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Chandigarh mayoral poll: RO Anil Masih tenders unconditional apology in SC

NEW DELHI: Anil Masih, the returning officer for the Chandigarh mayoral election whose result was overturned by the Supreme Court in February, on Friday tendered an unconditional apology to the apex court for his conduct. He had faced the wrath of the Supreme Court which ordered his criminal prosecution for allegedly making a false statement before it and his "misdemeanour" during the counting of votes. Masih said he would withdraw the earlier affidavit which stated that he was reeling under depression and anxiety and wherein he denied allegations of tampering with ballots.

CBI gets court permission to quiz BRS leader Kavitha in Tihar

NEW DELHI: The Rouse Avenue Court of Delhi on Friday allowed the Central Bureau of Investigation to quiz Bharat Rashtira Samithi (BRS) MLC K Kavitha during judicial custody in Tihar Jail.

CBI through application, sought court permission to interrogate or quiz and record the statement of BRS leader K Kavitha regarding whatsapp chats recovered from Buchi Babu's phone and documents regarding a land deal, post which 100 crores were allegedly paid to Aam Aadmi Party in kickbacks.

Noted the submissions, the Special Judge Kaveri Baweja allowed CBI petition and permitted concerned officials to visit Tihar for the purpose in any day of coming week. CBI submitted that a notice U/S 41A Cr.P.C. was issued on 20.02.2024 to Ms. K. Kavitha for joining the investigation on 26.02.2024, but she did not join the investigation and could not be examined. She was subsequently arrested by the ED in the above mentioned connected case on 15.03.2024 and is currently in judicial custody in the said case.

SC grants bail to activist Shoma Kanti Sen in Elgar Parishad-Maoist links case

NEW DELHI: In a relief to academic-activist Shoma Kanti Sen, arrested in June 2018 in connection with the Elgar Parishad-Maoist links case, the Supreme Court on Friday granted her bail while taking cognisance of the "composite effect" of the delay in framing charges coupled with her prolonged detention. The apex court imposed several conditions on the 66-year-old Sen, including that she shall keep the location status (GPS) of her mobile phone active round the clock while under bail and her phone shall be paired with that of the investigating officer of the NIA to enable him, at any given time, to identify her exact location. A bench of Justices Aniruddha Bose and Augustine George Masih also directed that Sen shall inform the investigating officer about her place of residence.

Cong manifesto promises removal of 50 pc reservation cap, MSP guarantee

AGENCY NEW DELHI, APRIL 5

The Congress party has promised to pass a constitutional amendment to raise the Supreme Court mandated 50 per cent cap on reservations for Scheduled Castes (SC), Scheduled Tribes (ST) and Other Backward Classes (OBC), as per its poll manifesto released on Friday.

The party also promised to conduct a nation-wide Socio-Economic and Caste Census to enumerate the castes and sub-castes and their socio-economic conditions.

To put a curb on rampant defections, the Congress has promised to amend the Tenth Schedule of the Constitution and make defection (leaving the original party on which the MLA or MP was elected) an automatic disqualification of the membership in the Assembly or Parliament.

The Congress has also promised to implement reservation of 10 per cent in jobs and educational institutions for Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) for all castes and communities without discrimination.

Stressing on the economic empowerment of minorities, the Congress promised to ensure that banks will provide institutional credit to minorities without discrimination. "We will ensure that the minorities receive their fair share of opportunities in education, healthcare, public employment, public works contracts, skill development, sports and cultural activities without discrimination," the manifesto said.

Congress will ensure that, like every citizen, minorities have the freedom of choice of dress, food, language and personal laws, it added.

The party has also promised to fill all the backlog vacancies in posts reserved for SC, ST and OBC within a period of one year and also enact a law to provide for



reservation in private educational institutions for SC, ST and OBC.

The Congress promised to increase the central government's contribution to pensions for senior citizens, widows and persons with disabilities under the National Social Assistance Programme from Rs 200 to Rs 500 per month to Rs 1,000 per month.

The Rajasthan Model of cashless insurance up to Rs 25 lakhs will be adopted for universal healthcare, the Congress said.

To prevent violence against doctors, Congress said that it will pass a law making it an offence to commit acts of violence against healthcare professionals while performing their duties.

The party has also promised to enact a separate legislation for the registration of sports federations or bodies or associations which will ensure full compliance with the Olympic Charter, allow for autonomy and full accountability, and provide recourse for members and sportspersons

against discrimination, bias, sexual harassment, abuse, wrongful termination, etc. Congress will also be providing sports scholarships of Rs 10,000 per month to talented and budding sports persons below the age of 21 once elected to power. For the LGBTQIA+ community, the Congress said that it would bring a law to recognize civil unions between all couples after wide consultation. Putting to rest farmer's long-standing demand, the Congress said that it will give a legal guarantee to the Minimum Support Prices (MSP) announced by the government every year, as recommended by the Swaminathan Commission. For the unemployed youth, the Congress said that it will abolish application fees for government examinations and government posts. Due to widespread unemployment, as a one-time measure of relief, the amount due including unpaid interest as on March 15, 2024 in respect of all student educational loans will be written off and the banks will be compensated by the government, the Congress said in its manifesto.

"Not Warranted": SC stays order on UP madrassas impacting lakhs

AGENCY NEW DELHI, APRIL 5

In a big relief to about 17 lakh madrassa students in Uttar Pradesh, the Supreme Court today paused an Allahabad High Court order scrapping the UP Board of Madarsa Education Act, 2004. This allows about 16,000 madrassas in the state to continue functioning under the 2004 law.

A bench led by Chief Justice of India DY Chandrachud said that the high court decision was prima facie not correct and issued notices to the UP and central governments, and the Madrasa board.

The high court had last month declared the 2004 law "unconstitutional" for vio-

lating the principle of secularism and directed the government to accommodate the madrasa students in the formal education system.

The Supreme Court put



it on hold on Friday, saying that the aims and objectives of the Madrasa Board are regulatory in nature and that the establishment of the board itself will not affect secularism.

"The high court, in

striking down the provisions of the Act, directed the relocation of the students. This would affect the 17 lakh students. We are of the view that the direction of relocation of students to other schools was not warranted," said the Chief Justice.

If the purpose of the PIL is to ensure that madrassas provide secular education in core subjects such as mathematics, science, history, and languages, the solution would not be to repeal the provisions of the Madarsa Act 2004, he added. The central and state governments backed the high court judgment in the Supreme Court, with the centre saying suspected entanglement of religion and other relevant issues must be debated.

Court rejects plea to transport mortal remains of Pakistani Sufi saint

AGENCY NEW DELHI, APRIL 5

The Supreme Court on Friday rejected a petition seeking the transportation to India of the mortal remains of Sufi saint Hazrat Shah Muhammad Abdul Muqtadir Shah Masood Ahmad, a Pakistani citizen, who died in Dhaka, Bangladesh, in 2022. A bench of Chief

Justice of India DY Chandrachud and Justices JB Pardiwalla and Manoj Misra said no one can claim a right to bring back mortal remains of a foreigner to India. The bench asked, "He is a Pakistani citizen, how can you expect the Union of India to bring his burials in India?" The counsel, appearing for petitioner Dargah Hazrat Mulla Syed, said the saint has no fam-

ily in Pakistan, whereas, at the dargah in Uttar Pradesh's Prayagraj, he was the Sajjad-nasheen (spiritual head). Seeking direction from the Union of India to bring the mortal remains of the saint to India, the counsel for the saint said he was born in Prayagraj and migrated to Pakistan and later he got Pakistani citizenship in 1992, the top court was informed.

Work done in 10 years is like an appetizer; main course yet to come: PM

AGENCY CHURU, APRIL 5

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday said that the works done by his government at the Centre in the last ten years are like a 'trailer' as there is more to come in the future.

Addressing a rally in Rajasthan's Churu, the PM said that the country has witnessed a change in the last ten years of his government.

"I want to tell you that all we've done (developments work) till now, is just a trailer. These days, when we go to big hotels to eat food, they first bring a few appetizers...so what Modi has done (till now) is an appetizer and the main course is yet to come. We have to take the country forward... In the last 10 years, you have seen the country change. Before that, the country was in a very bad condition," the PM said.

The PM was campaigning for paralympic gold medalist Devendra Jhajharia who will represent the BJP in the Chu-

ru Lok Sabha seat in place of two-time MP Rahul Kaswan. After being denied the BJP ticket Kaswan crossed over to Congress and is now the party's candidate from Churu.

In an attack on Congress, the PM said that the economic situation had deteriorated



due to "Congress's scams and loot".

"Today the whole world is surprised as to how India is developing so fast. The world does not know that the soil of India is something different. Whatever we decide, we are able to achieve it. Due to the big scams and loot of Congress, the economy had collapsed and India's reputation in the world was declining..

Bombay HC orders premature release of gangster Arun Gawli

AGENCY NAGPUR, APRIL 5

The Nagpur bench of Bombay High Court has ordered the premature release of gangster-turned-politician Arun Gawli who was serving his life sentence in Nagpur Central Jail.

The court pronounced the judgement on Friday, "holding that Arun Gawli would be entitled to the benefit of 2006 policy and he cannot be excluded from the benefit of policy by resorting to rule of ejusdem generis (of same kind)."

The state has been directed to take decision on his release within a



period of four weeks from the date of order. Gawli's application was rejected

2 women among 5 killed in Faridkot accident

AGENCY FARIDKOT, APRIL 5

Five people, including two women, were killed, while eight others were seriously injured in a collision between a truck and a trailer early Friday near Panjgrain Khurd village of Kotakpura.

According to the police, the injured were admitted to Kotakpura and Faridkot hospitals. Most of the victims were from Marad Kalan village in Muktsar, who were returning



after paying obeisance at a religious place at Nigaha village in Bagha Purana. The bodies

were sent to Civil hospital for autopsy and a case was registered, the police said.

AAP's Atishi gets EC notice over BJP poaching attempt claim

AGENCY NEW DELHI, APRIL 5

The Election Commission of India has sent a notice to Delhi minister Atishi over an alleged poll code violation, days after she claimed the BJP had threatened her with arrest if she didn't switch sides. Stating that the BJP has complained about her remarks, the poll body asked the AAP leader to file her response by 5 pm this Saturday.

The EC said since she's a minister, voters tend to believe what she says in public, and if contested she must be able to back her remarks on a factual basis. "You are hereby called upon to furnish your para-wise response to the matter latest by 17.00 hrs of 6th April, 2024," said the EC.

Atishi took to Twitter and said she received the notice half an hour after TV channels flashed the news. "That means the Election Commission first plants a notice in the media and then I get the notice. My question is whether the Election Commission has become a

subsidiary organization of BJP," she said.

"If you do not conduct free and fair elections today, history will remember the Election Commission wrongly," she further said addressing the Elec-



tion Commissioners. Atishi, who is among the top leaders tasked with running the AAP affairs following Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal's arrest last month, earlier this week claimed the BJP had offered her to switch sides to save her political career.

"The BJP has approached me through someone very close. They have asked me to join the BJP and said this will save my political career.

Key policy rate unchanged at 6.5%, GDP growth seen at 7%: RBI

AGENCY MUMBAI, APRIL 5

Keeping a close watch on inflation, the Reserve Bank of India on Friday kept the key policy rate (repo) unchanged at 6.5 per cent resulting in no change in the EMIs of housing, car or other business loans. This is the seventh time in a row that the central bank has maintained a status quo.

Repo rate refers to the interest rate at which the RBI lends to commercial banks. Any cut or rise in the repo rate would have led to change in the EMIs accordingly.

Announcing the decision of Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das said even as the inflation has eased to 5.1 per cent during January and February 2024 from 5.7 per cent in December 2023, RBI remains focussed on infla-



tion and ensure its "descent" to the target of 4.0 per cent.

Equating inflation with Elephant,

Das said "Elephant moves at a slow pace. The last mile of inflation is sticky." He acknowledged that inflation

has come down "but the task is not yet over". As the uncertainties in food prices continue to pose challenges, the MPC remains vigilant to the upside risks to inflation that might derail the path of disinflation. The MPC met on 3rd, 4th and 5th April, 2024. After a detailed assessment of the evolving macroeconomic and financial developments and the outlook, the MPC decided by a majority of 5 to 1 to keep the policy repo rate unchanged at 6.50 per cent. Consequently, the standing deposit facility (SDF) rate remains at 6.25 per cent and the marginal standing facility (MSF) rate and the Bank Rate at 6.75 per cent, RBI Governor said. On the economic growth, the Governor said considering various factors both in the domestic and global markets, the Indian economy is projected to grow at 7 per cent during the current financial year.

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BSP fields its first candidate in Haryana

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL: BSP's Haryana in-charge Randhir Beni, while officially announcing this at Ambedkar Bhawan, said that candidates will be declared for the remaining nine seats of the state in three-four days. While talking to journalists on Thursday, BSP's Haryana and Punjab and Chandigarh in-charge Randhir Beni said that the party's national president Mayawati has declared In-derjit as the candidate. Our alliance is not with any political party but with the people including farmers, laborers, traders, employees, mother power and youth. BSP candidate Indrajit Jalmana said that his fight is against those who lathicharge those who raise their voice for the rights of farmers. He is the son of a poor farmer who gets beaten by sticks. Along with them are a large number of youth including farmers, labourers, traders and employees. Former state vice president of BSP Narendra Rana said that contesting elections on an important seat.

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BUREAU CHANDIGARH, APRIL 5

With the aim of creating awareness and motivating the masses to participate in the electoral process, popular public figures like sports persons have been designated as District Icons ahead of Lok Sabha General elections scheduled for May 25 in Haryana in 2024.

Sharing more details in this regard, Chief Electoral Officer, Sh. Anurag Agarwal said that this unique effort that has been finalised today is initiated on the similar lines of the initiative taken by the Election Commission (EC) by designating Actor Rajkumar Rao, as a National Icon. He said that all Deputy Commissioners-cum District Election Officers have been directed to designate icons in

their respective districts.

He said that the voter turnout in Haryana was higher than the national average in the 2019 Lok Sabha elections. However, this time our goal is to take it up to 75 percent.

Sh. Anurag Agarwal said that icons have been designated for various districts, including the gold medalist in shooting at Asian Games 2023 Palak for Jhajjar district, the bronze medalist in shooting at the 19th Asian Games Adarsh Singh for Faridabad district, the third-place winner in the 19th Senior Para Powerlifting Championship Suman Devi and the player from the state team in the National School Games held in Bhopal Yashika for Panipat



district, and the silver medalist in shooting at the 19th Asian Games Sarabjot Singh for Ambala district.

Similarly, the silver medalist in wrestling at the World Championship Sonam Malik for Sonapat district, Olympic hockey player Suresh Kumar for Kurukshetra district, and the first-place winner in singing at the National Youth

Festival Muskan Fatehabad district have been designated as icons.

Sh. Anurag Agarwal also urged the Deputy Commissioners-cum District Election Officers of other districts to designate election icons in their respective districts. He said that this year, the Election Commission of India has made "Chunav ka Parv - Desh ka Garv" the slogan for Lok Sabha elections so that citizens participate enthusiastically in the elections.

He appealed to the youth across the state, aged 18-19, who will vote for the first time, saying that when the youth engage with the electoral process, they will understand the power of democracy and the importance of their vote.

Will not allow the Constitution to be disregarded: Mann

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, APRIL 5

Congress' Karnal Assembly in-charge Pradeep Mann held a meeting with workers in Sadar Bazaar today. Lok Sabha elections were discussed in the meeting. Rohit Joshi, head of Guru Ravidas Sabha, presided. Pradeep Mann told the workers that Congress has released the manifesto. Make the public aware of the promises made in the manifesto and appeal for votes by going door-to-door. He said that BJP governments spread casteism by tampering with the Constitution. By amending the laws, work was done to snatch away most of the officers. Congress is continuously struggling to save the



Constitution made by Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar. There is no need to amend the Constitution which gives equal rights to everyone. He said that the message given by Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar should be spread to the people.

On this occasion, Principal Rohit Joshi, Patron Daya Prakash, former councillor

Hardwari Lal, Arvind Kumar ji, Rajat Lather, former councillor Thakur Das, Bishan Das, Rakesh Kardam, Joginder Kardam, Kalicharan Punia, Mukul Verma, Hukam Chand, Fateh Chand, Ved. Prakash, Rahul Dev, Narendra Joshi, Rajiv Joshi Shiv Kumar, Tarachand and Prem Nath etc. were present.

DAV. Shatabdi School Principal Gaba transferred to Pehowa

GOLDY CHUGH SHAHABAD, APRIL 5

Dr. Kanwal Gaba, Principal of DAV Shatabdi School, has been transferred to DAV Senior Secondary School, Pehowa with promotion from DAV Shatabdi School, Shahabad. His transfer has been done with the consent of the DAV Managing Committee for the post of Principal in DAV Senior Secondary School, Pehwa. On this occasion, a farewell ceremony was organised for him in the school premises. Principal's wife Mitu Gaba was specially present in this function. On behalf of the teachers, Principal Dr. Kanwal Gaba was bid farewell and his tenure

was described as a period of experience. Expressing his views in the organised programme, Dr. Kanwal Gaba said that it is very painful to leave the institution from where you started your teaching career and later got the opportunity to work as a Principal for the same institution. He said that he has a spiritual connection with this organisation. This is not a small thing, because when you connect with someone soulfully, only positivity comes there and no kind of thought comes to the mind. He said, "How can I forget the teachers with whom I have had a relationship dating back for decades? On this occasion, the entire life of the Principal was depicted through PPT."

2 women dead, 6 injured as rock falls on them

PREETI RANI SADHAURA, APRIL 5

At around 9:30 am on Friday morning, in Ratauli village near Sadhaura, two women who had gone to buy clay for cleaning the house for Eid preparations, died after being crushed under mud. Six others were injured. These included five women, one man and two children. According to the information, at around 9 am on Friday morning, five women of Ratauli village, a man and their two 13-year-old and 5-year-old children had gone to a field near the village to collect clay for plastering the house. All the victims of the accident were Muslims. The month of Ramadan is over. After about five days, there is the festival of Eid, due to which people have already started repairing and cleaning their houses. These people, who were victims of the accident, were also busy preparing for Eid. According to eyewitnesses, the women were digging soil



from a rock made of clay. Children were playing nearby and the man had already put the soil in a sack and reached home twice and had gone to collect the soil for the third time.

Suddenly a rock fell under which all these eight people were completely buried. A woman standing nearby saw all this and raised an alarm. Villager Sadiq Hasan said that as soon as he came to know about this, the first thing to be done was to make an announcement in the vil-

lage and gather the villagers. A large number of villagers reached the spot. People took them out by removing the soil with axes, shovel and hands and the villagers informed the police and got the injured admitted to CHC Sadhaura. 35-year-old woman Nasreena, wife of Mustafa, and Satarra, wife of Shaheed, 55, were declared dead and their bodies were handed over to their families. Seeing the serious condition of the injured, they were referred to Trauma Center Ya-

munanagar. Zilla Parishad Chairman Ramesh Thaska, DSP Bilaspur and other officers reached the spot and started investigating.

Villagers said that last year too a similar accident had happened here in which two youths got buried under the soil, although they were rescued safely. All the women and men were fasting, after fasting and offering namaz at around 4.30 in the morning, these women got busy in their daily activities.

Nayab Saini and Manohar Lal will win with record votes: Rana

DR ASHOK KUMAR KARNAL, APRIL 5

Due to the public welfare schemes of the Central and State Government, BJP will win all the ten seats in Haryana and in the Karnal Assembly by-election, Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Saini and Karnal Lok Sabha candidate former Chief Minister Manohar Lal will win with record votes. BJP District President Yogendra Rana said that Narendra Modi at the Centre and the previous Manohar government in Haryana have given new heights to the development of the state. People are enthusiastic about the transparent policies of the double engine government of Modi-Manohar and in the upcoming Lok Sabha and Assem-



bly elections, BJP governments will be formed by winning more seats in the center and state than before. He said that every section of the society has got equal benefits from the policies of the Modi Manohar government.

The other parties worked for nepotism and regionalism, and they looted and harassed the people, but the Manohar government has worked considering the people of the state as part of its family. During its rule, the Haryana government has launched special schemes for the welfare of the last person standing in the queue in the state, the poor, labourers, farmers, small traders etc. whose annual income is very low. Whereas on the other hand Congress always gave the slogan of eradicating poverty.

Property ID programme held by MC

PARI BAJAJ KARNAL, APRIL 5

The Municipal Corporation on Friday installed property ID for the convenience of citizens in the community centre located in Sector-7 of the city. Self-certified camp was successful. A total of 50 people came to the camp. Property ID of all persons. The errors coming in were rectified on the spot and also the I.D. Was also self-certified. Deputy Municipal Commissioner Ashok Kumar said that all the people who came to today's camp left satisfied. During this time his property I.D. Self-certified. Apart from this, if someone's I.D. There was a need for correction regarding the plot area, so someone's name, address, contact number and property link had to be corrected, which were corrected. He said that Municipal Corporation's Regional Taxation Officer Ankush Parashar and Tax Superintendent Gagandeep Singh corrected the mistakes of the people in the camp. Errors were corrected by looking at everyone's

documents sequentially. He said that many citizens who came to the camp were given information about how to submit an objection and were told which documents are required for each objection. Citizens were motivated



ed that if they upload complete documents in the objection, it would be possible to resolve it quickly. A person has to face problems due to incomplete documents.

Deputy Municipal Com-

missioner said that ever since the portal went live, 58 thousand 810 objections have been received. Of these, 44 thousand 960 have been resolved in the corporation office, while 460 are under process. The remain-

ing objections have been reverted due to lack of documents. He told that it will be resolved after the correct and complete documents are uploaded by the concerned person.

Class V students pass entrance exam of Navodaya Vidyalaya



RAHUL KOHLI JAGADHRI, APRIL 5

Class 5 student of Sun Rise Senior Secondary School, Pratap Nagar passed the entrance examination of Jawahar Navodaya. A class 5 student of Sunrise Public School Pratap Nagar (Khizrabad) has passed the entrance examination of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya. Giving information, Principal of Sun Rise Senior Secondary School,

Pratap Nagar, Paramjeet Kaur Sandhu said that Naman Khatrriyan brought glory to the school and his parents by passing the entrance examination for admission to class VI in Navodaya School. He said that all children should study diligently. Everyone can achieve success by giving such competitive examinations. He also inspired other children to study wholeheartedly.

Pond of Ranbir Nagar overflows again

MEGHRAJ LUTHRA KACHWA, APRIL 5

The only pond in Ranbir Nagar under Gram Panchayat Kachhwa has overflowed again. Due to its dirty water entering the roads and streets of the village, an atmosphere of bad smell is created. The problems of the villagers still persist for 20 years. This will be the main issue for the villagers in the upcoming Lok Sabha and Assembly elections. Last year, during these days, Johar overflowed and this issue was raised prominently through the media. Then immediate action was taken by the administration and Panchayat. Then the entire pond was dried and excavated. At that time, Rs 7 lakh was spent on Gram Panchayat Kachhwa. But after one year, the pond has become clogged with filth and has overflowed. Villagers say that all the money spent on digging last year was washed away in water. The action taken here without planning did not benefit the villagers much.

Village social workers

Gyanchand, Ram Chand, Gullu Ram, Balram, Ishwar, Ravindra, Harichand, Devi Charan, Ramraj, Balraj Krishna Lal said that no panchayat has worked seriously to find a permanent solution to this dilemma. Summer days have started ahead. Accumulation of dirty water will lead to an abundance of flies and mosquitoes.



toes. There will always be a possibility of the spread of diseases. People are worried about the health of their children. Villagers say that this problem can be solved by laying a big pipeline till Kachhwa to drain the dirty water and connecting it to the sewer line. Another way to get rid of this problem is by setting up a wa-

ter treatment plant, but for this, some land is required and it is not near the village. Therefore, this problem is not being solved. A woman from the village had agreed to give land for this work last year but later things did not work out due to which no action could be taken. People expect only the big landowners of the village to give 10 marlas of land for the water treatment plant where the plant can be set up. When the water is clean, it is to be supplied to the surrounding fields only. Panch Dhyani Chand said that the villagers themselves are responsible for the problem of Johar. The people of the village continue to waste the water supply and throw dirt and dung into the drains, due to which this pond quickly gets clogged. Last year, the Johar was excavated until sand came under the ground. All the water had to go into the ground. Last week, BDPO, JE and village secretary, village panch and sarpanch representative Dr. Deepak Kumar had come specially to see the condition of Johar.

Sarv Karmachari Sangh extends support to debt-free India campaign in Karnal

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, APRIL 5

In a meeting organized by the Debt-Free India Campaign team of Manav Seva Sangh in Karnal, the State President Arun Kaushik Bharatiya, State Coordinator Mukesh Sirohi Bharatiya, and Sonipat Lok Sabha Coordinator Anil Garg Bharatiya addressed the individuals affected by debt. Arun Kaushik Bharatiya, the State President, highlighted the plight of numerous people in the country who, due to demonetization, GST, and lockdown, saw their shops and factories shut down, leading to unemployment and financial distress. With no means of income and no money even for household expenses, people turned to taking loans from



banks. However, faced with harassment from bank recovery agents, many have been driven to suicide. Shahnava Chaudhary Bharatiya raised this issue with the central government, but the Finance Ministry refused to acknowledge the problem. Subsequently, the Debt-Free India Campaign team began collecting data

from across the country and started submitting monthly reports to the Finance Ministry and the Prime Minister's Office from July 2022, urging the government to provide relief to those affected by debt. Just as large industrialists have had their loans waived or restructured, similar relief should be extended to the

common people. Either the debts of the common people should be waived off, or they should be given a period of 2-3 years to repay their loans. Their properties should not be auctioned off by the banks for non-repayment of loans, and recovery agents should not harass the public to the extent that people resort to suicide.

The Sarv Karmachari Sangh's Karnal Chief, Shri Sushil Kumar Gurjar, expressed his support for this campaign and assured that they would provide all possible assistance wherever needed. On this occasion, Rajesh Kumar, Pradeep Kumar, Jasmer Singh, Balkar Singh, Preeti, Barkha, Prabhjot Singh, Swarn Singh, Jay Bhagwan, Manoj, and many others were present.

BJP's graph increasing across the country- Manohar Lal

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, APRIL 5

The BJP has formed three clusters on 10 Lok Sabha seats of Haryana for the Lok Sabha elections across the country. Three in-charges have been appointed for this. The BJP has given the charge of four seats of GT Road belt, Ambala, Kurukshetra, Karnal and Sonapat cluster, to Rajya Sabha MP Krishna Panwar. A meeting was held at BJP office Karnal Kamal regarding the preparations for Lok Sabha elections in which mainly Lok Sabha candidate Manohar Lal, Cluster Incharge Krishna Panwar, Lok Sabha election in-charge Ghanshyamdas Arora, Lok Sabha election co-in-charge Surendra Nagar, Lok Sabha election coordinator Harvinder Kalyan, State General Secretary Dr. Archana Gupta, Lok Sabha MP Karnal Sanjay Bhatia, District President Karnal Yogendra Rana, District Presi-



dent Panipat Dushyant Bhatt, MLA Panipat City Pramod Vij, MLA Panipat Rural Mahipal Dhanda, District Incharge Panipat Umesh Sharma etc. were mainly present.

Lok Sabha election co-in-charge and Karnal Lok Sabha candidate Manohar Lal took a tour of the departments of all the Lok Sabha election management and issued necessary guidelines. Referring to the achievements of the BJP government, he said that the graph of BJP is continuously increasing across the country

and BJP is busy in preparations for the Lok Sabha elections. In view of the preparations for the Lok Sabha elections, the party has formed clusters so that detailed preparations can be made for the elections. Chief Minister Manohar Lal told all the workers to work as Manohar Lal in the elections and all of you have to fight this election together, hence all you responsible workers have been put on duty.

Taking information from all the workers, Lok Sabha

election co-incharge Surendra Nagar said that we have to make Modi the Prime Minister again by winning 10 out of 10 Lok Sabha seats in the state in the Lok Sabha elections. At the end of the program, Karnal Lok Sabha in-charge MLA Harvinder Kalyan welcomed everyone and assured that we all will complete this work benefiting from your guidance. On this occasion, former Industries Minister Shashi Pal Mehta, District Incharge Karnal Bharat Bhushan Juyal, Chief Minister's representative Sanjay Bathla. Chairman Other Backward Classes Welfare Board Nirmala Bairagi, former District President Jag Mohan Anand, outgoing Mayor Avneet Kaur, Professor Virendra Chauhan, former MLA Bhagwandas Kabirpanthi, District Media In-charge Dr. Ashok Kumar, Ish Kumar Rana and all the members of the Election Management Committee were present.

Surjewala abusive language towards women caused huge anger among women of country: Dr. Deepak Jyoti

RAJINDER SHARMA
BASSI PATHANA: Congress Leader Randeep Surjewala is causing a lot of anger among the women of the country due to his abusive language towards women. This expression



was expressed by BJP's constituency convener and Mahila Morcha's state general secretary, Deepak Jyoti did this because of the wrong language used by Congress leader Randeep Surjewala for BJP MP from Mathura, Hema Malini. He said that women are always insulted by the opposition parties of the BJP, including the Congress and other political parties and leaders, due to which women across the country are showing great anger towards Congress leader Randeep Surjewala.

Fed up with sewage water people to block highway on April 7



KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL: Residents of Jawahar Nagar, fed up with the sewage water that has been standing for a long time on the service road with the flyover on the Bathinda-Zirakpur national highway, the residents of the city and the area have started a struggle. On Sunday, April 7, Bathinda Chandigarh National Highway was blocked and the MLA of Rampura Phul constituency Balkar Sidhu and Maur MLA Sukhbir Singh Mysrakhana were declared dead. A full meeting was held for a complete and permanent solution to the dirty water standing on the service road. In this meeting former Sarpanch Baljit Singh Jawahar Nagar, Harjinder Singh Patti, Sukhwant Singh JE, Malkit Singh JE, Geja Singh Pradhan, Bir Singh, Salinder Singh Brar, Rajinder Singh, Jindu Member, Ex-President Happy Bansal, Ex-ML C Prinsnanda, Satis Mittal, Gora Lal Ex-Sarpanch, Nareesh Chawla etc.

Three from Rupnagar make it to committee for political matters formed by Sukhbir Badal

PT DAVINDER SHARMA
RUPNAGAR: Shiromani Akali Dal President Sardar Sukhbir Singh Badal expanded the organizational structure of the party. A committee



was formed for the political matters of the party, in which three senior members were given place from Rupnagar constituency. According to which former President of Milk Plant Mohai Mohan Singh Dumewal, former President of Municipal Council Rupnagar Sardar Paramjit Singh Makkar and former Councillor Gurmukh Singh Saini were included in this committee as members. After this appointment, all three members specially thanked party President Sardar Sukhbir Singh Badal and former Cabinet Minister Dr. Daljit Singh Cheema. The above members said that they would fulfill the responsibility entrusted to them by the party with all their heart and soul and would work day and night for the victory of the party in the coming Parliamentary elections.

Bright start to new academic year at Vasant Valley Public School



VIKAS VERMA
DHURI: The dawn of the 2024-25 academic session at Vasant Valley Public School, Sangrur, was met with great enthusiasm and anticipation. Students eagerly gathered in the assembly ground, ready to embark on another year of learning and growth. The morning began with a heartfelt assembly where students and teachers came together to start the day with a prayer. The highlight of the assembly was the motivational speech by the school Principal, Ms. Anitha R. Her words inspired students to set ambitious goals and pursue their passions with dedication.

District level cub Bulbul camp under Bharat Scouts and Guides Punjab



KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL: A three-day district level Cub Bulbul camp for the children of primary schools at Government Primary Smart School Nathana (Boys) under Bharat Scouts and Guides Punjab concluded with Shano Shaukat. On the occasion of the closing ceremony of this camp, Unkar Singh State Organizing Commissioner Punjab Scouts specially arrived as the chief guest. Unkar Singh said during the address that we should give every opportunity to the children to learn. Amritpal Singh Brar District Organizing Commissioner Bathinda appreciated the efforts of Cub Bulbul Section Bathinda. Ranjit Singh Assistant Commissioner and Jagshir Singh Sidhu District Secretary gave information about the importance of scouting in student life.

CM Mann holds meetings with AAP candidates, MLAs of Anandpur Sahib, Amritsar

GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, APR 5

CM Bhagwant Mann is in full election mode. On Friday, he held meetings with the AAP candidates and MLAs from Anandpur Sahib and Amritsar. AAP Punjab President took feedback from all the MLAs in these constituencies and discussed the election strategy based on that feedback.

In the first meeting, CM Mann met with the AAP candidate from Anandpur Sahib Malvinder Singh Kang, AAP leader Deepak Bali, Deputy Speaker Punjab VS Jai Krishan Singh (MLA Garhshankar), Santosh Kataria (MLA Balachaur), Cabinet Minister Harjot Singh Bains (MLA Anandpur Sahib), Dinesh Chadha (MLA Rupnagar), Dr. Charanjit Singh (MLA Chamkaur Sahib), cabinet minister Anmol Gagan Maan (MLA Kharar) and Kulwant Singh (MLA S.A.S. Nagar).

Briefing the media after the meeting AAP Punjab chief spokesperson and Anandpur Sahib candidate Malvinder Singh Kang said that today,



Punjab's honourable Chief Minister Sardar Bhagwant Singh Mann held an important meeting regarding the upcoming elections for Sri Anandpur Sahib Lok Sabha constituency. He took feedback from all the leaders and said that the Aam Aadmi Party will win all the 13 seats in Punjab.

Kang further said that, under the leadership of CM Bhagwant Mann, many pro-Punjab and pro-people decisions had been taken in the last two years. 90% of households in Punjab are getting free electricity, the youth of Punjab is getting government jobs on the basis of merit without any bribe, the farmers are getting canal water for irrigation, there are free mo-

halla clinics for the poor and schools of eminence in Punjab where our children are getting world class education. He added that the Mann government of Punjab has ended the mafia rule, drug mafia, sand mafia and corruption.

Kang further said that CM Mann instructed us to take our positive agenda to the people, apprise people of all the decisions that our government had taken for the welfare of the common people and our state. Our positive agenda will get the support of the people in the holy land of Sri Anandpur Sahib Lok Sabha and the Aam Aadmi Party will win the Sri Anandpur Sahib Lok Sabha seat with a big margin under the leadership of Mann sahab.

Viral video on social media exposed emergency services of civil hospital

KULWINDER KARWAL
SARDULGARH, APR 5

A video of last night from Civil Hospital Sardulgarh is going viral on social media. In this video, it was seen that the patient is suffering in a very serious condition and his family members are waiting for the doctor. But an employee present there has

been saying that duty Doctor is resting in his room and I also knocked the door of his room but there was no response from inside. After waiting for a long time, in the video, the young man who came with the patient can be clearly heard pleading with the Punjab government. After that the patient was admitted to a private hospital. They made a video

of the said matter and put it on social media, which has become a topic of much discussion among people. When local journalists tried to talk to the senior medical officer of the hospital, Ravneet Kaur, regarding this video, she refused to meet the journalists or talk to them, saying that she could not talk as she was very busy.

ADC issues orders to curb drug trafficking during LSE



SUMER GARG
SANGRUR, APR 5

Under the directions of Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur, Jatindra Jorwal a meeting of the Narco Coordination Center(NCC) was held at the district administrative complex and during the meeting officials were ordered to take strict steps for the complete prevention of drugs.

While presiding over the meeting, Additional Deputy Commissioner(G), Akash Bansal said that in view of the Lok Sabha elections(LSE), the model election code(MCC) is in force in the district and therefore it is the duty of every officer, employee of the administration and police to ensure complete polling in every urban and rural area of the district and the smuggling and illegal sale of all

types of drugs should be strictly stopped

Bansal said that the flow of drugs should be stopped in a coordinated manner during the elections and joint teams of the health department, drug inspector and Police should be constantly alert to prevent the sale of any kind of drugs at chemist shops, eateries located near educational institutions and a keen eye should also be kept on the shops and dhabas.

He said that there is a complete ban on the sale of pregabalin capsules of more than 75 mg quantity, which is also known as signature capsules in district Sangrur. He further said that in order to prevent misuse of this capsule, every chemist should be made aware about it and ensure that the prescription slip will be stamped by the

chemist while dispensing the medicine and the date of dispensing will also be recorded. ADC has given instructions to all Sub Divisional Magistrates and DSPs to continue the checking campaign in the sub-divisions and take timely feedback from the officials of each department involved in the checking to take timely action against the anti-social elements. Besides others, SP, Navreet Singh Virk; DSP, Karnail Singh; SDM Sangrur, Charanjot Singh Walia; SDM Lehra, Suba Singh; SDM Dirba, Rajesh Sharma; SDM Sunam, Pramod Singla; SDM Dhuri, Amit Gupta; Civil Surgeon, Dr. Kirpal Singh; Deputy Medical Commissioner, Dr. Vikas Dhir and the officials of other departments were also present during the meeting.

Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University organizes special lecture, competitions dedicated to World TB Day

AJAY MALHOTRA
FATEHGARH SAHIB, APR 5

Dedicated to World TB Day, Red Ribbon Club organized a special lecture and competitions on the theme "Yes We Can End TB" in collaboration with Faculty of Medical sciences and Department of Physiotherapy Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University, Fatehgarh Sahib. World TB Day this year commemorates the 100th anniversary of the discovery of the TB causing bacterium, mycobacterium tuberculosis.

Medical Officer from Patiala Dr. Gurmeet Singh was the resource person for the lecture. Assistant Professor Dr. Supreet Bindra, welcomed the Vice Chancellor of the University, Prof (Dr.) Pritpal Singh and Dean Academic Affairs



and resource person for their revered presence. Introducing the aim behind the event, she said that TB is a contagious infection that mainly affects the lungs. This serious illness remains one of the world's deadliest infectious diseases.

In 2022, an estimated 10.6 million people fell ill with tuberculosis worldwide, but TB is curable and preventable. Dr. Gurmeet Singh highlighted the causes, symptoms, types, management and prevention of Tuberculosis. He also discussed the awareness and

treatment programs run for TB by the national government. The Department also organized poster making, slogan writing and powerpoint presentation competition. Honorable Pro Chancellor of the university, Prof. Ajai Singh Brar congratulated the department for successful organization of the event. Head, Department of Physiotherapy and Convener of the event Dr. Pankajpreet Singh thanked the dignitaries and students of the department for making this event a success.

Channi can be first choice of Congress from Sri Fatehgarh Sahib: Saif Ahmed

AJAY MALHOTRA
FATEHGARH SAHIB, APR 5

Charanjit Singh Channi may be the first choice of the Congress party and party workers from Lok Sabha constituency Sri Fatehgarh Sahib and if the party has declared the former Chief Minister and this big Dalit leader of Punjab as a candidate from this constituency, then the equation of this constituency will be in favor of Congress party.

These views were expressed today by Saif Ahmed, who is known as a young Muslim leader of the area, during a conversation with the media. During the conversation at Sri Fatehgarh Sahib, Saif Ahmed said that Charanjit Singh Channi as the Chief Minister had taken important steps for the all-round development of the people of all sections of Punjab and for the first time in Punjab he had



given great economic relief to the people by reducing the electricity prices. He said that if the Congress party conducts a fair survey of this constituency, it will be known that Charanjit Singh Channi can win this seat with a big margin. He said that Bhagwant Mann has also discussed with his MLAs that if Charanjit Singh Channi becomes the candidate, then what will be the position of Aam Aadmi Party which will go in favor of Congress Party.

Batala police busts fake currency racket; Amritsar-based couple held

VERMA
GURDASPUR, APR 5

The Batala Police has busted a racket involved in printing and circulating fake Indian currency notes (FICN) with the arrest of an Amritsar-based couple after recovering fake currencies of Rs 500 denomination worth Rs 30 lakh from their possession, said Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Ashwini Gotyal here on Friday.

Those arrested have been identified as Sukhbir Singh and his wife Gurinderjit Kaur, both residents of Tarsikhe in Amritsar. SSP Ashwini Gotyal, while addressing a press conference, said that following reliable information, Batala Police has intercepted the couple in Batala and recovered Rs 30 Lakh FICN from their car, in which they



were travelling. She said that accused Sukhbir Singh, who had worked with Corporate Bank in Amritsar, has a criminal background as an FIR was registered against him for fraud of Rs 2.5 Crores. The accused has remained in jail as well, she added. She said that working swiftly, Police teams have also raided the accused's house in Amritsar and recovered equipment / items used to print the

currency. Police teams have recovered 10 bundles of white papers for printing new fake currency, lamination machine for fitting wire in currency, an HP Colour Printer, Paper cutter and drier and sheet of wire from their house, she said, while adding that along with these, two cars—Verna and Alcazar—which were used in the crime have also been taken into custody.

13th annual athletics meet-2024 organized at Rayat Bahra education city



DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR, APR 5

The 13th Annual Athletics Meet-2024 was organized at Rayat Bahra Education City. In which players from all the colleges of the campus participated. On this occasion, Additional Deputy Commissioner Rahul Chaba participated as the chief guest. Assistant Commissioner Divya P and SP Major Singh were also present as special guests in this athletics meet. On this occasion, Joint Campus Direc-

tor of the group, Dr. Harinder Gill welcomed the guests. On this occasion, ADC Rahul Chaba, while addressing the students, said that the young generation plays an important role in building the country better.

Therefore, youth should maintain distance from drugs. Similarly, while addressing the students, SP Major Singh said that the youth should make sports a part of their lives. Sports keep a person not only physically but also mentally healthy.

'Gauri Shankar Seva Samiti conducts dental check-up of children in ward no 49 A



VERMA
GURDASPUR, APR 5

Today, on behalf of Gauri Shankar Seva Samiti, under the chairmanship of Chairman Sanjeev Malhan, Late. In the memory of Ved Prakash Sharma ji, dental checkup of children in Aganwadi School Amurudan Di Jhugian Ward No. 49 was done by Dr. Shivam Sharma MDS of Sharma Dental Clinic.

On this occasion, toothbrushes, paste and biscuits were distributed to the children. While addressing, Master Subhash said that just as Gauri Shankar Seva Samiti is

working day and night to serve the society, in the same way everyone should give their full cooperation in this. The work being done by the committee is praiseworthy. Surjit Singh said that social workers like Chairman Sanjeev Malhan are rarely seen in the world who are devoting their precious time to serving the people. He said that Gauri Shankar Seva Samiti has earned a huge name in a very short time by actively participating in public welfare works and this organization is earning a lot of name not only in India but also in foreign countries.

MC President Malwa conducts crucial meeting to deal with traffic issues



SUKH NAHAR
JAGRAON, APR 5

Municipal Council Jagraon President Amarjet Singh Malwa held a crucial meeting today in order to deal with the traffic related issues in the city. The meeting was held in the presence of EO Sukhdev Singh Malwa, councillors, traffic police officials, rehri union representatives, retail karyana association representatives, machinery trades association and other concerned officials. During the meeting, Malwa applauded municipal council officials for their cam-

paign against illegal encroachments in the past days and said that the shopkeeper and rehri owners have started illegally encroaching the land as soon as the campaign got called off leading to increased traffic in the city.

The traffic police assured that they shall provide complete support to municipal council in its campaign against illegal encroachment. The participants of the meeting emphasised that the campaign should continue and should focus on clearing one area completely before moving on to the other.

DC instructs officials to speed up de-addiction and rehabilitation efforts

PARAMJIT SINGH
JALANDHAR, APR 5

Deputy commissioner Dr. Himanshu Aggarwal today asked the members of governing body of District De-addiction and rehabilitation society and NCORD mechanism Jalandhar to increase the awareness activities about the ill effects of drugs besides rehabilitation efforts.

Today chairing a meeting of governing body of Dist De-addiction and rehabilitation society Jalandhar and Narco coordination centre (NCORD) mechanism, Dr. Aggarwal said that to speeded the awareness, especially in educational institutions about bad effects of drugs must be the prime focus of society so that energy of youth to be channelised in right way



“. Besides that DEO school education, District sports officers, Technical education, Red Cross departments have been asked to personally monitor the awareness campaigns across the district.

DC also advocates to provide skill development and employment opportunities to the drug victims so that they will bring in the main stream to make them partner in the development of society. He said that common man must be the active participant of campaign against drugs as they may play a significant

role in war against drugs. He also said that department officials/ opinion makers / religious bodies would have to work in unison to make the awareness efforts more effective. DC also reviews the functioning of De-addiction centres at Jalandhar / Noormahal and village Shekhe besides staff position, expenditure of funds and activities of SUN foundation NGO at village shekhe.

He also reviews the availability of medicines at 28 OATT clinics across the district.

HPMSEFC organises interactive meet for micro and small enterprises

SHANTI GAUTAM
BADDI: Himachal Pradesh Micro and Small Enterprises Facilitation Council (HPMSEFC) is organising an Interactive Meet for Micro and Small Enterprises (Members) on issues/ legal issues related to Delayed Payments. A renowned resource person/ authority on these issues Suresh Dhole, Advocate Supreme Court of India, shall be the key resource person. He will address all the queries/ doubts of participants related to their delayed payments on Saturday 6th April Today at Hotel Classic Residency (Conference hall Chandigarh – Shimla Highway, N/122), Near Railway Crossing, Pinjore, Interaction meeting in person or send some Sr. person dealing with these matters to clear the doubts regarding issues/ legal issues related to delayed payments.

Arni University Chancellor starts Volleyball tournament



SANJEEV MAHAJAN
NOORPUR: With the aim of increasing the interest in sports among the youth and keeping the youth away from drugs, Ranjit Bakshi Jankalyan Sabha started the second three-day volleyball competition in Noorpur Assembly. This volleyball competition was inaugurated by Arni University Chancellor Vivek Singh. 36 teams are participating in the competition. He said that through this tournament, the children of Noorpur are getting a platform. After the district, the child goes to the state level. Ail Bakshi has organized this tournament in the memory of his father. In the second session, we will try to organize cricket tournaments along with volleyball. He appealed to the youth to stay away from drugs and be interested in sports. We will give education to the top two players who will come in this tournament in our university and will also provide training to them. Ranjit Bakshi Jankalyan Sabha President Ail Bakshi said that the volleyball competition has started today and it is a matter of pride for us that Arni University Chancellor Vivek Singh has come here to inaugurate this tournament. It is with his cooperation that this competition has started.

BJP will form govt in Himachal after election: Sanjay Tandon



SANJEEV MAHAJAN
KANGRA: Sanjay Tandon, while addressing a press conference along with local MLA Ranveer Singh Nikka at the BJP office of Assembly Noorpur Noorpur, said that BJP is going to form the government again for the third time under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. He said that every worker of BJP And the officials are playing an important role in bringing the public welfare schemes of the Central Government to the ground level by reaching the booth level.He said that many schemes have been run by the Central Government like Kisan Nidhi Yojana, Ujjwala, Tap for every house, Water for every house, many schemes for women upliftment have also been run by the government.

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Congress will win all Lok Sabha seats and six by-elections in Himachal: Rajneesh Kimta

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, APR 5

State Congress Organization General Secretary Rajneesh Kimta has claimed that Congress would wave the flag of victory in all the four Lok Sabha seats of the state as well as in the six assembly by-elections. He said that after the election results on June 4, the Congress government of the state would become even stronger. He has said that the Congress government has full majority and the government was not facing any kind of political threat. Addressing a press conference at the state Congress headquarters Rajiv Bhawan on Friday he said that today a situation of rebellion has arisen within the BJP along with infighting. He said that the by-elections in the state were not of Congress against BJP, rather this election was being held with



the rebel Congress MLAs, in which they would have to face a crushing defeat. He said that the BJP has tried to destabilize the Congress government in the state under a political conspiracy and it would have to pay the price for it. He said that the BJP has insulted the public opinion of the state by tearing apart the dignity of democracy in the state and has imposed six by-elections on the people of the state. Kimta said that Congress has completed all its election preparations. All

the party leaders, office bearers and workers were fully engaged in the election field. He said that along with brainstorming on the party candidates, Congress has also reached a consensus on the names and soon the party candidates would be announced. Rajneesh Kimta wanted to know from BJP about fielding BJP candidate Kangana from Mandi parliamentary constituency, whether Kangana's name was sent by the state BJP executive. He said that Kangana never considered Himachal as her home. He cited a tweet of hers from Gwalior in 2021 in which she was asked to contest elections from Himachal. She had made it clear that she did not want to contest any election from a small state like Himachal. It was clear that there was a disorder in her mentality towards Himachal Pradesh.

He said that her calling Public Works Minister Vikramaditya Singh from outside Mandi showed her lack of complete knowledge of this parliamentary constituency. He said that Rampur was an important part of Mandi parliamentary constituency and from here, along with former Chief Minister late Virbhadra Singh, currently State Congress President Pratibha Singh was representing Mandi parliamentary constituency as MP for the third time. He said that during the disaster, Kangana never took care of Mandi nor the state. He said that Congress would have a spectacular victory from Mandi parliamentary constituency. Kimta also took on BJP MP Suresh Kashyap of Shimla parliamentary constituency and said that he never cared for the people during his five-year tenure.

Police arrest three under NDPS Act in Kangra district

DHARAMSHALA: Kangra Police have recovered 1.112 kgs of charas at two different places from two vehicles in Kangra district and arrested three persons under Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act. Police also impounded the two vehicles used in the crime, police said here on Friday. Kangra district Superintendent of Police Shailini Agnihotri told UNI that on late Thursday evening 1.30 kg of Charas was recovered from a Vehicle at Upper Dadh under the Palampur Police station area. She

said a case has been registered against the driver Harshit Sharma, a resident of Ward No. 1 Bharwai and Dimpy Dadhwal, a resident of Nari Tehsil Amb District u/s 25, 29-61-85 of the NDPS Act at Palampur police station. Agnihotri said in another case 92 grams of Charas was recovered from a Vehicle under Sahapur Police station at Draman and in this regard, a case was registered against the driver Gaurav Kumar, a resident of Chahwada Tehsil Jwali U/S 20, 25-61-85 of the NDPS Act at the Shahpur police station.

SJVN awards 75 meritorious students during Silver Jubilee Merit Scholarship ceremony

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, APR 5

Under the ambit of its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), SJVN organised a Silver Jubilee Merit Scholarship distribution ceremony at Corporate Headquarters in Shimla. Sh. Akhileshwar Singh, Director (Finance), SJVN, the chief guest of the occasion gave scholarships to 75 selected students from Himachal Pradesh who excelled in their Class 12 exams during the academic session 2023. Akhileshwar Singh congratulated the recipients of the scholarship for their remarkable academic accomplishments. He emphasized the pivotal role of education in empowering future generations and highlighted SJVN's dedication to support educational initiatives that nurture the dreams and aspirations of the students.



The company, through its registered trust SJVN Foundation, is providing financial support to encourage students of urban, rural and even remote tribal areas of the state to perform better. This year, 75 meritorious students of Class 12th have been selected from various Himachal Pradesh State Education Board, CBSE and ICSE Board schools. Additionally, 26 students have been selected for merit scholarships from the states of Uttarakhand, Bihar and Arunachal Pradesh. Out of

total 101 meritorious students, a notable 65% of the recipients are female students. The SJVN Silver Jubilee Merit Scholarship Scheme, initiated in 2012, provides monthly scholarships to selected students throughout the duration of their courses. The scheme also reserves seats for the students from Project affected families, areas and districts ensuring inclusivity and accessibility to quality education. Till date, SJVN has awarded 1994 merit scholarships under this scheme.

CM Sukhu attacks BJP for inducting rebels in party

DINESH AGARWAL
NADAUN: Chief Minister Thakur Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu on Friday once again launched a scathing attack on the rebel MLAs and Leader of Opposition Jairam Thakur. While talking to journalists in Nadaun, the Chief Minister said that former Dharamshala MLA Sudhir Sharma is the leader of the rebels, he might have received more than Rs 15 crore. All the exploits of the six former MLAs who joined BJP will come to light in public court. Cases of those who have acquired disproportionate assets will also be opened. CM said that Leader of Opposition Jairam Thakur's hunger for power has increased. If they could not form the government on the basis of votes, now they



are trying to capture power on the basis of currency notes. Jairam Thakur should keep this in mind that the public has rejected BJP. In other states, BJP captured power with the help of currency notes and wanted to do the same in Himachal. But, God is with us and he has given us an opportunity to serve the public. Work worth Rs 300 to 400 crore has been done in the assembly constituencies

of rebel MLAs. SDM, BDO, Tehsildar, Executive Engineer and SDO were appointed as per their wish. It should not happen in politics that after becoming an MLA, one should start repaying the amount spent in elections and if there is no earning, then one should hatch a conspiracy to topple the government. The character of sellable MLAs has been exposed before the public.

BJP has been doing politics in the name of Central University for long time: Vijay Inder Karan

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, APR 5

Former in-charge of Himachal Pradesh Youth Congress Kangra-Chamba parliamentary constituency and former Congress candidate from Dharamshala, Vijay Inder Karan attacked the BJP party leaders and said that they should stop misleading the public in the name of the Central University. He said that due to the incompetence of BJP, till date neither the Central University has been established in Dharamshala nor in Dehra. He said that BJP has been playing the game of politics in the name of CU for the last many years. Vijay Inder Karan said that the Chief Minister has already said that the amount



of Rs 30 crore which has to be deposited for the construction of CU building in Dharamshala will be deposited soon. He said that if BJP leaders are so concerned about CU, why was this amount not deposited during the tenure of the previous BJP government. He said that many development works are being done on the ground in Dharamshala and some are stalled due to minor

hindrances, which will also be started. He said that when former MLA Sudhir Sharma said that trust work was not being done and officials were not listening to him, then he should tell why he had become MLA. He asked why the tenders for works in Dharamshala were given to the people of Bajinath. He said that it was also shown falsely that thousands of Congress people switched to BJP. He said that apart from

Sudhir Sharma, no other Congress leader or worker has left the Congress party from Dharamshala. He said that including the Lok Sabha elections, in the areas where assembly elections are to be held, Congress Party candidates will win with huge majorities. The public will teach a lesson to those who have betrayed the party and the public in the elections. He said that State Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu has talked about developing district Kangra as a tourism capital. And work is also being done on this. He said that many areas like Bhagsunag, Daljheel, Akhanjar Mahadev Temple, Himani Chamunda etc. are being developed from tourism point of view.

No loss of life reported in earthquake hit area of Chamba district

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA: An earthquake of magnitude 5.3 was reported by the National Center for Seismology, Ministry of Earth Sciences on 4th April, 2024. The origin time of the earthquake was on 4th April, 2024 at 21:34:32 (IST), with a geographical location of 33.09 latitude and 76.59 longitude, at a depth of 10 kilometers. After analysis by the Himachal Pradesh State Disaster Management Authority (HPSDMA) the possible affected Panchayats where the epicentre of the earthquake has been identified are Sach, Seichu, Shoon (HilluTwan), and Kumar (Parmar) of Tehsil Pangti, district Chamba. Chief Secretary Prabodh Saxena said here today that the Emergency Operation Centers (EOCs) immediately swung into action. With the help of GIS, area near the epicentre of the EQ was identified. Contact was established with the Deputy Commissioner Chamba and Resident Commissioner Pangti to assess the situation. Information from the District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) Chamba and Resident Commissioner Pangti about the situation was sought. They informed that they have been in touch with field functionaries, Patwari Sach, Police Chowki Purthi and elected representatives of the possible affected area. Possible affected Panchayats where the epicentre of the earthquake has been identified are - Sach, Seichu, Shoon (HilluTwan), Kumar (Parmar) fortunately, no life or major property loss was immediately reported. Early the next morning of 5th April 2024, the local administration moved a search and rescue party with the Executive Magistrate, Kanungo, Doctors and Police in the morning to the affected Panchayats.

Former MLA Sudhir Sharma files defamation claim against CM

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, APR 5

Former MLA and BJP candidate from Dharamshala, Sudhir Sharma, who left Congress and joined BJP, has issued a defamation notice against state Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu. He said that a legal notice has been sent to the Chief Minister over his statement that the MLAs have been sold for Rs 15 crore each. He said that if the CM has evidence of this then he should present it before the public. Anything can be said after getting on the stage. Sudhir Sharma said that any person does such things out of fear and panic. He asked Chief Minister Sukhvind Singh Sukhu to tell whose mining crusher in Hamirpur



it is. The Chief Minister went to Dubai for an investor meet and all the money was spent on it by the government, whereas in reality there was no investor meet there and he went to some private program at government expense. How much money was spent on making him the CM? Along with this, the industrial units present in Baddi are

continuously failing and are being sold at double the prices. The files under Rule 118 have the signatures of the Chief Minister only, so what answer will he give? Sudhir Sharma said why the health fund of Rs 100 crore which came from the Center for Himachal is being returned. And why is loan being taken on this? Why is the state being burdened with debt? He said that the CM will have to answer all these before the public. Sudhir Sharma Nape said that the proof of all these things is not with them but with us and these will be placed before the public. He said that the CM will have to answer this in the court. It does not suit the CM that it does not suit the Chief Minister that he should say anything.

Tips to deal with disaster taught to children in Tauni Devi

RAJNEESH SHARMA
HAMIRPUR, APR 5

The purpose of mock drill is to know about our preparedness in case of disaster. Many people of Kangra district would still not have forgotten the day of April 4, 1905, when two earthquakes at around 6:19 in the morning destroyed everything. The 7.8 magnitude earthquake damaged one lakh houses and killed around 20000 people. Today, 119 years have passed since this accident, but the danger of destruction still remains because houses are being built in a haphazard manner. We all need to be aware so that such tragedies do not occur in the state in future and there is no loss of life or property. Everyone knows that school is an



important structural framework which has been entrusted with the responsibility of molding future citizens. Therefore, it is necessary to ensure the safety of children, teachers and employees. In recent times, a large number of school children have been affected due to unsafe school buildings in fire accidents involving school children and earthquakes across the world. Therefore it becomes

important to pay attention to the safety of children. Keeping this in mind, on the first day of the new session, Government Senior Secondary School Tauni Devi taught the children the tricks to deal with adverse situations like disaster through mock drill. In the workshop, school staff, NSS volunteers, scout guides and disaster management teams formed successful demonstrations of disaster management.

First-time voters urged to participate in elections

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, APR 5

To motivate and ensure the participation of young and first-time voters in the general elections, a one-day National awareness campaign was held at the Dr YS Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni. Over 250 first-year students of BSc Horticulture and BSc Forestry, mainly first-time voters, attended this event. The event was organized by the Shimla Chapter of the Public Relations Society of India (PRSI) as part of their nationwide effort in collaboration with the Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) of the Election Commission of India. The event focused on raising awareness about voter rights



and the importance of electoral participation in a democracy. Dr Ranvir Verma, Chairman of Shimla Chapter of PRSI welcomed the guests and informed that the society was a national association of PR practitioners established in 1958 to promote the recognition of public relations as a profession and to formulate and interpret to the public the objectives and potentialities of public relations as a strategic

management function. He informed that the PRSI had been at the forefront of organising social activities throughout the country. He added that India being the largest democracy in the world, PRSI has been conducting nationwide activities to create awareness about the importance of each vote. Speaking on the occasion, Additional Commissioner MC Solan and District Nodal Officer of

SVEEP Dr Priyanka Chandra exhorted the first-time voters to understand the importance of their votes and how their active participation helps to make the democracy stronger. She emphasized the fundamental role each citizen plays in shaping the nation's future through democratic practices. SDM Solan Poonam Bansal shed light on the different mediums through which new voters could register themselves and how the voters could remain vigilant. She also informed about the facilities given by the ECI to facilitate the participation of differently abled and voters above the age of 85. She also explained about the Voter Helpline app, Electronic Voting Machine and Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail to the first-time voters.

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA, APR 5

Sweep teams are reaching out to the people with the aim of 100 percent voting in the elections in Una district. As per the instructions of District Election Officer, Deputy Commissioner Jatin Lal, these teams are working to make voters aware through various programs full of interest and entertainment. In this series, voter awareness programs were organized in Bhadoliya Khurd, Basdehra, Jhalera, Haroli and Kailash Nagar on Thursday. Eklayva Kalamanch of IRBN Bangarh, under the leadership of Kanungo Nirvachan Harjit Singh,



made people aware about the use of voting rights through street plays in Bhadoliya Kalan and Basdehra. The artists told the voters through a beautiful message that to maintain the dignity of democracy, they should exercise their franchise freely without being influenced by religion,

class, caste, community, language or any other temptation. He also called upon all voters to ensure 100 percent participation in the elections. Voter awareness program was organized at Shanti College of Education under Gram Panchayat Kailash Nagar under the leadership of SVEEP Nodal Officer Sunil Kumar,

created under Gagret sub-division. During this, the B.Ed and JBT trainees of the college were made aware about the importance of voting and were motivated to use their vote wisely. During this, he told that elderly voters above 85 years of age and disabled voters have the facility to choose the option of voting from home., Self Help Groups (HHGs) associated with National Rural Livelihood Mission organized voter awareness program in Gram Panchayat Jhalera. During this, Rudra Nand Gram Sangathan gave detailed information to the present gathering about voting and inspired them to ensure 100 percent participation in voting.

Symposium on Music as Therapy at RBU



MOHAL: Rayat Bahra Dental College and Hospital in collaboration with Indian Music Therapy Association (IMTA) on Wednesday organised a symposium on "Adjunct Therapies-Role of Music Therapy in Medical, Dental and Nursing Care" to mark World Health Day. Dr. TV Sairam, President IMTA, in his keynote address said this year's symposium theme underscores the crucial role of music and its unique ability to affect mood and emotion. Research suggests music might do this by actually altering brain activity. Dr Akshay Kumar Sharma, principal, Rayat Bahra Dental College and Hospital and convener of the symposium, said there are now 30 National Cancer Institute-designated cancer centers that offer music therapy as an integrative treatment for cancer.

AIHM celebrates 34th annual day



CHANDIGARH: Dr. Ambedkar Institute of Hotel Management, Sector-42(D), an autonomous body under the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India resonated with the delightful sounds of happiness and joy as the celebration of 34th Annual Day began, highlighting the theme "Virasat - Art of India". Mr. Sitesh Srivastav, AIHM Principal, presented the Institute Annual Report, highlighting its achievements and successes throughout the 2023-2024 academic session. He applauded the students for their active involvement in both curricular and non-curricular endeavors. The spectators witnessed the magnificent Cultural Performances showcased by our students. The performance by AIHM's Raag Band, featuring a blend of folk songs, presented the guests and the students to dive into the melody of the band. The release of 26th edition of the Annual College Magazine, "Gourmet's Affairs" in the presence of the Chief Guest, Guest of Honor, the Principal, and the Editorial Team brought a layer of excitement amongst the students.

IIT Ropar AWAaH CPS lab launched at Tula's institute Dehradun



BAHADURJEET SINGH RUPNAGAR: IIT Ropar's iHub-AWAaH, as part of its commitment to promoting Cyber-Physical Systems (CPS), has inaugurated the AWAaH CPS Lab at Tula's Institute Dehradun. This lab serves as a platform for education, research, prototyping, testing, and collaboration. The event included an inauguration ceremony, a keynote address by Chief Guest of the Occasion Ms Amandeep Kaur, IRS - IT, Government of Uttarakhand and Prof Anita Rawat, Director, USERC, Government of Uttarakhand along with team from IIT Ropar AWAaH Dr Suman Kumar, Assistant Professor, IIT Ropar; Dr Radhika Trikha, COO, AWAaH; Mr MukeshKestwal, CIO, AWAaH and technical staff from IIT Ropar followed by a tour of the lab. The AWAaH CPS Lab will contribute to advancing technological possibilities and fostering a culture of innovation. With this IIT Ropar has reached out to the State of Uttarakhand to support CPS skilling covering the Uttarakhand region.

Punjabi Actor Binnu Dhillon, renowned singers perform in Aryans "Roshan" in association with MH One



LK BANSAL MOHAL: Punjabi Actor Binnu Dhillon enthralled the audience of Arians Group of Colleges in its 17th Cultural Extravaganza "Roshan" at Arians Campus in association with MH One. Thousand of Students, Alumni of Arians Group attended this mega cultural function. Dr. Anshu Kataria, Chairman, Arians Group, presided over this event. Deputy Superintendent of Police, Rajpura, S. Buta Singh was special guest. In this cultural extravaganza, world renowned artists including Amar Noorie, Alaap Sikander, Sarang Sikander, Satwinder Bitti, Ash Singh, Navjeet, Gursewak and Gurman Maan also performed. The event was hosted by Anchors Minto (Comedian) and Preetraman Kaur (Artist). Actor Binnu Dhillon and Actress Bhawna Sharma also launched the trailer of 'Jeonde Raho Bhoat Ji' which is a Punjabi horror and comedy film. It stars Binnu Dhillon, Smeeg Kang, and B. N. Sharma, and was directed by Sumeeg Kang. The film is scheduled to be released on April 12, 2024. Amar Noorie performed on

PSEB Chief Engineer South Zone visits Kharar, Kurali, Ropar, Anandpur Sahib area



SHASHI PAL JAIN KHARAR, APR 5

Chief Engineer Division South Zone JS Hans visited Kharar, Kurali, Ropar, Anandpur Sahib etc. areas falling under South Zone. He had a meeting with the employees of PSPCL and took

stock of the work done by the authorities to ensure uninterrupted supply in the area during the coming summer season.

The Chief Engineer also visited 220 KV Sub Station Kharar and issued guidelines to all the employees for the upcoming summer season.

He appreciated the work done by the officials in the electricity offices under Kharar Mandal and Ropar Circle.

On this occasion, Chief Engineer was welcomed by Axion Inderpreet Singh, Deputy Chief Engineer Sukhjot Singh. On this occa-

sion, a meeting was held with the chief engineer under the leadership of the state president of the Association of Junior Engineers, Punjab, Engineer Ranjit Singh Dhillon and he was informed about the problems and the chief assured them to solve these problems.

Due to efforts of Saint Seechewal, another youth reaches home

BABBAL SHARMA SULTANPUR LODHI APR 5

Rajya Sabha member Padma Shri Sant Balbir Singh Seechewal is continuously making efforts for the return of youth stranded abroad. In the past

Baljinder Singh, a young man from district Gurdaspur who lost his mental balance in Hong Kong due to the bribery of his business partner, has returned to India. Today, Baljinder Singh along with his family arrived at Sultanpur Lodhi to thank Sant Balbir Singh Seechewal at the sacred Kali Bein. Where journalists

Giving information, he said that he had fallen victim to a fraud of 22 lakhs after being deceived by one of his business partners. He said that he had lost his mental balance in Hong



Kong when he came to know about the fraud. Baljinder Singh said that he went to Hong Kong from India 9 years ago. Where his best work was going on. During the year 2023, he met a Punjabi family there who offered to take over a hotel / restaurant together in Hong Kong. He invested his life's earnings into believing them that the hotel/restaurant was opened, but after a few months of taking over the restaurant, he was kicked out of the hotel by his partner. After which he made

many efforts for justice and lost his mental balance due to failure. He said that his brother Jagtar Singh contacted Sant Seechewal on 20 October 2023 requesting help. Sant Sicheval contacted the Ministry of External Affairs and started the process.

He was admitted to a hospital there by the Hong Kong police. Where he was treated for about 2 months. Finally, on 14th March 2024, Baljinder Singh has come safely to India from Hong Kong.

Special session on designer Nanoparticles held at RIMT



KHUSHAV SINGLA MANDI GOBINDGARH, APR 5

The Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences at RIMT Mandi organized a specialist session on the topic "Designer Nanoparticles for Biological Applications". Dr. Ashok Kumar Ganguli, Director of the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Berhampur, Odisha, participated as the speaker.

The program was successfully coordinated by the Principal Director SOP, Dr.

Jaspreet Kaur, along with co-coordinators Mrs. Parmajeet Kaur and Mr. Damit Kumar. Dr. Parminder Nain, Dean of Pharmacy at RIMT Mandi, Pro-Chancellor Dr. Vijay Agrawal, Pro-Vice-Chancellor Dr. B.S. Bhatia from RIMT Mandi, and department members were present at the event. This session provided a platform for presenting the latest innovations and providing an ultimate forum for doctors, researchers, medical professionals.

Delegation of Doaba Kisan Committee Punjab meets DC Pathankot

BUREAU PATHANKOT, APR 5

A delegation of Doaba Kisan Committee Punjab under the leadership of General Secretary Daljit Singh Manjhpur and President Amrrik Singh visited Deputy Commissioner Pathankot Aditya Uppal's office and handed over the demand letter in the name of Chief Minister Punjab. The delegation demanded from the Punjab government to fulfill the demands of the farmers.

He said that during the sugarcane season 2023-24, the Punjab government issued a notification in December that private sugar mills will deposit 335.50 paise in the farmers' accounts and the Punjab government will directly deposit 55.50 per quintal in the farmers' accounts, but no money from the



government. It has not been given to the farmers yet. In spite of several demand letters sent to the Punjab government by farmers' organizations, the subsidy for 2023 has not yet been given to the farmers, while this year's sugarcane season has also ended. He said that we are asking for subsidy from the government in a peaceful manner so that the government and the people do not get into trouble by staging a dharna. He further said that as the rate of sugarcane has been increased by the central government, the

Newly appointed Tehsildar of Kharar takes charge of her office



SHASHI PAL JAIN KHARAR, APR 5

Newly appointed Tehsildar of Kharar Ramandeep Kaur has taken charge of her office to-

day. She was welcomed by all the Tehsil staff with a bouquet of flowers. Besides Tehsildar, she also has the additional charge of Sub Registrar Kharar. She has been

transferred from Amargarh. Similarly, Vikasdeep Singh has been appointed Naik Tehsildar of Kharar and he has also been given additional charge of Gharun Tehsil.

Result of Guru Gobind Singh School Jogewala excellent

ISHWER GARG TALWANDI SABO, APR 5

The result of Guru Gobind Singh Public Senior secondary School Jogewala (Bathinda) was hundred percent. A total of 48 students of the fifth class took the exam, in this exam all the students have passed in the first rank like every year Principal Gurpreet Singh Jogewala while giving



information about the result said that Sukhmanveer Singh son of Sukhlal Singh, mother Mandeep Kaur village got 492 out of 500 marks with 98.4 percent marks, Harjot Singh son of Maninder Singh, mother Paramjit Kaur Jogewala

got 480 out of 500 marks. Second with 96 percent marks And Ramnik Singh, son of Satnam Singh, mother Rajveer Kaur, village, Takhat-mall, has secured the third position with 477 percent marks out of 500.

SAD, Congress and AAP did not pay any attention to sacred land of Sri Fatehgarh Sahib: Dr.Nresh

FATEHGARH SAHIB (AJAY MALHOTRA): Speaking on the drug free to Sri Fatehgarh Sahib former SSO and State Convener Medical Cell BJP Punjab Dr. Naresh Chauhan said that in the past Congress, Akali Dal and Aam Aadmi Party did not pay any attention to curb drug peddlers on this land of martyrs where Baba Zorawar Singh and Baba Fateh Singh and Mata Gujri sacrificed their lives for religion and the country. Dr. Naresh Chohan said that the previous governments' whether it is Akali Dal, Congress or Aam Aadmi Party, no one has done any special work in view of the sacrifices of this martyr. He said that due to over dose of drugs 10 to 15 young people are dying in Punjab every month, and the government has not made any new policy in the last 2 years that could stop drug addiction. Dr. Chohan said that during the V'vidhan sabha election in 2022 the Aam Aadmi party's leader even Arvind Kejriwal and Bhagwant Mann used to say that we will end the drug in six months. Dr. Naresh Chohan said that on this serious issue the government is absolutely incompetent. Even the previous governments or Akali Dal did not adopt any effective policy to control the drugs. Previous governments do not pay any attention to this because drugs generate heavy income. Naresh Chauhan said that if Party and voters of this constituency gives him opportunity he will immediately stop the sale of all drug related items in the three to four kilometers area of Gurdwara Sri Fatehgarh Sahib.



Principal Dilbagh Singh honored by federation on retirement



SHAKUNTALA SAROYA MUKANDPUR, APR 5

Gazetted and Non-Gazetted SC, BC Employees Welfare Federation Punjab District Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar honored Principal Dalbagh Singh Bachuri who has retired after giving his impeccable services in the education department. While awarding the award Principal Amarjit Khatkar District President congratulated him and his family and said that the education department will always be indebted to him through his impeccable service

es and hard work experience, the education department will always be indebted to him. The education world has suffered a great loss, but we pray to God for his recovery. At this time, apart from him, Lakhvir Singh Headmaster Division Nawan Shahr also congratulated the family. At this time Sri Ram Lubhaya Kalsi District General Secretary, Buta Mahal, District General Secretary, Bhopinder Singh Mukandpur, Mr. Suresh Diwan Block President Banga Hari Singh Rakkar Divisional President Balachore Balwant Singh Tehsil President.

5 dead, 8 injured, including two women in collision between Tata Ace, trolley



SURINDER DAMDAMI KOTKAPURA, APR 5

5 people including 2 women were killed while 8 people including 3 children were seriously injured in a terrible collision between a Tata Ace and a trolley at around 2 am on Friday morning near village Panjgrain Khurd on Moga road. The injured have been admitted to hospitals in Kotkapura, Bathinda and Faridkot for treatment. According to the information received, all the victims are residents of Mararh

Kalan village of Sri Muktsar Sahib, who were returning in a Tata Ace vehicle after paying obeisance at the dargah of Nagahale Wale Pir at Langeana village near Bagha Purana, when the accident occurred near Panjgrain Khurd.

On receiving the information of the incident, Punjab Vidhan Sabha Speaker Kultar Singh Sandhawani reached the civil hospital Kotkapura and inquired about the condition of the injured and gave instructions to the doctors for better treatment.

PAU spreads awareness about 'My Health, My Right'



AVTAR SINGH BHANWARA CHANDIGARH, APR 5

The Department of Food and Nutrition, Punjab Agricultural University (PAU), celebrated World Health Day by creating awareness on the theme "My Health, My Right" among school children of Government Senior Secondary School at village Sidhwan Bet of Ludhiana district. On this occasion, final year students of B.Sc. Community Science displayed an exhibition to sensitize the school children to remain healthy by eating nutritious food and adopting healthy

lifestyle. A total 120 school children participated in the programme.

Dr Kiran Grover, Head, Food and Nutrition, shared that the focus of the celebration was to empower children to become advocates for their own health. She further added that it encourages them to make healthy food choices even outside the school environment. The nutrition knowledge gained during such celebrations further help them to prevent health issues, improve academic performance, promote food safety.

An evening in the name of Gauri Shankar

VICKY BHABAT ZIRAKPUR, APR 5

An evening in the name of Gauri Shankar is being organized by the Shiv Kanvad Seva Sangh today at village Bhabat in Municipal Council Zirakpur, in which famous Bhajan singer Mukesh Inayat will entertain the devotees with his bhajans.

Apart from this, Sushma Sharma, Sanju and Deepi Dilpreet will also sing hymns. Giving information, club president Manoj Sharma said that they have been conducting Bhajan Sandhya for the past several years. On this occasion, Attut Bhandara will also be used.

He said that apart from this, his organization also installs langar at PGI Chandigarh and Sector 32 Hospital and 1 month langar on the way to Sri Hemkunt Sahib and Sri Kedarnath, Badri-



Kabaddi tournament at village Dayalpura on April 6-7

ZIRAKPUR: Kabaddi tournament is being organized at local village Dayalpura Sodhian on 6th and 7th April in which famous teams of Punjab are participating. Wrestling will be held on 6th April which will showcase the best of wrestling in which famous wrestlers are participating. Top teams will compete on April 7 from 9 am. On this occasion, 71000 rupees will be given to the first place team, 51000 rupees to the second place team and 21-21000 rupees to the best stopper and raider. This tournament is being organized by Baba Fateh Singh Baba Jau-rar Singh Sports and Welfare Club. The organizers appealed to reach maximum numbers and enjoy the Kabaddi tournament.

nath Dham. He said that on this occasion, a free eye and bone checkup camp will also be organized in the morning.

He appealed to the people to reach in maximum numbers and take advantage of the opportunity.

Academic session of Einstein International School begins



KAPIL ARORA
SHAHABAD MARKANDA : The academic session 2024-25 of Einstein International School was inaugurated. Orientation was organized on this occasion. On this occasion, there was activity of parents and students in the school. School Director Deepali Singhal welcomed the parents and students and gave them important information about the working system and curriculum of the school. He said that along with teachers, the contribution of parents is also important in the all-round development of children. During this, parents and students were made aware about the school's education policy, school portal and examination system.

BJP is suppressing democracy with money power



DINESH AGARWAL
SHIHLA/HAMIRPUR : While presiding over the meeting of Himachal Pradesh Congress Seva Dal State Executive and Hamirpur Parliamentary Constituency at NGO Bhavan in Hamirpur, Seva Dal State President Anurag Sharma said that at present the BJP government at the Center is acting like a dictator by strangulating democracy. Leaders of opposition parties are being lodged in jails by wrongly filing cases against them. He said that democracy is being put to shame by doing the dirty work of toppling the governments of many states by insulting the mandate. Anurag Sharma said that BJP is working to suppress the voice of the people with the help of money power and is working to topple the governments with absolute majority. He said that the country's democracy is in danger today, maintaining the unity and integrity of the country is a challenge for all of us. At such a time, it becomes the responsibility of the Congress Seva Dal organization to convey to the public the policies of the Congress Party and the achievements of the Himachal Government in the last 15 months with full dedication and honesty and to expose the tactics, character and face of the BJP among the people. He gave detailed information about the achievements of the state government in the meeting. He said that in Himachal Pradesh the Congress party will win all the four Lok Sabha and all the six assembly by-elections. He said that Congress Seva Dal members will have to campaign aggressively against BJP in all the 6 assembly constituencies.

Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Saini reaches BJP office in Kamalam



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
CHANDIGARH: Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini reached BJP Chandigarh state office Sector-33 on Friday and discussed the Lok Sabha elections with National Vice President Saudan Singh and State President Jitendra Pal Malhotra. This was his first visit to the party office in Kamalam after becoming the Chief Minister. On this occasion, he extended best wishes to the BJP State President on his birthday and appreciated the work being done by him along with the work of the BJP Social Media Department. On reaching the party office on Friday, BJP State President Jitendra Pal Malhotra, State General Secretary Hukum Chand, Amit Jindal, State Secretary Sanjeev Rana, District President Ravi Rawat welcomed him. On this occasion, Naib Saini also met the media. He said that the country's Prime Minister Narendra Modi's government has done unprecedented work in the interest of farmers, but Congress did not like it and tried to mislead the farmers by lying to them. He said that the history of development work created during the 10 years of Modi's rule is overshadowing the 55 years of Congress.

Morinda Ex-Servicemen demand action on unpaid dearness allowance

SANJEEV TEJPAL
MORINDA: The United Front of Ex-Servicemen Morinda Unit, District Rupnagar, held a crucial meeting at the Hindu Dharamshala in Morinda, under the able chairmanship of Coordinator Tek Chand Gopal. The meeting served as a platform to address pertinent issues affecting ex-servicemen and their families. In the main discussion, President Nikka Singh brought forth insightful suggestions concerning the challenges encountered within the SPARSH initiative, proposing viable solutions to mitigate these issues. Furthermore, President Singh shed light on the recent

ECI holds conference to increase voter turnout in LS Elections

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, APR 5

In a first-of-its-kind initiative, the Election Commission of India (ECI) held a 'Conference on Low Voter Turnout' with Municipal Commissioners and District Education Officers (DEO) from select districts to increase voter turnout in the ensuing Lok Sabha Elections. Ahead of the polling in the ongoing general elections in 2024, the poll body has accelerated efforts to enhance voter turnout in parliamentary constituencies (PCs) with a history of low poll participation in previous general elections. According to an official release from the ECI, "In a day-long 'Conference on Low Voter Turnout' held today at Nirvachan Sadan, New Delhi, Municipal Commissioners from major cities and select District Election Officers (DEOs) from Bihar and Uttar



Pradesh deliberated together to chart a path towards enhancing voter engagement and participation in identified urban and rural PCs." The conference was chaired by Chief Election Commissioner Rajiv Kumar, along with Election Commissioners Gyanesh Kumar and Sukhbir Singh Sandhu. A booklet on "Voter's Apathy" was also unveiled by the Chief Election Commissioner on the occasion. As per the release, 11 states and union territories,

namely Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, the NCT of Delhi, Maharashtra, Uttarakhand, Telangana, Gujarat, Punjab, Rajasthan, Jammu and Kashmir, and Jharkhand, had a voter turnout lower than the national average of 67.40 per cent in the 2019 general elections to the Lok Sabha." "Out of the total 50 rural PCs across 11 states identified with lower voter turnout than the national average in 2019, 40 PCs are from Uttar Pradesh (22 PCs) and Bihar (18 PCs).

BNO Vijay Kumar visits different schools under Mission Samrath



VERMA
QADIAN: Under the mission samrath, the testing of various subjects was checked today under the guidance of Block Nodal Officer Vijay Kumar. Giving information in this regard, BNO Vijay Kumar said that according to the instructions of the Education Department, the government middle school Natt Mokai, Gss Khujala, GMS Nat Mokai, GHS Kandila and GMS Muradpur were checked for the baseline testing of Punjabi, English, and Mathematics subjects, during which BRP English Rakesh Kumar, BRP Punjabi Paramjit Singh and BRP Science/Math Sarabjit Singh visited in various schools and students were tested in the second phase and questions were asked from them to check the quality of the study of the students. School time table, class and school level grouping of children and competence were discussed with the school heads and concerned teachers. On this occasion, he said that instructions were given to correct the differences in the level of the children of the schools.

Tobacco products being sold within 100 meters of educational institution removed

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
FARIDABAD, APR 5

Additional Director General of Police, Haryana State Narcotics Control Bureau, Shri O.P. According to the guidelines of Singh Saheb, guidance of Deputy Inspector General of Police Mr. Simardeep Singh and orders of Superintendent of Police Ms. Nitika Gehlot and Superintendent of Police Ms. Pankhuri Kumar, special awareness programs against drug addiction are being organized in the educational institutions of Faridabad district. Deputy Inspector Dr. Ashok Kumar Verma, in-charge of the Bureau's awareness program and rehabilitation, has been continuously engaged in this work since Monday. Today, a one-day awareness program against drug abuse was organized at the Government



Model Industrial Training Institute for Women. This program took place in the presence of Satish Kumar, group instructor of the institute. Dr. Ashok Kumar Verma, Awareness Program and Rehabilitation Incharge/Sub Inspector of the Bureau, first warned and removed the people selling tobacco products from around the institute and told that as per the law, no person can sell either tobacco products or other intoxicants. Can keep the substance. There are provisions for

Poor children will get free admission in recognized private schools: Ram Diya

RAMAN GUPTA
KAITHAL : Ram diya Chavariya ji said that poor children will get free admission in recognized private schools - Applications for admission will be open from 31st March to 15th April. As per the provisions under Section 12 (1) (C) of the Right to Free and

Compulsory Child Education Act 2009 and RTE Rules 2011 in recognized private schools across the state, children from poor families will be admitted on 25 percent seats in the academic session 2024-25. Have ensured. The Directorate of Education will take admission applications from

31st March to 15th April. Families with annual income of Rs 1 lakh 80 thousand as per Parivar Pehchan Card are eligible to apply for admission of their children in private schools from pre-nursery to first class. These parents can apply offline directly to the concerned school. The lottery

draw for admission at school level will be held on April 18. On this, children will be admitted by private schools till 22nd April. After this, in case the children included in the first draw do not take admission, admission on the remaining reserved seats will be held from April 23 to 29.

People must participate in the world's largest democracy: District Election Officer

KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA, APRIL 5

In view of Lok Sabha Elections 2024, a special voter awareness event was organized by Vidhan Sabha Halka Mahal Kalan at Sahajra village under the leadership of District Election Officer Mrs. Poonamdeep Kaur to increase voter participation. District Police Chief Sandeep Malik was also present on this occasion. This event Assistant Returning Officer. Conducted under the leadership of Satwant Singh. Addressing the event, District Election Officer Mrs. Poonamdeep Kaur said that voting will begin in Punjab on June 1 from 7am. She appealed to the villagers to vote more and encourage people around them to vote without any fear or greed. He said that the Election Commission of India distributes special identity



cards to the voters and as per today's era the voter lists are available on the website of the Election Commission of India on which any voter can check his name and other details. She said that by using our precious vote properly, we not only contribute significantly towards the development of the country, but by electing the right government, we can shine the name of our country on the world. Speaking on the occasion, District Police Chief Mr. Sandeep Malik said that every voter should use

his vote without any fear or greed. Appreciating the choices made by the students based on the elections, he said that the parents and elders of these children should ensure that the hard work of these children pays off and all the eligible voters go to vote. On this occasion, the children of Government Senior Secondary School village Moom presented Bhanga based on votes while the girl students of Government Senior Secondary School Mahal Kalan presented Giddha.

Police busts interstate gang of drug and weapon smugglers, recovers 7 pistols and 300 grams heroin



ASHISHPURI
KAPURTHALA: Kapurthala police today busted interstate gang of drug and illegal arms smugglers with the arrest of its four members and recovered seven country made pistols and 300 grams heroin from their possession. This was disclosed here today by Senior Superintendent of Police Vatsala Gupta in a press conference. She further disclosed that the arrested smugglers including its kingpin were recently released from Ludhiana jail. One of the arrested accused Neeraj Kumar resident of Meenapur in Bihar is involved in a bank dacoity case of rupees 40 lakh in the UCO bank at in Suavr district in Bihar and is a proclaimed offender and was also involved in more seven criminal cases said police. SSP said the gang members used to bought illegal country made weapons from UP and Bihar and sell it in Punjab at the varying rates from forty to fifty thousand per weapon.

Gang involved in kidney transplant for money busted

VIPIN SEHGAL
GURUGRAM, APRIL 5

The Health Department, CM Flying and Gurugram Police, in a joint operation, on Thursday busted a gang that used to get kidney transplant done for money. After the kidney transplant, the gang used to make the patient and the donor stay in a hotel in Gurugram. After staying in the hotel for a few days, when their health improved, they were sent home.

The mastermind of the gang is a resident of Ranchi, Jharkhand. For the past many years, the gang has been doing the work of getting kidney transplant done fraudulently by taking money. The mastermind of the gang used to get kidney transplant done by bringing Bangladeshi citizens to



India. The kidney donor used to get two to four lakh rupees whereas the patient used to be charged 35 to 40 lakh rupees for kidney transplant. Kidney transplant in Jaipur-Initial investigation revealed that the accused used to take the patients to a private hospital in Rajasthan. After conducting a health checkup there, kidney transplant was

done. From there, the patients were kept in a hotel in Gurugram for post-operative care. Sadar police station in-charge Arjun Dev said that investigation has been started after taking all the documents in possession. A case will be registered soon. Action will be taken against all those involved in this gang.

Guru Nanak Khalsa College Yamunanagar wins First Prize in Inter-College Softball Women Tournament

RAHUL KOHLI
JAGADHRI: Guru Nanak Khalsa College Yamunanagar celebrates its victory in the Inter-College Softball Women Tournament held at Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra. The college team showcased exceptional skill and determination, clinching the first prize amidst fierce competition. Dr. Harinder Singh Kang, Principal of Guru Nanak Khalsa College, expressed his elation, stating that this victory is a testament to the dedication and hard work of our students.



Dr. Bodhraj, Dean and Dr. Ranjit Singh, Head of the Department of Physical Education, commended the

team for their outstanding performance and credited their success to rigorous training and discipline. Prof. Kawalpreet Singh, Coach of the winning team, remarked that our players exhibited remarkable teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the tournament. Defeating formidable opponents such as Ch. Ishwar

God sees feelings of surrendered soul: Acharya Shiv Prasad



KAPIL ARORA
SHAHABAD MARKANDA: In the Srimad Bhagwat Katha being run by Mahadev Park Committee at HUDA Mahadev Park, late on Thursday evening, Katha Vyas Acharya Shiv Prasad Upadhyay said that the surrendered, devotee-loving God protects his dependents in the same way as parents protect their innocent child. He said that a person who follows the path of unrighteousness and justice, no matter how close his relatives are, is worthy of sacrifice. He said that a true lover of God does his work selflessly and has no desire for results. Acharya Shiv Prasad said that Bhagwat Geeta gives us the message to follow the path of truth. Katha coordinators Ashutosh Garg and Sunil Bhasin ritually worshipped Shrimad Bhagwat Granth and greeted Acharya Shiv Prasad Upadhyay by garlanding him.

Editorial

A few chosen ones

If we have to strengthen our democracy and socialism and if we are thinking in terms of equality of the citizens, these new distinctions should also be abolished” — so stated Acharya J.B. Kripalani while introducing the conferment of decorations on persons (abolition) bill, demanding the abolition of the Bharat Ratna and the Padma awards, in the Lok Sabha in 1969. He argued that although Article 18 had abolished titles, they “were sought to be brought in by the back door in the form of decorations; the decorations were not always awarded according to merit, and the Government of the day is not the best Judge of the merits or the eminence of the recipient...” Though the bill generated heated debates in the Lok Sabha, it was eventually defeated.

The framers of the Constitution sought to abolish titles to do away with social inequalities in the egalitarian society that they envisaged. The abolition of titles reaffirmed the spirit of our freedom movement that all citizens are equals. Military and academic distinctions were exempted from the prohibition for they are incentives for pursuing excellence. State honours like the Bharat Ratna and the Padma awards are often painted as academic honours. But this argument, as pointed out by H.M. Seervai, an expert on the Indian Constitution, is untenable. K.T. Shah argued in the Constituent Assembly that “the conferring of titles offended against the fundamental principle of equality sought to be enshrined in the Constitution.”

The conferment of awards causes discrimination not only between the awardees and the ordinary citizens but also between the awardees inter se. Moreover, in ‘warrant of precedence’, the awardees are ranked below the Union cabinet ministers which further belies the government’s claim that the title-holders are not being given any privileged treatment.

H.N. Kunzru, freedom fighter and liberal leader, was nominated for the Bharat Ratna in 1968 but he declined, citing his opposition to such honours in a Republic. But such a principled stand is rare in our times. These awards were instituted in January 1954 by two presidential notifications. In 1977, the Janata government discontinued these awards upholding the spirit of the Constituent Assembly’s resolve to abolish the feudal-colonial vestige of titles. Ironically, the leaders responsible for cancelling the Bharat Ratna and Padma awards during the Janata regime were given Bharat Ratnas subsequently: Morarji Desai (1991), A.B. Vajpayee (2015), and L.K. Advani (2024).

‘Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity’ was the motto of the French Revolution. In a speech on organising the National Guards in December 1790, Maximilien Robespierre, a French statesman, proposed that the words, ‘Liberty, Equality, Fraternity’, should be emblazoned on uniforms and flags of the revolution.

Scientists warn of lethal bird flu pandemic

The bird flu pandemic with the potential to be “100 times worse than COVID” may be on the horizon after a rare human case was discovered in Texas, experts have warned, the New York Post reported on Thursday.

The H5N1 avian flu has spread rapidly since a new strain was detected in 2020 affecting wild birds in every state, as well as in commercial poultry and backyard flocks.

But the recent cases detected in mammals, with cattle herds across four states becoming infected and on Monday, federal health officials announced that a dairy worker in Texas caught the virus.

“This virus [has been] on the top of the pandemic list for many, many years and probably decades,” Suresh Kuchipudi, a bird flu researcher from Pittsburgh, said at a recent panel discussing the issue, the New York Post reported citing the Daily Mail.

“And now we’re getting dangerously close to this virus potentially causing a pandemic.”

He noted that the H5N1 virus has already been detected in species throughout the world and “has shown the ability to infect a range of mammalian hosts, including humans.”

“So therefore, in my view, I think this is a virus that has the greatest pandemic threat [that is] playing out in plain sight and globally present,” Kuchipudi said.

John Fulton, a pharmaceutical industry consultant for vaccines and the founder of Canada-based BioNiagara who organized the meeting, also expressed his concerns, the Mail reports, the New York Post reported.

“This appears to be 100 times worse than COVID – or it could be if it mutates and maintains its high case fatality rate,” he



said. “Once it’s mutated to infect humans, we can only hope that the [fatality rate] drops.”

Around 52 per cent of humans who have contracted H5N1 since 2003 have died, according to the World Health Organization.

For comparison, COVID currently kills less than 0.1% of those it infects – though at the start of the pandemic, the fatality rate was around 20 per cent.

Symptoms of the bird flu are similar to those of other flus, including cough, body aches and fever, the New York Post reported.

Some people may not develop noticeable symptoms, but others can develop severe,

life-threatening pneumonia.

The dairy worker in Texas who was infected has reported “eye redness (consistent with conjunctivitis)” as their only symptom, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention noted.

“The patient was told to isolate and is being treated with an antiviral drug for [the] flu,” the CDC said.

The agency and “the whole US government is taking this situation very seriously,” CDC Director Mandy Cohen told the Washington Post.

She maintained that the virus does not pose much of a risk to the general public, noting that the dairy worker was in direct

contact with infected cattle, and the US Department of Agriculture has said there are currently no changes that would make it more transmissible to humans.

“While cases among humans in direct contact with infected animals are possible, this indicates that the current risk to the public remains low,” the department said in a statement over the weekend.

But the fact that the virus has been found in cattle could mean it is starting to mutate, Cohen told the Washington Post.

“We had not seen avian flu in cattle prior to last week. That is new,” she said. “It is a reservoir for [the] virus to circulate and potentially change.”

Literature & Health

World Bank allocates USD 16 million to support women-led businesses in Afghanistan



The World Bank has allocated USD 16 million to assist small businesses in Afghanistan, especially those owned and run by women, according to Khaama Press. The World Bank stated on Wednesday, that the Aga Khan Foundation in the United States will handle the direct distribution of this funding to the Afghanistan Reconstruction Trust Fund (ARTF).

“Supporting small financial providers in Afghanistan is one of the few actionable options currently available to enhance access to financial resources in Afghanistan, especially for women,” underlined Melinda Good, country director of the World Bank for Afghanistan. “This project aims to strengthen the small financial sector in Afghanistan so that owners of small busi-

nesses and women-led enterprises can access the necessary financial credit to rebuild their businesses, rebuild their lives, and contribute to the revival of the private sector,” she said, according to Khaama Press. The World Bank added that the bank is striving to increase access to financial resources in Afghanistan for small and medium-sized enterprises. This coincides with an increase in international organisations’ support for women working in the private sector, particularly in trade and investment. According to the World Bank, the initiative will be centred in 15 provinces in Afghanistan: Kabul, Kunduz, Nangarhar, Parwan, Samangan, Sar-e Pol, Takhar, Herat, Dykundi, Faryab, and Jawzjan, reported Khaama Press.

22 cases of forced disappearances reported in March in Balochistan

For the past twenty years, Balochistan has grappled with the ongoing issue of enforced disappearances, casting a long and somber shadow over the region.

Recent data released on Friday by Balochistan Post underscores the severity of the situation, revealing that 22 individuals have been victims of forced disappearances, while 15 forcibly disappeared individuals were released.

Furthermore, 3 dead bodies of the ‘missing’ individuals were discovered.

Baloch nationalists, activists, and human rights organisations have consistently accused Pakistani intelligence agencies and security forces of involvement in these abductions and unlawful killings, as per The Balochistan Post.

Despite vehement denials from the Pakistani government, the mounting evidence provided by these groups paints a starkly different picture.

According to The Balochistan Post, an investigation conducted by the paper into enforced disappearances during March 2024, has uncovered numerous cases of enforced disappearances reported from various parts of Balochistan and Pakistan, during March.

The number of enforced disappearances and dead bodies reported from different parts of Balochistan and other parts of Pakistan

The report details enforced disappearances documented in various areas, which includes Mastung, Quetta and Zehri

Recently, the Baloch Yakjehti Commit-



tee (BYC) announced on Tuesday the decision to hold protests against the Baloch genocide across Balochistan on Eid.

In a press release, the BYC spokesperson stated, “Protests will take place across Balochistan on Eid as part of the fifth phase of the ongoing movement against the Baloch genocide.

The schedule and details of these protests will be announced in the media shortly. Additionally, the BYC extends its support to the protest call by Voice for Baloch Missing Persons (VBMP) in Karachi and Quetta against enforced disappearances.”

POEM

Godiva

I waited for the train at Coventry; I hung with grooms and porters on the bridge, To watch the three tall spires; and there I shaped

The city's ancient legend into this: Not only we, the latest seed of Time, New men, that in the flying of a wheel

Cry down the past, not only we, that prate Of rights and wrongs, have loved the people well, And loathed to see them overtax'd; but she

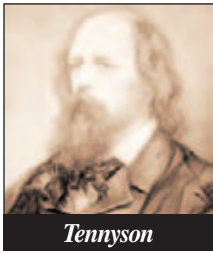
Did more, and underwent, and overcame,

The woman of a thousand summers back,

Godiva, wife to that grim Earl, who ruled

In Coventry: for when he laid a tax Upon his town, and all the mothers brought Their children, clamoring, "If we pay, we starve!" She sought her lord, and found him, where he strode.

Alfred, Lord Tennyson



Tennyson

Anatomy of Happiness

Before the beginning of new academic sessions in schools, my children were home for holidays. Boredom and complaints were at their peak. So, I decided to introduce the concept of ‘inner happiness’ to them.

I started by explaining to them that HAPPINESS LIES INSIDE US. To this my daughter very innocently asked, “oh really! In which organ? I didn’t see it in the human body diagram! Can we see it through X-ray?” After a hearty laugh, I explained again that how our small actions can bring us joy and if we are relaxed in our minds, we will be happy. To support my explanation, I gave an example of our pet dog; who was participating



in his own way; that even patting him will give you happiness. Next morning, I found her petting the dog again and again. When asked, came a prompt re-

sponse, “I’m waiting for my happiness to come out!”

Well, I wasn’t ready to give up so easily (we still had ten days of holidays left). Once again, I started discussing that how gratitude can help us bring out our happiness and we must be thankful for everything and to everyone. My daughter immediately started saying thank-you to everyone, making a game out of it whereas my teenage son paid no heed. For him, it was just one of the other mom lectures. I had a hard time explaining that happiness isn’t about indulgence (at least not all the time) but is about contentment. It is found somewhere between too little and too much.

It’s about spending some time with yourself, away from constant pings and dings of our phones and checking on self as much as checking Instagram. It refers to creating your bliss instead of finding it. Our happiness is our responsibility. It means moving from ‘log kya kahenge’ to ‘I give a damn’; from ‘perfection’ to ‘embracing flaws’ and it’s also moving from ‘reels’ to ‘real’.

So much joy can be found in slowing down in this super-fast world. Try doing ‘kuch nahin’ for once. Do jo dil chahta hai. Sit in your backyard on a pleasant day enjoying some “me” time. Forget your to-do list for a while! Happy thoughts will keep you healthy too. The

world around us is beautiful when the world within us is peaceful. Also, happiness is not the absence of problems; it’s the ability to deal with them.

When after trying almost for a week I was about to give up leaving it on time, I started seeing some changes in their attitude. There were fewer complaints, they were happy with whatever was served and were spending time with self (without gadgets of course). My daughter finally found her organ of happiness and she can feel it. Let’s all do our X-rays and find our happiness.

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Patients with painful varicose veins successfully treated via latest laser techniques at Fortis

Shimla: A 37-year-old woman from Shimla, who had been experiencing throbbing pain in her legs due to bilateral varicose veins (swollen and tortuous veins) along with restricted mobility, was successfully treated with advanced laser techniques at Fortis Hospital Mohali. "The patient had been experiencing throbbing pain in her legs due to bilateral varicose veins along with extreme heaviness, swelling and leg pain. This had restricted her mobility and she faced discomfort while walking. The skin around her ankles had also darkened. Unable to bear the pain, the patient had approached the hospital for further treatment", said Dr Ravul Jindal, Director, Vascular Surgery, Fortis Hospital Mohali. The doctor added that an ultrasound of the Patient's leg (doppler scan) was done which showed incompetent valves.

NSDC Achieves ISO/IEC 27001: 2022 Certification

CHANDIGARH: National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) under the aegis of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is proud to announce its achievement of the ISO/IEC 27001:2022 certification, a significant milestone underscoring its unwavering commitment to information security and excellence. This achievement exemplifies NSDC's dedication towards stringent information security measures, guaranteeing quality standards in safeguarding information. On this achievement, Mr. Ved Mani Tiwari, CEO, NSDC and MD, NSDC International, said, "At NSDC, we go beyond imparting skills, our mission is to cultivate well-rounded professionals capable of navigating the demands of future careers. And central to this mission is the steady commitment to upholding stringent security measures, ensuring the safety of individuals' data. With this, the ISO/IEC 27001:2022 certification not only instills confidence in us but also marks our dedication to achieve excellence."

Coca-Cola India and Anju Bobby Sports Foundation's Long-Standing Partnership

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: In line with its commitment to sports, Coca-Cola India through its Foundation, is supporting the country's athletes with essential amenities and training equipment as part of its three-year partnership with the Anju Bobby Sports Foundation. Spearheaded by Olympic champion Anju Bobby George, the Foundation has been nurturing the next generation of women athletes including the very known long jumper- Shaili Singh. This partnership aligns with Coca-Cola India's #SheTheDifference campaign, an initiative to celebrate, uplift, and support women throughout the value chain. As part of this partnership, Coca-Cola India is committed to empowering women athletes to bring about positive change in the sports and gender equality landscape. Commenting on the partnership, Rajesh Ayapilla, Director-CSR and Sustainability for Coca-Cola India and Southwest Asia (ISWNA), said, "At Coca-Cola India, we believe in the power of sports to inspire, empower, and unite communities. Our longstanding partnership with the Anju Bobby Sports Foundation reflects our commitment to fostering the next generation of Indian women athletes. With sports being an integral part of both organizations' DNA, through such initiatives, we are dedicated to creating a supportive environment where athletes can thrive."

Airtel is awarded Best 5G network of Haryana: Open Signal

Amritsar: Open Signal, the independent global standards for network and subscriber insights has conferred Bharti Airtel, the Best 5G network in Haryana telecom circle. OpenSignal is the global standard for analyzing mobile experience and is a definitive guide to understanding true customer experience. In the latest consumer report, Airtel has topped the overall network charts, winning 6 out of 6 awards and thereby making it the best 5G network in the state. Airtel has been rated the top in overall 5G video streaming experience both in live and on-demand video streaming offering uninterrupted experience. The company also leads the game in voice app experience, providing seamless connectivity to its users while playing multiplayer mobile games and using over-the-top (OTT) voice services on mobile voice apps. Overall, Airtel remains the outright winner of best 5G upload speed award across the country, with the winning score of 26.1Mbps.

Mobill 1 TM 50th Anniversary, Ready for What's Next

GURUGRAM/SHIMLA: ExonMobill is proud to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the introduction of Mobill 1™ motor oil to the global marketplace. In 2024, ExonMobill will commemorate its 50-year history of the Mobill 1™ brand with a series of initiatives across partnerships, motorsports, and virtual reality, each of which will highlight the brand's legacy and what's to come. Beginning as the first full synthetic automotive motor oil and later expanding into a line of Mobill 1 branded oils, the Mobill 1 brand has been at the forefront of engine protection for gas-powered and more recently, hybrid and electric cars delivering unmatched quality and performance for the past five decades. Today, Mobill 1™ is the world's leading synthetic motor oil brand with an unwavering commitment to innovation, collaboration and customers.

PHDCCI appointed Dr Rupesh Singh as Convenor - Media, Sports and Entertainment Committee.

Need to make people aware about stock market and financial market: Experts

New Delhi. Citizen Awareness Group (CAG) in collaboration with Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) and BSE organized an investor awareness program at the Press Club of India, Delhi.

Surinder Verma, Chairman of Citizen Awareness Group, Rajesh Kumar Dangeti, Chief General Manager, Securities and Exchange Board of India Headquarters, Mumbai, Varun Gupta, Regional Head, North Bombay Stock Exchange, Delhi, were present in the program.

Surinder Verma, Chairman, Citizen Awareness Group, gave detailed information on how to make wealth from stock markets through latest technological advancements. He explained how mobile apps have become popular in trading and emphasized on the challenges of technology adoption and ways to overcome them.

He also brought out the risks posed by technology such as data theft, irregularities etc., which lead to losses, but proper use of technology can bring benefits in the long run. He said that there is a lack of awareness related to the stock market among investors. There was a lot of hesitation, which ultimately led to wrong decisions due to lack of information. Therefore, the role of such platforms is to help investors deal with such situations.

Rajesh Kumar Dangeti, CGM Mumbai Headquarters, SEBI, said, "Since it's inception SEBI has always ensured that the investor of this great country has every



information and resource at her disposal to become an informed investor, an empowered investor. The coming years are crucial not only

for India to become a USD 5 trillion economy, a developed nation but also for the capital markets of India to be a preferred destination and

towards this SEBI has introduced and continues to introduce various safety and investor friendly measures to further strengthen investor protection, enhance fairness, transparency and integrity of the securities market.

Fairness, transparency, disclosure and parity are the pillars of SEBI Regulations.

"For me investment is like equating it with gardening (a passion for many). The right seed has to be chosen (investment avenue), sown in the right place (right product), nurtured properly, monitored periodically (monitor the investment and returns), snip away the dead leaves/branches (non-performing investments).

Fevikwik Adds Four New Variants to Enhance Consumers' Instant Repair Experience

Gurgaon: Fevikwik, a leading brand of instant adhesive solutions, from the house of Pidilite Industries Limited, announced the launch of innovative new products, Fevikwik Precision Pro, Fevikwik Gel, Fevikwik Advanced and Fevikwik Craft. The launch of new products aims to revolutionise the repair experience for consumers across diverse use cases. Commenting on the launch of new products, Mr Sudhanshu Vats, Managing Director Designate, Pidilite Industries Ltd., said, "Over the past two decades, Fevikwik has been a market leader in the instant adhesives space. We are committed to meeting ever evolving consumer needs across various repair occasions. Our new variants, developed through extensive insights, aim to redefine customer experience. Each variant is tailored to specific needs, offering superior performance, and enhancing the overall repair experience while maintaining the strong adhesion feature across the line-up. Our vision is to continuously exceed expectations and set new industry benchmarks." The new range of products have been designed to offer superior performance and user experience across all various usage categories - Fevikwik Precision Pro for precise application, Fevikwik Gel for spill-free repairs and opportunity to correct mistakes, Fevikwik Advanced with water-proof and shockproof properties, and Fevikwik Craft for crafting enthusiasts.



POVA 6 Pro 5G with 24GB RAM + 256GB ROM on sale now



CHANDIGARH: Don't let the date skip away, as TECNO the global smartphone brand is excited to announce the sales of TECNO POVA 6 Pro 5G starting 4th April 2024, 12 AM. Featuring India's first 6000mAh battery coupled with a powerful 70W charger and 24GB* RAM + 256GB storage the smartphone will be available to purchase on Amazon and at the nearest retail outlets. Get ready to grab the all-new POVA 6 Pro 5G at the limited-period launch price starting at just ₹17,999 for a Better, Faster, and Stronger experience! TECNO POVA 6 Pro 5G embodies power and efficiency within 7.9mm thickness making it the thinnest

6000mAh battery phone. However, it doesn't stop there, the POVA 6 Pro 5G is meticulously crafted with precision using cutting-edge photolithography techniques, amplifying the design of the Arc Interface inspired by the motherboard. TECNO POVA 6 Pro 5G is the first smartphone by TECNO featuring DOLBY ATMOS. The collaboration was announced at the beginning of the year to provide users with an immersive listening experience, the device is supported by Dolby Atmos which transforms the mobile entertainment experience with moving audio that flows above and all around you.

Renault india expands presence with new dealership opening in Panchkula



Panchkula: Renault India is delighted to announce the inauguration of its latest state-of-the-art dealership in Panchkula. This strategic expansion reaffirms Renault's commitment to serving customers across the country and strengthening its presence in the vibrant state of Haryana. The newly inaugurated dealership, located near Industrial Area Phase 1, will showcase Renault's extensive line-up of innovative and stylish vehicles, catering to the diverse preferences and needs of the customers

in Panchkula and its surrounding areas. This state-of-the-art facility will offer modern amenities and follows Renault's global standards, offering a seamless and delightful customer experience. Renault India's dealership network is vital in bringing the brand closer to customers and ensuring their needs are met effectively. Our new addition of Panchkula dealership, is a testament to Renault's commitment to establishing a robust network and making its products easily accessible to customers in every region.

Citroën launches network expansion program to reach 200 touchpoints by year-end

HISAR: Citroën, the leading French automaker, is embarking on an ambitious journey with its Network Expansion Program aiming to establish 200 sales and service touchpoints by the end of 2024. This transformative initiative underscores the brand's dedication to delivering an unmatched Citroën brand experience to a diverse and expanding customer base nationwide.

The addition of new dealerships, in markets across Urban, Semi-urban, and rural markets will significantly increase Citroën's footprints to over 200 from the existing 58 across India, this is 400% growth in network. The meticulously designed expansion plan aims to create a robust presence near the customers and deliver an unparalleled Citroën brand experience with



innovative smart retail formats tailored to different market categories. Commenting on the network expansion Shishir Mishra, Brand Director, Citroën India, remarked, "We are looking to aggressively make Citroën available to consumers and extend the potential of our products beyond Tier I/Tier II cities. Our focus extends to Tier III and even Tier IV markets, strategically chosen for their proximity to Tier I and

Tier II cities and their potential for substantial growth. These markets boast burgeoning consumer bases eager for enhanced accessibility to quality products and services. By investing in these regions, we aim to not only capture emerging opportunities but also contribute to the socio-economic development of smaller urban centers, fostering prosperity and inclusivity across diverse geographical landscapes."

Abheek Barua, Chief Economist HDFC Bank commented on RBI Policy

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: Given the recent global resilience in economic activity, there has been a tendency to keep monetary policy tight to take on the latest mile challenge on inflation by global central banks. The RBI seems to be moving in lock step with that. Despite its emphasis that inflation is moderat-

ing, the RBI kept its policy rate and stance unchanged in today's policy announcement. The central bank remained optimistic on growth – pegging it at 7% for FY25 – and said this provides space for monetary policy to remain tight and focus on inflation. Consequently, the chances of a rate cut have been pushed forward into the

second half of FY25. The RBI also reiterated its preference for a stable rupee and therefore significant depreciation due to recent global volatility seems unlikely. On the other hand, the RBI also signalled that it has enough appetite for building FX reserves and therefore expected rupee appreciation in the coming quarters.

Aakash Healthcare Successfully Conducts Free Camp in Haryana

BAHADURGARH - Aakash Healthcare Super Specialty Hospital, Dwarka, successfully carried out a free Liver/Kidney Disease and Transplant Camp in Bahadurgarh, Haryana. The health camp, held on April 4th, 2024, from 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm, at Street No. 5, Patel Nagar, Bahadurgarh, witnessed enthusiastic participation from the local community.

Renowned specialists in

Liver/Kidney Disease and Transplantation from Delhi, Dr. Ajitabh Srivastava and Dr. Vikram Kalra, led the event, offering their expertise to attendees. Dr. Vijay Bura, Clinical Cardiologist and Dr. Dharmendra Rath, Managing Director, Medark Hospital were also part of the event giving their expert advice to people

Dr. Srivastava, Director and Senior Consultant of the Liver Disease and

Transplantation Department, provided consultations on gallbladder stones, liver and bile duct diseases, as well as cancers of the gall bladder and pancreas. Dr. Kalra, Director and Senior Consultant of Nephrology and Kidney Transplantation, addressed concerns related to diabetes, high blood pressure, autoimmune-related kidney diseases, and offered services such as dialysis and kidney transplants.

Toyota Kirloskar Motor Launches the All-New Urban Cruiser Taisor

JALANDHAR: Toyota Kirloskar Motor (TKM), today launched the All-New Toyota URBAN CRUISER TAIOR, a dynamic addition to its robust and full range of versatile SUV line-up in India. Marking the company's re-entry into the A-SUV segment, the All-New Toyota URBAN CRUISER TAIOR is positioned to offer a sense of prestige derived from the modern styling, cutting-edge features and advance technologies, which also makes it a perfect choice for Indian customers. The new product further reinforces the company's com-

manding presence in the SUV category. The All-New URBAN CRUISER TAIOR is available in 1.0L Turbo, 1.2L Petrol and E-CNG options. The 1.0L Turbo is available in 5 Speed Manual Transmission and 6 Speed Automatic Transmission, thus offering a versatile choice for customers who prioritize both power and performance preferences. While the 1.2L Petrol comes in 5 Speed Manual Transmission and Intelligent Gear Shift (IGS), the 1.2L E-CNG is available in 5 Speed Manual Transmission.

The All-New URBAN CRUISER TAIOR delivers maximum power of 100.06 PS @ 5500 rpm in the 1.0L Turbo option, offering a power-packed driving experience with segment best fuel efficiency of 21.5* km/l for Manual and 20.0* km/l for Automatic. The 1.2L Petrol Engine offers maximum power of 89.73 PS @ 6000rpm with a fuel efficiency of 21.7* Manual and 22.8* (AMT) km/l. The All-New URBAN CRUISER TAIOR is also available in the E-CNG option offering fuel efficiency of 28.5* km/kg.

Bandhan Mutual Fund Unveils Bandhan Innovation Fund

CHANDIGARH: Bandhan Mutual Fund announces the launch of Bandhan Innovation Fund, an open-ended thematic fund dedicated to investing in companies at the forefront of innovative breakthroughs. The fund targets companies with substantial R&D investment, high skilled-employee costs, potentially higher margins or growth, unique products or services, non-linear business models, and a notable brand presence. The New Fund Offer (NFO) begins on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, and

will conclude on Wednesday, April 24, 2024. Investments in the Bandhan Innovation Fund can be made through licensed mutual fund distributors, investment advisors, online platforms, and directly at https://bandhanmutual.com/info/bandhan-innovation-fund/.

Vishal Kapoor, CEO of Bandhan AMC, while discussing the new offering, said, "Innovation has consistently driven companies forward, and today, India's flourishing innovation landscape presents an exciting invest-

ment opportunity. We are observing groundbreaking transformations not only in technology but also in sectors like finance, auto, technology, healthcare, entertainment, retail, etc. With India's climb in the global innovation rankings and swift advancements in fields like digital media, e-commerce, and electric vehicles, we stand at a crucial juncture. The Bandhan Innovation Fund is crafted to capitalize on these pivotal shifts, inviting investors to join in this wave of innovation-driven growth."

Dabur Enters Mosquito Liquid Vaporiser Market with Odomos Universal Kajol to endorse brand

New Delhi - Dabur India Ltd today announced its entry into mosquito Liquid Vaporiser category with the launch of Odomos Universal Mosquito Liquid Vaporizer. It will be available in Electronic Mosquito Repellent Machine & Mosquito Repellent Refill which fits in all standard machines. The company has also roped in Bollywood star Kajol as the face of this new brand. A series of campaigns, featuring Kajol, will be launched shortly to promote the brand. "We are excited to introduce Odomos Universal Mosquito Liquid Vaporizer, offering advanced protection against mosquitoes. The decision to venture into the mosquito liquid vaporizer segment comes as part of Dabur's intent to expand the total addressable market for its products. With the increasing concern over mosquito-borne diseases, Odomos Mosquito Liquid Vaporizer aims to offer effective and long-lasting protection against mosquitoes". Mr. Abhishek Jugran, Executive Vice President- Marketing,



Dabur India Ltd said. Commenting on her association with the brand Ms. Kajol said: "I'm delighted to collaborate with Odomos, a trusted name in mosquito protection. Together, we're committed to advocating for the importance of mosquito protection and ensuring the safety and well-being of our loved ones". Priced at Rs. 85 for combo pack consisting of one machine & one refill of 45ml, Odomos Mosquito Liquid Vaporizer.

Samsung India Opens Exciting Pre-booking Offers on the Upcoming Galaxy M15 5G



CHANDIGARH: Samsung, India's largest electronics company, today announced exciting pre-booking offers on the upcoming monster smartphone, Galaxy M15 5G. Customers can now pre-book Galaxy M15 5G by paying a token amount of INR 999 on Amazon.in. Customers who pre-book Galaxy M15 5G will get a Samsung 25W travel adapter worth INR 1699 at just INR 299. Besides this, customers who pre-book Galaxy M15 5G can also avail a 3 months No-cost EMI on HDFC Bank credit cards. Galaxy M15 5G will don the premium signature

Galaxy look and will be available in three stylish colours including Celestial Blue, Stone Grey and Blue Topaz. It features a segment-leading Super AMOLED display for an immersive viewing experience along with a massive 6000 mAh battery that can power the smartphone for up to two days, allowing users to binge on their favourite entertainment. Galaxy M15 5G will sport a 50MP triple camera setup with Video Digital Image Stabilization (VDIS) to reduce blur or distortion in videos arising from unsteady or shaky movements.

Aakash Educational Services Limited announces Educational Scholarships for April 2024 Admissions

Amritsar: Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL), a national leader in test preparatory services, has announced various scholarships prior to the commencement of its new session scheduled to begin in April 2024 to enable students to realise their dream of becoming doctors and engineers. The first scholarship is the Instant Admission Cum Scholarship Test (iACST), offering up to 90% scholarship for admission into Medical, Engineering, and Foundation courses. Additionally, Aakash will provide special discounts to children of martyrs, defense personnel and terrorism-affected individuals. Mr. Anup Agarwal, Chief Business Officer at Aakash Educational Services Limited, stated, "We are dedicated to providing accessible and impactful educational opportunities for students across India. Through initiatives like iACST and our scholarship programmes, we aim to empower deserving students to achieve their academic and career aspirations. We are proud to continue our tradition of supporting the education of children of our brave Armed Forces personnel and are committed to fostering excellence and inclusivity in education."

Tata Steel Brand Protection Team and Punjab Police Conduct Raid in Fatehgarh Sahib to Seize Fake Tata Products



Fatehgarh Sahib: Tata Steel officials, in collaboration with the Punjab police, conducted a raid on an entity located in Gobindgarh, for infringing the Tata brand name and selling counterfeit Tata Wiron branded barbed wires illegally. The products were being sold under the registered 'TATA' trademark and branding in an attempt to deceive consumers into believing that they were

purchasing genuine Tata products. Upon receiving information about the unscrupulous activity, Tata Steel along with the police conducted the raid on the entity and seized the fake products on March 29, 2024. An FIR has been registered against the entity under the provisions of the Indian Penal Code, 1860. Tata Steel's products possess tremendous goodwill in the minds of the consumers by

virtue of the quality of the products, and unauthorised use of the brand name on counterfeit products can cause damage to the brand reputation.

Tata Steel strongly condemns any unauthorised use of its trademarks and logos. To safeguard its brand reputation and goodwill, Tata Steel's dedicated brand protection team diligently monitors and takes decisive action against entities that infringe upon the brand's intellectual property rights, including counterfeiters. The Company remains committed to taking legal action against any illicit activities that undermine its assets and harm its customers. The Company urges consumers to purchase Tata Steel products only from authorised dealers and distributors to ensure the products' authenticity.

Dr. Reddy's enters into exclusive distribution partnership with Sanofi Healthcare

HISAR: Dr. Reddy's Laboratories Ltd. (BSE: 500124, NSE: DRREDDY, NYSE: RDY, NSEIFSC: DRREDDY; hereafter referred to as "Dr. Reddy's"), a global pharmaceutical company, today announced that it has entered into an exclusive partnership with Sanofi Healthcare India Private Limited ("SHIPL") to promote and distribute their vaccine brands across private markets in India.

Under the arrangement, Dr. Reddy's will have exclusive rights to promote and distribute Sanofi's well-established and trusted paediatric and adult vaccine brands Hexaxim®, Pentaxim®, TetraXim®, Menactra®, FluQuadri®, Adacel® and Avaxim® 80U. These brands saw combined sales of approx. INR 426 crores (approx. USD 51 million) as per IQVIA MAT February 2024. Sanofi will continue to own, manufacture, and import these brands to the country.

Preeti Futnani, General



Manager India for Vaccines, Sanofi, said, "Vaccine confidence has reached its highest in India in the last few years. Yet, there is much to be done for the rest of the country's large unvaccinated cohort. To fulfil our long-term commitment to India and expand our geographic reach, we're pleased to partner with Dr. Reddy's Laboratories (Dr. Reddy's) for exclusive distribution and promotion. We're confident this partnership will further bolster our promise of saving millions of lives

against vaccine-preventable diseases with improved vaccination coverage."

M.V. Ramana, Chief Executive Officer, Branded Markets (India and Emerging Markets), Dr. Reddy's, said: "We are happy to have the opportunity to leverage our strengths in promotion and distribution to considerably expand engagement with healthcare professionals and help widen access of Sanofi's well-established and trusted vaccine brands in India."

Shakti Pumps (India) Limited successfully raises Rs. 200 Crores through QIP

LUDHIANA / JALANDHAR - Shakti Pumps (India) Limited India's leading manufacturer of solar pumps & motors, announced successful closure of a Qualified Institutional Placement (QIP) of Rs.200 Crores. The QIP issue garnered significant interest from qualified domestic institutional investors and was fully subscribed by two large Mutual Funds - LIC Mutual Fund and SBI Mutual Fund, endorsing the growth potential of the Solar Pumps industry and Shakti Pumps' leadership position in the industry. Keeping in view the immense potential for growth in the Solar Pumps industry, a major portion of the funds raised through QIP will be strategically deployed towards increasing the capacity of pumps/motors, inverters/VFDs, and structures. The solar pump industry through the PM KUSUM Scheme, led by the Government, has huge opportunities ahead as it is estimated that there are over 14 lakh solar pumps under Component B (Off Grid Pumps) and 35 lakh solar pumps under Component C (On Grid Pumps) to be installed. Mr. Dinesh Palitkar, Chairman, Shakti Pumps (India) Limited commented, "We are delighted with the successful closure of this institutional placement and the confidence these marquee investors have placed on us, which further strengthens our commitment to reaching new horizons."

Sadhvi Sachi Bharti presents Sita Swayamvar act in front of devotees in Shri Ram Katha



NARESH GARG LADWA: On the second day of the five-day Shri Ram Kathamrit organized by Divya Jyoti Jagrati Sansthan at Hindu High School, Ladwa, Sadhvi Sachi Bharti, a disciple of Divya Guru Ashutosh Maharaj, presented the Sita Swayamvar incident before the devotees. She told that when God comes to earth, his only aim is to make everyone realize the ultimate truth. Through the knowledge of Brahma he reveals the imperishable truth that lies within the individual. This is the life-saving medicine by which he destroys the heat of sin in the society. Sadhvi said that Lord Shri Ram ji has a great character. His life is full of great personality, qualities, values and ideals. If we adopt a quality or ideal related to their life then our life can be beneficial.

Mock drill organized by railway



MANISH KUMAR AMBALA: Mock drill was organized by the Railway Department near Ambala Cantonment Railway Station Yard. During this, NDRF team, Railway Safety Department, State Disaster Team, District Administration and Police Administration along with other rescue teams took part in the mock drill. Railway DRM Mandeep Singh Bhatia said that today through a mock drill by NDRF as well as other rescue teams, it was demonstrated that if a railway accident occurs somewhere, the work that can be done to save the passengers, it was done here. Everyone did better work. When someone gets injured during a train accident, how to take him out to the medical facility, how to take him out of the train and what equipment is to be used at that time, all such activities are shown here.

Students of Haripur School take out public consciousness awareness rally

DALBIR MALIK KURUKSHETRA: A rally was organized at Government Senior Secondary School, Haripur under the program "Come to School Chale". Which was presided over by Principal Baljit Singh Jast and SMC Head Mrs. Suman Devi. Principal Baljit Singh Jast flagged off the students and sent them off for the rally. The students went to every street and every house of Haripur village and made all the parents aware that no child should remain without education. All children have the right to receive education and must receive it.

Students of SS Public School performe street play to give message drug-free India



PREETI RANI SADHAURA: On Friday, a street play was presented by the students of SS Public School of Sadhaura at Police Station Chowk Sadhaura under the title 'Drug Free India'. During this, assistant teachers Syeda Zainab, Gunjan Sharma, Satbir Singh were present with the students. In fact, through this street play, the students made people aware about the dreaded disease of drug addiction prevalent in the society and made people aware of its harms. Through this street play, the students showed that drug addiction not only caused financial loss to a family, but by falling prey to a disease like cancer and the entire family was destroyed financially and mentally. On this occasion, Syeda Zainab said that with the cooperation of the Managing Committee of SS Public School and Principal Dr. Ritu Bansal. The team of SSPS will continue to spread such awareness messages through street plays to make the society aware.

Good education is basis for building bright future and high personality: Principal

RAHUL KOHLI JAGADHRI: Addressing the students on foundation day of D.A.V Police Public School, Principal of the school, Anoop Kumar Chopra said that good education and knowledge is not only helpful in building a bright future of children but also helps in developing an ideal personality. Bookish knowledge alone is not capable of all round development of students, practical and spiritual knowledge is also necessary. Just as a tree needs sunlight, air, water, sunlight, good fertilizer, everything to grow, similarly for the social, spiritual and character development of a child, along with modern education, the culture of our country and society is needed. It is equally important to know, understand and learn civilization and religion. To fulfill this objective, Arya Samaj Sanstha and all the DAV schools associated with it are working with full devotion, dedication and hard work for DAV. The Principal said that in the last six years, DAV Police Public School Jagadhri has made every effort to provide education, sports and modern technical knowledge to its students. The aim of the school is to provide full opportunity to every student to enhance their talent, progress and acquire new knowledge daily. Apart from becoming a good student, every student of the school should also become a good person; he should also develop qualities like humanity, affection and cooperation so that he can contribute in the progress of the society and the country. On the occasion of the foundation day of D.A.V Police Public School, an inspirational speech was given by Kashish, a class 10 student.

CM Nayab Saini holds Vijay Sankalp Rally in Sirsa

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA SIRSA, APR 5

BJP kicked off its election campaign with the Vijay Sankalp rally on Friday in Ratia of Sirsa parliamentary constituency. Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Saini, while giving his blessings to the party candidate Dr. Ashok Tanwar in the Vijay Sankalp rally, called upon the workers to make sacrifices in the Lok Sabha elections under the slogan of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's 400 Paar. Saini said that in ten years, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has rejuvenated the country and he is determined to make the country the number one country in the world. His thinking is that our government is continuously making efforts to ensure that



every house has a roof over it and every stomach has food. The Chief Minister was addressing a huge public meeting in Ratia today in support of the BJP candidate from Sirsa Lok Sabha constituency, Dr. Ashok Tanwar. While addressing the crowd gathered in Anaj Mandi, Chief Minister Nayab Saini described the BJP candidate Dr. Ashok Tanwar

as an energetic and hardworking leader. While giving details of the works done by the Narendra Modi government one by one. Rajya Sabha MP Subhash Barala, Sirsa MP Sunita Duggal, Haryana Government Minister Dr. Kamal Gupta, Ratia MLA Laxman Napa, Fatehabad MLA Dudaram, BJP District President Baldev Groha, Haryana State

Whatever you ask with sincere heart, God will give you: Swami Bhuvneshwari Devi

KULWINDER KARWAL SARDULGARH: Whatever you ask for with true heart and true feelings, God will definitely give it to you. But have good thoughts, always think good, never think bad about anyone. These views



were expressed by Swami Bhuvneshwari Devi Ji on second day of satsang in program "Panch Sham Kanhiya Ke Naam" organized by "Satguru Seva Samiti Sardulgarh". On the second day, flag hoisting ceremony

was performed by member Radhe Sham, Jyoti Prachand Naresh Soni and Aarti ceremony was performed by Om Prakash. Pawan Shastri from Amritsar played the important role of stage secretary.

Sarv Karamachari Sangh supports debt free India campaign

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, APR 5

In the meeting organised by the Free Debt Free India Campaign team at Manav Seva Sangh Karnal, State President Arun Kaushik Bharti, State in-charge Mukesh Sirohi Bharti and Sonipat Lok Sabha in-charge Anil Garg Bharti addressed the people suffering from debt. State President Arun Kaushik Bhartiya said that due to demonetization, GST V and lock down, shops and factories of many people in the country were closed, those people became unemployed and the people working for them became unemployed. They don't have any source of income, they don't even have money to meet household expenses, so how can they repay the loan instalments taken from banks? Due to this, recovery agents of banks started harassing them due to which many people were



forced to commit suicide. Shahnawaz Chaudhary Bhartiya raised this issue with the Central Government but the Finance Ministry refused to accept this problem. After this, the team of Debt Free India Campaign started collecting data of people from the country and started giving this information to the Finance Ministry and Prime Minister's Office every month from July 2022 and demanded from the government to provide relief to the people suffering from debt. Just as loans of big industrialists have been waived off/written off/underwritten/hair cut,

similarly the general public should also be given relief. Either the loans of the general public should be waived off or the public should be given 2-3 years time to repay the loan. Their properties should not be auctioned by banks due to non-payment of loans. Recovery agents should not harass the public in such a way that people are committing suicide. President of Sarv Karamachari Sangh Karnal, Shri Sushil Kumar Gurjar supported this campaign and assured that wherever needed, he will give all possible support to this campaign.

Excellent result of Fifth Class of Sardar Hari Singh Memorial English School, Mohali



TILAK RAJ MOHALI: In the fifth class board exam of Punjab School Education Board all the students have passed and achieved marks above 75%. Mrs Jagjeet Kaur Kahlon, Chairperson of the Sardar Hari Singh Memorial Educational Society (Regd) explained that All the students are from the BPL families Migrant from Up, Bihar and Nepal having Hindi and Nepali as their mother tongue. They have not adequate facilities in the slum colony and despite of this they have achieved high scores. They have been taught in English medium, with Punjabi as te First language. Miss BHAWNA, a brilliant child from downtrodden family have achieved 83.6%. Students who stood at first, second, third and fourth position in the school were honoured by the chairperson, and principle. This is due to the hard work of the school teachers who have taught them with high devotion.

Meeting of BJP core committee of Barnala district held under leadership of Kewal Singh Dhillon

KULDEEP SOOD/ KARANPREET KARAN BARNALA: An important meeting of the core committee of Bamala district of Bharatiya Janata Party was held under the leadership of state core committee member cum cluster in-charge Kewal Singh Dhillon. In which a pledge was taken to strengthen the party up to the booth level regarding the upcoming Lok Sabha elections. After this, Kewal Singh Dhillon also held a meeting with the leaders and workers of the party and announced the victory of the BJP candidate from Lok Sabha constituency Sangrur with a big lead. On this occasion, about 100 families were included in the BJP, apart from the sarpanches of many villages. On this occasion, Kewal Singh Dhillon said that in the last 10 years, the BJP government led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi is touching the heights of progress. In the upcoming Lok Sabha elections, the people of the entire country are eager to form the BJP government again. He said that even in Punjab this time there is an atmosphere in favor of BJP. People of Punjab are unhappy with the state government and other parties. Bharatiya Janata Party is the only hope of the people. Due to which BJP will win big in all 13 seats of Punjab. At the same time, he said that if the party gives ticket to



any candidate from Sangrur Lok Sabha constituency, he will give his life to win the party. On this occasion Yadwinder Singh Shanti President, Gursaran Singh General Secretary, Som Nath Tapa Mandal President, Gurjant Singh Karamgarh, Kuldeep Singh Dhaliwal, Mohit Goyal Lok Sabha Speaker, Ram Chohan Vidhan Sabha Speaker, Dharam Singh Foji Councillor, Subhash Makra, Ashok Mittal Ex-Chairman, Jeevan Bansal Ex-Chairman, Kuldeep Sahoria, Jathedar Sukhwant Singh Dhanula, Prem Pritam Ex-Zilla President, Bibi Paramjit Kaur Cheema Women President, Shiv Singla, Baljinder Singh Titu Sardara Singh Sarpanch Darshan Singh Sarpanch Sansar Singh Member Monu Goyal.

Cylinders explode, goods gutted in slum fire

AARTI GHARAUNDA: A sudden fire broke out in the slums of Sector 32-33 of Karnal, Haryana on Friday. Three gas cylinders kept in the huts also exploded, after which there was chaos among the people living in the huts. Within no time about two dozen huts were burnt and destroyed. After receiving information about the ballast, sirens of police and fire brigade vehicles sounded and the fire brigade vehicles reached the spot and brought the fire under control. The slum dwellers allege that we had informed the police. After which the police reached the spot with the ambulance within some time, but the fire department vehicle reached very late. By the time the fire brigade vehicle reached the spot, the fire had erupted. If the vehicle had reached the spot on time, there would not have been so much damage. Cause of the fire was not known. Although there has been no loss of life, the huts have been badly burnt. Many families lost their roofs. People were seen mourning as their huts turned into ashes. The police officer who reached the spot said that information about fire was received. After the information, fire department vehicles reached the spot and brought the fire under control.



Graduation ceremony organized in Govt Primacy School, Dumna



RADHESHYAM SHARMA MORINDA: With declaration of annual examination results of classes 1 to 4 in Government Primary School Dumna, the graduation ceremony of UKG children was also held with great pomp. Giving information in this regard, the school principal Anil Kumar said that like every year, this year also the children those performed well in the results were given school bags and stationery as a reward by Dumna Samaj Seva Sanstha Regd. Block Primary Education Officer Morinda Satwinder Kaur was present as the chief guest during the graduation ceremony to formally promote the children to Class 1. Along with them, Madam Ravneet Kaur, Madam Reena and Clerk Satgurjit Singh also attended the function. Master Jagir Singh, Sarpanch Rajinder Singh, former Sarpanch Gurdev Singh, Manpreet Singh were specially honoured by giving the honor mark of Dumna Samaj Seva Sanstha for their selfless service for the progress and well-being of the school.

Make sure lotus will bloom again: Kabirpanthi



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA TARAORI: On Friday there was a gathering of BJP workers in village Saga and the meeting of Shakti Kendra concluded. It was chaired by former MLA Bhagwan Das Kabirpanthi. Dozens of BJP party workers were present in this meeting. In the meeting he told the workers that they have to do this with great responsibility so that the party's plans have to reach the masses. Kabirpanthi said that in the last 10 years under Narendra Modi the country has earned name and fame across the world. There was no such area of the country where the wheel of development has not moved. Agriculture, science, transport, roads, respect for women, advanced schemes for every section of the country, everything was the gift of Narendra Modi. He said that the country has never got a Prime Minister like Narendra Modi nor would it get one. Therefore, today again it was their duty to make people aware by taking his policies and schemes to the public and make Narendra Modi strong and powerful again in the upcoming Lok Sabha elections.

BJP leader Khedi meets CM to discuss problems of constituency

NARESH GARG LADWA: BJP leader Rahul Saini Khedi met Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini and not only decorated him with a full bunch and patka. Rather, he was also informed about the problems of Ladwa Halka. He said that Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini is taking the entire state along. He said that Lok Sabha elections are near due to which every BJP worker is engaged in making the BJP candidates win with full dedication and honesty. He also urged Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini to complete the incomplete works in Ladwa Halka as soon as possible after the Lok Sabha elections and said that all the development works lying incomplete in Ladwa Halka should be completed as soon as possible. He also informed the Chief Minister about the main demands of Ladwa Halka like about bypass in Ladwa, women's college, expansion of government hospital, blood bank.. Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini also assured him that as soon as the code of conduct is lifted, all the incomplete tasks will be completed. He said that Ladwa Halka is also his own Halka and development work will be carried out equally in the entire state.



MC starts campaign to catch stray animals roaming on roads

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL: Karnal Municipal Corporation has been running a campaign from time to time to catch the stray animals wandering on the streets of the city. In this series, a campaign has been started once again. Additional Corporation Commissioner Dheeraj Kumar said that on Friday, the campaign to catch stray animals was started from Zone Number 1 under the leadership of Sanitation Inspector and Zone In charge Usha Rani. Under the campaign five bulls and one cow were caught from different parts of Ashok Vihar and Sector 4 and 5 and sent to the Gaushala and Nandishala located in Phusgarh. He told that due to stray animals on the roads, drivers also feared of accidents. To get rid of this problem, a campaign was run from time to time to catch such animals. He told that the cows and bulls wandering on the roads and streets were caught and kept in the Gaushala and Nandishala of the Municipal Corporation located in Phusgarh. There these were given fodder on time. Both in the morning and evening, these were left in the open in the vacant space present on their premises to roam around. All are being provided good care of and a retired doctor from the Animal Husbandry Department has been appointed as a caretaker in the Gaushala. The additional corporation commissioner has appealed to the dairy operators and citizens that they should not leave their animals to wander on the roads.



Maharishi Kashyap's birth anniversary celebrated with pomp



PREETI RANI SADHAURA: Maharishi Kashyap's birth anniversary was celebrated with great enthusiasm and reverence at Maharishi Kashyap Dharamshala in Kapalmochan. Thousands of people participated in the program. From the morning, people started arriving at Kapalmochan Dharamshala with beautiful tableaux based on the life of Maharishi Kashyap. People stood in lines and paid obeisance at the temple of Kalu Ji Maharaj. The program was presided over by Dharamshala's head Mangeram Kashyap. Chief guest Jaichand Kashyap was honoured by Dharamshala Committee and entire Kashyap community by presenting him a memento and a turban. Addressing the people of the community on this occasion, chief guest Jaichand Kashyap said that a society which forgot its history and elders can never progress. Maharishis, saints and mahants of Kashyap community have contributed a lot to the progress of the community. Kashyap Society should make every effort to take their contribution to the youth. He said that Kashyap community was a very hardworking and diligent community. Maharishi Kashyap was a great sage and he showed a new direction to the society.

Chandigarh duo of Gaganjeet Bhullar and Angad Cheema ahead in the title race with two-shot advantage going into final round

Chandigarh, April 5, 2024: The Chandigarh duo of Gaganjeet Bhullar and Angad Cheema were ahead in the title race as they enjoyed a two-shot advantage at the end of round three of the INR 1 crore Nissan presents Chandigarh Open 2024 hosted by Chandigarh Golf Club. Playing at their home course, Bhullar and Cheema were tied for the lead at 17-under 199, having shot rounds of seven-under 65 and six-under 66 respectively. Mysuru's Yashas Chandra registered a 68 to end the day in third place at 15-under 201. Gurugram-based Dhruv Sheoran produced the day's best score of 64 to jump 10 spots to fourth place at 14-under 202. Indian golfing great Jeev Milkha Singh struck a 72 to be tied 33rd at two-under 214. Gaganjeet Bhullar (67-67-65), who began the day one shot off the lead in fourth place, suffered an early setback when he bogeyed the first hole after finding the trees. Gaganjeet, a winner of 12 international titles, then roared back with a flurry of birdies on the second, third, fourth and sixth including two long conversions.

"Shikhar paji has backed me a lot": PBKS batter Shashank Singh's special praise for Dhawan

Ahmedabad : Punjab Kings (PBKS) uncapped batter Shashank Singh heaped praise on skipper Shikhar Dhawan for backing him and helping him improve different aspects of his game. In the ongoing Indian Premier League (IPL) 2024, during the PBKS clash against the Gujarat Titans, the 32-year-old defied the odds with his exceptional stroke play, which left the Ahmedabad crowd stunned. GT stood in pole position while defending their herculean total of 200. PBKS were tottering at 111/5 in the 13th over, with 89 runs needed in 46 deliveries. After registering a golden duck against DC, Shashank put his previous exploits past and went on a rampage from that point, which left GT's experienced bowling line-up bamboozled. He ended the night with 61* in a mere 29 deliveries. "Shikhi (Dhawan) paji has backed me a lot and when I got out for a duck against DC he called me into his room and said don't worry we will back you. He also gives me technical points to improve my game. He is not like you have to win or lose, he wants a player to take his game to the next level," Shashank told news agency.

ISL: Punjab FC to face Mohun Bagan Super Giant to keep their playoffs dreams alive

New Delhi : Punjab FC (PFC) will face Mohun Bagan Super Giant and will hope to register a win in order to keep their playoff dreams alive in the Indian Super League 2023-24 season which will be played here on Saturday at the Jawahar Nehru Stadium. The match is scheduled to kick off at 5 PM and will be played behind closed doors due to unforeseen circumstances. Punjab FC who are currently placed in the tenth place in the league table will go level on points with Chennaiyin FC with a win, who occupy the final playoff spot. Mohun Bagan can jump to the second spot with a win, keeping them in the mix for the ISL Shield title. Both teams suffered losses in their last round, with The Shers losing 3-1 away to Odisha FC at Bhubaneswar while The Mariners suffered a shock 3-2 loss to Chennaiyin at Kolkata. PFC shared spoils with FC Goa in their last home match in a six goal thriller before the international break. Speaking ahead of the game, PFC Assistant Coach Sankaraj Chakraborty said, "The team has moved on from the result of the previous match.

Playing for Mumbai Indians will be like icing on the cake:Bhupen Lalwani

Mumbai (Maharashtra) [India], April 5 (ANI): Bhupen Lalwani, Mumbai's highest run-getter in the recently concluded Ranji Trophy, was felicitated for his superlative performance in Mumbai's triumphant run. The promising opener was felicitated by Ashish Shelar, Honorary Treasurer of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) and Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA), in the function organised in Mumbai. "Mumbai cricket has a legacy of producing champion cricketers, especially batters. With a talented youngster like Bhupen impressing in the Ranji Trophy, I am sure the future is in safe hands. The ASK Foundation24 has been doing commendable work in school students' community. I am sure they will contribute handsomely to the sporting revolution now that they have entered into the field of sport," said Shelar. Lalwani, who will celebrate his 25th birthday later this week, tallied 588 runs in 16 innings, with a hundred and five fifties, to emerge as the highest run-getter as Mumbai lifted its 42nd Ranji Trophy title. "Ajju da (captain Ajinkya Rahane) ensured the dressing room was relaxed right through the reason and it was great to contribute to the team. I just hope I can keep delivering the goods in future," said Bhupen. "A sportsman has to be aware of his responsibilities as a citizen and as a responsible citizen, I pledge Rs 1 lakh for social activities through Ask Foundation24 today."

Indian hockey team gears up for epic showdown against Australia

NEW DELHI: The Indian hockey team is primed and ready to embark on a thrilling hockey showdown as they gear up to face Australia in an eagerly anticipated five-match Test series, which kicks off from April 6 in Perth, marking a crucial juncture in India's preparations for the Paris Olympics2024. With the other four matches scheduled on April 7, April 10, April 12 and April 13, fans are in for a treat as they witness a display of raw talent and unwavering determination. Fresh from their commanding performances in the FIH Pro League 2023-24, where they exhibited sheer dominance in Bhubaneswar and Rourkela, the Indian squad, which is led by Harmanpreet Singh, enters this series with a formidable reputation. Their exceptional skill and unwavering resilience, culmi-



nating in victory in three out of four matches in Bhubaneswar (in regulation time) and maintaining an unbeaten streak in Rourkela (in regulation time), have raised the bar for their performance against Australia. The Indian team's Chief Coach Craig Fulton

expresses the significance of this tour, stating, "This series serves as a litmus test for our team's preparedness ahead of the Paris Olympics. We aim to fine-tune our strategies and identify areas for improvement to ensure we are in peak form for the mega event. Our focus will

be on executing our game plan effectively and adapting to the challenges posed by the Australian side." Captain Harmanpreet Singh echoes this sentiment, declaring, "We are geared up for the challenge that lies ahead. Every match is an opportunity for us to showcase our skills

and make our nation proud. We are aware of the tough competition Australia presents, but we are confident in our abilities and our preparations. As a team, we are united and determined to give our best on the field. Our goal is to not only perform well in this series but also to learn and grow as a unit, laying a strong foundation for our campaign in the Paris Olympics." Moreover, with Australia drawn in the same Group B as India in the Paris Olympics, the stakes are higher than ever. The Test series provides the perfect platform for both teams to gauge each other's strengths and weaknesses before the ultimate showdown in Paris. Furthermore, history beckons for the Indian team as they aim to end a decade-long drought in a Test series win against Australia. Notably, India won the last Test series against Australia.

the proceedings. The modest form of experienced pacers has really hurt them as Mohammed Siraj has leaked over 10 runs an over while Alzarri Joseph and his replacement Reece Topley have given away more than nine runs an over for meagre returns. Teams(from): Royal Challengers Bengaluru: Faf du Plessis (c), Glenn Maxwell, Virat Kohli, Rajat Patidar, Anuj Rawat, Dinesh Karthik, Suyash Prabhudessai, Will Jacks, Mahipal Lomror, Karn Sharma, Manoj Bhandage, Mayank Dagar, Vijaykumar Vyshak, Akash Deep, Mohammed Siraj, Reece Topley, Himanshu Sharma, Rajan Kumar, Cameron Green, Alzarri Joseph, Yash Dayal, Tom Curran, Lockie Ferguson, Swapnil Singh, Saurav Chauhan. Rajasthan Royals: Sanju Samson (c), Jos Buttler, Shimron Hetmyer, Yashasvi Jaiswal, Dhruv Jurel, Riyan Parag, Donovan Ferreira, Kunal Rathore, Ravichandran Ashwin, Kuldeep Sen, Navdeep Saini, Keshav Maharaj, Sandeep Sharma, Trent Boult, Yuzvendra Chahal, Avesh Khan, Rovman Powell, Shubham Dubey, Tom Kohler-Cadmore, Abid Mushtaq, Nandre Burger.

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IPL 2024: Suryakumar Yadav to link up with Mumbai Indians squad



MUMBAI : The star batter Suryakumar Yadav will join the Mumbai Indians (MI) squad in the ongoing Indian Premier League (IPL) 2024 on Friday, as ESPNcricinfo reported. He has yet to play in the IPL 2024 since he is recovering from ankle surgery he underwent earlier this year at the National Cricket Academy in Bangalore. According to ESPNcricinfo, it is still yet to be confirmed whether he will be fit for Sunday's match against the Delhi Capitals (DC) at the Wankhede Stadium. Suryakumar last competed in December, striking a 56-ball 100 in the third T20I against South Africa in Johannesburg. He sustained an ankle injury during that contest. He needed surgery for

both an ankle and a sports hernia. As a result, he was ruled out of India's three-match T20I series against Afghanistan at home, which was their final T20I bilateral series before the World Cup in June. Meanwhile, Mumbai lost their all three matches so far and is at the bottom of the points chart. With three out of three defeats, Mumbai have once again lived up to their tag of being conventional slow beginners in the IPL. The Hardik Pandya-led side suffered defeats against Gujarat Titans (GT) in Ahmedabad, they were later mauled by the Sunrisers Hyderabad (SRH) batters in their following game and lost their first home game against Rajasthan Royals earlier this week.

Healy eyes T20 World Cup following successful Bangladesh tour

Sydney, Apr 5 (UNI) Australia women's skipper Alyssa Healy looks forward to this year's T20 World Cup after a dominant performance during the recent tour of Bangladesh. Satisfied Healy believes her side's unbeaten run during their tour of Bangladesh will hold them in good stead when they return to the Asian country later this year for the ICC Women's T20 World Cup2024. Australia got some early practice in for this year's 20-over showcase with six white-ball contests against Bangladesh and the reigning T20 World Cup champions looked in fine touch as they swept both the ODI and T20I series 3-0 in emphatic style. Healy was impressed by how quickly Australia got used to the conditions on offer in Bangladesh and thinks it will prove fruitful as her side chases a fourth con-



secutive T20 World Cup crown in the country later this year, an ICC report said. "I think we're adapting really well, which is what we speak about a lot, whether it's with bat or ball, we want to adapt to conditions really quickly," Healy said. "Everyone in the squad is taking something home that they can work on for when we come back here in September, so it's been hugely worthwhile for us," she said. "The results went our way but from a big picture

perspective, and what we're building towards in September, October, I think we got everything we possibly could out of this series," Healy said. Australia got the chance to provide a group of their players with a range of different opportunities during the Bangladesh tour, with Healy relinquishing her spot as opener to Grace Harris in one of the T20I contests and all-rounder Georgia Wareham surprisingly coming into bat at No.3 during the same match.

The six-time Women's T20 World Cup winners will also be buoyed by the impressive returns from injury by spinner Sophie Molineux and pacer Tayla Vlaeminck during the tour, which will provide selectors with plenty to ponder ahead of their return to Bangladesh in September. "We've had different players of the match and different players of the series across the two series, so that's been really pleasing as well," Healy said. "Everybody's standing up and when they need to, and grabbing opportunities which is cool," she said. "It's obviously great to have someone like Tay (Tayla) back, she's a real point of difference within world cricket, and Soph Molineux's consistency is outstanding so they're both real attributes to our side," Healy said.

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IN THE COURT OF
Sh. Tarunpreet Singh
Judicial Magistrate - 1st Class,
Ludhiana
Kotak Mahindra Bank
Vs.
GIAN CHAND SHARMA
COMA/5825/2020
CNR No. PBLD03-023748-2020
Next Date:- 06-05-2024
PUBLICATION ISSUED TO:
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H.NO. 1641, KISHORA PATTI,
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In above titled case, the accused could not be served. It is ordered that accused should appear in person or through counsel on 06-05-2024 at 10.00 a.m.
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Judicial Magistrate - 1st Class
Ludhiana
Dated, this day of 02-04-2024

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Whereas The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Axis Bank Ltd.** under the Securitization, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Axis Bank Ltd

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On Rashmika Mandanna's birthday, 'The Girlfriend' makers unveil first look posters

As 'National Crush', Rashmika Mandanna is celebrating her 28th birthday today, the makers of her upcoming film 'The Girlfriend' treated fans with the first look posters on this special occasion. Taking to X, the film's production house Geetha Arts shared two posters featuring Rashmika Mandanna while sending the 'National Crush' birthday wishes. Sharing the posters, they wrote, "Her eyes smile before she does. And they speak the words that she won't introducing #The-Girlfriend Wishing the National crush, the ever joyous & cheerful @iamRashmika a very Happy Birthday."

It seems Rashmika is playing the role of a college student in the movie. In the first poster, she looks shy and cheerful in a beige kurta and stole wrapped around her neck. Rashmika is seen holding a pen in her hands from a scene from the college.

In the next picture, Rashmika can be seen with a bag on her shoulders as she walks in the corridor of her college. The movie is helmed by director Rahul Ravindran and bankrolled in a joint venture by Allu Arvind, Sreenivasa Kumar, and Dheeraj Mogilineni under their banner Geetha Arts, Mass Movie Makers, and Dheeraj Mogilineni Entertainment.

'The Girlfriend' is touted to be a solo-led thriller by Rashmika. Interestingly, the teaser of 'The Girlfriend' will be unveiled today on Rashmika's big day.

Rashmika has dubbed for the teaser in five languages - Tamil, Hindi, Telugu, Malayalam, and Kannada.

&TV actors speak up about the unbreakable siblings' bonds

CHANDIGARH: Having a sibling is undoubtedly one of life's most precious blessings. The exceptional bond that siblings share is unparalleled. They serve as our closest friends and strongest competitors, urging us to excel, sometimes embarrassing us, and always inspiring us to be our best selves. The National Siblings Day on April 10th celebrates this bond and honours the laughter, the love, and the enduring togetherness that makes this day a momentous occasion. &TV actors Neha Joshi (Krishna Devi Vajpayee, Atal), Himani Shivpuri (Katori Amma, Happu Ki Ultan Paltan), and Vidisha Srivastava (Anita Bhabhi, Bhabhi Ghar Par Hai) talk about their siblings serve as the pillar of strength. Neha Joshi, Krishna Devi Vajpayee in &TV's show Atal, says, "My older brother has always transcended the typical sibling dynamic. He's been my guardian and closest confidant throughout our upbringing, even though we had the usual sibling antics like squabbles, teasing, and occasional irritation. Despite that, we consistently stood by each other. His influence



on my life surpassed mere siblinghood. He became my rock, shaping my values and ambitions. Throughout our growing years, he provided unwavering motivation, urging me to pursue excellence and reject mediocrity. His steadfast belief in my capabilities made him an exemplar in my eyes. He shared my aspiration to become an actor, offering financial assistance when I moved to Mumbai. His unwavering belief inspired me, emphasizing that failure is only a stepping stone to success. On this Sibling Day, I express gratitude to my brother for illuminating my life's path. His love, guidance, and unwavering faith in me have pro-



foundly shaped my essence. May our bond continue to thrive, a lasting testament to the strength of siblinghood and the beauty of shared affection."

Himani Shivpuri, Katori Amma in &TV's show Happu Ki Ultan Paltan, says, "My brother, Himanshu, and I have faced many challenges together and celebrated many triumphs, which has only strengthened our bond. His resilience and fortitude have been a constant source of inspiration for me, reminding me that I am never alone. From an early age, he has taken on the role of a guardian, watching over me with unwavering devotion.

Zehnaseeb by the talented Shekhar Ravjiani, Karan Kanchan and KASYAP is a romantic resurgence of a timeless track that everybody loves!

CHANDIGARH: The music industry is buzzing with excitement as three profound and talented artists Shekhar Ravjiani, Karan Kanchan and KASYAP, join forces for a magical reimagination of the beloved Bollywood romantic song "Zehnaseeb" from Hasee Toh Phasee. This momentous collaboration between the artists promises to deliver a nostalgic musical journey through time that resonates with listeners and netizens across the globe.

Celebrating 10 years to the song and film, this version of Zehnaseeb by Shekhar Ravjiani, Karan Kanchan, and KASYAP introduces an entirely new soundscape while retaining the magic of nostalgia. It promises to win the hearts of the audience, bringing back memories and re-living that emotion.

India's leading Music Composer and Singer Shekhar Ravjiani, shared his sentiments on the rendition, saying, "Zehnaseeb is a song that is extremely close to my heart. The song was created originally through some great energies and a beautiful creative process. It's a song that has over the years connected deeply with listeners all over the world. Zehnaseeb is not just a song, it is a nostalgic journey for me filled with warmth and a lot of happy memories. I still get goosebumps when I listen to, and perform the original composition even today after nearly a decade. I



have worked with Karan and KASYAP in the past and when I was told that they were my collaborators, I was very confident that they would be the right fit for this new version of Zehnaseeb. They are supremely talented and masters of their respective crafts. A lot of thought, love, and care has been poured into the new rendition of this beautiful version and I believe our collective passion and dedica-

tion will shine through breathing new life into this everlasting song"

Immensely talented music producer Karan Kanchan shared his thoughts, he said, "When I heard the original song years ago, I instantly fell in love with it. Zehnaseeb is a feeling that is felt and resonated by each one of us somewhere which is why I wanted to work on the song when the opportunity arose. Work-

ing with Shekhar sir and KASYAP on this project was a delight. It was all about fun, music, warmth, and memories all along. I am sure the song will take the listeners through an emotional rollercoaster and reminisce the memories created by the original composition. It's a very personal song to me, and many others like me. Very excited to hear their thoughts!"

Ecstatic on the release of the song, Up & coming Pop sensation KASYAP said, "Collaborating on a song as iconic as Zehnaseeb with legends like Shekhar sir and Karan, is a dream come true for me. I was overjoyed when I heard about the project and being a part of this was a no-brainer. I first heard the original when I was in school and it has been one of my all-time favorite songs ever since. It brings back happy memories and to be part of this project and re-imagining the magic with such amazing artists was overwhelming and a responsibility for me. This is our tribute to a classic, and we hope you love it as much as we do"

The makeover of this masterpiece promises to take the listeners back in time and be hooked to its expressive and imaginary composition. The trio has added a modern flavor to the song by keeping the essence of the original. It promises to make the listeners play it on a loop and cherish the good times with their loved ones!

On Superstar Singer 3, music legend Pyarelal Ramprasad Sharma shares interesting trivia about 'Hansta Hua Noorani Chehra'

CHANDIGARH : This Sunday, Sony Entertainment Television's home-grown kids' singing reality show, Superstar Singer 3, is set to honour the legacy of the legendary music composer, Pyarelal Ramprasad Sharma in the 'Pyarelal Ji Special'. All the contestants and captains will showcase their singing prowess performing to some of Pyarelal Ji's timeless melodies, ranging from classic film songs to foot-tapping melodies in the presence of the music maestro himself, Pyarelal Ji, and his wife Sunila Sharma. Among all the enchanting performances, the duet by the 14-year-old Khushi Nagar (Soroti, Uttar Pradesh) and 11-year-old Vaishnavy Panicker (UAE), will leave everyone amazed with their beautiful rendition of 'Hansta Hua Noorani Chehra' from the film 'Parasmani'. Stunned by the performance, Pyarelal Ji will take a walk down memory lane and share how he was inspired by the first female duet when he heard this song for the first time. Complimenting the duo, Pyarelal Ramprasad Sharma ji said, "This was a good performance. C Ramchandra Anna (music director and playback singer), whom we affectionately called Anna Sahib, has immensely contributed to several films in the Indian Film industry. We were truly privileged to work with him, and I remember a moment vividly when C Ramchandra Anna played the song 'Aplam Chaplam' from the 1953 film 'Azaad' for us and asked for our feedback. It was the first female duet, and I felt incredibly blessed to hear it, and I was inspired by it to create more songs. Music has this magical quality and its impact remains everlasting. And it was 'Aplam Chaplam' that inspired us to make 'Hansta Hua Noorani Chehra'." Tune into Superstar Singer 3 every Saturday and Sunday at 8 PM only on Sony Entertainment Television!



An intense scene that left Arjun Bijlani overwhelmed hours after the shoot!

CHANDIGARH: Zee TV's Pyaar Ka Pehla Adhyaya ShivShakti, revolving around Shiv (Arjun Bijlani) and Shakti (Nikki Sharma), has seen a lot of twists and turns. And, in recent episodes, viewers saw how Shiv regained his consciousness in the hospital and helped expose Mandira's (Parineeta Borthakur) reality in front of everyone. However, he still can't recall who murdered his mother, Gayatri.

While the drama around Gayatri's death continues, viewers will see Shakti trying to save Shiv from the accusation of having murdered his own mother. In the upcoming episodes, the audience will go on to see how Shakti helps him escape from the police, and they reach a temple where Holi is being celebrated with full gusto. However, as Shiv collides with a woman who is soaked in red gulaa, he is triggered and starts tearing his clothes in rage. He starts shouting that he hasn't killed his mother as he now recalls the incident when his mother was murdered.

While this intriguing sequence is bound to keep you hooked, shooting for this scene was really a different experience for Arjun. The actor, who is generally an easy-going, happy-go-lucky person, found it challenging to portray such an intense, dramatic scene.

Arjun Bijlani said, "I am very lucky that I am getting the opportunity to portray such diverse layers and emotions through Shiv. Being a jovial person, it was very hard to bring out the rage inside me for this particular sequence. To get it right, I listened to some intense songs and dialogues. I also tried to understand the mindset of a man who is seeing flashes of his mother being murdered by someone in front of his own eyes, and that really helped me get into the skin of the character. I just got into the zone and in that moment, I went ballistic and tore all my clothes, and it was captured naturally."

He added, "The whole team was very supportive of me, and post the scene, they gave me space so that I could come out of that intensity at my own pace. I gradually started speaking to everyone, people joked around to lighten the mood a bit, and listening to some soothing music helped me unwind post the sequence. I have given my all for this particular highpoint, and I hope the viewers enjoy the high-voltage drama." While the intense sequence will surely surprise you, wait till you find out what follows Shiv's meltdown at the temple.

To know what happens next, tune in to Pyaar Ka Pehla Adhyaya ShivShakti as it airs every day at 07:30 pm, only on Zee TV



Neha Joshi and Ashutosh Kulkarni reveal their Gudi Padwa's plans!

CHANDIGARH: The Maharashtra festival of Gudi Padwa is a joyous occasion that marks the start of the Marathi New Year. Celebrated on the first day of the Chaitra month, it is believed to usher in good luck and prosperity to households. &TV actors Neha Joshi (Krishna Devi Vajpayee) and Ashutosh Kulkarni (Krishan Bihari Vajpayee) from Atal reveal their plans for the Gudi Padwa celebration this year. Neha Joshi, portraying Krishna Devi Vajpayee, shares her Gudi Padwa celebration plans, "Our celebration of Gudi Padwa is a time to honour traditions and create joyful memories with our loved ones. We rise early to hoist the Gudhi outside our home, adorned with colourful garlands, neem leaves, and bright cloth. The Gudhi symbolises prosperity and new beginnings, inspiring optimism for the year ahead. At home, we immerse ourselves in festive decorations, adorning our living spaces with intricate rangolis, vibrant powder colours, and fragrant flowers, creating an ambience infused with joy and renewal that reflects the essence of Gudi Padwa. This year, my celebration of Gudi Padwa will be extremely special as I, along with my co-actor Ashutosh (Krishan Bihari Vajpayee), will be in Ayodhya to seek Lord Ram's darshan at the world-famous Shriram Janmabhoomi Mandir. Although I will miss the traditional delicacies my mom prepares on this day, like Puran Poli, Shrikhand, Aambe Paak, and Sunkh Paak, I am excited to gorge on local delicacies such as Badami Poori and Sabzi, Jalebi, Kheer, and Rabri. Gudi Padwa holds a special place in my heart, not just for its cultural significance but also for the cherished memories and traditions it brings forth. I am thrilled to add more to it with my Ram Mandir darshan." Ashutosh Kulkarni, aka Krishan Bihari Vajpayee, adds, "Gudi Padwa is one of the most cherished festivals in Maharashtra, celebrated with immense enthusiasm and joy. On this day, every Maharashtrian household proudly raises a flag called Gudhi, adorned with garlands, neem leaves, and vibrant cloth.



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