Kang said that this is a baseless allegation if Akali Dal has any proof where Mann government took any anti-Punjab stand they should bring documents to the debate along with the documents of all property they got in Gurgaon in return of notifying land for SYL in 1978.

Cornering BJP president Sunil Jakhar, Kang said that in 2016 being Congress president Jakhar used to say that the SYL issue can be solved in minutes if the central government wants to. Now being a BJP leader why is he not asking PM Modi to solve issues like SYL, BBMB and Chandigarh. Kang said that the centre plays an important role in all these issues but all these parties don't want to settle these issues for their political benefits.

On the issue of security in Ludhiana for tomorrow, Kang said that it is the responsibility of the state government to protect all the leaders and people present in this debate and officials are taking necessary measures only. Kang once again appealed to Sunil Jakhar, Sukhbir Badal, Raja Warring and Pratap Bajwa to not find excuses to run away from their accountability and participate in this debate for Punjab.

Chairman Goldy flags off 115 youth for second adventure, trekking camp at Manali

RAJIV JAIN
CHANDIGARH, OCT 31

In order to develop leadership qualities among the youth of the state and engage in healthy and sports activities, on the instructions of Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Singh Mann, 230 youth have been selected for Adventure and Trekking camp at Manali by the Youth Services Department. In the second phase, two buses carrying 115 youth were flagged off by Chairman Punjab Youth Development Board Parminder Singh Goldy. Earlier 115 youth were dispatched for a 10-day camp in the first phase by Youth Services Minister Gurmeet Singh Meht Hayer. Chairman Parminder Singh Goldy said that on the in-



structions of the Chief Minister, empowerment of youth is the main priority of the State Government. Under the directions of the Youth Services Minister, a new youth policy is being prepared, due to which the youth of the state will be empowered and youth participation activities will be increased. He said that since the majority of the population of the state is youth, the government has drawn up big plans for the youth. More than 37000 youth were given government jobs by the government in just

one and a half years time. He invited the youth to come forward to educate people against social ills, especially the ill effects of drugs and to save the environment polluted by stubble burning. He further said that 10-10 youth have been selected by the Punjab Government in each district and a total of 230 youth are being divided into two groups and are being sent to Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Mountaineering and Allied Sports in Manali. Assistant Director Kulwinder Singh was also present at the occasion.

National Unity Day celebrated at Angels World School



RADHE SHYAM SHARMA
MORINDA, OCT 31

National Unity Day was celebrated at Angels World School Morinda in connection with the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel, the iron man of the Indian freedom struggle. Giving information in this regard, school principal Deepika Sharma said that keeping in mind the importance of National Unity Day, a special prayer meeting was organized

in the school in which poems related to the freedom struggle were presented by the students.

The life of Sardar Vallabh Patel and his achievements were also highlighted through speeches by teachers and students. To pay tribute to Sardar Vallabh Patel, the entire school students passed a march (Run for Unity). All the students and staff members also took an oath to maintain the unity and integrity of the country.

ECI holds meet of CEOs in view of forthcoming general election of Lok Sabha



GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, OCT 31

A team of the Election Commission of India (ECI) consisting of senior officers held one day conference cum review meeting with the Chief Electoral Officers (CEOs) and State Police Nodal Officers (SPNOs) of 8 states and UTs in view of forthcoming general election to Lok Sabha 2024 in Chandigarh.

The ECI team consisted of Senior Deputy Election Commissioners Sh Dharmendra Sharma, Sh Nitesh Kumar Vyas, Deputy Election Commissioner Sh Manoj Kumar Sahoo, Senior Principal Secretary Sh N.N. Butalia, Director Sh Ashok Kumar and Sh Pankaj Srivastava. Chief Electoral Of-

ficers and State Police Nodal Officers of Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh, Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Delhi, Uttarakhand and Ladakh gave detailed presentations about the preparations for the forthcoming Lok Sabha election due in the year 2024. ECI team were apprised of law and order situation in the states, Voter and polling stations details and all kinds of preparations related to forthcoming election. ECI had given suggestions and directions to all CEOs and SPNOs in ensuring a healthy electoral roll, various activities to be undertaken during SSR (Special Summary Revision 2024), improving various Roll indices, Enrolment of all eligible voters.

Prakash Utsav of Sri Guru Ramdas celebrated in Oxford



PARVEEN BHAGTA BHAI,
OCT 31

The 489th Prakash Utsav of Shri Guru Ramdas Ji was celebrated in the Oxford School of Education with great devotion. This religious event started with the words sung by the girls of class 8th. Rajwinder Singh student took a look at the life of Guru Ramdas Ji. The students of class V sang a melodious Shabad to express the glory of Guru Ramdas Ji. After this, school teacher Kulwinder Kaur gave the students a lesson on Guru Ramdas Ji by telling the

holy Bani of Guruji. Apart of this Parampal Kaur and Amolak Singh shared their views on the topic 'Guru Ramdas Ji's contribution to Sikhism.' Principal Roop Lal Bansal congratulated everyone on Prakash Utsav by saying that we should follow the path shown by the Gurus.

On this occasion, Patron Hardev Singh Brar, Gurmeet Singh Gill Chairman, Hargurpreet Singh Gagan Brar President, Parampal Singh 'Sherry Dhillon' Vice Chairman, Rajvinder Singh General Secretary.

Donate blood because it can fill gap between life, death: Principal



FATEHGARH SAHIB (AJAY MALHOTRA): University College Chunni Kalan today organized the 8th Annual Blood Donation Camp with the support of the Red Cross and the Red Ribbon Club on the college campus for the welfare of humanity. The main role in this camp is played by students of NSS. All the programs are led and designed by the college Principal Dr. Jatinder Singh.

Dr. Jatinder Singh made a special address to the volunteers, group of students, and teachers, in which he inspired everyone to develop more sense of humanity in themselves. Motivating the students to blood donation Principal Dr. Jatinder Singh said we must donate blood because it can fill the gap between life and death. Under the supervision of Dr. Shivani, Dr. Mohita and Superintendent of Red Cross Society Punjab State Branch Chandigarh Rakesh Kumari participated in this camp and distributed certificates to the blood donors. Special refreshment was arranged for the blood donors and every facility was provided as per the requirement. The teachers and students actively participated in this program and donated blood.

Ludhiana rural police recovers huge quantity poppy husk, arms

SUKH NAHAR
JAGRAON, OCT 31

Police district Ludhiana rural had marvelous success in its campaign against drug peddling being carried out under the guidance of SSP Navneet Singh Bains as they recover huge quantity drugs and arms.

SP Manwinderbir while addressing a press conference regarding this stated that police team led by inspector Kulwinder Singh received information about Gurwinder Singh son of Avtar Singh resident of Dolewal, who peddles poppy husk in the surrounding areas while he was heading towards Kishanpura Gidharwindi side on canter PB 03 AT 1458. "As the information was trustworthy, police filed FIR 222 against the accused under section 15/25/61/85 of IPC. Police spotted the mentioned vehicle during a check near village



Abupura and signaled it to stop but the driver of vehicle alongwith two others fled away from the spot after seeing police leaving the vehicle behind," he stated. Singh added that the accused driver has been identified as Gurwinder Singh son of Avtar Singh resident of Dolewal. SP

Satwinder Singh Virk reached the spot to investigate further. On checking the vehicle, police recovered 75 bags of poppy husk weighing 20 kg each making it a total of 15 quintals of poppy husk alongwith a .32 bore pistol, 3 rounds and Aadhar card and voter card of the accused driver.

New Young Club Sarna organises Havan-Yag, Bhandara



SHARANJEET PATHANKOT,
OCT 31

New Young Club Sarna under the chairmanship of President Varun Mahajan and Senior Vice President Baljit Mahajan organized Havan-Yag and Bhandara at Sarna Mandir on the occasion of Mahamai's grand 30th Bhagwati Jagran and Mela. In which Acharya Sanjay Muni, founder of Dhanendra Padmavati Jagrit Mandal, Haji Raji Mahant and Life President of Hindu Sikh Unity Club Nirmal Singh Pappu and Vikas Dutta specially arrived as chief guests. The guests inaugurated the Bhandara by

performing Kanjak Pujan in a formal manner. On this occasion, Randhawa Hospital Sarna organized a free medical checkup camp. In which Dr. J. S. Randhawa, Dr. Johnny and Manuj examined the patients and gave them medicines. President Varun Mahajan and Senior Vice President Baljit Mahajan said that the annual jagrata will be held on November 4. On this occasion Chief Advisor Rohit Sarna, General Secretary A. Kumar, Happy, Treasurer Arun Mahajan, Sachin, Akshay Chadha, Vishal, Diwakar, Mukesh, Kuldeep Singh, Kunal, Ashwani, Sanjeev etc.

Athlete meet concludes

SHARANJEET
PATHANKOT, OCT 31

Partap World School Pathankot under the chairmanship of Principal Shubhra Rani CBSE Cluster 18th Athlete Meet competition on the last day of the, the athletes of different schools showcased their sporting talent and achieved victories in various athletic events.

ETO Madhusudan was mainly present during this. They were welcomed by the Chairperson Shashi Mahajan, Director Sunny Mahajan, Director Oshin Mahajan, Principal Shubhra Rani. On this occasion, the students of SGGSI Khalsa Academy Mehta Amritsar brought the name of their school to light by winning the overall trophy. On this occasion, the chief guest



Madhu Sudan spoke. While doing this, he encouraged the players of different schools and motivated them to always work hard in sports.

She said that sports provide the right path to our life, so it is important to make sports a part of everyone's life. On this occasion, Directors Sun-

ny Mahajan and Oshin Mahajan said that the school has always been striving for the bright future of the children and will continue to do the same in the future. Meanwhile, all the managers including the director of Partap World School Sunny Mahajan honored the guests.

Punjab leaders should take part in debate: Jitinder Bhalla

RAMPURA PHUL (KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA): The Punjab-friendly leadership should openly participate in the open and constructive debate to be held on November 1 on major issues of Punjab. This new beginning by Chief Minister Punjab Bhagwant Singh Maan will prove to be a milestone for building a new Punjab.

These words were expressed by Jatinder Singh Bhalla, Chairman Nagar Improvement Trust, Bathinda. Bhalla said that the government's initiative for the future of Punjab and Punjabiyat by moving away from traditional politics is welcome and creates new thinking in the new era. Bhalla said whoever is in favor of Punjab. He who has even a little pain in his heart for the issues, needs, entangled issues of Punjab should not miss such an opportunity. Bhalla said while welcoming the big initiative of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, mistakes made in the decisions made regarding Punjab in the past should be explored.

He said that this upcoming debate will be known as a good episode in the field of politics and the history of Punjab. Any Punjab-friendly leader, big or small, should stand with Punjab instead of running away from such occasions. He said that a meaningful policy can be prepared for Punjab only with the cooperation of all.



State govt nurtures new business ideas to foster successful entrepreneurs from underprivileged backgrounds: Aman Arora

RAWEL BHINDER
PATIALA, OCT 31

Aman Arora, Punjab's Employment Generation and Skill Development Minister, highlighted the Punjab government's commitment to providing support and mentorship to budding entrepreneurs and individuals with innovative business ideas in the state. The aim is to empower those in need and transform them into thriving business leaders. Under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, the government has created a conducive environment and assistance programs for emerging entrepreneurs.

Minister Arora made these remarks during his visit to the Thapar Institute of



Engineering and Technology to honor the winners of the 'Future Tycoons-Startup Challenge-2.' This groundbreaking competition, the first of its kind in the country, was organized by the Patiala District Administration in collaboration with Startup Punjab. Aman Arora commended the 'Future Tycoons-Startup Challenge-2,' led by Deputy Commissioner Sakshi Sawhney and supported by Startup Punjab through the District Bureau of Employment and Business. He

emphasized that this initiative not only provides funding but also a network to help new entrepreneurs thrive in the market. Arora further expressed that Punjab is rich with innovative ideas, and the government's efforts are geared toward identifying and providing suitable opportunities to the talented individuals. The Chief Minister's leadership encourages self-employment and start-ups on a large scale, offering services such as loan facilities, NOCs.

Jawali school student
stands first in 3D visual art



DAULAT CHAUHAN
JAWALI: Summit of Class 1 of Government Senior Secondary School, Jawali has secured first position in 3-D Visual Art in the District Level Art Festival organized at DIET Dharamshala. On this achievement, Summit was honored with a memento and certificate from the District Project Officer and Principal DIET. School staff and management committee also honored Summit.

Praneeta is state chief of women's cell of Int'l Brahmin Forum

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA: Madan Gopal Tiwadi, National President of the International Brahmin Forum, while expanding the platform, has



nominated Shimla resident Praneeta Sharma for the post of State President of Himachal Pradesh Women's Cell. This nomination was made by the National Vice President of Forum, Vijendra Kumar Jaini, National General Secretary Harikishan Sharma, This has been done on recommendation of National Organization Minister Devendra Kumar Sharma, Mahila Cell National President Indira Devi Tiwadi. Sharma is authorized to make the platform members of Mahila Cell in the entire Himachal Pradesh and form the executive.

HIMACHAL

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Mata Shree Chintpurni Temple to be connected with ropeway

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, OCT 31

To give impetus to the religious tourism in the state, the Government is mulling to connect few religious shrines with ropeways for easy accessibility and is strengthening the existing infrastructural facilities as well. In the series, an aerial ropeway of a distance measuring 1.1 kilometers is proposed for the Mata Shree Chintpurni Temple in district Una with an estimated outlay Rs. 76.50 crore. This modern transportation system would facilitate 700 passengers per hour in each direction, significantly enhancing the overall pilgrim experience. The Chintpurni Temple holds great historical and spiritual significance. It is recognized as one of the Shakti Peeths and the most sacred shrine in Himachal Pradesh. Currently, the access to the temple is limited to a single-lane road from the



Baba Mai Dass Bhawan parking area. During religious occasions such as Navratri, overcrowding and congestion have been persistent issues. The introduction of the ropeway will be a vital step in addressing these challenges and aligns with the state government's vision to enhance religious tourism in Himachal Pradesh. The installation of the ropeway system at Chintpurni Temple is expected to not only relieve congestion but also to ensure safe and unhindered movement of pilgrims. This ambitious project is poised to boost tourism in the region and further encourage devotees to visit

5th Nov declared as a 'Paid Holiday'

SHIMLA: A spokesperson of the State Government informed here today that 5th November, 2023 has been declared as a 'Paid Holiday' in the areas of Municipal Council Ward No. 02 Miyapur of Nagar Panchayat Arki, District Solan and Ward No. 06 Chhawanivir Hospital, Nagar Panchayat Chopal district Shimla, whereby election is scheduled to be held to fill up vacant seats in the aforementioned Municipal Council. He said that it would be a paid holiday only in case if poll is held. He said that all Government offices, Boards, Corporations, Educational Institutions and Industrial establishments situated in the Himachal Pradesh under Industrial Disputes Act and shops would remain closed on the said date in the areas of above concerned Institutions where By-Elections for ULBs are scheduled to be held. This would also be a paid holiday to daily wages employees and also within the meaning of Section 25 of Negotiable Instrument Act 1881, he added.

the revered temple as a prominent pilgrimage destination in India. Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu has envisioned the state government to attract 5 crore tourists annually, with religious tourism playing a crucial role in achieving this goal. Himachal Pradesh, known as

Officers and employees take oath of national unity

RAJNEESH SHARMA

HAMIRPUR: The birthday of the country's first Home Minister Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel was celebrated as National Unity Day on Tuesday. Along with this, tribute was also paid to former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi on her martyrdom day. In a program organized in Deputy Commissioner's office premises, Assistant Commissioner Pawan Kumar Sharma administered the oath to the officers and employees to always remain dedicated to strengthening the unity, integrity and security of the nation. Apart from this, officers and employees in other government office complexes also took the oath of national unity.

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Delegation of 13 Panchayats of Kinnaur and Lahaul Spiti calls on Governor



DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, OCT 31

Public representatives of as many as 13 Panchayats of tribal areas of Kinnaur and Lahaul-Spiti met Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla at Raj Bhavan today and apprised him about the various demands of their region besides construction work of Leo to Chango road and other genuine demands.

The Governor assured them of taking up the issue with the State government for the construction of a 11 kilometers stretch of road as demanded.

He said that he will also talk to Prime Minister Narendra Modi about the various demands of the people including restoration of Nautor in the tribal area and handing over the work of road construction to the Border Roads Organization.

He said that the purpose of his recent visit to the tribal area was to get information about the difficulties and problems of the armed forces deployed on the International border and also to acquire firsthand knowledge about the grievances of the people of these tribal belts.

7-day NSS camp organised



JOGINDER DEV ARYA
BANGANA, OCT 31

Seven-day special NSS camp organized in Government Senior Secondary School, Budhan.Rajendra Jambal Head Master Government High School Jasana participated in the knowledge enhancing program on the sixth day. Shri Rajendra Jambal threw wide light on the topics of importance of discipline in life, proper use of time, disaster management and respect for teachers in life. On the sixth day of the camp, the volunteers took out a rally on environmental awareness and de-addiction and cleaned the Raja Bhrihthari Temple in Neri village. During this, Sushma Sharma female health worker provided important information related to first aid to the children.

Oath taking ceremony of College Students Central Association held

DAULAT CHAUHAN
JAWALI, OCT 31

The swearing-in ceremony for the newly elected College Students Central Association (CSCA) was organized at Government College, Jawali on Tuesday. College Principal Dr. Dinesh Kumar Sharma presided over function. College Principal Dr. Dinesh Kumar Sharma administered the oath of office and secrecy to the officials. On this occasion, Aarushika BA 3rd year took oath as the President to maintain secrecy and dignity of her post. Whereas, Priya Kaundal, B.Com third year student, was sworn in as Vice President, Tania BA first year student as Secretary and Deeksha Thakur, B.Com first year



student, took oath as Joint Secretary. Apart from this, Tanvi Thakur, Amit Rana, Mehak Chaudhary, Sneha Thakur, Muskan, Isha Sharma as academic members and Riya for co-curricular activities (cultural, sports, Rovers and Rangers, Club and N.N.S.) members. Choudhary, Nisha Kumari, Vansh Bardhan, Shivani,

Priya Devi, Shikha, Neha Devi, Nitesh, Shruti Devi, Himashu took oath. Along with best wishes to the newly elected members, the Principal also wished for their cooperation in the activities of the college. After that all the CSCA members were honored by the Principal by giving them membership badges and certificates.

Slogan writing competition under Khadi for Fashion

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, OCT 31

A slogan writing competition was organized for the students in the Department of Visual Arts of Himachal Pradesh Central University under the Government of India's 'Khadi Mahotsav 2023' campaign program and Khadi Week under Khadi for Nation, Khadi for Fashion. Department Chairman Prof. In the slogan writing competition organized under the guidance of Nirupama Singh and Dr. Ujjwal Kadode, students told about the use and importance of Khadi by writing different types of slogans under Khadi for Nation, Khadi for Fashion. A total of 29 students participated in it, who were



also encouraged by giving certificates. Among these, Sudeep Goriya BFA-1 Sem stood first, Gaurangi BFA-3 Sem stood second, and Siddhant Kumar BFA-5 Sem stood third. Certificates were given to all other students, including Vaibhav Bhagwaria, Ayush Kumar, Suhani Sharma, Amartya Verma, Sukriti Yadav, Pooja Sinha, Prerna Maurya, Komal, Advika Mittal, Shiv

Kumar Sharma, Anjali Pathak, Riya Jaiswal, Jitesh Prasad, Rajat Kumar, Shivam Raj, Maanvi, Aditya Raj, Sumit Sadial, Rohit Kumar, Subhajit Basak, Ananya Sagar, Uttam Punia, Dhruv Sharma, Riya, Dimple Singh etc. were included. Among the faculty members of the department, Dinesh Pal, Manish Gond announced the final results and the students were felicitated with awards.

World Cup cricket matches have strengthened world map of sports and tourism: Arun Thakur

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, OCT 31

Himachal Pradesh Cricket Association (HPCA) expresses its gratitude to the fans, supporters, media administration and all stakeholders for delivering record-breaking World Cup matches with global reach and impact. Indian Premier League (IPL) Chairman Arun Thakur said that Himachal Pradesh Cricket Association (HPCA) is grateful to all the fans, supporters, administration, media members and other stakeholders who contributed to the unprecedented success of the recently held World Cup matches in Dharamshala. Expresses heartfelt gratitude. The picturesque town of Dharamshala witnessed history in the making, as these



matches went down as some of the most remarkable sporting events ever staged in the country and our small hill state. He has firmly established Himachal on the world map of sports and tourism. He said with over 100,000 footfall at the venue and 90 million viewers tuning in digitally, this World Cup event at HPCA Dharamshala has set new benchmarks for global cricket events. Notably, the India vs New Zealand match captured the hearts and screens of 43 million viewers,

marking it as a true cricket spectacle. The event had a global reach, with broadcasts in over 180 countries, making it one of the most watched sporting events worldwide. It showcased the rich culture, natural beauty of the region, diversity of the region to the world and also showcased the power of cricket as a game to bring people together from all corners of the world for a shared passion. Arun Thakur said that we have showcased our culture and natural beauty to teams traveling from all over the world and also through media, broadcasting and other digital mediums. He emphasized that this would not have been possible without the unwavering support of the fans, dedication of the players and coordination of all stakeholders.

Pay special attention to education of migrant laborers' children, cleanliness and beauty in urban areas: A Shainamol

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA, OCT 31

A meeting was organized under the chairmanship of Divisional Commissioner Kangra A. Shainamol at the district Headquarters Una on Tuesday in which various administrative and revenue officers of the district participated. In the meeting, a series of discussions were held regarding the progress of various schemes and works going on in Una district. In the meeting, there was a detailed discussion about the efforts being made by the Revenue Department to reduce the pending cases related to death, division, marking and illegal occupation of government land. In the meeting, the District Revenue Officer informed that on the first day of Death Day organized in district Una on



October 30, a total of 1,019 deaths were registered while 173 cases were still pending. Apart from this, the efforts being made by the district administration for the education of children of migrant laborers in the district and many other issues related to the revenue department including MNREGA were also discussed in detail. On this occasion, Divisional Commissioner Kangra A Shainamol gave instructions to the administrative officers of the district that they should make special efforts for the

education of the children of migrant laborers so that children belonging to the poor section of the society could also get equal opportunities. He also gave necessary directions to the officials to maintain the beauty and cleanliness of the city. Deputy Commissioner Una Raghav Sharma, Additional Deputy Commissioner Una Mahendra Pal Gurjar, AC to DC Varinder Kumar, District Revenue Officer Ajay Kumar Singh and officers and employees of many other departments were also present in the meeting.

Oath of national unity and integrity administered to officers and employees



KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA, OCT 31

The birth anniversary of Iron Man Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel was celebrated as a form of national unity. Deputy Commissioner Raghav Sharma administered the oath to the officers and employees in the Deputy Commissioner office premises to always remain dedicated to strengthening national unity, integrity and security. On this occasion, he said that Iron Man Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel made an important contribution in building India and played an important role in uniting entire nation.

Kendriya Vidyalaya Saloh organizes Unity Run



KISHORI LAL BAINS

UNA: On the occasion of National Unity Day, Unity Run was organized in Kendriya Vidyalaya Saloh on Tuesday. Before start of the run prayer meeting, inspirational speeches and poems on the life of Sardar Patel were presented by the students. After that, the teachers along with all the students took the unity oath. After this, the school principal and all the teachers took part in the unity race. Unity Run Coordinator Ravinder Singh explained the importance of Unity Day to the students how Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel participated in the freedom struggle and how he taught the country the lesson of unity and integrity by unifying 562 princely states of the country. On this occasion, about 475 children of the school participated in the Unity Run to make the people of Saloh village aware about Unity Day. Along with the students, teachers Satish Kumar, Sachin Kumar, Seema Kumari, Pradeep Tanwar, Shilpi Mehta, Ishwar Das, Prashant Yadav, Ashita Kanwar also participated in this race.

Voting for 5 vacant posts of Panchayats on Nov 5

RAJNEESH SHARMA

HAMIRPUR: Voting will be held on November 5 for 5 vacant posts in various Panchayati Raj institutions of the district. Head post in Gram Panchayat Baloh of Development Block Bamsan and Gram Panchayat Jol-Palahi of Development Block Sujampur, Deputy Head post in Gram Panchayat Chariyan Di Dhar and Lag-Kadhiyar of Development Block Bamsan and Ward No. 2 of Gram Panchayat Kamlah of Development Block Nadaun. Voting will be conducted for the members. Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer Hemraj Bairwa has issued some orders to ensure peaceful completion of the voting and counting process. According to an order issued by Deputy Commissioner, there will be a complete ban on any kind of election meeting, procession, campaign and other public program during the period of 48 hours before the end of voting in the said Gram Panchayats on November 5. During the same period, there will be a ban on sale and distribution of liquor in any public or private place, hotels, restaurants and dhabas in these areas. According to another order, there will be a complete ban on influencing any voter or any other campaign related activity and displaying any kind of poster or appeal within 100 meters of the polling station on the day of polling. DC has also imposed complete ban on carrying weapons inside or around the polling stations on the day of voting.

Governor pays tribute to former PM Indira Gandhi on her death anniversary

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, OCT 31

Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla offered floral tributes to India's first woman Prime Minister, Indira Gandhi on her death anniversary at the historic Ridge here today.

Emphasizing the contribution of Indira Gandhi in the development of the Nation, the Governor said that the people of the country will always remember her for vision and decision making. Popularly known as 'Iron Lady' of India she took bold decision and nationalization of banks was one of them.



While interacting with the media, the Governor mentioned that 31st October is also the birth anniversary of 'Iron Man' Sardar

Vallabhbhai Patel. This day is also celebrated as National Unity Day throughout the country. Sardar Patel envisioned a united India

and played a pivotal role in uniting the small princely states of the country to form Bharat. The Governor also administered the oath of national unity to the gathering.

Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri, Health Minister Dr. (Col.) Dhani Ram Shandil, Public Works Minister Vikramaditya Singh, MLA Harish Janartha and Kuldeep Singh Rathor, Mayor Municipal Corporation Shimla Surender Chauhan, Councilors, Deputy Commissioner Aditya Negi and other dignitaries were also present on the occasion.

Three-day 45th annual Chandigarh Sangeet Sammelan from Nov 3

CHANDIGARH: The three-day 45th Annual Sangeet Sammelan will be organized by the Indian National Theater in collaboration with Durga Das Foundation from November 3 to November 5 in the auditorium of Strawberry Fields High School, Sector 26. Giving information in this regard, Indian National Theater President Anil Nehru and Honorary Secretary Vinita Gupta said that this Sangeet Sammelan is dedicated to their late patron Sh Navjeevan Khosla. They informed that on the 3rd of November at 6:00 pm, classical music vocalist Chinmayee Athale will give her performance , after which Debopriya and Suchismita will present their flute recital. On the evening of the 4th of November, at 6:00pm, there will be two vocal recitals ..the first by Anagha Bhat followed by Aditya Khandve , while on the last day of the conference, on November 5, at 11 am, Anupama Bhagwat will present her sitar recital.

VC of BFUHS conducts surprise inspection of Guru Gobind Singh Medical College Hospital

SURINDER DAMDAMI FARIDKOT: Professor (Dr) Rajeev Sood, the esteemed Vice Chancellor of Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, paid an unannounced visit to Guru Gobind Singh Medical Hospital today, wherein he meticulously reviewed the hospital's operational arrangements. Dr. Sood, a distinguished figure in the field of healthcare and academia, was accompanied by several key personnel during his visit, including Dr. Neetu Kukkar, the Medical Superintendent, Mr. Fatehjit Singh Mann, the Link Officer, and Mr. Raj Kumar Agarwal, the XEN (Executive Engineer) from BFUHS, as well as various members of the hospital's dedicated medical staff.

During this surprise inspection, Dr. Sood directly engaged with patients and their family members to gain insights into the quality of healthcare services provided by the hospital and to understand any challenges or difficulties faced during the treatment process.

Girl from Jogi Cheema village stabbed to death in London

RUBY VERMA GURDASPUR: A 19-year-old girl, Mehek Sharma, daughter of Tarlok Chand, a resident of Jogi Cheema, a village near qadian, has received the sad news of being stabbed to death inside her house in Croydon (London). A resident of Jogi Cheema, Madhu Bala, said that she is a widow. Her daughter Mahek Sharma was married on 24 June 2022 to Sahil Sharma son of Lalit Kumar resident of New Sant Nagar Gurdaspur. His daughter had passed 12th and went to London on 20 November 2022 on a study visa. After this, a few months ago, her husband Sahil Sharma went to London with her on a spousal visa. Mehek Sharma had converted her study to skilled worker work permit. And currently she was working as a care taker in Fabulous Home Care Limited. She said that ever since Sahil went to London, he used to harass her daughter. He was a suspicious type of person.

Shiv Sena Hindustan calls special meeting

TILAK RAJ MOHALI: on the directions of Sh Pawan Gupta, President, Shiv Sena Hindustan, a meeting was held under Sh Arvind Gautam , punjab youth wing president, to pay homage to our ex prime minister, Smt Indira Gandhi. He said Smt Gandhi was a great prime minister & she would continue to live in our hearts. Without fearing for her life, for the sake of integrity of the country, she ordered the Army to clean up Shri Harmandir Sahib & eliminate extremists like Bhindranwale.He added Smt Gandhi was one such PM, whom the whole world respected and bowed to. On the occasion Sh Akhilesh Singh, mohali district incharge & Sh Bhrgu Nath Giri, mohali distt president said that for the remembrance of iron lady, Smt Gandhi, the govt of punjab should install a statue in district Amritsar, to give her a real homage,, like the satue of unity.

Eye check-up, breast cancer awareness organised at MCM

CHANDIGARH: The NSS Units of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Sector 36-A, in collaboration with Advanced Eye Centre, PGIMER, Chandigarh organized a "Free Eye Check-Up Camp" at Government Dispensary Badheri, Sector 41-D, Chandigarh to focus on the importance of good eye health and detect any eye related problems so that they can be diagnosed and treated early. A team of doctors led by Dr Parul Chawla Gupta, Associate Professor, Advanced Eye Center PGIMER, conducted eye checkups among the residents of Badheri. The camp received an overwhelming response as more than 100 people got eye tests done. Cataracts, eye dryness, and myopia were one of the most reported eye ailments. The patients were advised of eye care with the use of eye drops along with a suggested visit to the eye center for further follow-up.

The NSS units and Medical Committee of the College, in collaboration with Fortis Cancer Institute, Mohali organized 'Breast Cancer Awareness Month' by focusing on early detection and busting myths regarding diagnosis and treatment. One of the resource persons of the event, Dr. Shweta Tahlan, Consultant Gynaec Oncologist.

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Punjab Raj Bhavan celebrates statehood formation day of J&K, Ladakh

SHASHI PAL JAIN CHANDIGARH, OCT 31

Strengthening the spirit of national unity under the theme of "Ek Bharat, Shrestha Bharat", the Foundation Day of Union Territories of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh was celebrated with great enthusiasm at Punjab Raj Bhavan. The ceremony was organized jointly by Punjab Raj Bhavan and Chandigarh Administration. Speaking on the occasion, Shri Banwari Lal Purohit, Governor of Punjab and Administrator of UT, Chandigarh expressed his delight in hosting this significant celebration, praising the unique cultures and traditions of these regions. He emphasized the need to recongise and celebrate the diverse cultural tapestry that makes India truly exceptional.

He further said that the 'Ek Bharat Shresth Bharat' programme under which the Formation days of various States and UTs are celebrated, aims to forge a strong relationship and bonding among people of the country. It enhances mutual interaction, promotes understanding and strengthens the bond of 'One Nation – One



People'. During this programme, he also appealed to everyone to come together and take a pledge to build a new and strong nation. The celebrations began with a captivating cultural program showcasing the rich heritage of Ladakh through mesmerizing melodious Ladakhi folk music and folk dance perform-

ances like Jabro which enthralled the audience. The event was graced by dignitaries, including Mr. Satya Pal Jain, Additional Solicitor General of India, Mr. Dharam Pal, Adviser to Administrator, UT, Chandigarh, Mr Praveer Ranjan, DGP, UT, Chandigarh and former DGP, Punjab, Mr. P.C. Dogra.

ASICS India honors Hockey Icon Manpreet Singh for his stellar achievements



JALANDHAR (BUNNY SODHI): ASICS India, celebrated the stellar accomplishments of Manpreet Singh, Indian Hockey player, at a special felicitation ceremony held on October 31, 2023. The grand honoring event took place at the ASICS Exclusive Store in Jalandhar. The event commemorated not only Singh's impressive performance in a historic gold medal victory at the Asian Games 2023 but also marked the beginning of an exciting collaboration between the celebrated athlete and ASICS India. It highlighted ASICS India's dedication to championing and honoring the nation's sporting heroes. Manpreet Singh shared, "This victory is a testament to the collective efforts and resilience of our team. I am immensely grateful and privileged to be associated with ASICS India, a brand that shares my commitment to greatness and truly embodies the spirit of sporting excellence."

Hry govt needs to take concrete steps to resolve issues immediately



CHANDIGARH (SD SHARMA): National President of National Independent Schools Alliance (NISA) and State President of Federation of Private Schools Welfare Association Haryana, Dr. Kulbhushan Sharma addressed a press conference in Chandigarh on Tuesday. While speaking to the media he said that the National Education Policy 2020 is being implemented in the country in a phased manner. On this occasion, Satbir Patel, Srichand Jaffran, Rajesh Munjal, Pradeep Kasan and other dignitaries were present during the press conference along with Dr. Kulbhushan Sharma. It is our Prime Minister Narendra Modi's dream to witness our country becoming world leader in the field of education. The ground reality is that private schools have a very important contribution in the education system of the country. The situation is that private schools are struggling with various problems and corruption and the Federation of Private Schools Welfare Association Haryana is struggling to solve these problems. Earlier, the Federation had held detailed discussion with Haryana Education Minister Kanwar Pal in which solutions to many issues were agreed upon and many effective steps were taken.

Two-day educational tour organized by Bal Vatika School



KULWINDER KARWAL SARDULGARH, OCT 31

Recently, the tour of class 10th of Bal Vatika Public School Tibbi Hari Singh was conducted in Sri Anandpur Sahib. The tour reached Sri Anandpur Sahib via Sri Parmeshar Dwar (Patiala), Sri Fatehgarh Sahib (Sirhind), Gurudwara Patalpuri Sahib (Sri Kiratpur Sahib), Virasat-e-Khalsa. After paying obeisance at Anandpur Sahib and staying overnight, the school students reached the school the next day via Gurdwara Sri Keshgarh Sahib, Baba Budhan Shah Gurudwara, Sri Parivar Vichora, Chamkaur Sahib and Dukh Nivaran (Patiala). Principal of the school, Mr. AK Tiwari, while giving information to the press, said that such educational tours are very important in the life of students.

The main purpose of this tour was to make the students aware of the birth place of Sikhism and the martyrdom of Sri Anandpur Sahib Sahibzadas. This initiative of the school was appreciated by the parents of the students and asked to organize such tours in future.

SVEEP committee organises meeting to promote activities

SUMER GARG SANGRUR, OCT 31

As per the guidelines issued by the Chief Electoral Officer(CEO), Punjab, a meeting of the District Level SVEEP Committee was held today at the district administrative complex and under the leadership of District Election Officer(DEO), Sangrur, Jitendra Jorwal; During the meeting, District SVEEP nodal officer- cum- SDM Bhawanigarh Vineet Kumar told all the nodal officers and heads of educational institutions that under the ongoing process of revising the photo voter lists on the basis of eligibility date 01.01.2024 on November 4, November 5, December 2 and December 3, special camps are being organized by the BLOs at their own polling stations, in which awareness campaign



should be actively conducted in advance to get young boys and girls of 18-19 years to vote. Vineet Kumar said that the Election Commission of India(ECI), keeping the upcoming Lok Sabha elections in mind has set a target to include the name of every eligible person in the voter list compulsorily. He said that the SVEEP(systematic voters' education and electoral participation program) committee needs to make continuous efforts to increase the number of youth voters in all the as-

Linemen honoured for providing good electricity services

NAWANSHAHR (JATINDER PAL SINGH KALER): JEE Paramjeet Lohata, Lane-man Satnam Singh Satnam Singh Sattu of Electricity Board Balachaur 1 for providing good electricity services on behalf of Bharatiya Kisan Union Rajewal's Press Secretary Kul-winder Sarpanch Puragpur, former Sarpanch Somnath Paragpur. Jaswinder Singh Rakadh, Manjeet Singh were honored by giving them a memento.



DM bans opening of jaggery-sugar mills before Nov 15

DALJEET AJNOHA HOSHIARPUR, OCT 31

District Magistrate Hoshiarpur Komal Mittal, using the powers obtained under Section 144 of the Criminal Code, 1973 (Act No. 2 of 1974), has imposed a ban on opening of jaggery-sugar manufacturing units within the limits of the district before 15 November 2023. Apart from this, there will be a ban on using any chemical to make jaggery and sugar. She said that Chief Agriculture Officer, Food Safety Officer, District Food and Supplies Controller and Senior Police Captain Hoshiarpur will be responsible for implementing the order. The District Magistrate said that it has been brought to his attention through a letter from the Chief Agriculture Officer, Hoshiarpur,



that the jaggery-sugar makers in the district should not clean the sugarcane juice while preparing jaggery sugar before the sugarcane crushing season. Chemicals/sugar are used for this. Jaggery and sugar prepared using chemicals/sugar are very dangerous for health.

Pathankot College of Education conducts Mehndi, thali decorating competitions



SHARANJEET PATHANKOT, OCT 31

Pathankot College of Education under the chairmanship of Principal Dr. Rupinder Kaur, Mehndi and thali decorating competitions were conducted on the occasion of Karwa Chauth. In which B.Ed and ETT students participated. On this occasion Management members Dr. Vinod Mahajan and Ravi Shankar were specially present. Students made beautiful mehndi designs on teachers' hands and decorated thalis on Karwa Chauth. Kan-

chan stood first and Monika stood second in the mehndi competition. Mansi stood first, Manvi second and Tanu third in thali decoration. On this occasion Management members Dr. Vinod Mahajan and Ravi Shankar honored the children by giving mementos. Dr. Vinod Mahajan explained about the importance of Karva Chauth that every married woman fasts during this festival for the long life of her husband. On this occasion Prof. Uma Sharma, Prof. Rajnish Bala, Atul, Pooja, Anu, Jyoti, Nidhi etc. were present.

RWS of Ansal 114, Mohali meets officers at Ansal API office for solution of their problems

SHASHI PAL JAIN KHARAR, OCT 31

Today, the RWS team, along with executive members, visited the Ansal API Office to address the pending work from the Project side. This includes the installation of Electrical Panels, Transformers, and pending sewerage lines that Ansal is responsible for. As per press note issued by the society despite almost two months of follow-ups, the Ansals have continuously made false promises regarding the readiness of transformers and the installation of the required Jio switch in the sector. During their visit, they we emphasized the importance of Ansal completing the pending roads that they have not developed from the beginning. "Our road work is set to commence in



the coming days, and we expect Ansal can also complete the road that is pending from their side" as per press note. The team grant-

ed them a deadline until Friday, November 3, 2023, to act on these matters. Otherwise RWS will take strict action against them.

Agarwal Samaj wishes everyone very happy Karva Chauth

BARNALA (BALWINDER AZAD): On the holy fast of Karva-Choth by the Agarwal community of Mandi Dhanaula of district Barnala, Agarwal Sabha head Arun Kumar Bansal, former chairman of Market Committee Dhanaula Jeevan Bansal, Municipal Council vice president Rajneesh Bansal. President of Trade Board Raman Verma, Vice President of Aggarwal Sabha Rakesh Kumar, Vice President of Trade Board Dharminder Kumar Neetu, Head of Ludhiana Silk Store Jeevan Bansal all expressed best wishes for this holy fast. He said that Karva-Choth might be called a one-day festival but it was a symbol of the love of husband and wife towards their spouse. In this fast, married women prayed for the long life of their husbands. They fast in the morning before sunrise and eat the food brought with them, also called Sargi, and drink water in the afternoon after listening to the fast story. One can consume tea, milk and then by looking at the moon at night which is called offering Argh. Thus the work done for the long life of the husband is completed. The Agarwal Samaj wished them Karva choth fast as a symbol of their love for their husband.

Joginder Singh takes charge of police station city Rampura

KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA RAMPURA PHUL, OCT 31

Joginder Singh has taken charge of the police station City Rampura of sub-division Rampura Phul in Bathinda district. After assuming his post, he said that the officials of the area under the police station and the general public should inform the police about the presence of wrong elements in their area so that peace can be maintained in the area. Every person entering the police station will be treated with due respect. Police station chief Joginder Singh said that people will not be allowed to face traffic problems. To run the traffic smoothly they have a good team who are already running the traffic smoothly.



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Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha Model Town celebrates Parkash Purab of Guru Ramdas ji



harpreet singh lehal
Jalandhar: Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha, Model Town celebrated Parkash Purab of Guru Ramdas ji with great reverence and fervour. Eminent raagis mesmerised the sangat with their shabads. Bhai Fateh Singh Ji ,Bhai Tajinder Singh ji and Bhai Shamsher Singh ji Hazoori Raagi and Bibi Gurjit Kaur, Gurdwara Model Town, recited shabads from gurbani that were revered by the devotees. Bibi Jasjit Kaur, katha vachak preached and enlightened the devotees about the life and principles of Guru Ramdas ji. Present on this occasion were S.Ajit Singh Sethi, President Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha, Model Town and other members S.Mohinderjit Singh, S.Kanwaljeet Singh Kochhar, Dr. H.M.Hurria, S.Kultaran Singh Anand, S.H.S. Bhasin, S.H.S. Kaka, S. Manmeet Singh Sodhi, S.Tejdeep Singh Sethi, Gagandeep Singh Sethi and eminent personalities also paid their obeisance at the Gurdwara Sahib.

Man strangles wife to death



ASHISHPURI
KAPURTHALA: Hours after returning from Italy, a man strangled his 42-year-old wife to death on Tuesday morning. Deceased has been identified as Harpreet Kaur, a resident of Sandhu Chatha village of Kapurthala district. Accused identified as Sukhdev Singh, managed to flee from the spot after killing his wife. Police said the accused came from Italy and reached his village at 3am before killing his wife by strangulating her and hammering her head with some hard object at around 6 am. Police said it was the second marriage of both deceased and accused Sukhdev, who had one son from his first marriage. "Sukhdev first visited his son's place before going to his wife, who was alone at the time of incident. The deadbody was sent for postmortem, while teams have been formed to arrest the accused," police said. Meanwhile, the case has been registered under section 302 (murder) of IPC.

SP congratulates retiring police personnel



RAJNEESH SHARMA
HAMIRPUR: Many Hamirpur Police personnel retired on 31 October. SP Hamirpur Dr. Aakriti Sharma participated in retirement ceremony and congratulated retiring police employees. He wished healthy, prosperous and happy life for them. Prominent among those who retired are Sub Inspector Vijay Kumar, Sub Inspector Ramesh Chand Vains and HHC Raj Kumar. They were honored by giving gifts on behalf of the District Police Hamirpur family. Ashok Verma Additional Superintendent of Police, Rohin Dogra Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sunil Dutt Deputy Superintendent of Police, other policemen of District Police Hamirpur and family members of the retiring police employees were present.

460 Students of New Happy Public School Yamuna Nagar participate in Run for Unity Marathon

RAHUL KOHLI
JAGADHRI, OCT 31

On the occasion of the birth anniversary of the Iron Man, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, a district-level Unity Run was organized at the Dussehra Ground in Model Town, Yamunanagar. The event was overseen by the Administrative Nodal Officer, Navin Ahuja, CEO of the District Council, and Karnail Singh Sandhava, the Block Education Officer. MLA Sh. Ghanshyam Das Aroda, along with Mayor Sh. Madan Chauhan, graced the occasion. During the Unity Run, 460 students of New Happy Public School, Yamunanagar, led by their class teachers and Principal Dr. Bindu Sharma, participated with great enthusiasm. MLA Ghanshyam Das Aroda highlighted the significance of the marathon, emphasizing the life and character of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, also known as the Iron Man. He encouraged students to draw inspiration from his life. On this occasion, he administered the oath of national unity to all the children. The marathon covering a distance of 3 kilometers, started from the Dussehra Ground and concluded at



Madhu Chowk, Model Town, Yamunanagar. CEO of the District Council, Karnail Singh Sandhava, expressed gratitude to Principal Dr. Bindu Sharma for organizing the Unity Run and honored her with a medal. The program concluded with the national anthem.

Dr. Bindu Sharma, Principal of New Happy Public School, thanked Sh. Madan Chauhan and Sh. Karnail Singh Sandhava for conducting the Unity Run and addressed the children. She emphasized the importance of drawing inspiration from Sardar Patel's life and maintaining mutual harmony.

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Politics of appeasement worst thing taking place in India now: PM Modi

AGENCY
KEVADIA, OCT 31

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday accused those indulging in "appeasement politics" as the biggest obstacle to the country's development and accused them of "standing by" the enemies of humanity. "The people who are practising appeasement, cannot see the seriousness of terrorism. They do not hesitate to stand by the enemies of humanity. They hesitate to conduct a probe into the terrorist activities," PM Modi said. PM Modi was addressing a Rashtriya Ekta Diwas programme at the Statue of the Unity in Gujarat's Ekta Nagar. "They refrain from tightening the screws against the anti-national elements. The thoughts of appeasement are so dangerous that they even knock on the doors



of courts to save the terrorists. People have to be aware of such thoughts," the Prime Minister said at the event to mark the birth anniversary of Sardar

Vallabhbhai Patel. PM Modi further cautioned against those who indulged in appeasement politics and in an apparent reference to the Opposition's

grand alliance said that they are adopting methods that go against the country. The Prime Minister reminded people of elections this year and Lok Sabha polls in 2024, and added that such politicians want to gain by dividing India. "Lok Sabha elections are going to be held next year. There is a political faction in the country that cannot see any positive politics. Unfortunately, this political faction is adopting methods that are against society and country. Even if the unity of the country shatters, their selfishness is at the top. If the country is aware of them, only then it can be developed," he said. Mentioning the revocation of Article 370 from Jammu and Kashmir in August 2019, PM Modi said that Sardar Patel would be happy with the move of the government and shower his blessing upon the country for the step taken.

Firing incident reported in Kapurthala, one dies

ASHISHPURI/PAWANKALIA
KAPURTHALA, OCT 31

Late night,due to old rivlary during a clash between two groups in village Sidhwan Dona a youth was injured in firing Who was admitted to the emergency ward of the Civil Hospital died later.Here it is mentioned that he died during treatment in a private hospital in Jalandhar. After receiving information about the incident, the Sadar police station took possession of the dead body and kept it in the mortuary.Police is investigating the matter.

According to the information received, there was some dispute regarding children in village Sidhwan Dona a few days ago. Due to which both the parties clashed with each other late in the night. In which firing was also done by a person of one group. In the firing, a young man was shot below the chest. Injured Vijay Kumar son of Tarsem resident Sidhwan Dona was admitted to Civil Hospital. Seeing the serious condition of the injured, he was referred from there. Late night, Vijay Kumar died during treatment in a private hospital in Jalandhar. DSP sub division Manpreet Kaur and SHO Sadar inspector sonamdeepkaur reached the spot and started the investigation.



Patients with complex gastrointestinal cancer successfully treated via Robot-aided surgery at Fortis Mohali

RAJNI SONI
YAMUNANAGAR, OCT 31

The Department of Surgical Oncology, Fortis Cancer Institute at Fortis Hospital Mohali, has achieved yet another medical feat by successfully treating two complex surgeries of gastrointestinal cancer via the world's most advanced 4th Generation Robot – Da Vinci Xi. In the first case, a 71-year-old man had been experiencing bleeding from the rectum, changes in bowel habit and loss of appetite. When his symptoms failed to subside, he approached Dr Jitender Rohila, Consultant, Surgical Oncology and Robotic Surgeon, at Fortis Hospital Mohali. Subsequent medical investigations such as Sigmoidoscopy, MRI scan and PET scan revealed that the Patient had Stage 3 low-lying rectal cancer. The biopsy was adenocarcinoma. Initially, the Patient was administered combined radiation therapy and chemotherapy (NACTRT) to shrink the tumour and prepare him for a sphincter-saving surgery. He was reassessed after an MRI scan and a surgery was planned six weeks after the completion of NACTRT. Following discussions with the Tumour Board,



the team of doctors led by Dr Rohila conducted Robot-aided sphincter-saving surgery on the Patient. The case attains significance as the Patient was spared a permanent Stoma Bag – a plastic bag that collects bowel movement from the digestive tract through an opening in the abdominal wall – usually required after surgery of the large and small intestine. The Stoma Bag is either temporary or permanent (if the cancer has affected the sphincter muscle, which controls defecation). Discussing the case, Dr Rohila, said, "Low-lying rectal cancer (within 5 cm from anal verge) surgery was a challenging task owing to its location within the pelvis and being adjacent to important organs, including the anal sphincter, which controls the passing of stools.

141st birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel celebrated



RAMAN GUPTA
KAITHAL: MLA Leela Ram said that the architect of united India, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, worked to unite the country. By merging various princely states, a new form of united India was brought to the fore. The biography of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel teaches us about service to society and nation. We all should work to give a new direction and condition to the society and country by following the path shown and shown by him. MLA Leela Ram was speaking after flagging off the Run for Unity race from Chhotu Ram Indoor Stadium. He said that Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel had created a nation by uniting all the princely states.A grand statue of him has been installed on the banks of Narmada River in Gujarat, which is called the Statue of Unity. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel was born on 31 October 1875. Sardar Patel was a freedom fighter and the first Home Minister of independent India. He had an important contribution in the freedom struggle, due to which he is also called the Iron Man of India.

3 including woman arrested for attempt to murder

RAMAN GUPTA

KAITHAL: While investigating a case of murderous attack by entering a night house in DAV Colony Kaithal, the team of ASI Sandeep Singh of Police Station City, the accused Sagar and Golu, residents of Kalanaur village of Rohtak district, And the victim's wife Pooja, resident of DAV Colony Kaithal, was arrested. Police spokesperson said that as per the complaint of Narayan Das, resident of Nanakpuri Colony, Kaithal, his son Khemchand lives with his children on DAV Colony Khurana Road. Khemchand was married to Pooja, a resident of Panipat, eight-nine years ago. His nephew Tekchand came to him from DAV Colony on 28 October and told that someone had inflicted many injuries on Khemchand's body, neck, head and face with a sharp weapon and referred him to Chandigarh.On this he reached DAV Colony and checked the footage of the CCTV camera installed at Gaurav's house in the neighborhood of his son Khemchand. It was seen that at night Pooja opened the main door of her house and called someone. After this, she kept the phone on the corner of the door and went to the other side of the street. After some time, a boy came from the street on foot with a handkerchief tied over his mouth and stood at the door.

Campaign by Prajapita Brahmakumari Ishwariya Vishwavidyalaya to eliminate drug addiction



SATISH SETH
KALAYAT, OCT 31

To eliminate drug addiction, a special awareness campaign was started by Prajapita Brahmakumari Ishwariya Vishwavidyalaya. Under the campaign, all people are being made aware about drug addiction through Nasha Mukti Rath. In this series, a campaign was conducted among school students in Government Senior Secondary School on Monday morning. Giving information, Rekha sister said that films and tableaux were shown to the children on the LCD screen installed in the Nasha Mukti Rath. Through which a call was made to stay away from drug addiction to avoid the ill effects of

beedi, cigarette, gutkha, tobacco, alcohol etc. on the body and the deadly diseases caused by it. Addressing the children, Rekha sister said that intoxication hollows our body. In today's time, youth are getting misguided and getting trapped in the quagmire of drugs. she said that addiction is a habit which always ends badly. To what extent is it appropriate to burn your cheeks and gums by eating gutka? People who get trapped in the quagmire of drugs cause great harm to themselves as well as their families. On this occasion, Rekha sister resolved to ensure that the school students themselves do not take intoxicants and do not allow anyone around them to take intoxicants.

BJP state President Nayab Saini, Ved Pal visit rally venue

DR. ASHOK KUMAR
KARNAL, OCT 31

Newly appointed state president of Haryana BJP, MP Nayab Saini, visited the venue of the beneficiaries' conference to be held in Sector 4 on November 2 in view of the arrangements and after this, state president reached BJP district office Karna Kamal. On this occasion, state general secretary Advocate Ved Pal, BJP Karnal was accompanied by him. Apart from District President Yogendra Rana, other workers were present. According to the information, Beneficiary Mahasammelan is being organised by BJP in Sector 4 of Karnal, which has been named Antyodaya



Mahasammelan. Home Minister of the Government of India Amit Shah will be the chief guest while Chief Minister Manohar Lal will preside over the programme. He said that Union Home Minister Amit Shah will talk to the beneficiaries of the welfare schemes of the Centre and the state in the Antyodaya conference being organised in Karnal on November 2 on the occasion of Haryana Day and

completion of nine years of the BJP government in the state. In this Antyodaya Sammelan, Union Home Minister Amit Shah will meet the beneficiaries of government schemes through Ayushman Bharat-Chirayu Haryana, old age pension and family identity card. He said that on this occasion the Chief Minister will present the report card of his government's nine-year tenure.

MLA Dev Mann holds meeting with NREGA employees



RAKESH JINDAL
NABHA, OCT 31

Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann is conducting large-scale development works in Punjab, today Gurdev Singh Dev Mann, MLA Nabha, held a meeting with NREGA staff at MLA office Nabha in order to accelerate them. MLA Dev Mann discussed in detail the ongoing development works in the villages such as building parks in the villages, building playgrounds, building anganwadi centers, building libraries, expediting the work of laying interlocking tiles along the streets, drains and berms and other works. On this occasion, Kuldeep Kaur APU along with him gave instructions to complete the remaining works quickly. Piyush Mittal TA, Satnam Singh TA, Karamjit Singh TA, Sukhchain Singh GRS, Tarpinder Singh GRS and entire NREGA staff were present.

Seven-day Shrimad Bhagwat Mahapuran Gyan Yajna commences

VERMA
GURDASPUR, OCT 31

A seven-day Shrimad Bhagwat Mahapuran Gyan yajna is being organized by Divya Jyoti Jagrati Sansthan. Sadhvi Vaishnavi Bharti ji explained the story of Gokarna and Dhundhukari from the Bhagwat Mahapuran. Dhundhukari is described as always quarrelling with other children, becoming very unruly, and losing all the feelings of love that parents have for their children. Failing to instil good values in his son, his parents became unhappy, eventually abandoning their family and going into the forest. Today's younger generation is growing up in an environment devoid of values, just like Dhundhukari, and it is essential for human life to have values to prevent it from becoming uncontrolled and lacking in purpose. Just as sweets bring sweetness, sugar produces juice, and milk yields ghee, similarly, humans need values to become cultured and virtuous. In an environment devoid of values, the youth of today are growing up, and it is crucial to instil values to create a society with a higher moral



standard. The story of Lord Varaha (the Boar Incarnation) was also narrated. Hiranyaksha had become so powerful that he took the Earth to the Rasatala (lowest realm). The connection to modern times is our Earth's resources are being depleted, and valuable resources like coal, water, and rare materials are running out. Scientists believe that we need to find another planet to live on because Earth's resources are nearing exhaustion. They are exploring distant planets that resemble Earth and even believe they might find water on them. NASA has even granted permission for Americans to travel to Mars.

Editorial

Mellowing romance

A feature article published in this newspaper earlier this month gave me pause. The title, “The Anathema of Arrival”, echoed V.S. Naipaul, the great chronicler of provincial education. The accompanying image was a still from Satyajit Ray’s film, Aparajito, where Bibhutibhusan’s Apu, just arrived from the village with his trunk, bedding, and globe, stands in the middle of a street in Calcutta, staring in wonder at the tall houses of the city. But the article had no joy of discovery — it drooped with sorrow and cried in fear. Crafted as a first-person account, it told a story of horrors, faced by the poorer rural and suburban students in Calcutta. Being overwhelmed by the volume and the bustle of traffic just like his predecessor from Nischindipur a century ago was only the start of his suffering. It rapidly climaxed in that murky terror of residential student life: ragging, the ceaseless brutality of which made him fear losing his mind, life, nest: “I dreaded the nights. Once or twice I considered sleeping on the pavement, it would have been safer than the hostel.” The terror only ebbed when he moved out of the subsidised college hostel to costlier shared living in a messbari, another institution canonised in the literature and the cinema of Bengal. It left me shaken. Less than a year ago, in this very column, I had written about provincial bildung, that bumpy process of growth and education, using a similar image of Apu in the darkness of his village hut, absorbed in his globe as his palm-cupped world. Calcutta, the great city of British India, embodied a disproportionate degree of metropolitan importance, just as the Bengal Renaissance-derived bhadrakol pushed most non-bhadrakol accounts of Bengali history and culture to the margins. Drawn to the epicentre, many generations of provincial youth came to Calcutta. Like Apu, his creator, Bibhutibhusan, and his friend, Nirad C. Chaudhuri, their growth and education became part of the cultural lore of Calcutta, in the Bildungsroman, the memoir, even in the numerous films featuring pranking young men, fashionable urban women, and hilarious, snoring caretakers of messbaris. Had something gone terribly wrong with that provincial dream that used to wake up to shiny, fulfilling daylight in the city? Or were we wrong about it all along, celebrating the romance of the bright-eyed mofussil or village students who succeeded without losing their organic integrity? Was the monster of ragging always more powerful than the tribal network of rural seniors who watched out for the new arrivals in city hostels that Chaudhuri described as “little colonies in Calcutta of the different districts of East Bengal”? That does sound like the very opposite of the ‘helpful’ senior who had reportedly approached a student from Nadia desperately scouring for hostel accommodation in Jadavpur University.

New nuclear bomb

The United States Department of Defence has announced that it will pursue a modern variant of the B61 nuclear gravity bomb, designated the B61-13, pending Congressional authorization and appropriation. According to a Fox News report, the nuclear bomb is said to be 24 times more powerful than one of the bombs dropped on Japan during World War II. “Today, the Department of Defense (DoD) announced that the United States will pursue a modern variant of the B61 nuclear gravity bomb, designated the B61-13, pending Congressional authorization and appropriation. The Department of Energy’s National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) would produce the B61-13,” the Department of Defence release said. “The decision to pursue this capability, which was undertaken in close collaboration with the NNSA, responds to the demands of a rapidly evolving security environment as described in the 2022 Nuclear Posture Review,” the statement read. The B61-13 will yield similarly to the B61-7, which has a maximum output of 360 kilotons, according to Fox News citing the Pentagon statement, which had a fact sheet that was included with the release. The bomb dropped on Hiroshima, Japan, during World War II, which was around a 15 kiloton bomb, is 24 times smaller than the load. Additionally, the B61-13 would be almost 14 times bigger than the 25-kiloton bomb that was dropped on Nagasaki. “...announcement is reflective of a changing security environment and growing threats from potential adversaries,” said Assistant Secretary of Defence for Space Policy John Plumb. “The United States has a responsibility to



continue to assess and field the capabilities we need to credibly deter and, if necessary, respond to strategic attacks, and assure our allies.” “The B61-13 represents a reasonable step to manage the challenges of a highly dynamic security environment,” Plumb added. “While it provides us with additional flexibility, production of the B61-

13 will not increase the overall number of weapons in our nuclear stockpile,” he noted. According to the fact sheet, the powerful new bomb will also “include the modern safety, security, and accuracy features of the B61-12,” Fox News reported. Notably, the announcement coincides with escalating international tensions following the US’ high-explosive experiment

earlier this month at a nuclear test site in Nevada. “This initiative follows several months of review and consideration. The fielding of the B61-13 is not in response to any specific current event; it reflects an ongoing assessment of a changing security environment,” the US Department of Defence added.

Literature & Health

Study reveals improving deep sleep can prevent dementia

According to one study, a 1% loss in deep sleep each year for persons over 60 years old translates into a 27% higher chance of dementia. The study also suggests that improving or maintaining deep sleep, also known as slow-wave sleep, in older years may help prevent dementia. The study, led by Associate Professor Matthew Pase, from the Monash School of Psychological Sciences and the Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health in Melbourne, Australia, and published today in JAMA Neurology, looked at 346 participants, over 60 years of age, enrolled in the Framingham Heart Study who completed two overnight sleep studies in the time periods 1995 to 1998 and 2001 to 2003, with an average of five years between the two studies. These participants were then carefully followed for dementia from the time of the second sleep study through to 2018. The researchers found, on average, that the amount of deep sleep declined between the two studies, indicating slow wave sleep loss with ageing. Over the next 17 years of follow-up, there were 52 cases of dementia. Even adjusting for age, sex, cohort, genetic factors, smoking status, sleeping medication use, antidepressant use, and anxiolytic use, each percentage decrease in deep sleep each year was associated with a 27 per cent increase in the risk of dementia. “Slow-wave sleep, or deep sleep, supports the



ageing brain in many ways, and we know that sleep augments the clearance of metabolic waste from the brain, including facilitating the clearance of proteins that aggregate in Alzheimer’s disease,” Associate Professor Pase said. “However, to date we have been unsure of the role of slow-wave sleep in the development of dementia. Our findings suggest that slow wave sleep loss may be a modifiable dementia risk factor.” Associate Professor Pase said that the Framingham Heart Study is a unique community-based cohort with repeated overnight polysomnographic (PSG) sleep studies and uninterrupted surveillance for incident dementia. “We used these to examine how slow-wave sleep changed with ageing and whether changes in slow-wave sleep percentage were associated with the risk of later-life dementia up to 17 years later,” he said.

Pakistan: Petroleum division notifies huge hike in gas prices

Significant increase in petrol prices has been announced by the federal government, which will go into effect from November 1, ARY News reported. Regarding the significant increase in petrol prices for domestic, export and non-export units, CNG, cement and other industries, the Petroleum Division released a notification. Protected customers who use 25 to 90 cubic metres of petrol per month did not see a price increase for the fuel, but their fixed costs did climb from PKR 10 to PKR 400. According to the notice, domestic users who are not covered by insurance had their petrol costs increased by more than 172 per cent, ARY News reported. The Cabinet’s Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) approved a number of summaries on October 23, including one that revised the price of natural gas, according to ARY News. According to the tariff schedule provided by the Ministry, a summary of the change of the natural gas sale pricing for the FY 2023-24 was also approved, with effect from November 1, 2023, rather than October 1, 2023, as per the Ministry of Energy’s Petroleum Division. It was discovered that a significant increase in the petrol price of up to 193 per cent is expected to be approved by the federal cabinet. The government is likely to increase the local gas tariff up to 173 per cent for non-protected domestic consumers, 136.4 per cent for commercial,

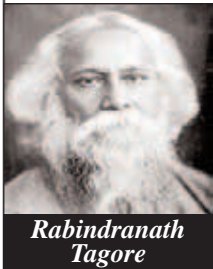


86.4 per cent for export and 117 per cent for the non-export industry, according to ARY News. The World Bank has reported an increase in poverty in Pakistan during the previous fiscal year due to soaring food and energy prices, labour market challenges, and flood-related damages, Dawn reported. According to the Macro Poverty Outlook, which was prepared for the recent annual meetings of the World Bank and IMF in Marrakesh, Morocco, prolonged and high inflation in food and energy prices, combined with a lack of substantial economic growth, could lead to social upheaval and negatively impact the well-being of disadvantaged households that have already seen their savings dwindle and incomes decline. The report indicates that poverty has risen due to declining wages, reduced job quality, and the impact of high inflation on the purchasing power of people living in poverty, according to Dawn.

POEM

Old And New

Thou hast made me known to friends whom I knew not. Thou hast given me seats in homes not my own. Thou hast brought the distant near and made a brother of the stranger.



I am uneasy at heart when I have to leave my accustomed shelter; I forget that there abides the old in the new, and that there also thou abidest. Through birth and death, in this world or in others.

Rabindranath Tagore

Researchers develop new antibody against breast cancers



An antibody developed in the lab of Cold Spring Harbour Laboratory Professor Nicholas Tonks can inhibit an enzyme that may aid in the spread of some breast tumours. With additional research, the antibody could provide a viable therapeutic treatment for the same breast tumours. The novel antibody targets PTPRD, an enzyme that is overexpressed in some breast tumours. PTPRD is a member of the protein tyrosine phosphatase (PTP) family of molecules, which aid in the regulation of numerous cellular functions. They accomplish this by collaborating with enzymes known as kinases to regulate the behaviour of other proteins within cells. Kinases are enzymes that add tiny chemical regulators known as phosphates to proteins. PTPs remove them. Disruptions in the addition or removal of phosphates can contribute to inflammation, diabetes, and cancer. Some disruptions can be corrected with kinase-blocking drugs. “People have targeted kinases for 25, 30 years,” Tonks explains. “It’s a multibillion-dollar industry. But many challenges remain. In cancer, patients will respond to these sorts of kinase inhibitors and then, after a period of time, resistance develops.” Drugs that control PTP activity could have a major impact on human health. However, such drugs have been difficult to develop. Tonks has studied PTPs since he discovered them as a postdoctoral researcher. He calls the enzymes “an untapped resource for drug development.” Many enzymes can be switched off with small molecules designed to latch onto and block the part of the enzyme that carries out its work.

But that won’t work for PTPs like PTPRD. So, alternative strategies are necessary. To stop PTPRD activity, graduate student Zhe Qian devised a new kind of PTP blocker. He targeted the enzyme with a synthetic antibody—a molecule that recognizes and binds to its target in a particular fashion. PTPRD molecules sit nestled in the outer membranes of cells, with bits protruding inside and out. Qian designed his antibody to grab onto two PTPRD molecules from outside a cell simultaneously. Qian and colleagues in the Tonks lab showed that when the antibody binds to its target, it draws pairs of PTPRD proteins together into an inactive configuration. This not only prevents PTPRD from working but also leads to the protein’s destruction. The team has shown that once this happens, breast cancer cells growing in the lab become less invasive.

SHORT TALKS

IDFC First Bank net profit jumps 35% YoY to Rs 751 crore

CHANDIGARH: IDFC First Bank reported a net profit of Rs 751 crore for the quarter ended September 30 which was up 35% year-on-year versus Rs 556 crore reported by the company in the corresponding quarter of the previous financial year. The standalone core operating profit grew 36% YoY from Rs 1,052 crore in Q2FY23 to Rs 1,456 crore for Q2FY24. The net interest income (NII) grew 30% YoY from Rs 3,002 crore in Q2FY23 to Rs 3,950 crore in Q2FY24. The net interest margin was 6.32% in Q2FY24 as compared to 5.83% in Q2FY23 and 6.33% in Q1FY24. The fee and other income grew by 46% YoY from Rs 945 crore in Q2FY23 to Rs 1,376 crore in Q2FY24. The retail fees constitute 93% of the overall fees for the quarter Q2FY24. The consolidated net profit was up over 2% quarter on quarter. The private lender had reported a profit after tax (PAT) of Rs 731.51 crore in the June ended quarter. On a consolidated basis, PAT stood at Rs 746.85 crore for the quarter ended September 30 which was up 31.6% YoY versus Rs 567.19 crore reported by the company in the corresponding quarter of the previous financial year.

Paree Sanitary Pads wins at Global Hygiene Forum

CHANDIGARH- The 5th Indian Disposable Hygiene Products Forum (IDHPF) event, a pivotal platform for the hygiene industry, saw remarkable success during its recent edition held on October 12th and 13th in Bangkok, Thailand. Soothe Healthcare, in collaboration with Wisdom Innovation Solution (WIS), co-hosted this Indian industry event having global outreach, which brought together prominent industry leaders from around the world to explore and discuss solutions tailored to the Indian hygiene market. Soothe Healthcare's brand, Paree Sanitary Pads, proudly clinched the award for the "Strongest Retail Distribution in India," reaffirming its commitment to making high-quality hygiene products accessible nationwide across all strata of the population. Under the overarching theme of "Innovation and Disruption in the Indian Hygiene Industry", this year's event attracted over 100 participants from more than seven countries. The event was marked by insightful discussions, thought-provoking speeches, and the recognition of industry leaders through prestigious awards.

Arni University Offers Special Provisions for Students coming from Defence Personnel Families

Pathankot – In a pathbreaking initiative to provide special provisions for students coming from defence families for admission to different courses, Arni University (AU), today announced that the University has been empanelled for Jammu and Kashmir Scholarship Scheme under which it would offer admission to students recommended by Indian Army's Northern Command Headquarters. The University has intimated and confirmed the Northern Command about the provisions. Talking to reporters here today, Mr. Vivek Singh, Chancellor of Arni University, said, "At AU, we have always believed in contributing to social causes. Given the contribution of defence forces, it was imperative for us to make some special provisions for their wards. In pursuit of that initially, we are proceeding with J&K Scholarship Schemes and subsequently, we will offer special admission provisions to students coming from defence families of Himachal Pradesh, North East States, Punjab, Haryana, and Rajasthan. We are thrilled to see Indian Army is also very responsive to our offer.

BlueStone's 'Big Gold Upgrade' Redefines Old Gold Exchange with Elegance!

Rohitak : Taking its dedication to innovation and customer satisfaction to greater heights, BlueStone, a frontrunner among India's premier omnichannel fine jewellery brands, has made a disruptive move with a first-of-its-kind offer. The Big Gold Upgrade. It's aimed to offer design-oriented creations aligned with the modern jewellery preferences of today's buyers at the best value. The 'Big Gold Upgrade' provides higher carat value alongside the latest jewellery designs while preserving the emotional significance of old gold. The 'Big Gold Upgrade' is an endeavour exceeding the conventional journey of old jewellery. It's all about transitioning fine jewellery from the safe confines of lockers to the vibrant realm of wardrobes. The crux of the offering lies in empowering customers to swap their Old Gold for newer, more stylish pieces across 170+ BlueStone stores. The shift is quite substantial - 18Kt Gold acquires the stature of 22kt value while 22kt will be valued at 24kt. Their core mission is to give customers the maximal value for their old gold. BlueStone goes beyond enhancing your jewellery by adding love and glam to your cherished pieces to make them shine all expectation Harshna Pasari. Head of Marketing at BlueStone, said, "The Big Gold Upgrade is a shining example of our unwavering commitment to the ever-evolving needs of modern customers.

One day free ENT camp organized in Kangra

Kangra.: Towards an important step in the field of health care, Vivekananda Kendra Kanyakumari Branch Kangra Himachal Pradesh in collaboration with Rupnandan Charitable Trust organized a free ENT health camp in Kangra today. This camp was organized in collaboration with Dr. Sanjay Sachdeva, Principal Director ENT and Head & Neck Surgery, Max Group of Hospitals, who has made significant contributions to the health sector. Patients were examined and treated by expert doctors like Dr. Sanjay Sachdeva. More than 150 patients were treated in this camp and 73 audiology tests were also conducted. Vivekananda Kendra Kanyakumari North Province Director Ashok Raina gave information about the service activities of Vivekananda Kendra Kanyakumari.

North Haryana power discom cuts losses by half in 6 yrs, improves billing efficiency to over 80%; CEEW report

PANIPAT: The Uttar Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam (UHBVN) is one of the few public power distribution companies (discoms) in India that has gone from high-loss making to financially healthy, according to an independent report released by the Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW) today. The discom reduced its aggregate technical and commercial (AT&C) losses by half—from 34 per cent to 17 per cent—between FY 2015 and FY 2021. AT&C losses are a reflection of the financial health of power discoms. The report also found that in these six years, billing efficiency improved from –69 per cent to –83 per cent due to measures such as near-universal metering of consumer connections, efforts to create a unified billing database to ensure timely bill delivery, and special initiatives like Mhara Goan Jagmagan Goan for high-loss rural areas. Achieving India's commitment of 50 per cent non-fossil fuel capacity by 2030 and a net-zero economy by 2070 requires a fiscally sound power distribution sector. But the majority of Indian discoms have been reeling under huge losses, with national AT&C losses at 22.3 per cent in FY 2021. The report uses UHBVN as a case study as it has cut losses at a significantly higher pace than all-India trends, ranked among the top 10 discoms since FY 2019, and is among the few public discoms in India with a revenue surplus. However, there are several gaps that need to be plugged.

Arshad Warsi to judge 'Jhalak Dikhhla Jaa' on Sony Entertainment Television

MRITSAAR: A dance competition that sees celebrities shed their inhibitions and put on their dancing shoes, 'Jhalak Dikhhla Jaa', is set to make its grand 'ghar vapsi' on Sony Entertainment Television after a hiatus of 12 years. Adding to the excitement is the return of the versatile and multi-talented Arshad Warsi to Indian television, as he dons the hat of a judge on this iconic show. Expressing his excitement about making a Ghar Vapsi on television with this show, Arshad Warsi shares, "I am thrilled to be joining the judging panel of Jhalak Dikhhla Jaa this year. Dance has always been one of my greatest passions and I have loved watching the fabulous performances on this stage over the years. I have tremendous respect for the contestants who will step out of their comfort zone to take up this challenge, and pour their heart and soul into perfecting each performance. It takes courage to put yourself out there and I hope my feedback and encouragement will help them become better performers over the course of this journey. My goal is to inspire them to dance from the heart and have fun while they're at it.

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Must-have superfoods for your kids

Maintaining the diet routine of kids in their growing years is one of the toughest jobs for a mother. Fussy eaters, picky eaters, I-want-only-chocolate eaters and many more examples like these, kids can take a toll on your patience at the dining table. So, zero down to the foods that provide wholesome nutrition in less quantity and try interesting recipes. We give you 10 such super foods along with some interesting recipes you can try to lure the kid gang!

Oatmeal:
Oats contain a soluble fibre called beta glucan, which lowers cholesterol re-absorption. Being wholegrains, oatmeals also bear the benefit of natural vitamins and minerals. Research shows that kids who eat oatmeal are better able to concentrate and pay attention in school. Fiber-rich whole grains, like oatmeal, digest slowly, providing kids with a steady stream of energy.

Spinach:
With remarkable nutritional qualities, spinach is known to restore energy, increase vitality and improve the quality of the blood. An excellent source of iron, calcium, folic acid, and vitamins A and C this leafy vegetable is great for growing bones and brains.

Sweet potatoes:
A great source of nutrition, sweet potatoes contain potassium, vitamin C, fiber, folate, vitamin A, calcium and iron, to name a few. It helps in strengthening the eyesight, immune system and helps your heart and muscle work better. Its natural sweetness easily finds its way into the 'likeable' list of the kids.

Recipe: Sweet Potato Biscuits
Berries:
Blueberries, strawberries and raspberries! Are the names just not a reason enough to binge on them?



108 Ambulance Service organizes Reward and Recognition Program to encourage the Staff at Civil Hospital, Pathankot

Pathankot- Leading Healthcare Service provider and a proficient medical assistant, Zigzita Healthcare Limited precisely reliable for handling emergency medical situations in Punjab, today organized a Reward and Recognition Program at Civil Hospital, Pathankot. This initiative aims at fostering 108 Ambulance Staff, to strive for the best services. This occasion involved conveying recognition and rewarding the EMTs and Pilots by offering them certificates and cash prizes worth Rs. 700. SMO Dr. Sunil, presented the awards in the presence of Operation Manager Guramandeep Singh and Cluster Leader Joginder Singh who was there on behalf of Zigzita Healthcare Limited. From now on, such programs will be held every month in all districts of Punjab to encourage the 108 Ambulance staff to work with competence. So, that advanced services can be attained by the patients. Addressing the occasion, Project Head of 108 Ambulance Services, Manish Batra said, "We endeavor to become better in every aspect of our work, whether it's providing the best medical services to people or acknowledging our diligent staff. I believe it's important to recognize and reward them and we are proud to start this great initiative in every district of Punjab."

HDFC Bank Launches ‘Mega Auto Loan Mela’ in Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and Chandigarh

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: HDFC Bank's leading private sector bank, is organizing a 'Mega Auto Loan Mela', a loan festival at over 350 branches across Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and Chandigarh on 1st and 2nd November 2023. The Bank has partnered with leading auto dealers to showcase their top models at the branches. Customers visiting the branch can inspect, test-drive the vehicles, browse through auto loan options, and even book a car on the spot. HDFC Bank's this initiative in Haryana, Himachal and Chandigarh is under the umbrella campaign of Festive Treats Xpressway – Iss Tyohaar , No Interzarr. Speaking at the inauguration ceremony, Mr. Vineet Arora, Branch Banking Head – North 2 said, "The Mega Auto Loan Mela offers a great opportunity for customers to avail finance with ease for their favourite car. We have invited leading carmakers and auto dealers to display their top models at our branches. We are confident that customers will benefit from this Mela." The 'Mega Auto Loan Mela' aims to increase the visibility and accessibility of auto loans in the targeted regions.

AU Small Finance Bank and Fincare Small Finance Bank announce merger

CHANDIGARH: The Board of Directors of AU Small Finance Bank Ltd (AU SFB) and the Board of Directors of Fincare Small Finance Bank Ltd (Fincare SFB), at their respective meetings held earlier yesterday, approved an all-stock merger of AU SFB and Fincare SFB. The scheme of amalgamation, under Section 44A of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949, is subject to the approval of shareholders of AU SFB and Fincare SFB respectively. Reserve Bank of India under the Banking Regulation Act and the Competition Commission of India. Upon obtaining the required approvals, Fincare SFB shall merge into AU SFB and Shareholders of Fincare SFB shall receive shares of AU SFB in exchange for their shares in Fincare SFB at the approved share swap ratio. All employees of Fincare SFB shall become part of the AU SFB family. Commenting on the proposed merger, Mr. Sanjay Agarwal, MD & CEO, AU SFB, said, "I am delighted on the coming together of two successful and well-governed SFB franchises with common charter of promoting financial inclusion. This is not just a merger of two entities, it's a union of shared values, common goals, and a vision for the future. Rajeev and team are one of the most experienced and seasoned FMF teams in the country who have over the years, built the business ground up despite multiple challenges and also a strong tech-enabled SFB franchise.

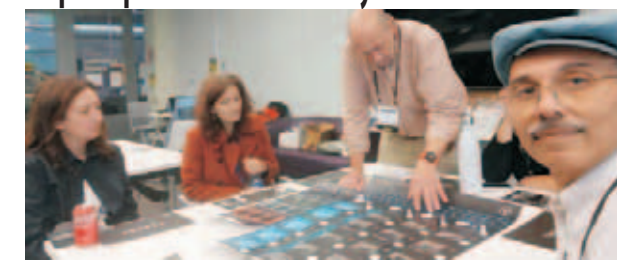
Karwa Queen 2023 Season 5 held

Zirakpur: The 'Karwa Queen 2023' season 5 was held at Raveza Club Zirakpur here today, under the aegis of the Glorify International and New Fly Organisation. The title of Karwa Queen 2023 was bagged by Mrs. Manpreet, while the second and third prizes were bagged by Mrs. Shruti and Jyoti Pasrija respectively. Miss Princess winners titles: Unique Muskan (Miss Upcoming Bride 2023), Jhooma Rajput (Miss Princess 2023), Ishita Singla (Miss Queen Of The Glorify). The Chief Guests for the event were Nancy Ghuman (Director Kozinoor) and Mr. Sukhwinder Saini (President Of Zirakpur Press Club).



The organizers, Dinesh Sardana , said, "The main attractions of the event were ramp walk, dance masti, shashes & crowns, returns gift, photoshoot and many more." One special title Evergreen Karwa Queen was given to Mrs Amandeep Kaur (Mohali). Sanam Gill, MD, Glorify International said, "The motive behind this programme was to provide a platform for the ladies to have fun on Karwa Chauth. They enjoyed the ramp walk. She also informed that the first prize winner of the event would be the VIP guest of the next event." The jury members of the event were Preeti Walia (Super Jury), Aisha Bhat, Suparna Barman, Mrs.Ruchi & Love Lanshi (Celebrity Jury) the VVIP guests of the event were Akshita Arora, Shivani Chawla (Ambala), Amandeep Kaur, Tarundeep Singh, Joginder Kaur, Brand ambassador of the Glorify International was Amandeep Kaur (Delhi) Aisha Sheikh, Alfaaz Singh, Anaya Sharma, special thanks to Khushboo Jain, Mr. MK Bhatia (MITS), Kavita Mathur, Rajan Dev, Tirlochan Singh, Surinder Chandel, Gaurav Rajput, Jashandeep, Mukesh Chauhan, Ashish Koomar, Vinod Gupta (Bureau Chief K News), Priya Sharma (Sabhi Samanta), SP Chopra & Vikram (Celebrity Anchor).

Chandigarh Design School Founder on Jury Panel and Expert Speaker for Serious Play Conference in Toronto



Chandigarh: Vineet Raj Kapoor, the founder of Chandigarh Design School and an iXDA Local Leader, was a key member of the esteemed Jury Panel of Serious Play Awards at Toronto Metropolitan University, Toronto, Canada. The evaluation of board games took place on October 10, 2023, where a select group of jurors from around the world assessed the games presented by the event's finalists. He also made a significant contribution to the recent Serious Play Conference, which took place from October 11th to 13th, 2023, at Toronto Metropolitan University. Kapoor delivered a compelling presentation within the Military and Professionals' Track, focusing on the subject of "Gamifying Skill Training". The Serious Play Conference is a practical gathering for professionals seeking to enhance their expertise in game-based learning. Speakers at the event share their knowledge and experiences, while attendees engage in informative sessions and invaluable networking opportunities. The inception of the Serious Play Conference dates back to 2008, when Sue Bohle, a PR and marketing pioneer with a background in collaborating with renowned developers like Atari, Crystal Dynamics, ID, and Activision, was approached to promote an educational game for math learning. A former high school teacher, Bohle became captivated by the idea that the engaging elements of entertainment games could revolutionize education. The event was expertly hosted by Sue Bohle and Jan Hanson, offering both Board Games and Digital Games tracks. Vineet Raj Kapoor served as a juror for both categories. Besides the Conference ran over 3 Days with more than a 100 experts sharing their expertise.

Fortis Mohali celebrates Rheumatoid Arthritis patient's life struggle through motivational wall art

Mohali: For 53-year-old Seema Sood, life had come to a standstill after an attack of Rheumatoid Arthritis rendered her bedridden for many years. Dejected and hopeless, Seema is a gold medalist and has graduated from BITS Pilani (Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Rajasthan) with dual degrees – M.Sc in Engineering Technology with 90% and Masters in Engineering with 96%. At 28, her life turned topsy-turvy and she found herself walking with a stick in 2000. Her health condition deteriorated and she was confined to her bed. The real trouble began in 1988 when doctors thought that Seema was suffering from osteoarthritis, but on the contrary, it was rheumatoid arthritis. The incorrect diagnosis contributed to her agony. In 2005, when Seema's condition worsened, she was advised joint and hip replacement surgery, costing about Rs 10 lakh. Unable to handle the extreme immobility and high cost of treatment, Seema then petitioned the President of India for euthanasia (mercy killing) in 2007. The then Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Prem Kumar Dhurmal got to know about Seema's petition and assured that the state government would incur all her medical expenses. Even though she underwent a surgery in 2008, Seema kept experiencing acute pain and discomfort for nearly seven years. Moved by her condition, the Fortis Mohali management offered her free of cost treatment in 2014 and Dr Anil Abrol, Consultant, Department of Rheumatology, Fortis Hospital Mohali, was able to make a correct diagnosis of her medical condition, Rheumatoid Arthritis, and treated her for the same. Following extensive treatment, Seema made a swift recovery and her health began to improve. This gave her a new zeal of life and heralded the start of her art journey.



immune system attacks the body's healthy tissues. The condition causes pain, swelling and stiffness in joints, may result in low red blood cell count, and inflammation around the lungs and heart. Seema is a gold medalist and has graduated from BITS Pilani (Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Rajasthan) with dual degrees – M.Sc in Engineering Technology with 90% and Masters in Engineering with 96%. At 28, her life turned topsy-turvy and she found herself walking with a stick in 2000. Her health condition deteriorated and she was confined to her bed. The real trouble began in 1988 when doctors thought that Seema was suffering from osteoarthritis, but on the contrary, it was rheumatoid arthritis. The incorrect diagnosis contributed to her agony. In 2005, when Seema's condition worsened, she was advised joint and hip replacement surgery, costing about Rs 10 lakh. Unable to handle the extreme immobility and high cost of treatment, Seema then petitioned the President of India for euthanasia (mercy killing) in 2007. The then Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Prem Kumar Dhurmal got to know about Seema's petition and assured that the state government would incur all her medical expenses. Even though she underwent a surgery in 2008, Seema kept experiencing acute pain and discomfort for nearly seven years. Moved by her condition, the Fortis Mohali management offered her free of cost treatment in 2014 and Dr Anil Abrol, Consultant, Department of Rheumatology, Fortis Hospital Mohali, was able to make a correct diagnosis of her medical condition, Rheumatoid Arthritis, and treated her for the same. Following extensive treatment, Seema made a swift recovery and her health began to improve. This gave her a new zeal of life and heralded the start of her art journey.

come with very little fat and no cholesterol. They lower the blood pressure levels and protects against UV damage too.

Fish:
Trust this superfood for a strong heart and a stable nervous system. An excellent source of protein, fish is also rich in vitamin D, unsaturated fat, omega 3 fatty acids and iodine. Omega 3 fatty acids fights depression, lowers inflammation - a key component in asthma, improves mental skills and also protects against Alzheimer's disease and dementia.

Basil:
Packed with antioxidants, vitamins A, C, and K, this herb is rich in iron, potassium, and calcium as well. Basil can help improve digestion and even ease headaches.



Rymbal Launches Rymbal:THE LIGHTSIGHT Hybrid Polyurethane System to Transform Footwear Soles

Bahadurgarh : Rymbal, a leading B2B innovator in the footwear industry, launches their latest product, "RymaLITE," a hybrid polyurethane system designed for various applications in sports, fashion footwear and Slipper-Sandal wear. Mr. Vijay Ahuja, Chairman of CS Ahuja Overseas Pvt Ltd, was the distinguished Chief Guest at Rymbal Stall at "Meet At Agra" event, where he unveiled and launched this innovative technology. RymaLITE boasts an unprecedented combination of properties that sets it apart in the market. It offers unparalleled lightweight, high rebound and dimensionally stable polyurethane footwear, creating a new benchmark for comfort and performance in the industry. The demand for footwear that feels like an extension of human body has been steadily rising in the footwear and sandal categories. Recognizing this market need, Rymbal's primary goal with the introduction of RymaLITE is to provide footwear and sole manufacturers with a cutting-edge sustainable solution using advanced polyurethane technology, meeting the increasing consumer demands for enhanced features without compromising mechanical properties.

"Rang Punjab De on 4th November at 7 PM only on Zee Punjabi!"

Chandigarh, 1st November 2023: Punjabi singer, Master Saleem, is all set to mesmerize the audience on an upcoming episode of "Rang Punjab De," scheduled for this Saturday, November 4th, at 7 PM. On the captivating stage of "Rang Punjab De," Master Saleem delivered soul-stirring renditions of his popular tracks, "Maahiya" and "Mast Kalandar," leaving the audience spellbound. During his captivating appearance on "Rang Punjab De," Master Saleem not only showcased his exceptional singing talent but also shared valuable insights into the vibrant Punjabi music industry. He engaged in a thoughtful conversation with the esteemed host, Jagji Khaira, delving into the profound cultural heritage that shapes the Punjabi music industry. "Rang Punjab De" continues to bring together the finest talents of the Punjabi music industry, showcasing their extraordinary abilities and celebrating the vibrant culture of Punjab. Don't miss this exceptional episode featuring Master Saleem, airing this Saturday at 7 PM, promising an evening filled with soulful melodies and captivating narratives.

Shri Dharmendra Pradhan leads the 'Run for Unity' on Rastriya Ekta Diwas

CHANDIGARH: Union Minister of Education and Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan lead the 'Run for Unity' from the statue of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose today at College Square, Cuttack, Odisha on the occasion of the 148th birth anniversary of former Deputy Prime Minister of India, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. Around 4000 people participated with zeal and enthusiasm in the 2 kilometer long run at 6:45am today to honor his visionary leadership. Under the guidance of Hon'ble

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, Run for Unity was being conducted in diverse cities. The run aims to instill a feeling of pride and respect among the youth belonging to diverse religious and cultural backgrounds for becoming a part of the nation building initiative. His remarkable contribution to upholding the values of togetherness, peace and integrity is an illustrious example for organizations aiming to create an innovative, collaborative and skilled workforce for Future of Work.

ASICS India Honors Hockey Icon Manpreet Singh for His Stellar Achievements

JALANDHAR: ASICS India, the renowned sportswear giant, celebrated the stellar accomplishments of Manpreet Singh, Indian Hockey player, at a special felicitation ceremony held on October 31, 2023. The grand honoring event took place at the ASICS Exclusive Store in Jalandhar, situated in the heart of Punjab, India. The event commemorated not only Singh's impressive performance in a historic gold medal victory at the Asian Games 2023 but also marked the beginning of an exciting collaboration between the celebrated athlete and ASICS India. The Indian hockey team clinched a spectacular

gold medal win at the Asian Games 2023, defeating arch-rivals Pakistan in a thrilling finale. Singh's exceptional play throughout the tournament earned him the prestigious title of 'Player of the Tournament,' further cementing his position as a true icon of Indian hockey. The felicitation event served as a heartfelt homage to Singh's exceptional talent, unparalleled commitment, and inspiring leadership. It also highlighted ASICS India's dedication to championing and honoring the nation's sporting heroes.

Godrej & Boyce strengthens its electric forklifts product portfolio in Ludhiana



Ludhiana-Godrej & Boyce, the flagship company of the Godrej Group, has announced the inauguration of a state-of-the-art experience centre in Ludhiana, represented by Viren Engineers, their trusted partner for the northern region. With its strategic location and exceptional connectivity, Ludhiana has emerged as a prominent destination for businesses looking to establish warehousing facilities. Godrej Material Handling is the first in India to manufacture a 5-tonne electric forklift and the business leads the region with more than 60% market share among domestic manufacturers of electric forklifts.

Commenting on this, Anil Lingayat, Executive Vice President & Business Head, Godrej Material Handling, Godrej & Boyce says, "We see good growth in northern states including manufacturing hub like Ludhiana and the distribution sector plus the growth planned in J &K and Ladakh. Godrej Material Handling is honored to play a pivotal role in driving the

Celebrate the Tradition of Karwa Chauth with ORRA's Solitaire Box Set

Ludhiana/Jalandhar-- Karwa Chauth, the festival celebrated by married women, is an occasion of profound devotion and fasting, dedicated to the well-being and longevity of their beloved husbands. This day symbolizes the unwavering love and admiration that spouses share, making it the perfect opportunity to express their affection through thoughtful gifts. In honor of this auspicious occasion, ORRA Fine Jewellery is excited to introduce Karwa Chauth Solitaire Box Set that beautifully combine tradition with modern elegance.

In honoring the sacred connection between a husband and wife during Karwa Chauth, the act of exchanging gifts transcends mere tradition and takes on the profound significance of husbands and families gifting jewellery to their loved ones. ORRA goes the extra mile to enhance your shopping experience with ORRA Karwa Chauth Solitaire Box Set 2023 at a special price. It boasts a Box Set that features an alluring Ring and a set of Earrings. Mr. Dipu Mehta, Managing Director, ORRA Fine Jewellery, expressed his enthusiasm for this new offering, saying, "At ORRA, we embrace the profound significance of jewellery, steeped in India's customs and heritage. Our festive collections are curated for the diverse preferences of our discerning clientele, with a design philosophy that is tailored to time-honored traditions. We understand that during this season, jewellery purchases aren't merely transactional, but they signify enduring tales of love, complement our rituals and hold the potential of translating to generational heirlooms.

Round Glass Foundation achieves a milestone of planting 20 lakh native trees in Punjab



Mohali: Roundglass Foundation has achieved their latest milestone – planting 2 million trees in Punjab!!! Under its Plant for Punjab programme, Roundglass Foundation has been planting trees in the state since 2019 to improve the quality of air, water, and soil in the state. The Foundation planted 10 lakh trees in 2023, taking the total to 20 lakh trees and creating almost 1,200 mini forests and 432 parks across 1,300 villages in Punjab. Sharing his delight on this milestone, Sunny Gurreet Singh, Founder, of Roundglass, said, "Our audacious goal of planting a billion trees is now more than a dream: it is becoming a reality. This programme, driven by passion and dedication, reflects our commitment to environmental conservation. I have a deep sense of gratitude to the people of Punjab, the state government, Panchayats, and the dedicated teams on the ground who collaborated with us. I want to applaud the Roundglass Foundation team for their tireless efforts in promoting planetary and societal wellbeing."

As per India State Forest Report 2023, the state of Punjab has a total geographical area of 50,362 sq km out of which only 3.67% is considered as forest cover. Roundglass Foundation has planted trees covering 930 acres mostly on Panchayat land, creating lungs for the locations, while enhancing the biodiversity in the region, improving soil health, and assisting in improving the water table. The Plant for Punjab programme focuses on restoring natural ecosystems by planting indigenous varieties and species of trees.

IBR Convocation attracts record-holders

Faridabad: The Convocation@IBR@Office, a much-awaited event held every month at the corporate office of the India Book Records (IBR) at IMT Sector 68, Faridabad, has been attracting a large segment of record-holders. People are enthusiastically lining up for the upcoming events. The second edition of the Convocation was a big hit with guests from different states. Mrs Neerja Roy Chowdhury, Managing Editor, IBR, said, "This is a proud moment for us to welcome our record-holders from across India. The convocation ceremony is to honour them for their passion and talent. The kind of response we have been receiving is overwhelming. Talent and courage must be encouraged to take things to the next level. Record-holders are extraordinary people and they deserve respect and motivation." The record-holders included Geeta, Priya and Ritu Yadav (Gurgaon), Sanjay Arora, Commissioner of Police (Delhi), CM Vishnav Samraat (Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh), Jeyalathi Muthial (Nalgonda, Telangana), Durga Sheshrao Thakre (Pune), Khushnuma Sanobar (Deoghar, Jharkhand), Zilar Rahman (Murshidabad, West Bengal), Raj Kumar Sharma and Dipesh Shyamander Bivani (Mumbai), Atharav Polai (Sambalpur, Odisha), Krishnamurthy KS (Shivamogga, Karnataka), Alankrita Akhil A (Alappuzha, Kerala), Laaja G (Kolam, Kerala), MD Giasli Uddin (Karnap, Assam), Dr BR Hiremath, Advait Ram Reddy (Bengaluru), Tani Sanjayrao Nalawar (Gondia, Maharashtra), Shrikant Tukaram Kajave (Kolhapur), Bhadravaj DVRS (Rajmahundry, Andhra Pradesh), Neha S Krishnan (Kottayam, Kerala), Amav Rout (Khorda, Odisha), Sreyas RC and Sunil Venjanamoodu (Thiruvananthapuram).



Kriti Dhiman shines in the MasterChef India Kitchen; Show streaming exclusively on Sony LIV

Kriti Dhiman shines in the MasterChef India Kitchen; the show streaming exclusively on Sony LIV The sizzle of pans and the aroma of spices fill the air as MasterChef India kicks off the heart-pounding competition to find the next culinary genius of the country. The stage is set with the top 12 contestants who are showcasing their culinary prowess and challenging the normal standards to emerge as the ultimate MasterChef. The show is streaming from Monday to Friday at 8 pm only on Sony LIV. One of these talented individuals is Kriti Dhiman, from Gokindgarh, Punjab a talented 23-year-old home baker with big dreams. Her kitchen journey began in the 5th grade when she was inspired by her father's Sunday cooking sessions. Those special moments with her dad sparked her passion for cooking and set her on a path to explore the culinary arts. The lockdown provided a unique opportunity for Kriti to take her culinary experiments to the next level. She started experimenting in the kitchen, and it quickly became a family affair with friendly cooking competitions. What truly sets Kriti apart is her unwavering commitment to her culinary craft. She doesn't just see cooking as a pastime; she views it as to inspire others like her, proving that dreams can be achieved through dedication and hard work. Kriti aspires to follow in the footsteps of renowned chefs like Ranveer Brar. Her ultimate goal is to establish herself as a trusted culinary expert and make a name for herself in the world of food. Her journey is a perfect blend of her love for culinary art, her family's influence, and her deep-seated desire to leave a significant mark on the food industry. MasterChef India on Sony LIV promises an extraordinary blend of creativity and courage, setting new benchmarks in the world of culinary arts. With Chefs Vikas Khanna, Ranveer Brar, and Poja Dhingra at the helm, this digital-exclusive season boasts a gastronomic extravaganza like no other. Tune in to MasterChef India, streaming now only on Sony LIV from Monday-Friday at 8pm!



Arni University collaborates with Several NGOs and the Himachal Pradesh's organizations to bring social change

Kangra, In a pathbreaking initiative to provide special provisions for students coming from defence families for admission to different courses, Arni University (AU), today announced that the University has been empanelled for Jammu and Kashmir Scholarship Scheme under which it would offer admission to students recommended by Indian Army's Northern Command Headquarters. The University has intimated and confirmed the Northern Command about the provisions. Talking to reporters here today, Mr. Vivek Singh, Chancellor of Arni University, said, "At AU, we have always believed in contributing to social causes. Given the contribution of defence forces, it was imperative for us to make some special provisions for their wards. In pursuit of that initially, we are proceeding with J&K Scholarship Schemes and subsequently, we will offer special admission provisions to students coming from defence families of Himachal Pradesh, North East States, Punjab, Haryana, and Rajasthan. We are thrilled to see Indian Army is also very responsive to our offer." Along with these special provisions, the University has been partnering with several organizations in Himachal Pradesh to create a robust higher education landscape in the state. Partnerships aim to create awareness about the need for changes required to make higher education more effective, promote entrepreneurship, and be employable with a focus on soft skilling too.

NEWS AT A GLANCE

Vigilance Awareness Week held



ANWAR HUSSAIN
NALAGARH: On behalf of State Vigilance and Anti-Corruption Bureau Headquarters, Vigilance Awareness Week is being celebrated across state. Awareness week will be observed till 5th November with various schools. People are being made aware against corruption, on Tuesday. Vigilance police station Baddi addressed students of Nalagarh and Rajpura school. An awareness rally was taken out. DSP Vigilance Dr Pratibha Chauhan said that in economic, political and social progress of our country Corruption is a big obstacle and everyone needs to fight against it. Person should come forward. He said that school children should come to the country. This is the future and they are being prepared against corruption. He appealed to the city residents and said that all citizens should remain alert. We should support the department to stop corruption so that it can be stopped.

DAV Police Public School celebrates Haryana Day with pomp



RAHUL KOHLI
JAGADHRI: As much as a citizen has respect for the culture and traditions of his country, he is equally proud of his state. The local life, folk songs, food and traditions of that state and its people have their own special identity. Reflecting identity, students of D.A.V Police Public School celebrated Haryana Day with great pomp and show with folk music and dance. Main attraction of program was Haryanvi song on which all students from nursery class to class VIII danced with great enthusiasm. Dakshita of first class and Navgun of third class enthralled everyone with their solo dance performance. The students of class VI presented a group dance. The stage in the program was operated by Vatsal of class five and Deepika of class eight. School Principal Anoop Kumar Chopra congratulated everyone on Haryana Day and praised all the students participating in the program and said that along with the culture, civilization and tradition of their country, everyone should also know the culture of their particular state.

Haryana Day celebrated with pomp in Early Step Pre School



NARESH GARG
LADWA: Haryana Day was celebrated with great pomp in Early Step Pre School located in Mahavir Colony of the city. Small children studying in the school reached the school premises in Haryanvi dress. School Principal Sonia Goyal told the children that Haryana was established on 1 November 1966 and we all live in the state of Haryana. He said that today Haryana is progressing double and quadruple. He said that at the time when Haryana was established, Haryana was a very small state, but now it has become a very happy and educated state. He said that the people of Haryana are very intelligent and agriculture has great importance in Haryana. The food of Haryana has been based on milk and curd since the beginning. He said that on the occasion of Haryana Day, children were prominently told and shown about the things of Haryana in the school.

Shri Ram Hanuman Ramliila Committee seeks land for Ramliila Ground



NARESH GARG
LADWA: After the successful staging of Ramliila by the members and artists of Shri Ram Hanuman Ramliila Committee of Ladwa, a meeting was held at office of committee head Rajesh Verma. Committee officials and artists participated in which land was demanded from Ladwa Municipality for Ramliila Ground.

Mapping will be carried out in 8 districts to stop illegal mining: Vij

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
CHANDIGARH, OCT 31

Haryana Home Minister Anil Vij said that mapping will be carried out in 8 districts to stop illegal mining. It is being started from Yamunanagar district. Apart from this, Common SOP will also be prepared of the Enforcement Bureau. Sh. Vij gave this information in a meeting with officials of Haryana State Enforcement Bureau today. While giving instructions to the officers, the Home Minister said that all the departments will give the SOP of their respective departments so that the common SOP of the Bureau can be prepared. He said that mapping is very important to stop illegal mining. Along with this, GPS chips should be installed in legal mining vehicles so that illegal mining can be stopped. Along with this, e-ravana should also be made mandatory. While giving instructions to the officers, he



said that maximum strictness should be taken to stop illegal mining because the job of all of us is to stop of illegal mining from the state. He said that night vision cameras should be installed outside the distilleries in the state so that we have complete information about the activities of every vehicle coming and going from there. Sh. Vij said that the employees working in various related departments who have been appointed in the Bureau and who have not yet joined duty in the Bureau, should be given notice

because it is necessary to have employees to functioning the Bureau properly. Apart from this, he said that the functioning of the Bureau should be ensured in each district. While giving instructions to the officers, he said that every month's progress report of the bureaus should also be presented to him. He has also instructed the officers to conduct special monitoring to strictly deal with illegal mining activities in the state. It is noteworthy that the state government has set up a bureau to monitor and initiate action in cases of illegal mining,

encroachment on government sites, illegal construction, challan and illegal liquor trade. On this occasion, Additional Chief Secretary of Home Department Sh. TVSN Prasad, Additional Chief Secretary of Mining Department Sh. Arun Kumar Gupta, Additional Chief Secretary of Energy Department Sh. AK Singh, Director General of Haryana Police Sh. Shatruijit Kapoor, Principal Secretary of Transport Department Sh. Navdeep Singh Virk, ADGP SS Chawla, Secretary and Commissioner of Irrigation and Water Resources Department Sh. Pankaj Aggarwal, Director General of Town and Country Planning Department Sh. TL Satyaprakash, Director General of Mining Department Sh. Mandeep Singh Brar, Commissioner of Excise and Taxation Department Sh. Ashok Kumar Meena including officials from other departments were present.

Dedication paramount for the unity, integrity and security of the nation: Subhash Sudha



DALBIR MALIK
KURUKSHETRA: MLA Subhash Sudha said that to maintain the unity, integrity and security of the nation, everyone would have to work with dedication and the common man would have to contribute to ensure the internal security of the country. Not only this, unity was the biggest strength of any country. Therefore, we all have to together contribute to the development and defense of the country. He was speaking at the birth anniversary celebration of Iron Man Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel organized under the joint aegis of District Administration and Sports

Department at Dronacharya Stadium on Tuesday. Earlier, MLA Subhash Sudha, SDM Surendra Pal, Municipal Magistrate Harpreet Kaur, DSP Pradeep Kumar, DSO Satendra Kumar, DIPRO Dr. Narendra Singh offered flowers on the picture of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and MLA Subhash Sudha offered flowers to the Tricolor, the pride of the country. They Saluted and formally inaugurated the program by lighting the lamp. During this, MLA Subhash Sudha also administered the oath of national unity to the players, teachers, students and dignitaries from the education department.

Function held to mark death anniversary of Vallabhbhai Patel and Haryana Day



MAINPAL KASHYAP

INDRE: A program was organized in Shaheed Udham Singh Senior Secondary School to commemorate the death anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Haryana Day. Students from class nursery to class 12th participated and presented various types of cultural programs. They presented speeches, poems and dances. School manager Ramesh Kamboj told children about culture of Haryana and said that we should know about our civilization and culture. School principal Jyoti Kharbanda said that death anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel is celebrated as Unity Day. Students of class 12th Science Faculty presented a drama on stage.

Lakhs of poor people benefit from change in system: Praveen Atreya

DR ASHOK KUMAR

KARNAL: Haryana Media Secretary Praveen Atreya has said that Chief Minister Shri Manohar Lal has done the work of changing the system in the state in the last 9 years. Many schemes have been implemented for the poor. Lakhs of people have benefited from these schemes. He said that on November 2, a conference of these beneficiaries is being organized here in Sector 4, which has been named Antyodaya Mahasammelan. Home Minister of the Government of India Amit Shah will be the chief guest while Chief Minister Shri Manohar Lal will preside over the program. Chief Minister's Media Coordinator Jagmohan Anand and Randeep Ghanghas were also present on this occasion. The Media Secretary said that before 2014, corruption, nepotism and regionalism were prevalent in the state, which was also discussed at the national level. Jobs were available through recommendations and slip-spending was rampant. As soon as Chief Minister Manohar Lal assumed power, he attacked this system and made changes in it. Taking care of the poor, he implemented many schemes for them. As a result, the benefits of these schemes reached lakhs of people. He said that under Chief Minister Antyodaya Parivar Utthan Yojana, deprived people were given their rights.



Felicitations of Anju Bhal selected in HCS

SATISH SETH
KALAYAT, OCT 31

Daughter Anju Bhal, who passed the HCS examination, was given a civic felicitation by the Gram Panchayat at the Government Senior Secondary School campus located in Chaushala village of Kalayat. It was presided over by female sarpanch Usha Devi. She saluted the ability of the village's promising daughter Anju Bhal by wearing a silver crown in the presence of her father Sunil Bhal and mother Sunita Devi. Public representatives from different villages of the area, officials of social service organizations, officials of various departments, teachers, parents and dignitaries of the village became witnesses of this special moment. The command of stage operation was in the hands of English subject professor Suresh Banwala. Female Sarpanch Usha Devi said that Anju Bhal is the first daughter in Kalayat sub-division who has passed the HCS examination. Everyone is proud of this success. Therefore, the process



of honouring proud village daughter is underway. On this occasion, Tehsildar Dinesh Kumar, Sunil Kumar from Bloc Development and Panchayat Department, Principal Amar Nath Kaushik, Gora Singh Mon, Bitu Sharma, Dilbagh Chaushala, Kushalpal Dumada, Narendra Julani Kheda, Suresh Kharak, Ashok Ramgarh and others were present. Anju Bhal advised the students to study with hard work and dedication in the felicitation ceremony. She said that students should cherish their dreams and fulfill them with passion. This is sure to lead to success. Along with this, she appealed to the parents to provide opportunities to their sons and daughters to move ahead.

Instead of burning stubble farmers should manage it: Amit

NIRMAL SAINI
RADAUR, OCT 31

Air, water and food are three essential things for life. It is very important for us to keep these clean. If these three things are not clean then it will affect our health. While deteriorating health will put an economic burden on us, it will also create obstacles in building a healthy society. Farmers are an important link for this. If farmers make efforts then the society can get these three essential things better and a healthy and prosperous society can be created. These words were said by SDM Jagadhri Amit Gulia that our air condition was not good today. For which there was burning of stubble in the fields to a large extent. To improve the air condition, we should focus on managing stubble in the fields instead of burning it. For which incentive amount was also being given to the farmers by the government. He further said that



subsidy was also being given on stubble management resources. This time it was good news that the cases of stubble burning have come down. But we have to reduce this figure to zero. Only then we would be able to provide a clean environment to our coming generations. To protect water and food from contamination, farmers would have to use minimum pesticides. We should test the soil of fields and use pesticides in the crops accordingly. Because the criteria we adopted for ourselves to stay healthy, we have to adopt the same criteria for others also.

Congress Seva Dal pays tributes to Indira Gandhi



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

KARNAL: On the occasion of the death anniversary of the country's Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, a meeting was held on behalf of the Congress Seva Dal to pay homage to her. The workers resolved to follow the path shown by him. On this occasion, State General Secretary Joginder Chauhan, District Convener Trilochan Singh, Urban District Head Anil Sharma and Rural District Head Madan Rana said that Indira Gandhi dedicated her life to serving the country. While being the Prime Minister, he took the country to new heights in the world. Indira Gandhi was an embodiment of immense courage, decision power and patience. Her achievements for the development of the country include nationalisation of banks, independence of Bangladesh, 20-point program organised for the uplift of poor people, chairing the Non-Aligned People's Movement and many such works. Even today, she is famous in the country and abroad by the name of Iron Lady of India. As Prime Minister, She was successful in facing various challenges.

Great enthusiasm prevails among women for Karva Chauth festival

RAHUL KOHLI

JAGADHRI: There prevailed enthusiasm among the women about Karva Chauth. The beauty of the markets has also increased, tents have been set up in every market and locality for applying mehendi. In the markets, there was a lot of selling of makeup items in the evening. The shops for shopping suits and lehengas were also crowded with customers. On the other hand, there was a lot of sale of Sargi items from other shops. Mehndi is being applied according to the design and work. Experienced people in applying mehendi said that it cost Rs 100 to Rs 1100 mehendi application among the women. There is a craze for mehendi on Karva Chauth, in such a situation, some people have to wait for mehendi to be applied every year. More time is required to make the intricate design. It seems that in such a situation its rates also increase. Some people book their passes in advance. It is considered to be the biggest festival for married women in which women remain on fast the whole day and break their fast at night by looking at the moon. Nowadays, there is a craze among men also to keep fast on Karva Chauth. Mukesh Kansal told that applying mehendi on Karva Chauth was considered auspicious. According to beliefs, women did not use any sharp object on Karva Chauth. Even many women also did not use pens.



CCPCR in collaboration with Chitkara International School, Chandigarh holds session on Child Rights & Responsibilities & Digital Well being

CHANDIGARH, OCT 31

Chandigarh Commission for Protection of Child Rights (CCPCR) held a session dedicated to the Child Rights & Responsibilities, Digital Wellbeing and Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act for the students of Chitkara International School (CIS), Chandigarh. This session provided an empowering platform for educators, and students to enhance their understanding of child protection and the critical issues surrounding it. Ms. Shipra Bansal, Chairperson of CCPCR, highlighted the paramount importance of child safety and security for a progressive nation. She emphasized that it is imperative for children to be aware of their rights and the legal instruments in place for their protection and safety. Furthermore, Ms. Bansal discussed a few case studies and underscored the significance of family time. Her personal engagement with the young participants further highlighted the commitment to



creating a safer environment for the future generations. She emphasized that, "Protecting children from sexual offenses is not just a legal obligation; it is our moral duty to ensure a safe and nurturing environment for our future generations." Her profound insights left an indelible mark on everyone present. In addition to these crucial topics, the session also included informative videos and addressed the pressing issue of Cyber Safety, a subject that is increasingly relevant in today's digital age. Students were educated about the various aspects of Cyber Security, the dangers of Cyber bullying, and the prevention of Cyber Crimes.

Cops take oath under Vigilance Awareness Week

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
CHANDIGARH: National Unity Day was celebrated by Haryana Police in the entire state including the police headquarters on the occasion of the birth anniversary of Iron Man Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. On this occasion, Director General of Police Shatruijit Kapoor administered oath to the senior officers and employees working at the Police Headquarters to do their work with complete honesty and transparency under the National Unity Day and Vigilance Awareness Week. About 200 policemen from Police Headquarters participated in this occasion. He recalled the remarkable contribution of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in nation building. Addressing the policemen present after administering the oath on National Unity Day, the Director General of Police said that to maintain the unity and integrity of the country, it is necessary that every person of the society makes sure to make an important contribution in it. He said that being employed in the police department, our responsibility in this direction increases further. Our first duty is to maintain the unity and integrity of the country and discharge our responsibilities dedicatedly with a spirit of service and security.



Youth Festival from Nov 17 to 18



DR ASHOK KUMAR KARNAL : Additional Deputy Commissioner Dr. Vaishali Sharma said that like every year, on the occasion of the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda, Union Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs will organize Youth festival at Pandit Chiranji Lal Government College, Sector 14, Karnal from 17 to 18 November. This festival will be organized by the Skill Development and Industrial Training Department. ADC held a meeting of officers in his office regarding the successful organization of the festival. ADC informed that youth willing to participate in District Youth Festival can register themselves till November 7. He said that the age of the participant should be between 15 to 29 years and should also have a family identity card. Winning participants will be given 48 cash prizes ranging from Rs 750 to Rs 15,000. For registration, District Youth Coordinating Officer and Principal can contact Government Industrial Training Institute, District Headquarters.

HARYANA

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2023

Panchkula ebrates unity: Run for Unity organized in shivalik's foothills

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, OCT 31

Haryana Chief Minister Sh Manohar Lal said that Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, often referred to as the 'Iron Man', played a pivotal role in shaping India's unity. He commended the Central Government, under the leadership of Prime Minister Sh Narendra Modi, for offering a sincere tribute to this great leader through the construction of the Statue of Unity.

The Chief Minister was addressing a gathering of children and young individuals during the 'Run for Unity' event held on the occasion of birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel at Trident hills, Pinjore today. Haryana Vidhan Sabha Speaker, Sh Gian Chand Gupta and Municipal Corporation Mayor, Sh Kulbhushan Goyal also present on this occasion.

While paying homage to 'Iron Man' on his birth anniversary, the Chief Minister emphasized the significance of the Run for Unity event,

which takes place every year on October 31 across the nation. He said that millions of children, women, men, youth, and elderly individuals actively participate in this event, conveying a message of unity and national integrity. He expressed his fortune in being able to participate in this event at different locations each year for last several years.

Sh Manohar Lal said that Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel was not only instrumental in the struggle for India's independence but also played a pivotal role in shaping the post-independence era. Before independence, the nation comprised 562 princely states, both large and small. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's unwavering commitment to the unity and integrity of the nation was seen when he successfully organized the integration of all these princely states into a cohesive system under the Indian Constitution.

He said that Run for Unity event is not merely a race but a powerful medium for instilling the values of unity and

integrity in every citizen of the nation. It fosters a deep-seated patriotism, inspiring individuals to be willing to make sacrifices for the country. He further highlighted that various foreign powers are attempting to undermine India, but the resolve of the nation remains resolute - India will not allow anyone to look into its sovereignty and pride.

The Chief Minister also lauded Prime Minister Sh Narendra Modi, drawing parallels between him and the revered Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. He said that Prime Minister has displayed a remarkable commitment to making tough decisions that are in the best interests of the nation and people of the country have happily accepted those decisions. In the best interest of the nation, the Prime Minister took a historic step by revoking Article 370 and 35A in Jammu and Kashmir, a move that garnered commendation from every citizen of the country and was widely appreciated.

Mehndi competition held in Shaheed Udham Singh Govt College

INDRI (MAINPAL KASHYAP) : On the occasion of Karva Chauth, a Mehndi competition was organized in Shaheed Udham Singh Government College, in which 26 girl students participated enthusiastically. The students made beautiful mehndi designs. Principal of the college, Dr. Vikas Atri, in his address said that organizing such competitions helps in the development of art among the girl students, which takes them towards a bright future. Women's cell in-charge Dr. Meenakshi congratulated everyone on Karva Chauth. The role of the jury was played by Prof Vibha, Prof Nitika and Prof Reena. Tanisha got first position, Manvi got second position and Sachin got third position.

Indira Gandhi's role in building strong India praiseworthy: Sumita Singh

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, OCT 31

The death anniversary of Congress leader Indira Gandhi was observed across the country. Former MLA Sumita Singh, along with Congress workers, observed the death anniversary of Indira Gandhi at Haryana Gyan Vigyan Samiti located in Ramdev Colony. Former MLA Sumita Singh, along with Congress workers, paid tribute to Indira Gandhi and distributed educational materials to the children taught by the committee. Sumita Singh said that Indira Gandhi was the first and only woman Prime Minister of the country. Indira Gandhi was one of the most powerful women in the history of modern India. She was the Prime Minister of the Republic of India for three consecutive terms

from 1966 to 1977 and after that for the fourth term, she remained the Prime Minister of India from 1980 till her political assassination in 1984. Indira the Iron Lady. The name of former

in building a strong and progressive India is commendable. Indira Gandhi is a source of inspiration for women. Women should take inspiration on nation building. On this occasion, former



Prime Minister Indira Gandhi is still alive in the hearts of Indians as it was 39 years ago. Indira Gandhi was known for her tough decisions. She said that the important role of Indira Gandhi

MC Vinod Titoria, Paramjeet, Ashok, Youth Congress President Maninder Singh, Jagir Saini, Vinay, Joga, Ashok Kamboj, Neelam, Gaurav, Anil Kumar etc. were present.

Congress pays tribute to Indira Gandhi

PREETI RANI SADHAURA: At Sadhaura Rest House, Congress workers paid obeisance to former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, remembering her on her death anniversary. Former District General Secretary of Congress Sudhir Bhalla said that she was the first woman



Prime Minister of India who emphasised on women empowerment during her tenure. Former Block President Sandeep Jain and senior Congress leader Dilawar Husain also paid tribute to former Prime Minister

Indira Gandhi by throwing light on the life of her. Block Vice President Avtar Singh Block General Secretary Saksham Sahni said that former Prime Minister and leader of leadership Late Indira Gandhi is remembered by the name of Iron Lady, today we pay our respects to her on her death anniversary. Many Congress workers including Congress leaders Sandeep Gupta, Sharanjit Singh Sethi, Mahindra Singh and Raju were present on this occasion.

Punjabis got respect only in Congress: Batra



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL: To ensure adequate representation of the Punjabi community in the Congress, selected Punjabi leaders from across the state gathered at the residence of Congress leader Parag Gaba in Karnal today. Here they discussed over tea. They talked about providing proper representation to Punjabi leaders in Congress as per their numbers. Punjabi leaders said that the Punjabi community should get proper representation when the Congress organisation is formed in the state. Till now, Punjabi leaders are not being treated with respect in Congress due to which this community is feeling cheated. At one time the Punjabi community used to get proper representation in Congress. Which has decreased in the last few years. He said that the Punjabi community should get maximum tickets in the Lok Sabha and Assembly elections. Punjabi candidates should contest at least two seats in the Lok Sabha elections. Whereas people of Punjabi community should get 25 to 30 seats in the assembly. On this occasion, Rohtak MLA Bharat Bhushan Batra said that there was a time when there was greater representation in government jobs and politics. But gradually this percentage decreased. Today the numbers of the Punjabi community are continuously decreasing.

Vaidya earned name through hard work, dedication

DARSHAN SHARMA NILOKHERI: Congress leader Professor Rajesh Vaidya needs no introduction in Karnal district today. He is seen serving the public by being at the forefront of every religious and social activity taking place in the area. This is what Tailu Ram, Head of Civil Society, says. Pyare Lal and Omprakash Nain. He said that Rajesh Vaidya has become a well-known face in the Nilokheri area today and social and religious organisations are joining him in the area. Folk singer Nathi Ram Sodha said that in the year 2024, Rajesh Vaidya will be elected to the Nilokheri Assembly. During Corona, educationist Rajesh Vaidya followed human dharma by distributing ration and masks to every needy family and his service has created a special place in the heart of the poor man. Advocate Vishwanath Sharma, Advocate Sanjeev Lather, Advocate Samta Rai and Advocate Santosh also advocated Rajesh Vaidya's participation in the forefront of religious and social work in the area for the last 4 years and said that apart from having a PhD, Rajesh Vaidya is compassionate towards the poor and is always ready to help the needy. Farmer leaders Sardar Rajendra Singh Mann, Ramesh Rode and Dhanpat Singh Barani said that in the year 2020, when farmers were agitating for the repeal of three agricultural laws in Delhi, Rajesh Vaidya in Nilokheri area participated in hundreds of campaigns in favour of the farmers. Along with his colleagues, he took out a candle march in the area and demonstrated his support by protesting.



Villagers take advantage of Ayurveda medical camp

RADAUR (NIRMAL SAINI) : Ayurvedic medicine camp was organized in village Gumthala Rao, courtesy of Maharaja Agrasen Senior Secondary Public School. The camp was inaugurated by school principal Dr. Sudesh Bansal and village sarpanch Praveen Kumar by cutting the ribbon.

In the camp, medical experts from Haridwar and Mumbai examined the health of the patients and gave free Ayurvedic medicines. Treatment was also given through Agni Karma, Viddha Karma, Cupping Therapy and Panchakarma



Therapy. Dr. Rahul Arya told that Ayurveda is the world's ancient medical system, in which treatment of major diseases is possible without operation. We should give priority to Ayurveda. Dermatologist Dr. Rahul Arya, knee joint specialist Dr. Rahul Sehgal, pulse specialist Dr. Himanshu Gupta, Dr. Shubham Saluja, Panchakarma specialist Abhishek, pharmacist Zuber and Dr. Shubham Sharma provided their services in the camp. Dr. Sudesh Bansal said that he will continue organizing such camps in future also to benefit the villagers.

Run For Unity Marathon flagged off on the birth anniversary of Sardar Patel

PARI BAJAJ KARNAL: Mayor Renu Bala Gupta said that the important role played by the Iron Man Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in making India a strong, united and powerful nation and promoting unity could never be forgotten. We should remember the personality of such a great man and should take inspiration from him. The Mayor was speaking at the inauguration of the Run for Unity Marathon program organized by the District Administration and Sports and Youth Affairs Department on Tuesday on the occasion of the 148th birth anniversary of Iron Man Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. Mayor Renu Bala Gupta, Chief Minister's representative Sanjay Bathla and ADC Dr. Vaishali Sharma offered flowers on the portrait of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and lit the lamp and formally started the program. After this, the Mayor flagged off the Run for Unity Marathon on National Unity Day in which about 3500 students participated. The marathon race started from NDRI Chank in the city and ended at Geeta Dwar. On this occasion, a message was given to maintain the unity of the country. She said that Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel



had an important contribution in the Indian freedom struggle. He was a public leader who always worked for the welfare of farmers and is remembered as the creator of modern India. On this occasion, Sanjay Bathla said in his address

that after independence, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel unified more than 560 princely states to unite the country. He opposed the taxes imposed on farmers by the British government and got the black laws abolished. He said that programs were being organized in the name of Run for Unity on the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel across the country.

Dyal Singh School student Aditi Malik wins gold medal in Taekwondo



PARI BAJAJ KARNAL: Aditi Malik, a promising player of Dyal Singh School, Sector 7, has created history by winning the gold medal in the Under 19 category of Taekwondo competition of CBSE North Zone. Preeshita won a bronze medal in the Under 14 category. CBSE Zonal was organised at Sushila Devi Senior Secondary School, Patiala from 27 to 30 October 2023. Principal of Dyal Singh School, Shalini congratulated the physical education department teacher Virendra and coach Manish Malik of the school for this wonderful achievement. The Principal congratulated the promising players Aditi Malik and Preshitay and wished them all the best for the CBSE National School Games. It is noteworthy that Aditi Malik had also won gold medal in Haryana School Games.

District level Run For Unity Marathon organised

RAJNI SONI YAMUNANAGAR : On Tuesday, the district level Run for Unity Marathon was organized at the local Dussehra Ground Model Town Yamunanagar, whose administrative nodal officer was Naveen Ahuja, CEO Zilla Parishad and KS Sandhawa, district level nodal officer of the Education Department. MLA Yamunanagar Ghanshyam Das Arora was present in the program as the chief guest and along with him Mayor Yamunanagar Madan Chauhan participated as the chief guest. Apart from this, about 5000 students from 23 schools of Block Jagadhri participated in the district level program and after the completion of the marathon, the students from various schools and colleges were honored with medals by CEO Naveen Ahuja and Nodal Officer Education Department. First of all, the program was started by Block Education Officer and Nodal Officer Sandhawa of District Yamunanagar Education Department and Naveen Ahuja, CEO Zilla Parishad welcomed the chief guest and spe-



cial guests by offering them flower bunches and after this, the Chief Guest was welcomed on his arrival by the Nodal Officer of the Education Department, S. Sandhawa. After this, the Chief Guest, MLA Yamunanagar Ghanshyam Das Arora explained the rationale behind organizing this marathon and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, who was also known as the Iron Man. Shedding light on his life character and inspired the students to take inspiration from his life. This marathon was three kilometers long, starting from Dussehra Ground, passing through Madhu Chowk, Govind-

puri Road, in front of SP residence and ending at Dussehra Ground, Model Town, Yamunanagar. CEO Zilla Parishad and Nodal Officer Education Department K S Sandhawa thanked all the school principals and officers and employees of all the departments present for attending this program and also thanked S Sandhawa, Nodal Officer Education Department for making this program successful. The program was concluded with the national anthem. The program was staged by Umesh Arora, Accounts Executive, Education Department.

AOI Hisar performs its First Hybrid Interstitial Brachytherapy Procedure



HISAR: American Oncology Institute, Hisar, continues its legacy of groundbreaking medical achievements with the successful completion of its first Hybrid Interstitial Brachytherapy procedure in combination with Varian's Linac IGR. The patient, a 50-year-old female diagnosed with Stage 3 Cervix Cancer, was the recipient of this cutting-edge procedure. Cervix cancer, while challenging, is highly treatable, and this advanced technology further elevates the odds of a successful recovery.

According to data shared by the Union health ministry in Lok Sabha recently, the collective estimated incidence of cancer cases, in both men and women, in Haryana has gone up by 4.95% between 2020 and 2022. The importance of screening for cervical cancer cannot be overemphasized, because diagnosis at the earliest stage of disease is the key to achieving a complete cure without recurrence. Dr Sumeet Aggarwal, Radiation Oncologist, AOI Hisar, explained, "Hybrid Interstitial Brachytherapy is a significant advancement in the field of radiation therapy. It offers a powerful tool allowing for highly targeted and localized treatment. Combining Hybrid Interstitial Brachytherapy with Linac IGR creates a comprehensive treatment approach. This combination leverages the precision of IGR to ensure accurate positioning and then delivers interstitial brachytherapy directly to the tumor site, optimizing the therapeutic impact."

Unity Run organised by NCC, NSS unit of govt college

MAINPAL KASHYAP

INDRI: On the occasion of National Unity Day, Unity Run was organised by the NCC and NSS unit of the college at Shaheed Udham Singh Government College. College Principal Dr. Vikas Atri, while addressing the students, said that Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel united the country with his political skills, patience and courage. He protected the territorial integrity and sovereignty of the country so that future generations can live with dignity, peace and prosperity. Speaking on the occasion, NCC officer Captain Ranbir Singh said that National Unity Day promotes the spirit of "unity in diversity" and emphasises the importance of maintaining national integrity. NSS officer Dr. Dimple administered the oath to all the students on National Unity Day. Dr. Vandana Saini, Dr. Pradeep Bhartiya, Dr. Surendra Singh, Dr. Ramesh were specially present during the Unity Run. NSS and NCC students, senior officers Mohit, Shalu, Arun etc. participated in this race. Today a lecture on awareness of HIV/AIDS and personal hygiene was organised by the Red Cross unit in the college. Professor Dr. Manju of the Commerce Department of the college gave a lecture in this context and the programme was attended by Dr. Pooja, Dr. Rita, Dr. Dimple, Bharti, Sandeep were specially present in this programme.



Ragging is crime which entails punishment: ASP

RAJNI SONI

YAMUNANAGAR: Ragging is a crime and there is a provision for punishment. Don't spoil your future due to ragging, become a good doctor and serve the people, said Additional Superintendent of Police Himandanti Kaushik. ASP who was making the first year students of D.A Dental College aware about the ill effects of ragging. This seminar was organised to make the first year children aware of the ill effects of ragging in which all the members of the Anti Ragging Committee were present. During this, DC IE President Dr. Ankita Jain administered the oath to everyone against ragging. Additional Superintendent of Police said that ragging usually happens in the colleges where doctors and engineering students are given education, but ever since the Supreme Court has become strict regarding this, the cases of ragging have reduced a lot. He also advised the first year children to avoid cyber crime. Dr. Ankita Jain said that seniors should behave well with juniors as they enter college after completing school education. He said that a senior should not make such a joke with his junior which can cause mental pain to him because all this comes in the form of ragging. He said that by becoming a doctor, he should treat the patients and not spoil his future due to ragging. He said that on the orders of the Supreme Court, anti-ragging committees have been formed in all the colleges and they have the right to take strict action against the children who indulge in ragging. Could take action. College Principal Dr IK Pandit said that an anti-ragging committee has been formed in the college and people from all sections have been included in it.



Sardar Patel was country's first choice as Prime Minister: Dr. Chauhan

DR ASHOK KUMAR

KARNAL: State spokesperson of BJP and founder of Radio Gramodaya, Dr. Virendra Singh Chauhan today said that if Sardar Patel had been the first Prime Minister of India, the country would have become a global superpower many decades ago. He was speaking on the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. On this occasion, in a program organised on Radio Gramodaya, Iron Man Vallabhbhai Patel was being paid tribute. Dr. Chauhan said that the geographical form of India today is the gift of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's vision and his determined personality. He said that when the British decided to leave India under the pressure of the sacrifice of our revolutionary ancestors, they hatched a conspiracy to divide India into hundreds of pieces. It was Sardar Patel who foiled this conspiracy of the British by adding more than 500 princely states. Dr. Virendra Singh Chauhan said that if Pandit Nehru had not put the issue of Jammu and Kashmir in his hands to satisfy Sheikh Abdullah, Sardar Patel would have resolved it at the same time. BJP spokesperson Dr. Chauhan said that it was decided in 1946 that whoever would be the President of the Congress would become the interim Prime Minister of the country. When the opinion of the regional Congress committees was sought to select that person, the majority of votes were in favour of Sardar Patel.

