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NEWS BRIEFS

Delhi Court grants interim bail to Supertech's RK Arora for 30 days

NEW DELHI: The Patiala House Court of Delhi on Tuesday granted interim bail for 30 days to Supertech's chairman and promoter, RK Arora, on medical and health grounds. RK Arora was arrested in June of last year in relation to a money laundering case. The Additional Sessions Judge Devender Kumar Jangala granted bail on a personal bail bond of one lakh and two lakh as surety. Recently, Arora moved for interim bail citing health grounds that he had lost 10 kg in custody. Advocate Tanveer Ahmad Mir, who appeared for RK Arora during arguments, sought direction to release the applicant on interim bail on medical grounds, stating that he is afflicted with such ailments for which interim bail is required.

Nihang kills unidentified youth at Gurudwara

PHAGWARA: A Nihang Sikh killed a boy on Monday night in the local Gurudwara Chewi Patshahi in Chorra khuh area in Phagwara, on the suspicion that the deceased boy entered Gurudwara to do sacrilege. The police reached the spot to identify the deceased. Body of the deceased has been recovered by the police from the Gurudwara premises.

Congress appoints YS Sharmila party chief in Andhra

NEW DELHI: The Congress on Tuesday appointed YS Sharmila Reddy, sister of Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy, as president of the party in the poll-bound state. The decision was announced a day after G Rudra Raju resigned as Congress chief in the state. YS Sharmila had joined the Congress earlier this month. She also merged her party YSR Telangana Party in Congress. "Congress President has appointed YS Sharmila Reddy as president of Andhra Pradesh Congress Committee with immediate effect," a party release said. G Rudra Raju has been appointed special invitee to the Congress Working Committee.

Cold wave, dense fog disrupt life

Hisar shivers at 1.1 degrees C

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Dense to very dense fog was reported over Delhi, Haryana, Punjab and Eastern Uttar Pradesh on Tuesday morning, with cold wave to severe cold wave conditions prevailing over most parts of Haryana-Chandigarh-Delhi, the Meteorological department said.

According to the IMD, 'very dense' fog is when visibility is between 0 and 50 metres, 51 and 200 metres is 'dense', 201 and 500 metres 'moderate', and 501 and 1,000 metres 'shallow'.

Airport authorities said that around 30 flights departing from Delhi's Indira Gandhi International (IGI) airport were delayed, while 17 flights were cancelled due to weather conditions.

At 8:30 am today, Ayanagar and Safdarjung in the national capital recorded



visibility of 25 metres each while Ridge and Palam areas recorded visibility of 50 metres each.

According to the India Meteorological Department, Varanasi in Uttar

Pradesh reported 0 metres visibility at 5:30 am today, while the state capital, Lucknow, reported 25 metres of visibility. Gwalior in West Madhya Pradesh recorded a visibility of 50 metres.

SC stays HC order for appointing Commission for Shahi Mosque

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The Supreme Court on Tuesday stayed the Allahabad High Court order for appointment of a Commission for the Shahi Eidgah Mosque in connection with Mathura's Sri Krishna Janmabhoomi-Shahi Idgah Masjid dispute.

A bench of justices Sanjiv Khanna and Dipankar Datta also issued notice to concerned respondents on a plea filed by the Committee of Management Trust Shahi Masjid Idgah challenging the Allahabad High Court order for the appointment of a Commission for the Shahi Eidgah Mosque.

The court listed the matter for January 23 for further hearing.

The court said that proceedings before the trial court can be continued but the commission cannot be executed till the next date of



hearings. The court observed that HC has acted on a vague application seeking omnibus directions. The court noted that the application has to be specific. "This is wrong, you have to be very clear about what you want... It is an omnibus application," the court said. The Committee of Management Trust Shahi Masjid Idgah has filed an appeal in the Supreme Court challenging the Allahabad High Court order for the appointment of a Commission for the Shahi Eidgah Mosque. Advocate Reena N. Singh, representing Bhagwan Sri Krishna Lalla Virajman told "Today, the court heard about the survey order of the Allahabad High Court case which was being challenged by the Muslim side. The Intezamia Committee had challenged the order and today the Supreme Court stayed the survey order only. But they have not stayed the trial.

Hry CM directs HSAMB to monetize their old assets

Bureau CHANDIGARH, JAN 16

The Haryana government has initiated the process of monetizing the old or abandoned properties of the Haryana State Agricultural Marketing Board. This step is expected to increase the board's revenue and strengthen the basic infrastructure of markets.

A decision in this regard was taken in a meeting chaired by the Chief Minister, Sh. Manohar Lal held here today regarding the auction of abandoned and vacant plots. Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Minister, Sh. J.P. Dalal also attended the meeting.

The Chief Minister was apprised that the Board possesses old office buildings and staff quarters at 35 locations, which are to be auctioned. The Chief Minister directed the officers concerned to create a portal for uploading information about these properties. After uploading the information, the auction process will be conducted. This will ensure the proper use of these properties and bring additional revenue to the Board, he said. Fixing a reasonable reserve price for the auction to allow more people to participate, said Sh. Manohar Lal.



AAP holds 'Sunderkand' recitation event across Delhi

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Aam Aadmi Party minister Saurabh Bharadwaj participated in the Sunderkand Paath recitation organized by his party in the Chirag Dilli area on Tuesday. In a post on X, Saurabh Bharadwaj said that the Sunderkand Paath is being conducted in every Assembly of Delhi. "By the grace of Bajrangbali ji, Sundarkand Paath is going on in every assembly of Delhi including Chirag Delhi. We are very fortunate that Bajrangbali ji chose us for this important work. Jai Bajrangbali," Saurabh Bharadwaj posted on X.

Sportspersons thank Pb govt for giving cash awards of Rs. 33.83 crore

Shashi Pal Jain CHANDIGARH, JAN 16:


National and International sportspersons from Punjab on Tuesday expressed their gratitude to Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann-led Punjab government for presenting Rs 33.83 crore in cash awards and according deserving respect to the 168 Asian Games and National Games winners.

Stating that it was for the first time that any Punjab government has given advance cash award of Rs 8 lakh each for the preparation, Sift Kaur Samra, gold medal in the Women's 50 metre rifle three positions event at the 2022 Asian Games, thanked the Punjab government for encouraging the players and assured the CM Mann that the players will win more medals in the upcoming tournaments including Olympic games. Tajinderpal Singh Toor, gold medal winner of Shotgun event thanked the Punjab government fulfilling promise of giving cash award to players immediately after the event. He said that these cash incentives given for prepa-

ration is a big amount for budding players and it will definitely encourage more players to take part in sports in the state. Another renowned player, Indian women's cricket team captain and gold medal winner at the Asian Games Harmanpreet Kaur said that earlier parents and relatives used to discourage players especially girls to take sports as career but this initiative of honouring players and giving



advance awards will encourage more young players to take part in sports. Charanjeet Singh, silver medal winner in rowing thanked the Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann and Punjab government for launching new sports policy and giving deserving respect to the players.



BHAGWANT SINGH MANN
 Chief Minister, Punjab

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who raised a banner of revolt against
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Chief Minister, Punjab

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Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji

A divine messenger and a warrior,
who initiated the Khalsa Panth



Bhagwant Singh Mann
Chief Minister, Punjab



NABHA (RAKESH JINDAL): Eye examination and operation camp is being organized by Lions Club on February 11. Giving information regarding this, Lions Club President Subhash Sehgal said that Prem Jindal will be the project chairman of this camp, and Patiala will be in this camp. Ophthalmologist Dr. Harinder Longia will visit us specially with his team and examine the eyes of the patients. He said that this camp on February 11 will be held from 9 am to 2 pm. He said that the social service purpose of the club will be furthered by serving in the same way. On this occasion Secretary Sunny Singla, Cashier Rakesh Singla, Dr. Mulk Raj, Dr. Jagjeevan Garg, Dr. Sanjay Goyal, Dr. Manoj Goyal, Dr. Karandeep Goyal, Dr. L.C. Madan, Lion Rajesh Bansal Babbu, Lion Som Nath Dhall, Lion Mangat Rai Singla, Lion Surinder Singla, Lion Raj Kumar Raju, Lion Satinder Mittal etc.

NEWS AT A GLANCE

Rotary Club Rupnagar organises ninth CPR

Training Workshop
BAHADURJEET SINGH RUPNAGAR: Rotary Club Rupnagar organized ninth "Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)" workshop in the committee room of DC office for the employees of the district administration Rupnagar today. More than 50 employees from the various departments of DC office attended this training workshop. Apart from this workshop, club installed one AED - Automatic External Defibrillator machine in medical Centre set up at the ground floor of DC office which will save the human lives in case of heart attack. Dr. Preeti Yadav, Deputy Commissioner Rupnagar inaugurated the event by cutting a ribbon in the clinic established at DC office complex. This machine is installed in the memory of Dr. Vijayinder Singh who dedicated his whole life in the service of his patients & unfortunately passed away during the covid. Cost of this machine is almost 1.25 lakh.

Snatcher caught by civilians in Jagraon, FIR filed



SUKH NAHAR JAGRAON: A snatcher has successfully been caught in Jagraon today with the help of common people. According to the complainant she and her daughter Kirandeep Kaur were heading towards main market from bus stand. Giving more information about this, ASI Zoravar Singh said that "when they reached near municipal council office main gate parking when two youngsters on a motorcycle snatched away purse from her daughter and fled away. The purse had a mobile phone, Aadhar card and 200 rupees," he stated. He added that some youngsters standing near them chased the snatchers and caught them near Raikot adda. "One of the snatchers managed to escape while the other was caught with the help of people."

Drug abuses big concern in Jandiala : Daljit

KULJIT SINGH JANDIALA GURU: Kisan Mazdoor Sangharsh Committee leader Daljit Singh Khalsa took a dig at AAP, government and police administration on the issue of drugs and held them responsible. He said that at present the condition of young men and women in Jandiala is getting worse day by day due to drug addiction. It is going because the areas of Jandiala Guru, Jotisar Colony, Mohalla Sheikhpora, Manowala Khuh, Navi Abadi are such areas where drugs are being sold indiscriminately. Khalsa said that about a month ago, a young girl was found walking drunk in the same area and the police took action after her video was posted on social media. Due to drug addiction, the incidents of murder, robbery and theft are continuously increasing due to which the common people have to bear the brunt. Yesterday also, they released the video of two drug addicts of Jotisar area of Jandiala on social media and accused the police administration and the government.

CM describes sports as most lethal weapon against drugs

SHASHI PAL JAIN CHANDIGARH, JAN 16

Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann on Tuesday said that promotion of sports culture can be the most effective tool in the state government's crusade against drugs. Addressing the gathering during a function to distribute Rs 33.83 crore to 168 medal winner players in Asian and National games held at the Municipal Bhawan, the Chief Minister said that with the promotion of sports the unbounded energy of the youth is being utilised for excelling in sports. He said that the youth who are involved in sports have no time even to look at drugs because they are using their all might to excel in their respective fields. Bhagwant Singh Mann envisioned that this will go a long way in eliminating the curse of drugs from the state and making the youth an equal partner in social economic development of the state.

The Chief Minister said that the state government is judiciously spending every single penny for the progress of the state and welfare of its people. He said that the state government has checked the pilferage of the public money effectively and now this money is being spent for the welfare of the common man. Bhagwant Singh Mann said that the sole aim of the state government is to ensure the progress and prosperity of the state. Congratulating all the players



for their rare feat in the field of sports, the Chief Minister said that this is a historic day as all the players have converged here for this function. He said that it is a dream come true for him as the functions for celebrating happiness are being now held in state.

Bhagwant Singh Mann said that every week such functions are now being held across the state and he is fortunate to head the state at this time. The

Chief Minister said that the players had worked hard to achieve these goals and bag medals both in the national and international arena. He said that the players had proven that given a chance they can achieve any goal with their sheer hard work and determination. Bhagwant Singh Mann said that Punjabis are born entrepreneurs and leaders due to which they have proved their mettle across the globe.

Revenue department registers total 50796 mutation cases: Jimpa



GAURAV GOEL CHANDIGARH, JAN 16

On the directives of Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann special camps were held on Monday in all Tehsils and Sub-Tehsils across the State to resolve the pending cases of mutation. Before this, a special camp was also organized on Saturday 6th January, which was very successful.

Revenue Minister Bram Shanker Jimpa said that these camps got massive response of people as more than 50796 pending mutation cases were resolved in these two camps. 31538 cases have been re-

solved in the first camp while 19258 cases have been resolved in the second camp, said Jimpa adding that he personally visited the camp sites at Balachaur, Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar and Patiala on January 15 to inspect the progress. He also interacted with the people to inspect the functioning of camps. Similarly, he visited Hoshiarpur, Phagwara, Phillaur, Ludhiana West, Ludhiana East and Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar Tehsils on January 6.

Giving information about the special camps, the Minister said people got their pending mutations done on the spot.

District level girls' Lohri ceremony held

PATHANKOT (SHARANJEET): The Social Security, Women and Child Development Department organized a district-level girls' Lohri ceremony at Pathankot today.

During the ceremony, Sarpanch Urmila Devi wife of Lal Chand Kataruchak Cabinet Minister Punjab was the chief guest and Harbir Singh Deputy Commissioner Pathankot was the special guest. In addition, Major Dr. Sumit Mudh SDM Pathankot, Jyotsana Singh PCS, Sumandeep Kaur District Program Officer, Rajesh Kumar District Education Officer Secondary, D.G. Singh Deputy DEO Primary, Baljinder Kaur Block President, Sohan Lal Block President, Sandeep Kumar Block President, Priyanka Aap Worker, Ram Lubhaya District Public Relations Officer and District Officers of various other concerned departments were also present. The ceremony was started by lighting the torch by the chief guest. Addressing on this occasion, Urmila Devi said that the daughters have proved with their abilities that if the daughters are given the



opportunities to move forward, they can achieve the greatest destination. She said that the girls of district Pathankot have achieved heights in every field which are also a source of inspiration for others. She said that every yard is filled with daughters and only daughters bring happiness to the house. It is to be mentioned that during the ceremony organized by Social Security Women and Child Development Department, 21 newborn girls were honored by giving blankets, stalls.

Parkash utsav of Guru Gobind Singh celebrated at Green Field Convent School



BARNALA DEHATI (BALWINDER AZAD): The Parkash utsav of Shri Guru Gobind Singh Ji was celebrated with great pomp at Green Field Convent (Senior Secondary) School Dargah. On this occasion Madam Sandeep Kaur shed light on the biography of Guru Gobind Singh Ji. He said that Guru Gobind Singh was the tenth Guru of the Sikhs. You awakened the sleeping nation of India and breathed life into the dead soul. Aap Ji was a great poet, brave general, wise leader and reliever of suffering. Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji was born on 26 December 1666 AD. He was born in the womb of Mata Gupri ji at the house of Sri Guru Teg Bahadur ji at Patna, the capital of Bihar province. 1673 AD Your father brought you to Anandpur Sahib. In his childhood, he used to make armies of children and fight fake battles against each other. He was a great warrior in his childhood. End yourself in 1708 AD. Went south. At a place called Nanded, Aap Ji met with a hermit named Madho.

Hindu Takht appoints Sandeep Verma as Senior Vice President of Punjab

RAMPURA PHUL (KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA): National President of Gau Raksha Dal and National Organization Minister of Sri Hindu Takht Satish Kumar along with his team specially arrived at the local Sahara Samaj Sewa office today.

According to the guidelines of Sri Hindu Takht chief Praveen Kumar, Sandeep Verma was awarded the post of Senior Vice President Punjab of Sri Hindu Takht Along with this, keeping the services of Sandeep Verma as the main, he was again appointed as the president of Gau Raksha Dal Punjab. Organization Minister Satish Kumar said that Sandeep Verma has been serving humanity as well as Sanatan Dharma for a long time. Anywhere in Punjab there is cow persecution or cow smuggling, their team reaches on time and saves the life of the mother cow. Verma has registered cases against about 70 Buchras in Punjab. On this occasion, Sandeep Verma said that in the near future, we will take our Punjab body team and go to every corner of Punjab to promote the status of cow mother and to stop trafficking, service maintenance, organization strength.



Bharat Vikas Parishad celebrates Lohri festival



FATEHGARH SAHIB (AJAY MALHOTRA): Bharat Vikas Parishad Bassi Pathana celebrated the day of the Lohri festival with devotion and enthusiasm under the presidency of Manoj Bhandari, during which a colorful program was presented by the children of the Parishad family. During the function, a known social worker of the area Dr. Kamal Khanlan, attended the function as chief guest and appealed to the people to come forward to end the stigma of dowry. At the Century Resort, the Parishad started the event by lighting the lamp in front of the image of Bharat Mata. Bharat Bhushan Sachdeva, General Secretary of the parishad read the report of the social service work done by the organization during the year 2023. During the event, the responsibility of stage secretary was performed by Babaljit Panesar. During the cultural program, the dance performed by the little girl Kaashvi Surjan was warmly appreciated by members. Mahila Pramukh Meenu Bala appealed to women to participate more in the service projects of the Parishad and President Manoj Bhandari said that on the occasion of the Prana Pratistha of Shri Ram Chander ji to be held in Ayodhya on January 22.

Surabhi Malik honours four women farmers

SACHIN MOUDGILL LUDHIANA, JAN 16

HDFC Bank Parivartan, in a pioneering partnership with the Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative (IFFCO), proudly announces the successful completion of an innovative training program under the Prime Minister - Mahila Kisan drone Kendra (PMDK) scheme. Conducted in Mansar, Haryana, this initiative has been transformative, successfully certifying four dynamic women farmers from Punjab as skilled drone pilots, thus seamlessly integrating modern technology into traditional farming practices.

The programme's stand-out participants, Gurinder Kaur of Machiwara Sahib, Rupinder Kaur of Lapran, Mandeep Kaur Pannu of Barundi, and Simranjitt Kaur of Machiwara Sahib, have



shown exceptional talent and dedication during the intensive 15-day training period. Their newly acquired skills in operating agricultural drones are set to significantly boost crop yields, enhance agricultural efficiency, and ensure precise urea application.

Deputy Commissioner Surabhi Malik and ADC (General) Gautam Jain today honoured these women farmers in DC office today. In a significant move, the government has committed to pro-

viding free drones to 15,000 women-led Self-Help Groups. This initiative demonstrates a strong commitment to empowering women in agriculture and promoting economic independence. A major highlight of this initiative was the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra, which showcased the latest agricultural drones. Designed with the farmer's needs in mind, these drones represent a significant step forward in modernizing agricultural practices.

Arora lays foundation of Gurukul, cow breeding institute



LUDHIANA (SHARMA): With the blessings of Shri Shri 108 Shri Mahant Rameshwar Das Tyagi Ji Maharaj the foundation laying ceremony of Shri Ramanandi Maa Sharda Vidyapeeth Gurukula and Cow Breeding and Research Institute was held at Village Sarabha, near here, on Tuesday. MP (Rajya Sabha) Sanjeev Arora was the chief guest on the occasion. In his address, he highly appreciated Noble Foundation, an NGO and its founder Rajinder Sharma for taking an initiative to set up the Institute for a noble cause and welfare of the society. Arora announced a grant of Rs.25 lakh for the project. He also lauded Ludhiana industrialists for extending all kind of support in launching the project. Speaking on the occasion, Binay Kumar Jha, Chief Commissioner, Income Tax (Retd) spoke in detail about the project and said the purpose of setting up a Gurukul is to impart quality education to students belonging to weaker section of the society.

Shri Shri 108 Shri Mahant Rameshwar Das Tyagi Ji Maharaj spoke about history of the village and the temple having an idol which is supposed to be 800 years old where the event was held before the foundation laying ceremony of the Institute. Many social workers, prominent villagers and NGO's workers.

Alumni Meet 'Home Coming-2024' organized at Rayat Bahra Management College

DALJEET AJNOHA HOSHIARPUR, JAN 16

Alumni meet "Home Coming-2024" was organized at Rayat Bahra Management College. Principal Harinder Singh Gill presided over the occasion.

He said that the Alumni Association was formed to bridge the gap between college life and career life. He said that interaction with alumni can open doors to many possibilities. On this occasion, Campus Director Dr. Chandar Mohan gave a motivational speech and stressed the importance of staying connected to one's roots. He said that we feel very proud that our students are working with reputed institutions in Ahmedabad,



Noida, Pune etc. During this, former students shared their experiences and gave information about their working life. More than 60 students participated in it.

On this occasion, the former students shared their various experiences with the teachers and pledged to contribute to the development. Development of the organi-

zation on this occasion. During the alumni meet, information was given about the excellent achievements of the alumni in various fields.

On this occasion Principal Dr. VK Dheer, Dr. Meenakshi, Dr. RN Singh, Dr. Hardeep Singh, in-charges of all the departments of the college were present.

ADC listens to problems of people under campaign of "Sarkar Aapde Duar"

KOTKAPURA (SURINDER DAMDAMI): The government led by Chief Minister Punjab Bhagwant Singh Maan is organizing special convenience camps under the "Sarkar Aavahe Duar" program with the aim of providing government facilities to people's homes. Under the same series, a special camp was organized at Village Dhimanwali today under the chairmanship of Additional Deputy Commissioner Narbinder Grewal. On this occasion, he said that from the Punjab government, this camp has been organized with the aim of ensuring that the common people get the benefits of public welfare schemes close to their homes.

He said that it is being ensured to solve the problems related to the government departments of the people on a priority basis. In the convenience camp set up at village Dhimanwali, the residents of villages Duareyana, Machaki Mall Singh, Wandar Jatana also informed the Additional Deputy Commissioner about their problems and they solved the problems on the spot and for the solution of some problems, the relevant departments were contacted and instruction was given.

He said that people should take maximum advantage of these 'Jan Suvidha Camps' to get their work done. On this occasion, Manpreet Singh Dhaliwal, PRO of Vidhan Sabha Speaker Kuldar Singh Sandhwan, also informed the people about the public welfare schemes of the Punjab government. He said that special efforts are being made by the Punjab government to raise the standard of health and education.

Sarbat Da Bhala Charitable Trust distributes checks of assistance to needy

KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA RAMPURA PHUL, JAN 16

Managing Trustee Dr. SP Under the leadership of Singh Oberoi, National President Jassa Singh Sandhu and Director Health Services Dr. According to the guidelines of RS Atwal, Sarbat Da Bhala Charitable Trust Bathinda unit distributed the check of assistance to the needy.

Giving information in this regard, District President Prof. JS Brar said that monthly pension checks were distributed to around 187 needy people by the trust in Bathinda district. Dr. Daljit Singh Gill Director Health Services Sunny Oberoi Clinical Lab and Diagnostic Center at Talwandi Saabo, Maur Mandi,



Bathinda, Baliawali will start functioning by January 25. All the tests in these laboratories will be done at much lower rates than the market rates.

He said that on January 21, Sarbat Da Bhala Trust is

organizing a huge medical camp at Gurdwara Jeevan Parkash Maur Mandi. General Secretary Amarjit Singh, Baldev Singh Chahal, Gurpreet Singh, Baljit Singh Naruana were present on this occasion.

AGENCY SHIMLA/KULLU: One person who sustained critical burn injuries while trying to prevent forest fire spreading to his house at Dalashni village of Kullu district has died. Police identified the deceased as Veer Singh. Kullu Police sources said, a fire broke out in the forest of Dalashni on Monday evening and within no time it reached the house of Veer Singh, a resident of Dalashni. Veer Singh and others tried to extinguish the fire, but during the process Veer Singh fell in the fire and got badly burnt. The villagers first took him to Dhalpur Hospital. After first aid he was referred to Nerchowk Medical College and from there to PGI Chandigarh. But Veer Singh died before reaching PGI. The Bhuntar police team has registered a case. Further action is being implemented by the police. Kullu district SP Sakshi Verma said that a Kullu police team has started investigating the case. Mischievous elements who set fire to the forest will not be spared at any cost, she added.

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Govt to provide financial aid to 7,000 eligible widows, single women for construction of houses: CM

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, JAN 16

Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu said that the State Government would shortly commence the 'Mukhya Mantri Vidhya Avam Ekal Nari Awas Yojna' to provide financial assistance to eligible widows and single women for construction of their houses.

The government was completely dedicated for the upliftment of women and under this new scheme an assistance of Rs. 1.50 lakh would be provided for the construction of homes. Nearly 7,000 women were expected to benefit from it, stated the Chief Minister.

Apart from providing financial aid for building homes, essential amenities like electricity, water and other facilities for the newly



constructed houses would also be provided under the scheme.

During a recent Cabinet meeting in principle approval was given to the scheme, stated the Chief Minister adding that the Government was working on formulating final modalities in order to provide assistance to

as he himself belonged to a middle class family.

During the last one year, the State Government has introduced many new initiatives and measures for the upliftment of the vulnerable and weaker sections of the society. 'Mukhya Mantri Sukh-Ashraya Scheme' has been implemented and over 4,000 orphans have been adopted as Children of the State. Himachal is the first State in the country to shoulder complete responsibility of care and education of orphans. The State Government has decided to provide Rs. 4000 per month as pocket money to orphans upto the age of 27 years, he reiterated.

He said that these initiatives underscore the commitment of the Government to ensure a dignified life for those in need, reflecting a holistic approach towards the societal upliftment and progress.

Governor launches cleanliness drive at Jakhu Temple



DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, JAN 16

Under the 'Swachh Teerth Abhiyan', Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla today launched a cleaning campaign in the premises of the famous religious place Shri Hanuman Ji Temple in Jakhu, Shimla. On the occasion, Lady Governor Janaki Shukla also took part in the cleanliness drive. The Governor urged the people to ensure cleanliness in temple premises

and religious places and to participate in the cleanliness campaign on the occasion. Earlier, the Governor paid obeisance at Shri Hanuman Ji Temple. Secretary to the Governor Rajesh Sharma, Deputy Commissioner Shimla Aditya Negi, other officers of the district administration, sanitation workers of Municipal Corporation Shimla, members of temple committee and tourists also participated in the campaign.

No coordination between CM, ministers in state: Pawan Kajal

SANJAY AGGARWAL DHARAMSHALA, JAN 16

State BJP Vice President and Kangra MLA Pawan Kajal said in the press statement issued that whatever anti-youth and anti-people decisions the present government has taken, the government will have to bear the consequences in the upcoming Lok Sabha elections. Kajal alleged that there is no coordination between the Chief Minister and the ministers in the state. Describing the state government as anti-youth and anti-unemployed, he alleged that the present government is making entry through backdoor, due to which the youth are having to suffer the consequences. An army of lakhs of unemployed has formed in the state, instead of providing them employment, the government is doing backdoor recruitment. The government has taken the decision to recruit guest faculty in educational institutions, in protest against which the youth have been forced to take to the streets. The decision of guest faculty is a blow to the youth who have been studying and working hard in the education department for years in the hope of getting a job. He said that many JBT, TGT, B.Ed youth are preparing for jobs, whereas the state government is ignoring these youth and going to fill guest faculty, which is not in the interest of the youth of the state.



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Demand to reconsider guest teacher recruitment format: B.Ed Unemployed Union

RAJNEESH SHARMA HAMIRPUR, JAN 16

A memorandum has been sent to Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu through DC Hamirpur on Tuesday by the officials of the Himachal Pradesh B.Ed Unemployed Union, including Suresh Thakur, Secretary, and Nirmala Thakur, Secretary. The memorandum opposes the prepared format for the recruitment of guest teachers in schools by the government. In this context, it is demanded in the memorandum that the Himachal Pradesh government should immediately withdraw the format that has recently been approved in a cabinet meeting regarding the recruitment of guest teachers. Union argues that this recruitment is not in the interest of unemployed



youth. The youth of Himachal Pradesh has been preparing for the Himachal Pradesh Youth Commission and waiting for their turn in batch-wise recruitment for many years in the desire to get a job. Therefore, the youth of Himachal Pradesh feels cheated by the passage of the guest teacher recruitment format. According to union officials, youth are not getting equal opportunities in recruitment. Such recruitments have happened before in the

education department, known as backdoor entries. B.Ed Unemployed Union strongly disapproves of this recruitment format. According to Rajesh Gautam, the Chief of the B.Ed Unemployed Union, the Himachal Pradesh B.Ed Unemployed Union has requested Chief Minister that all recruitments in the education department should be solely through the commission and batch-wise, following the departmental R&D rules.

Start process for filling up vacant posts of AMOs and Yoga Guides

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, JAN 16

AYUSH, Youth Services and Sports Minister, Yadvinder Goma while presiding over the meeting of AYUSH Department here today sought detailed progress of different projects and activities of the department. He said that all the five components of AYUSH viz: Ayurveda, Yoga, Unani, Sowa Rigpa (Knowledge of healing) and Homeopathy should be strengthened and popularized amongst the masses. The Minister directed the officers to start the process of filling up the vacant posts of 140 Ayurvedic Medical Officers at the earliest in the interest of people of the State. He also directed for



rationalization of Ayurvedic institutions, especially those, where OPD is very less. He said that the construction and up-gradation works of Ayurvedic institutions should be done in a time-bound manner. Directions were issued for the earliest appointment of Yoga Guides in 740 AYUSH Wellness Centres, 22 Homeopathic Doctors and 25 Lab Technicians. He also directed to upgrade the website of AYUSH department and to start a

facebook page of the department so that the development activities being carried out by the department could be publicized in an efficient manner. Sh. Goma lauded the efforts of AYUSH Department for running 'Ashwagandha Campaign' for promoting cultivation of Ashwagandha in the State despite limited budget and resources. Director AYUSH Vinay Singh gave a detailed presentation about the progress and activities of the department.

Himachal recognized as 'Best Performer' under State's Start-up Ranking 2022

SHIMLA, JAN 16

Himachal Pradesh has been recognized as the "Best Performer" state under the "State's Start-up Ranking 2022" in B category (having population less than one crore) which is the topmost recognition competing with States like Gujarat and Karnataka. The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Government of India, today organized an event "State's Start-up Ranking 2022" at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi for grouping of states in various categories based upon the stage of ecosystem developed in the states and also felicitated the officers of the State who have done commendable work in propagating the Start-ups. Himachal Pradesh is



evaluated on seven reform areas and 27 action points that have a significant contribution towards propelling the start-up ecosystem.

The State was recognized as a Capacity Building Pioneer, Funding leader, Sustainability Promoter, an Incubation Hub, Mentorship Champion, an Innovative Leader and an Institutional Champion. Chief Minister Thakur

Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu while lauding the efforts of the department said that Himachal Pradesh aspires to become a leader in building the start-up ecosystem not only in the country but also across the globe. He said that the State was committed to enhance the tempo of industrialization as well as improving the start-up ecosystem through various initiatives for generating employment opportunities.

Touni Devi's scouts and guides launch campaign against drug addiction

RAJNEESH SHARMA HAMIRPUR, JAN 16

Touni Devi Senior Secondary School is seen playing a special role in making the youth aware about the increasing trend of drug abuse and making efforts to curb it. The Bharat Scouts Guides organization of this school has started a campaign under "Nishchay Project" to make people aware about the ill effects of drugs through school children. Under this, the Scouts and Guides, under guidance of Scout Master Satish Rana and Guide Captain Kusum Lata, conducted a door-to-door campaign in their respective villages Tapre, Chhatrel, Barin, Darkoti, Swahal during the winter holidays, in



which no drug, no yes to life. The message was conveyed to the people. The main objective of this campaign is to make more and more people aware about the ill effects of drugs at the rural level. Giving this information, Principal

Rajneesh Rangra said that a drug-free society cannot be imagined without the participation of students. By inculcating good values among the students, they can be made aware of this social evil. If we are successful in conveying our message to the students in the right way then it will yield positive results. According to Principal Rajneesh Rangra, the message against drug addiction can be spread to every household through students. Not only this, when children become aware of this evil, they will be able to inspire their family members to stay away from it. He appealed to the people to join this drug-free campaign of Scouts and Guides to secure the future of the society and children.

Tibetan religious leader Dalai Lama will visit Ayodhya

SANJAY AGGARWAL DHARAMSHALA, JAN 16

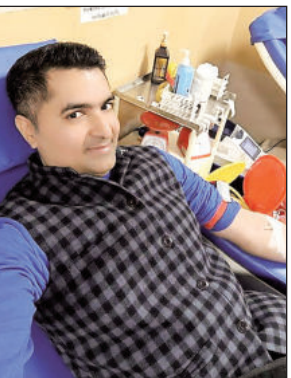
Tibetan religious leader Dalai Lama will also participate in the consecration program of Ram Lalla in Ayodhya. The schedule of the religious leader's visit to Ayodhya has been decided. According to the proposed program, Dalai Lama will go directly to Ayodhya from Bodhgaya in Bihar. The consecration of Lord Ramlala is to take place on January 22 in the Ram temple in Ayodhya. Dalai Lama has received an invitation from Vishva Hindu Parishad for this program. The Dalai Lama was scheduled to return to McLeodganj from Bihar on January 14. The religious leader had gone to Bodh Gaya after joining teaching programs in Sikkim and West Bengal. He has been in Bodh Gaya for about a month. But, now Dalai Lama will go to Ayodhya from Bodhgaya. In such a situation, Dalai Lama is likely to return to McLeodganj by the end of this month. Tourists and Buddhist followers from India and abroad come to the tourist city of McLeodganj to have darshan of the Dalai Lama. These days, due to Dalai Lama being out of Himachal, the number of tourists has also decreased. Due to Dalai Lama, foreign delegates also keep coming to McLeodganj. Exiled Tibetans and Buddhist followers living in different states of the country including abroad also come here to listen to the teachings of Dalai Lama.



Sahil Thakur donates blood for 31st time in PGI Chandigarh for Harvinder Singh

SANJEEV MAHAJAN NURPUR, JAN 16

Sahil Thakur, a member of the Nurpur Blood Donors Club (NBDC) who is currently working in an MNC in Mohali, donated O-negative (rare group) blood on an emergency basis at the PGI Blood Bank in Chandigarh for Harvinder Singh, a resident of Dharamshala. The Nurpur Blood Donors Club applauds his commitment and dedication to the humanity of their blood donors and wishes them a healthy and long life. Known or unknown, this is called blood donation. Our club members donate blood in emergencies every day. Sahil Thakur donated blood for the 31st time. Sahil is a regular donor for our organization and donates blood every three months. If you also want to donate blood, join Nurpur Blood Donors Club so that together we can serve humanity.



Blood donation camp organized by Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad



JOGINDER DEV ARYA BANGANA: Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad unit Bangana organized a blood donation camp at Arya Public School on the occasion of Swami Vivekananda Jayanti and Youth Fortnight. In which the youth donated 24 units of blood. In this, ABVP District Organization Minister Karan was present as the chief guest and Arya Public School managers Joginder Dev Arya and Arun Kaushal were present as special guests. He first lit the lamp and offered flowers to Swami Vivekananda. Further in his address, he said that today's young generation should follow the path shown by Swami Vivekananda and work to make their country a world leader again. On this occasion, ABVP Department Organization Minister Aman Rana, District Social Media Coordinator Anurag and workers Meenakshi, Pankaj, Anuj Dhiman, Nikhil were present.

Darshan Seva Scheme will prove important in promoting religious tourism: Dy CM

ANWAR HUSSAIN NALAGARH, JAN 16

Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri said that the ambitious Darshan Seva Scheme will prove important in promoting religious tourism. This scheme will be helpful in introducing everyone to the rich culture and religious tourist places of Himachal Pradesh. Last evening, the Deputy Chief Minister was addressing the gathering after inaugurating the cultural evening of the four-day Pir Sthan Lohri Civilization Fair at Kirpalpur Gram Panchayat of Nalagarh sub-division of Solan district. He said that under the Darshan Seva Scheme, about 100 new bus routes are



being started from religious places of Himachal Pradesh to religious places located in the state and also to other states. With this, devotees will get excellent facilities to visit religious places in the state and outside the state.

He said that bus services will be started for devotees and tourists from Nalagarh to Ayodhya, Nalagarh to Vrindavan and Baddi to Amritsar. He said that our culture is our identity and the state government at various

levels is ensuring that our heritage is preserved and the young generation can know about their culture and traditions. He said that it is the duty of all of us to keep the young generation away from drugs and our culture can be helpful in this direction. Agnihotri said that Peer Sthan Lohri Civilization Fair has a special identity in the entire area. The history of the tradition of this fair is about 300 years old. He said that it is the duty of all of us to preserve our cultural heritage. He wished everyone a happy fair. He said that in ancient times, fairs and festivals were the main means of socializing and entertainment.

Youths killed with sharp weapons in Phillaur



PARAMJIT SINGH PHILLAUR: On Monday, two youths killed the only brother of four sisters with sharp weapons. The attackers attacked with such brutality that the young man died on the spot. The deceased has been identified as Manav, son of Rana, resident of Mohalla Bhandera Phillaur. According to the information, Manav was coming towards Phillaur on a motorcycle with his two friends Hardeep Kumar, son of Balvinder Ram, resident of village Bharsinghpur and Amit Kumar, son of Gulshan Kumar, resident of village Parwano, when two youths riding on a motorcycle attacked Manav with sharp weapons. Due to which Manav died on the spot. Deceased's friend Hardeep Kumar told that the attackers were Pawan and a young man named Jasveer, resident of village Bharsinghpur, who had an old rivalry with him. On Monday evening, Manav had come to village Bharsinghpur with them, after spending some time together, they were going to drop Manav to Phillaur when suddenly Manav, who was riding a motorcycle in village Bharsinghpur itself, was attacked with sharp weapons by putting his motorcycle in front of him. Due to which Manav died on the spot. They also brought Manav to Civil Hospital Phillaur but Manav had died.

Chandigarh IELTS, Immigration made Ishpinder Kaur's dream to study abroad: Vasu Sharma



SURINDER DAMDAMI KOTKAPURA: Another student from Malwa's famous IELTS and Immigration Institute Chandigarh IELTS and Immigration Institute Chandigarh has been sent to the UK. By applying for a study visa, it has become a reality for her to study abroad. Giving information in this regard, Vasu Sharma and Rakshanda Sharma, directors of Chandigarh IELTS and Immigration Institute, said that student Ishpinder Kaur, a resident of Bhinder, the study visa was received for UK in just 15 days. Which has got top band score in UK IELTS. The student had prepared for the UK IELTS exam from the institute itself. Due to which the students in the UK have fulfilled your dream of studying abroad by getting a study visa. He appealed to the students that if they also want to fulfill their dream of studying in any country, then they can visit the institution once. He said that even before this, many students went abroad after obtaining study visas from the institution. The facility has been provided. He handed over the visa copy to the student and wished her a bright future.

Computer teachers go on search for CM

SHARANJEET PATHANKOT: On the invitation of Computer Teachers Union Punjab, Computer Teachers Union Pathankot today organized a trip to Pathankot city under the leadership of District President Amandeep Singh. A large number of computer teachers participated in it and raised slogans at different places of the city accusing the government of running away from the meeting. According to the decision taken by the State President Gurwinder Singh Tam Taran and the State Committee, from January 15 to January 19, Punjab will be divided into 4 zones to give justice to about 90 dead computer teachers through Chief Minister Bhaj Singh, in about 6500 government schools. Chief Minister Punjab Bhagwant Singh Mann will be found raising slogans against the Punjab government from every corner of Punjab to resolve the demands of computer teachers who have been serving for 18 years. This Chief Minister Bhaj Singh, passing through various districts of Punjab, will end on January 21 after encircling the residence of the Chief Minister of Punjab at Chandigarh. It is worth mentioning that more than 40 meetings have been held with Harjot Singh Bains, Education Minister Punjab, Harpal Singh Cheema, Finance Minister Punjab, Sub-Committee Punjab Government and related officers of Finance and Education Department, in which the issue of computer teachers has not been resolved. Five-seven times the meeting time was given to the Punjab Chief Minister's Association, but the Chief Minister has not held any meeting with the association till date.

Kerala Tourism bets big on 'Heli-tourism' to attract visitors

R N KHERA CHANDIGARH, JAN 16

Poised to soar new heights in 2024, Kerala Tourism today unveiled in Chandigarh, a raft of groundbreaking products including Heli-Tourism, connecting the state's top destinations, as part of its aggressive campaign to increase the domestic tourist footfalls.

Branded as 'Sky Escapes', the heli-tourism project has been planned as a game-changer in the manner houseboats did for the state, three decades ago, and thus continue to lure visitors from both India and abroad, Kerala Tourism Minister Shri P A Mohamed Riyas said.

"Kerala has become the first state in the country to come out with a comprehensive heli-tourism policy. A micro-site has been created giving details of travel packages offered by the helicopter service providers. This initiative will be of enormous help to tourists planning to visit various destinations in a single trip, making the state an inter-connected tourism hotspot," Shri Riyas pointed out. With an aim to put Kerala on the



global adventure tourism map, the government has decided to host four international adventure sporting events this year, said Tourism Minister, Shri Riyas. Adventure tourism was expected to grow 20% by 2032 worldwide. It also played a huge role in the growth of domestic tourism. The State's geography such as mountains, rivers,

beaches, and canals offered immense potential for adventure tourism, the Minister pointed out.

Kerala Tourism is also making concerted efforts to promote the state as an ideal wedding destination by leveraging its astonishing natural beauty, picturesque destinations, excellent accommodation & banquet facilities.

MCM holds Shloka writing competition



CHANDIGARH (RAJIV JAIN): In a series of 2-year long commemorative events dedicated to the 200th birth anniversary of Swami Dayanand Saraswati, the Sanskrit Department of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh, organised a Shloka Writing Competition.

The competition aimed to pay tribute to the great visionary Swami Dayanand Saraswati ji and to develop among students a sense of appreciation and understanding for our rich linguistic and Vedic tradition. The participants were required to write any two Sanskrit Shlokas and their meaning. The competition witnessed enthusiastic participation. Principal Dr. Nisha Bhargava lauded the endeavours of the Sanskrit Department to keep the students rooted to our Vedic values. She motivated the students to learn from the teachings and philosophy of Swami Dayanand Saraswati ji and work towards making the entire world noble based on the principle of 'Krinvanto Vishvam Aryam'.

All India PNB officers' Association launches its annual wall calendar, planner diary 2024



BUREAU PATIALA, JAN 16

The Patiala Circle unit of All India Punjab National Bank Officers' Association (AIPNBOA), today launched its Annual Wall Calendar & Planner Diary 2024 at Circle Office Patiala in the presence of D.G.M., Circle Office: Patiala, Sh. Manoj Kumar Srivastava along with other Senior Officials of the Bank. In a Press Briefing by Circle

Secretary of AIPNBOA, Com. Puneet Verma, told that the employees of Punjab National Bank are always dutiful & committed towards serving their customers and exemplified the nonpareil services provided by the Bankers at times of Demonetization & Covid-19 Lock-down.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Satish Ahlawat, briefed about the significant role played by Officers' As-

sociation in protecting rights & benefits of their employees so that they can perform their duties with full zeal & cater to the financial needs of the society.

Those among present include Anil Kumar Mittal (AGM), Deepak Gupta, Ankur Mittal, Sunil Bansal, Ram Kumar Gupta, Navsukh Sethi, Paneet Kad, Kapil Sharma, Rajesh Bajaj, Bhupesh Mangla, Manish Midha and Chetan Sharma.

Camps in all Gurdwaras on Jan 17 for enrollment of voters

DC directs BLOs to assist Patwaris in all villages

SHASHI PAL JAIN MOHALL, JAN 16

Deputy Commissioner Mrs Aashika Jain today said that the district administration Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar will arrange special camps for registration of voters for SGPC polls, tomorrow (January 17) in all Gurdwara Sahiban of District.

Under this drive, special camps would be organized in all Gurdwaras of the district on January 17 for the enrollment of the voters in maximum numbers for SGPC elections. Deputy Commissioner said that the Parkash Purab of Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji will observe tomorrow on January 17 in all Gurdwara Sahiban and devotees will come to pay obeisance in huge numbers in all Gurd-

waras. She said that patwaris and Booth Level Officers will remain present in all Gurdwaras and collect the voter registration forms. She said that the patwaris and BLOs would get enrollment forms individually from each person. She said that forms would be made available to the people on the spot and can also be downloaded from SASNagar.nic.in.

She also appealed to all the Sikh organizations to sensitise the Keshadhari Sikh people having age 21 years or above regarding registration as voters.

It may be mentioned here that the eligible person should be a Keshdhari Sikh. Those who trim or shave a beard, smoke, or drink alcohol cannot register themselves as a voter.

NSS camp organized at Saint Soldier International School



GAGAN JAIN CHANDIGARH, JAN 16

The NSS Unit of Saint Soldier International School Chandigarh organised a seven-day NSS Camp under the guidance of Saurabh Kumar, Programme Officer and Manoj Kumar. A special presentation on 'Swachh Bharat' was given by the NSS Wing students on the inaugural day. A nukkad natak on the importance of clean environment, poems and songs were a part of the activities. The NSS volunteers also highlighted the Fit India Movement by conducting a

self defence training for girls under the guidance of Taekwondo coach Surinder Kumar. Yoga expert Rajveer Kaur taught the students asanas for remaining fit and healthy. Dr Indu enlightened the students on maintaining a healthy lifestyle. On the final day of the Camp, the NSS students went to a nearby village to conduct a cleanliness drive. They also interacted with residents to spread awareness on health and hygiene. The NSS motto of 'Not Me but You' was well endorsed by the students' active participation to help society.

Gurudwara Guru Nanakpura Morigate conducts vast Nagar Kirtan



JAGRAON (SUKH NAHAR): A vast 'Nagar Kirtan' dedicated to 'Prakash Purab' of Shri Guru Gobind Singh Ji was organised by Guru Nanakpura Morigate management committee. The Nagar Kirtan was held with great devotion and reverence and in the presence of a huge number of devotees. Former MLA SR Kaler, SGPC member Bhai Gurcharan Singh Grewal, MC President Amarjeet Singh Malwa, councillor Satish Kumar, Ravinder Kumar Sabharwal, Kulwinder Singh Kala and several other dignitaries paid obeisance to Guru Sahib and sought blessings from almighty. Students from various schools and Gaska Parties also participated in Nagar Kirtan. MC President Amarjeet Singh Malwa stated that municipal council shall soon pass a resolution to rename Kamal chowk Jagraon after Shri Guru Gobind Singh Ji as several religious associations of the area had demanded the same. "We discussed the same with Jagraon MLA Sarvjit Kaur Manuke and she too agreed to this happily. At this occasion Baba Mohan Singh, Binder Manila, Inderjeet Singh, Shivraj Singh, Kulwinder Singh, Ajit Singh Thukral and others were present.

St. Soldier's School honoured with "Top Rank School of Year" award



JANDIALA GURU (KULJIT SINGH): G-20 Education Summit 2021 New Delhi which was held on 13th January at Leela Ambiance Hall, in which awards were given regarding India level school ranking. St. Soldier Elite Convent School Jandiala Guru was honored with "Top Rank School of Year" award by Bharat Institution Ranking 2022-23. It is a matter of pride for the school that the jury awarded the school City Rank-1 and State Rank-5 category Excellence in Sports.

This award was given to School Director Mangal Singh Kishanpuri and Principal Amarpreet Kaur. It was a very exciting occasion for the school staff and children that the school was honored on a platform like G-20. On reaching the school, the management and staff of the school were very happy and everyone made each other's faces sweet. Many great personalities of the city expressed their happiness through congratulatory messages.

'Two week FDP on data science, scientific computing: Learning Journey'

ANIL VERMA BATHINDA, JAN 16

The two weeks faculty development program on 'Data Science and Scientific Computing' was jointly organized by esteemed institutions; Central University of Punjab Bathinda, India, Poornima University, Jaipur, INDIA, Nexus University, South Africa, Baba Farid College, Bathinda, India, MathTech Thinking Foundation, Fazilka, India.

The program aimed to provide the participants with the latest developments and trends in the fields of data science and scientific computing, and to enhance their skills and knowledge in these domains. The Data Science and Scientific Computing FDP was an intensive two-week program that provided participants with a comprehensive understanding of data science concepts, scientific computing techniques, and their practical applications. This hands-on FDP focused on empowering participants with the skills and knowledge needed to analyze complex datasets, apply machine learning algorithms, and leverage scientific computing tools for problem-solving. Through a combination of lectures, interactive discussions, coding exercises, and real-world projects, participants gained valuable experience in data manipulation, visualization, statistical



analysis, and machine learning. The FDP also delved into advanced topics such as deep learning, natural language processing, and cloud computing, ensuring a well rounded learning experience. The program was patronized by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Raghavendra P. Tiwari of Central university of Punjab; Dr. Gurmeet Singh Dhalwal, Chairman of Baba Farid Group of Institutions, Bathinda; Ms. Kgomotso Morotolo, President of Nexus University.

Traffic police Zirakpur hold Akhand Path Sahib



ZIRAKPUR (VICKY BHABAT): Traffic police Zirakpur today offered the indulgence of Akhand Path Sahib for the goodness of people at Gurudwara Nabha Sahib. On this occasion, apart from Traffic Incharge Inspector Manful Singh, Traffic Munshi ASI Rakesh Kumar, ASI Narinder Singh, ASI Nar Singh, ASI Dalbir, ASI Sobha Singh, Head Constable Jaswinder Singh, Head Constable Rishi and other traffic police personnel were present.

On talking, Traffic Incharge Inspector Manful Singh said that he had taken charge of Zirakpur Traffic Incharge only yesterday. He said that he has served in Zirakpur as traffic in-charge before. He said that the purpose of reciting Akhand Path Sahib is only that God keeps everyone happy and that there is no accident on the roads. He appealed to all the residents of the area to drive their vehicles slowly during the fog and to go out for work only. To follow the traffic rules so that they do not put their lives and people's lives at risk.

First meeting held under chairmanship of Rajwinder Lucky



NAWANSHAHR (JATINDER PAL SINGH KALER): The first executive committee meeting was held under the chairmanship of the newly appointed District President of Bharatiya Janata Party District Nawanshahr, Advocate Rajwinder Singh Lucky, in which Zonal Incharge and State General Secretary Jagmohan Singh Raju, Ms. Varinder Kaur Thandi Komi Vice President BJP Mahila Morcha, Ms. Jasmin Kaur Sandhewalia. State Vice President and Joint District Incharge, Dr Poonam Manik Constituency Incharge and present State Spokesperson attended. Jagmohan Singh Raju said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi will take charge of the country for the third time. He said that Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has fully fulfilled his guarantee of providing facilities to the last person of the society. Virinder Kaur Thandi urged to unite day and night for the 2024 elections. District President Advocate Rajwinder Singh Lucky said that today the people of Punjab see only BJP as the last option. People are disillusioned with the AAP government of Punjab. Dr. Poonam Manik Constituency In-Charge Nawanshahr said that the government of Bhagwant Mann has taken many steps to remove the public welfare schemes and policies of the Modi government directly and indirectly from the reach of the people, but the BJP workers in every situation day and night are working together with the common people.

Vivek High school students turn teachers, hold class for underprivileged students

CS JOLLY CHANDIGARH, JAN 16

Three students of Vivek High School - Ruhaan Bains, Vaanya Pathak and Samiya Gupta spent a day with underprivileged students from Smt. Sarla Devi Free School, near Chandigarh. They went to teach and interact with the students, who face socio-economic challenges daily.

Ruhaan Bains said, "Teaching the children was a profoundly enriching and an eye-opening experience for us. We found the children to be resilient, determined, and eager to learn despite their challenges. This has been both inspiring and humbling for us." Initially as an ice breaker the Vivek students played frolicsome games and conducted quizzes for the students. With a passion for social sciences, Ruhaan Bains opened the class with



an introduction to India and its rich culture. He laid emphasis on the capitals, languages, states, and culture of our country. The students were quite inquisitive to learn about their legacy.

Vaanya Pathak continued the class with an insight to the elements of earth and the pressing environmental issues and provided various mitigation strategies for the same. She shed light on the

need to reuse, recycle and reduce. Samiya Gupta concluded the class by presenting the uses of plants. She informed them about different vegetables and fruits. She also narrated a comical Hindi story to the students, which ignited a spirit of excitement among them. Lastly, they encouraged the students to express their talents and conducted a talent show session for the students.

GURDARSHAN SINGH
BEAS: Royal Cambridge School celebrated a special religious ceremony dedicated to the Prakash Utsav of the Tenth Guru, Shri Guru Gobind Singh Ji. During the event, students were provided with information about the life and teachings of the revered Guru Gobind Singh Ji, and the sacrifices made for the Sikh community. On this occasion, the students actively participated in ceremony with devotion, presenting devotional hymns with various musical compositions. Through religious poems and speeches, the students shed light on the life of Guru Ji and inspired everyone to follow the path guided by him.



YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024

Raghav Chadha predicts Cong-AAP win in Chandigarh mayoral election

AGENCY
 NEW DELHI, JAN 16

After the Congress and Aam Aadmi Party decided to jointly contest the Chandigarh Mayor elections on January 18, AAP MP Raghav Chadha on Tuesday said that this election will change the picture and direction of politics, adding "This will be the first match of BJP vs INDIA bloc." Addressing a press conference, Raghav Chadha said "Chandigarh Mayor election to be held on January 18 is not a general election. This is an election that will change the picture and direction of the politics of this country. We believe that this will lay the foundation for the upcoming 2024 Lok Sabha elections. INDIA Alliance as a coalition is going to face the BJP in the election battlefield for the first time. This will be the first match of BJP vs INDIA." "We believe



that India Alliance will fight this election with full strength and register a historic and decisive victory. This victory chariot of India Alliance will not stop only till Chandigarh, but it will also extend from Kashmir to Kanyakumari," he added. He further added that whenever the Indian Cricket team have a match with any other team, the people of the country

hope in the minds of the people that they want freedom from a dictatorial and useless BJP government. Whatever collides with the INDIA bloc will be shattered to pieces. This message will come out from this election," he said. Responding on seat-sharing in the alliance, Raghav Chadha said that it is not right to comment on anything now. "INDIA alliance is that alliance in which different parties of the country kept aside their individual interests and decided to come together, decided in the interest of the country. It is not appropriate to do regular commentary on seat sharing today. As soon as any important decision is taken, its information will be known," he said. Chadha also mentioned the recent meeting of AAP chief Arvind Kejriwal with Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge and Rahul Gandhi and said that it was an important meeting.

Power Minister lays foundation stone of 66 KV sub-station in village Chak Arayan



VERMA
 GURDASPUR, JAN 16

Thanks to the efforts of Punjab Health Systems Corporation Chairman Raman Bahl, the residents of Gurdaspur Vidhan Sabha constituency have received another big gift from the Punjab government. State Power Minister S. Harbhajan Singh ETO 66 KV at village Chak Arayan of Vidhan Sabha constituency Gurdaspur today. The foundation stone of the sub-station has been laid. On this occasion, while addressing a huge public rally, the Minister of Electricity, Harbhajan Singh

ETO He said that 5 crores will be spent by the Punjab government on the construction of 66 KV sub-station at village Chak Arayan. He said that after the construction of 66 KV sub station, village Chak Arayan, 21 villages of the area Chak Arayan, Purowal Arayan, Singhowal, Parso Ka Pind, Adara, Kotli Moijan, Chaud Sidhwan, Narpur, Varsola, Chhamb, Masit, Lakhwal, Mustafabad. Saiddan, Hemrajpur, Varhian, Tung, Khokhar, Daburi, Dhoot, Rawalpindi and Kala Nangal villages will get Nirvigan power supply.

Panbus 25/11 PRTC Contract Workers Union Nawansahr Depot holds meeting



JATINDER PAL SINGH KALER
NAWANSHAHR: Panbus PRTC 25/11. Nawansahr Depot Committee held a meeting. In the meeting which was drawn by the center body. Talks were held with the leaders of the union to make the programs successful. Addressing the meeting, the leaders said that in protest against the non-acceptance of the demand, gate rallies will be held in front of the depots on January 22 and protests will be held on January 26 and also on February 1 at Director Transport Chandigarh. A sit-in will be held. Leaders Paramjit Singh State Leader, Mahesh Kumar Manga General Secretary, Narendra Pandori Depot President, Balwinder Singh Cashier, Kuldeep Singh Deepa Gurpreet Singh Gopi Cashier Goni, Manpreet Singh, Jagga Singh Sukhdev Singh Sukha and other leaders were present on this occasion.

KU CERSR shares detailed report of 6 years on Saraswati River



BUREAU
KURUKSHETRA: A meeting of Saraswati Heritage Board and Director of Saraswati River Center of Excellence Research at KU was held at Haryana Secretariat, Chandigarh on Wednesday. On this occasion KU CERSR's Director Prof A.R. Chaudhri shared detailed information about the research work done on various origin places and areas of Saraswati River in Haryana for the last six years and its extent and results. He also said that in future there is a need to work on research work and projects regarding Saraswati River. Along with this, he also gave information about the grant required for this project. On this occasion, Political Advisor to the CM of Haryana Government Bharat Bhushan Bharti, CEO Vijayendra Kumar, IAS and Deputy Chairman Dhuman Singh Kirmich appreciated the work done by Saraswati River Center of Excellence located at KU.

One-day awareness program against drug addiction, students made aware of drug abuse

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
 KAITHAL, JAN 16

Additional Director General of Police, Haryana State Narcotics Control Bureau, Shri O.P. As per the guidelines of Singh Sahab and orders of Superintendent of Police Mr. Shashank Kumar Sawan Sahab, Bureau's Awareness Program and Rehabilitation Incharge/Sub Inspector Dr. Ashok Kumar Verma is making the young generation aware against drug addiction every day. He had reached the Government Industrial Training Institute in Kaithal district today. He organized the 77th one-day anti-drug awareness program at Government Industrial Training Institute, Pundri and the 78th one-day anti-drug awareness program at



Government Industrial Training Institute, Mahila, Pundri. While making the students aware against drug addiction in different awareness programs in both the institutes, Dr. Ashok Kumar Verma, Awareness Program and Rehabilitation In-charge of the Bureau, said that banned drugs are a curse for the young generation of our country which is mostly coming from other countries. Although huge quantities of drugs are being seized, criminals are being sent behind the bars, bulldozers are being run on illegal properties of big drug smugglers, yet awareness is a weapon which can awaken the sleeping humanity and loyalty to the country. Works. It was made clear by the Government of India in the 2016 convention that there is a need to work in both ways to end drug addiction.

500 straw bales gutted

MEGHRAJ LUTHRA
 KACHHWA, JAN 16



500 bundles of stubble stock caught fire in the fields of late Khushi Ram Nagpal, the previous and former sarpanch of the bus stand of village Kachhwa, due to which the loss is estimated to be Rs 20 to 25 lakh. The incident happened today around 12:30 pm on Tuesday. On detection of the fire, farmer Pramod Nagpal immediately informed the fire brigade office. After a long delay, a vehicle arrived but was not successful in sprinkling water and was sent back. Later, five more vehicles arrived one after the other from Karnal Taraori-Nilokheri but by then the fire had taken a huge form. Although the fire brigade personnel remained busy extinguishing the fire, the fire could not be controlled till late evening. These

GM reviews performance of Northern Railway, strict vigil during fog season



NEW DELHI, JAN 16

Shobhan Choudhuri, General Manager Northern Railway held a review meeting with the departmental heads of Northern Railway and DRMs. Deliberations were held on keeping focus on mobility enhancement and other developmental infrastructure works and safety on tracks. He instructed official to keep close and strict vigil during heavy fog season. He asked officials to maintain smooth rail movement without compromising safety. Apart from performance review the

GM also presented Safety Awards to 4 vigilant employees for their contribution towards maintain high standards for safety and security of passengers and railway property. He reviewed the work done over the zone in improving the maintenance standard of track, welds, joints and removal of scrap lying near the tracks. He instructed the divisions to expedite the works related with mobility enhancement and conducting drives to check the progress. He stressed upon the safety during ongoing winter season

and all efforts should be done to curb any kind of obstruction during operation of trains. Sh. Choudhuri also said that, whenever necessary and required the concerned staff should be counsel and trained. He said the monitoring of rail fractures and rail welds should be done extensively and no error should be left. He emphasized upon minimizing the human failure in train operation. He also instructed the department heads and DRMs, to maintain the punctuality and keep pace for freight loading with safety as priority.

BJP is misusing govt machinery: Satish Garg



RAMAN GUPTA
 KAITHAL:

A meeting of INLD Halka Kaithal officials and workers was held under the chairmanship of District Urban Head Satish Garg. In the meeting, the target was given to all the office bearers to strengthen the organization of the party and to include every section of the society in the party by making them members. The workers were also allotted the responsibility of taking the party's manifesto to every household. Apart from this, after discussing about ensuring maximum participation in the State Youth Conference to be held in Kaithal Grain Market, duties were imposed on the officials and workers. Satish Garg said on the spot that the public is being looted by the BJP government by imposing more taxes on the public and creating a portal system. The government is vindictive and misusing the government machinery. Anti-people policies are causing unemployment and businesses are on the verge of closure. Not even a single brick was laid in the name of development. Laborers, farmers and youth are feeling cheated.

Developmental projects worth crores being completed: Kamlesh Dhanda



RANVIR PARASHAR
KAITHAL: Minister of State for Women and Child Development Kamlesh Dhanda said that developmental projects worth crores of rupees are being completed in the entire region. Funds are being sanctioned continuously for the all-round development of the area. In order to completely solve the problem of drinking water in the village, a tube well has been inaugurated and another tube well will also be installed. The government has no shortage of funds for development works. Dhanda was addressing the villagers after inaugurating the tube well built with an amount of more than Rs 40 lakh and laying the foundation stone of the tube well built with an amount of more than Rs 24 lakh in Kailaram village. He announced to give Rs 5 lakh for other development works of the village.

100 kg of drugs confiscated during anti-drug drive in 2023-24 by Jalandhar Police

BUREAU
 JALANDHAR, JAN 16

Continuing its crusade against drugs against menace of drugs, the Jalandhar Commissionerate Police led by Commissioner of Police Swapan Sharma on Tuesday disposed off 318 pending drug cases in the years 2023 and 2024 by destroying huge quantities of drugs recovered in these years. Divulging the details, the Commissioner of Police said that in the war against drugs Police had recovered a huge quantity of drugs by registering 318 cases against the drug peddlers. He said that u/s 52 A of NDPS Act, the case property is destroyed by the drug disposal committee. Mr. Swapan



Sharma said that in accordance with the act the drug disposal committee constituted in Commissionerate Police Jalandhar today destroyed the drug confiscated from the smugglers in 2023 and 2024. The Commissioner of Police said that the drug property destroyed today include 327.12 kg of Poppy Husk, 8.483 kg of Heroin, 0.471 kg of Smack, 3.275 kg of Charas,

23.295 kg of Ganja, 1.27 lakh Pills, 4815 Capsules and 4.078 kg of Intoxicant Powder. While reiterating the firm commitment of the Commissionerate Police to wipe out drug menace from the district, he said that a zero tolerance policy is being adopted by the force against this heinous crime. Swapan Sharma said that anybody, however affluent he or she may be, indulging in this crime against humanity would not be spared by the Commissionerate Police. The Commissioner of Police said that a strict vigil was being kept by the Commissionerate Police to check the supply of drugs on one hand and eliminate it from roots on the other.

'Punjabi Sath' Dinanagar is unique effort to revive and preserve rich ancient heritage: Balmukand Sharma

VERMA
 GURDASPUR, JAN 16

With the joint efforts of Zilla Punjabi Sabha, Gurdaspur and Jagat Punjabi Sabha, State Unit of Canada, an honor ceremony and discussion program dedicated to International Mother Language Day was organized at Chaudhary Jai Muni Memorial Government Girls Senior Secondary Smart School, Dinanagar. Bal Mukand Sharma, former Additional Managing Director, Markfed (Punjabi film and comedy actor) and special guests Jagat Punjabi Sabha, Canada Chairman Ajaib Singh Chatha and President Sardul Singh Thiara were present in this event as Chief Guest. All the



arrangements for this event were made by District Punjabi Sabha, Gurdaspur Patron Surinder Mohan, President Pushpa Devi and Jagat Punjabi Sabha State Unit President Mukesh Verma and their teams. This event was presided over by District Smart School Mentor Manjit

Sandhu. The role of stage secretary was played by Madam Rajbir Kaur. On arrival at the school campus, the chief guests were welcomed by the school principal Madam Rajwinder Kaur and District Punjabi Sabha, Gurdaspur by presenting bouquets.

Editorial

On a sobering note

This year begins with an unexpectedly positive backdrop of the recently ended year. Economic outcomes routinely overturned expectations of worsening. Some of the major endings in 2023 that went against the tide of initial forecasts are the steep declines in inflation across countries, including the United States of America whose monetary policy matters the most for the world economy; avoidance of recessions despite the massive increase in interest rates and tighter financial conditions; China's faltering growth with deflation; and the opposite of this in Japan. India has been in a somewhat similar situation — the advance estimates of 2023-24 released earlier this month place gross domestic product growth at 7.3% against the 6.4% projected by the central bank last February, whereas inflation is expected to increase just 10 basis points more than the initial prediction. What do these developments portend for the Indian economy in the future?

The resilience inherited from last year also includes pressures and uncertainties, which could aggravate or fresh ones flare up this year. Higher interest rates could start biting consumers and firms; US monetary policy reversal could be delayed while interest rate movements could remain unclear for longer; the last mile to inflation targets could be difficult for countries; political tensions and conflicts could escalate, and new ones arise; and climate-related threats to output and trade may intensify. Multilateral bodies are pessimistic about world economic prospects, including in the medium-term. The World Bank assesses the half-decade to 2024 will be the worst growth performance in 30 years, chiefly due to higher borrowing costs, geopolitical tensions, and China's growth slowdown weighing upon its trade partners, particularly in East Asia. The International Monetary Fund's deep dive into global trade fragmentation and restrictiveness shows lasting consequences of raised costs, feeding into inflation and weakening growth.

These impulses will transmit to the Indian economy through trade and financial linkages, increasing instability risks. The impact will also be felt through the confidence channel, which influences domestic sentiments. Therefore, it is the domestic sources that will provide the main growth impulse in 2024, a fact that is commonly known. This is also what makes India the economic flavour of the world at this point. More than the recent growth performance, it is India's bigger base of domestic demand — compared to the majority of the emerging and developing economies that are dominantly exposed to foreign demand.

Yield losses intensify when groundwater dwindles

Researchers used three decades of data to illustrate how groundwater depletion, which many farmers rely on for irrigation, might affect food production in drought and drier climates.

The study discovered that, due in part to the difficulties of obtaining groundwater, aquifer depletion can reduce agricultural yields even when it seems saturated enough to fulfil irrigation demands.

According to the researchers, agricultural losses increase as an aquifer dwindles, such depletion has a bigger impact on maize and soybean yields when declining from, say, 100 feet thick to 50 than from 200 feet to 150. That reality should encourage policymakers, resource managers and growers to reconsider the volume of crop-quenching groundwater they have at their disposal, the research team said, especially in the face of fiercer, more frequent drought.

"As you draw down an aquifer to the point that it's quite thin, very small changes in the aquifer thickness will then have progressively larger and larger impacts on your crop production and resilience," said Nick Brozovic, director of policy at the Daugherty Water for Food Global Institute. "And that's a thing that we don't predict well, because we tend to predict based on the past. So if we base what's going to happen on our past experience, we're always going to underpredict. We're always going to be surprised by how bad things get."

The team came to its conclusions after analyzing yields, weather and groundwater data from the High Plains Aquifer, which, as the largest in the United States, underlies portions of eight states -- including nearly all of Nebraska. Some areas of the aquifer, especially those beneath Texas and Kansas but also the Cornhusker State, have diminished considerably over the past several



decades, pumped for the sake of irrigating land that would otherwise stand little chance of sustaining crops.

"In terms of things that let you address food security under extreme conditions -- in particular, drought and climate change -- we really can't do without irrigation," said Brozovic, professor of agricultural economics at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. "If we want to feed the world with high-quality, nutritious food and a stable food supply, we need to irrigate."

Brozovic and Husker colleague Taro Mieno had already constructed plenty of models, and run plenty of simulations, on how the High Plains Aquifer responds to drought and dry conditions. But talking with farmers revealed that the models were not addressing their primary concern: well

yield, or the amount of groundwater that growers can expect to continuously draw when trying to buffer their crops against drought.

"Everybody's interested in how aquifer depletion affects the resiliency of irrigated agriculture in the region," said Mieno, an associate professor of agricultural economics and lead author of the study, which was published in the journal *Nature Water*.

So the researchers consulted annual estimates of the High Plains Aquifer's thickness, which date back to 1935, along with county-level yields of corn and soybean from 1985 through 2016.

Meteorological data, meanwhile, allowed the team to calculate seasonal water deficits or the difference between the water gained from precipitation and the amount

that crops lost via evaporation and transpiration. When the latter exceeds the former, farmers often turn to aquifers for help in making up the difference, the researchers knew. Farmers fortunate enough to be growing corn and soybean above the most saturated swaths of the High Plains Aquifer -- roughly 220 to 700 feet thick -- continued to enjoy high irrigated yields even in times of extreme water deficits, the team found.

By contrast, those depending on the least saturated areas -- between 30 and 100 feet -- saw their irrigated yields begin trending downward when water deficits reached just 400 millimetres, a common occurrence in Nebraska and other Midwestern states.

In years when the deficit approached or exceeded 700 millimetres, irrigated fields residing above the thickest groundwater yielded markedly more corn than those sitting above the thinnest.

The results were starker during a 950-millimetre water deficit, which corresponds with extreme drought: Fields atop the least saturated stretches of aquifer yielded roughly 19.5 fewer bushels per acre.

"Because of the way that aquifers work, even if there's a lot of water there, as they deplete, you actually lose the ability to meet those crop water needs during the driest periods because well yield tends to decline as you deplete an aquifer," Brozovic said. "That has an economic consequence and a resilience consequence."

The study captured another telling link between the water residing underground and that applied at the surface. atop groundwater roughly 330 feet thick, farmers irrigated 89% of their acres dedicated to growing corn. Where was the aquifer, which was a mere 30 feet thick? Just 70% of those acres received irrigation.

Literature & Health

Ramaswamy pulls out of US Presidential race after Iowa Caucus results

Indian-American entrepreneur and GOP leader Vivek Ramaswamy pulled out of the White House race on Tuesday after a weak showing in the Republican Party's first nominating contest in Iowa.

Ramaswamy, who gained attention for his outspoken debate performances, ended his presidential bid and threw his support behind Donald Trump whom he had earlier dubbed the "best president of 21st century."

The 38-year-old bio-tech entrepreneur made the announcement at a press conference in Iowa on Tuesday.

Born in Ohio, to immigrant parents from southern India, Ramaswamy was one of the surprises of the 2024 Republican race and was dominated by former President Trump, Reuters reported.

"As I've said since the beginning, there are two America First candidates in this race, and I called Donald Trump to tell him that. Going forward he will have my full endorsement," Ramaswamy told supporters in Des Moines.

According to the latest figures by CNN, after 93 per cent of results were released, Ramaswamy is projected to win only two out of 40 delegates in Iowa.

Ramaswamy had been one of Trump's staunchest defenders against the four indictments levelled against him. He pledged to remove himself from the ballots in Colorado and Maine after the former president was disqualified from the two states. He even vowed to pardon



Trump of all charges on his first day in office. Meanwhile, Trump has registered a landslide victory and is expected to win 20 of Iowa's 40 delegates. While Florida Governor Ron DeSantis and former South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley are estimated to get eight and seven delegates respectively.

Trump's victory in his first election since his unusual exit in 2020 has also laid to rest any lingering questions about his hold over the GOP and the potency of his right-wing message.

It has also solidified his position as the front-runner for the 2024 Republican nomination to turn up against incumbent Joe Biden in a 2020 rematch.

The focus of the race will now turn to New Hampshire, which will hold its first-in-the-nation Republican primary on January 23.

Artificial Intelligence takes centre stage, pushing crypto aside in Davos



In a sudden shift, artificial intelligence (AI) has pushed cryptocurrency firms aside at the 2024 World Economic Forum and has been seen dominating the main strip in Davos, as reported by the CNBC. For the last few years, cryptocurrency firms have been dominating the main strip in Davos, hence promoting their waves; however, in 2024, it has changed. Arjun Kharpal and MacKenzie Sigalos said in a CNBC report. Some of the world's biggest companies are pushing their AI products and services, with one declaring, "The future is AI." This shift highlighted the rapid surge in AI investments and interest last year, which were sparked by the explosion of popularity of ChatGPT, the AI chatbot developed by OpenAI that was launched at the end of 2022, according to CNBC. Moreover, global technology companies are struggling and pushing to take a lead in AI and are likely hoping their big

statements on the Davos Promenade will serve to prove their expertise in the field.

The companies, from US semiconductor firm Intel to Salesforce, had AI slogans on the properties they took over.

Moreover, there was an "AI House", an event space that was hosted by companies including Swiss telecommunications firm Swisscom, as reported by CNBC. Reportedly, AI dominated the Promenade far more than crypto firms and has reversed a trend from the past few years.

For instance, at the World Economic Forum in 2022, firms were touting "Bitcoin Pizza Day" and so-called non-fungible tokens, even after the price of cryptocurrencies had collapsed. Later, in 2023, as the crypto winter set in, firms pulled back on splashing the cash at Davos; however, there was still a heavy presence from the industry, including a mysterious orange bitcoin car.

POEM

Signet of Eternity

The day was when I did not keep myself in readiness for thee; and entering my heart unbidden even as one of the



Rabindranath Tagore

common crowd, unknown to me, my king, thou didst press the signet of eternity

upon many a fleeting moment of my life. And today when by chance I light upon them and see thy signature, I find they have lain scattered in the dust mixed with the memory of joys and sorrows of my trivial days forgotten.

Rabindranath Tagore

'What a blast': Australian Envoy relishes chole Bhature, paratha and jalebi in Delhi

Australia's High Commissioner to India Philip Green OAM shared his delight after relishing Old Delhi delicacies like Chole Bhature, paratha, and jalebi. He also enjoyed a cup of masala tea at Bhupendra's.

In a post shared on X, Philip Green OAM stated, "Made the most of my 1st weekend of 2024 in #Delhi by savouring the delicacies of #OldDelhi -Chole Bhature at Giani's Di Hatti; paratha at Gaya Prasad Shiv Charan Paranthi Wale (since 1872); Jalebi at Old Famous Jalebi Wala (since 1884); & masala chai at Bhupendra's. What a blast!"

Earlier on January 8, Philip Green OAM, showcased support for India's 'Vocal for Local' campaign by getting a beard trimmed at Max Hairdresser near his office in Delhi's Tajdar Babar Market. He shared pictures of himself



getting a beard trim at the local shop. In a post shared on X, Philip Green stated, "Got a quick beard trim this morning at Max Hairdresser near the office. Great service! Go Local! #VocalForLocal #AusomeIndia #GoDesi." The idea of the slogan 'Vocal for Local' is to promote local industries and consume local wherever possible.

Earlier in December, Philip Green OAM, said that the two-way trade between India and Australia has grown by more than 50 per cent over the past five years, adding that India is the most consequential relationship.

Emphasising India's paramount significance in their bilateral relations, he expressed his commitment to proactive engagement during his tenure and said that, as Australia's 22nd High Commissioner to India, he is "here to get

things done." In his keynote address at the Asia Society Policy Institute, here in the national capital, he said, "For me, assuming this role as Australia's 22nd High Commissioner to India is the pinnacle of his career. India is the most consequential relationship, at the most critical moment, I have ever worked on. It is a privilege for me to be here today."

Affirming his dedication to advancing the partnership between the countries and echoing the directive he received from the Prime Minister to propel the relationship to new heights, he said, "Our relationship is at the highest point in our history. But I'm not here to rest on laurels. I'm here to get more things done. I'm here to drive the relationship further and to drive it faster. That's what the Prime Minister told me to do when he sent me here."

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Natural ways to help increase your stamina

Generally, feeling tired or lacking energy after a rigorous workout session or other hectic physical activities is not a matter of concern. However, if you often complain of breathlessness or lack of stamina after performing your daily activities, it is important that you take action immediately. Leading a sedentary lifestyle, too much stress and other such unhealthy lifestyle choices can be the cause.

1. Don't skip breakfast
Make sure you start your day on a healthy note. Breakfast is the most essential meal of the day and in order to improve your body's metabolism, its best to not skip this meal. If possible, make oat meal or whole wheat bread and eggs part of your breakfast routine. Occasionally, you can also treat yourself to some peanut butter as it helps increase the intake of 'good' calories and can significantly boost your energy.

2. Stay hydrated
If you often find yourself low on energy, blame it on dehydration. It is important therefore that you increase the intake of fluids and drink water at regular intervals. Additionally, drinking one glass of beetroot juice daily for breakfast is known to work wonders. Beetroot is loaded with good amount of nitrates that can help increase

stamina and help you get through the day like a breeze.

3. Sip on some hot water in the mornings is an effective way to help boost your metabolism and improve digestion.

3. Make way for magnesium



If you are into sports or into any kind of physical activity, it's important that you make magnesium a part of your daily diet. Magnesium helps convert glucose into energy, giving you an instant boost. Leafy veggies, nuts, seeds, fish, soybeans, avocado, bananas and dark chocolate are some good sources of magnesium.

4. Include carbs in your diet
Foods rich in carbohydrates such as sweet

potatoes, brown bread, etc, provide you body with starch and sugar, which in turn help provide energy and increase stamina. Additionally, complex carbs present in foods like bread, pasta and rice, unlike simple carbs, help you feel energetic and full all day long. Such foods provide an instant source of energy which is used as a fuel by your body.

5. Exercise regularly
Exercising regularly can help increase the resistance of your body by overcoming fatigue and help you stay fit.

1. Even mild exercises such as jogging, walking or swimming for a few minutes every day can make you strong. Running or cycling will

also help. a hill is a great way to burn calories and increase and stamina at the same time. If you prefer working out indoors, then you could run on a treadmill or simply jog in place. Swimming, on the other hand, is a good muscle and stamina-building exercise as the water provides resistance, thereby making the muscles work harder. Taking a daily yoga or dance class can also help.

Fitjee Introduces 'Dronacharya 360-Degree Diagnostic & Scholarship Exam

CHANDIGARH: Fitjee, a pioneer in educational excellence, is set to organise 'Dronacharya 360-Degree Diagnostic and Scholarship Exam,' the world's biggest scholarship exam in the history of coaching and an unparalleled Academic Diagnostic tool. Mr Ananya Gangopadhyay, Managing Partner and Head, FITJEE Chandigarh Centre said that the Dronacharya 360-Degree Diagnostic and Scholarship Exam is a significant milestone in India's coaching segment, highlighting our persistent efforts to encourage academic excellence. For students aiming to join FITJEE, this exam offers a remarkable opportunity with significant academic benefits and studying in an outstanding learning environment in FITJEE

Classroom / Integrated School Programs and FITJEE Live Online Classroom Programs. Furthermore, it is an excellent platform for students to demonstrate their talents, recognise their academic strengths, and pave the way for unparalleled success. The Dronacharya 360-Degree Diagnostic and Scholarship Exam is an unprecedented opportunity for students in classes V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X & XI to identify and hone their talents and achieve their career goals. Moreover, students will also get the opportunity to know their national-level ranking in competitive exams that determine their career path. Since most of the significant career-defining competitive exams and top scholastic exams take place at the national level.

HDFC Bank limited financial results (INDIAN GAAP) for quarter and nine months ended december 31, 2023

CHANDIGARH/Ludhiana: The Board of Directors of HDFC Bank Limited approved the Bank's (Indian GAAP) results for the quarter and nine months ended December 31, 2023, at its meeting held in Mumbai on Tuesday, January 16, 2024. The accounts have been subjected to a 'Limited Review' by the statutory auditors of the Bank. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS: The Bank's consolidated net revenue grew by 113.5% to ₹ 717.7 billion for the quarter ended December 31, 2023 from ₹

336.2 billion for the quarter ended December 31, 2022. The consolidated profit after tax for the quarter ended December 31, 2023 was ₹172.6 billion, up 35.9%, over the quarter ended December 31, 2022. Earnings per share for the quarter ended December 31, 2023 was ₹22.72 and book value per share as of December 31, 2023 was ₹ 576.0. The consolidated profit after tax for the nine months ended December 31, 2023 was ₹ 464.4 billion, up 39.0%, over the nine months ended December

JetSynthesys' GMJ signs Exclusive Deal with Sapna Chaudhary

CHANDIGARH: New age digital entertainment and technology company JetSynthesys' digital entertainment subsidiary, Global Music Junction Western Beats (Haryana Arm) is proud to announce its exclusive partnership with the talented Indian artist, Sapna Chaudhary. Through this new association, GMJ will be responsible for comprehensive artist management for Sapna, live events, content production, distribution, brand management, and events coordination, among various other services. GMJ's Haryana arm, 'Western Beat', will play a crucial role in overseeing the management of this all-new collaboration.

The first song released after this association, titled 'Jale 2', has quickly become a sensational hit, shattering records within weeks of its launch. In just the first month, it became the fastest song to reach 6 million reels, making it a viral sensation on social media platforms leaving an estimated impression of over 10 billion on Instagram alone. The accompanying music video on YouTube has garnered an astonishing 100 million views, with over 300 million impressions. These statistics highlight the incredible reach and popularity of the song, as it reached every corner of the globe with an estimated one in every three individuals having heard the track.

No shortcuts to success, says IPS topper Dr Darpal Ahluwalia

CHANDIGARH: BLS International Services Ltd. (BLS), a leading global tech-enabled services partner for governments and citizens, today announced that it has entered into a definitive Share Purchase Agreement through its wholly owned subsidiary BLS International FZE, UAE, to acquire 100% stake in iData Danismanik Ve Hizmet Dis Ticaret Anonim Sirketi ("iDATA") and its wholly owned subsidiaries for an Enterprise Value of Euro 50 Million (~Rs. 450 Crores) and additional milestones based payments. iDATA, a prominent player based in Turkey, specializes in Visa and Consular Services, making it a strategic addition to BLS's expanding portfolio. Incorporated in Turkey, iDATA provides comprehensive visa applications and consular services to various governments. The company currently operates more than 37 Visa Application Centres (VAC) across 15+ countries, serving diplomatic missions of Germany, Italy and the Czech Republic. Notably, iDATA has been the exclusive provider of Visa & Consular Services to the Italy Diplomatic mission since 2006 and the German Government since 2012 in certain geographies. As per the audited consolidated financials for the calendar year 2022, iDATA achieved revenues of EURO 19.9 million (~Rs. 180 Crores) and EBITDA of EURO 10.4 million (~Rs. 94 Crores). The acquisition would be funded mainly through our internal accruals. Further, the transaction will be EPS accretive from day one and is anticipated to be completed in the current financial year, subject to Government & Regulatory approvals.

PANCHKULA (SD SHARMA): Dr Darpan Ahluwalia IPS topper from 2019 batch, said there is no shortcut to success and every one must work rigorously to crack civil services examination. Addressing the civil service aspirants at the Vivek IAS Career Academy, Panchkula, Dr Darpan Ahluwalia IPS, shared her personal story of her days of preparation. Dr Ahluwalia IPS, an MBBS doctor from Patiala, topped tricity in civil services examination 2019 and was topper of 73rd batch of the Indian Police Services, an inspiring story of sheer hardwork, resilience and determination. She emphasised the need to read daily newspapers to get an insight on diverse issues, she also shared a list of books, and asked them to practice writing regularly, maintaining a consistent study schedule, and nurturing some hobby to fight stress. Civil services examination is a tough nut to crack but not impossible, she said, and applauded the mentor of Vivek IAS Career Academy, Vivek Atray, ex-IAS for effectively mentoring the students to prepare for a bright careers in civil services.

Enhancing Knowledge Through Gamification: ZEE Mind Wars Unveils Holistic Development for Students

NEW DELHI: Mind Wars, India's biggest knowledge acceleration platform, is delighted to announce a ground-breaking step toward providing accessibility to all schools and students to carefully curated national and international level co-curricular events, and enriching academic knowledge across the country. It aims to empower students by providing a one-stop solution for skill enhancement and overall personality development. Through these comprehensive packages, which comprise a variety of interesting competitions, students get trained to ace competitive exams and develop critical-thinking and problem-solving skills in the real world. Mind Wars recognises the importance of creating well-rounded individuals in an era where academic excellence is just one facet of success for the students. Schools can now seamlessly integrate varied intellectual challenges into their curriculum, at a nominal cost, and also allow students to participate in competitions as per their interests and skills. Below are the prestigious competitions that Mind Wars has to offer: Mind Wars National Academic Championship 2024: The Mind Wars National Academic Championship (NAC) is an engaging academic competition held annually in India. It provides a platform for students to showcase their talents at an international level in a wide range of academic disciplines through rigorous tests in subjects such as Science, History, and Geography. The Mind Wars National Academic Championship winners represent India at an international level at the Asian Academic Championship, organised by the International Academic Competitions (IAC), Mind Wars Spell Bee India: In the realm of academic excellence, language precision is vital, and mastering the art of spelling is a testament to linguistic prowess. Mind Wars Spell Bee India is one of the largest spelling competitions conducted in India. This is an unparalleled platform for students to not only prove their supremacy in spelling but also enable them to further their language proficiency.

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Delhi's cultural fusion meets modern romance in Burrah's soulful ballad, "Mithiyeh Morniye"

CHANDIGARH, 16, January 2024: Known for his unique blend of cultural influences and contemporary rebellion spirit, talented singer-songwriter Burrah releases a soul-stirring track, "Mithiyeh Morniye". The track dives into the raw emotions of heartbreak and the shattering pain of a lost love, blending tradition with a modern narrative, creating a musical journey that feels authentic and relatable. In "Mithiyeh Morniye", Burrah weaves a tapestry of emotions through not only his emotive vocals but also shares the role of lyricist alongside Chaarbis. Each note weaves a narrative of longing, regret, and the bitter aftermath of a love that once bloomed. Produced by Sez on The Beat, the heart wrenching track creates a vivid portrayal of a man struggling with the aftermath of a shattered romance. This dream team promises a musical journey with Mithiyeh Morniye, resonating with those who have tasted the bitter-sweetness of love. Showcasing his artistic prowess in his previous releases, "Ujja", "Goibaaz", and "Di Mera", Burrah is a package deal of talent. With "Mithiyeh Morniye", the artist invites the listeners to an experience that explores the depths of human emotions.



Burrah shared, "Mithiyeh Morniye" is a reflection to the pain that comes with losing someone you truly love." Collaborating with Chaarbis and Sez On The Beat was a very humely and brotherly experience. The song documents the pain of my personal breakups and leads to a bitter-sweet learning, that I cannot seek my happiness outside of myself, in material or relationships, especially in another human. Music has the incredible power to heal, and 'Mithiyeh Morniye' is my attempt to turn this pain, heal from it by converting it into art.

Discovery sport with redesigned modern luxury interior, Increased versatility, state-of-the-art technology



CHANDIGARH/Ludhiana JLR India today launched the new and enhanced Discovery Sport in India. The Discovery Sport is versatile by design offering up to seven seats and a dramatically refined new interior that exudes modern luxury. The Discovery Sport is available in Dynamic SE with two powertrain options - the 2.0 l petrol engine delivering a power of 183 kW and 365 Nm torque and a 2.0 l Ingenium diesel engine delivering a power of 150 kW and 430 Nm torque. Rajan Amba, Managing Director, JLR India, said: "The new Discovery Sport is versatile by design and perfect for active families that like to hit the road cocooned in luxury. It is a characterful, modern, compact SUV with a versatile interior, breadth of capability as well as intuitive technology, that makes every journey for the family one of utmost comfort and safety."

Samsung Announces Exciting Offers on Galaxy A05s, A54 5G, A34 5G

CHANDIGARH/Ludhiana: Samsung, India's largest consumer electronics brand today has announced exciting offers on the immensely popular Galaxy A05s, A54 5G, and Galaxy A34 5G smartphones. As a special offer, consumers can buy the Galaxy A05s now with an instant INR 2000 discount. Originally priced at INR 13499 (4GB+128GB) and INR 14999 (6GB+128GB), consumers can get it for just INR 11499 and INR 12999 respectively. Powered by Qualcomm Snapdragon 680 for exceptional performance and a massive 6.71" Full HD+ 90Hz display, Galaxy A05s is perfect for seamless multitasking and immersive viewing. Users can capture vibrant photos with its 50MP main shooter and enjoy long-lasting power with a 5000 mAh battery supporting 25W Super-Fast charging. Galaxy A05s stays future-ready with 4 years of security updates and 2 generations of OS upgrades. Galaxy A05s is available across retail stores, Samsung.com, and other online players. Consumers can now also purchase Galaxy A34 5G, originally priced starting at INR 30999, at an effective price of just INR 25999 with a cashback of INR 3500 and an additional bank cashback of INR 1500 for Axis Bank card users.

Godrej Interio launches a new store in Chandigarh

MANIMAJRA - Chandigarh: Godrej & Boyce has launched its new outlet at NAC Manimajra. Spread over 4500 sq. ft., the store will expand Godrej Interio's retail presence in the Chandigarh Tricity region and northern markets in India. Dev Sarkar, Senior Vice President (B2C), Godrej Interio, said that the store is located in an up-and-coming residential area on the main Chandigarh-Shimla Highway, which specializes in home storage, home furniture and mattresses in various styles and finishes. To celebrate the launch of the new store, the brand is offering 30 percent off on Rs. Offering a recliner introductory plan, 2999/- per unit for its customers. Dev Sarkar, Senior Vice President (B2C), Godrej Interio, said, "Given the excellent location of the store and the strong and growing brand recall of Godrej Interio in the market, we are looking forward to the store. Revenue will reach Rs 3 crore annually by FY 24-25. With the opening of this new store, Godrej Interio expands its footprint in North India, where it has a significant customer base. We are planning to open another 10 outlets in the state. The plan is to grow by 25% by the end of fiscal year 2014 and over the next three years. We expect to reach Rs 45 crore for the entire state and Rs 180 crore for the northern region. Owing to the strong brand identity, we are confident that the brand will further expand its customer base by bringing in more patrons into the rapidly growing Godrej Interio family."

Young entrepreneurs Anu and Deep bring world renowned Korean beauty treatments to tricity



CHANDIGARH: A number of luminaries like Ankit Baiyanpura, YouTuber, Saranjeet Kaur, Punjabi actress, Ishita Singh, Digital Creator and others graced the event, which was managed by Art of Dance Entertainments Director & MTV Fame Artist & Choreographer Dipesh Sekhri. Akashdeep Nanda was the anchor of the programme. Anu, a dynamic woman entrepreneur who is a co-founder of Anudeep Salon said, "It is a matter of great pride for us that though we come from a humble background we have been able to make a mark in the world of beauty in not just tricity but even the country and abroad. We are pioneers in bringing Korean beauty treatments that counter pigmentation of skin effectively to not just tricity but even the country." It is to be noted that Korean treatments use natural beauty products to revive skin and make it healthy and glowing. Moreover this type of treatment enhances beauty in the long term. Deep, an experienced salon professional who has brought his rich knowhow to the venture and is also a co-founder, said: "Anudeep Salon is all about the first and best services in the region. Our treatments and services are uniquely designed based on a lot of internal research. We are also offering unique services like micro blading, lip blushing, hair regrowth treatment, hair extension makeup etc. in a relaxing ambience." Reflecting further, Anu said: "We have also announced a social initiative to coincide with our anniversary celebration. We will help aid cancer victims by reconstructing their eyebrows and lips free of cost." Deep said further, "Anudeep Salon is very particular about enhancing the overall experience of customers. We have a team of skilled and knowledgeable stylists, who use top-notch natural products. Committed to quality which ensures that clients not only leave with a satisfying hairstyle and service but also feel pampered and valued, Anudeep Salon also attaches a great deal of importance to cleanliness, professionalism, and attention to detail, thus fostering customer loyalty and satisfaction.

108 Ambulance EMT assists woman to deliver in the ambulance while on the move in Sri Muktsar Sahib

SRI MUKTSAR SAHIB, January 16, 2024: 108 Ambulance yet again emerges as a saviour for assisting a pregnant woman deliver her baby safely in the ambulance while on the move. A pregnant woman picked from Goniara Road to Sri Muktsar Sahib Civil Hospital went into labour just few short minutes from the hospital. Realizing that the baby was coming quicker than anticipated, the ambulance EMT Eakamkar Singh was being given her the medical support to deliver the baby and Pilot Deepak Sharma assisted EMT Eakamkar Singh by stopping the ambulance for a safe delivery. The congruent efforts of both the woman and the staff helped bring a new life into the world. Post-delivery both mother and the baby were shifted to the hospital for further medical care. Sharing his views, Mr. Manish Batra, Project Head, 108 Ambulance

DHEEYAN MERIYAN's Kiranbir Gill Seeks Blessings at Anandpur Sahib

CHANDIGARH: The main lead of the Punjabi show "DHEEYAN MERIYAN" Sahnavi (Kiranbir Gill) gathered at the sacred Anandpur Sahib on the auspicious occasion of Guru Gobind Singh Ji's birthday to seek blessings and pay homage to the revered Guru. In a heartwarming gesture, Sanvi conveyed a powerful message about the importance of family bonds and Guru Gobind Singh Ji's sacrifice for the Sikh community and shared reflections on the show's narrative, emphasizing the significance of familial unity and the Guru's selfless contributions to the Sikh community. "On Guru Gobind Singh Ji's blessed birthday, KiranBir Gill expresses profound gratitude, saying, 'May the divine teachings of Guru Gobind Singh Ji illuminate our paths with courage, righteousness, and compassion. It's a profound reminder of his teachings that inspire us to stand tall against injustice. This occasion ignites the flame of unity, guiding us towards righteousness and embracing the divine spirit within.'"

SBI General Insurance records 50% growth in December FY 24

CHANDIGARH: SBI General Insurance, one of India's leading General Insurance companies, registered a significant growth of 50% in the month of December FY 24, leading to GDP of INR 1001 crore. The Company has contributed around 14% to the overall acretion of private insurance industry, marking the highest acretion in the month of December FY 24. The Company's diverse product portfolio, combined with its distribution and its reach has resulted in SBI General improving its private market share to 6.41% in the month of December FY 24, with an improvement of 137 basis points in market share over the corresponding month of last financial year. In the month of December, the Company also showcased strong growth across retail, commercial lines, and rural & agri business. The Company remains No. 1 in the Personal Accident segment, along with its strong presence in various lines of business including Health, home, commercial and Motor. In the 9M FY 23-24, the General Insurance industry registered a growth of 14%, while the Company has registered a growth of 23%. The growth is primarily driven by the health and motor segment, which continues to be the largest contributor in the general insurance sector. Commenting on the Company's performance, Mr. Kishore Kumar Pouladua, MD & CEO, SBI General Insurance, said, "We're happy to share that we have registered a 50% surge in December premiums and a steady 23% growth in the first nine months of FY24, marking a significant growth for SBI General Insurance. The growth is attributed to our unwavering commitment to a customer-centric approach. We continue to achieve sustainable growth with profits."

MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI: In Indri, where daughters below one year of age are getting gifts, their parents are being given special respect. Different teams of social organization Nifa Indri are reaching the houses where Lohri of daughters is being celebrated with special citations and gifts for the honour. A thought that started 21 years ago took the form of a campaign in 2006 and by 2023, that campaign had such an impact on the entire thinking of the society that it changed the tradition of discriminating between boys and girls in the society. Along with other festivals, Lohri is celebrated with great enthusiasm in North India and is especially considered a festival of the Punjabi community. But there was also a feeling of discrimination associated with this festival. While on the festival of Lohri, the birth of boys was celebrated, Lohri songs were sung with the bang of drums, whereas no one talked about any such celebration on the birth of girls.



NEWS AT A GLANCE

Hargobinder Singh Gill appointed as Honourary Secretary of Bar Council of Pb & Hry, Chandigarh



KARANPREET KARAN
BARNALA: During an Emergent Meeting chaired by Ashok Singla, the Bar Council of Punjab & Haryana announced that Raj Kumar Chauhan had resigned from his position as Hony Secretary. In his place, the Council appointed Hargobinder Singh Gill (Bagga) as Honourary Secretary of the Bar Council of Punjab and Haryana, Chandigarh. Gill is a highly experienced individual who has also been serving as Additional Advocate General, Punjab. His appointment is expected to bring new insights and expertise to the Bar Council of Punjab & Haryana.

8000 liquor bottles destroyed by police on court order



RK KASHYAP
CHHACHHRAULI: Under the leadership of Chhachhrauli DSP Pramod Kumar, liquor bottles cases seized were destroyed in Chhachhrauli police station and Pratap Nagar police station. DSP Chhachhrauli Pramod Kumar said that on the orders of the court, the work of destroying the liquor seized in the police stations was done. He told that about 4000 bottles of liquor were destroyed in Chhachhrauli police station and similarly, about 4000 bottles of old liquor bottles caught in Pratap Nagar police station were destroyed. He told that the old liquor collected in the police stations was taken out and put in the open ground and a road roller was run over these so that no liquor bottle was left. He said that this type of campaign was being run in the entire district on the orders of the court.

Ensure participation of maximum people on R-Day: Yogendra Rana



DR ASHOK KUMAR
KARNAL: A meeting was held under the chairmanship of district president Yogendra Rana on Tuesday. The meeting was attended by the district officers, district morcha president, divisional president and city president were present. In the meeting preparations for Republic Day on January 26 were discussed to give it a grand look. The flag will be hoisted by Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal. On this occasion, District President Yogendra Rana, Chief Minister's Private Secretary Abhimanyu Singh, Mayor Renu Bala Gupta, Chief Minister's representative Sanjay Bathla, District General Secretary Rajbir Sharma.

PM's initiative leads to consecration of Lord Rama Temple in Ayodhya: Vij

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
CHANDIGARH, JAN 16

Haryana Home Minister, Anil Vij expressed his gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi from the depths of his heart, stating that Prime Minister Ji's initiative is leading to the consecration of Lord Shri Rama in Ayodhya, which is a significant development. He mentioned that while the country gained independence in 1947 and the 80% people of the country are in belief in this, did not have freedom until now. He expressed gratitude for the auspicious occasion of the consecration in Ayodhya taking place in their lifetime. Sh. Vij replying the question asked by the Media persons in Chandigarh today regarding to the consecration ceremony scheduled for January 22 in the Shri Ram temple in Ayodhya. He mentioned that after January 22, many people would visit for darshan. He emphasized the religious aspect of their visit



and highlighted the difference in sentiment between their purpose and that of the Congress. Vij defended their decision against opposition criticism, stating that once the consecration is complete, anyone can visit the temple. He urged people to respect others' faith. He called on people to clean their local temples and places of worship by January 22 in preparation for the upcoming event. He emphasized the need to maintain a peaceful atmosphere, consume sattvic (pure) food, and

avoid the consumption of meat and alcohol. Recounting his experiences, Sh. Vij mentioned visiting Ayodhya in 1990 and 1992. He shared an incident from 1990 when people from Ambala were heading to Ayodhya, facing arrests along the way. He also recalled being detained in Unnao jail during the same period. He confirmed his detention in Unnao jail during the events. He described the situation in Ayodhya in 1992, mentioning the challenges faced by the police and witnessing the breaking of people's patience and their turn towards aggression. In response to a question about Rahul Gandhi's Nyay Yatra, he suggested that instead of a Nyay Yatra, Rahul Gandhi should undertake a Prayaschit Yatra. He pointed out the injustices committed by Congress, Rahul Gandhi's grandparents, against the nation. He emphasized the need for them to seek atonement for their actions. Highlighting Congress's role in dividing the country on

religious grounds and causing the death of more than ten lakh people, he stressed the necessity of atonement for such deeds. He also mentioned the imposition of Emergency, the incarceration of over a lakh people under the Maintenance of Internal Security Act (MISA), and their attempts to destabilize elected governments. He concluded by stating that Congress should seek atonement for orchestrating the Sikh genocide in 1984. Responding to questions about the enactment of IPC and other laws in Parliament, he stated that as soon as new laws are enacted, they will conduct training through police camps. He appreciated the government's decision to replace the British time Penal Code with an Indian one, emphasizing that the Company Rules made by the British were still in effect. He mentioned the removal of symbols of slavery, one by one, and expressed readiness to train the police in implementing the new Indian Penal Code.

District level employment fair organized in Ambala



MANISH KUMAR
AMBALA, JAN 16

Under the aegis of Haryana School Education Project Council, a district level employment fair was organized under the leadership of Aparajita, Chairperson of Samagra Shiksha Ambala and Additional Deputy Commissioner and under the guidance of District Elementary Education Officer and District Project Coordinator Sudhir Kalra. This employment fair was organized at Government Model Culture Senior Secondary School, Police Line, Ambala city. In which 12th passed students of 2022-23 session under NSQF component from government schools of the district participated. District Basic

Education Officer and District Project Coordinator Sudhir Kalra said that the companies and other employers offering jobs in the employment fair were informed through letters and companies participated include HDFC, Life Insurance Corporation of India, Oasis Overseas Export Limited. About 20 companies along with various renowned companies like Vishal Mega Mart, HCL Tech B and JICA Zee Institute of Animation etc. participated in this job fair. In this employment fair, approximately 75 students participated those have passed class 12th in the session 2022-23 with any skill subject of skill education being given under NSQF component in government schools and along with this- Also have completed 18 years of age.

Indira Gandhi College wins three bronze medals in Karate competition



NARESH GARG
LADWA: The college principal said that the inter-college karate competition of Kurukshetra University was organized on January 14, 2024 in the sports department of the university. A total of four male players from Indira Gandhi National College participated in this competition and three players also got three bronze medals in different weight categories. In which B.A. Second year student Ankit won bronze medals in -67 kg weight category, Keshav in -75 kg weight category and Bhavishya in -84 kg weight category and brought laurels to the colleges. Principal Dr. Kushal Pal and members of the college sports committee along with other teachers welcomed all the players and team in-charge Dr. Kuldeep Singh (Head of Physical Education Department). Head of the Management Committee, Pawan Garg, congratulated all the players and the college family for this achievement and said that the beginning of the new year with the medal win is a good sign for the people of Ladwa and the colleges that in the future too, our students will make the name of the college proud. Will do and take it to new heights.

No shelter for cattle in cold

KULBHUSHAN SHARMA
GUHLA CHEEKA: Due to stray animals in Cheeka, accidents keep happening every day. These animals sitting in the fog are also not visible due to which the risk of accidents increases further. The work of catching them from time to time and sending them to the Gaushala or Nandi Shala is done by the social workers with the help of the administration. Giving the above information, Sagar Bhardwaj, head of Neki Ka Ghar organisation, said that some support is received from the administration, but the cooperation from the Gaushala Cheeka is limited. Due to the efforts of Prashan, the cows are left in the Gaushala. But after a few days, they are again sent on the streets to wander, due to which the common people of the city are very upset. Stray animals are also scratched by dogs, the latest example of which has been seen in Guhla village. Due to this, there is a fear of spreading other diseases among the animals. The head of the organisation, Sagar Bhardwaj and his colleagues have appealed to the administration that arrangements should be made to leave these animals, who are distressed due to cold and stray dogs, in the cow shed permanently. He said that in this work of social service, Dr. Sushila Sharma and his companions helped. Cow Raksha Dal President Jaswinder Fauji (Sarpanch Kasaur), Vice President Nawab Pabsar, Minister Sonu, General Secretary Sonu Cheeka, Media Incharge Ladi Cheeka, Advisor Gobind Peedal, Balkar Singh Baba and others are also fully cooperating. He said that Dr. Sushila Sharma has sent this injured cow to Chandana Gate Kaithal Veterinary Hospital for treatment.

Vikas Bharat Sankalp Yatra reaches Karnal city

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, JAN 16

Vikas Bharat Yatra reached Ward No. 9 and Ward No. 11 of Karnal city on Tuesday. The Yatra was given grand welcome by the city residents. Mayor Renu Bala Gupta participated in the program as the chief guest. Mayor Renu Bala Gupta said that the central and state governments have taken concrete steps to make women self-reliant. Today women were making special contribution in every field. He said that through self-help groups, thousands of women were becoming self-reliant and supporting their families.

He said that the pension of the eligible beneficiaries was being paid at home by linking it to the family identity card. Similarly, through Skill Employment Corporation, candidates from BPL families whose annual income was less than Rs 1.80 lakh were being given priority in jobs. He said that due to the good and noble thinking of Chief Minister Manohar Lal, women have been given 50 per



cent share in Panchayati Raj elections. He said that through this program feedback from the beneficiaries of the schemes was also being taken based on that, if there was any deficiency in the implementation of any scheme, it would be removed. The Mayor said that due to the efforts of PM Narendra Modi and Chief Minister Manohar Lal, a period of system change has taken place in the country and the state, the result of which was that the last person of the society was getting the benefits of the government schemes sitting at home.

Cow welfare camp organized at Sri Nirale Baba Gaushala Alkadha Road, Bhadur

KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA, JAN 16

Thanks to the efforts of Hon'ble Cabinet Minister S. Gurmeet Singh Khudian, Chairman of Punjab Cow Service Commission Ashok Kumar (Lakhi), Labh Singh Ugoke, MLA Constituency Bhadur, Nirale Baba Gaushala at Alkadha Road, Bhadur today, Deputy Commissioner Barnala Ms. Poonamdeep Kaur Under the leadership, a cow welfare camp was organized as per the instructions of the Punjab government. On this occasion Dr. Lakhbir Singh, Deputy Director, Animal Husbandry Department, Barnala informed that free medicines and tonic worth Rs. He was treated and enlightened about the public welfare works being done by the Punjab Government from time to time, shared ideas about the breed improvement of the cows kept at the Cowshala with the Management Committee of the Cowshala. During the camp Dr. Mishar Singh, Senior Veterinary Officer, Tapa,



gave information about the problems related to infertility in animals and Dr. Ramandeep Kaur, Veterinary Officer, Veterinary Polyclinic, Barnala, shed light on allopathic and Ayurvedic medicines for mastitis disease in cows. Dr. Arundeep Singh, Veterinary Officer, cautioned against the terrible diseases caused by straw smoke in humans and animals, and encouraged them to use urea treatment as cheap dry fodder for animals instead of burning them and protect them from cold in winter. Dr. Anshu Gupta, Veterinary Officer, Bhadore shed light on brucellosis disease in cows in Gaushala.

Khair wood smuggler caught by the forest department



RK KASHYAP
CHHACHHRAULI: Smuggling of khair from the forests of Yamunanagar district was not showing any signs of stoppage. Every day the Forest Department was catching vehicles laden with khair from somewhere. This clearly showed that the business of khair smuggling was in full swing in the forests of the district. In Chhachhrauli, a tempo laden with about 15 quintals of Khair wood was caught by the forest department team from Darpur by setting up a naka on the basis of secret information. Well, the driver of the tempo used in smuggling has also been arrested from the spot, who has been produced in the Environment Court, Kurukshetra and sent to judicial custody for 14 days. Dinesh Poonia, Forest Officer, Kalsia Range, Chhachhrauli, Forest Department, said that Chikkan Beat Guard Chhabil Das informed him that Khair was being loaded in a tempo and taken to the market for sale.

Road safety necessary to save lives of people, concerned departments will be accountable for accidents: DC



RAHUL KOHLI
JAGADHRI: Deputy Commissioner Captain Manoj Kumar directed that road safety was necessary to save the lives of people. The concerned departments should be accountable for lapse. In areas where the condition of roads was very bad, work on the road should be done immediately, PWD, NHI and Marketing Board should make arrangements for this in advance. Signage should be installed at appropriate places to ensure that no fatal incident occurred due to cold and fog and wherever possible, breakers should be installed. The Deputy Commissioner was presiding over the meeting of the District Road Safety Committee in the auditorium of the District Secretariat on Tuesday. In this meeting, road and traffic rules were discussed in depth and necessary guidelines were given to the concerned officials so that road accidents can be reduced and people's lives can be saved. He said that road safety was not only an important topic but also precious lives could be saved by reducing road accidents. He said that the Electricity Corporation should move back the electric poles from the roadside and the branches of the trees standing at the intersections and roadside should be trimmed so that there was no obstruction to the traffic.

Registration on Meri Fasal Mera Byora portal necessary to avail benefits of Bhavantar Bharpayee Yojana: Anish Yadav



PARI BAJAJ
KARNAL: Deputy Commissioner Anish Yadav appealed to the farmers to register themselves on the Meri Fasal Mera Byora portal to avail the benefits of the Bhavantar Bharpayee Yojana. For this work, officials of the Horticulture Department should go among the farmers and motivate them to get registered themselves. The Deputy Commissioner said this while he was holding a meeting of officials of Horticulture, Marketing Board, Revenue, NABARD and Agriculture Department in the auditorium of the Mini Secretariat on Tuesday. He said that Bhavantar Bharpayee Yojana was an ambitious scheme for the farmers. The farmers of the state sold their crops like vegetables, fruits etc. in the market. But they were not getting fair price for their crops. Those farmers were provided incentive money by the state government in the form of either compensation for the crop or fair compensation for the low price of the crop. Due to which farmers got the right price for their crops. The interested beneficiaries of the state those wanted to apply to get financial assistance from the government under this scheme would have to apply by visiting the official website of the scheme.

Dense fog disrupts life in Ladwa



NARESH GARG
LADWA: Cold wave continued in Ladwa area from Tuesday morning till afternoon from which people could not get relief. Dense fog in the morning was forcing vehicles to move slowly on the road. At the same time, the cold winter was also enhancing problems of the people. On Tuesday morning, when people came out of their homes, they saw that the entire city was wrapped in dense fog, although after one o'clock the Sun appeared for some time, but it was so cold that people stayed inside their homes. Not only this, people were also seen saving their bodies from the cold by lighting fires at many places in cities and villages. The vehicles moving on the road were seen crawling. City residents Rajesh Kumar, Sandeep Shanky, Ishaan, Ankur said that it was so cold in Ladwa area on Tuesday that it was difficult for them to even leave their homes.

Desh Ki Baat campaign commenced



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: After the winter holidays, the second chapter of the "Desh Ki Baat" campaign commenced today from the premises of the DPS Academy, Nissing. The program was organized in collaboration with the National Integrated Forum of Artists and Activists (NIFA) to commemorate Constitution Day, which began on November 26. The event was chaired by Principal Balraj of DPS Academy, with Punjab Fabricator's Managing Director, Punjab Singh, as the special guest. NIFA's district executive members Satinder Mohan Gandhi and Urban Chief Maninder Singh played a significant role. Principal Balraj mentioned that motivational seminars for the all-around development of children are frequently organized in their school. Yogeendra Rana, Chairman of the School Management Committee, believes that schools should play a crucial role in making students responsible citizens, not just imparting good education. He praised the campaign prepared by NIFA for the betterment of Karnal students for two months.

Nagar Kirtan gets grand welcome at many places in city



MANISH KUMAR
AMBALA: On the occasion of Prakash Utsav of Guru Gobind Singh Ji, Nagar Kirtan was taken out from Gurudwara Badshahi Bagh on Tuesday. In the morning, the Prabhath walks were taken out from all the Gurudwara Sahibs reached Gurudwara Badshahi Bagh Sahib. After which preparations for Nagar Kirtan started. Members of Stree Satsang Seva Society and Gurudwara Management Committee from all the Gurudwara Sahibs of the city gathered at Gurudwara Sahib. After which Ardaas took place and after that, like every year, Nagar Kirtan started under the leadership of Panj Pyaras. Members of Stree Satsang Seva Society and Gurudwara Management Committee from all the Gurudwara Sahibs of the city gathered at Gurudwara Sahib. The Nagar Kirtan, which started from Gurudwara Badshahi Bagh, was given a grand welcome at many places in the city. Palki Sahib was specially decorated with flowers on this occasion. Gatka parties performed Jauhar in city kirtan.

NEW DELHI: Argentine superstar Lionel Messi on Tuesday won the Best FIFA Men's 2023 award after beating Erling Haaland and Kylian Mbappe to secure the top spot.

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024

Bad weather halts the Col CK Nayudu match as Assam scored 199/6

Chandigarh: The bad delayed the proceedings at the Col CK Nayudu match being played between Chandigarh and host Assam at Guwahati as only 26 over match was possible on day three.

AGENCY

NEW DELHI: Australia skipper Pat Cummins wins ICC Men's Player of the Month award for bowling heroics in the Test triumph against Pakistan.

Meanwhile, Deepti Sharma of India won the maiden ICC Women's Player of the Month award thanks to her multi-format brilliance against England and Australia, according to a release from the International Cricket Council (ICC) on Tuesday.

ICC revealed the Men's and Women's Player of the Month award winners for December 2023 after shortlists were announced last week.

Pat Cummins caps a spectacular 2023 with the ICC Men's Player of the Month award for December, following a supreme bowling performance in his side's victorious Test series against Pakistan.

On the other hand, Deepti Sharma won her first ICC Women's

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Player of the Month prize after batting and bowling brilliance in all three formats secured notable victories for India over strong opposition in England and Australia.

Cummins was at the forefront of Australia's Test success over Pakistan in December, demonstrating the leadership and bowling prowess that personified Australia's surge to

success in 2023, winning their maiden World Test Championship mace, and their sixth Men's Cricket World Cup crown earlier in the year.

The highlight of another spectacular month for Cummins came in the side's second Test victory over Pakistan in Melbourne. The pacer took ten wickets in the match, which included an inspiring spell as the match approached a nervy climax.

His five for 48 in the second innings included the prized wicket of a well-set Mohammed Rizwan - Cummins' 250th in the longest format - ensuring Australia dramatically snatched victory.

Cummins is nominated for the top men's award in the ICC Awards 2023 for his performances during the calendar year - the Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy - and will be hoping to add to his collection of personal accolades following a fine year in all formats. "It's been a great year for the group across all formats and to cap it off with a strong performance against a challenging Pakistan side was a nice way to finish 2023. Overall we are very pleased with the summer so far and looking ahead to the West Indies and New Zealand series," Cummins said as quoted by ICC.

Virat Kohli, Anushka Sharma receive invitation to attend 'Pran Pratishtha' ceremony of Ram Temple



MUMBAI: India's batting talisman Virat Kohli and his wife actor Anushka Sharma on Tuesday received an invitation to attend the Ram Temple 'Pran Pratishtha' ceremony on January 22 in Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh. Kohli became the latest cricketer to be invited to the ceremony.

Apart from Kohli, world Cup-winning former India captain MS Dhoni and India's all-time great Sachin Tendulkar have also been invited to the ceremony at the grand Ram Temple in Ayodhya. Several Bollywood celebrities including Akshay Kumar, Kangana Ranaut, Tiger Shroff, Jackie Shroff, Harshvardhan, Rajinikanth, Amitabh Bachchan, Ranbir Kapoor, Alia Bhatt and Randeep Hooda

have also received the invitation for the Ram Mandir 'Pran Pratishtha' ceremony in Ayodhya. Vedic rituals for the Pran-Pratishtha ceremony of Ram Lalla in Ayodhya began on Tuesday, a week before the main ceremony. General secretary of Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust Champat Rai said Ram Temple will be open for 'darshan' for the general public from January 23. "The 'Pran Pratishtha' is expected to conclude by 1 pm. PM Modi and others present on the occasion will express their thoughts after the ceremony. As per tradition, gifts in 1000 baskets will come from Nepal's Janakpur and areas of Mithila. On Jan 20 and 21 darshan will remain closed to public," he said.

PUBLIC NOTICE BEFORE SH. SANJAY GARG, HCS, ASSISTANT ESTATE OFFICER, EXERCISING THE POWERS OF ESTATE OFFICER, U.T., CHANDIGARH

SUBJECT: Transfer of Ownership in respect of RESIDENTIAL Site No. 3162, Sector 23-D, Chandigarh to the extent of 12.50% Share on the basis of Un-Registered WILL of Late Varsha. It is notified for the information of general public and all concerned that as per record of this office Smt. Gulzari Lal Anand has applied for the Transfer of Ownership in respect of RESIDENTIAL Site No. 3162, Sector 23-D, Chandigarh, to the extent of 12.50% Share held by Late Varsha in his favour, on the basis of Un-Registered WILL, Dated 12/02/2022.

RETAIL ASSET CENTRE: AXIS BANK LTD. 2ND FLOOR, PROPERTY # F-7-E, MIDC, SARABHAGAR, LUDHIANA-141001, CORPORATE OFFICE: AXIS HOUSE, BLOCK-B, BOMBAY DEYERING MILLS COMPOUND, PANDURANG BLDK/KAR MARG, WORLI, MUMBAI-400025. REGISTERED OFFICE: TRISHULI, 3RD FLOOR, OPPOSITE SAMRATHSHEWAR TEMPLE, LAW GARDEN, ELLISBRIDGE, AHMEDABAD-380006

PUBLIC NOTICE

BEFORE SH. RAJIV TEWARI, ASSISTANT ESTATE OFFICER, U.T., CHANDIGARH

Subject: Transfer of LEASE HOLD RIGHTS in Respect of Commercial Booth No. 101-P, Sector 19-C, Chandigarh (FVL 31) to the extent of 100.00% share on the basis of Registered Will of Late KASHMIRI LAL.

It is notified for the information of general public and all concerned that as per record of this office Smt. KASHMIRI LAL is the owner/lessee of Commercial Booth No. 101-P, Sector 19-C, Chandigarh to the extent of 100.00% Share. It is has been informed by DINESH JAIN that Sh./Smt. KASHMIRI LAL expired on 18.02.2023 and he/she/they has/hasve also intimated the following legal heirs of the deceased owner/lessee:-

Table with 3 columns: Sr. No., Name of Legal Heir, Relation with deceased. Includes Kamlesh Rani (Wife), Rupinder Kaur (Daughter), Shilpi Arora (Son).

Now, DINESH Jain has applied for the Transfer of Lease Rights in respect of Commercial Booth No. 101-P, Sector 19-C, Chandigarh to the extent of 100.00% Share held by Late KASHMIRI LAL in his/her/their favour, on the basis of Registered Will dated 01.08.2012. If anybody has any information about any other legal heir(s) of the deceased other than mentioned above, the same may be intimated to the Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh immediately.

It is notified for the information of general public and all concerned that as per record of this office Smt. Surinder Kumar S/o Late Sh. Sadhu Ram R/o 799, Sector-6, Panchkula, Haryana was owner/fallottee of Shop No. 18, NGM, Ambala City (Size 6m x 52m) of 1/3 shares and deed of conveyance registered vide Pralekh No. 4664 dt. 03-03-1998. He was become the owner of complete shop since 02-06-2009 though Award passed by the Hon'ble District Court, Ambala in Civil Suit No. 45 dt. 19-05-2009. Shri Surinder Kumar has expired on 29-01-2023 leaving behind five legal heirs. Sh. Sandeep Mittal (Son) requested to this office for transfer of the ownership of said shop in favour of him in the blood relation and other four shareholders as per LR certificate dated 22-06-2023 have submitted affidavits dated 11-01-2024 to transfer their shares in favour of Sh. Sandeep Mittal. If any person(s) has any objection against the transfer of Shop No. 18, New Gram Market, Ambala City in favour of Shri Sandeep Mittal S/o Shri Surinder Kumar Mittal, he/she can submit objection in writing to this office alongwith supporting documents within 30 days of publication of this notice, otherwise this office will change the ownership of this shop as per HSAM Board policy and may not entertain subsequent claim if any.

Secretary cum Executive Officer, Market Committee, Ambala City

DIRECTORATE OF PUNJAB STATE LOTTERIES

DRAW TIME: 06:00 PM ONWARDS DRAW DATE: 16/01/2024 RESULT OF PUNJAB STATE DEAR 10 DIAMOND TUESDAY WEEKLY LOTTERY

Table with 10 columns: 1st Prize Amount (10)Rs.10,000/-, Common to all series (On last 4 digits), 2nd Prize Amount (10)Rs.2000/-, Common to all series (On last 4 digits), 3rd Prize Amount (100)Rs.500/-, Common to all series (On last 4 digits), 4th Prize Amount (100)Rs.200/-, Common to all series (On last 4 digits), 5th Prize Amount (2000)Rs.100/-, Common to all series (On last 4 digits).

Table with 10 columns: 1st Prize Amount (1) Rs. 5 Lakhs (On 5 digits), 2nd Prize Amount (50) Rs. 5,000/- (On last 4 digits), 3rd Prize Amount (50) Rs. 3,000/- (On Last 4 digits), 4th Prize Amount (50) Rs. 1,000/- (On last 4 digits), 5th Prize Amount (50) Rs. 500/- (On last 4 digits), 6th Prize Amount (2000) Rs. 200/- (On last 4 digits).

HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SHORT NOTICE INVITING TENDERS

Sealed item rate tenders on form 6 & 8 are hereby invited by the Executive Engineer, Palampur Division HPPWD, Palampur on behalf of the Governor of H.P for the following work from the approved and eligible contractors enlisted in HPPWD, (B&R) whose registration stood renewed as per revised rules and also registered under the H.P General Sales Tax Act 1968 so as to reach in his office on or before 31.01.2024 up to 11.00 AM. and the same shall be opened on the same day at 11.30 A.M. in the presence of intending contractors or their authorized representatives.

Table with 5 columns: Sr. No., Name of work, Estimated cost, Earnest Money, Time limit. Includes GPS Ghamotra Rakh Bhoumt, C/o link road from Nagri to Mather, C/o Parour Lahla Chachian road, Restoration of rain damage on Dharamkhalah, Repair and Maintenance of Ayurvedic Dispensary.

Terms & Conditions Following documents should accompany the application for tenders. 1. G.S.T. No. 2. Valid copy of Registration 3. Machinery to be of the contractor where required. 4. Certificate regarding possession of machinery. 5. Telegraphic/Fax tenders are not acceptable. 6. The tender documents can be received by registered/ Insured post which should be received in this office on or before the date of opening of tender by 11.00 A.M. positively. 7. Contractor should have successfully executed two works of similar nature of 1/3 amount of estimated cost or similar single work of amount equal to estimated cost during the last preceding three years 8. The Contractor will have to submit affidavit along with application for issue of tender that he has not more than two works in hand. Next tender will be issued only after completion of previous works in hand.

DPR-HP- 5028/2023-2024 HIM SUCHANA AVN JAN SAMPARK

DIRECTORATE OF PUNJAB STATE LOTTERIES

Draw Time: 06:00 PM ONWARDS DATE: 16/01/2024 RESULT OF PUNJAB STATE DEAR 50 MONTHLY LOTTERY

Table with 10 columns: 1st Prize Amount (1) Rs. 5 Lakhs (On 5 digits), 2nd Prize Amount (50) Rs. 5,000/- (On last 4 digits), 3rd Prize Amount (50) Rs. 3,000/- (On Last 4 digits), 4th Prize Amount (50) Rs. 1,000/- (On last 4 digits), 5th Prize Amount (50) Rs. 500/- (On last 4 digits), 6th Prize Amount (2000) Rs. 200/- (On last 4 digits).

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DARSHAN SHARMA NILOKHERI: Newly appointed in-charge Dharmveer Pada and Panipat district president Dr. Rajpal Singh were warmly welcomed by all the workers of INLD at Barani Khalsa Road Chaupal in Nilokheri. They expressed gratitude to all the villagers and directed them to stay prepared for the upcoming elections so that Chaudhary Abhay Singh Chautala can be made the next Chief Minister of Haryana.



YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024

New initiatives to increase registration of unorganized workers on shram portal

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, JAN 16

The e-Shram portal, an initiative by the Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India, is now being robustly implemented in Haryana. This digital platform is set to revolutionize how unorganized workers, including agricultural labourers, street vendors, domestic workers, construction workers etc access government benefits and welfare programs.

This was stated by the Principal Secretary, Labour Department, Sh Rajeev Ranjan while chairing a meeting with the officers concerned regarding the same.

During the meeting, Sh Rajeev Ranjan said that the e-Shram portal is more than a digital platform; it's an initiative to drastically improve the living standards of unorganized workers.

He said that currently, unorganized workers have to face a lot of problems, hence they are being added through reg-

istration on the e-Shram portal so that they can avail the benefits of the scheme offered by the government. He urged all the unorganized workers to register themselves on e-shram portal. Haryana labour department is committed to increasing the number of registrations under e shram, said Sh Rajeev Ranjan.

During the meeting, Sh. Rajeev Ranjan shared that Haryana is undertaking a massive drive to register unorganized workers on the e-Shram portal. This includes outreach programs across all districts, ensuring that every eligible worker is made aware and can access the portal. He shared that each registered worker will receive a 12-digit Universal Account Number (UAN), which is valid for a lifetime enabling them to avail of benefits across the state and the country. This UAN empowers them to access a variety of benefits, including those related to health, education, and other social security schemes. Recognizing the diverse needs of its workforce, Haryana is leveraging

e-Shram data to design state-specific welfare schemes that complement national programs. e-shram portal also helps in mapping the skills of Haryana's workers, where workers can fill out details of their skills, facilitating better employment opportunities and skill development programs. and detailed Migrant workers can also avail of the benefits by registering on the e - shram portal. Self-certification is also enabled for ease in registrations, informed Sh. Rajeev Ranjan. During the meeting, it was informed that small and marginal farmers, agricultural labourers, sharecroppers, fishermen, Those engaged in animal husbandry, Beedi rolling, Labeling and packing, building and construction workers, leather workers, weavers, Carpenter, salt workers, workers in brick kilns and stone quarries, workers in sawmills, Midwives, Domestic workers, Barbers, Vegetable and fruit vendors, Newspaper vendors, Rikshaw pullers, Auto drivers, Sericulture workers, Carpenters etc.

Sanjeev Sikri appointed International Director of Anti Corruption

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, JANUARY 16

National Supremo and Founder of Anti Corruption Foundation of India, Narendra Arora expanded the team and appointed renowned social worker and entrepreneur Sanjeev Sikri as International Director. National Supremo Narendra Arora, National General Secretary Pawan Sharma and National Vice Chairman Vijay Jain handed over the appointment letter to Sanjeev Sikri and administered the oath to work for the eradication of corruption while living the dignity of the post. On this occasion, Sanjeev Sikri said that he will work for corruption eradication awareness by living in the dignity of his post and will connect more and more people with the objectives of the organisation. On this occasion, Narendra Arora said that Anti Corruption Founda-



tion of India is working for corruption eradication awareness in all the states across India.

The main objective of the organisation is to make more and more people aware about eradicating corruption. He said that the main tasks of Anti Corruption Foundation of India include organising seminars in educational in-

stitutions and other places for corruption eradication awareness, running signature campaigns and oath taking campaigns, organising competitions related to anti corruption, law enforcement among the people. To spread the message of truth and honesty by honouring the dutiful officers of the police and administration etc.

Dr. Puneet Singhal makes people aware about spinal cord diseases

GOLDY CHUGH SHAHABAD, JANUARY 16

Neuro surgeon Puneet Singhal of Adesh Hospital, Mohri, has become a boon for brain and spine patients. The team of Neurosurgery Department is giving better treatment orders to the patients related to this disease. On Tuesday, Dr. Puneet Singhal informed people about brain and spinal cord diseases. Neurosurgeon Dr. Puneet Singhal said that many times patients complain of headache or are troubled by half the headache, but in such a situation, such patients must go to the hospital and get checked because when can this

minor disease become serious. He said that in the neuro department of Adesh, there are cases like blindness, paralysis, brain tumor and cancer, nerve block, blockage of blood in the brain, rupture of the head vein, brain injury, brain TB, loss of memory. Excellent treatment is given for slip disc and neck problems, spinal cord lump, spinal cord abscess, spinal cord injury, sciatica, spinal TB, back pain and numbness in feet etc. He said that in this state, one hospital located in Mohri is such a hospital where special teams are working for common diseases as well as serious diseases under one roof and from time to time, national and international level experts are working on the same.



Virk Super Specialty Hospital opened in Karnal

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, JANUARY 16

Virk Super Specialty Hospital opened in Karnal which was inaugurated by Dr. Balbir Singh Virk and Dr. Amanpreet. Dr. Preeti Singh, specialist in the dermatology department, will provide her services for skin related diseases. In the winter season, problems related to weight loss like ringworm, itching etc. arise. In such a situation, one should not ignore it and consult a doctor immediately. And the cleanliness of the body should be maintained and the clothes of the patient suffering from this disease should be kept separate and washed with hot water. Orthopaedic specialist Dr. Balbir Singh Virk, director of the hospital, said that he has been running an orthopaedic hospital in Karnal for years in which people are getting good treatment. Our aim is to provide good health facilities to the people and provide treatment at reasonable prices. On this occasion, Dr. Abhay, Dr. Pradeep Tina, Dr. Ashwani Kumar, Dr. Abhinav Bansal, Dr. Pushendra Bajaj, Dr. Karan Sehgal and social workers Pravesh Gaba, Hardeep, Sudhir, Balwan etc. arrived and gave their good wishes.

Shiv Sena's former Lok Sabha candidate Dinesh Sharma joins BJP along with hundreds of colleagues

KARNAL (DR ASHOK KUMAR): In BJP District Office Karnal, former Lok Sabha candidate of Shiv Sena and North Haryana Youth State President and current Youth District President Urban Brahmin Sabha, Dinesh Sharma along with more than 300 young colleagues joined the BJP in the presence of District President Yogendra Rana on Tuesday. On this occasion, BJP District President Yogendra Rana wore the BJP placard on Dinesh Sharma joining BJP and welcomed him with flower garlands. Before this, Dinesh Sharma was the state president of Shiv Sena, North Haryana. In 2019, he contested the Karnal Lok Sabha elections on Shiv Sena ticket and ran a social service organization in the name of Yuva Samaj Seva Sangathan for 10 years and now the youth of the present District Karnal Brahmin Sabha was the district president. During this, Bharatiya Janata Party's Vinay Sandhu Gagsina, Kumar Rishi, Nishant Sharma Sanu, Sahil Madan, Mohan Lodhi, Sunil Goyal and Deepak Gupta, Advocate Rahul Bali, Councilor representative Ginni Virk and District President of Karnal Brahmin Sabha Surendra Badola were present.



Government of Haryana

सूरा सो पहचानिए जु लरै दीन के हेत ॥
पुरजा पुरजा कटि मरै कबहू न छाडै खेतु ॥

'Deg Teg Fateh'

Heartiest Greetings on the Prakash Utsav of
Sahib-E-Kamal
Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji

January 17, 2024

“मैं श्री गुरु गोबिन्द सिंह जी को उनके प्रकाश पर्व के पावन अवसर पर शीश नवाता हूँ तथा मानवता की सेवा में उनके योगदान का स्मरण करता हूँ। उनका अद्वितीय साहस सदैव लोगों को प्रेरित करता रहेगा।”

- नरेन्द्र मोदी

