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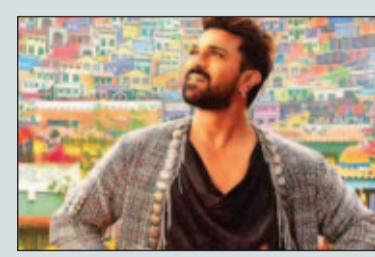


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## NEWS BRIEFS

Court asks Centre to frame model policy on menstrual leave for women

NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court on Monday directed the Centre to frame a model policy on menstrual leave for women employees by holding consultations with states and other stakeholders. A bench comprising Chief Justice D Y Chandrachud and Justices J B Pardiwala and Manoj Misra said the issue related to policy and was not an issue for the courts to look into. Moreover, such a decision from a court on granting such leave to women may prove to be counterproductive and "detrimental" to the cause as employers may avoid employing them.

**Four killed, seven injured in firing in Gurdaspur**

GURDASPUR: Four persons were killed and seven others injured, when two factions opened fire at each other over a dispute in Shri Harigobind Pur in this district. According to police, around 60 rounds were fired by both sides late on Sunday evening. The deceased have been identified as Shamsher Singh and Baljeet Singh from one side and Nirmal Singh and Balraj Singh from another side. Two persons who were seriously injured have been referred to Amritsar hospital.

**Incessant rain paralyses daily life in Kumaon, Char Dham Yatra resumes**

DEHRADUN: Incessant rain continued to lash several parts of Uttarakhand on Monday, flooding rivers in the Kumaon region, blocking hundreds of rural motorable roads and leaving several villages in Champawat and Udham Singh Nagar districts heavily water-logged. However, the Char Dham Yatra resumed on Monday after remaining suspended for a day in view of the Met office's prediction of heavy rain following an improvement in the weather in the Garhwal region. Additional Commissioner (Garhwal) Narendra Singh Quiriyal said.

The Kali, Gori and Saryu rivers in Pithoragarh, which received 125.50 mm rainfall, were flowing close to the danger mark while more than 200 rural motorable roads across the state were blocked by debris from landslides. The State Emergency Operation Centre in Dehradun said.

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The Supreme Court said Monday that if the sanctity of the medical entrance exam NEET-UG 2024 is "lost" and if the leak of its question paper has been propagated through social media, then a re-test has to be ordered.

A bench headed by Chief Justice D Y Chandrachud also said if the question paper leak was taking place through Telegram, WhatsApp and electronic means, then "it spreads like wildfire".

"One thing is clear that leak of question paper has taken place," the bench, also comprising Justices J B Pardiwala and Manoj Misra, said.

"If the sanctity of the exam is lost, then a re-test has to be ordered. If we are unable to identify those who are guilty, then a re-test has to be ordered," the bench observed, adding that if the leak was propagated through social media, then a re-test has to be ordered.

"Let us not be in self-delusion about what happened," it said, adding, "Assuming that the government does not cancel the exam, what will it do to identify the beneficiaries of the question paper leak?"

The apex court was hearing more than 30 pleas related to the controversy-ridden NEET-UG 2024, including those alleging irregularities and malpractices in the May 5 test and seeking a direction to conduct it afresh.

"There is no question that leak of

question paper has taken place. We are determining the extent of the leak," the bench observed.

It said there were certain "red flags" as 67 candidates had scored 720 out of 720. "In the previous years, the proportion was very low," the bench added.

The top court said it wanted to know how many people benefited from the question paper leak and what actions were taken against them by the Centre.

"Results of how many wrongdoers

exam on grounds such as paper leak, OMR sheet manipulation, impersonation and cheating.

The Centre and the NTA, which conducts NEET-UG, recently told the apex court through their affidavits that scrapping the exam would be "counterproductive" and "seriously jeopardise" lakhs of honest candidates in the absence of any proof of large-scale breach of confidentiality.

The NTA and the Union education ministry have been at the centre of media debates and protests by students and political parties over alleged large-scale malpractices ranging from question paper leaks to impersonation in the test held on May 5.

The National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test-Undergraduate (NEET-UG) is conducted by the NTA for admissions to MBBS, BDS, AYUSH and other related courses in government and private institutions across the country. Allegations of irregularities, including paper leaks, have led to protests in several cities and sparring between rival political parties.

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have been withheld, and we want to know the geographical distribution of such beneficiaries," it asked.

The bench is also hearing a separate plea of over 50 successful Gujarat-based NEET-UG candidates seeking a direction to restrain the Centre and the National Testing Agency (NTA) from cancelling the controversy-ridden exam.

The lawyers representing a petitioner started the submissions, saying that they were seeking the cancellation of the

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## 5 Armymen killed in ambush by terrorists in Kathua

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tacked. One soldier was injured.

Today's attack came 24 hours after six terrorists were killed across two separate encounters in J&K's Kulgam district. The encounters, which began on Saturday, also



claimed the lives of two soldiers, including a para-trooper, while another soldier sustained injuries, police told NDTV.

The first encounter took place in Modergam village when security forces, comprising the CRPF or Central Reserve Police Force, the Army, and local police, launched a search operation based on intelligence about terrorist presence. In the initial exchange of gunfire, a para-trooper was fatally wounded.

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I Madhur Pandey S/o Kamal Kant R/o # B014/2294, Preet Nagar, Kharar, SAS Nagar, Pin 140301, Punjab, India do solemnly affirm and declare that name of my father Kamal Kant is written as Kamal Pandey instead of Kamal Kant in my birth certificate. I declare that Kamal Kant @ Kamal Pandey @ Kamal Kant Pandey are the names of the same person ie my father. 100071

## PUBLIC NOTICES

We Krishan Pal and Tarsem Kaur W/o Krishan Pal both r/o House no.338, Gali no.4, Mohalla Nanaksar, New Shimlaipuri, Ludhiana declares that our son Kuldeep Singh and his wife Sukhwinder Kaur out of our control. So we disown both of them from all our moveable and immovable properties. We shall not be responsible if anybody deals with them. 63372

I SMT RAM SHANAH DEVI is MOTHER OF ARMY NO JC 388290F RANK SUB NAME Harshvardhan PANDEY OF UNIT 14 EW Bn C/056 APO Residing at VPO CHAITA NORTH Tehsil Ujjarpur PS: ANGARGHAT DISTT SAMASTIPUR STATE BIHAR PIN-848132. Declare that in my son service Record my Name & DOB wrongly Entered as SMT RAM SHANAH DEVI Instead of SMT RAM SHNEHI DEVI & My DOB Wrongly Entered as 01-07-1956 Instead of 01.01.1958 vide Affidavit Before NOTARY Pathankot (GOVT OF INDIA) Please Correct it 900026

It is for general information that I, SHRAVAN KUMAR Son of RAMESHWAR SINGH Residence of House No 216, Salarup Road, Opposite D.N.C. College, Kurukshetra 136118 (Haryana), declare that name of my wife have been wrongly written as SUSHMA in my minor son TEJAS is age 16 years in his 10th Class educational Documents. The actual name of my wife is JYOTSANA SINGH respectively, which may be amended accordingly. 900046

It is for General information that I, SUNEKHA Wife of SOURABH SINGLA resident of Ward No 16, Model Town, Pehowa, Tehsil Pehowa, District Kurukshetra declare that name of mine has been wrongly written as SUNEKHA in my minor son DHRUV SINGLA age 16 Years, 10th Class Educational Certificate. The Actual Name of mine is SUNEKHA SINGLA which may be amended accordingly. 100046

I, Gurmeet Singh S/o Charan Singh S/o Maghar Singh R/o Village Bourhai Kalan, Tehsil Ahmedgarh, District Malerkotla Declare That My Name Is Jagjit Singh Son Of Charan Singh Son Of Maghar Singh Is My Real Name. That Means I Am The Same Person Named Jagjit Singh And Gurmeet Singh. Group Related Notes. 63372

I Gursewak Singh Pannu S/O Kartar Singh R/O Gali Bagi Wali Sachkhand Road Tarn Taran Tehsil & District Tarn Taran On 25 June 2024 Lost These Document Adoption Dead Executed By My Father For Muhammad Hussein And Death Certificate Bank Deposit Certificate Of Muhammad Hussein And Voter Card And Death Certificate Of My Father If Found Contact 9876712414 63372

I, Jasvir Kaur W/o Makhan Singh R/o Vill: Dayala Teh-Balachaur (SBS Nagar) that my name is Jasvir Kaur which is true and correct as per my documents, that on my Passport No. G8201730 on front of 1st page spelling of my name as written Jasvir Kaur which is incorrect and my correct name is Jasvir Kaur which is written in the centre page of Passport. 63372

I, Shami Vrama S/o Surinder Kumar R/o Vpo. Bora Teh-Garhshankar (Hoshiarpur) have changed my wife name Ritu to Reetu & Changed my minor daughter name Prachi to Prachi Vrama. 63372

I Ashok Kumar S/O Santokh Singh R/O Vill. Johal, P.O. Bala Pind, Teh. Phillaur, District Jalandhar, Punjab 144418. Have Bifurcate My Given Name In My Indian Passport From Ashok Kumar To Ashok In Given Name And Kumar In Surname. All Concerned Please Note. 63372

I Hardarshan Singh S/o Gurmel Singh S/o Pritam Singh R/o Village Janepura Tehsil Jagraon Distt Ludhiana declare that in revenue record my name entered Darshan Singh but other documents my name entered Hardarshan Singh, so i have known by both names. Both names are one and the same person. 63372

I, Manjeet Kaur Brar W/O Paramjeet Singh R/O Ward No 13, Vikramditya Hospital Street, Mandi Dabwali(Sirs) Declare That Manjeet Kaur Brar@Manjeet Kaur Brar Or Manjeet Kaur One And Same Lady E Manjeet Kaur. All Concern Note This. 63372

I, Madan Kharana s/o Gyan Chand r/o H No. 363, State Bank Road, Ward No.10 Kaithal, District Kaithal (Haryana), have changed my name from Madan Kharana to Madan Khurana, Concerned please note. 84451

I, Sulochna wife of Suresh Kumar r/o House No. 205, HUDA Sector 20 Kaithal, District Kaithal (Haryana), have changed my name from Sulochna to Sulochna Bansal. concerned please note. 100019

I, Ashwani Kumar Hanspal s/o Kishan Kumar r/o Flat No. 13, 2nd Floor, Harsh Enclave Sector 19 HUDA Kaithal, District Kaithal (Haryana), have changed my name from Ashwani Kumar Hanspal to Ashwani Kumar. Concerned please note. 84451

I, SULOCHANA wife of Suresh Kumar r/o House No. 205, HUDA Sector 20 Kaithal, District Kaithal (Haryana), have changed my name from Sulochna to Sulochna Bansal. concerned please note. 900028

I, Kuldeep Singh S/o Bhajan Singh R/o VPO. Deon, Distt Bathinda have changed my name from Kuldeep Singh Varriing to Kuldeep Singh 100078

I, Rupinder Kaur W/o Jappal Singh R/o Vill Bambha, Distt Bathinda have changed my name from Arpinder Kaur to Rupinder Kaur 100078

I, Service No 16126129H Praveen Kattiman of Unit 38 Assault Engineer Regiment C/0 56 APO declare that in my army records my father name Mallappa and DOB 01.01.1964 and mother name Nilava and DOB 16.02.1966 wrongly entered but my father correct name Mallappa Sharappa Hadapad and DOB.01/01/1967 and mother correct name Neelava Mallappa Hadapad and DOB 01.01.1983 vide Affidavit no QE 0006409165 Date 25.06.24 100078

I, Payal Saroya D/o Sandeep Kumar R/o H.No. 246, Barring , Jalandhar have changed my name from Payal to Payal Saroya. All concerned please note. 42778

I, Mansi Saroya D/o Sandeep Kumar R/o H.No. 246, Barring , Jalandhar have changed my name from Mansi to Mansi Saroya. All concerned please note. 42778

I, Smt Darshan Kour mother of No 15366208N Ex Rect Avtar Chand resident of VPO: Chukhia, Tehsil and District: Jalandhar (Punjab) have changed my name from Smt Darshan Kour to Smt Darshan Kaur and date of birth from 01 Jul 1948 to 01 Jan 1946. All Concerned notes it. 98726

We, Raj Kumar S/o Sh. Makhan Ram and Rani Devi W/o Sh. Raji Kumar R/o H. no-7-A, Friends Colony, Ambala City, Distt Ambala declare that our son Vijay Kumar Soni and his wife Muskan Chaudhary are out of our control, so we disown both of them from our total moveable and immovable properties. Anybody dealing with them will be responsible himself. 78645

I, Dinesh Kumar Gupta S/o Sh. Devi Ram, resident of Preet Vihar, DHURI-148024 Tehsil Duri, District Sangrur, Punjab declare That my son Mr. Pankaj Gupta and daughter-in-law Mrs. Neetu Gupta both are out of our control. So we disown them from our total moveable and immovable properties. Anybody dealing with them will be responsible himself. 42778

I, Mansi Saroya D/o Sandeep Kumar R/o H.No. 246, Barring , Jalandhar have changed my name from Mansi to Mansi Saroya. All concerned please note. 42778

I, Smt Darshan Kour mother of No 15366208N Ex Rect Avtar Chand resident of VPO: Chukhia, Tehsil and District: Jalandhar (Punjab) have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as SUSHMA. It is certified that I have complied with other legal requirements in this connection 90002

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I, Surinder Pahuja s/o Sh. Naranjan Dev Pahuja R/O Flat No.508 D, Tower 5B Trisha City, High Ground Road, Nabha Zirakpur SAS Nagar Mohali (Punjab) has changed my name to Surinder Kumar Pahuja 100019

I, SERVICES NO.15709054F HAV NAME PRITHVI CHAND NEHRA S/O MAHA SINGH NEHRA R/O JATWAS, SIKAR, RAJASTHAN-332718 Declare that in my service Record my mother name is KAMLA DEVI Mentioned. Correct name of my mother is KAMALA DEVI as per Aadhar card-- 900028

I, Kuldeep Singh S/o Bhajan Singh R/o VPO. Deon, Distt Bathinda have changed my name from Kuldeep Singh Varriing to Kuldeep Singh 100078

I, Rakesh Garg S/o Sh. Raj Kumar, r/o H.No.328, Ward No.2, Mandi Dabwali, Distt. Sirsa (Haryana), have changed my name to Rakesh Kumar. 50008

I, Rupinder Kaur W/o Jappal Singh R/o Vill Bambha, Distt Bathinda have changed my name from Arpinder Kaur to Rupinder Kaur 100078

I, Veena Rani W/o Hari Chand D/o Reda Ram R/o H.no. B-9/13, Near N.t.c School, Rajpura, Distt. Patiala Have Changed My Name To Sunita Rani 50008

I, Kiran Garg w/o Jitender Garg r/o #1169/12, Street No. 04, Shanti Nagar, Tehsil Thanesar, Distt. Kurukshetra have changed my name from Kiran Bala to Kiran Garg. In future I should be known as Kiran Garg. 52724

I, Iitherto known as SOPHIA PALD/o RAJ PAL and W/o AMARJEET SINGH Residing at House No. 1675, Phase-2, Urban Estate, Dugri, Basant Avenue, Ludhiana, District Ludhiana, Punjab-141013, India, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as SONIA ALAG. It is certified that I have complied with other legal requirements in this connection 100078

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Workers' enthusiasm shows Cong MLA will be elected from Y'nagar: Shyam Sundar Batra



**YAMUNANAGAR (RAJNI SONI)** : A meeting of Congress workers of Yamunanagar constituency was organized at Maya Palace in Yamunanagar city, which was chaired by District Coordinator of Congress Party and former Chairman District Council Yamunanagar Shyam Sundar Batra and he reached among workers and boosted their morale. He congratulated the National General Secretary and MP Kumari Sejla and MP Varun Chaudhary for their victory in Lok Sabha elections and thanked the workers. Workers welcomed former Chairman District Council Yamunanagar Shyam Sundar Batra by garlanding him and showering flowers and welcomed him with loud applause and gave him a grand welcome. Harpal Sudhail, Rajkumar, Ranbir Nambardar, Vikram Rathi, Harvinder Singh, Sardar Surendra Singh.

## CM nods 5 projects worth Rs. 340 cr for strengthening sewerage network

BUREAU  
CHANDIGARH, JULY 8

Haryana Chief Minister, Sh. Nayab Singh approved 5 projects worth more than Rs. 340 crore for strengthening sewerage network and ensuring augmentation of drinking water in 3 districts namely Ambala, Hisar and Fatehabad.

An official spokesperson provided detailed information about the approved projects. In Ambala District, the projects include extending the sewerage network to 11 newly merged villages within the Municipal Corporation area, constructing a 1.25 MLD Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) at the existing site in Nayagaon, a 1.40 MLD STP for

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**Two arrested with stolen motorcycles**



**BHUPINDERJIT MAULVIWALA**

**PATRAN:** The city police officers have succeeded in arrested two persons with stolen motorcycle. City police chauki incharge Karnail Singh said that Rajinder Kumar, a resident of Patiala Road in the city, had informed the police about the theft of a motorcycle from his shop. During which, on the basis of suspicion, these persons were arrested and interrogated, and two stolen motorcycles were recovered from them. Investigating officer Manwinder Singh said that the arrested persons have been identified as Palwinder Singh alias Bhinda resident of village Naivala and Jatinder Singh resident of Harman Nagar. He said that further action is being taken by presenting the arrested persons in the court.

**Police arrests drug peddler with intoxicating pills**



**SUKH NAHAR**

**JAGRAON:** District Ludhiana rural police has arrested a drug peddler under its anti-drug campaign being carried out under the guidance of SSP Navneet Singh Bains. Giving more information about this, ASI Sukhwinder Singh Deol Incharge PP Bus Stand Jagraon PS City Jagraon stated that police has arrested Dharam Singh alias Dharma son of Dalip Singh resident of Kotie Fatehdeen Jagraon. "Police has recovered 03 Strips Petril MD 0.25 Tablets Total 45 tablets and 200 Open Intoxic Capsules from the accused and filed FIR no. 52 on 06-07-2024 under section 22-61-85 of NDPS Act at Police Station City Jagraon," he added. He also stated that police has initiated further investigation in this case.

**BSc Nursing first year exam result 100%**

**VERMA**  
**GURDASPUR:** The result of BSc third year and BSc Nursing first year of Minerva College was excellent. In which Sneha of BSc third year has brought laurels to the college by getting 76.25 percent marks and including her name in the merit list of Himachal Pradesh University. The result of BSc Nursing first year exam was 100%. On this occasion, the Chairman of the college Engineer JS Patial and the Director of the college Colonel AK Khajuria congratulated all the children and their parents and wished them a bright future.

**Standing with Youth Akali Dal party President Sardar Sukhbir Badal: Honey toss**

**JATINDER PAL SINGH KALER**  
**NAWANSIHAL:** Looking at the discussion going on between the two factions of the Shiromani Akali Dal party in the state of Punjab, these words are presented by the workers of the party in support of each other worker. Disclosure Senior youth Akali Dal party leader of Balachor core committee member Honey Tosan while talking to reporters said that

it is the hard work of the Badal family to take the Shiromani Akali Dal party to the heights, which took the arm of the people of Punjab state. He said that the party president Sukhbir Badal has united the people of the state for the Sromani Akali Dal party with the Panjab Bachau Yatra in the state. He said that those who are demanding the resignation of the party president need to look at their loyalty to their party. They said that the people of Youth Akali Dal and Balachor constituency are standing shoulder to shoulder with party president Sardar Sukhbir Singh Badal. Whatever the party orders, Youth Akali Dal will accept their orders head on will come.

**MC Prince invites to upcoming Rath Yatra of Lord Jagannath**



**KHUSHAV SINGLA**

**MANDI GOBINDGARH:** On July 16th, an invitation letter was issued by the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON) Chandigarh and the ISKCON Festival Committee Mandi Gobindgarh for the Bhagwan Jagannath Rath Yatra to be held in Lohia Nanakri Mandi Gobindgarh. The invitation was extended to Harpreet Singh Prince, the MC President of Mandi Gobindgarh, and senior leaders Balwinder Singh Khaira from the Aam Aadmi Party, as well as Congress leader Rohit Sharma Shanki.

The invitation was accepted by Prince Pradhan and senior leader Balwinder Singh Khaira of the Aam Aadmi Party, along with Congress leader Rohit Sharma Shanki. They expressed their confidence in participating in the yatra to the Committee Secretary Advocate R.K. Bassi, Treasurer Ashok Singh Happy, Vice-Chairman Rakesh Kansal, and Secretary Varinder Paharia (Goldie). During the occasion, Prince Pradhan assured the committee members of full support from the municipal council.

**ECI directs to cancel parole of Daljit Singh Bhana till completion of poll process**

**CHANDIGARH:** The Election Commission of India (ECI), in view of the Jalandhar West by-election, has directed to cancel the parole of Daljit Singh Bhana till the election process is over. Congress and BJP had also filed complaints with the commission to cancel Bhana's parole. The Chief Electoral Officer of Punjab has informed the Deputy Commissioner of Jalandhar about the instructions of the ECI. The Election Commission has directed that in order to carry out the smooth election process and in view of the complaints received, the parole of Daljit Singh Bhana should be canceled till the completion of the Jalandhar West by-election process.

**Dr. Baljit Kaur holds meetings with various anganwadi unions**



**GAURAV GOEL**  
CHANDIGARH, JULY 8

The Punjab government, led by Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, remains dedicated to addressing the legitimate demands of its employees.

In line with this commitment, Dr. Baljit Kaur, Minister for Social Security, Women and Child Development, convened a meeting with the Anganwadi Mula-Jam Union Punjab (CITU) and Sarva Anganwadi Workers and Helpers Union Punjab to address their issues. The meeting was held in a con-

genial atmosphere. The unions presented several key demands, including: Grade 3 status for Anganwadi workers and Grade 4 for helpers, Inclusion of children aged 0 to 6 years in Anganwadi centers, Pre-nursery teacher status for Anganwadi workers, Severance and gratuity benefits for Anganwadi workers and helpers, Recruitment of additional Anganwadi workers and helpers, Medical leave provisions, Creation of health cards for free treatment under the Ayushman Bima Yojana, Doubling of honorariums. Dr. Kaur attentively lis-

tened to the union representatives and assured them that their legitimate demands would be addressed promptly. A follow-up meeting with various departments is scheduled for August 5, 2024, to resolve these issues.

On this occasion, Special Chief Secretary of Social Security, Women and Child Development, Raji P. Shrivastava, Director Dr. Shena Aggarwal, Deputy Director Rupinder Kaur, Amarjit Singh Bhullar and Sukhdeep Singh Jhajj, DPO HQ Sumandeep Kaur and Superintendent Balraj Kaur attended the meeting.

## Police busts organised crime syndicate; kingpin among five held with two pistols

**AMRIK SINGH/CHARANJIT SINGH AMRITSAR, JULY 8**



Amidst the ongoing campaign to make Punjab a safe and secure state as per the directions of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, Amritsar Commissionerate Police has busted an interstate organised crime syndicate with the arrest of its kingpin and four members from a flat located in Kharar, said Director General of Police (DGP) Punjab Gaurav Yadav here on Monday.

The kingpin of the syndicate has been identified as Jai Sharma alias Sukha Pistol Ambarsarya, a resident of Prem Nagar in Amritsar, while, four members have been identified as Nikhil Sharma alias Lala of Sandhu Colony in Amritsar, Moni of Kot Khalsa in Amritsar, Arpit Thakur and Karan Sharma, both residents of Sri Naina Devi in district Bilaspur of Himachal Pradesh. Accused Sukha Pistol has a criminal history with seven cases per-

taining to Arms Act, Snatching and Theft registered against him. Police teams under the supervision of ADCP City-2 Abhimanyu Rana have conducted a raid at a flat and successfully arrested all accused persons and recovered two pistols along with ammunition from their possession," said the DGP.

He said that preliminary investigations have revealed that the accused persons were planning to attack members of rival gang. Accused persons have been booked under the newly introduced section 111 (Organised Crime) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), he added. Sharing

location in Kharar, he added. "Acting swiftly, Police teams under the supervision of ADCP City-2 Abhimanyu Rana have conducted a raid at a flat and successfully arrested all accused persons and recovered two pistols along with ammunition from their possession," said the DGP.

He said that further investigations are on to trace the forward and backward linkages of this module, and identify the MP-based arm smugglers. More arrests and recoveries are expected, he added. A case FIR no. 118 dated 07/07/2024 has been registered under section 111 of the BNS and 25(7) of the Arms Act at Police Station Civil Line Amritsar.

## Nangal Hydel Channel celebrates 70 years of operation

**KULWINDER BHATIA**  
NANGAL, JULY 8



The multipurpose Bhakra Nangal Project's significant canal, the Nangal Hydel Channel, also known as the Bhakra Canal, has completed 70 uninterrupted years of operation. To mark this milestone, BBMB Chairman Engineer Manoj Tripathi, along with senior management officials, attended a celebration event in Nangal and extended their best wishes to everyone involved.

Engineer Manoj Tripathi inaugurated a tree planting initiative along the canal at Gangawal. Addressing the officials and employees at a subsequent event at the Nangal Dam, he emphasized the canal's crucial role in improving the conditions of Punjab, Haryana, and Rajasthan and

contributing to the Green Revolution. He announced plans to install new technology power projects along the canal in the future, enhancing BBMB's contribution to the energy sector. Tripathi also declared a bonus for the employees working at the Nangal Dam.

Chief Engineer of Bhakra Dam, Engineer C.P. Singh, praised the diligent efforts of the officers and employees in maintaining the canal, which

has been running smoothly for 70 years—a record in itself. He assured that the team is committed to adopting new technologies to extend the benefits of this canal to more areas.

Deputy Chief Engineer Engineer H.L. Kamboj shared that a rescue boat was introduced for the Nangal Dam lake, and a tree plantation drive was conducted. The event's stage was managed by Sardar Avtar Singh.

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by the central government and fixed at 45.88 rupees per quintal. Apart from this, former Union Minister and Punjab BJP president Sunil Jakhar had also assured to fulfill the demand of commission agents. Singla said that during the Lok Sabha elec-

## State Commission agents federation appeals to Union Minister, State BJP President to fulfill their demand

**AJAY MALHOTRA**  
FATEHGHAR SAHIB, JULY 8

Federation of Commission Agents Federation Punjab's state press secretary Rajesh Singla has appealed to Union Minister Ravneet Singh Bittu and BJP state president Sunil Jakhar to fulfill the demand of 2.5% commission on priority basis.

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tions both leaders assured that if a BJP-led government is formed at the center, then the demand of commission agents will be given priority.

He said that now BJP state president Sunil Jakhar and Union Minister Ravneet Singh Bittu should fulfill the promise.

However, the announcement of CM appears to have confined to mere papers and

## Mutation work of sites stalled due to implementation of new software in Mansa tehsil office, property dealers express resentment

**NARESH GOYAL**  
MANSA, JULY 8

Due to installation of new software in tehsil office here, work related to Mutation of registration deeds have been stalled.

This has resulted in widespread resentment among the persons related to exchange of property, especially property dealers.

Talking a dig at the state government, a leader of local property dealers' association stated that a few months ago, Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann had told that the condition of procuring a No Objection Certificate (NOC) in case of execution of registration deed of any site has been waived.

The DC had assured to form a commitment on the issue and follow its guidelines, but nothing concrete has been done so far to sort out the matter, he regretted.

the property dealers are being continuously harassed by the officials of tehsil. Now, the government has issued another order by which ashtam papers of different colours are to be used while getting any deed registered.

This new order of the government has come like a bolt from the blue for property dealers who were already subjected to a lot of inconvenience, claimed the association leader.

He added that the property dealers are in jeopardy and they had met the Mansa deputy commissioner some time back and urged him to sort out their problem.

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## Enact Law to give legal right to MSP: Dr Amar Singh

**KHUSHAV SINGLA**  
MANDI GOBINDGARH, JULY 8

Dr Amar Singh MP Shri Fatehgarh Sahib met the Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chauhan in New Delhi and requested that the Union Government bring in a law to give legal right to MSP in the upcoming budget session. He reminded the Agriculture Minister of the promise made by the Modi Government in 2021 for the doing so.

Dr Singh told the Minister that despite two years passing by no concrete steps were taken forcing the farmers to again march to Delhi to press their demands. The current agitation started in February and has seen unprecedented violence being used against farmers who are simply using their democratic rights. Late Shubhkaran Singh was shot by Haryana police while many

more farmers have been martyred since the agitation began.

He also said that the recent increase in MSP of various Kharif crops is quite inadequate. Farmers have been struggling with adverse climate, floods, lumpy skin disease and other natural calamities in Punjab since 2022. 5-6% increase in paddy MSP will not provide any relief to farmers as increasing input costs and natural calamities have caused major losses to them in last 2 years.

## DC instructs to do Ghaggar embankment work quickly

**SUMER GARG**  
SANGRUR, JULY 8



Deputy Commissioner (DC), Jitendra Jorwal today took a surprise review of the ongoing process of strengthening and widening Ghaggar river from Makrod Sahib to Karail through the drainage department under the directions of Chief Minister of Punjab, Bhagwant Singh Mann. He instructed the departmental officials that this process should be completed on a priority basis, so that in case of water level rise at Ghaggar, the people of nearby villages do not have to face any kind of problems.

DC along with Sub Divisional Magistrate, Moonak Suba Singh and Xen Drainage Gundeep Bansal inspected along the Ghaggar river and took lessons from the difficulties faced during the last years

instructed to complete all necessary arrangements on time this time. The DC instructed SDM, Suba Singh that due to the possibility of heavy rain in the hilly areas in the next few days, vigilance should be kept on the water level, while maintaining constant contact with the flood control room and the sensitive places of Ghaggar river should be inspected from time to time.

On this occasion, Xen, Gundeep Bansal said that the soil from Ghaggar river is being reinforced by putting the soil from Ghaggar river on

## Team of International Hindu Council visits DMC to inquire about health of Sandeep Thapar



MORINDA (RADHE SHYAM SHARMA): International Hindu Parishad Punjab's working president Vijay Kapoor and senior vice president Sudhir Kakkar on Saturday met the wife of injured Shiv Sena leader Sandeep Thapar admitted in DMC Hospital Ludhiana. Senior leaders of the Parishad expressed their grief over the assault to Thapar's family and said that the Parishad stood with them until the attackers received the harshest punishment.

They said that attacks on Hindu leaders were occurred in Punjab earlier also and after the murder of Sudhir Suri, the Punjab government should have taken cognizance of the safety of Hindus. Now the attack on Thapar would not be tolerated at all. Sudhir Kakkar said that the government should review the security of Hindu leaders of Punjab without any delay and provided them adequate security.

## Meera Public School Hosts inter-house synonym competition



spot, with Vindhya House coming in second. The competition was held in the school auditorium, and the students showcased their vocabulary skills, thinking on their feet to come up with synonyms for given words. The event was graced by the presence of Principal Dr. Ram Kishan Yadav, who encouraged the students to develop their language skills. Other staff members, including Arshdeep Kaur, Anjali, Beant Kaur, Harpreet Kaur, Namrata, Pushpinder, and Kuldeep Singh, were also present to support the students.



AVINASH CHAUHAN  
AMB: ERD Foundation working in public interest launched a tree plantation campaign. Giving information, the national president of the organization, Sanjeev Bhardwaj said that the organization has been doing works for human service and public welfare for the last almost 3 years. He said that assistive devices like Bihi Chair, Potty Chair, Stick etc. are given to handicapped people, but now in the rainy season, on the appeal of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, under the program One Plant in the Name of Parents and Family, a tree plantation campaign will be launched in Bhadrakali Panchayat and other Panchayats of Gagron Assembly of District Una, in which in about 45 days, 5000 medicinal plants which will include four saplings of Mango, Amla, Neem and Lemon will be given to a family.

### Small Industries Association writes to CM regarding poor condition of Bhatauli Kalan Industrial Area

SHANTI GAUTAM  
BADDI: The Bhatauli Kalan Industrial Area near Baddi, developed by HIMUDA, is facing severe infrastructural issues. The Small Industries Association has addressed a letter to the Chief Minister and the Industry Minister through the SDO Baddi, highlighting the numerous problems plaguing the area. Chairman Vichitra Singh, Ramesh Sharma, General Secretary Anil Malik, Chief Advisor Chiranjit Thakur, Assistant Secretary Arun Sharma, Sanjeev Singh, and Munish Raju visited Bhatauli Kalan Industrial Area.

The local entrepreneurs informed them about the poor condition of roads and the clogged drains that cause dirty water to overflow onto the streets. After assessing the situation, Chairman Vichitra Singh sent a memorandum to the Chief Minister, Industry Minister, and CEO of HIMUDA through SDO Baddi, requesting urgent resolution of these issues. Patel urged for the repair of the roads, as most of the connecting routes are in disrepair. The drains in Bhatauli Kalan Industrial Area are mostly blocked, leading to water flowing onto the roads. He emphasized the need for cleaning the drains before the monsoon to prevent rainwater from damaging the roads.

Additionally, power outages have affected 84 Distribution Transformer Regions in Shimla and Kullu, leaving areas such as Rampur, Thalout, Kotkhai, Dodra, Kawar, Theog, Jubbal, and Kumarsain without electricity.

Water supply has also been hit hard, with 51 schemes disrupted across Theog, Bilaspur, and Chamba due to increased turbidity and flash floods.

According to the State Disaster Management Authority Mandi district faces substantial road blockages, affecting areas like Seraj, Karsoog, Jogindernagar, Dharampur, Sarkaghat, Padhar, Sunder Nagar, and Nerchowk.

Key areas affected include Jhandutta in Bilaspur and several subdivisions in Shimla. However, Shimla town has seen temporary relief from its chronic water shortage, receiving 44 million liters per day.

The latest weather bulletin indicates normal temperature ranges, with the lowest minimum temperature recorded at

Kukumseri (10.6 °C) and the highest maximum at Bilaspur (36.6 °C).

Significant rainfall has been reported, with Malrao receiving 70.0 mm and Shimla 43.8 mm. The forecast predicts scattered thunderstorms with lightning across various regions, accompanied by heavy rains in isolated places, over the next few days.

SHANTI GAUTAM  
BADDI, JULY 8

The Glenmark Foundation's health workers conducted a health awareness campaign during the holidays with children from the villages of Rajpura, Dhang, Billawali, and Abhipur in Baddi and Nalagarh. The campaign aimed to educate children about the importance of a healthy lifestyle, emphasizing nutritious food, hygiene, exercise, and regular health check-ups.

Pinky Verma from IRG NGO provided practical training to the children on handwashing, teeth cleaning, and other hygiene practices. Through various activities and games, children were made aware of health practices and encouraged to

adopt good health habits in their lives. The campaign was successfully completed with the cooperation of ICDS Anganwadi workers and ASHA workers. From the organization, Sushma, Jyoti, Reena, Neha, Shweta Sharma, ASHA workers Sumantha, Daya, and Reena Devi, among others, provided their support.

IRG Manager Baljinder Singh explained the

campaign's objectives: Health Education: Children were informed about the importance of nutritious food, hygiene, exercise, and regular health check-ups. Practical Training: Children received practical training on handwashing, teeth cleaning, and other hygiene practices. Games and Activities: Various activities and games were used to raise health awareness among the children.

### Himachal's misfortune is that Sukhu govt came to power: Pawan Kajal

SANJAY AGGARWAL  
DHARAMSHALA, JULY 8

Dehra assembly by-election co-convenor and Kangra assembly MLA Pawan Kajal has said that it is Himachal's misfortune that ever since the Congress' Sukhu government has come to power, it has been running with its hands outstretched. Pawan Kajal said that before this, the Jairam government did a great job for five years. Sukhu's government has come to power in the state, but every time the treasury is being lamented.

The Congress government does not have money for development work. He said that the truth about Chief Minister Thakur Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu has been exposed. The

public has come to know that he is just a firecracker.

In a press release issued, Kajal said that the Sukhu government has come to the state not to bring development but to conduct by-elections.

He said that by-elections on all three seats

in Himachal could have been held along with the Lok Sabha elections. Congress did not conduct by-elections on these three assembly seats at that time due to fear of defeat and now has put the burden of this by-election on the public.

Pawan Kajal attacked Chief Minister Sukhu on Hamirpur Medical College and said that he has exposed himself by continuously lying. Sukhu is misleading people in the name of medical college since 1st March 2014.

He said that Sukhu has put the entire government in the field for the victory of his wife in Dehra, but he has forgotten that the people of Dehra are with the truth, not with the Sukhu family.

He emphasized that tree cutting should be halted for a certain period to protect the environment and climate.

## Rain partly disrupts normal life in State



AGENCY  
SHIMLA, JULY 8

The south-west monsoon rains on Monday partly impacted normal life in Himachal Pradesh, causing significant disruptions.

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### Airfare b/w Delhi- Shimla all time low

SHIMLA: Alliance Airlines is offering significant discounts on flights between Delhi and Shimla, starting at Rs 2900 and increasing to Rs 4500. The airline has confirmed that this makes air travel cheaper than taxi fares, which range from Rs 13,000 to Rs 17,000 for the Dharamshala to Delhi journey. The flight takes just 1.25 to 1.5 hours, offering substantial time savings over the 7-8 hour road trip. The tourism industry in Himachal Pradesh is experiencing a decline due to the end of school holidays and the rainy season. Hotel occupancy rates have decreased to 30-35%, despite discounts of 40-50%, but reduced airfares offer a budget-friendly travel option. During peak tourist season, Delhi to Dharamshala airfares can reach Rs 15,000-20,000, while off-season fares start at Rs 2900.

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### Medical camp for pregnant women on July 9

KISHORI LAL BAIS

UNA: Chief Medical Officer (CMO) Una, Dr. Sanjeev Verma, announced that a medical camp will be held on July 9 for the medical examination of pregnant women under the Prime Minister's Safe

Motherhood Campaign. The camp will be organized at the new building of the Maternal and Child Health Center.

Dr. Anchal will conduct the examinations for the pregnant women during the camp. The medical camp

will include lab tests, blood level checks, diabetes screenings, blood pressure monitoring, and identification of danger signs during pregnancy. All treatments and consultations will be provided free of charge.

## CM Sukhu questions BJP candidates' integrity

AGENCY  
SHIMLA, JULY 8

Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhinder Singh Sukhu on Monday questioned the integrity of three BJP candidates fielded from Dehra, Nalagarh and Hamirpur Assembly constituencies for the July 10 by-elections. Addressing election rallies in Dehra and Hamirpur on the final day of campaign, Sukhu said that the three BJP candidates were earlier independent MLAs who resigned from the Assembly to join the BJP for financial gain.

The CM said former MLAs Hoshiyar Singh (Dehra), Ashish Sharma (Hamirpur) and K L Thakur (Nalagarh) decided to resign under BJP's influence and recontest on the Opposition party's ticket. He argued that the independent MLAs'



actions forced unnecessary elections on the people of Dehra, Hamirpur, and Nalagarh. On Monday, Sukhu campaigned in support of his wife, Kamlesh Kumari, and Pushpendra, the Congress candidates for Dehra and Hamirpur, respectively. The Chief Minister also mentioned a failed attempt by the BJP to sway six Congress MLAs, a move that ultimately strengthened the ruling party's position in the by-elections.

### Water supply not restored in Dakkot Village for 2 Months, protest held



RAJNEESH SHARMA

HAMIRPUR: A severe water supply issue persists in Dakkot village under Gram Panchayat Tapre (Touni Devi), leading the villagers to protest against the Jal Shakti Department and chant slogans. The villagers claim that the national highway construction company frequently breaks and disrupts the water supply pipes, causing a severe water crisis for the past two months. The Jal Shakti Department has not been monitoring this illegal activity by the construction company, nor has any action been taken against them. The department has not provided water supply for two months. It should be noted that the distressed villagers decided in a general assembly held on June 30 to appeal to the District Magistrate for the resolution of this pressing issue. They also decided that if the disrupted water supply, which has been halted for two months, is not restored immediately, they would start a protest in front of the Touni Devi police post and block the road traffic.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

In part supersession to the Public Notice published in various newspapers on 05.07.2024 regarding Cancellation/Diversion and Short Termination/Origination/Rescheduling/Regulations of Trains due to Pre-non-interlocking & Non-interlocking work in connection with Roza yard remodeling work on Shahjahanpur Jn. – Lucknow & Roza – Sitapur City Jn. double line section over Moradabad Division, the following details as under:-

#### CANCELLATION OF TRAINS

Train No. & Train Name	Date(s) of Cancellation (from originating station)
22454 Meerut City - Lucknow Jn. Rajya Rani Express	03.08.2024 to 06.08.2024
22453 Lucknow Jn. - Meerut City Rajya Rani Express	02.08.2024 to 05.08.2024

#### DIVERSION OF TRAIN

Train No. & Train Name	Diverted (Via)	Date(s) (from originating station)
15622 Anand Vihar (T) - Kamakhya Express	Ramganga- Bareilly City- Pilipit - Sitapur instead of Ramganga - Roza - Sitapur	26.07.24 & 02.08.24 instead of 27.07.2024 & 03.08.2024

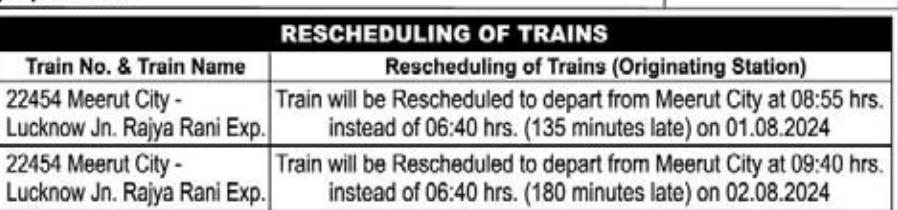
#### RESTOATION OF TRAINS

Train No. & Train Name	Date(s) of Restoation (from originating station)
22454 Meerut City - Lucknow Jn. Rajya Rani Express	01.08.2024 & 02.08.2024
22453 Lucknow Jn. - Meerut City Rajya Rani Express	31.07.2024 to 01.08.2024

#### RESCHEDULING OF TRAINS

Train No. & Train Name	Rescheduling of Trains (Originating Station)
22454 Meerut City - Lucknow Jn. Rajya Rani Exp.	Train will be Rescheduled to depart from Meerut City at 08:55 hrs. instead of 06:40 hrs. (135 minutes late) on 01.08.2024
22454 Meerut City - Lucknow Jn. Rajya Rani Exp.	Train will be Rescheduled to depart from Meerut City at 09:40 hrs. instead of 06:40 hrs. (180 minutes late) on 02.08.2024

For any kind of information, passengers are requested to contact RailMadad Helpline No. 139 or visit Indian Railways Website <https://enquiry.indianrail.gov.in> or NTES App.



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Sunny Singla takes over as president of Lions Club Nabha



RAKESH JINDAL

**NABHA:** Last day, Lion Sunny Singla was unanimously elected president of Lions Club Nabha, now on July 1, as soon as the new year of Lions begins. Lion Sunny Singla has taken over the position of president. Lion Somnath, treasurer in the Lions Club Nabha team, Dhall and Secretary Lion Girdhari Bansal will accompany them, Vice President Lion Vinod Chawla and Senior Vice President Lion Charandeep Singh, President Lion Sunny Singla assured the club that they will complete the projects given by Lions Club International and provide all possible help to the needy. Lion Subhash Sehgal (Zone Chairman), Lion Surinder Singh, Lion Anmol Singh, Lion Surinder Bir Singh Sethi, Lion Rakesh Kumar, Lion Mangat Rai Lion Lakshmi Narain, Lion Rajesh Gupta etc. were present on this golden occasion.

**Tarang mela concludes at Amritsar**



KULJIT SINGH

**JANDIALA GURU:** NABARD Punjab in association with ONDC and SFC organized Tarang PFO Mela from 05th to 07th July at Rajendra Resort, Amritsar. The fair was inaugurated by Mr. Raghunath B, CGM NABARD Punjab. Zonal Manager Punjab and Sindh Bank, Regional Manager Punjab Gramin Bank, Chief LDM, Chief Agriculture Officer, Deputy Director of Krishi Vigyan Kendra and District Manager of Amritsar District Central Cooperative Bank attended the inaugural function.

FPO/FPO/Artisans from Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Tripura displayed their products during the exhibition and sale. Consumers bought honey, multi grain flour, basmati, pulses, oil, handicrafts, pickles, dairy products and other daily use items directly from farmers and artisans. 05 stalls with highest sales were awarded in the closing ceremony.

**MoU inked between Guru Kashi University and Garuda Aerospace, Chennai**

ISHWER GARG

**TALWANDI SABO:** To integrate industry exposure for students of GGU, promote technological advancements and enhance education quality, Garuda Aerospace has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Guru Kashi University. The MoU was formalized under the dynamic leadership of Vice-Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) S. K. Bawa, with the agreement being signed by Dr. Vijayakumar Rajarathnam, COO of Garuda Aerospace, and Dr. G.S. Buttar, Registrar of GGU, in the presence of Dr. G. M. P. Yadav, Head of Drone Academy, and Dr. Vikas Gupta, Deputy Director. Dr. Bawa expressed satisfaction with the agreement, emphasizing its focus on advancing research, innovation, and skill development at GGU. Dr. Buttar and Dr. G. Murthi Yadav, in a joint statement elaborated that Garuda Aerospace plans to establish its Center for Excellence at GGU by investing Rs 10 lakh. The center will initiate Training Programs and Certificate courses focusing on research, consultancy, service, and maintenance of Drones. Additionally, students will have access to RPTO Licensed training, training on flying of Drones, and participation in National level Drone Events/Competitions to be held at GGU. On this occasion, Vikas Gupta expressed gratitude to the university management and Garuda Aerospace officials for their collaboration. He highlighted that this partnership will significantly enhance the academic and skill development opportunity of GGU students by offering internship and placement in aerospace and drone technology. Dr. Gupta emphasized that this joint effort will provide a positive impact and greatly benefit the future prospects of students and local farmers in the region.

**MJF Lion Jagjeet Kaur Kahlon as a ZC and Lion Ashok chuchra appointed as club president**

TILAK RAJ

**MOHALI:** First lady president of lions club mohali supreme (regd) lion Jagjeet kaur Kahlon appointed as a Zone Chairperson of region 10 distt 321f and lion

Ashok chuchra as a president of lions club mohali supreme. Giving a complete information club pro told Lion Jagjeet kaur Kahlon joined lionism in 2021 by Icm supreme and recently she is awarded with best president of distt 321f and multiple 321. Pro told Lion Ashok chuchra is retired principal from govt secondary school

fazilka and he joined lionism by lion club fazilka parwas and after retirement he shifted to mohali then he joined lions club mohali supreme and now elected as a president of lion club mohali supreme. The best reason for Icm supreme that last year club charter president Lion Tilak Raj PMJF appointed as a zone chairperson of zone 3, region 13, district 321f and he appointed with best zone chairperson of distt 321f and multiple also.

## F&CC approves implementation of micro-chipping in stray dogs to conduct dog census

R N KHERA  
CHANDIGARH, JULY 8

The Finance and Contract committee of Municipal Corporation Chandigarh has accorded approval for implementing micro-chipping in stray dogs to conduct dog census and improved Vaccination Management by purchasing 1000 microchips alongwith applicator and 1 reader at an approximate cost of Rs. 4.00 lacs.

The meeting of F&CC was held here today under the Chairmanship of Sh. Kuldeep Kumar, Mayor and attended by Ms. Anindita Mitra, IAS, Commissioner and other members of committee namely Smt. Jaswinder Kaur, Sh. Lakhbir Singh, Sh. Ram Chander Yadav, Smt. Taruna Mehta and other senior officers of MCC.

The Committee discussed the terms and conditions of lease deed to be executed between Health Department and Municipal Corporation Chandigarh for construction of Urban Ayushman Arogya Mandir (UAAM) under the Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat



Health Infrastructure Mission at land measuring 0.3 acre situated in Indra Colony, Manimajra for 99 years on monthly rent of Rs. 2 lacs. The committee recommended the terms & conditions to be presented in the next General House meeting for discussion and approval. The Committee discussed the agenda regarding rates, policy guidelines and

terms & conditions for booking of commercial grounds i.e. Housing Board, Manimajra, Circus Ground Sector 17 and Exhibition Ground Sector 34, Chandigarh through e-auction for the whole year i.e. 1st January to 31st December every year. The committee members recommended that the detailed terms and conditions be presented before next General

House meeting for discussion and final approval. The Committee discussed and approved the expenses of Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process (CIRP) as and when presented by the CA related to the case of M/s Paschayta Entertainment Pvt. Ltd. for the recovery of Rs. 8.35 crores as an outstanding due towards MC Chandigarh.

## 2 persons including woman arrested for leaking objectionable pictures

SUKH NAHAR  
JAGRAON, JULY 8

Police has arrested 2 persons including a woman for allegedly leaking objectionable pictures and videos of a woman on social media. Giving more information about

this, PS City inspector Amritpal Singh said that a few days back, complainant had submitted a complaint to SSP Navneet Singh Bains in which she accused Meena Kumari and an unidentified person of leaking her objectionable pictures and videos on social me-

dia. "The complainant had alleged that the accused even gave her mobile number to unknown persons who used abusive language for her on call. SSP Bains took advise from DA Legal in this case and instructed police station city to file a case," he added.

## Process of recruitment of Coaches for sports nurseries starts



SHASHI PAL JAIN  
MOHALI, JULY 8

In line to the commitment made by the Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mani to set up 1000 sports nurseries for nurturing players, trials began for the recruitment of 260 Coaches under the first phase at Sports Complex, Sector 78, Mohali, today. The trials will continue till July 16.

Divulging the details, Deputy Director of the Sports Department, Punjab, Parminder Singh said that as per the directions of Special Chief Secretary Sports, Saravjit Singh and Director Sports Dr SP Anand Kumar, the sports nurseries are being treated as the flagship program of the Punjab Government, aimed at refining and preparing budding players for state, national and international sports competitions by providing specialized coaching. The advertise-

ment for the recruitment of coaches in these sports nurseries was given before the Lok Sabha Elections and the state-level trials of those who applied based on that advertisement have been started today in a fully transparent manner at Mohali. In the first phase, as many as 260 sports nurseries will be made functional, he further added.

The Deputy Director further said that there is no dearth of sports skills in Punjab, but sometimes good players or children who have the potential to become ace sportsmen are deprived of coming forward due to a lack of suitable opportunities or coaches. Not only do the players suffer, but the state and the country also suffer, he said by adding that the sports nurseries being opened by the Punjab government will prove to be a revolutionary step in the field of sports. Among the 25 sports

disciplines for which trials are being conducted are Tennis, Archery, Kabaddi, Athletics, Kho-Kho, Football, Cycling, Volleyball, Handball, Basketball, Wrestling, Hockey, Boxing, Weightlifting, Judo, Badminton, Cricket, Rowing, wushu, swimming, table tennis, kickboxing, gymnastics and fencing, he added.

The trials District Sports Officer, SAS Nagar, Harpinder Singh said that the main purpose of these sports nurseries is to bring the children to the playgrounds to inculcate sports spirit among them. Once the child reaches the sports nursery, their sports journey will begin smoothly based on the practice conducted by the experienced coaches available there. Another benefit is that once children start coming to the playgrounds, they will also avoid drugs and Punjab will become a Rangla Punjab again.

## Kshatriya Swabhiman Sangharsh Samiti demands Welfare Board for safeguards of their interests

RAJIV JAIN  
CHANDIGARH, JULY 8

In wake of protecting the interests of the Kshatriya community in the state, Kshatriya Swabhiman Sangharsh Samiti has demanded the formation of Kshatriya Welfare Board during a press conference held at Chandigarh Press Club on Monday.

The members of the committee stressed upon the fact that there should be a caste census in Haryana, so that the correct number of Rajput communities can be recorded, which is possible only with the cooperation of Haryana Kshatriya Welfare Board. While addressing a press conference, senior members of the committee Vinod Kumar Thambar and Col Devender Singh expressed concern and said that the state and central government should immediately stop tampering with the



historical legends of their community. Thambar said their community is extremely concerned due to the heated politics over the naming of Samrat (Emperor) Mihir Bhoj over the last few days. In view of the dispute that arose between the Gurjar and Rajput communities over the naming in the Samrat, the committee that was formed should conclude its submission, so that the respect of Emperor Mihir Bhoj remains intact in the society. The committee also demanded that Kaithal District President (Zila Adhyaksh) Ashok Gujjar should be ex- pelled with immediate effect and legal action should be taken against him for misuse of his position. Present on the occasion, Thakur Puran Singh, President, Kisan Mazdoor Sangathan also expressed his concern towards the Kshatriya community and demanded the Govt to maintain a cordial attitude in this direction. He demanded that the Kshatriya Welfare Board should monitor the mythological and pilgrimage sites related to Kshatriyas wherein a list of Kshatriya special festivals should be made through the board.

During the camp 72 cataract patients were selected for free operation. He said that on this occasion 60 units of blood were collected by the team of Sant Gurmel Singh Ji Blood Center Bhatia. He said that on this occasion ECG and many other tests were done free of cost.

## Gurpreet multi specialty hospital organizes two-day medical check-up camp



MORINDA (RADHESHYAM SHARMA): Gurpreet Hospital (Multi Specialist) organized a two-day medical checkup, eye checkup and blood donation camp at Jolly Market Morinda. Giving information in this regard, Dr. Gurpreet Singh MD of Gurpreet Hospital, said that for the welfare of the common people, a general checkup camp, blood donation camp and eye checkup camp was organized at Jolly Market Morinda on Saturday and Sunday from 10 am to 6 pm, in which medical checkup of 300 patients was done and eye checkup of about 270 patients was done.

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## 200 plants saplings at Sunny Enclave to combat Global Warming

SHASHI PAL JAIN  
KHARAR, JULY 8

Yesterday Jarnail Singh Bajwa and his team planted 200 saplings at Sector 123 of the new Sunny Enclave of Kharar. Along with planting saplings, the team also sensitized the local residents to lead a better lifestyle. The team said that this initiative will not only be a guide for a healthy life, it will also create a clean and balanced environment. He said that with this activity, where Global Warming will be fought, the level of oxygen in the surrounding area will also increase, with which the Sunny Enclave will emerge as a model of green life.

Apart from this, new recreational facilities such as jogging tracks and playgrounds are being set up to promote the active lifestyle of the local residents. The team told that attention is being focused on improving the environment. With this, this area will become a source of inspiration for other areas as well. At Sunny Enclave, where efforts are being made for a balanced environment, development is also continuing on a large scale. The team promises that the area will be an ideal destination for families and individuals looking for a high standard of living.



## Board of Directors meeting of Lions Club Unique Mandi Gobindgarh held



KHUSHAV SINGLA  
MANDI GOBINDGARH, JULY 8

On July 16th, a meeting of the Board of Directors of Lions Club Unique Mandi Gobindgarh, the largest social service organization in the district, was held at the Local Public School in Mandi Gobindgarh. The meeting was chaired by Lion Archana Jindal, the President of the club.

During the meeting, the Charter President Dr. Seema Dhir and Cabinet Member Lion Roopali Bansal, Past President Lion Renu Bansal, Lion Simmi Gupta, President Lion Archana Jindal, Secretary Lion Ritu Ghari, PRO Lion Anita Agrawal, Lions Nina Seth Pajni, Lion Umapuri, Lion Shashi Singla, Lion Nirmal Gupta, Lion Rita Goyal etc.

## Dr. Balbir Singh launches Suagat, Sahayta Kendra at District Administrative Complex, Patiala

RAWEL BHINDER  
PATIALA, JULY 8

In line with Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann's directives to ensure convenience and prevent harassment of the general public, a "Suagat & Chief Minister Sahayta Kendra" has been set up in the Deputy Commissioner's office in Patiala. Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr. Balbir Singh inaugurated the center today at the District Administrative Complex.

During the inauguration, Dr. Balbir Singh emphasized that Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann is committed to providing all necessary facilities and citizen-centric services to the people of Punjab. The new center will enable the Chief Minister to personally monitor the online



portal, ensuring no inconvenience or harassment to the public. The Minister highlighted that all officers are instructed to deliver hassle-free services to citizens, and he, along with district MLAs, will oversee the complaints redressal process.

Deputy Commissioner Showkat Ahmad Paray mentioned that a dedicated team will assist the public with their administrative tasks, reducing wait times.

The Suagat & CM Sahayta Kendra is located just outside his office, and he will monitor its activities through CCTV. DC Showkat Ahmad Paray reaffirmed the District Administration's commitment to providing transparent, responsive, and effective administration.

To ensure timely execution of routine public works, he personally monitors all files to prevent any inconvenience to the public.

## Complaint to CM regarding suffering of patients at Civil Hospital Kharar due to lack of staff

SHASHI PAL JAIN  
KHARAR, JULY 8

Arun Kumar, a resident of Kharar, has sent a complaint to the Chief Minister of Punjab saying that due to shortage of staff at the Civil Hospital Kharar, the patients are suffering. He has written in his complaint that more than 500 patients come to the OPD in this hospital every day. Although the number of patients is very high, there are only 26 doctors and 10 nurses. He has written that there is an ultrasound machine here which was bought many years ago but due to lack of technicians it is lying useless. He said that due to lack of staff, patients have to go back without treatment. He said that the top officials of the health department are not paying any attention to it. He has demanded that more doctors should be appointed here immediately.

**Lions Club Mandi Gobindgarh Supreme organises langar of bread pakoras, tea**

MANDI GOBINDGARH (KHUSHAV SINGLA): Under the leadership of Lion S. Rai, President of Lions Club Mandi Gobindgarh Supreme, a langar (community kitchen) was organized at Shri Gurudwara Sahib Jasda located on Amloh Road as part of the Relief to Hunger Project. Club members of Lions Club Mandi Gobindgarh, along with Secretary Lion Gurmesh Vij, came together to serve bread pakoras and tea to laborers and travelers.

## Paid holiday declared for Jalandhar West voters for by-poll on July 10

JALANDHAR (PARAMJIT SINGH): District Election Officer Dr. Himanshu Aggarwal said that a holiday has been declared for all employees and workers of the Jalandhar West Assembly Constituency to enable them to vote in the by-elections on July 10, 2024. This directive follows the guidelines issued by the Election Commission of India (ECI). Dr. Aggarwal emphasized that all employees, including those in government offices, boards, corporations, and educational institutions, who are voters in the constituency, are eligible for a special leave. This leave will not be deducted from their accumulated leaves.

Similarly, a paid holiday will be granted to voters employed in businesses, trades, industries, factories, shops, commercial establishments, and industrial undertakings. Dr. Aggarwal warned that strict action would be taken against any employer who refuses to grant leave to voters on polling day.

"The measure has been taken to ensure maximum participation in the voting process, allowing people to exercise their democratic right freely," said Dr. Aggarwal. This initiative aims to facilitate high voter turnout and ensure that all eligible voters in the constituency have the opportunity to cast their ballots. He also stated that the voting for the by-election will take place on July 10, from 7 am to 6 pm. The constituency has a total of 171,963 eligible voters, comprising 89,629 males, 82,326 females, and eight third-gender voters.

## Police inspect 157 buses to ensure safety of students: SSP



SUMER GARG  
SANGRUR, JULY 8

As per the instructions issued by the Additional Director General of Police (ADGP), Traffic & Road Safety Punjab, A.S. Rai; district Sangrur police under the leadership of SSP, Sartaj Singh Chahal, today conducted a comprehensive campaign to check the school vehicles. While giving information in this regard, SSP, Sartaj Singh Chahal said that keeping in mind the safety of school children and college students, 157 buses were checked by district Police and 29 buses violating rules were issued challan. He said that under the guidelines given by the ADGP, there were orders to check the buses of schools and colleges continuously, following which this campaign was specially conducted today and during this the drivers of these buses were instructed to obey the orders of Courts regarding traffic rules and to ensure strict compliance of the guidelines issued by the Punjab Government from time to time. SSP said that during the checking of vehicles conducted today, most of the buses found that were violating the traffic rules mainly including haven't fitness certificate.

## Negligence against adulteration will not be tolerated: DC

SUMER GARG  
SANGRUR, JULY 8

Deputy Commissioner (DC), Jitendra Jorwal today issued clear guidelines to the officials of the health department to strictly prevent adulteration of food and beverages.



VIJAY KAUSHIK  
BABAON: As the assembly election dates approach, new faces are entering the electoral arena. Harmesh Singh Kaulapuri, a member of the BJP Kisan Morcha state executive, has decided to stake his claim for the BJP ticket from the Ladwa Assembly seat. Speaking to journalists after a meeting with his supporters, Harmesh Singh stated that the BJP is a democratic party, and every party worker has the right to stake a claim for the party ticket. He mentioned that he would soon start campaigning among party workers and the public to garner support for his candidacy from the Ladwa Assembly seat and present his case for the party ticket to the party high command. Harmesh Singh highlighted his long-term dedication to the BJP, having served in various positions within the party. He expressed that if given the opportunity, he would honor and respect the sentiments of both the party workers and the public. He urged the party high command to prioritize dedicated workers for party tickets to Parliament and Assembly elections, to further strengthen the party's progress. On this occasion, several BJP workers including Sabir Mangoli, Deshraj Kanjipal, Nirmal Kaulapuri, Naib and Gurmel Ischeri, Satpakash Bred Mathana, Fatte Singh, Dharmi Kadami, Garja Kaulapuri, Jaipal Mathana, Jyoti Devi, and Sonmath were present.

### Matrishakti Entrepreneurship Scheme started to make women self-reliant: DC

ED AGGARWAL  
RE WARI: Matrishakti Entrepreneurship Scheme has been started by Haryana Government to empower women and improve their social and economic status in the society. Giving information, DC Rahul Hoda said that under this scheme, Haryana government will provide loans up to Rs 3 lakh from banks to women. DC said that those whose annual income is less than Rs 5 lakh and are women who are permanent residents of Haryana can avail the benefit of this scheme. Under this scheme, auto rickshaw and e-rickshaw have been included in the means of transport. DC Rahul Hoda said that under this scheme, women will be given free training by the Haryana government and their driving licenses will be made. After completion of the training, Haryana Government will provide loans to those women in easy installments at low interest rate from the bank. To apply for loan, the age of the woman entrepreneur must be 18 to 60 years and she should not be a previous loan defaulter. According to this scheme, on timely payment of installment, the applicant woman will be given seven percent interest subsidy amount for three years by the Haryana Government through Mahila Vikas Nigam.

## Demand for CBI probe into murder of TN BSP State President

PREETI SAINI  
SADHARA, JULY 8

The Yamunanagar unit of the Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP), Haryana, has strongly condemned the brutal murder of Tamil Nadu BSP State President K. Armstrong outside his residence in Chennai. Under the leadership of BSP Haryana State President Dharmpal Tiga, a memorandum was submitted to the District Commissioner, demanding a CBI investigation into the matter from the Honorable President. Expressing deep condolences to the bereaved family and well-wishers, Tiga stated that this tragic and worrying incident has caused significant outrage among BSP workers not only in Tamil Nadu but across the country. He also pointed out that law and order in Haryana remains continually ineffective. Tiga emphasized

that the oppressed and marginalized communities continue to suffer from exploitation. The murderers responsible for the heinous killing of the Tamil Nadu BSP President must be arrested and given the harshest punishment. The BSP Haryana is urging both the central government and the Tamil Nadu government to initiate a CBI investigation into the murder of BSP State President K.

Armstrong. Present at the

occurrence were State Vice President Chaudhary Sahiram, BSP candidate for Jagadri Darshan Lal Khera, District Incharge Vishal Gurjar, District President Rahul Kumar, former District President Brahmopal Singh, former Chairman Laxmandas, Gangaram, Bhopal Singh, Goldie Firozpur, Dr. Ramkumar Kapadwal, Harish Kalsan, Himanshu, Rajesh Milk, Phool Chand, and others.

RAHUL KOHLI

JAGADHRI: Farkpur police team arrested three accused with 270 grams of heroin (smack) worth Rs 7 lakh. Giving information, the police spokesperson said that the district police have been taking strict action against drug smugglers and to curb drug trafficking. Various crime units of the district police were constantly tightening the noose on drug smugglers. Working in this series, Farkpur police has seized 270 grams of heroin (smack) worth Rs 7 lakh and three accused were arrested in the case. They were produced in the court and taken on 5-day remand. Police was investigating the case.

Farkpur police station in-charge Janak Raj said that his team received secret information that three youths would go out on a bike with drugs from near village Mandebar. Based on this information, a team of Farkpur outpost in-charge Manoj Kumar, sub-inspector Dal Singh, ASI Bhim Singh, Sunil was formed. The team went to the spot and started checking vehicles

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## Grand celebration of Sawan Festival at Sanatan Dharma Temple, Ramnagar: Sanjay Tikka

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

KARNAL: Preparations for the Sawan Festival are in full swing at the Sanatan Dharma Temple in Ramnagar. This year, the festival will be celebrated with great enthusiasm by the Om Namah Shivaya Jap Family. The Sawan month, starting from July 22 and ending on August 19, will see nightly bhajan and kirtan sessions organized by the Jap Family in the temple courtyard. Sanjay Tikka, the chief servant of



the Jap Family, shared that every Tuesday, a collective chant of "Om Namah Shivaya" is held at the temple, attracting a large number of devotees. During the Sawan month, this collective chanting will occur every night. Additionally, there will be Rudrabhishek of Lord Shiva in the morning and evening. Devotees who wish to perform Rudrabhishek can register their names at the temple according to the available time slots.

## CM Dhami takes stock of situation in Udhampur amid heavy rainfall

AGENCY  
CHAMOLI, JULY 8

Given the serious situation created in Udhampur and Chamoli districts due to heavy rains in Kumaon division, Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami spoke to the District Magistrates of both the districts over the phone and took stock of the situation.

The Chief Minister has directed all the District Magistrates to deploy the State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) and the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) teams in the affected areas and carry out relief work expeditiously.

The Meteorological Centre in Uttarakhand has predicted heavy rainfall over several parts of the state until July 10. The IMD has forecast heavy to very heavy rainfall in many places, with extremely



heavy rainfall in isolated areas in the Kumaon region. "Thunderstorms with lightning and intense to very intense spells are likely on July 8-9 in the hills and plains of the state," stated the forecast.

Heavy rains have also been predicted in the Tehri, Pauri, Bageshwar, Almora, Nainital, and Chamoli districts for July 10, according to the weather report. Given the heavy

rainfall alert, the state government has appealed to all residents to stay in safe areas and remain cautious due to the potential disasters caused by heavy rains.

CM Dhami earlier directed Secretary of Disaster Management and Rehabilitation Vinod Kumar Suman and other officers associated with the Disaster Management Department to keep a constant watch on all

districts from the State Emergency Operations Centre of Uttarakhand State Disaster Management Authority (USDMA).

Dhami has instructed all concerned district magistrates to be prompt at every level and take every possible precaution for the safety of lives and property. He has also ensured the availability of all resources in view of the potential disaster and readiness to deal with every situation. Officers of various departments have been instructed to maintain mutual harmony and be prepared for any scenario.

In his message, CM Dhami urged the public not to pay attention to rumours and to follow the guidelines issued by the district administration. He further requested that people avoid dangerous places and travel only if necessary.

## Haryana Science Forum meets on MGNREGA farming opportunities

SUBHASH SISODIA  
GHARAUANDA, JULY 8

The Haryana Science Forum District Team Karnal organized a meeting at the worksite of MGNREGA laborers in Samalkha village, Gharauanda block. Approximately 110 laborers attended the meeting, with nearly 90 of them being women. The focus of the meeting was on employment opportunities in farming for MGNREGA laborers.

Present women highlighted issues such as irregular work availability according to the MGNREGA calendar, uncertainty of employment, delays in wage payments, and the challenge of managing small children on work sites. Several women mentioned that due to the lack of nutritious food, they are forced to work in strenuous conditions, despite the difficulties of managing household chores.

Dr. Rajendra Singh, a member of the State Committee of Haryana Science Forum, mentioned the significant role played by specialists of the All India People's Science Network in the draft formation of MGNREGA in 2004-2005. Members of the All India People's Science Network also conduct social audits of MGNREGA in states and periodically send recommendations to the government. Since its passage in the Lok Sabha in 2005, there have been substantial changes in the MGNREGA law. However, there is no national-level research institute for MGNREGA works, which employ more than 15 crore workers. If MGNREGA had research institutes like agricultural research institutes, solutions to the problems you have mentioned could have been found.

## Colonel Opal inaugurates 10 days NCC camp at PTU campus



ASHISH PURI  
KAPURTHALA, JULY 8

The National Cadet Corps (NCC) camp commenced from 7 July 2024, at PTU Kapurthala, under the guidance of Commanding Officer Colonel Vishal Opal. The camp aims to groom young minds and instill values of discipline, leadership, and patriotism. In his opening address, Camp Commandant Colonel Vishal Opal emphasized the importance of teamwork, hard work, and dedication. He encouraged the cadets to step out of their comfort zones and discover their potential. "You are the future leaders of our nation, and this camp is a platform to hone your skills and character," he said. The colonel also highlighted the NCC's role in shaping responsible citizens and fostering a sense of national unity. "NCC is not just a training program, but a way of life," he emphasized. The camp will witness a series of activities, including Physical Training, drill, Weapon training, Map Reading, adventure sports, cultural events and personality development.

## Floods ruined 35 people in state and 4.53 lakh acres of crop last year: Varun Chaudhary

JAIBEER RANA THAMBER  
BARARA, JULY 8

Varun Chaudhary, MP from Ambala Lok Sabha, said that the monsoon has knocked in Haryana. But the BJP government has not made any preparations for the people of the state. The water level of the river has increased significantly since the release of water in Yamuna from Hathiinkund barrage. Due to which there is a threat of floods in many districts of the state. Last year, the Yamuna River in the state showed 35 people and ruined the crop of 4.53 lakh acres.

He said that the first monsoon rains in Haryana have worked to open all the development works of the government. No adequate arrangements have been made by the BJP government to save the

water level in Yamuna river. In Sonepat, a tender for making 26 places with Rs 13.84 crore was issued. So far, work has started only three places. At the same time, in Faridabad, the government has not started work even after the tender of 5.60 crores has been issued for embankments. In CM CT Karnal, the government has also done only 15 percent of the embankments to avoid flood outbreaks. Despite the issue of tender of 94.58 crore in Yamunanagar, stones have not yet reached the embankments.

He said that the BJP government has been working to exploit farmers for the last ten years. Last year, the government has not yet provided compensation amount to 1 lakh 30 thousand farmers affected by the floods.

Varun Chaudhary said that last year, the maximum damage was done in Sonepat district due to increase in



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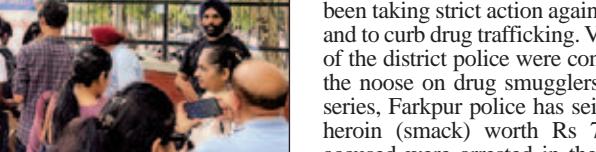
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## Editorial

### Discourses in conflict

India's independence from British rule set off the process of 'decolonisation' — the gradual dismantling of European imperialism in the Afro-Asian world. It's a point to keep in mind as India moves beyond the euphoria of celebrating the 75th anniversary of Independence. So, as we move beyond Covid-19 and India@75, where exactly does our 'truth and reconciliation' agenda with the legacy of Empire stand? As I write, a decolonisation-flavoured meme is going around on social media, with the jubilant faces of Rohit Sharma's boys in blue superimposed on a *Lagaan* poster. But on a more serious note, what would be the meaningful questions to ask in this respect, other than periodic wishful reiterations of the demand for the return of the Koh-i-Noor to India, or a grumpy half-anger at the consistent British refusal to formally apologise for Jallianwala Bagh?

Decolonisation has undeniably become even more of a buzzword in recent times, growing especially around the Black Lives Matter movement and, then, in the aftermath of George Floyd's murder in Minneapolis in July 2020, when significant parts of the world burst into angry protests against the legacies of Empire, including the enslavement, brutalisation, and exploitation of colonised peoples. Statues of slave traders (like Edward Colston in Bristol) were pulled down and imperialist figures — among them, Sir Cecil Rhodes in Cape Town (#RhodesMustFall), King Leopold of Belgium in Ostend, and Robert Clive in London (#RemoveClive) — got vandalised, shifted, or confronted with raucous demands for obliteration.

How do such symbols of Empire matter in our public history, especially in relation to our museums? Calcutta's Victoria Memorial Hall, which took off in 1921 as a mu-seum to showcase the achievements of the British Empire in India, might be a good case to look at. As an Empire Museum, its initial choice of worthies to commemorate included mostly 'good Indians', mainly the loyalist rajahs of princely India. While 'heroic' Indian adversaries like Tipu Sultan and Ranjit Singh were co-opted into the display, 'villainous' Indian foes like Nana Sahib were completely obliterated for committing the diabolical atrocity of massacring captive British women and children at Kanpur during the Revolt of 1857. The VMH was thus primed for hosting an imperialist game of cultural politics in which the Indian nation was present in a cosmetic, non-threatening way. In the late-1960s, as part of a postcolonial mandate of making it into a 'people's museum', space was carved out right in front of the VMH's imperialist statuary for a 'National Gallery' of leaders primarily from the ranks of the Indian National Congress.

**V**iolence erupted across France following a surprising exit poll suggesting a left-wing coalition's lead in the snap election, dealing a blow to Marine Le Pen's ambitions of forming France's first hard-right government since the war, Fox News reported.

Video footage captured masked demonstrators running through streets, igniting flares, and causing disturbances as riot police were dispatched nationwide.

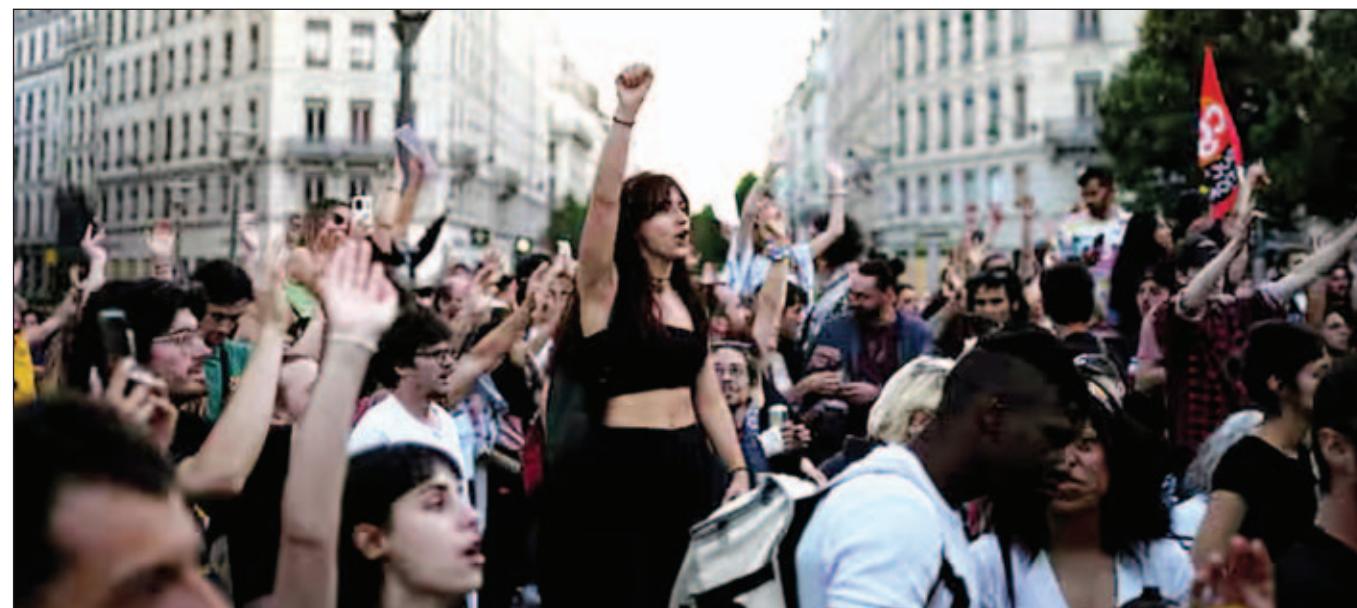
French election night turned turbulent as results showed a left-wing coalition poised to claim the majority of parliamentary seats, prompting both celebrations and unrest in Paris, Fox News reported.

Prime Minister Gabriel Attal announced his resignation as a far-left political alliance unexpectedly surged ahead in the snap elections.

Thousands gathered at Paris's Place de la Republique to cheer the news, highlighting widespread support for the coalition over Prime Minister Emmanuel Macron's centrist bloc, which secured second place.

Conservatives were left reeling by the upset, having anticipated Marine Le Pen's National Rally to seize power, as reported by Fox News.

Social media footage captured fiery scenes in Parisian streets, with authorities in riot gear managing crowds as tear gas was deployed amid



clashes. Protesters reportedly threw Molotov cocktails and set off smoke bombs.

The victorious left-wing coalition, known as the Popular Front, comprises France's Socialist Party, the French Communist Party, the Ecologists, and France Unbowed.

Their platform includes overturning Macron's pension reforms and advocating for a retirement age of 60, along with plans to raise public sector wages, reinstate a wealth tax, and increase France's minimum wage.

The election results marked a significant shift in French politics, with the National Rally, led by Jordan

Bardella, claiming substantial gains despite initial high expectations. He criticised Macron for purportedly "pushing France into uncertainty and instability" and expressed disappointment at falling short of projected outcomes despite an increase in parliamentary seats.

Meanwhile, President Emmanuel Macron will wait to make decisions about a new government, according to a statement from Elysee Palace, following the announcement of preliminary results from the second round of parliamentary elections.

In Paris, the announcement that the left-wing NFP was projected to

surpass RN sparked jubilation among supporters. The result marked a turnaround from RN's initial lead after the first round of elections. In a show of emotion, Parisians took to the streets, holding signs and cheering as the outcome was confirmed at 8 pm local time.

Amidst the celebrations, expressions of relief were evident as flares were lit and chants of "everyone hates fascists" echoed through the streets.

Initial projections were released at 8 PM Paris time (1800 GMT), with official results anticipated to be announced between late Sunday and Monday.

## Literature & Health

### Death toll rises to 62 in Nepal's monsoon mayhem



ing and 38 people were injured due to landslides. Likewise, 43 houses have been completely damaged by landslides and 24 houses were partially damaged.

Nineteen sheds were damaged and 12 people were injured. Similarly, 11 houses are completely damaged and six houses are partially damaged due to inundation.

According to the Authority, the flood and landslides have caused damage equivalent to eight million and six hundred thousand rupees so far. According to statistics, 19 people died and 35 people were injured due to lightning.

### Pakistan: Man buries 15-day-old daughter alive

**I**n a tragic and appalling incident, a father has been apprehended for the heinous act of burying his 15-day-old daughter alive in Tharushah, as reported by ARY News.

Police officials disclosed that the father, identified as Tayyab, confessed to this grievous deed, citing financial constraints that prevented him from affording medical treatment for his infant daughter. Tayyab admitted to placing the newborn in a sack before burying her.

A case has been formally lodged against Tayyab, who has admitted guilt in the matter. Authorities have indicated that pursuant to a court directive, the child's grave will be opened for forensic examination through postmortem procedures, according to ARY News.

In a separate incident that took place in Lahore's Defence B area, where a husband and wife allegedly subjected a 13-year-old domestic worker to severe abuse, including stripping and physical torture.

Following a complaint filed by the victim's mother, Tahreem, law enforcement



promptly registered a First Information Report (FIR) against the accused, Hassam. Hassam has been detained in connection with the incident, while efforts to apprehend his wife are reportedly ongoing.

According to the FIR, the victim, Tehreem, was subjected to continued physical abuse, including being stripped naked, allegedly over suspicions of theft. The mother of the victim further asserted in the FIR that her daughter sustained fractures to her hand and nose during the ordeal.

## POEM

### Friend

**A**rt thou abroad on this stormy night on thy journey of love, my friend?

The sky groans like one in despair. I have no sleep tonight. Ever and again I open my door and look out on the darkness, my friend! I can see nothing before me. I wonder where lies thy path! By what dim shore of the ink-black river, by what

far edge of the frowning forest, through what mazy depth of gloom art thou threading thy course to come to me, my friend?

**Rabindranath Tagore**

## Balochistan witnessed 54 incidents of enforced disappearances in June 2024



Additionally, in June an incident related to suicide linked with psychological trauma inflicted by

district during the third week of June.

The PAANK report quoted the statement of a Psychologist, who stated that Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) has reached epidemic levels in the Balochistan province.

Increasing the level of struggle and pain faced by the victims of incidents of Enforced disappearances, torture, and military operations. The report further highlighted that the Balochistan province has also witnessed a major increase in the number of protests over all extrajudicial activities, particularly in the Makran division.

The report further mentioned that the Kech, Dera Bugti, Mastung and Awaran districts of

Balochistan witnessed the highest number of enforced disappearances. The number of these incidents totals up to 37 cases of enforced disappearances.

The issue of enforced disappearance has been a major problem for the people of Pakistan, according to Dawn.

As many as 197 missing persons cases reports have been submitted to the Pakistan Commission of Inquiry on Enforced Disappearances (COIOED) in the first half of the year 2024.

The commission stated that the total number of cases received up till June 30 was 10,285 while 8,015 cases were disposed of with a total of 6,464 people traced so far and 1,551 cases disposed of, Dawn reported.

The commission was set up in 2011 to trace the missing persons and fix responsibility on the individuals or organisations responsible, Dawn reported. The report further showed that 226 cases were disposed of in the first six months of 2023.

It further added that 2,270 cases were left while 4,514 were returned home, 1,002 were present in internment centres, 671 were in prisons and 277 were found dead. It said that 47 cases were received in June and 28 were disposed of with 13 of them unrelated to enforced disappearances, nine returned to their homes, three were confined in internment centres, two were confined in jails and one person's dead body was found, according to Dawn.

YouTube Music Spotted Testing AI-Generated Custom Radio Station Feature

YouTube Music has been spotted testing a new artificial intelligence (AI) feature that will allow users to generate unique radios with the help of an experimental tool. The new feature works with text-based prompts, meaning users can describe what they want to listen to, and the AI generates a radio station with similar songs in it. Earlier users could only create a radio based on a song or an artist and get similar song recommendations. An earlier report claimed that YouTube is in talks with major record labels to use copyrighted songs to develop AI tools for its music app.

Reddit user u/katera\_pro spotted a new feature on YouTube Music that is marked as experimental. Describing the feature, the Redditor said that it allows users to write a prompt which creates instantly generates a custom radio station. This is the only known report about the feature to date, so it's currently unclear how widely it is being tested.

YouTube Music rival Spotify recently released a similar feature dubbed Personalised Playlist for Premium users, which is currently in beta testing. Amazon has also released a similar feature dubbed Maestro in the US.

An image shared by the Reddit user reveal that the feature has been marked as 'experimental'. The text on the suggestion tells users to 'Ask for music any way you like.' A second screenshot shows what appears to be an AI-generated radio station.

The feature also appears to include a playlist title along with a short description of the radio station. Multiple songs connected with the theme requested by the user are also included in the screenshot shared by the Redditor. At the bottom, several prompt suggestions for other music genres are also displayed.

WhatsApp Channel Verification Check Mark Updated From Green to Blue to Match Facebook, Instagram

WhatsApp Channel verification check marks will soon be updated to a new colour on Android. The visual change was spotted by a feature tracker on a recent beta version of WhatsApp, which suggests that it will soon roll out to all users in future. It will make the check marks displayed in the app resemble their counterparts on Instagram and Facebook, Meta's popular social networking apps.

A post by feature tracker WABetaInfo states that a new blue checkmark already rolling out to testers who have downloaded the latest version of WhatsApp beta for Android.

WhatsApp's updated colour scheme will improve uniformity across the company's apps, making it easier for users who are familiar with Facebook and Instagram to easily identify whether the entity they are engaging with is authentic.

While the redesigned verification tick has currently been rolled out to WhatsApp's beta testers on Android, it could be rolled out to testers on iOS in the coming days or weeks. It will eventually arrive on the stable update channel for all platforms, including WhatsApp Web and WhatsApp Desktop.

Meanwhile, Meta is reportedly testing AI integration with WhatsApp's messaging features. The Meta AI chatbot is designed to help users edit text and generate replies to images.

Microsoft Surface Laptop 7, Surface Pro 11 Price in India for All Variants Leaked Ahead of Debut

Microsoft Surface Laptop 7 and Surface Pro 11, the company's consumer-focused devices with artificial intelligence (AI) capabilities, were unveiled in May and went on sale in select markets on June 18. At the time, India was not amongst the regions where these devices were introduced. A new leak has leaked the purported price of the Surface Laptop 7 and Surface Pro 11 in India, with prices well above the Rs. 1 lakh mark. These devices could soon make their debut in the country.

Microsoft Surface Laptop 7 Price in India (Rumoured) A poster posted these prices on X (formerly known as Twitter) claiming to source these details from a Chennai-based retailer. The post revealed prices for both Snapdragon X Plus and Snapdragon X Elite chipsets-powered devices across different RAM and in-built storage configurations.

According to the leak, the base variant of the Surface Laptop 7 starts at Rs. 1,16,999 and the top model will be available for Rs. 1,83,999. The full breakdown of all the different Laptop 7 variants is shown in the table below. Notably, the global variant of the new Surface Laptop 7 is available in two display variants of 13.5-inch and 15-inch. Both are IPS LCD panels with touch support and are protected by Corning Gorilla Glass 5. The device offers 120Hz refresh rate, HDR support, and Dolby Vision IQ. It also features a neural processing unit (NPU) for AI tasks.

Microsoft Surface Pro 11 Price in India (Rumoured) The poster claims that the Microsoft Surface Pro 11 will start at the price of Rs. 1,16,999 for the Snapdragon X Plus chip variant paired with 16GB RAM and 256GB of inbuilt storage. The top model with Snapdragon X Elite chip with 32GB RAM and 1TB inbuilt storage is tipped to be priced at Rs. 2,37,999. The full breakdown of different variants is given below.

Fine will be imposed on the agency that damaged the THINK Gas pipeline

UDHIANA - In Raikot, Ludhiana, due to negligence while digging a pit for earthling work by VDD, the THINK Gas pipeline laid there got damaged due to which gas started leaking from the pipeline. On receiving the information, the emergency response team of THINK Gas reached the spot and immediately controlled the gas leak. Due to their prompt action, a major accident was averted. THINK Gas was not given any prior information about this digging work, otherwise this damage could have been avoided.

Despite the markers and warning signs placed by Think Gas, the agency/persons did not take precautions during the digging which caused damage to the gas pipeline. The act of damaging the gas pipeline clearly falls under the category of offence under Section 15(1) and (2) of the Petroleum and Mineral Pipelines

(Acquisition of User's Right in Land) Act, (PMP Act), 1962 as well as relevant sections of the IPC. These violations are cognisable offences and attract a penalty of up to Rs 25 crore and imprisonment of up to three years.

# World skin health day: Nourish your skin from within with goodness of Almonds

Maintaining good skin health requires more than just external care; it involves nurturing from within. What we consume directly impacts our skin and overall health. Therefore, it is crucial to maintain a clean and balanced diet by incorporating nutritious foods like almonds. Rich in 15 essential nutrients, almonds can work wonders for our skin, improving texture and tone over time. Simply incorporating a handful of almonds into our daily routine can yield significant benefits, visibly enhancing how our skin looks and feels.

This World Skin Health Day, observed annually on July 8th, let's look beyond external skincare and focus on nurturing skin health from within. Including almonds in your diet can significantly contribute to reducing skin wrinkles. Rich in healthy fats and vitamin E (alpha-tocopherol), almonds are known for their anti-aging properties that benefit skin health. Regular consumption of almonds may also enhance the skin's resilience against UVB light, the primary source of skin damage from sun exposure, while simultaneously improving skin texture and tone. Additionally, almonds have been recognized for their skin benefits in various traditional medicine texts, including Ayurveda, Siddha, and Unani, due to their ability to enhance skin glow and vitality.

These powerhouse nuts are also



incredibly versatile, as they can be enjoyed in various forms, making

them a nutritious addition to any diet. Skin Expert and Cosmetologist Geetika Mittal Guptasaid, 'On World Skin Health Day, let's acknowledge the skin's crucial role as our body's primary defense. Simple habits like getting enough sleep, eating well, using sunblock and staying active greatly improve skin health. I strongly believe that opting for a balanced diet rich in protein, healthy fats, and vitamins is essential for maintaining healthy skin.'

## Indian textile players to announce new launches at Gartex Texprocess India

UDHIANA - Anticipating a boost in the manufacturing sector, signing of the FTAs, the recent growth in the textile exports, bundled with the Indian government's focus on making India a 'global manufacturing hub' has set up encouraging prospects for the stakeholders of the Indian textile value chain. This optimistic industry outlook is also evident in the spirit of the textile technology and apparel manufacturing players participating in the upcoming Gartex Texprocess India which is scheduled from 1 - 3 August 2024 at Yashodhoomi (IICC), Dwarka, New Delhi.

As the preparations for the event gear up, Mr Raj Manek, Executive Director and Board Member of Messe Frankfurt Asia Holdings Ltd shared: "I think India is evolving as a beacon of

innovations and economic resilience. With the upcoming edition of Gartex Texprocess India 2024, the momentum has been set to present the transformations in textiles right from the textile manufacturing machinery, garment fabric and denims to trims and accessories and lots more. Sustainability and Innovations in textiles are at the heart of the show and I am pleased to share that the participating Indian and international companies will display an unparalleled quality of products and finesse."

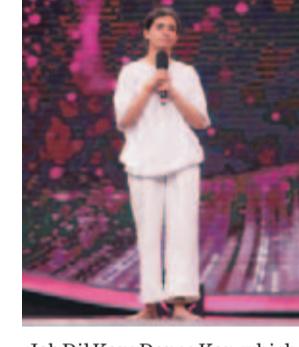
Mr Gaurav Juneja, Director of MEX Exhibitions Pvt Ltd, added: "With the recent growth recorded in the textile exports and focus on boosting the manufacturing sector India will take textile under its stride creating more business and job opportunities. Gartex Texprocess India has been known for

presenting an exceptional showcase of innovations from the textile industry, primarily in textile manufacturing machinery, garments, fabrics, denim, screen printing solutions and accessories. In the upcoming edition in August, we are excited to share that our esteemed exhibitors are ready to display their latest innovations and many of them are also launching their new products which make it a must-attend industry event for the textile enthusiasts and professionals."

Regardless of the global economic and political landscape, the recent surge reported in textile exports and apparel at 9.59% and 9.70% respectively, in May 2024 as cited by the Confederation of Indian Textile Industry (CITI), marks a positive sign uplifting the spirits of the Indian textile players.

## Uttar Pradesh's Akansha Mishra aka Akina impresses Specialists with her lyrical act on 'India's Best Dancer Season 4'; Geeta Kapur says, "I love you!"

Chandigarh : Sony Entertainment Television's homegrown dance reality show, India's Best Dancer, returns for its exciting fourth season with a new credo



their unique and versatile dance styles on this grand stage. The charismatic Karisma Kapoor, the visionary Geeta Kapur, and the meticulous Terence Lewis will ensure a well-rounded evaluation of each performance as the ENT (Entertainment, Newness, and Technique) specialists of this edition of the show. But it was the humble 23-year-old, from Uttar Pradesh, who presented an impressive lyrical dance act to the song 'Pehle Bhi Main' from the movie 'Animal,' that left the judges in awe. Having begun her classical dance training at a young age with her father's support, she had to cut her journey short as her family had to move to Mumbai. It was at the age of 15 that she rediscovered her passion for dance. Her performance took the judges by surprise with Karisma Kapoor saying, "For me, this performance was beautiful and elegant."

## AICTE and OPPO India collaborate for 'Generation Green'

Ludhiana : The All 0 for Technical Education (AICTE) and OPPO India today announced their 'Generation Green' campaign. The 100-day programme -managed by 1M1B (One Million for One Billion) -promotes green skills among the youth through 5,000 internships opportunities across



colleges in India. According to LinkedIn's Global Green Skills Report 2023, job seekers with green skills are 29% more likely to get hired than the average workforce. This initiative cultivates climate-conscious skills which will add to the students' knowledge to make them future-ready for the opportunities of tomorrow.

"AICTE is proud to join hands with OPPO India for the Green Internship Programme," Dr TG Sitharam, Chairman of AICTE, said. "It is a fantastic opportunity for students to develop their skills and contribute to sustainability efforts that tackle environmental challenges and contribute towards building an eco-friendly

world. Notably, OPPO India is the first electronics manufacturing company to offer internships through AICTE. This campaign is a part of the 1 Crore Internships mission of AICTE, Ministry of Education, Govt of India, and will contribute to the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals."

"At OPPO India, we are aligned with the Net-Zero vision of the Government of India. Our aim is to create a macro movement towards sustainability that is driven by the power of youth," said Rakesh Bhardwaj, Head, Public Affairs at OPPO India.

In the previous episode, we saw that Narula knows that Reet took a loan to save Narula's sweets, and Dadi is overwhelmed.

Today we see in the upcoming episode of "Gal Mithi Mithi" Reet Ranveer together plans to fulfil a new sweet order. Ranveer fights with goons to save orphan girls, and Reet

brings them to complete the sweets order. The family together makes sweets, and Shanaya Palak spoils all the sweets.

Will Reet manage to complete the dessert order or not? Will Shanaya spoil her ritually made sweets? Watch "Gal Mithi Mithi" every mon to sat at 7:00 pm only on zee punjabi.

## Mercedes-Benz plans 6 new launches in H2 2024



comprising 6 world-class products this year. By end of 2024, Mercedes-Benz will have a BEV in each segment, catering to every customer's need, starting from the EQA 250+ up to the luxurious EQS Maybach SUV. Mercedes-Benz India has been steadily building a robust charging infrastructure across its Franchise Partner network, comprising DC Fast and Ultra-Fast Chargers (60 kW and 180 kW), in addition to offering complimentary

AC wall box chargers to its customers with every BEV. H1 2024 sales: Mercedes-Benz also announced its best-ever H1 2024 and best-ever Q2 sales performance in India. The company continued its strong sales momentum, firmly leading the Indian luxury car market, recording its highest-ever H1 sales in its history. Mercedes-Benz retailed a record 9262 units in the January-June 2024 period, registering a 9% YoY growth.

## Anita Midha becomes the President of Inner Wheel Club Chandigarh City Beautiful



welcomed the club team. Other newly elected members of the club include Sarbani Dutta for the post of Vice President, Monica Arya for the post of Secretary, Nisha for the post of ISO, Ratanpreet Kaur for the post of Editor and Treasurer Monica Gupta. Apart from these, former President Virendra Kaur was declared IPP and Neelam Mahendru were declared advisors of the club. Meenakshi Sharma, MD and consultant (Radiation Oncology) from IVY Hospital was present as the chief

guest on this occasion. The program started by lighting the lamp by the club members, after which the report on various social works done in the Tricity was read out and the team work of the club was given credit for the better results of these works. In the program, newly elected President Anita Midha felicitated the sponsors who participated with the club in social work by giving them certificates.

On this occasion, a cake was cut on the completion of 4 years of the club and a pledge was also taken to do more social work.

The newly elected President of the club, Anita Midha said that teamwork is necessary to make any work successful. She said that whatever social work the club plans to do in the future, she will do it with full responsibility and dedication. She said that the aim of social service is to

positively influence every aspect of life.

## Global Middas Foundation Hosts "Panchan Di Sansad" in Mamdot, Ferozepur

## Tata Motors Group global wholesales at 3,29,847 in Q1FY25

handigarh/Ludhiana: The Tata Motors Group global wholesales in Q1 FY25, including Jaguar Land Rover\* were at 3,29,847 nos., higher by 6%, over Q1 FY24. Global wholesales of Tata Motors passenger vehicles\* in Q1 FY25 were at 138,682 nos., lower by 1% as

compared to Q1 FY24. Global wholesales for Jaguar Land Rover\* were at 97,755 vehicles, higher by 5%. Jaguar wholesales for the quarter were 8,227 vehicles, while Land Rover wholesales for the quarter were 89,528 vehicles.

UVB light and improve skin texture as well." Bollywood actress Soha Ali Khan said, "Being an actor, prioritizing good skin health is crucial to me. For this, I try to follow a balanced and clean diet and avoid eating out as much as I can. I prefer healthy snacking options, such as carrying a box of almonds wherever I go. Munching on almonds helps me stay fuller for longer periods and allows me.

## Sunil Kumar Sheela appointed President of newly formed District Retail Chemists Association



BUREAU  
PATHANKOT : The medical stores doing retail business of medicines in district Pathankot met and expressed solidarity in view of the problems facing their business and a new association Pathankot District Retail Chemist Association was formed to solve them. Members of medical stores from different parts of district Pathankot participated in the meeting. Meanwhile, the members of the association unanimously decided to appoint Sunil Kumar Sheela as the president of the association. Sunil Kumar thanked the members of the association and said that they will soon expand their unit and the problems faced by the shopkeepers will be solved together. Even if he has to take the path of struggle, he will not back down. On this occasion Govardhan Gopal Sharma, Vinay Kumar, Gagan Jandial, Rajeev Sharma, Anup Chauhan, Amit Gupta, Amit Kundra, Jaideep Thakur, Rakesh Dogra, Ashish etc were present.

vivo Expands its Y Series Portfolio with Y28 Series

C HANDIGARH: vivo expanded its Y series portfolio with the launch of Y28s and Y28e in India. Bringing style with sensibility, both smartphones embody an exquisite design paired with MediaTek Dimensity 6100+ 5G processor and a powerful 5000mAh battery offering consumers uninterrupted usage and a seamless experience. The vivo Y28s is priced at INR 13,999 for the 4GB+128GB variant, INR 15,499 for 6GB+128GB variant and INR 16,999 for 8GB+128GB variant, the vivo Y28e will be priced at INR 10,999 for the 4GB+64GB variant and INR 11,999 for 4GB+128GB variant. The smartphones will be available for purchase via Flipkart, vivo India e-store, and across all partner retail stores starting today. Both the smartphones will be available in two color variants, each. The Y28s comes with Vintage Red and Twinkling Purple, while the Y28e dazzles in Vintage Red and Breeze Green.

Geeta Chanaian, Head of Corporate Strategy at vivo India, commented, "We are thrilled to unveil the latest additions to our Y-series lineup, the Y28s and Y28e smartphones. Y series is known for its stunning design and exceptional camera performance that is crafted for young and tech-savvy users. Both these smartphones are a testimony of our commitment to drive customer centric innovation."

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Designed to cater to modern lifestyles, the all-new enhanced REDX plan integrates entertainment, dining, travel, security, and priority customer service, all for just Rs 1201. The new REDX plan provides access to a host of features that bring convenience, entertainment, and security - all in one single plan.

OTT Streaming with Netflix: The only postpaid plan that gives (mobile + TV) access to five OTT platforms, including Netflix. Other OTT players include Amazon Prime, Disney+ Hotstar, Sony Liv, and Sun NXT.

International Roaming & VIP Lounge access at the airports: The REDX plan includes a complimentary 7-day international roaming pack worth Rs. 2999 once a year, access to domestic and international airport lounges (up to 4 times annually, including 1 international airport lounge), and exclusive EaseMyTrip discounts on flight bookings.

Device Security: Complimentary access to Norton mobile security for 12 months.

Vi introduces All-New REDX Plan for Postpaid Users; Adds Netflix with Host of Other Offerings

G URUGRAM / HISAR : Vi, a leading telecom operator, today launched an all-new REDX plan for its postpaid users bringing the ultimate premium postpaid experience of unparalleled connectivity with a host of exclusive benefits.

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## House roof collapses due to rain, woman injured

**MAINPAL KASHYAP**  
**INDRI:** In Chaugawa village, 60-year-old Reshma Devi fell from her house's roof on Sunday night due to the collapse of a wooden beam in the porch's mud roof. The incident occurred early Monday morning around 5 AM when



she was attempting to come down from the roof. The fall resulted in significant injuries to her. Reshma Devi and her son Rajbir reported that their house is in poor condition, with mud roofs in the rooms and cracks in the walls. With the onset of the rainy season, the

incident has left them living under constant threat as the roof could collapse at any moment. Rajbir mentioned that their family is very poor and falls under the BPL (Below Poverty Line) category, yet they have not received any financial assistance so far.

# MLA Kashyap listens to problems of people in public hearing programme

**MAINPAL KASHYAP**  
**INDRI, JULY 8**



MLA Ramkumar Kashyap, while speaking in the public hearing program organized in the BJP office on every Monday of the month, said that being a representative of the public, it was not only his responsibility to resolve the problems and complaints of the public towards the government and administration, but also it became his duty. Whenever he got time, he heard problems and complaints and tried to solve them. He said that BJP workers and people of the constituency came to him with different types of problems. He also tried to ensure that people's problems were solved quickly and the problems related to administration were immediately handed over to the officers of the concerned

department to solve them.

In front of MLA Ramkumar Kashyap, the people of the constituency presented their various issues like providing employment, electricity and water related matters, grant transfer, getting grant amount, getting pension, ration, getting yellow ration card including construction of pucca house. All these types of problems were taken seriously and efforts were made to solve

them and most of the problems and complaints were resolved on the spot. For this, strict instructions were given to the administration officials through phone. The MLA said that the governments of the country and the state have jointly made many public welfare schemes in the interest of the people and without the cooperation of the public, no scheme can be successful. Therefore, public

cooperation was very important to make any scheme successful and reach the ground. He said that ever since the BJP government was formed in the state, corruption in jobs has been curbed. Because of which, today the young men and women from the poorest of the poor families were being provided employment as per their qualification and now the Central and State Governments have been providing jobs to the youth on the basis of merit without any expense. He said that the opposition parties were spreading various kinds of propaganda against the BJP to mislead the people, but the public knew very well that the BJP was the only party in which policies and schemes were made for the welfare of all sections and everyone got equal respect.

**PREETI SAINI**  
**SADHAURA, JULY 8**



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# BJP starts preparations for assembly polls

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## Monsoon Fest delights at DPS KG School



### Now people will have direct access to CM's office



**KHUSHAV SINGLA**

**MANDI GOBINDGARH:** DPSKG Machhiwara organised a Monsoon Fest, 24 on the 6th of July, 2024 in the school premises. The event was celebrated with great zeal and zest. The Monsoon Fest had many competitions for the mothers and their friends. The competitions included Monsoon Queen, Friends Forever, Desert Making Competition (Fireless) and Check Your Memory. All these competitions saw the enthusiastic participation of the mothers and their friends. Ms Mamta Anand clinched the title of the Monsoon Queen. Ms Kulwant Kaur was the 1st Runner Up whereas Ms Sunaina was the 2nd Runner up in the same competition. Ms Shweta Garg and Ms Madhu Garg were the winners of the Friends Forever Competition. Ms Nisha Kundra and Ms Pooja Kundra bagged the prizes in the Desert Making Competition and the Pyramid Game. Ms Nancy Sahota won the prize in the Check Your Memory game. The winners of the competitions were given trophies and appreciation certificates. All in all, the event was a great success.

**KULDEEP SOOD**

**BARNALA:** As part of the comprehensive initiative to provide better facilities to the people, on the orders of Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Singh Mann, Mukh Mantri Sahayta Kendra and Swagat and Sahayta Kendra have been established at District Administrative Complex Barnala. Giving this information, Deputy Commissioner Barnala Punamdeep Kaur IAS said that the as part of Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Mann's initiative to provide direct access to the people, Mukh Mantri Sahayta Kendra has been opened on the ground floor of the District Administrative Complex Barnala. She added that Mukh Mantri Sahayta Kendra will prove a boon for the people who earlier had to travel to Chandigarh for work in the Chief Minister's office or the head office of various departments at Chandigarh. Now people can file applications at the district head quarter itself.

### BSP organises meeting under public relations campaign in village Manakpur

**RAJNI SONI**  
**JAGADHARI, JULY 8**



Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) organized a meeting as part of public relations campaign in Dr. Ambedkar Bhawan located in village Manakpur under Jagadhari Vidhan Sabha on Monday. The BSP Haryana State President Dharampal Tigray attended the meeting as the chief guest. State President Tigray addressed the meeting and appealed to the villagers for votes and support the BSP candidate Darshan Lal Khetra from Jagadhari Vidhan Sabha.

He said that from 2005 to 2010, when Darshan Lal Khetra was the Pradhan of Nagar Parishad Jagadhari, he built concrete houses for thousands of poor and needy people. He laid

sewerage lines across the city, got his streets and drains paved. He extended the benefits of government schemes to helpless people. Mr Tigray said that Khetra was known as a decent, honest and hardworking Pradhan. So the Bahujan Samaj Party has made Khetra the BSP candidate after a lot of thought. Khetra also has a good hold in the rural areas. He appealed to the villagers and the party cadre to vote for Darshan

Khetra and support and ensure his win. On this occasion, BSP district president Rahul Brahmopal, Dr. Ramkumar, Nanak Chand, Rameshwar Das, Ganga Ram, Bhupal Singh, Sumerchand, Dr. Rajesh, Balwinder Garhi, Neeraj Kumar, sector president Satish Kumar, Lachhi Ram Numberdar, temple head Satish, Sushil Dhiman, Tilak Raj and all other sector presidents and officers were present.

### Grand program organized by Brahma Kumaris



**MANISH KUMAR**

**AMBALA:** A grand event was organized by Brahma Kumaris Supreme Light House, 214-215, Jaggi Colony, Phase-2, Ambala City on Monday. The theme of the program was "Worldly Problems, Spiritual Solutions". Key speaker Rajyogi Brahmakumar Suraj Bhai ji, who is a world famous spiritual speaker said that today one can see in this world everyone has different types of problems in their lives. Many people came to him with different types of problems. He would see the root cause of the problems from where we started this work with a great statement of God. He says problems are nothing but the creation of a weak mind. If a weak mind creates problems, a strong mind will destroy them.

### Prajapita Brahmakumari organizes Happiness program



**DARSHAN SHARMA**

**NILOKHERI:** On Monday, a happiness program was organized in Prajapita Brahmakumari Ishwariya Vishwavidyalaya Nilokheri. In this program, Brahmakumar Sanjeev Bhai, who came from Delhi, taught spiritual Rajayoga to all the brothers and sisters present. He said that if they gave blessings to someone, then those blessings would come back to them. He also organized a new exchange of blessings game by giving blessing cards to everyone. He also conducted meditation through commentary. Brahmakumar Praveen Bhai and Vishal Bhai also shared their knowledge and life experiences. Prem sister who came from Karnal also gave her discourses to all the brothers and sisters. Renu sister who came from Gharaundera conducted the stage. The program was organized by Brahmakumari Sangeeta sister and the main director of Nilokheri Seva Kendra. On this occasion, children presented a dance on the song.

### Fearing defeat BJP govt busy making announcements: Virendra Kail



### District Karate Championship 2024-25 held



**RAJNI SONI**

**JAGADHARI:** Fearing defeat in assembly elections, BJP is remembering public welfare. Now the public is not going to be fooled. These words were said by Rajiv Gandhi Panchayati Raj Organization's state general secretary and former Sarpanch Welfare Association's state president Virendra Kail. He said that the announcements made by state's Chief Minister in the past regarding increasing power of Sarpanches should have been made long ago. At least the work would have started on their notification on time. He said that by the time these announcements come into effect, the code of conduct will be imposed for the assembly elections. He said that Sarpanches have not forgotten the use of force on them. Virendra Kail said that now people are not going to be influenced by the announcements being made in quick succession. The state president said that the public has made up its mind to oust BJP from power in the assembly elections. It is certain that the next government will be formed by Congress. Kail said that Congress believes in working with the spirit of welfare of the entire society. As soon as Congress comes to power, it will work on fulfilling the promises made to the people on priority basis.

### Rotary Club honours Study Empire's Managing Director Ankit Panjeta for social service



**NARESH GARG**

**LADWA:** Ladwa's Rotary Club honoured Study Empire's Managing Director Ankit Panjeta for bearing cost of education of about 430 children. Club Secretary Rakesh Khurana said that everyone has money, but not everyone has strength and courage to use it in good works, there are only a few people who have courage to spend their money on others. A similar work was done by Study Empire's Managing Director Ankit Panjeta, who runs an IELTS centre in Ladwa. He has taken the responsibility of bearing the entire cost of education of about 450 children from 100 schools who secured first position in class 11 this year, which is a commendable work. He said that there are 70 government and 35 private schools in it, which is a very big work. For this, he was honored by Rotary Club by giving him a memento and in coming days, all the members of the Rotary Club will stand shoulder to shoulder with him. Study Empire's Managing Director Ankit Panjeta said that he is heartily grateful to the Rotary Club for the trust it has shown in him and the honor it has given him.

### Nar Narayan Seva Samiti distributes free ration to needy



**KAPIL ARORA**

**SHAHABAD MARKANDA:** Nar Narayan Seva Samiti, which has been helping the needy people in every possible way for the last 14 years, distributed ration for the month of July to the needy families. The founder president of the committee, Munish Bhatia, told that a simple program was organized by the committee located in Ladwa at Shri Lakshmi Narayan Temple. Rajita Singh and her father, retired SDM Jeet Singh, who specially attended the program distributed ration to the needy families. Rajita Singh said that the work that Nar Narayan Seva Samiti has been doing in accordance with its name was commendable. She said that in today's time, if a hungry person got food, if a needy person got help, then there can be no greater virtuous act than this. Rajita Singh said that the cooperation of all the members of the committee for the projects being done by the committee for the needy people was noteworthy. Retired SDM Jeet Singh also congratulated the members for the social service work being done by the committee. The founder president of the committee Munish Bhatia and the members honored Rajita Singh and Jeet Singh by giving them Siropas and mementoes.

### Students of Einstein International School shine in district swimming tournament



**KAPIL ARORA**

**SHAHABAD MARKANDA:** Students of Einstein International School participated in the District Swimming Tournament in Kurukshetra and brought laurels to the school. School Director Deepali Singh said that the students performed brilliantly in various categories and won many medals. She said that Manan of the school won two silver medals, Manav won one gold, one silver and one bronze medal, Gurkirat won one gold medal, Dhiren won one silver medal, Vanya won one gold and two silver medals, Samaira won one silver medal, Kanishka won one silver medal, Kunwarveer won participation medal and Arnav won one bronze medal. Ms Deepali congratulated the winning students and said that they should keep moving forward by participating in such competitions. She said that some talent was hidden in the students. The only need was to polish the talent.

### Felicitations ceremony held for new judges at District Bar Association, Jagadhari



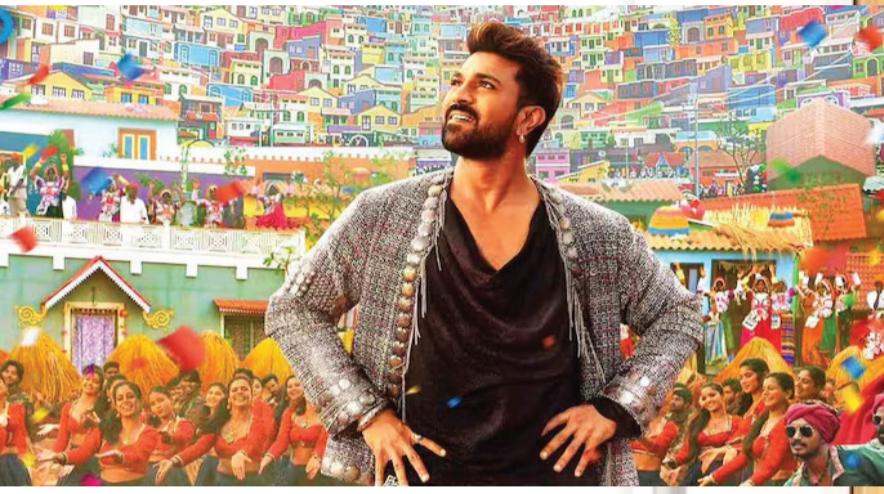
**PRITI SAINI**

**SADHAURA:** District Bar Association President Arun Dhanda reported that an honor ceremony was organized in the auditorium of the District Bar Association, Jagadhari (Yamunanagar). The event welcomed the new judges appointed to the District Court, Jagadhari: Honorable District and Sessions Judge Ramesh Chand, Principal Judge of Family Court Jagjit Singh, ACJ Ms. Deeksha Das Ranga, ACJ (SD) Ms. Sumitra Kadian, CJ (JD) Harleen Kaur, CJ (JD) Rishabh Agarwal, and CJ (JD) Neha Singh. They were greeted with bouquets by Bar President Arun Dhanda and his executive committee.

The event was graced by Honorable District and Sessions Judge Ramesh Chand Dhamri as the chief guest, accompanied by all the esteemed judges. District Bar Association President Arun Dhanda presided over the program, warmly welcoming and greeting the Honorable District and Sessions Judge and all other judges upon their arrival at the ceremony.



# 'SEE YOU AT THE CINEMAS': RAM CHARAN WRAPS 'GAME CHANGER' SHOOT



Ram Charan has wrapped up the shooting of his upcoming big-budget film, 'Game Changer'. The actor took to his Instagram account on Monday to share a collage of two pictures from the first and last day of shooting to announce the news to his fans. In the photos, Ram Charan can be seen approaching a helicopter. Sharing the collage, he wrote, "The GAME is about to CHANGE! #GAMECHANGER That's a wrap! See you at the cinemas @ shannmughanshankar @srivenkateswarcreations." Sri Venkateswara Creations also posted the same photo, stating, "It's been a MEGA POWER PACKED journey from the first day of shooting to the last for our #GameChanger @AlwaysRamCharan. It's a wrap. Bringing you some Blistering Updates soon." Directed by Shankar and announced in 2021, 'Game Changer' has been in produc-

tion for nearly three years. It also stars Kiara. The film's story revolves around an Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer who strives to combat corrupt politicians by advocating for fair elections to transform the way government works. Ram and Kiara previously worked together in Boyapati Srinu's 2019 film *Vinaya Vidheya Rama*. S. Shankar has directed the film. Additionally, Ram Charan will also be seen sharing screen space with Janhvi Kapoor in a yet-to-be-titled film. The film was recently launched in Hyderabad with a puja ceremony. The Telugu film to be directed by Buchi Babu Sana, debuted with the National Award-winning *Uppena*, and will also be released in Hindi, Tamil, Malayalam and Kannada. Janhvi Kapoor plays the female lead in the film, which also stars Kannada superstar Shiva Rajkumar. AR Rahman will compose the music for the film.



## Anant Ambani, Radhika Merchant's families celebrate Grah Shanti Puja



head of their wedding on July 12, Anant Ambani and Radhika Merchant took part in a Grah Shanti Puja ceremony. Singer Nikita Waghray took to Instagram on Sunday to share glimpses from the event, including the serene moments of the Grah Shanti and Mandap Muhurat Puja. Radhika looked stunning in a cream and golden saree decorated with exquisite jewellery, while Anant sported a red kurta paired with a golden jacket. Recently, Mukesh Ambani along with his wife Nita Ambani hosted a mass wedding event for 50 underprivileged couples. Their son Akash Ambani with his wife Shloka Mehta and daughter Isha Ambani with husband Anand Piramal were also present. On Friday, the Ambani family also hosted a Sangeet Ceremony which saw participation by a constellation of celebrities. Global pop sensation Justin Bieber also performed at the sangeet ceremony. Earlier this year, the couple hosted a series of

pre-wedding festivities in Jamnagar, which saw a star-studded guest list from around the globe.

Business leaders, heads of state, and Hollywood and Bollywood celebrities graced the occasion, making it an event to remember.

Among the distinguished guests were Meta founder Mark Zuckerberg and his wife Priscilla Chan, Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates, and Ivanka Trump.

Indian corporate giants like Gautam Adani, Nandan Nilekani, and Adar Poonawalla were also in attendance, along with cricket legends Sachin Tendulkar, MS Dhoni, and Rohit Sharma.

Spiritual leader Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudev added a touch of serenity to the celebrations.

Bollywood's elite, including Amitabh Bachchan, Rajinikanth, Shah Rukh Khan, Salman Khan, Aamir Khan, Karan Johar, Ranbir Kapoor, Alia Bhatt, Anil Kapoor, and Madhuri Dixit, added glamour to the festivities.

The highlight of the pre-wedding celebrations was an electrifying performance by pop sensation Rihanna, marking her debut performance in India.

**Will Pushpa and Deepti solve the murder mystery that has traumatised Swara in 'Pushpa Impossible'?**

**CHANDIGARH :** Sony SAB's 'Pushpa Impossible' tells the heartwarming story of Pushpa (Karuna Pandey), a resilient woman who faces life's challenges head-on, never losing hope. In the recent episodes, the audience witnessed the killer, Sarang (Ranendre Jain), settling in Bapodara chawl. He was seen trying to hide all the evidence of his crime along with his partner Anshuman (Sandeep Kapoor), who is also Deepit's (Garima Parihar's) boss. In the upcoming episodes, Deepit believes that her boss is unaware of the illegal drug trade within his company. However, that's not the case. When Anshuman discovers that Deepit knows about this, he tries to seek revenge on both Deepit and Swara (Vrishi Kodavara), as she has witnessed the murder committed by Sarang. Meanwhile, Deepit and Pushpa are determined to gather evidence to expose the wrongdoing. What will happen next? Tune in to find out how Pushpa and Deepit together solve this mystery.



Garima Parihar, playing the role of Deepit, said, "As an actor, it gives me immense creative satisfaction to portray a character who stands for what's right, no matter the odds. As my character Deepit takes on the goons, with the help of her mother-in-law Pushpa, we see how resilience and truth can overcome even the darkest challenges. The upcoming journey of Deepit will certainly be thrilling and exciting for the audience."

Tune in to watch *Pushpa Impossible* only on Sony SAB every Monday to Saturday at 9:30 PM

**Sony SAB artists share heartwarming monsoon memories and favorite rainy day comforts**



**CHANDIGARH :** The monsoon season brings with it a sense of nostalgia and joy, evoking cherished memories of childhood and simpler times. For the beloved artists of Sony SAB, the rains hold a special place in their hearts, filled with unforgettable moments and heartwarming experiences. From playing in the puddles to savoring homemade delicacies, each artist has a unique story to tell. Riya Sharma who essays the role of Tara in *Dhruv Tara* said, "I like monsoons. I love going for long drives, enjoying the weather, and especially experiencing Bombay's monsoon. It's wonderful here. I love going out on dates and adore chai and pakoras. There's no specific monsoon fashion for me, but I do prefer boots because of the weather. I also have many clothes made from parachute fabric, a lifesaver during the monsoon. This is my go-to monsoon fashion. I love this weather so much that I don't feel like waking up in the morning; I just want to sleep."

Amandeep Sidhu who essays the lead character of Baani in *Badali* Pe Paon Hai said, "When I was in Delhi, my mother used to make Kheer and Puri which used to be my favorite dish growing up. Savoring every bite of it used to be my favorite pastime during rain. Upon moving to Mumbai, life took a busier turn. Amidst the hustle and bustle, my fondness for Vada Pav blossomed. I used to wait at the bus stand munching on the spicy snack, especially during monsoon. Since I am in Chandigarh now the incessant rain over the past two days has brought a serene and refreshing change."

Anjali Tatrari who essays the lead character of Yuvika in *Vanshaj* said, "Monsoon fashion for me is all about comfort and coziness. Most of the time, I prefer to stay in my shorts or pajamas. The cozy atmosphere of the monsoon just makes me want to curl up and enjoy the simple comforts. Childhood memories are incredibly special to me, especially the snowfall and unexpected holidays it brought. We used to go out, get drenched, and play in the puddles—I really miss those carefree days. Living in Umar Gaon now, surrounded by lush greenery, I still love enjoying the magic of the monsoons. Pakodas are my go-to dish during this season—they bring back fond memories and are the perfect treat on a rainy day."

**Anita Bhabhi ki bus durghatna me hui achanak maut?**



**CHANDIGARH:** Brace yourself for a shocking twist in the new track of &TV's *Bhabhi Ghar Par Hai*! Anita's (Vidisha Srivastava) tragic accident leaves everyone in shock, and Vibhuti Narayan Mishra (Asif Sheikh) faces the prospect of a new marriage. Rohitashv Gour, who plays Manmohan Tiwari, shares, "Anita tells Vibhuti that she's going out of town for a seminar. Vibhuti is thrilled, thinking he can now openly flirt with Angoori (Shubhangi Atre). But then, Daroga Happu Singh (Yogesh Tripathi) brings the devastating news of Anita's bus accident. It shatters everyone. Tiwari faints, Vibhuti is stunned, and David Chacha (Anup Upadhyay) suffers a heart attack. The doctor (Jeetu Gupta) informs everyone that David Chacha only has a year left. Vibhuti turns to drinking in grief. David Chacha begs Vibhuti to remarry and fulfil his last wish of seeing a grandson. Although Vibhuti refuses initially, Angoori persuades him. Prem (Vishwajeet Soni) finds a prospective bride, and the engagement is arranged quickly."

Shubhangi Atre, who plays Angoori, adds, "An old man finds Angoori drifting in the water. He takes care of her until she recovers. When Anita returns home, she's shocked and heartbroken to see Vibhuti engaged to someone else. While everyone, including Vibhuti, is thrilled to see her back, the new fiancée and her mother demand a hefty amount to call off the wedding." Will Vibhuti get married again? Keep watching *Bhabhi Ghar Par Hai*, airing every Monday to Friday at 10:30 PM only on &TV!

## Riteish Deshmukh, Genelia Deshmukh pledge to donate their organs

**A**ctors Riteish Deshmukh and Genelia Deshmukh have taken a pledge to donate their organs. Now, the National Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation has expressed gratitude to them for this noble act. Earlier Riteish took to his Instagram handle to share a video in which they talked about their pledge of donating an organ about which they had been thinking for quite a long time and said that there can be no "greater gift to someone than 'The Gift Of Life'."

"There is no greater gift to someone than 'The Gift Of Life'. @geneliad & me have pledged to donate our organs. We urge you all to join this great cause and be part of 'The Life AfterLife', " wrote 'Masti' actor.

"Aaj 1st July ko hum ye kehna chaahte hain aur aapko ye batana chaahte hain ki hum dono ne ek pledge liya hai.. (Today, on July 1 we want to tell you about something that we have pledged), we have decided to donate our organs," said Riteish Deshmukh in the video.

"Yes, we pledge have pledged to donate our organs and for us there's no better gift than the gift of life," added Genelia.

Now, National Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation (NOTTO) has taken to their official handle of X to express gratitude to the ace actors. The caption



along with the video reads, "Thanks to Riteish Deshmukh & Genelia, the Bollywood star couple for pledging to donate their organs during the ongoing organ donation month of July. Their gesture will motivate others also to connect with the noble cause. #organdonation #Bollywood

#savelives" Meanwhile, on the work front, Riteish Deshmukh is all set to be seen along with Sonakshi Sinha and Saqib Saleem in the film 'Kakuda'. On Tuesday, the makers unveiled the trailer of the film and it looks promising. 'Kakuda' follows the story of Sunny played

by Saqib Saleem, a less-educated guy who is in love with Indira portrayed by Sonakshi Sinha. Determined to be together, they marry and move to the village of Ratodi only to be cursed by 'Kakuda'. On their wedding night, Sunny fails to open the smaller door for Kakuda at 7:15 pm sharp, inviting Kakuda, a wicked ghost who punishes the man of the house by inflicting a hump on their back that grows until their demise on the thirteenth day. With Sunny's life hanging by a thread, Indira seeks help from Victor, an unconventional ghost hunter, allowed me to tap into a side of my acting abilities that I hadn't fully explored before. This character is unlike any other I've portrayed, and that's what

makes it so exciting. Blending horror and comedy is a delicate balance, and I'm grateful to have had the opportunity to work alongside such talented co-stars like Sonakshi Sinha and Saqib Saleem. 'Kakuda' takes you on a rollercoaster ride of emotions, leaving you both laughing and scared."