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Congress high command has asked Punjab unit to fight on all 13 Lok Sabha seats: Warring

CHANDIGARH: The Congress high command has asked the state unit to gear up to fight all 13 Lok Sabha seats in Punjab, state unit president Amrinder Singh Raja Warring said on Tuesday. He further said he has not received any indication from the party's high command about fighting the 2024 Lok Sabha polls in alliance with any party. Warring also said the party will welcome slain singer Sidhu Moosewala's father Balkaur Singh if he expresses interest in contesting the elections next year. Replying to a question on contesting the 2024 Lok Sabha polls in alliance with the Aam Aadmi Party in Punjab, he said, "Till now, there is a message from the party high command that you make preparations for contesting all 13 seats." The party leadership has asked for details about those who can contest elections while considering caste combinations and representation to all castes, he said.

PM Modi to attend oath events of MP, Chhattisgarh Chief Ministers today

NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will attend the swearing-in ceremonies of the newly elected Chief Ministers of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh tomorrow. PM Modi's itinerary for this week also includes inaugurating key infrastructure projects and addressing public gatherings. On Wednesday morning, at 11:30 am, the Prime Minister will be present in Bhopal to witness Chief Minister Mohan Yadav and his cabinet ministers take their oaths of office. Later that day, PM Modi will travel to Raipur where he will attend the swearing-in ceremony of Chief Minister Vishnu Dev Sai and his team. This ceremony will take place at 4:00 pm.

First Indian astronaut on moon by 2040: ISRO Chairman

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM: After the stellar success of its history-making Chandrayaan-3 lunar mission, ISRO is going full throttle with its plans to send Indian astronauts for the first time on the moon by 2040, says its chairman S. Somanath. "Looking ahead, ISRO aims to take the next step in space exploration with the Gaganyaan programme, planning to launch a crew of 2 to 3 Indian astronauts into Low Earth Orbit (LEO) for up to three days before safely returning them to a pre-defined site in Indian waters," he divulged in an exclusive article for Manorama Yearbook 2024.

HATTRICK OF SURPRISES BJP picks first-time MLA Bhajanlal Sharma as new Rajasthan CM

AGENCY
JAIPUR, DEC 12

The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) picked Bhajan Lal Sharma, a first-time MLA from the Sanganer assembly constituency, as the chief minister of Rajasthan.

Earlier today, Rajnath Singh and other party observers Vinod Tawde and Saroj Pandey held a meeting in which Union Parliamentary Affairs Minister and Rajasthan BJP Election in-charge Pralhad Joshi was also present.

Rajnath Singh, Vinod Tawde and Saroj Pandey have been appointed as party observers for Rajasthan.

The election results in four states, especially the losses in Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh, came as a huge blow to the Congress's hopes for 2024 as it is now out of power across a vast swathe of the Hindi heartland.

Rajasthan polls were conducted on 199 seats out of 200 assembly seats on November 25, as elections in the Karanpur constituency were adjourned due to the passing of the Congress candidate Gurmeet Singh Koonar. In the recent Rajasthan assembly polls, the BJP secured 115 seats out of 199, leading to the ousting of the incumbent Ashok Gehlot government, while the Congress won 69 seats.

In 2018, the Congress won 99 seats, while the BJP won 73. Gehlot assumed the CM position with the support of BSP MLAs and independents.



Who is Bhajanlal Sharma

JAIPUR: Mr Sharma is from Bharatpur, but he was not given a ticket there as the seat was not seen as a winnable one. He contested from Sanganer and won. He is an organisation man. He is also among the longest-serving general secretaries of the BJP in the state, which the BJP took after defeating the Congress in the recent election. In his earlier days in politics, Mr Sharma has been with the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP), the student wing of the BJP's ideological mentor Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS). He is known as the go-to man for any party activity in Rajasthan. He is an upper caste leader, but keeps a low profile. The affidavit filed with the Election Commission says Mr Sharma, 56, is a postgraduate. He declared assets worth ₹ 1.5 crore, which includes ₹ 43.6 lakh in moveable assets and ₹ 1 crore in immovable assets.

Govt moves bill to bring CEC, ECs on par with SC judges

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, DEC 12

The Central Government on Tuesday moved a bill in the Rajya Sabha to regulate the appointment, conditions of service and term of office of the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) and other Election Commissioners (ECs), and the procedure for the transaction of business by the Election Commission.

Union Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal moved the Chief Election Commissioner and other Election Commissioners (Appointment, Conditions of Service and Term of Office) Bill, 2023, in the Upper House for its consideration and passage.

While moving the bill, Meghwal said three to four important issues are here in the bill, which include salary and regulation of appointments, among others.

The bill replaces the Election Commission (Conditions of Service of Election

Commissioners and Transaction of Business) Act, 1991. Earlier, the bill was introduced in the Rajya Sabha on August 10 of this year.

As per the Bill, the CEC and ECs will be appointed by the President upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee, which will consist of the Prime Minister, a Union Cabinet Minister, and the Leader of the Opposition or leader of the largest opposition party in Lok Sabha.

Recommendations of the Selection Committee will be valid even when there is a vacancy in this committee, says the bill, adding that "a Search Committee headed by the Cabinet Secretary will propose a panel of names to the Selection Committee." Eligibility for the posts includes holding (or having held) a post equivalent to that of Secretary to the Central Government. The salary and conditions of service of the CEC and ECs will be equivalent to that of the Cabinet Secretary.

23 killed in suicide bombing attack at Pakistan army base

AGENCY
PESHAWAR, DEC 12

At least 23 people were killed in a suicide bombing at a Pakistan army base on Tuesday, an official said, in an attack claimed by militants affiliated with the Pakistani Taliban.

The early-morning attack targeted a base in Dera Ismail Khan district of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, near the Afghan border, according to a local official who spoke on condition of anonymity.

"Many of them were killed while they were sleeping and in civilian

clothes so we are still determining if they are all military personnel," the official added.

An additional 27 people were wounded when the explosive-laden suicide vehicle detonated at a school building which had been commandeered as a makeshift military base, he said.

Three rooms had collapsed and efforts were underway to pull bodies from the ruins, with fears the toll could rise further still, he added.

Tehreek-e-Jihad Pakistan -- a new



group affiliated with the Pakistan Taliban -- said the assault began around 2:30 am (2130 GMT) with a "martyrdom attack" by one fighter before others

stormed the compound. Pakistan's army has not yet commented on the incident. Pakistan has witnessed a dramatic spike in militant attacks, mainly in its border regions with Afghanistan, since the Taliban returned to power there in 2021.

Analysts say Islamist fighters have been emboldened by the neighbouring insurgency's success following the withdrawal of US forces in 2021.

"Kerala Chief Minister hatched conspiracy to hurt me": Governor Arif Mohammad Khan

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, DEC 12

Accusing Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan of hatching a conspiracy to hurt him after the SFI held black flag protests against him, state Governor Arif Mohammed Khan on Tuesday said that police have been prevented from acting against these criminals adding that he is not scared of anyone.

The remarks came after the activists of the Students Federation of India, a student wing of the Communist Party of India held a black flag protest and allegedly hit his car in Thiruvananthapuram on Monday night. Addressing reporters in New Delhi,

Governor Arif Mohammed Khan said, "Police have been prevented from acting against these rowdies, criminals. This was the fifth incident. The rods on which they had the black flags, were using those rods to hit the car. There are so many scratches on the car." "Everything is being done under his direction (Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan). It is he who has hatched this conspiracy. These people are working on the instructions of the Chief Minister. I do not try to scare anybody, there is no question I shall be scared of anything," he added. Reacting to the incident, Union Minister and BJP leader V Muraleedharan alleged that Kerala's Chief Minister is acting against the Governor as he is taking a firm stand against the corruption.

Amritsar police bust inter-state arms smuggling racket



AMRIK SINGH
AMRITSAR, DEC 12

Amidst the ongoing campaign to make Punjab a safe and secure state as per the directions of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann and Director General of Police (DGP) Punjab Gaurav Yadav, Amritsar Commissionerate Police busted an Inter-state arms smuggling racket with the arrest of its one key member from the area of Village Bhaini in Amritsar, said CP Amritsar Gurpreet Singh Bhullar here on Tuesday.

The arrested person has been identified as Amritpal Singh alias Kallu (28), a resident of village Bhullar in Tam Taran. The arrested accused has been facing at least eight criminal cas-

es pertaining to the NDPS Act and Hurt in various districts. The police team has also recovered 13 .32 bore pistols along with 26 magazines and two live rounds, apart from impounding his Hyundai I-20 car. CP Gurpreet Singh Bhullar said that acting swiftly on secret information about illegal weapons being smuggled from Madhya Pradesh to supply them to criminal elements in the state, Police team from CIA-2 under the supervision of DCP Investigation Harpreet Singh Mander and ADCP CITY-2 Prabhjot Singh Virk, ACP West Kamaljit Singh Aulakh launched a special operation and apprehended the accused from Village Bhaini, Police Station Chheharta, Amritsar.

Dr. Sonia Trikha sworn in as member of HPSC

BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, DEC 12

Haryana Governor Sh Bandaru Dattatreya administered the oath of office, allegiance, and secrecy to Dr. Sonia Trikha as a member of the Haryana Public Service Commission on Tuesday at Raj Bhavan. Many dignitaries, including Haryana Chief Minister Sh Manohar Lal, were also present on this significant occasion.

Dr. Sonia Trikha has a notable background in the field of health and took voluntary retirement from the position of Director General of Health Services in the Haryana Government yesterday evening. Serving as the Director General of Health Services since April 2022, Dr. Trikha played a

pivotal role in overseeing healthcare initiatives at primary and secondary level public sector facilities within the state. Her extensive leadership experience in the health sector includes roles such as Additional Director General Health Services, Director Health Services, Executive Director State Health System Resource Centre, Director State Institute of Health and Family Welfare, and Civil Surgeon. With a distinguished educational background and broad professional expertise, Dr. Trikha has been instrumental in transforming and elevating public health systems in the state.

Over the course of her 25-year



career, she also served as a health consultant for several years with the World Health Organization, UNICEF, and the Asian Development Bank.

Dr. Sonia Trikha holds an impressive academic background, having earned her MBBS with Gold Medal in

1991 and MD in Obstetrics/Gynecology in 1995 from Lady Hardinge Medical College, University of Delhi. She furthered her education with a Post Graduate Diploma in Health and Hospital Management from Indira Gandhi National Open University in 2009 and an MSc in Public Health from the prestigious London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine in 2013. Her professional journey includes roles as an Urban Primary Health Care Specialist at the Asian Development Bank (ADB) in New Delhi from October 2014 to October 2015. Prior to this, she served as an HIV and AIDS specialist in UNICEF's Delhi office between February 2010 and February 2012.

Children showed talent in art festival program



KARNAL (PARI BAJAJ): Block level art festival program was organized under the chairmanship of Nodal Officer Karnal, BRC Renu Malik under the Haryana School Education Project Council at PM Shri Government Senior Secondary School, Karnal, on Tuesday. BRC Renu Malik, while addressing the children and teachers, said that the talent of children came to the fore through such programs organized by the department. She urged all the children and teachers to actively participate in such programs. Overall in charge of the program, Isha Chaudhary said that 70 children from different government schools of Karnal block participated in 10 different events including music, dance, clay modeling, singing, drama for children of class 9 to 12 in the block level art festival. . At the block level, one student and one girl student securing the first position would participate in the district level art festival.

AAP will organize felicitation ceremonies all over Haryana- Adarsh Pal Singh

YAMUNANAGAR (RAJNI SONI): Aam Aadmi Party Lok Sabha President Adarsh Pal Singh said that on behalf of Aam Aadmi Party Haryana, felicitation ceremonies were being organized in the entire state in which the comrades associated with Aam Aadmi Party would be honored by giving them identity cards. He told that in Jagadhri Assembly, the comrades associated with Aam Aadmi Party have been honored by visiting almost 90 per cent villages by giving them identity cards. In the remaining villages, this identity card distribution felicitation ceremony would be conducted in the next one or two days. He said that Aam Aadmi Party Haryana would run four Parivartan Yatras in the state from December 15. All the officials and workers of the Aam Aadmi Party of the state would participate. Through the 10-day long Yatra, they would visit 90 assembly constituencies and 10 Lok Sabha constituencies and the yatra starting from all four corners of the state would give the message of change in the state. He said that he would work to create a new Haryana under the leadership of Arvind Kejriwal. He said that today the ruling parties and the opposition have completely failed. His party was the only strong option before the public.

Modi Guarantee Van received grand welcome on reaching Jaisinghpura village

DR. ASHOK KUMAR KARNAL: Under the Vikas Bharat Sankalp Yatra, a public dialogue program was organized in Jaisinghpura village of the district on Tuesday. District President of BJP Yogendra Rana, who arrived as the chief guest at the program, greeted the people and while addressing the villagers said that they should first know the difference between developed and developing. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has initiated the Vikas Bharat Sankalp Yatra with the dream of every person having his own house, his own toilet, pure water available from tap, gas connection. While this Sankalp Yatra was making inroads among the people about government schemes by going from village to village, it was also finding out the fact that how many people have got the benefits of government schemes. Mr Rana said that permanent houses have been provided to 40 crore people in the country. Toilets have been provided to 10 crore people in the country. Effort was being initiated on a large scale towards providing gas connections to the villagers. In the program, he also provided gas kits to rural women under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana and also administered the Developed India

Vikas Bharat Sankalp Yatra reaches Mangalore and Sandhay villages

SADHAURA (PREETI RANI): Vikas Bharat Sankalp Yatra reached villages Mangalore and Sandhay on Tuesday. During the program, plans to ensure a bright future for the people of weaker and poor sections of the society were being explained through the public welfare policies of the state government. The recent victory in the three states has put a seal on the public welfare policies of the Modi government. Providing the poor their rights was the dream of Prime Minister, which was now seemed to come true. Former MLA Balwant Singh said that the main objective of the Vikas Bharat Sankalp Yatra was to deliver the government's public welfare schemes to the eligible families and people at their doorstep. He said that the future belonged to the weak and poor people of the society. He said that Prime Minister has resolved that schemes would be made keeping in mind the youth, women, farmers and poor class so that a prosperous nation could be built. He said that Prime Minister and Chief Minister of Haryana were not only engaged in improving the living standards of the poor, but have also worked to guarantee better health to the poor. He said that before Prime Minister Modi, no government had given health insurance to the poor man, but the present government, through its public welfare policies, has given annual health insurance of Rs 5 lakh to the poor man through Ayushman Bharat. Reshmi, Satish Kumar, Karnail Singh, Bailey Ram, Lajwanti were given old age tattoos on the occasion of 'Vikas Bharat Jansamvad Sankalp Yatra' programme.

HARYANA

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2023

150,000 people examined in health check-ups camps during Yatra

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, DEC 12

With the aim of making India a developed nation, the ongoing Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra has covered 1211 villages/wards in Haryana, engaging over 620,000 people in the process.

The Chief Minister, Sh Manohar Lal's efforts have successfully connected the yatra with Jan Bhagidari, generating significant enthusiasm among citizens. The Yatra not only provides benefits from various schemes but also addresses citizens' concerns.

Started on November 30 in Haryana, the 12-days of Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra has seen widespread support for both central and state government policies and initiatives. On

the 12th day, events were organised in 141 villages/wards, involving participation from over 78,000 people.

The Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra has raised awareness about health ser-



vices among citizens. So far, more than 26,000 new applications have been received for the Ayushman Chirayu scheme. Additionally, health check-ups have been conducted for over 150,000 people in camps organ-

ised by various departments. Tuberculosis screening has been performed for 97,000 individuals.

Under the Nirogi Haryana scheme has also conducted health examinations for over 90,000 people, aiming to ensure a health check for the entire population every two years.

The government, aligned with the principles of Antyodaya, is working on the upliftment of the last mile citizen. A separate SEWA department has been established for this purpose. Under the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra, the department conducted counseling for 32,000 people in camps, providing information on various schemes and financial assistance for self-employment. Most individuals were facilitated in obtaining loans through banks.

Disaster relief, electricity and environmental conservation are crucial: Dr. Neena

PARI BAJAJ KARNAL: In the initiative taken by the Indian Red Cross District Branch Karnal, free primary aid and nursing training camp is being conducted by primary aid instructor Dr. Neena at the HD Girls Senior Secondary School, Karnal. Secretary Kulbir Malik of Red Cross Karnal stated that free training is being provided to 1700 students in 17 schools, and a brigade team is also being prepared. Dr. Neena established a brigade team of girls in the school and emphasized that providing immediate primary aid to disaster-



affected individuals not only saves their invaluable lives but also prevents disabilities. If excessive bleeding occurs, it can be controlled using direct pressure. Electricity, water, and the environment significantly impact our lives. Water is essential for our future; it should not be wasted at any cost. Alongside planting trees, regular watering and maintenance of plants should also be ensured. On this occasion, school principal Kirti Sharma addressed the students, emphasizing that we should always be ready to serve humanity. Assisting the helpless elderly is crucial. Electricity should be used only when necessary; it shouldn't be wasted. Students should actively participate in such events as it contributes to holistic development.

Work of abrogation of Articles 370 and 35A from J&K done by BJP - Karnadev Kamboj

RADAUR (NIRMAL SAINI): The developed India resolve journey reached the villages of Sandhali and MT Karheda in the region on Tuesday. During this, stalls were set up by various departments to provide information about schemes offered by the central and state governments to the people. Former State Minister Karnadev Kamboj inaugurated the event. Karnadev Kamboj stated that the work of abolishing Articles 370 and 35A from Jammu and Kashmir was done by the BJP government. The task of constructing the Ram Temple in Ayodhya was undertaken during this government. The government has been continuously working in the interest of farmers. Every year, efforts are being made to deposit 6,000 rupees in the accounts of farmers so that they can purchase seeds, fertilizers, and medicines on time. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has increased the price of wheat to 150 rupees per quintal, providing significant relief to farmers. While working to reduce the cost for farmers, 12 crore farmers have been issued soil health cards. The Jathilana area sees a higher yield of sugarcane crops, as it is an area affected by floods. Floodwaters have minimal adverse effects on sugarcane crops. The Chief Minister of the state has fixed the price of sugarcane at 386 rupees per quintal this year. Moreover, it has been announced that the price of sugarcane will be increased to 400 rupees next year.



Centre, state governments committed to realizing dreams of Pt Deendayal Upadhyay for upliftment of last person in society: MLA

MAINPAL KASHYAP INDRI: MLA Ramkumar Kashyap addressed the people during the 'Vikas Bharat Sankalp Yatra' program organized in Muradgarh and Manoharpur villages. He stated that both the central and state governments are committed to realizing the dreams of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay for the upliftment of the last person in society. He emphasized that it's our collective responsibility to fulfill Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of making India a developed nation.

During the event, MLA Ramkumar Kashyap and villagers pledged to contribute to building a developed India. MLA highlighted that as India completes 75 years of independence, the goal is for India to be at the forefront in every field globally by the time it completes 100 years of independence. He mentioned the commitment to a developed India is not merely a word but a noble thought to bring



equality to millions of poor in the country and aligning everyone's resolve towards that goal. During the Amrit Mahotsav of Independence, Prime Minister Narendra Modi presented three objectives:

honoring all known and unknown martyrs during the freedom struggle, celebrating the achievements of the past 75 years, and preserving and feeling proud of India's rich cultural heritage. Kashyap emphasized that as India takes

the pledge of a developed India for the next 25 years from 75 to 100 years of independence, the commitment to making India the foremost globally was also a goal of the Amrit Mahotsav of Independence. The event witnessed the presence of various officials and dignitaries, including administrative officers, district officials, BJP leaders, village council heads, and a large number of rural attendees from Muradgarh and Manoharpur.

Vikas Bharat Sankalp Yatra reached Naseerpur and Dabarkipar

KARNAL (SHIV KUMAR SHARMA): Vikas Bharat Sankalp Yatra reached villages Nasirpur and Dabarkipar on Tuesday on its 13th day of journey. While the chief guest of the program in Nasirpur, Gharanda MLA Harvindra Kalyan, gave information about the objectives of the yatra and public welfare schemes, he also appealed to the parents to inculcate their children the values of working hard and differentiate between good and evil. He told that such new courses would be started in the ITI to be built in village Nalipar. After completing which no youth would remain unemployed. He also visited the mobile unit of Medanta TB Free Mission Haryana in which X-rays of 25 people were done. Of these, infection was found in the lungs of ten. Sohan Singh Rana, representative of the chairperson of the Zilla Parishad in Dabarkipar village, participated as the chief guest. On reaching Nasirpur, the MLA was honored by Sarpanch representative Prashant and other villagers by giving him a bunch of flowers. On this occasion, the MLA visited the stalls set up by various departments. Before this, Prime Minister Narendra Modi's message was conveyed. A short film related to the development of Haryana was shown. Mandal President and social worker Jogendra Rana and Subhash Kashyap in Dabarkipar administered the oath to make the country a developed nation by 2047.



MHU students participate in Prime Minister's Developed India@2047 Consultation programme

KARNAL (SHIV KUMAR SHARMA): Students along with teachers of Maharana Pratap Horticulture University participated in the online forum of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Developed India@2047 consultation program. The event was carefully organized under the guidance of the esteemed Vice-Chancellor Sudhir Rajpal and orchestrated by the College of Horticulture's Dean, Prof. Ramesh Goyal. Prime Minister Narendra Modi delivered an inspiring and practical speech at the Voice of Youth Consultation Program in Developed India@2047. Prime Minister highlighted India's rapid progress and envisioned the nation to become the world's third-largest economy by 2027.

NEWS AT A
GLANCE

All India Gramin Dak Sewak Union Ludhiana holds strike against government



SUKH NAHAR
JAGRAON: All India Gramin dak Sewak Union Ludhiana has announced strike for indefinite time period as per the instructions of Union general secretary SS Mahadaviya in order to raise voice for the fulfillment of their demands alongwith their G.D.S members. The protestors commenced their struggle in front of their head offices at Khanna and Jagraon. They justified their demand and said that all of them are 'fair and crucial'. According to the protestors, the government assures them every time about fulfillment of their demands but then betrays them. All the spokespersons highly condemn the government for the negligence and stated that their demands including pay of 8 hours for 8 hours of service, designation of civil servants, 5 lakh gratuity, merging of 180 days leave and others.

Verification of agricultural machinery held



SURINDER DAMDAMI
KOTKAPURA: Under the leadership of Chief Agriculture Officer Faridkot Dr. Karanjit Singh Gill, various teams were formed in the blocks under Faridkot district to verify the agricultural machinery provided to the farmer beneficiaries on subsidy. On this occasion Dr Gurpreet Singh and his team done verification at Faridkot and Sadik from Faridkot block and Kotakpura and Bajakhana from Kotkapura block. This verification was done under the supervision of Dr. Yadwinder Singh, Dr. Gurbachan Singh. In this regard Dr. Gill gave information that so far a total of 767 machines have been purchased in district Faridkot during the year 2023-24 and out of which about 80% of the machines have been verified.

DC inspectes records of tehsils at canal department



KULJIT SINGH
JANDIALA GURU: The records of various tehsils like jamabandis etc. are kept in the canal department office in a proper manner so that people do not face any kind of difficulty while getting their records. In this regard, Deputy Commissioner Mr. Ghansham Thorl inspected the records kept at the canal department today. He directed the concerned officials to shift all these records to the district administrative complex and keep them dated. He said that sometimes people are in dire need of old records and they approach the office to get these records. He said that all these records should be kept according to different tehsils so that they can be found easily if needed. On this occasion Chief Administrator Pudda Mr. Rajat Oberoi, SDM Mr. Mankanwal Singh Chahal, District Revenue Officer Mr. Tapan Bhanot, Naib Tehsildar Mr. Ratanjit Singh and other officials were also present.

Sukhbir Badal initiates Akhand Path at Gurdwara Shaheed Baba Gurbaksh Singh at Sri Akal Takht Sahib to mark 103rd foundation day

CHARANJIT SINGH ARORA
AMRITSAR, DEC 12

The senior leadership of the Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) led by its president Sukhbir Singh Badal today initiated Akhand Path at Gurdwara Shaheed Baba Gurbaksh Singh ji at Sri Akal Takht Sahib here as per panthic maryada to mark the 103rd foundation day of the party on December 14.

The SAD president along with the senior leadership also performed 'joda sewa' by cleaning shoes of devotees besides washing utensils at the 'langar' hall. The leaders also swept the 'parikrama' of Sri Darbar Sahib on the occasion besides listening to 'kirtan' in the evening. Sukhbir Badal told newsmen that the entire



rank and file of the party as well as the Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (SGPC) would engage in religious service at Sri Darbar Sahib for the next two days to mark the 103rd anniversary of the party which would culminate with the 'bhog' of Sri Akhand Sahib followed by 'kirtan' and 'ardas' on December 14. Asserting that he was overwhelmed by the response of the party rank and file towards the programme, Mr Badal said "the SAD prides itself at being the 'fauj' of the Khalsa Panth and was specifically established to safeguard the interests of the 'panth'.

Arora lays foundation stone of widening of roads



SUNAM (SUMER GARG): Cabinet Minister, Aman Arora today laid the foundation stone for the widening of the road from the railway station to the warehouse for a permanent solution to the decades-long problem of Sunam town. While speaking on the occasion, Mr. Arora said that over Rs. 2.40 Cr will be spent on widening this 850 feet long road 10 feet wide and the 2500 feet road on the Indira Basti side by 10 feet wide, which will completely solve the traffic problem. He said that about Rs 76 lakh have already been given to the railways as lease of this place. He further said that the entire project will cost Rs. 3.17 Cr and it will be ensured to be completed within the next three months. The Cabinet Minister said that the promises made by him to the residents of the constituency before the formation of the Punjab government led by Chief Minister, Bhagwant Mann and now the promises are being fulfilled one by one.

Man gets lift imprisonment under POCSO Act

RUPNAGAR (BAHADURJEET SINGH): District & Sessions Judge, Rupnagar, Ms. Ramesh Kumari had sentenced a father of victim girl for imprisonment for remainder of life to under Section 376 (2), 376 read with Section 109, 506 IPC & Section 6, 17 of Protection of Children from Sexual Offence (POCSO)Act, for repeatedly raping/ aggravated penetrative sexual assault upon his own daughter. The occurrence is of the year 2018 when he was repeatedly raping his daughter aged about 13 years 9 months for 3 years, and the matter came to light in the year May, 2021, when the minor daughter confided to her mother and thereafter, her mother left the matrimonial home and started living with the sister of accused. On June 26,2021 sister of accused along with minor victim reported the incident to the police at Police Station Nangal.

Youth training workshop organised to imbibe moral values among youth



CHANDIGARH (GAURAV GOEL): The Department of Youth Services has launched the first phase of the State Level Youth Training Workshop (for Boys) at Panjab University, Chandigarh aimed at enhancing the social, cultural, and moral standing of the youth of Punjab. The workshop is scheduled to run until December 15.

Divulging the details, a spokesperson today said that Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann consistently advocates for guiding the state's youth in the right direction. In pursuit of this objective, the workshop has been organized under the leadership of Sports and Youth Services Minister Gurmeet Singh Meet Hayer. The goal is to provide proper guidance to the youth on vocational courses, Punjab Government schemes and initiatives for their welfare and development.

A total of 115 youth from all districts of Punjab are actively participating in this training workshop. The inclusion of office bearers from affiliated youth clubs of the state aims to empower these youth to contribute to village development through their clubs.

CSC holds investment awareness session



PATHANKOT (SHARANJEET): CSC Society Pathankot Punjab organized an investment awareness session for rural investors under the chairmanship of President Anuj Sharma. Anuj Sharma said that the Ministry of Corporate Affairs conducts such awareness seminars for the people of the villages, which the central government gives to the people are provided. Such awareness camps are being organized in every village of Pathankot, through which people are being made aware of their daily expenses and increasing their income. CSC society del technology CSC e-Governance digital vehicle has set a target of making 50000 people digitally literate this year. On this occasion Deepak Walia, Rohit Kumar, Amardeep Singh, Trilok Kumar, Manish Malhotra, Sunil Kumar, Aditya are present on this occasion.

Under 'Fit India Week' at Green Field Convent School, students made aware about sports and staying healthy



BARNALA DEHATI (BALWINDER AZAD): Green Field Convent (Senior Secondary) School Dangarh was under the nationwide program 'Fit India Week'. B. S. E. According to the instructions of Board Delhi, various activities were conducted to be physically healthy.

Giving information about this, Principal Sangeet Sharma said that in this campaign, students of schools across the country are involved in various activities such as debate, quiz, essay writing, poster making competition, yoga and meditation to lead a healthy and active life. These activities are conducted to encourage He said that Fit India Week aims to bring about changes in behaviour, from a sedentary lifestyle to a more physically active way of daily living. Fit India will succeed only when it becomes a people's movement. According to this program, different types of activities were conducted by the children in the school. In which children participated with great enthusiasm. In the poster making, different types of exercises were drawn to keep one's body healthy.

Bhullar gets vacated 24 acres encroached land of Panchayat

SUMER GARG
SANGRUR, DEC 12

Punjab rural development and panchayats minister, Laljit Singh Bhullar today led administration to take possession over 24 acres of Panchayat land, which was under encroachment at Nawan gaon village of Moonak subdivision of Sangrur district.

Chief Minister, Bhagwant Singh Maan led Punjab government started a campaign to free the Panchayat lands from illegal encroachment, today Mr. Bhullar himself is leading this campaign by going to various villages of different districts and the fruitful results have started to come. While talking to reporters in the presence of MLA Lehra, Barinder Goyal at village



Nawan Gaon, Cabinet Minister Laljit Singh Bhullar said that under this campaign, over 12000 acres of land under illegal possession has been freed across Punjab and was handed over to panchayats. He said that this land was also encroached by some people for a long time and now they were motivated to voluntarily vacate the 24 acre land. He further said that from now onwards, the annual contract of

tilling of this land chunk will be given through an open bidding process and any successful bidder will be able to plough this land. The Cabinet Minister while issuing a strict warning to the illegal encroachers said that the Punjab government led by the Chief Minister, Bhagwant Mann is very concerned about this matter and strict action will be taken against the illegal encroachment in the future.

Meeting held in connection with 32nd anniversary of Bhagwan Singh Ankhi



FATEHGARH SAHIB (AJAY MALHOTRA): To arrange the 32nd death anniversary of Employee leader Bhagwan Singh Ankhi, a meeting was held under the leadership of Amloh sub-division president Dalip Singh Gill, in which Khanna circle president Amrik Singh specially participated. During the meeting, the speakers shed light on the revolutionary tireless struggle done by Bhagwan Singh Anakhi to protect the interests of the employees of the Electricity Board. During the meeting, it was told about the continuous struggle of the organization for the fulfillment of the legitimate demands of the employees. The speakers warned the government that the agreements with the employees, new recruitments, promotions, revision of payment and D.A. Issuance of installments, etc. should be done immediately The speakers appealed to the employees to bring as many employees as possible on the occasion of Bhagwan Singh Anakhi's 32nd death anniversary. On this occasion Subba Secretary Harvinder Singh, Rajveer Singh, Jamil Khan, Sukhdev Singh Bhadson, Sukhjinder Singh, Tiwari, Hardeep Singh, Manveer Singh etc.

Delegation of Pathankot Vapar mandal meets new SSP Diljinder Singh Dhillon

BUREAU
PATHANKOT, DEC 12

A delegation of Pathankot Vapar mandal led by President Maninder Singh Lucky met the new SSP of Pathankot Diljinder Singh Dhillon. Meanwhile, the traders present in the delegation discussed with the SSP the current major issues, problems and security arrangements of Pathankot.

Giving information, President Maninder Singh Lucky, Chairman Anil Mahajan, Jathedar Gurdeep Singh Gulati and senior member Ashwani Gupta said that chain snatching and looting from shops along with traders and common people in different areas of the city in the past. Incidents of robbery have occurred. Adequate security arrangements have been made by the police, but it is



necessary to crack down on mischievous elements including drug addicts behind these looting incidents. For this, all the traders of Pathankot vapar mandal will always be ready to support the police administration.

They informed the traders and said that if any customer comes to their shop with a cloth over their face, first of all they should cover their mouth and shop with clothes

off so that everyone's face can be clean and under its guise can create fear among looters. Meanwhile, the SSP was welcomed by the Mandal. On this occasion Vipan Mahajan, Satinder Soni, Manpreet Singh Sahni, Naveen Malhotra, Paras Mahajan, Ramesh Sharma, Gurjit Singh Handa, Rahul Khosla, Narayandeep Singh, Ravneet Singh Garh, Vinay Mahajan, Munish Jain etc. were present.

SC decision to remove
Article 370 is historic:
Archana Chauhan



RAJNEESH SHARMA
HAMIRPUR: Archana Chauhan, the district president of the Bharatiya Janata Party's Women's Wing in Hamirpur, released a statement to the media expressing heartfelt appreciation and greetings for the decision given by the Supreme Court regarding Articles 370 and 35 in Jammu and Kashmir. She stated that the decision of the Supreme Court, in conjunction with the constitutional stamp on the decision made by the Modi government in Parliament on August 5, 2019, is not only historic but also profoundly endorses it directly and indirectly. The Women's Wing district president, Archana Chauhan, mentioned that this decision of the Supreme Court will fortify the concept of "One India, Great India," and every Indian citizen should concur with this decision. She asserted that the Court's decision has strengthened the fundamental essence of our national unity, which is paramount for every Indian. Archana Chauhan added that all citizens of Jammu and Kashmir, by connecting with the mainstay of the country, will establish new dimensions of development and prosperity in the state. She hailed Prime Minister Narendra Modi as the epitome of success for taking this bold and historic step, fulfilling the slogan of the BJP that where Mukherjee sacrificed, that Kashmir belongs to us.

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2023

Governor administers oath of Office to newly inducted Cabinet Ministers

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, DEC 12

Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla administered the Oath of Office and Secrecy to the newly inducted Cabinet Ministers Rajesh Dharmani from Ghumarwin assembly constituency and Yadvinder Goma from Jaisinghpur Assembly segment at Raj Bhawan today. Chief Minister's Thakur Sukhvinder Singh's Sukhu and Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri were also present on the occasion. Chief Secretary Prabodh Saxena conducted the proceedings. Speaker HP Vidhan Sabha, Kuldeep Singh Pathania, Cabinet Ministers, Chief Parliamentary Secretaries, Principal Advisor (Media) to the Chief Minister Naresh Chauhan, Chairman of various commissions, MLAs, senior Civil and Police officers, family members of newly inducted ministers, and other dignitaries were also present on the occasion amongst others.

Rajesh Dharmani: An MLA



from Ghumarwin assembly constituency of district Bilaspur. Rajesh Dharmani is son of Smt Vimla Devi and Sh. Rattan Lal Dharmani and was born on 2nd April, 1972 in Ghumarwin. He did his B.Tech (Civil) from NIT Hamirpur & MBA from IGNOU. Sh. Dharmani is married to Sonika Sharma and has one daughter. He held several important posts in the Congress Party. He remained Secretary, HPCC, Vice President/General Secretary, State Youth Congress, President, DCC, Secretary AICC and General Secretary & Convener Technical Cell of

NSUI. He was elected to the State Legislative Assembly in December, 2007 and again in 2012. He remained Member, Estimates & Human Development Committees, from 2007-2012 and Chief Parliamentary Secretary from 2013 to May, 2017. He has been elected third time to the State Legislative Assembly in December, 2022. He was also nominated as Chairman, Human Development Committee and Member, Public Accounts & e-Governance-cum-General Purposes Committees. Besides being an agriculturalist, he is also



dedicated towards the social service and helping poor students in pursuing their higher education. He has also promoted Sericulture in a big way. Yadvinder Goma: An MLA from Jaisinghpur assembly constituency of district Kangra, Yadvinder Goma is son of Smt. Vidya Devi and Sh. Milkhi Ram Goma (former Member, H.P. Vidhan Sabha) He was born on 4th February, 1986 at Palampur in Kangra and did his B.Tech in Mechanical Engineering and MBA from IIET Baddi. He is married to Neelam Goma and has one daughter.

MHA approves Rs 633.73 crore for state, which faced floods this year

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, DEC 12

The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) on Tuesday approved the financial assistance of Rs 633.73 crore for Himachal Pradesh, which was severely affected due to floods, cloudbursts, and landslides during the southwest monsoon during the current year. The Central assistance was provided to Himachal Pradesh from National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF).

"The MHA today approved an additional financial assistance of Rs 633.73 crore from the National Disaster Response Fund for Himachal Pradesh. The state was severely affected due to floods, cloudbursts, and landslides during the southwest monsoon, during the current year," Shah posted on 'X', formerly Twitter.

"Pursuing PM Narendra Modi Ji's approach of providing swift relief to the affected, an Inter-Ministerial Central Team for assessment of the damages was deputed without waiting for



the Memorandum from the State Government." The Minister further said that an amount of Rs 200 crore was also released in advance from NDRF on August 21 this year to help the state government manage the immediate relief operations.

The Central Government had earlier released both installments of its share to SDRF (State Disaster Relief Fund), totaling Rs 360.80 crore, added Shah in his post on 'X'.

Heavy rainfall lashed Himachal Pradesh and various regions in northwest India over the weekend in July this year, leading to waterlogging and significant traffic congestion.

Rs. 65 cr project for ducting of electric cables in three towns: CM

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA: Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu said that the State Government has accorded top priority for the beautification of towns and to providing better infrastructure to the people residing there. He said that to address the problem of overhead electricity and other wires, the State Government has prioritized to undertake the task of undergrounding the electric cables and Rs. 65 crore has been sanctioned for the purpose. Under the project, Rs. 25 crore would be spent in Shimla town for ducting of electrical cables under Operation Circle of Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board (HPSEBL), Kasumpti, Shimla and Rs. 20 crore each proposed for Nadaun area and Hamirpur town for laying and termination of underground cables. He directed the HPSEBL to ensure the completion of these works in a time-bound manner. The Chief Minister said that this would go a long way in promoting tourism and better infrastructure for the tourists as well as for the residents of these three towns. The State Government is committed to ensure uninterrupted and improved power supply and was introducing various modern techniques to provide efficient services, he added.



Rs 210 crore will be spent on drinking water and sewage: Ashish Butail



SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, DEC 12

The meeting of Municipal Corporation Palampur was organized under the chairmanship of Mayor Gopal Nag. Chief Parliamentary Secretary, Urban Development and Education Ashish Butail was specially present in the meeting. Ashish Butail said that Rs 210 crore will be spent on drinking water and sewage schemes in Palampur Municipal Corporation area. He said that a big community hall will also be constructed in the corporation limits at a cost of about Rs 2 crore so that people can get better space for organizing religious and social functions. He said that Palampur is a beautiful city. It is the responsibility of all of us to maintain and enhance the beauty of the corporation area. He called upon the councilors to make plans for the creation and expansion of basic facilities in the corporation area. He issued instructions to the corporation officials to make the cleanliness system in the corporation area more effective and smooth.

Develop positive thinking and constructive outlook for strengthening Nation: Guv

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, DEC 12

Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla participated in the Youth Parliament programme organised by the Faculty of Law, Delhi University on the occasion of Centennial of Faculty of Law and 75 years of working of Indian Constitution at New Delhi today.

In his address, the Governor underlined the need to develop positive thinking and constructive outlook for strengthening the Nation. He said that youth hold the reins of the future of our country therefore they should develop their minds and be enlightened citizens of the country.

The Governor stressed



upon the need to understand the principle of unity in diversity which is the unique feature of our country. He said that students should understand the importance of this unity and build the nation and uphold the integrity of the country.

He advised the young Law students to inculcate the habit of reading books and added that reading should not be mere exercise but they should introspect about the content and develop understanding of deeper concepts. Youth should be

aware of issues affecting the country and they must actively participate in nation building and also voice their opinions fearlessly, he added. The Governor also spoke about the importance of parliament and its glorious traditions, distinguished personalities and legal luminaries of the country who are a source of inspiration for us. Vice Chancellor, Delhi University Prof. Yogesh Singh also spoke.

Dean of the Faculty Prof. Anju Vali Tikoo welcomed the Governor. Convener of the Youth Parliament, Dr. Vikesh Ram Tripathi proposed a vote of thanks. Students, teachers of the Faculty of Law were present on the occasion.

Dharmasthal Sudhar Sabha doing excellent work in social field

DAULAT CHAUHAN
JAWALI, DEC 12

Dharmasthal Sudhar Sabha in Vasa, operating under the Fatehpur Assembly constituency, is doing commendable work in the field of social service and religious activities. The Sabha organizes religious events to promote and propagate Sanatan Dharma. Alongside this, it contributes to marriages of underprivileged girls and aids destitute sick. It actively participates in upkeep of religious sites and contributes to cleanliness campaigns. Sabha has made significant contributions to the restoration of the Moksha Dham, a religious site in the village. It facilitated the construction of a grand gate and shed while also planting various



species of trees in the vicinity. Dr. Vipin Sharma, a resident doctor in the village, played a significant role in the restoration of Moksha Dham, initiating the efforts. Moreover, apart from Vasa village, the Sabha also raises awareness among people, especially the youth, about cleanliness and the ill effects of substance abuse in other villages. They have installed streetlights worth one lakh in the village. The

primary objective behind organizing religious events is to impart knowledge about religion and culture to the younger generation. Recently, the women members of the Himachal Mahila Mandal actively supported the Ram Katha organized in Vasa village, engaging in morning and evening prayers, connecting people with Lord Rama, and spreading the message of cleanliness in the village.

Himachal will not become self-reliant by mere rhetoric: Kishan Kapoor

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, DEC 12

Kangra-Chamba parliamentary constituency MP Kishan Kapoor has called the program organized by the state Congress government in Dharamshala as a pompous demonstration. He has said that this was organized only to confuse the public. The state is struggling with huge debt and the government is diverting public attention from real issues by boasting of its small achievements. He said that there is a need to take concrete measures on the ground to free the state from this debt. The government has the funds and resources to celebrate one year, but the state government has neither the money nor the time to



deposit the amount for the construction of the campus of the Central University. Kishan Kapoor said that to make the state self-reliant, there is a need to rise above party politics and present a concrete action plan before the people of the state. Himachal can be made self-reliant only through the development of tourism, hydropower, forests and

horticulture. No effort to stop the increasing unemployment in the state has yet borne fruit and the number of unemployed has increased to 14 lakh. Expressing regret over the government's misuse of government machinery to celebrate in Dharamshala, he said that on one hand, the present government of Himachal is garnering public sympathy by citing lack of funds, on the other hand, public money is being wasted on such events. By using this she is demonstrating her double conduct. He said that the financial condition of Himachal government is pathetic and such celebrations of the government are not in the interest of the state and the people.

One-day program on AIDS awareness conducted at Atal Bihari Vajpayee Govt College



JOGINDER DEV ARYA

BANGANA: As part of this awareness program, a quiz competition was organized. The winners of the quiz competition were as follows: in the Arts stream, Sapna, Ishita, and Navin Sharma secured the first position, in the Science stream, Muskan, Riya, and Anjali secured the second position, and in the Commerce stream, Vanshika, Jyotika, and Deepti secured the third position. Professors Krishna Chand and Kamlesh played pivotal roles in the decisive panel. Speaking on the occasion, Professor Kiran Kumari, the nodal officer of the Red Cross Society, mentioned that as per the directives of the District AIDS Program Officer and the Red Ribbon Society, various programs and competitions would be organized throughout December to raise public awareness. These have included art competitions, slogan writing competitions, and rangoli competitions. Events such as parades, candle marches, and street plays are yet to be organized by the NSS. She also highlighted that HIV/AIDS is a deadly disease with no known cure and that those affected suffer lifelong consequences. However, experts have outlined preventive measures against HIV/AIDS, making it crucial to raise awareness about AIDS among people.

Cong lost in counting of votes but ahead in counting of money: Praveen Kumar

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA:

Former BJP MLA from Palampur Praveen Kumar has attacked Congress. He said that during the recent elections held in five states, the Congress party lost in votes but was ahead in the money count. He said that after completing the counting of notes of 140 out of 176 bags like AVMs in the premises of Congress Rajya Sabha MP from Jharkhand, Dheeraj Sahu, the figure of Rs 350 crore has been completed so far. He said that after counting the notes of 36 AVM bags, like the landslide victory of BJP, perhaps this record of biggest corruption in counting of notes under the empire of any politician has been set in the history of Congress till date. He said that Congress should answer on this entire matter, because it is a matter of give and take. He said that the recovery of cash from Sahu's house clearly shows that corruption is going on on a large scale. Rajya Sabha membership of Dheeraj Sahu should be immediately abolished and Congress should expel him from the party, but the party is silently watching the show. Praveen called Sahu the ATM of Congress. He said that Congress Party is corruption which is being eliminated from the country. He said that under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, corruption is being eradicated from the country today.



Monthly meeting of Himachal Transport Services Retired Employees Welfare Forum, Nurpur Zone held

SANJEEV MAHAJAN
NURPUR, DEC 12

The monthly meeting of the Himachal Transport Services Retired Employees Welfare Forum, Nurpur Zone, chaired by State President Kripal Pathania, was held in the premises of the Jassur Mandal Workshop. The State President Balram Puri was especially present at this meeting. Serious discussions were held on issues related to pensioners' pensions in this meeting. It was proposed in this meeting to provide a 25% payment of the pay scale arrears, settlement of pending medical bills, payment of arrears for pensioners with pending



increments from 4 to 20 years, and a gradual increase of 5%, 10%, and 15% for pensioners who have completed 65, 70, and 75 years respectively. A proposal was put forth in front of the State President in the meeting that the Director of Himachal Road Transport

should take time for discussion and the top leadership of the forum under the chairmanship of the State President should be obliged to hold discussions with the Transport Minister promptly based on the demand letter submitted to the state government.

All India Gramin Dak Sevak Union holds protest rally

DAULAT CHAUHAN
JAWALI, DEC 12

The All India Gramin Dak Sevak Union organized a protest rally today to voice their demands and protest against the central government. Under the leadership of Union President Buddha Singh and Vice President Satish Kumar, the rally commenced from the Post Office Lab and concluded at Kahirian Chowk and back to the Post Office Lab. During the rally, slogans were raised against Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the Central Communications Minister. Due to the strike of the rural postal workers,



people did not receive their mail, causing significant inconvenience. Union President Buddha Singh and Vice President Satish Kumar mentioned that the government has not declared them as government employees despite serving for 40 to 45 years, and after such a long tenure, they retire without any recognition.

They also expressed grievances that unlike other departments, they do not receive any benefits despite working for 8 hours while their work allocation is only for 4 hours. Allegations were made that the central government is exploiting them, and they declared that their strike would continue until their demands are met.

MRSPTU Agriculture students engage in educational tour to Mini Zoo- cum-Deer Safari at Bir Talab



ANIL VERMA BATHINDA: In a significant initiative, 28 first-year students pursuing B.Sc. Hons Agriculture at Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University (MRSPTU), Bathinda, embarked on an educational journey to Mini Zoo-cum-Deer Safari forestry at Bir Talab. Under the guidance of Dr. Wineet Chawla and Ms. Parveen Shelly, Assistant Professors from the School of Agriculture Sciences and Engineering, this expedition aims to explore the intricacies of forestry plants and wildlife sanctuary conservation.

Dr. Kawaljeet Singh Sandhu, the Head of the Department, emphasized the crucial role of such field trips in enhancing practical knowledge. Dr. Sandhu encouraged students to actively seek out more educational destinations to supplement their classroom learning.

Children aged between 0 to 5 years administered polio drops



KULJIT SINGH JANDIALA GURU: Under the leadership of Dr. Mona Chatrath SMO Tarsikka, polio drops were administered in various villages, towns, migrant population, brothels, schools, bus stand, Gujran Dera Railway Station etc. in the area of CHC Tarsikka. This campaign was successfully completed in about 93 villages of CHC Tarsikka area with the help of various teams and supervisor and nodal officer Dr. Kuldeep Singh. In the area Chogawan, Sadhpur, Saidolei, Khujala, Adda Khujala, Supervisor Ajmer Singh, on the second and third day of this campaign, under the supervision of Sohi SMI Tarsikka, children were given polio supplements by going door-to-door.

Chadha Garment LLP celebrates new showroom opening ceremony



CS JOLLY CHANDIGARH: The opening ceremony of a three-storey showroom of Sudhir Kumar Chadha, a businessman who came to the country's capital Delhi from Kittana Tehsil Garhshankar, a small village in Punjab, was held. Yesterday, the opening ceremony of a three-storey showroom of Sudhir Kumar Chadha, a businessman who came to the country's capital Delhi from Kittana Tehsil Garhshankar, a small village in Punjab, was held. This luxurious building located in Dev Lok Gali in Delhi's vibrant market Gandhi Nagar is a picture of Sudhir Chadha's honesty, struggle and tireless hard work. In 1990, the Chadha family left their father's small grocery store in their native village and came to Delhi and started a clothing business in Mukherjee Nagar with hard work day and night. Today their business has spread across the country. There are three excellent showrooms in Gandhi Nagar. Along with their business, both brothers Sudhir Kumar and Pradeep Kumar have a place of their own in the field of social service.

Third day's match of 45th Christmas Tournament played between James Cricket Academy, Blood Donor Organization

SHARANJEET PATHANKOT, DEC 12

To inaugurate the third day's match of the 45th Christmas Tournament organized by Greenland Cricket Club at SD School Ground, Chairman of District Board of Trade and Chairman of Electric Dealers Association Vivek Madia was present as the chief guest, while social worker Rajinder Salgotra, attended specially.

On this occasion, Life President Inderjit Gupta and Executive President Pawan Mahajan Rishu welcomed them by garlanding them with flowers. The match started by cutting the ribbon jointly by the chief guest and the special guest and along with this the chairman Vivek Madia introduced the players. Speaking to the media on this occasion, Chairman and President Vivek Madia said

that the club provides a platform for the players to progress, the players should take maximum advantage of it and always stay away from drugs and focus on sports should do.

On this occasion, chief guest Vivek Madia and special guest Rajinder Salgotra were also honored by the club with mementos. Today's match was played between James Cricket Academy and Blood Donor Organization, in which James batted first and gave the Blood Donor Organization a target of 195

runs, in response to which the Blood Donor Organization who came to bat were all out for just 97 runs. On this occasion, State Awardees Sameer Sharda, Treasurer Keval Sharma, Tarsem Dhiman, Manoj Arora, Vinod Dogra, Gaurav Mahajan, Ramesh Vishwambhu, Rakesh Mahajan, Vikas Sharma, Surinder Saini, Jitendra Mahajan Jitu, Shashi Pal, Shiv Kumar, Deepak Sharma, Dr. Bitta Marshall, Sanjay Sarin, Rajneesh Hans Rinku, Rakesh Bhatti, other dignitaries were present.

TRICITY

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2023

Rotary clubs playing effective role in social services: Jauramajra

SUMER GARG SUNAM, DEC 12

Rotary Foundation's RI District 3090, under the leadership of District Governor, Ghanshyam Kansal has organized an intercity meet of Rotary clubs of three states, in which 353 delegates from 78 clubs of Punjab, Rajasthan and Haryana participated. Punjab Cabinet Minister, Chetan Singh Jauramajra attended the meet as the chief guest, while AAP MLA, Narinder Kaur Bharaj; Rotary International Trainer, Gurjit Singh Sekhon; TRF Advisor Deepak Gupta; ARRFC Amjad Ali; Ruby Ahluwalia, IAS attended the meet as special guests.

While addressing the function, Cabinet Minister Chetan Singh Jauramajra said that the Rotary organization is playing an effective role in social service. Besides, it is making



government campaigns successful in a big way by supporting them. From Polio to Covid -19, Rotary played an important role, it is also accepting and fulfilling the government's campaign against drug abuse and strengthening unity. He congratulated District Governor, Ghanshyam Kansal for the successful event. MLA, Narinder Kaur Bharaj

said that Rotary always remains ahead in social service and with its cooperation, we will start a new service project in the coming days. While expressing gratitude to all the guests, District Governor, Ghanshyam Kansal said that District 3090 has set a new record in the history of Rotary by forming 15 new clubs in five months.

IEC Van reaches Chaklan village



MORINDA (RADHE SHYAM SHARMA): Chaklan village was visited by the IEC van of the developed Bharat Sankalp Yatra run by the Government of India. Giving information on this occasion, Dr. Gobind Tandon, Senior Medical Officer said that the achievements made by the Government of India during the last 9 years have come.

EC van is being extended to the people. He said that the people are being made aware about 17 schemes. He said that health department is conducting screening of non-communicable diseases by organizing medical camps. He said that during this, Ayushman Bharat Health Insurance Card, Abha ID should be created. He said that the target of making India a TB-free country by the year 2025 under Prime Minister's TB-free India campaign has been set.

He said that through Ayushman card, the beneficiary can get free treatment up to 5 lakh rupees in the health institution. On this occasion, CHO Gurjit Kaur examined the patients and the patients' diabetes was checked. Raised awareness about non-communicable diseases, TB and other health schemes. Ayushman Card, Abha ID was also created on this occasion.

Religious ceremony on birthday of Dharmi Maharaja Hira Singh on 18

RAKESH JINDAL NABHA, DEC 12

M. L. A. Nabha Gurdev Singh Devman while talking to reporters today said that on Monday, December 18, the 180th birth anniversary of the pious King Maharaja Hira Singh of Nabha princely state is being celebrated with great reverence at Princely Fort Nabha.

He said that Sri Akhand Path Sahib will begin on December 16 (Saturday) and on December 18 (Monday) at 10 am, the Bhog of Sri Akhand Path Sahib will be offered and then Guru K Kirtaniye Singh will entertain the congregation with Gurbani Kiratan. He requested the people of Nabha constituency to rise above any kind of partisanship and participate in this religious event. On this occasion, AAP leaders Kapil



Mann, Tejinder Singh Khaira, Harpreet Singh Preet senior councilor and block president, truck union president Amandeep Singh Rahal, Rupinder Singh Bhadson, Jasveer Singh Wajidpur, Bhupinder Singh Kallarmajari, Simran Arak Chohan, contractors Balwinder Singh, Sukhdev Singh. Mann, Arvind Sharma, Sukhdeep Singh Khaira were also present.

Three-day Special Olympics Games for Intellectual Divyangjan being held

RN KHERA CHANDIGARH, DEC 12

Department of Social Welfare, Women & Child Development, Chandigarh Administration in convergence with Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA), Rotary Club Chandigarh and Special Olympics Bharat is organising a three-day Special Olympics Games for Intellectual Divyangjan from 11th to 13th December, 2023, which is inaugurated today at Gymnasium Hall, Panjab University, Chandigarh.

This is a unique initiative celebrating the abilities and spirit of 160 special athletes participating from six states of North India i.e., from Chandigarh, Punjab, Uttarakhand, J&K, Himachal Pradesh & Haryana. The ceremony was commenced with the heart-warm-



ing bhajans and dance performances by the special athletes, showcasing their talents and enthusiasm.

The Chief Guest, Mr. Naveen Rattu, (DANICS) SDM South-cum-Joint Director, Social Welfare Department, Chandigarh along with international gold medalist Ms. Mani, released balloons to officially declare the meet open, symbolizing the soaring aspirations and joy of the participants. The other digni-

tary Mr. Ojaswee Sharma, National Awardee film Director graced the event. A meditation session conducted by Lama Ragbye provided a calming and rejuvenating experience for all participants.

Sanjeev Checker, Assistant Governor, Rotary Club Chandigarh Central extended a warm welcome to the guests, and Dr. Rita Kalra eloquently spoke about the significance of RYLA Vishesh.

Sanatan Dharma Mandir Sunny Enclave President breaved

SHASHI PAL JAIN KHARAR, DEC 12

Urmila Devi wife of Krishna Kumar Sharma, President of Sri Sanatan Dharma Mandir located at Sunny Enclave Sector 125 Kharar, left for her heavenly abode. A large number of prominent citizens and representative of various religious, social and political parties attended the cremation of the deceased. Sardhanjali Samagam would be held on December 18 from 1 to 2 pm at Sri Sanatan Dharma Mandir Sector 125 Sunny Enclave Kharar.

CU Punjab organises lecture 'The Importance of Being First-Time Voter' by Rahul, Commissioner, MC

BATHINDA (ANIL VERMA): The Electoral Literacy Club at Central University of Punjab organized an insightful expert lecture titled "The Importance of Being a First-Time Voter" on Monday aiming to educate students about India's democratic systems and electoral processes. The keynote speaker for the event was Sh. Rahul, Commissioner Municipal Corporation Bathinda, whose comprehensive analysis provided valuable insights to CU Punjab's students. The programme commenced with a introduction and formal welcome of the esteemed speaker by Dr. Bawa Singh and Dr. Neelu Rawat, respectively. In his lecture, Sh. Rahul provided a thorough analysis of democratic structures across the globe, highlighting the intricate and diverse nature of democratic governance.

Municipal council Jandiala Guru organises training camp for sanitation workers



JANDIALA GURU (KULJIT SINGH): As per the instructions of Local Government Department and as per the instructions of Hon'ble Additional Deputy Commissioner Sahri Vikas Amritsar, a special training camp was organized for the sanitation workers working in Municipal Council Jandiala Guru. This camp was conducted at Saint Soldier Elite Convent School Jandiala Guru. In addition to the principal of the school Mr. Suresh Kumar Principal Manohar Vatika School and Swachh Bharat Mission's brand ambassador, Government Girls' School and Government School Boy's staff were present in this. The camp was specially attended by Mr. Sarabjit Singh Dimpy, Urban President Aam Aadmi Party. Training was given to sanitation workers, waste collectors and rag pickers in the camp. Madam Shivani Kanwar Swachh Bharat Mission Expert, Madam Mandeep Kaur I. EC Expert Swachh Bharat Mission gave information regarding their health and various topics of garbage collection. The sanitation workers and waste collectors who did good work in the camp were also honored. At this time Mr. Jagtar Singh Karja Sadhak Officer Municipal Council Jandiala Guru, Jugraj Singh Superintendent Sanitation and Mr. Sankalp Sanitary Inspector, Rupinder Kaur CF, Pawanpreet Kaur.

'Fitness Fusion' conducted at Blossoms convent school

SUKH NAHAR JAGRAON, DEC 12

Blossoms Convent School Jagraon celebrated FIT INDIA WEEK under the Fit India Movement with great vigor and fervor to accentuate the importance of health and fitness among the students, parents and teachers and to promote a paradigm shift from a sedentary lifestyle to physical active day-to-day living.

This week long celebration encompassed oodles of activities and initiatives from invigorating morning exercises, Pledge taking, Atheletic meet, Quiz on fitness, 'KhoKho and Yoga that encouraged the sense of being fit and healthy.

The Fitness week received an overwhelming response from students and faculty. The Principal of the



School Dr. Amarjeet Kaur Naaz extended a heartiest gratitude to everyone who contributed to make Fit India Week a memorable and im-

pactful event. She also pledged to carry forward the spirit of fitness amongst the students and teachers of the school.

16th Haryana State Sub Junior
Netball Champion ship IG
School wins third prize



RAMAN GUPTA
KAITHAL: The students of IG School brought glory to the school in their district by winning the third prize in the 16th Haryana State Sub Junior Netball Championship to be held in Sonipat from 8th December 2023 to 10th December 2023. On hearing the news, the school president Jagdish Bahadur Khurania, Principal Mrs. Veena Aggarwal and Vice Principal Mrs. Ranju Gupta praised the school KPTI Mr. Rajesh Kumar, Mr. Ankit Bangar, Mrs. Savita and Kumari Rani Devi and expressed their gratitude towards them. PTI Rajesh Kumar told that in the team of Kaithal district, seven students of IG School, Captain Shiv Kashyap (class 10th), Lucky, Lakshya and Rahul (class 9th), Kunal (class 8th) and Anubhav (class 7th) participated and Achieved third position by playing with teams from Charkhi Dadri, Rohtak and Bhiwani. On this occasion, the players and their parents were also congratulated and wished for their bright future.

52nd Health camp
organised



RAJNI SONI
YAMUNANAGAR: Mother Mary Charity foundation today Organised its 52 nd Health check up Camp focused on women and children Health in Yamunanagar at old Hamida, Colony. The Camp was inaugurated by famous national awardee Surgeon and Philanthropist Dr Anil Aggarwal. Over 550 patients were examined out of which about 250 women were examined by Gold medalist Gynecologist Dr Sushmita Aggarwal. Dr Sushmita said that a lot of women were having heavy menstrual bleeding and severe anaemia. She said that even in this modern age a lot of women were shy of telling their problems and were hiding their problems from their families and even doctors. She distributed iron capsules to most of ladies free of cost. Dr Vijay Dahiya a former civil surgeon examined about 200 children. The president of mother charity home said that they were planning to organize 1000 camps in future. The camps are mainly sponsored by the chairman of society Dr Anil Aggarwal.

Offer letter wait over, interested
students eager to utilize Feb-
March intake for Canada



CHET RAM RATAN
NAWANSHAHR: M.D. Praveen Arora from Visionway Immigration and IELTS Company stated that Canada is modifying its regulations according to the needs of international students coming to study there. Canada has amended its G.I.C. (Guaranteed Investment Certificate) after 2020, which was initially at \$10,000 and has now been increased to \$20,635, surpassing even the D.L.S. The working rights for those students studying online or offline will continue to be available until September 2024 on their study visas. He mentioned that students willing to file their profiles for Canada should not wait for the offer letter and should take advantage of the available February and March intakes through Visionway. Mr. Praveen Arora was providing information to around 20 students today who were about to obtain a visa for Canada. He mentioned that the institution has launched a 'No Visa, No Fee' policy for several months, from which students can benefit.

Revered Akshat Ram Rath Yatra from Ayodhya
receives grand welcome when it reaches Sadhaura

PREETI RANI
SADHAURA, DEC 12

From Ayodhya, Akshat Yatra reached Sadhaura on Tuesday. The residents of Sadhaura town welcomed Akshat Yatra wholeheartedly. Akshat Yatra, ancient Siddha Shri Panchmukhi Hanuman Temple of Sadhaura, at Shyampur Road, followed by Gausahala Sabhapur Road, Mahant Shobha Das gave a grand welcome to Akshat Yatra with flower garland also welcomed at Dosadka Chowk Sadhaura Shiv Temple then welcomed at Gagdwala Temple of Sadhaura when it reached late in the evening. Akshat Yatra was welcomed with beating of drums and flower garlands. Akshat Yatra reached Krishna Temple from Gagdwala Temple via



Sadhaura Bus Stand and Main Bazaar. Women and men participated enthusiastically in the Akshat Yatra. In the Akshat Yatra, hymns of Shri Rama were sung along with slogans of Jai Shri Ram. During this, Vishwa Hindu Parishad District President Ashok, Sachdev Chugh, Naresh Bakshi, Shiv Kaushik, Mahant Shobha Das, Wazir Chand, Amit Setia, Councilor Sangeeta Thukral, Municipality President

NATION

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2023

I would rather die than go and ask
something for myself: Shivraj Chouhan

AGENCY
BHOPAL, DEC 12

Former Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on Tuesday said that he would rather die than go and ask something for himself adding that Madhya Pradesh will achieve new heights under the CM-designate of the state Mohan Yadav. Shivraj Singh Chouhan expressed hope that the new government in the state will continue to work for the development of the state.

Addressing a press conference in Bhopal, Former Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan said, "I am confident that under the leadership of CM Mohan Yadav, the BJP govt will complete the ongoing projects in the state. In terms of progress and development, Madhya Pradesh will achieve new heights. I will keep supporting



him." "I want to express one thing very openly and humbly, 'Apne liye kuch maangne jaane se behtar, main marna samjhunga, isiliye meine kaha tha main dilli nahi jaunga'(I would rather die than go and ask something for myself, that is why I said I won't go to Delhi," he added. Former Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister further

said that he is satisfied with the thumping majority win of the BJP in the recently concluded Assembly polls. "Aaj jab main yahan se vidayi le raha hoon (Today when I am bidding farewell), I am satisfied that in 2023, once again the BJP formed the govt with a thumping majority. My heart is filled with happiness and satisfaction. Due

Honour ceremony of newly appointed
committee of Pabni Kalan organized



RAJNI SONI
YAMUNANAGAR: Lok Sabha Joint Secretary and Sadhaura in-charge Lalit Tyagi came to village Pabni Kala to honor the newly appointed committee members of Aam Aadmi Party, for which a program was organized in the courtyard of Ravidas temple on Tuesday. Addressing the gathering, Lalit Tyagi said that their organization was ready and all of 21 members of each village, now have a lot of responsibility for which everyone raised their hands and promised to support. Mr Tyagi said how the Aam Aadmi Party was bringing revolutionary changes in Delhi-Punjab and bringing about all-round development in the lives of the people there. Revolutionary work has been done in education and health. Similarly, as soon as their government was formed in Haryana, the people of Haryana would also get all the facilities. The woman District President Rita Rani also urged the villagers to press the broom button this time and elected the government for the bright future of their children.

Halka in-charge Sarhal flags off Valvo
bus for traveling to religious places



MANJINDER SINGH
BANGA: Under the Chief Minister's Pilgrimage Scheme, a Valbo bus carrying 43 pilgrims from Banga to Sri Amritsar Sahib and Talvandi Sabo was flagged off by Punjab Water Resources Management and Development Corporation Vice Chairman and Constituency Incharge Banga Kuljit Singh Sarhal. Kuljit Singh Sarhal said that the state government has started the Chief Minister's Pilgrimage Scheme, under which a trip to various pilgrimage sites is being conducted. There is great enthusiasm among the people for this scheme. On this occasion Chairman Market Committee Banga Balveer Karnana, Amardeep Banga, Sagar Arora, Narendra Rattu, Surinder Ghai, Balihar Mann, Palwinder Mann, Kulveer Pabla, Balvir Pabla, Architect Jaspal Singh Gidha, Narinder Bhurmjara, Rajinder Katarian, Inderjit Mann, Satnam Jhika, Surinder Dhindsa, Jagjit Blockipur, Gurchetan Singh Garhi, Gurnam Skohpur, Gaurav Kumar, Lakhvir Singh Nambardar, GM. Roadways Jashpreet Sidhu S.D.O. Krishna Duggal, Superintendent SDM. Baldev Singh A large number of devotees were present.

DC welcomes public march against
drugs on reaching district

JATINDER PAL SINGH KALER
NAWANSHAHR/KATHGARH: State Information Commission writer Khushwant Singh launched public awareness campaign against drugs which started from New Chandigarh. On reaching village Tausa district Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar on Tuesday, DC Navjot Pal Singh Randhawa welcomed the campaign. On this occasion, the Assistant Commissioner (H) Dr. Gurleen Kaur was also especially present. The DC said that the message of the public march against drugs started by Information Commission writer Khushwant Singh Dara should reached every home. He praised such efforts. He told that this awareness march has started from New Chandigarh. It will end in Khatkar Kala on December 15. While talking to journalists, writer Khushwant Singh said that he had single-handedly started the Jan Yatra against drugs and was getting support from people and administration from different districts. He said that his aim was that the parents should take special care of the children



aged between 13 to 18 years and guided them if they fell into bad company. Navneet Kaur Dhillon, Ankit Chhabra, Subhash Chandra Sharma, Manjeet, and others were present on this occasion.

Annual event at Kendriya
Vidyalaya Reuna Ucha held



BIKRAMJEET SAHOTA
SIRHIND: PM Shri Kendriya Vidyalaya, Fatehgarh Sahib celebrated its Annual Function with great pomp and show. The Chief Guest, Ms Isha Singal, PCS, Additional District Commissioner, Fatehgarh Sahib and Nominee Chairman, Vidyalaya Management Committee and the Guest of Honour , Mr. Abhishek Sharma, PCS, Chief Minister Field Officer, AC(G) inaugurated the function by lighting the ceremonial lamp, which was followed by Ganesh Vandana. The Principal, Mr. Anuj Kumar welcomed the distinguished guests as well as the parents and presented the Annual Report highlighting the glorious achievements of the Vidyalaya in multifarious fields. The programme was marked with colours of India, dances from the states of Rajasthan, Haryana, Andhra Pradesh were beautiful presented on stage. The Fusion Song was as amalgamation of the culture of the different states. Vibrant performance of the primary students in Ganapati Vandana, Action Song, Umbrella Dance enthralled the audience and received a thunderous applause.

Student of NIILM University wins
silver medal in All India International
University Championship

RAMAN GUPTA
KAITHAL: Ajay Singh, student of the Sports Department of NIILM University, Kaithal, performed brilliantly and got a silver medal by securing second position in the Greco-Roman wrestling category, this competition was held at Chandigarh University from 9th December to 11th December held. This information was given by University Sports Director Dr. Balwinder Singh. On this occasion, University ViceChancellor Professor (Dr.) Shamim Ahmed, while congratulating the student on his performance and achievement, said that NIILM University is providing every level of facilities to the players and the result of that is that gradually the players of the university are becoming excellent. By performing, they are bringing glory to their university and region and in future too, every type of facility will be made available to the players in the university and I congratulate the Sports Director and wish a bright future for all the players. On this occasion, University Registrar Dr. Rajeev Dahiya, Dean Academics Prof. RK Gupta, Controller of Examinations Dr. Manjeet Jakhar, University Public Relations Officer Dr. Manoj Kumar were present.



Over 1400 youth commit to a
drug-free life with pledge

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
YAMUNANAGAR: Under the guidelines of Haryana State Narcotics Control Bureau's Additional Director General of Police, Shri OP Singh IPS Sahib and the guidance of Superintendent of Police, Shri Shashank Kumar Sawan Bhapuse Sahib and Shri Anil Kumar Sahib, the strictest action is being taken continuously against drugs, while on the other hand, awareness against drugs is being raised. Work is also being done through. In this context, a one-day 65th anti-drug awareness program was organized today at the Government Industrial Training Institute. Dr. Ashok Kumar Verma, Awareness Program and Rehabilitation In-charge/Sub Inspector of



the Bureau, discussed three important points with the youth, including road safety-life safety, measures to avoid cyber crime and most importantly, the plight of drug addiction in life. Addressing more than 1400 youth power present in the workshop, he said that according to the data of National Crime Records Bureau, every year four and a half lakh road accidents

occur in which 5 lakh people become victims of road accidents and about 1 lakh 50 thousand people die. are received. He said that according to statistics, 1000 youth below the age of 25 years die in road accidents. He inspired the youth to follow the rules of road safety and told them ways to avoid cyber crime and said that in case of cyber fraud, contact 1930.

Kabaddi Tournament by Lohara Kabaddi Club:
Sonipat's Team Dominates

LADWA (NARESH GARG): A kabaddi tournament was organized by the Lohara Kabaddi Club in the village of Lohara. District councillor and BJP ward head Jasbir Panjeta inaugurated the tournament by cutting the ribbon as the chief guest. Speaking on the occasion, District Councillor Jasbir Panjeta mentioned that everyone should actively participate in such competitions. He emphasized that even if the team that wins the tournament and receives the awards today is not victorious next time, they should not feel disheartened but continue practicing. Sanjeev Kumar, a member of the club, shared that every year, a kabaddi tournament is held in the village by the Lohara Gram Panchayat. This year, 22 teams participated in the tournament. He further disclosed that the team from Sonipat emerged as the winners and was felicitated with an award.



AAP's transformation journey
will reach Kurukshetra on
Dec 22: Jagbir Jognakheda

DALBIR MALIK
KURUKSHETRA, DEC 12

The Aam Aadmi Party is organizing a transformational journey throughout the entire state. This journey, scheduled from December 15 to December 24, will commence from four different districts of the state. The journey has been divided into four zones. Under the leadership of former Chief Minister Chaudhary Nirmal Singh, the Transformation Journey will start from Kalka and will arrive in Kurukshetra district on December 22. This information was shared by the Aam Aadmi Party's Kurukshetra District President Jagbir Jognakheda while inviting the residents of Saraswati Colony in Khedi Markanda village during Tuesday's event. Upon the program's commencement, the local residents warmly welcomed District President Jagbir Jognakheda. Lok Sabha President Sumit Hindustani,



district councillors, and several other officials. Addressing the program, Jagbir Jognakheda said, "Now, Haryana's son will bring about change, following in the footsteps of Kejriwal," announcing the Transformation Journey in 90 constituencies of the state. Through this journey, Aam Aadmi Party workers will convey the message of transformation. He mentioned that the journey would commence from Kalka and conclude in Panipat. Jognakheda mentioned that during this journey, the people of Haryana would be made aware of the deteriorating situation in the state.

KU and Rekhi Foundation inks MoU to establish
'Centre of Excellence in Happiness' as per CMs vision

DALBIR MALIK
KURUKSHETRA, DEC 12

Under the visionary leadership of Haryana's Chief Minister, Shri Manohar, a significant step towards fostering happiness and well-being has been taken as Kurukshetra University (KU) inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Rekhi Foundation. The collaboration aims to establish a 'Centre of Excellence for Happiness' at KU, focusing on fostering happiness and holistic well-being among students and the community. Chief Minister Manohar, envisioning Haryana as a state thriving on the principles of happiness and well-being, has championed this initiative to ensure the mental, emotional, and social welfare of the state's residents. The establishment of this centre marks a pivotal move in this direction. Vice Chancellor Prof Som Nath Sachdeva said on the



occasion that the collaboration between KU and the Rekhi Foundation seeks to create a pioneering hub that will pioneer research, education, and practices centered around happiness, mental health, mindfulness, and holistic development. It aims to equip students, faculty, and the wider community with the tools and knowledge needed to lead happier, more fulfilling lives. Notably, this initiative is envisioned to set up centres of happiness in other universities and colleges in Haryana. The

successful establishment and functioning of the 'Centre of Excellence in Happiness' at KU will pave the way for its replication and expansion across various educational institutions in the state. Dr Satinder Singh Rekhi, Honorary Chairman of Rekhi foundation said: "The focus on happiness and well-being in educational settings is gaining momentum globally as nations recognize the significance of mental health and happiness in building robust and prosperous societies.

Beautician training centre being run at
Bal bhawan is proving as boon for girls
of Distt Guirdaspur: Romesh Mahajan



VERMA
GURDASPUR: The DCWC which is doing a yeomen service in upliftment of down trodden children belonging to GURDASPUR district has added another feather in their cap when two girls namely kuljit kaur and Jatinder kaur who have done six months beautician course from Beautician training centre opened in Bal Bhawan under the banner of DCWC whose president is Deputy Commissioner Dr Himanshu Aggarwal IAS and Honorary Secretary is Romesh Mahajan, National Awardee. This centre(First of its kind) was inaugurated by Dr Himanshu Aggarwal, De-cum- president DCWC about six months ago which is proving as a boon for the unemployed girls/ women as their future after doing this course will be quite profitable.

Editorial

Narratives change

It's fascinating how unfolding history puts tectonic pressure on narratives of societal change and nation-formation and squeezes them from one type of story-soil into some barely recognisable mutation or something totally different. Growing up in the 1960s, the first time I remember hearing the name, Israel, was in 1967. Among the grown-ups around me, there was great admiration for the Israeli air force and army for the pre-emptive air strikes that destroyed Egyptian airfields and the efficient victory that followed in the 'Six-Day War'. 'Oh, I wish we could do this to Pakistan!' was one refrain because we were still seething about the unsatisfying 'victory' of the 1965 war. The phrase, 'Israel's blitzkrieg', was also used without any sense of irony. The urban, Indian, armchair soldier got his vicarious revenge in the 1971 war when we 'did to the Pakistanis what the Israelis had done to the Arabs', complete with pre-emptive air strikes and, if not quite blitzy, a fairly quick river-hopping krieg. However, shortly after the Indian victory in 1971, a different kind of West Asian war came to the fore during the 1972 Munich Olympics when terrorists from the Palestinian Black September group took hostage and killed Israeli athletes. To a pre-teenager's question — 'Who are terrorists?' — the simple answer was 'those who deliberately target civilians for military or political reasons.'

As one began to delve into news about international politics, one found contradictions: the Egyptians were part of the Non-Aligned Movement and, therefore, India's allies on the world stage; India was one of the few countries that recognised Palestine's right to full statehood while we maintained no open diplomatic relations with Israel and, in this, we were at one with our supposed enemies, the Pakistanis; the Nixo-Kissingerist Americans supported Israel and Pakistan while being against Egypt and India — which made the Americans against genocide in Nazi Germany but fully supportive of it in our elaka, in what later became Bangladesh; the Soviets were the opposite — good when they were helping us against Pakistan and China but otherwise bad, especially when helping Arabs (and, therefore, aligning with fugitive Nazi rocket scientists allegedly helping Egypt's missile programme, Nazis who were Soviet Russia's sworn enemies just a few decades ago). A lot of what one absorbed was from the Israeli point of view, the American or Western European POV, or unquestioningly sympathetic to it. A lot of my received narrative came from Time/Newsweek and from the fat bestsellers by Leon Uris and Frederick Forsyth.

Putin critic Alexei Navalny goes 'missing' from prison

The lawyers of jailed Russian Opposition leader Alexei Navalny, have not heard from him for around a week and his name is also missing from the list of the prisoners, CNN reported citing the spokesperson of the Putin critic.

Navalny, who was imprisoned in a penal colony east of Moscow was sentenced to 19 years in prison in August after he was found guilty of creating an "extremist community, financing extremist activities" and numerous other crimes.

Kira Yarmysh, the spokesperson of Navalny alleged on Monday that the lawyers have not been able to meet the jailed leader despite repeated attempts and they have been informed that he is not in both the penal colonies.

He further alleged that the lawyers were informed that Navalny is "no longer" on the list of prisoners and

"Today, as on Friday, the lawyers tried to get to IK-6 and IK-7 -- two colonies in the Vladimir region where Alexey @navalny might be. They have just been informed simultaneously in both colonies that he is not there. We still don't know where Alexey is," Yarmysh posted on X (formerly Twitter).

"On Friday and throughout today, neither IK-6 nor IK-7 responded to them," Yarmysh posted, adding that Navalny had been missing for six days.

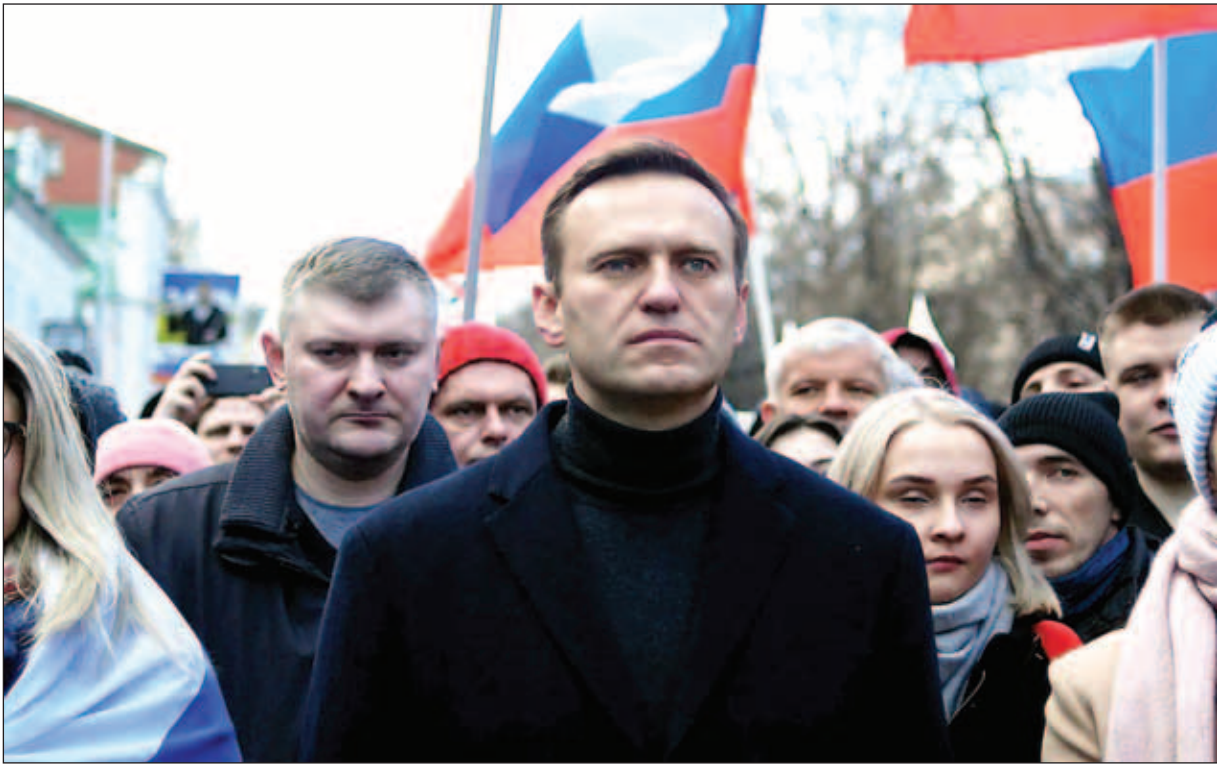
Yarmysh added, "They just came out of IK-6 Melekhovo to a lawyer and said that prisoner Navalny is no longer on their list. They refuse to say where he was transferred".

Meanwhile, Moscow Times reported citing Navalny's team that the jailed Russian leader suffered a serious health incident.

"We have learned that last week he had a serious health-related incident. Navalny's life is at great risk. He is in complete isolation right now," Maria Pevchikh, his close ally and the chair of the board of Navalny's Anti-Corruption Foundation, said Friday, adding that "his lawyers are refused entry and asked to wait".

Navalny was already serving sentences of 11-and-a-half years in a maximum security facility on fraud and other charges he denies.

He was last imprisoned in the IK-6 penal colony east of Moscow.



The supporters of Navalny allege that his arrest and incarceration are a "politically motivated" attempt to stifle his criticism of the Russian President. According to CNN, Navalny posed one of the most serious threats to Putin's legitimacy during his rule, which has spanned more than two decades. The dissident was taken from Russia to Germany in 2020, after he was poisoned with Novichok, a Soviet-era nerve agent. Navalny had to be airlifted from the Siberian city of Omsk and arrived comatose at a hospital in Berlin.

Navalny was immediately incarcerated upon his return to Russia in January 2021, on charges of violating the terms of his probation related to a fraud case brought against him in 2013, which he also dismissed as politically motivated. He has also campaigned from prison against Russia's war against of Ukraine and has even attempted to mobilize public opposition to the war. When Navalny was in August sentenced to 19 years in a maximum security penal colony, he said "the number of years does not matter," CNN reported.

Literature & Health

Study finds how body respond to high or low oxygen levels

It simply takes a few seconds of holding your breath to realise that not getting enough oxygen is bad for you. But is it possible to have too much? Indeed, breathing air with more oxygen than your body requires might result in health problems or even death.

But with scant research on the topic, scientists have known little about how the body senses too much oxygen. Now, a new study from Gladstone Institutes has greatly expanded the scientific body of knowledge about the mechanisms at play, and why it matters for health.

Their findings, reported in the journal Science Advances, explain how breathing air with different levels of oxygen--from too little, to just right, or too much--affects the creation and degradation of different proteins in the lungs, heart, and brain of mice. Notably, the study also highlights a particular protein that may play a central role in regulating how cells respond to hyperoxia.

"These results have implications for many different diseases," says Gladstone Assistant Investigator Isha Jain, PhD, senior author of the new study. "More than 1 million people in the US breathe supplemental oxygen every day for medical reasons, and studies suggest it could be making things worse in some cases. That's just one setting where our work is starting to explain what's happening and how the body responds."

Understanding Oxygen's Effects
Most prior research on oxygen levels has examined the molecular effects of



too little oxygen. And even in that realm, most of the focus has been on how low oxygen affects which genes are turned on or off.

"Our study enters uncharted territory by using mice and looking downstream of gene expression at which proteins abnormally accumulate or degrade in response to different oxygen concentrations," says Kirsten Xuewen Chen, first author of the new paper and a graduate student at UC San Francisco.

The research builds on the team's prior work, which revealed that in response to too much oxygen, certain proteins containing iron and sulfur clusters become degraded, leading cells to malfunction.

"Now, we wanted to get a more dynamic picture of how proteins are regulated when oxygen levels are too high or too low," Chen says.

Texas Supreme Court rules against pregnant woman seeking abortion



The Texas Supreme Court on Monday reversed a lower court's ruling that would have allowed a woman to obtain an abortion under the state's "medical emergency" exception, CNN reported.

This comes hours after the woman's attorneys said she had left the state to have the procedure.

The woman, Kate Cox, sought the abortion after learning that her fetus has a fatal condition and doctors told her she could risk her future fertility if she doesn't get the procedure.

Last week, a state judge ruled that Cox, who is 21 weeks pregnant, could terminate her pregnancy, but the Texas Supreme Court temporarily put that ruling on hold on Friday. The Center for Reproductive

Rights, which represents Cox, on Monday announced that the 31-year-old mother had left the state to get health care elsewhere, following what the group described as "a week of legal whiplash."

Then, hours later, the state's high court ruled against her.

The ruling calls into question whether this decision could deter women in similar situations from seeking a court-authorized abortion.

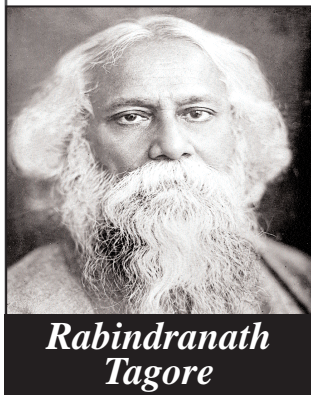
The center did not disclose more details about Cox's plans, but its statement said Cox received "offers to help her access abortion elsewhere, from Kansas to Colorado to Canada", as per CNN.

Cox's attorney said she wants her care "the fastest way" possible.

POEM

Beggarly Heart

When the heart is hard and parched up, come upon me with a shower of mercy. When grace is lost from life, come with a burst of



Rabindranath Tagore

song. When tumultuous work raises its din on all sides shutting me out from beyond, come to me, my lord of silence, with thy peace and rest.

When my beggarly heart sits crouched, shut up in a corner, break open the door, my king, and come with the ceremony of a king. When desire blinds the mind with delusion and dust, O thou holy one, thou wakeful, come with thy light and thy thunder.

Rabindranath Tagore

Hong Kong people lament Chinese control

Within the span of just four forlorn years, Hong Kong went from its highest-ever voter turnout to its lowest ever in local district elections. In 2019, 71.2 per cent of the population turned out - mostly to vote for pro-democracy candidates and thereby slamming government arguments that only a "noisy minority" was protesting - whereas the participation rate plummeted to 27.54 per cent in elections held on 10 December 2023.

The results speak for themselves. As Carmen Lau, an exiled former Hong Kong district councillor commented, "The decline of the turnout rate exactly mirrors the deterioration of Hong Kong's democracy." Voter turnout has typically bounced between 30 per cent and 45 per cent over the past 40 years, but for public involvement to shrink by a factor of more than 2.5 in just four years is simply unprecedented.

This year, the Chinese Communist Party (CCP)-controlled government slashed democratic representation to just 20 per cent, and even then candidates were pre-vetted to ensure



they were "patriots". Furthermore, opposition was barred, constituencies were redrawn and most councillors were chosen by the city's leader or government-appointed committees.

As Nathan Ruser of the Australian Strategic Policy Institute pointed out, "Over 1.2 million Hong Kongers marched on the street against Beijing's rule multiple times during the 2019

mass protests. [That is] more Hong Kongers than who voted in this 'patriots-only' election. Even in a 'quiet' Hong Kong, Beijing's imposed dictatorship is immensely unpopular."

Turnout on 10 December was 1.19 million voters. Remember too that civil servants were "urged" to vote by the likes of Chief Secretary Eric Chan, which amounted to 170,000+ likely participants for starters. Voters received a "thank you" card from the government, leading many to fear they would be forced to show these to employers to prove that they did in fact vote. After going from a vibrant and relatively free society, to essentially a police state where any dissent against the Hong Kong or Chinese government is harshly punished, the populace now has few ways to express itself. Refusing to vote is one of them.

Another method is to use extreme sarcasm to parrot empty government promises or slogans. For example, the government described the election as "very successful".

Cynical Hong Kongers concurred online

with comments such as: "Yeah, the most successful election in the universe!" They pointed out that the success stemmed from the fact that this election held the record for the lowest participation rate ever.

Ironically, the electronic computer system experienced a glitch on election day, causing voting hours to be extended by 1.5 hours till midnight. Despite the extra time, people showed little desire to vote for the 20 per cent of seats actually being contested. The other 80 per cent were all selected by the authorities or government-appointed committees.

In such a one-sided system, one wonders what difference there is from elections in China's or North Korea's single-party states.

This was the first district council election held under a severely overhauled system that stacked the deck completely in the government's favor. The system was drastically changed in May after the 2019 election gave the pro-democracy faction a landslide, but ultimately meaningless, victory.

Walmart Sourcing Forges Strategic Partnership with Hero Ecotech Ltd.

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: Walmart today announced that the first India-made bicycles are hitting select stores in the U.S. just in time for the holidays. Hero Ecotech Ltd., one of India's foremost manufacturers and exporters of bicycles, has designed a "cruiser-style" bike for Walmart carrying the Concord brand available in both adult-sized men's and women's versions adding to the company's growing bicycle offerings. "At Hero Ecotech Ltd., we are excited about our collaboration with Walmart to bring our products to Walmart customers this year," said Vijay Munjal, Chairman, Hero Ecotech Ltd. "We are proud to be among the first Indian-built products to join the bicycle category at Walmart and believe the Concord cruisers represent the quality work of our employees and our company. I encourage manufacturers here in India to consider working with Walmart and seek opportunities to directly engage with them at the Walmart Growth Summit in February." Hero Ecotech Ltd. is among many Indian manufacturers who are building supplier relationships with Walmart, helping the company accelerate their goal to triple exports of goods from India to \$10 billion annually by 2027.

Indian Organizations Say Hybrid Cloud Approach is Critical

CHANDIGARH: A new global survey from IBM (NYSE: IBM) revealed that in India, 64% of hybrid cloud users have a formal, organization-wide policy and/or approach for the use of Generative AI (GenAI). However, barriers that once slowed down hybrid cloud adoption are now impeding the implementation of GenAI. Cloud leaders are concerned about the challenges associated with the privacy and confidentiality of data and information when adopting GenAI. In addition to the ability to unlock the power of generative AI being cited as one of the key benefits of a hybrid cloud approach, leaders agreed that a cloud environment is essential for managing sustainability initiatives at an enterprise level, but workforce deficiencies in cloud skills are impacting implementation. "As GenAI gains momentum in India, organizations need to harness the power of a robust hybrid cloud approach to tackle challenges that are coming to the forefront. Investing in the right cloud technologies and tools will help businesses tackle increasing security and compliance concerns and deliver on their sustainability goals," says Viswanath Ramaswamy, Vice President – Technology, IBM India & South Asia.

Strategic Partnership with Hero Ecotech Ltd.

MRITTSAR/JALANDHAR: Walmart today announced that the first India-made bicycles are hitting select stores in the U.S. just in time for the holidays. Hero Ecotech Ltd., one of India's foremost manufacturers and exporters of bicycles, has designed a "cruiser-style" bike for Walmart carrying the Concord brand available in both adult-sized men's and women's versions adding to the company's growing bicycle offerings. "At Hero Ecotech Ltd., we are excited about our collaboration with Walmart to bring our products to Walmart customers this year," said Vijay Munjal, Chairman, Hero Ecotech Ltd. "We are proud to be among the first Indian-built products to join the bicycle category at Walmart and believe the Concord cruisers represent the quality work of our employees and our company. I encourage manufacturers here in India to consider working with Walmart and seek opportunities to directly engage with them at the Walmart Growth Summit in February." Hero Ecotech Ltd. is among many Indian manufacturers who are building supplier relationships with Walmart, helping the company accelerate their goal to triple exports of goods from India to \$10 billion annually by 2027.

Tata Motors Launches its green, eco-friendly range of commercial vehicles

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: Tata Motors, India's largest commercial vehicle manufacturer, today unveiled its innovative and advanced range of future ready mobility solutions at EXCON 2023 – South Asia's premier construction equipment exhibition. Embracing the theme "Moving India Forward", the company reinforced its commitment to innovation, sustainability and excellence, serving the nation proudly. Tata Motors showcased its trucks and tipping engines engineered to perfectly suit the construction and infrastructure sectors, along with vehicles powered by green fuels, including liquid Natural Gas (LNG) and battery electric. It also unveiled its wide range of aggregates, including engines designed for industrial equipment, axles and gensets. Unveiling Tata Motors' EXCON 2023 pavilion, Mr. Rajesh Kaul, Vice President & Business Head – Trucks, Tata Motors, said, "EXCON 2023 serves as a monumental stage to showcase our superior technology and unwavering dedication to providing construction industry with solutions that transcend excellence."

Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance unveiled Bajaj Allianz Life Ace - Increasing Income plan

LUDHIANA: Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance has unveiled an industry-first variant of its flagship participating savings plan. Bajaj Allianz Life Ace - Increasing Income, A Non-Linked, Participating, Individual Life Insurance Savings Plan, empowers customers with a steady flow of rising income, and safeguarding against escalating costs. This plan is designed for a wide range of customers who can save as per their needs and affordability towards a financially secure future. Bajaj Allianz Life Ace - Increasing Income not only aligns with individual financial goals but also focuses on adaptability in the evolving economic landscape by providing income increasing every year. It empowers customers with a reliable mechanism and a shield against the growing demands of daily life through increasing income option. As one ages, planning for healthcare, long-term care, and post-retirement funds becomes a necessity, and this plan may be one of the preferred solution for it. On the launch of Bajaj Allianz Life Ace - Increasing Income, Mr. Tarun Chugh, MD and CEO Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance said, "In a dynamic economic environment with rising inflation, we understand that customers seek opportunities to create long-term wealth to help them meet their financial goals. Aligned with this we've launched Bajaj Allianz Life Ace - Increasing Income, which offers and provides unparalleled control in the hands of customers to decide when they want to receive their income and maturity benefit."

John Jacobs Unveils Their Turban Edit, Blending Culture and Style with Utility

BATHINDA: John Jacobs introduces the Turban Edit, a collection that seamlessly marries style and comfort while redefining eyewear for turban wearers. With inward-bent temples, specifically tailored to complement and accommodate various turban styles effortlessly, the collection reinvents eyewear and elevates the convergence of fashion and cultural identity. Apeksha Gupta, CEO & Creative Director, John Jacobs said, "we identified a gap in the eyewear market for turban wearers and aimed to address it with this collection. Turban Edit bridges functionality and cultural identity, with eyewear that resonates seamlessly with the ethos of our clientele." Featuring uber-sleek temples that prevent raised edges on the turban, the collection boasts ergonomically designed full-rim frames, offering a wide range of sizes for an optimal fit. Crafted with the wearer in mind, the frames are hypoallergenic for added comfort. The super sleek supreme steel temples and adjustable silicone nose pads with ultra-thin steel enhance the collection's style and adaptability.

vivo Returns with its Fifth Edition of #SwitchOff campaign

CHANDIGARH : vivo, the trusted global smartphone brand, introduces the fifth edition of the #SwitchOff campaign. Supported by a compelling video conceptualized by FCB India, the campaign draws insights from the 5th edition of vivo Cyber Media Research's (CMR) study "Impact of Smartphones on Human Relationships 2023." The study reveals that 77% of parents acknowledge their children complaining about excessive parental smartphone use. The campaign film, conceptualized by FCB India, unfolds within a family of three preparing for an upcoming vacation. The little girls' excitement is overshadowed by her father's constant phone attention, leaving her feeling overlooked. A pivotal moment arises when the girl expresses her favourite part of any vacation is the undivided attention she receives from her dad during a flight. This realization prompts her parents to address the issue, leading to a heart-warming scene where the father, to lift her spirits, pretends they are on a flight and switches off his phone, bringing joy to the little girl. Link to the video: <https://youtu.be/4TBI1MUgeQ0> To propel the #SwitchOff initiative, vivo pledges to observe December 20, 2023, as the Switch Off day. Encouraging Indian consumers to join, vivo urges individuals to power down their smartphones on this day during 8 pm to 9 pm.

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Benefits of Garudasana (Eagle Pose) and How to Do it

Garudasana is a standing balancing asana. This asana gets its name from the Sanskrit word garuda meaning eagle and asana meaning pose. Thus, the name eagle pose. Garuda is the king of birds in Hindu mythology, thought to be Vishnu's mount or vehicle – known as a vahana. Just like the eagle, Garuda represents strength, focus, the ability to see clearly, and is often seen with a snake in his mouth, representing devouring or destroying evil in the world. "This asana should be practised on an empty stomach and should be done early in the morning or in the evening before eating anything," advises Suman Chhabria, Certified Yoga instructor and founder of Anaya. Know about the Garudasana steps and benefits below. How To Do Garudasana (Eagle Pose)? Before beginning Garudasana, one should stretch their body by



performing Tadasana (Mountain Pose). Chhabria lists the following steps to perform Garudasana. Stand up with soft knees and focus your gaze on a spot right ahead. Transfer your weight to your left foot.

Lift your right foot up off the floor. Cross your right thigh over your left thigh as high up the thigh as possible. Hook your right foot around your left calf. Bring both arms out in front of you and parallel to the floor. Bend your elbows and bring the left arm under the right, hooking at the elbows. With arms hooked, draw your forearms together and wrap your left palm around your right palm, crossing at the wrists. The palms will be in a twisted Namaste position (Whichever leg is on top, the opposite arm should be at the bottom). Lift the elbows to the height of your shoulders while keeping the shoulders sliding down away from your ears. The joined palms should rest in front of your nose, resembling an eagle's beak. Hold this position until you find your balance, and then slowly bend the left knee to lower your body towards the ground. Keep your spine perpendicular to the floor and the crown of the head rising.

Hold for 5 to 10 breaths. Repeat on the other side. The practice of Garudasana involves the use of both the arms and the legs while they are in a twist. To improve the flexibility of both the shoulders and hips, the following preparatory poses help to master Eagle Pose. Vrikshasana- Tree pose Gomukhasana- Cow face pose Utkatasana- Chair pose Follow Up Pose As part of the cooling process, the following relaxing poses are advised after the eagle pose. Tadasana - Tall Mountain pose Hasta Uthanasana- Raised arms pose Adho Mukha Svanasana- Down dog There is an even more challenging variation to Garudasana. From the pose, as described above, exhale and lean your torso into a forward bend, pressing the forearms against the top-leg thigh. Hold for a few breaths, then come up with an inhalation.

iQOO Launches iQOO 12

CHANDIGARH – iQOO, the high-performance smartphone brand, has launched India's First Smartphone with Snapdragon 8 Gen 3 with Supercomputing Chip Q1 – iQOO 12 in India today. iQOO 12 takes inspiration from BMW M Motorsport to deliver an unrivaled and breathtaking flagship experiences.iQOO 12 packs cutting edge performance complemented by a sophisticated design using top-tier materials. The device is equipped with a high-definition 144Hz AMOLED display, a 50MP + 50MP + 64MP Legendary tripe rear camera system with India's first 3000nits peak brightness display in a smartphone, and immersive gaming features, elevating the standards of the mobile gaming experience.Priced at INR 52,999 (Effective Price: INR 49,999) for 12GB+256GB and INR 57,999 (Effective Price: INR 54,999) for the 16GB+512GB variant. Priority Pass consumers can exclusively complete their purchase of iQOO 12 from 13th December, which is 24 hours before the sale goes live. The iQOO 12 will be available for purchase starting 14th December 2023 on iQOO e-store and Amazon.in from 12PM onwards in two color options - Legend and Alpha.Commenting on the launch of the flagship smartphone, Nipun Marya, CEO – iQOO India said, "At iQOO, we are dedicated to bringing the latest mobile technologies to meet evolving consumer needs, and we take pride in being one of the few brands with all smartphones launched in 2022 and 2023 rated above 4-stars on Amazon.in". With the iQOO 12, an ultimate dual chip smartphone that packs unparalleled power with India's first Snapdragon 8 Gen 3, the Supercomputing Chip Q1 and excellent camera system capabilities in an elegant design.



Tata Passenger Electric Mobility Ltd. collaborates with leading Charge Point Operators



CHANGIGARH/LUDHIANA: Tata Passenger Electric Mobility Ltd. (TPEM), pioneers of India's EV revolution, today signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with leading charge point operators (CPOs), Chargezone, Gilda, Statiq, and Zeon, to further develop India's charging infrastructure. This MoU crucially builds on the significant existing presence of each operator in the charging ecosystem and TPEM's unique telematics insights basis more than 1.15 lakh Tata EVs on Indian roads. TPEM will actively assist the four CPOs in installing chargers at locations most frequented by its EV owners and share insights on how the chargers are being used to help understand and enhance customer experience. Speaking at the MoU signing, Mr. Balaje Rajan, Chief Strategy Officer, Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles Ltd., and Tata Passenger Electric Mobility Ltd., said, "EV adoption is a national imperative to address urban pollution, and convenient charging infrastructure is a key enabler for driving faster EV adoption. The need of the hour for accelerating a nationwide charging ecosystem is open collaboration, and we are delighted to announce our strategic collaboration with Chargezone, Gilda, Statiq, and Zeon, to accelerate India's journey towards e-mobility. This collaboration will benefit from TPEM's unparalleled EV usage insights, coupled with the CPOs' innovative charging solutions and entrepreneurial spirit, and create 10,000+ additional charging points in the country by FY25."

HDFC Bank and Indian Dental Association signs a MoU to boost oral healthcare infrastructure

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: HDFC Bank, India's leading private sector bank and Indian Dental Association (IDA) have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to offer seamless and hassle-free funding to freshly graduated dentists for setting up their dental practices. This will help to boost the oral healthcare infrastructure in the country. The loans

hands with IDA and CGTMSE in what we believe can be a transformative collaboration. A nation of our size needs more dentists and easier access to oral healthcare infrastructure. Through this initiative we are helping to bridge the gap by encouraging dental practitioners especially fresh graduates to set up clinics across the country including rural locations." According



extended under this initiative will be guaranteed by Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE), a joint initiative by the Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME), Government of India and Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI). Speaking at the ceremony, Ms. Gayatri Rao Korde – Zonal Head & Senior Vice President, HDFC Bank said, "We are happy to join

to a report by World Health Organisation (WHO), there are two dentists per 10,000 population in India. This partnership was the brainchild of Late Mr. Nilesh Samant, former Zonal Head, HDFC Bank and his efforts were instrumental in bringing the three organisations together on a common platform. This uniquely curated initiative will further aim at enhancing the oral healthcare infrastructure and boosting healthcare finance in the country. This is inline with the National Oral Health Policy of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India.

Gear up for Mind Wars National Spell Bee Competition 2023!

Panipat: Exciting news awaits for spelling enthusiasts among all the middle school students in India with Mind Wars, India's leading edutainment initiative, by Zee Entertainment Enterprises Limited (ZEEL). Mind Wars is all set for its National Spelling Contest, Mind Wars Spell Bee 2023. This exhilarating all India contest is open to students from classes 4 to 9 across India to demonstrate their mettle in English.



experience and exposure throughout the competition, fostering their personal and academic growth. "We are delighted to bring back Mind Wars Spell Bee in a pan India avatar like never before," said Mr. Umesh Kr Bansal, Senior Executive Vice President of Zee Entertainment Enterprises Limited. "Through this competition, we aim to accelerate learning for the English language amongst students and provide them with a platform to showcase their talent. We believe that such initiatives contribute significantly to the overall development of young minds."

The one-of-its-kind Mind Wars Spell Bee 2023 will follow a multi-stage format. The competition will commence with intra-school rounds in participating schools, with students participating in three categories. The winners from each Cluster will then advance to the Grand Finale, which will be showcased on the Mind Wars YouTube channel which has over 72k subscribers. In the Grand Finale, the top three students from each category will be awarded the titles of Winner, First Runner-up, and Second Runner-Up along with cash prizes.[AP1] That's right the winners of Mind Wars Spell Bee 2023, stand to win cash prizes worth Rs.10 lakhs, trophies, certificates, and other valuable rewards. Additionally, participants will gain invaluable

'Siddharth se Buddha - an awakening' staged by DPS Students



CHANDIGARH, Delhi Public School, Sector 40 celebrated its 20th anniversary by staging the theatrical spectacle, 'Siddharth se Buddha - an awakening' on Tuesday. The euphonious saga is an original masterpiece meticulously penned and directed by the school Principal Reema Dewan. The director's vision was translated into an exquisite gossamer of plays, songs and dances displaying the journey of the Enlightened One. VK. Shunglu, Chairman, DPS Chandigarh and Vice Chairman, Delhi Public School Society was the Chief Guest who shared the commitment of DPS Society in expanding its curriculum and giving greater opportunities to children to harness their potential. While addressing the gathering, Principal Reema Dewan emphasized on developing life skills and imparting value based education. The need of the hour is to prepare children for the road rather than preparing the road for them. The Principal deemed it her good fortune to have recreated the odyssey of the 'Enlightened One' into a symphony of theatrical brilliance. It showcased Siddharth's journey beginning from his birth, his sheltered childhood, marriage and later, embarking onto the path of enlightenment as prophesied, shunning all worldly pleasures.

Electric Excavators Light up the Future at Tata Hitachi Pavilion at EXCON 2023

CHANDIGARH: Tata Hitachi, a frontrunner in the construction equipment industry, inaugurated its pavilion at EXCON 2023 (Largest Construction Equipment exhibition in South Asia), under the theme of 'Aao Kartavya Nibhaye, Chalo Desh Banaye.' Leveraging the platform of EXCON, this theme reinforces Tata Hitachi's commitment to fostering a sense of duty and collective responsibility towards nation-building through technologically advanced machines and innovative solutions. This commitment is also embodied in Tata Hitachi's demonstrated obligation towards environmental sustainability. In line with this, Tata Hitachi displayed technologically advanced futuristic electric machines that included the ZAXIS 55U-6EB(Electric Battery) and India's first indigenously developed E-Electric concept mini excavator. Tata Hitachi also launched four new products, along with 2 new attachments at EXCON 2023: Newly Launched Machines: Newly Launched Attachments: 1) EX 210LC PRIME1) Vibro Ripper2) ZAXIS 220LC ULTRA2) Drum Cutter3) EX235 LC-VR 4) ZAXIS 490H ULTRA. Also, on display were ZAXIS 140H ULTRA,

EX130 PRIME, EX70 PRIME with AC cabin; SHINRAI PRO 49HP and SHINRAI POWER-4 four-wheel drive backhoe loaders; the country's only Hydrostatic Wheel Loader TL340H PRIME; 5-Tonne Class Wheel Loader ZW225; and other EX Series and ZAXIS Series range of Hydraulic excavators. Tata



of India's largest customer-facing networks in the excavator segment. In the recent years we have also bolstered our portfolio with Backhoe Loaders and Wheel Loaders to enable us to better service the customer as a one-stop solution provider."

Shiv Nadar University Announces Admissions for Academic Year 2024-25



The Shiv Nadar Institution of Eminence is home to a highly successful Career Development Center (CDC). Last year, graduates from the university were recruited by leading organizations including Google, Microsoft, Goldman Sachs, PwC, UBS, PaloAlto, Silicon Labs, McKinsey, L&T, Airbus, Honda, JK Tyres etc. A large number of Shiv Nadar University graduates pursue higher education in top institutions in India and abroad, some securing direct entry to PhD programs after completing their undergraduate degrees.

VFS Global appointed to deliver UK Government visa and passport services across 142 countries

VFS Global, which has been a trusted partner for the UK Government since 2003, has won the global contract for overseas UK visa and Citizenship services. This award is the latest in a long line of wins for the world's leading visa, passport and citizen services provider. During 2024, VFS Global will deploy 240 Visa and Citizenship Application Service (VCAS) Centres for the UK in 142 countries across Africa & Middle East, Americas, Australasia & Europe, China & Taiwan, and Asia & Asia Pacific regions. These centres will accept all categories of visa applications as well as UK passport applications in some locations. Combined, these new centres are estimated to process 3.8 million applicants every year. Beyond the scale of the deployment, VFS Global will invest to improve the customer journey and increase accessibility - including through new customer websites, and through updated in-person experiences. And VFS Global will deploy its latest technologies to maintain robust identity checks and ensure the integrity of the visa and passport application process. The new contract is expected to deliver savings to the UK Government. Zubin Karkaria, Founder and CEO, VFS Global, said, "We are delighted to win this contract and expand our partnership with the Home Office from being a service provider for all UK visa customers overseas. We are excited to begin operations in new locations, and to take the next step towards providing customers with a seamless, simple and secure visa and passport application experience. This win is a testament to our dedicated efforts to provide all our client governments with best-in-class services."

Integra Essentia Ltd. Bags New Order Worth INR 180 Million

CHANDIGARH: Integra Essentia Limited, a prominent player engaged in business of Life Essentials, has received another new order amounting about -INR 180 Million for supplying Premium Rice, thus taking the consolidated order book to INR 300 Million, which will be completed within the current year. The Company with the existing order book, sourcing and execution of supplies plan, is achieving an overall growth of about 25% during the current fiscal, on Year-on-Year basis. Integra Essentia Limited is springing ahead exceeding the revenue targets set at the beginning of the current fiscal year, recording an exponential growth while exploring various strategic integration / acquisitions to tap into the tremendous business potential embedded in the ever-growing demand of life essentials and a wide variety of life essentials and lifestyle products, producing and marketing a wide range of bulk and specialty materials and services.Integra Essentia Ltd. is a company engaged in business of Life Essentials i.e. Food (Agro Products), Clothing (Textiles and Garments), Infrastructure (Materials and Services for Construction and Infrastructure Development) and Energy (Materials, Products and Services for the Renewable Energy Equipment and Projects) and many more Products and Services required to sustain the modern life.

Using authentic ingredients first step in pursuit of Good Manufacturing Practices

MOHALI - The government has ordered pharma companies and particularly MSMEs to acquire Good Manufacturing Practices or GMP certificate within the next 6 to 12 months. The fact that only 2,000 of the total 10,500 manufacturers have a GMP certificate1 underlines the enormity of the problem that the government is attempting to address. While this drive for obtaining a GMP certificate with an eye on improving manufacturing practices and standards in pharma products is underway, the government must also take a more proactive stance on usage of Pharmacopoeia monographed solvents/ingredient such as IPA, Acetone, MDC & Methanol etc., by Indian drug manufacturers in their preparation of APIs, final formulations and pharma products. Section 16 of the second schedule of The Drugs and Cosmetics Act 1940

mandates maintaining of pharmacopoeia standards in line with the norms laid down by the Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC) and other regulatory authorities in the states. This has a higher risk of further compromise of the safety and the efficacy of the final finished product in Pharma applications. In the end, using of non-pharmacopoeia (non-Pharma labelled) grade solvents not only adversely impacts the quality of the drug putting millions of patients' health and lives at risk but also sullies the reputation and brand value of Indian pharma companies and the wider industry. In fact, on a wider level, it also undermines the brand image of India as a 'pharmacy of the world'. Hence they must use 'Pharma Labelled Grade' and not just 'Pharma passes' grades.

Rithwik's ton consolidates UT boys with 450/7, Bihar struggling at 255/5 on day 2 at VMT

CHANDIGARH, An unbeaten century knock from Rithwik Sood helped UT boys to consolidate their position against Bihar as Chandigarh declared at the mammoth of 450/7 on the second day of the Vijay Merchant Trophy match being played at Pune on Tuesday. Chandigarh while resuming their overnight score from 378/7 and added another 72 runs to declare their inning. Feature of the inning was Rithwik Sood who scored 107 runs off 64 balls with the help of nine boundaries and eight sixes while Kuldeep Yadav added unbeaten 51 runs. Mohit Kumar (4/154) took four wickets. Bihar's start was spoiled by Gaganpreet Singh and Ankan Latka as they destroyed the team's top order - Ganesh Chauhan (7),



Prince Kumar (21) and Kumar Shan (41) with 70/3 on board. Later Latka added more woes to opponents when he trapped LBW Dhananjay Kumar (12) at 93/4. A 71-run partnership between Animesh Raj and skipper Adarsh Sinha recovered the team to 164. Gaganpreet took the third wicket in the form of Animesh (21) and reduced the half side at 164. Sinha once again proved vital as he stitched yet another massive partnership of 91 runs with Lalitheshwar and took the score to 255/5 before the stumps were drawn. Sinha scored 78 while Lalitheshwar added 58 runs. Gaganpreet (3/124) took three wickets while Ankan Latka (2/19) clinched two. Bihar is still trailing by 195 runs.

JLR Digitally Transform Organisation through Partnership with Tata Communications

CHANDIGARH/JALANDHAR/LUDHIANA: JLR is partnering with Tata Communications, the global comtechx (communications technology) player, to future-proof its digital transformation and pave the way for new standards such as Industry 4.0 and advanced analytics. The partnership will power the production of JLR's next-generation vehicles, a key part of its Reimagine strategy, and provide the connectivity foundation for the next phase of digital transformation for the organisation. Tata Communications will deploy its cloud-first, software-defined wide area network (SD-WAN) technology, connecting all JLR's 128 sites worldwide. This advanced global connected capability – between JLR's global HQ and its plants, warehouses, sales centres, data centres and cloud services, will significantly boost supply chain efficiency and security. The transformation will enable JLR to bring in AI-powered and real-time data capturing, monitoring and analysis to improve production line performance. Through predictive risk management controls, the carmaker will be able to identify potential anomalies more effectively – driving greater efficiencies while also helping assure vehicle quality build.

Greenlam Industries launches its exclusive display center in Moga, Punjab



Moga : Greenlam Industries, among the top 3 manufacturers in the world for surfacing solutions, recently inaugurated its first exclusive display center, at the Parlatip play and hardware studio showroom on Aara road, Moga. The display will feature an exclusive range of Greenlam Laminates, making it the biggest display center in Jammu offering such a diverse collection in the laminate segment. Greenlam Industries has been known for creating high-quality surface solutions integrated with elegance. Its legacy of unflinching passion for excellence, along with exceptional artistry and finesse, is clearly visible in its flagship brands' offerings. Its diverse range offers an extensive assortment of textures, colours, and designs for Greenlam's customers. This multi-functional gamut of products is meant to give Greenlam's consumers flexibility while designing their spaces and enhance the creativity of their interiors. Greenlam manufactures each laminate with meticulous attention to detail, ensuring that only superior laminates of international standards, trends, and the highest quality are delivered. From woodgrain patterns to solid surfaces, each decor is designed to perform faultlessly in residential, commercial, and public environments. The laminate sheets also come with several distinct properties such as antibacterial, fire retardant, heat, scratch, and impact resistant while also offering a wide variety of product categories.

Amazon.in unveils Travel Fiesta from 12th – 17th December 2023

CHANDIGARH: Escape the chaos of last-minute travel plans and unlock adventures with Amazon.in's Travel Fiesta, from December 12th to 17th, 2023. Don't let sky-high prices of flight tickets and hotel bookings stress you out! It's finally that time of the year, where you can avail exciting offers on all your last-minute vacation plans. Prepare your bags, chart your itinerary, and set forth on a hassle-free journey. Discover top-rated travel essentials at budget-friendly prices, all with a 4-star and above ranking, delivered within 2 days. Further, enjoy exciting offers and cashback when paying via Amazon Pay. Here are some quick ways to elevate your travel plans and bid farewell to last minute panic with Amazon.in. Fly in Style, Stay with Sassa at affordable prices: Prepping for your last-minute travel plans has never been so convenient, when you can enjoy up to 15% off on flight tickets and up to 40% off on hotel bookings with Amazon Pay. Additionally, get exciting offers on all your train and bus tickets to ensure your last-minute vacation plans are not only convenient but rewarding! Planning a trip to the hills or a getaway to the beaches? Check out the exclusive range of hotels and resorts to optimize your travel itinerary with luxury stays at affordable prices while booking with Amazon Pay. With Travel Fiesta, escape the restrictions of budgets and get the best for your last-minute travel plans.

NEWS AT A GLANCE

Farmer dies due to electrocution from transformer

JAGDEEP SINGH GILL
JAITO: In the past, news has been received that Sukhbir Singh alias Bira Dhilo, a farmer of nearby village Kotsukhia, died due to electrocution from a transformer in his field. According to the information received, in the morning, he climbed the pole to install a fuse on the transformer in the field, during which he got electrocuted due to contact with the nearby wire and died on the spot. Due to this incident, there is an atmosphere of mourning in the village.

Office bearers of Senior Citizen Welfare Association urges SSP to solve their problems

KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA: Former SP Barnala Rupinder Bhardwaj who hails from Sunam City is now actively involved in social work, he is the president of the Senior Citizen Welfare Association Sunam. Issuing a press note, he said that he accompanied the senior citizens of Sunam's association and reached his office to welcome the newly arrived SSP Mr. Sartaj Singh Chahal IPS Sangrur. Mr. Bhardwaj said that the meeting went very well. SSP Sahib told the members of the association that senior citizens will be given full respect in the police station, DSP office and all the offices related to the police, they will be heard on a priority basis and due justice will be given. During the meeting, all the senior citizens thanked SSP Sahib and in his honour, President Rupinder Bhardwaj ji honoured him by giving a bouquet from the entire association.

ADC holds meeting with officials of Health Department for prevention of swine flu

JAGDEEP SINGH GILL
JAITO: Health Minister Punjab Dr. Under the direction of Balbir Singh, Additional Deputy Commissioner Narbinder Singh Grewal held an important meeting with the officials of the health department to discuss the overall arrangements to be made for the prevention of swine flu. Talking to the doctors and officials of the Health Department on this occasion, the Additional Deputy Commissioner said that the report of suspected and confirmed cases of all government and private hospitals of the district by the Health Department, Faridkot, should be handed over to his office. Addressing the residents of the district, he said that there is no need to panic about this disease. If anyone has shortness of breath, cough, sore throat, high fever, headache, chills, and fatigue in the body, they should immediately seek medical advice. He said that if these symptoms appear, the nearest health center can be contacted and this test (swine flu) is done absolutely free. He said that in this regard, there are adequate arrangements for medicines and necessary items for samples.

GM reviews performance of Northern Railway, emphasis on better crew management

NEW DELHI: Shobhan Chaudhuri, General Manager Northern Railway held a review meeting with the departmental heads and DRMs of Northern Railway. Deliberations were held on keeping focus on passenger amenities at stations like extension of platforms, increase of level of platforms, washable aprons, provision of 2nd entry, foot over bridges, Escalators, lifts facilities for Divyangjians, improvement of station building including façade etc. He also reviews the progress of mobility enhancement, developmental infrastructure works, Freight loading and safety on tracks. ShriChaudhuri emphasized on better crew management and utilization of man power.He instructed to maintained good record of punctuality of trains and expedites the works related with mobility enhancement and conducting drives to check the progress. He reviewed the work done over the zone in improving the maintenance standard of track, welds and removal of scrap lying near the tracks. The GM also took stock of the tree cutting activity and removal of vegetation alongside the tracks. Heemphasized upon minimizing the human failure in train operation, extensive monitoring of rail fractures and rail welds and said no error should be left. He asked the officers should enhance their inspection to assess the progress of works as well as train operations. He also informed that, loading of food grains & other items have steadily increased with every passing month.

Vij orders investigation into alleged mistaken release on bail by jail administration



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
CHANDIGARH, DEC 12

The family has appealed to Haryana Home and Health Minister Anil Vij, alleging that instead of releasing one person on bail, the Ambala Jail Administration of Haryana has released another person and registered a fake case against the person. In this regard, the Home Minister directed DG Jail to investigate the entire matter and take strict action against the officials.Sh. Vij was at his residence on Tuesday morning listening to the problems of people of the state. The woman and her family members, residents of



village Balana in Ambala district, alleged the Ambala jail administration and said that their son was in Ambala Central Jail in connection of quarrel case. He was granted bail recently, when the family members reached the jail to take their son, the jail administration told them that their son had already been released on bail and had gone home. They kept searching for their son the whole night, but there was no sign of him anywhere. After this they

again went to Central Jail, but no clear information was given to them by the jail administration. About a week later, they came to know that their son was being produced in the court again. When they went to the court, their son told that earlier he had got bail, but the jail administration released another person in jail in his place and now to hide this, the jail administration arrested him by implicating him in a fake case. The family raised the demand of

SC needs to reconsider about Article 370 of J&K

VERMA
GURDASPUR: CPIML Liberation has termed, the decision to dispose of the appeals pending in the Supreme Court against the abrogation of Article 370 of Jammu and Kashmir by the Modi government, as unfortunate. Talking to the press in this regard, the State Secretary of Liberation, Comrade Gurmeet Singh Bakhatpura, said that Kashmir was an independent state and Maharaja Hari Singh of an independent state had annexed it with the Indian government in 1948 under political conditions, according to which a separate constitution of Jammu and Kashmir would be created. It would've their own Prime Minister (Vazire Azam) and (Sadre State) President, but the Nehru government after flouting these conditions, arrested Sheikh Abdullah, the beloved leader of Kashmiris, and kept him in jail for 14 years and finally made Jammu and Kashmir constitutional under Article 370. Special status was given to which on August 7, 2019, the Modi government ended its second term and took away the provincial status of Jammu and Kashmir and divided Jammu Kashmir into two parts and turned it into a centrally administered state.



Darshan Lal Kamboj gives Rs 22,000 for education of four girl students whose fathers died



PARI BAJAJ
KARNAL: To help the families of Palak, Janvi, Mishri and Khushboo, who were studying in Nanhera School, after the death of their father, Kheda resident retired post master Darshan Lal Kamboj reached in the morning meeting and presented an amount of Rs 22000 to the children. Addressing the children, Darshan Lal Kamboj said that without education there was only darkness in a person's life. He said that the paths of progress of an uneducated person became limited. While motivating all the children present in the meeting to study diligently, he said that wandering here and there in the streets without any reason also distracted the attention, which led to loss of concentration. He said that he would continue to help all those children who were good in studies and whose education got interrupted due to poverty. Retired teacher Dharamraj Gandhi, while expressing his gratitude to Darshan Lal Kamboj for helping the children financially, said that Darshan Lal Kamboj was a very hardworking and social serving person. He said that he played a leading role in the construction of Shaheed Udham Singh College.

Jan Kalyan Samiti provides lenses to nine persons under Netra Jyoti Abhiyan

RK KASHYAP
CHHACHHRAULI, DEC 12

Jan Kalyan Samiti Pratap Nagar, under its project Netra Jyoti Abhiyan, sent its ambulance to Yamunanagar to provide free lenses to the nine needy people on Tuesday. The Committee head Rajesh Kashyap said that till now the committee has got operations conducted for more than 5091 needy people and in the same series on Tuesday Surendra Kumar from Hussainpur, Balbiro from Tihmo, Chandra Kala from Kumhar Mandi, Prakash Devi from Marhati, Jai Prakash from Pratapnagar were provided with lenses. Lenses would be inserted in the eyes of Krishna Devi from Rampur Khadar, Kanwar Singh from Pratapnagar and Prakash Devi from Khijri. This project of the organization was run by Sargun Bhatnagar and Mani Singla under the patronage of famous social worker Ashwani Singla. Every month, the organization conducted eye operations



for needy people under Netra Jyoti Abhiyan. Social worker Dr. Rohit Saini was present as the chief guest on this occasion. Dr. Rohit Saini sent off the needy people by giving them approval letters for getting lenses inserted in their eyes. On the occasion, organization head Rajesh Kashyap, vice chairman Pawan Gupta, manager Madhukar Chauhan, cashier Pradeep Garg, general secretary Sanjeev Chanalasia, vice president Sushil Chaudhary, secretary Gagan Grover, secretary Manoj Singla, media in-charge Aman Bindra, secretary Aslam Khan, joint secretary Varun Gupta were present.

Players of Pb are doing excellent performance at 'Khelo India Para Games-2023 Delhi'

JAGDEEP SINGH GILL
JAITO: In the National Championship 'Khelo India Para Games-2023' being organized for the first time in Delhi from 10-12-23 to 17-12-23 by the Sports Department of the Central Government of India, various teams from Punjab 42 players from 7 different sports have arrived. A total of 1400 players from 32 states and Union Territories of India have arrived to participate in this National Championship. Punjab team's nodal officer Jaspreet Singh Dhalwail and manager Pramod Dhir informed the press that till now 9 players of Punjab have won medals. In which Manpreet Kaur won gold in Para Powerlifting 41 kg category, Jaspreet Kaur won gold in 45 kg category, Paramjit Kumar won gold in 49 kg category, Sanjeev Kumar won gold in Para Badminton MS WH-2 category, Raj Kumar MS SU-5. won bronze medal, Shabana WS WH-2 category won bronze medal, Para athletics Vivek Sharma T-42 category won silver medal in 100m, Gurveer Singh T-11 category won bronze medal in 100m and Parveen Kumar T- 36 category won bronze medal in 400 meter race.



Naib Saini meets Rajnath during Parliament session

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
CHANDIGARH: After being appointed Haryana BJP State President, Nayab Singh Saini's continuously meeting with the top leadership. He also met the defense minister, Rajnath Singh during Parliament session on Tuesday and sought his guidance. The State President invited defense minister to come to the International Geeta Mahotsav organized in Kurukshetra and talked on various topics. After meeting Prime Minister Narendra Modi on December 7, Union Home Minister Amit Shah on December 9, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla on December 11, Naib Saini went to meet Union Defense Minister Rajnath Singh during the Lok Sabha session on Tuesday. Saini presented a flower bunch to the Defense Minister and received his blessings. In the meeting between the two leaders which lasted for more than 20 minutes, many issues related to politics were discussed. After the meeting, Mr Saini said that he has also requested the Defense Minister to come to the International Gita Mahotsav in Kurukshetra.



Haryana continuously moves on path of development under the leadership of CM: Subhash Chandra



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, DEC 12

State Vice Chairman of Swachh Bharat Mission, Subhash Chandra has been bringing people closer to the through public talks over tea and knowing their expectations and was engaged in strengthening the party at the grassroots level by enumerating the achievements of the BJP government. Mr Subhash Chandra, while giving a public interaction over tea in village Raipur Rodan and Manchuri, said that Bharatiya Janata Party was the only party which worked for the health, education, development as well as interests of the people of the country and the state. Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal was developing the entire state without discrimination,

following the basic mantra of Haryana One-Haryanvi One. Under the leadership of Chief Minister Manohar Lal, the vision of Haryana development was continuously moving forward. Due to development works, Haryana was now being counted among the developed states. Subhash Chandra said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi came to power in 2014 with the promise of good days and gave the slogan of self-reliance in 2020. Narendra Modi was being considered a strong and popular leader. Such an image has been created that he did not hesitate in taking tough decisions and also tried to create new trends. With this, the responsibility and stature of Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal was continuously increasing.

Drone training and demonstration program organized in village Anjanthali



introduced farmers to the latest advancements in agricultural technology. The program also demonstrated to the farmers the drone's ability to spray crops with precision and accuracy. Equipped with targeted spraying systems, drones can apply fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides only where necessary. He said that spraying with drones can reduce environmental impact and

optimize resource use. On the occasion, farmers asked drone expert Dr. Yuvraj many questions about spraying with drones, how they can benefit from drones, what was the percentage of medicines being sprayed evenly on crops. Drone expert Dr. Yuvraj answered the questions of the farmers in detail and also demonstrated through a demonstration how spraying was done with a drone.

If Mehbooba Mufti wants to oppose SC's decision on Article 370, then go to Pakistan: Shandilya

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
AMBALA: Viresh Shandilya, international head of Vishwa Hindu Takht and national president of Anti Terrorist Front, took the Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti to task and said that if the Supreme Court's decision on Article 370 has to be opposed by PDP chief Mehbooba Mufti then she should go to Pakistan. She went there and lived and did her politics there. He was talking to journalists at his residence on Tuesday. He said that Mehbooba Mufti had already spewed venom against the Indian tricolor and Mehbooba had warned that if any change was made in the privileges given to the people of Jammu and Kashmir then there would be no one to hold the tricolor in the state, on which even at that time Anti Terrorist Front India had given a befitting reply to Mehbooba Mufti. Shandilya, said that from her statements and thinking it seemed that Mehbooba Mufti has the DNA of ISI inside her. That's why she kept spewing venom against the Modi government's decision of Article 370 and now when on Monday the constitutional bench of the Supreme Court justified the Modi government's decision to remove Article 370. But Mehbooba, who loved Pakistan saying that the Supreme Court's decision was like a death sentence. This statement of former Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Mehbooba was anti-national. He said that this was the same Mehbooba Mufti whose sister Rubia Sayyad Mufti was kidnapped and five top terrorists were released in 1989, whereas the Sayyad family did not sacrifice their sister Rubia for the unity and integrity of the nation.



Cleanliness campaign will continue until December 25: Ajit Kumar



DARSHAN SHARMA
NEELOKHERI: Following the government's orders, the Neelokheri Municipality under the guidance of Secretary Ajit Kumar has launched a cleanliness campaign for toilet sanitation under the Swachh Bharat Mission. This campaign commenced on November 19, 2023, and will run until December 25, 2023. The public toilets and community toilets in Neelokheri city will be cleaned. Although the municipality staff clean all the toilets daily, this campaign has been initiated by the government. Motivational speaker Naresh Kumar appealed to the people to assist the municipality in making Neelokheri a clean and beautiful city. He urged everyone not to let garbage accumulate in the vicinity and requested that dry and wet waste be segregated before disposal in the municipal garbage collection vehicles. Naresh Kumar stated that despite the municipality providing two blue and green dustbins in every ward of Neelokheri city, some people do not segregate waste.

Cow Welfare Camp organized by Animal Husbandry Department, Barnala at Sri Krishna Gaushala



KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA: Thanks to the efforts of Punjab Cow Seva Commission Sri Krishna Gowshala, village Thuliwal and as per instructions of Punjab Govt., a cow welfare camp was organized under the leadership of Dr. Lakhbir Singh, Deputy Director, Animal Husbandry Department, Barnala as per the direction of Hon'ble Deputy Commissioner Barnala Mrs. Poonamdeep Kaur. On this occasion, Dr Lakhbir Singh, Deputy Director, Department of Animal Husbandry, Barnala, gave information and said that in the camp, the animal husbandry department gave free medicines and tonic worth Rs.25000/- to Mr Krishna Gaushala, village Thuliwal and also checked up and treated the sick animals. Addressing the committee members present in the cowshed camp and the elders of the village, they appealed for the improvement of the breed of cows kept in the cowshed. During the camp, Dr. Jatinderpal Singh, Senior Veterinary Officer Barnala gave information about the maintenance of cow's milk and the modified use of straw.

SHORT TALKS

21st Apex Council Meeting of BCCI will be held on December 18

New delhi: The 21st Apex Council Meeting of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) will be held on December 18. However, BCCI still hasn't announced the venue and time of the meeting. According to a release from BCCI, the Agenda of the meeting are: Confirmation of Minutes of the 20th Apex Council Meeting, Discussion on Sponsorship for BCCI Matches, Update on the appointment of a Service Provider for Video Equipment to cover domestic matches, and To consider any other business which the Chairperson may consider necessary to be included in the agenda. India recently hosted the ODI World Cup 2023 which saw plenty of records being broken. However, it also recorded a total of 1,250,307 spectators who watched the 48 games at the grounds in India, surpassing the previous record of the 2015 World Cup in Australia and New Zealand of 1,016,420 spectators. The 'Men in Blue' displayed a stellar performance in the recently concluded prestigious tournament and maintained a 10-match winning streak. However, they failed to clinch a win in the final game against Australia. The previous Apex Council meeting of BCCI was held on July 7 in Mumbai. In which the apex body of Indian cricket discussed about many topics including the concept of the Impact Player in the Syed Mushtaq Ali.

"Plan is to win the game": Real Madrid manager Carlo Ancelotti ahead of Union Berlin match

Berlin: Ahead of Real Madrid's upcoming match against Union Berlin in the UEFA Champions League (UCL) on Wednesday at Olympiastadion Berlin, the Los Blancos manager Carlo Ancelotti said that they have achieved their target of finishing at the top of the group standings and now they want to finish strongly. Speaking at the pre-match press conference, Ancelotti said that the 14-time UCL winners have done a great job in the league. He added that they want to finish the group stage on a positive note. "We have achieved our aim of finishing top of the group. We've done a good job so far and now we want to finish strongly with a good game, and a positive performance. It's a special competition and we have to respect it with a good game. We're playing for our professionalism and our plan is to play well and try to win the game," Ancelotti said as quoted by Real Madrid's official website. The Italian coach was optimistic and said that they have quality players in their squad to fight even though it will be a tough fight against the Berlin-based side. "Given its history, Real Madrid is always a candidate to win this competition, whatever happens in the Group Stage. We've done really well, it's always tough to win it but we have the quality to fight until the end," he added.

Former India cricketer names Australia star who could take away "million dollars"

New Delhi : Former India cricketer and commentator Aakash Chopra has backed Australian pacer Mitchell Starc as the most expensive buy in the upcoming Indian Premier League 2024 auction. Starc has stated his intention to appear in the IPL 2024, a tournament that will play a major role in preparation for the T20 World Cup. Hosting JioCinema's daily sports show #AAKASHVANI, Aakash Chopra discussed the possibility of Mitchell Starc being the most expensive pick at the IPL Auction on December 19. "Mitchell Starc would take away a million dollars. Almost everyone who plays in Australia has registered for the IPL auctions. But the most popular of them is undoubtedly Starc. He is a gun bowler with the new ball, picks up early wickets and bowls yorkers as well. Starc is also a good death bowler and has impressive IPL numbers as well. He did well playing for the Royal Challengers Bangalore in the past. However, since then, the number of times he has backed out of playing in the league is definitely a concerning factor," Chopra said. He further went on to point out that if the left-arm pacer decided to opt out at the last moment or midway through the season, it could leave the franchise in a tough spot.

"Rohit's opportunity to make up for WC final loss": Gavaskar on India's tour to SA

AGENCY

NEW DELHI: Former India cricketer Sunil Gavaskar said that India's ongoing tour to South Africa will give Rohit Sharma a chance to make up for the ODI World Cup 2023 final loss.

Speaking on Star Sports, Gavaskar praised senior players like Rohit and Virat and said that they have been in their best form for the last 6-8 months.

Talking about the two-match Test series against South Africa, Gavaskar said that the India skipper will play a pivotal role in the long-format games against the Proteas.

"Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli have really been at the peak of their powers in the last 6-8 months. Rohit is going to be key for India in the Test series. Rohit will have a big role to play to set up the batters coming after him at three, four and five. Whatever happens, this is Rohit Sharma's opportunity to make up for the World Cup final loss," Gavaskar said.

The all-format tour of South Africa started on December 10 with a three-match T20I series which will go on till December



14. From December 17, the ODI leg of the series will start which will conclude on December 21. The first Test match will be played on December 26 at Centurion and the second game will take place on January 3 at Cape Town.

India's squad for Tests: Rohit Sharma (C), Shubman Gill, Yashasvi Jaiswal, Virat Kohli, Shreyas Iyer, Ruturaj Gaikwad, Ishan Kishan (wk), KL Rahul (Wk), Ravichandran

Ashwin, Ravindra Jadeja, Shardul Thakur, Mohd. Siraj, Mukesh Kumar, Mohd. Shami*, Jasprit Bumrah (VC), Prasidh Krishna.

India's squad for 3 T20Is: Yashasvi Jaiswal, Shubman Gill, Ruturaj Gaikwad, Tilak Varma, Suryakumar Yadav (C), Rinku Singh, Shreyas Iyer, Ishan Kishan (Wk), Jitesh Sharma (Wk), Ravindra Jadeja (VC), Washington Sundar, Ravi Bishnoi, Kuldeep Yadav,

Arshdeep Singh, Mohd. Siraj, Mukesh Kumar, Deepak Chahar.

India's squad for 3 ODIs: Ruturaj Gaikwad, Sai Sudharsan, Tilak Varma, Rajat Patidar, Rinku Singh, Shreyas Iyer, KL Rahul (C) (Wk), Sanju Samson (Wk), Axar Patel, Washington Sundar, Kuldeep Yadav, Yuzvendra Chahal, Mukesh Kumar, Avesh Khan, Arshdeep Singh, Deepak Chahar.

Rishabh Pant likely to lead Delhi Capitals in IPL next year



New delhi: India wicketkeeper-batter Rishabh Pant is all set to lead the Delhi Capitals (DC) in the upcoming Indian Premier League (IPL).

The Delhi-based franchise expects the 26-year-old to be fully fit before the start of the 17th season of the cash-rich domestic T20 league, according to ESPNcricinfo.

At the recent camp of the Delhi Capitals in Kolkata before the next edition of the event, Pant went through the paces under the watchful eyes of the coaching staff comprising Ricky Ponting, Sourav Ganguly, and Pravin Amre.

According to ESPNcricinfo, the wicketkeeper-batter joined the camp to discuss 'the retention and release of players' ahead of the upcoming IPL 2024 auction on December 19 in Dubai. Pant made his IPL debut in 2016 following which he appeared in 98 matches for the franchises and scored 2838 runs with a strike rate of 147.97. Pant has been out of

competitive cricket for several months now and is recovering from critical injuries sustained in a car accident.

The Indian wicketkeeper-batter has demonstrated exemplary tenacity and determination in his recuperation. His followers have been following his progress to full fitness and he has also been keeping updated through social media platforms.

Pant survived a horrific car accident on the Delhi-Dehradun highway but sustained critical injuries.

After receiving initial treatment in Dehradun, he was airlifted to Mumbai for better and more specialised treatment.

Pant missed out on the last edition of the Indian Premier League (IPL) 2023, the World Test Championship (WTC) final, and the ODI World Cup 2023.

However, it is hoped that he will return to full fitness soon and may even feature in India's squad for the ICC T20 World Cup next year.

New Zealand women's team emerge victorious in 1st ODI against Pakistan

QUEENSTOWN : Injuries to two experienced players hindered the Pakistan women's team as New Zealand emerged victorious by 131 runs on Tuesday in the first ODI.

Key speedster Diana Baig was ruled out of the match due to a finger injury during a practice session before the opening ODI clash. Pakistan's woes intensified during the match after skipper Nida Dar was ruled out for the remainder of the clash when she was struck in the face while bowling.

The loss of the star duo played a major role as Pakistan were reduced to a score of 234 while chasing 366.

Suzie Bates left the spectators



mesmerized as she scored 108 from 104 balls and also received plenty of support from middle-order batter Bernadine Bezuidenhout (86), Amelia Kerr (83) and Sophie Devine (70 from 36 balls). With their combined efforts from the bat, the

hosts registered their second-biggest total with 365/4 in a women's ODI in New Zealand.

In reply, Sidra Ameen matched Bates's performance and scored a flawless 105 in 116 deliveries. Unlike the white ferns, Pakistan's middle-order batter failed to provide the much-needed support to the right-handed batter.

The middle-order collapse was orchestrated by skipper Amelia Kerr scalped three and Lea Tahuu who claimed two to take the Kiwis closer to victory.

Jess Kerr, Fran Jonas, Hannah Rowe and Sophie Devine claimed one each to end Pakistan's innings on 234 with a ball to spare.

"There's still room for a few more...": Cristiano Ronaldo after scoring 50 goals in 2023



RIYADH: Portuguese footballing superstar Cristiano Ronaldo continued his remarkable goal-scoring record and reached the milestone of 50 goals in 2023 during Al Nassr's King's Cup match against Al Shabab on Monday. During the quarter-final match in the King's Cup, the five-time Ballon d'Or winner got the back of the net in the 74th minute of the game to help his side in their 5-2 victory over Al Shabab. The 38-year-old placed a right-footed shot from the centre of the box to the right

bottom corner to achieve the milestone. However, on Monday it was an easy win for the Riyadh-based club as they did not face trouble in the game. Following his milestone, CR7 took to his official Instagram

account and thanked his fans, teammates and family members for their unconditional support. While being optimistic, the Portuguese superstar said that there are more goals to come in this year. "Great victory and I'm thrilled to announce my 50th goal in 2023.



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"His experience will...": Smriti Mandhana hails head coach Amol Muzumdar ahead of Test outing against England

NEW DELHI : India's vice-captain, Smriti Mandhana, is ecstatic to play red-ball cricket in front of home fans and stated the importance of having Amol Muzumdar as head coach of the team. India will face the England women's team in a four-day Test that will kick off on Wednesday. Ahead of the game, Smriti expressed her excitement to don the white jersey, hailed the experience of Amol and said that the team would benefit a lot from it.

"We played our last test in India against South Africa in 2014 and a lot has changed since then. Pay



equality was implemented. Spectators are coming to watch matches on the ground


so we are all excited to play the Test again in our home. Representing India in whites

is a different feeling altogether," said Smriti in the pre-match press conference. "As an opening batter, my game plan is to see the ball better.

We have an experienced coach, Amol (Muzumdar) Sir, who has played a lot of first-class matches. His experience will help us a lot," Smriti added. India will have to tune their game and add some touches to it as they will engage in a test affair straight after playing white-ball cricket. The requirements and approach in Test are quite different

from those in the wite-ball format. But the southpaw indicated that she won't stress much about the type of shots that she chooses to play throughout the four-day game. "Most of my Test matches have occurred either just after a white ball tournament or between two white ball tournaments so I don't think a lot about what shots I should play. We will see the ball swing for 2 days and how it goes and we will play accordingly.

I don't stress too much about how I should play the ball," Smriti said. The four-day sole Test between India and England will be played at DY Patil Stadium.



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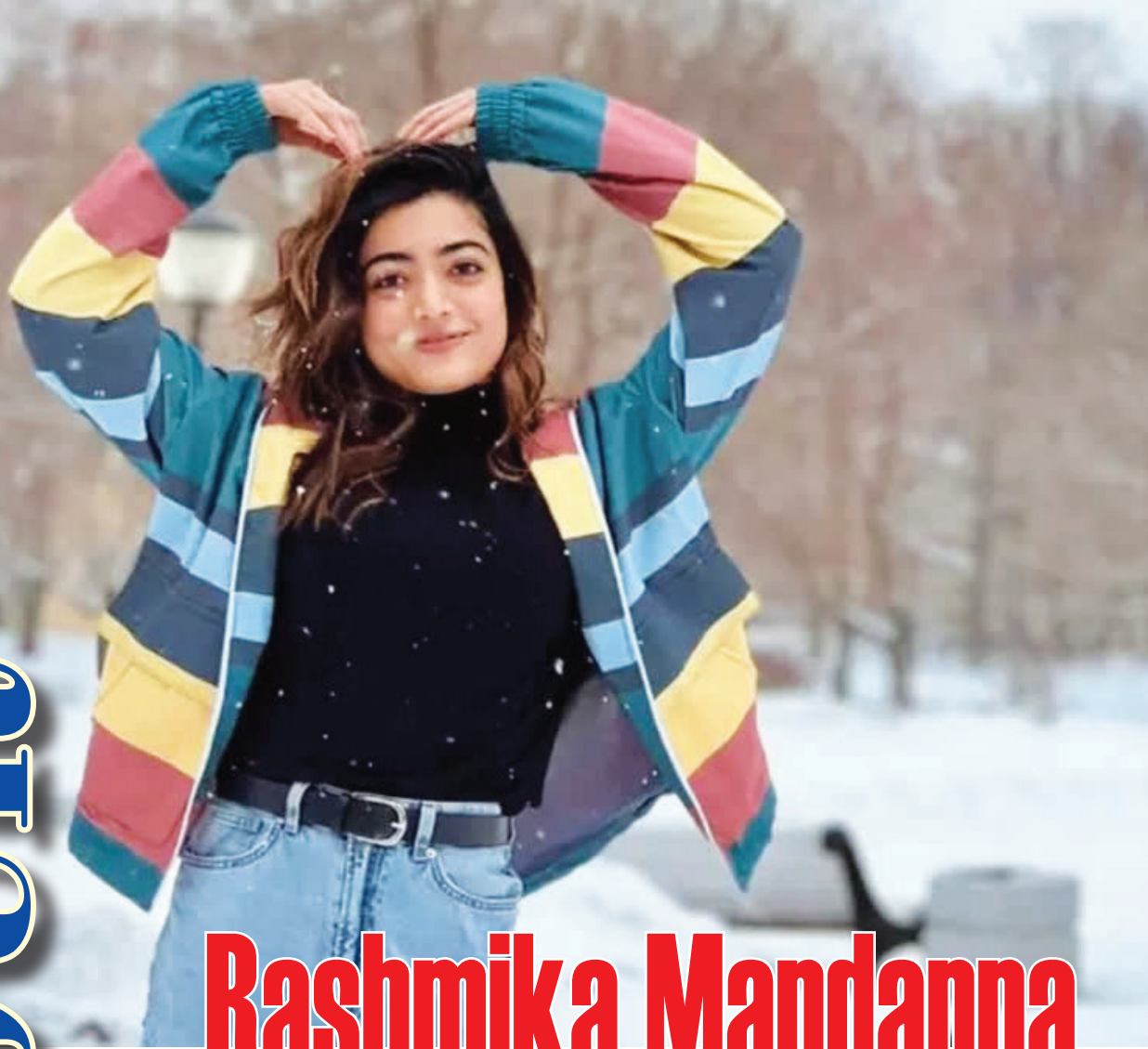
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GLAMOUR



Rashmika Mandanna misses Kashmir, ‘Animal’ shooting days

Actor Rashmika Mandanna, who is basking in the success of ‘Animal’ on Monday shared that she is missing shooting days in Kashmir. Taking to Instagram, Rashmika treated fans with a video of herself enjoying in snow and she added a song ‘Kashmir’ from ‘Animal’. In the video, she can be seen dressed in a multi-coloured jumper that she paired with blue jeans and boots.

“Kashmir” is sung by Manan Bhardwaj and Shreya Ghoshal and the music of the song is composed by Manan Bhardwaj. Lyrics of the song penned by Manan Bhardwaj.

Sharing the video, she wrote, “Kashmir As in this is not Kashmir but I just love the song.. and there was snow in this video and I thought perfect video for a perfect song.. but umm.. well you get the point. [?]”

Helmed by Sandeep Reddy Vanga, the film also stars Ranbir Kapoor, Bobby Deol and Anil Kapoor in the lead roles.

Rashmika recently talked about her character and expressed gratitude to her fans for giving so much love to the movie.

She took to her Instagram handle and shared some behind-the-scenes pictures from her film and wrote

about her character, “Gitanjali..If I were to describe her in a sentence ...it would be the only force at home holding her family together. She is pure, real, unfiltered, strong and raw.. At times as an actor, I would question some of Gitanjali’s actions.. And I remember my director telling me - this was their story..Ranvijay’s & Gitanjali’s.. it was their love and passion, their families and their lives - this is who they are..”

Rashmika added, “In a world full of all violence, hurt and unbearable pain - Gitanjali would bring peace trust and calm.. She would pray to her Gods to keep her husband and her kids safe.. She was the rock that weathered all the storms..She would do anything in her power for the sake of her family.”

She further elaborated on how her character in the film relates to the women of today who are strong and independent.

“Gitanjali is absolutely beautiful in my eyes, and in some ways she is like most women who are standing strong and protecting their families day in and day out..”

Expressing her gratitude, she concluded with, “Happy one week to us #Animal team Guys. Thank you all for all the love.. it’s what keeps me going and makes me work harder with every film...Big hugs to you all too”

Sanya Malhotra gets teary-eyed on her sister Shagun’s wedding

Actor Sanya Malhotra on Monday shared precious and emotional moments from her sister Shagun’s wedding. Taking to Instagram, Sanya treated fans with a new glimpse of her sister’s wedding. <https://www.instagram.com/p/C0tXhN7RCuQ/?> In the pictures, Sanya can be seen getting emotional at wedding. Along with the pictures, she wrote, “Dulhan ki emotional sister @shagunn23 I love you too much “ Sanya’s elder sister Shagun tied the knot with producer Achin Jain on Saturday. Achin Jain is the co-producer of the Oscar-winning documentary ‘The Elephant Whisperers’. Sharing a heartwarming picture of the newlyweds, Sanya took to Instagram and wrote, “Love and only love, didi and Jija ji.” Sanya stole the limelight by showcasing her dancing skills at wedding festivities. One of the videos of her dance went viral on social media. She grooved at the saangeet ceremony to the beats of Shah Rukh Khan and Priyankar’s iconic track “1 2 3 4 Get On The Dance Floor” from his 2013 film Chennai Express. Meanwhile, on the work front, Sanya was recently seen in Sam Bahadur. The film is based on the life of India’s First Field Marshall and military might, Sam Manekshaw. Helmed by Meghna Gulzar the film also stars Vicky Kaushal and Fatima Sana Shaikh in the lead roles. ‘ Sam Bahadur’ was released worldwide on December 1. Sanya is all set to come up with her next film ‘Mrs’. Recently, the makers unveiled the teaser.



The majestic mountain getaways!

CHANDIGARH : Several people are drawn to mountains for their serene beauty, the adventure they offer, peacefulness in their surroundings, outdoor activities such as hiking and skiing and the feeling of being closer to nature. Mountains are like ancient guardians, stunning and impressive, showing how nature can simultaneously be attractive and strong. This International Mountain Day, &TV artists share their appreciation of these amazing natural wonders, sharing a deep connection with them and a memory of their favourite mountain holidays. These include Ashutosh Kulkarni (Krishna Bihari Vajpayee, Atal), Himani Shivpuri (Katori Amma, Happu Ki Ultan Paltan), and Rohitashv Gour (Manmohan Tiwari, Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai. Ashutosh Kulkarni, essaying Krishna Bihari Vajpayee in &TV’s show Atal, shares, “When I was in school, my friends and I loved cycling around the mountains in Pune. It was so much fun. But as we grew up, life got busy, and we switched to riding bikes and cars. During the lockdown, I brought back those good times and bought a nice bike. It was one of my best decisions. On my bike, I explored the Shivaji Maharaj forts and discovered so much – different roads, ancient temples, and beautiful places I never noticed while driving. I used Google Maps to find lakes and natural spots, leading me to many interesting places. After many solo trips and hikes in Pune’s mountains, I found the perfect spot to sit and relax. It’s like a complete refreshment for me.”



Himani Shivpuri, the Katori Amma in Happu Ki Ultan Paltan, shares, “Mountains are like a hidden treasure. My hometown, Dehradun, nestled in the hills of Uttarakhand, feels like a piece of heaven. Its snow-capped peaks, soothing river sounds, and delicious food make it a paradise for nature enthusiasts. Dehradun is a gateway to many stunning hill towns in Uttarakhand, making it a travel hub. In my childhood, I spent most of my time trekking with my cousins and friends, discovering the calm beauty and breathing in the fresh mountain air. Our picnics atop the hills are some of my best memories. While exploring the mountains, we sang local ‘Paha-



di’ songs like ‘Bedu Pako Baro Masa’ in our Kumaoni or Garhwali language. I miss those natural vibes in the city, so whenever possible, I pack my bags and head back home to rejuvenate.” Rohitashv Gour, aka Manmohan Tiwari from Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai, shares, “I come from Shimla, known as the ‘Queen of Hills’, a place blessed with nature’s wonders – stunning Himalayan views, lush greenery, serene lakes, and delightful weather. As a ‘Pahadi’, I feel deeply connected to the mountains; trekking feels like second nature to us. Whenever I sought creative inspiration, I’d venture into the mountains, finding the pure air brought out the best in me. During summer vacations, my friends and I would explore river valleys, trying our luck at fishing. I cherish watching the crystal-clear water flowing from the melting ice of the Himalayas. Even if I have just a few days off during summers, I always make it a point to visit Shimla and soak in its mesmerising natural beauty.”

Kulwinder Billa Continues to Embrace Punjabiya in His Latest Song Release “Mere Naal Naal Rehnda A Punjab”

CHANDIGARH: Renowned Punjabi artist Kulwinder Billa continues his fervent dedication to propagating the rich cultural heritage of Punjab through his soulful melodies. With a profound commitment to showcasing Punjabiya in every note, Kulwinder Billa is set to release his highly anticipated EP, stirring anticipation among fans worldwide.

Recognized for his iconic attire adorned with the traditional kurta Chadra, His musical journey has been a celebration of Punjab’s diverse culture. His latest anthem, “Mere Naal Naal Rehnda A Punjab,” stands as a testament to his unwavering dedication to the essence of Punjab. Kulwinder Billa’s latest song eloquently captures the evolution of Punjab, showcasing the myriad differences that have emerged from its traditional roots to the vibrant tapestry of modern Punjab.

Having previously serenaded audiences with resonating tunes like “Mera Des Howe Punjab,” Billa’s music embodies the ethos and spirit of the Punjabi heritage, resonating deeply with listeners globally. Prepare to immerse yourself in the quintessential sounds of Punjab.



Dilan De Rishte spoiler alert: Will Prabh burn herself?

CHANDIGARH: In the show “Dilan De Rishte,” Shammi, Mani and Gurman are happy to see Keerat and Sartaj together. Today, Prabh came up with another plan to stop the meeting of Prabh and Keerat.

Today, we’ll witness that there is a happy environment between Shammi, Mani and Gurman but no one knows that prabh is making a new plan against Sartaj and Keerat to stop them from meeting. The show will witness something shocking today as Prabh tries to burn herself by pouring kerosene oil on herself. Everyone is shocked and tries to stop her.

What will be everyone’s reaction to this drama of Prabh? What happens next with Prabh will be shocking to watch, so don’t miss today’s episode of Dilan De Rishte at 7:30 PM only on Zee Punjabi.



Avinash’s scheme threatens to shatter Pashminna and Raghav’s love story ‘Pashminna - Dhaage Mohobbat Ke’

CHANDIGARH : Sony SAB’s ‘Pashminna - Dhaage Mohobbat Ke’ narrates the heartwarming love story of Pashminna (Isha Sharma) and Raghav (Nishant Malkani) unfolding in the beautiful landscape of Kashmir. In recent episodes, the viewers saw Pashminna and Raghav get stuck in a life-threatening landslide. In this dire situation, Pashminna’s rare blood type poses a challenge, testing the limits of survival and potentially deepening the connection between her and Raghav.

In an exciting twist of fate, the estranged couple Avinash (Hiten Tejwani) and Preeti (Gauri Pradhan) cross paths this week. Pashminna’s life hangs in the balance, dependent on Avinash’s blood donation as he shares the same blood group as Pashminna. The revelation of their connection lingers, but he hesitates to unveil his identity as her father. Meanwhile, he orchestrates miscommunication and pushes Raghav and Pashminna apart. Will they abandon their love and embark on separate paths, or will fate intervene, guiding them back to each other?

Isha Sharma, who essays the role of Pashminna, said, “Pashminna and Raghav’s journey is at a crossroads, and this week will be a heart-thumping roller coaster for the viewers. As an artist, I’m thrilled to bring these intense moments to life and share in anticipation of what fate holds for our characters. Shooting the landslide episode was challenging, but the scenes translated well on screen. It would be interesting for the fans to see how Pashminna’s life will take a turn after her father comes into the picture.”

Hiten Tejwani, who essays the role of Avinash, said, “Avinash has a past attached to Kashmir and he has left everything behind and moved to Mumbai. Now he refuses to give his blood to Pashminna as he doesn’t want any more connections with Kashmir. As an actor, delving into Avinash’s psyche has been both intriguing and emotionally charged and I am excited to be back. I believe viewers will be on the edge of their seats, eagerly anticipating the unfolding of this dramatic saga.”

Tune in to watch Pashminna - Dhaage Mohobbat Ke every Monday to Saturday at 7:30 PM & 10:30 PM only on Sony SAB.



Trouble Brewing: Bapodara Sparks Turmoil Between Chirag and Pannu in Sony SAB’s ‘Pushpa Impossible’

CHANDIGARH : Sony SAB’s ‘Pushpa Impossible’ follows Pushpa (Karuna Pandey), a woman of substance who confronts life’s challenges with deep optimism and a solution-oriented approach. In the last few episodes, the viewers saw tensions rising between Pushpa’s two sons, Chirag (Darshan Gurjar) and Ashwin (Naveen Pandita), after Chirag uncovers Ashwin’s tender scam. Going ahead with his mother’s advice, Chirag sides with the truth and outs his brother, leading to a government trial.

In the upcoming episodes, Pushpa’s conflicts don’t seem to end as she tries to find her way out of this sticky situation. To add to the trouble, Bapodara pretends that he has been pushed down the stairs by Chirag. Unfortunately, Pannu, Bapodara’s daughter and Chirag’s wife, witnesses the fall and believes her father’s accusations. Will Bapodara succeed in creating a rift between Pannu and Chirag? How will Pushpa find her way out of this muddy situation?

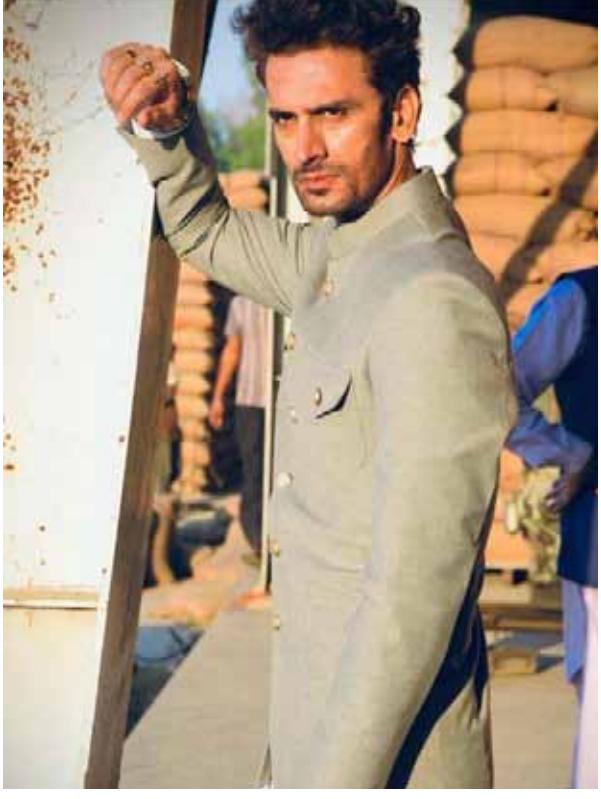
Darshan Gurjar, who essays the role of Chirag, said, “Chirag is already going through a major emotional rollercoaster for being a key witness in his brother’s involvement in the tender scam. Now Bapodara has created another ruckus in the family by blaming Chirag for pushing him down the stairs. This has caused tension between Chirag and his wife Pannu. It’s not going to be an easy road ahead for Chirag and the entire family. I can’t wait to play the part with a myriad of emotions. I viewers can expect a lot of twists and turns in the upcoming episodes, and I can’t wait to see their response to the same.”

Stay tuned and watch Pushpa Impossible, Mon-Sat, 9:30 PM only on Sony SAB



Here’s why Ikk Kudi Punjab Di’s Manoj Chandila says “I hope the audience loathes him,” about his character in the show

CHANDIGARH : Zee TV’s recently launched fiction offering, ‘Ikk Kudi Punjab Di’ is a high-octane drama that has begun to captivate audiences with its powerful storyline and well-written characters. Based in Punjab, the show is a gripping narrative of strength and resilience. In the recent episodes, viewers got to witness how Heer (Tanisha Mehta) has agreed to marry Kuldeep (Chandan Arora) without knowing that her best friend Ranjha (Avinesh



Rekhi) is in love with her. However, while Kuldeep’s sister-in-law Teji (Monika Khanna) is in full support of this marriage, her husband Jamnail Singh Atwal (Manoj Chandila) is totally against this decision as Heer doesn’t belong to a rich family.

Every actor loves to experiment with their roles and tries to choose characters that challenges their craft. One such actor is Manoj Chandila who has been enjoying exploring his character on the show that has shades of grey. His character, Jamnail in the show is erratic by nature, which is indeed helping him grow as an actor. He shares how the real talent of acting lies in expressing your character even when there is no dialogue in the scene.

Manoj said, “There have been a lot of times that I’ve played negative roles in my career, but Jamnail is a bit different, he’s unpredictable, impatient, and an angry man by nature. So, thinking like him becomes difficult at times because I am very opposite of him in real life. It is challenging yet exciting; there is a lot of scope for improvisation and last-minute ad-libs. When I don’t have any dialogue in the scene, I have to give my 100% with just the facial expressions, and I think, that is the kind of acting I want to ace in. I am very grateful for Jamnail, I hope the audience loathes him, which will prove I am doing something right as an actor.”

Well, Manoj is doing complete justice to his on-screen character Jamnail, it will be interesting for the viewers to watch what will happen to Ranjha as Heer has agreed to marry Kuldeep against her will and for her family’s happiness. Will Ranjha try to break this marriage or will he let the love of his life marry someone else?

To find out what happens in the show, tune into the show every day at 7 pm, only on Zee TV!