

NEWS BRIEFS

ED summons  
Jacqueline  
Fernandez in  
money  
laundering case



**NEW DELHI:** In a significant development, the Enforcement Directorate (ED) has summoned Bollywood actress Jacqueline Fernandez to appear for questioning on Wednesday in an ongoing high-profile Rs 200 crore money laundering case involving alleged conman Sukesh Chandrashekar. Fernandez has been asked to depose before the investigators at ED headquarters in the national capital. She was earlier questioned several times by the ED officials in the case for her links with Chandrashekar, who is accused of extorting substantial sums from various individuals and allegedly using the funds to sustain a luxurious lifestyle.

8 held for fake  
arms licence  
racket in  
Amritsar

**AMRITSAR:** In a major breakthrough, Amritsar Commissionerate Police on Wednesday arrested eight people running a fake arms licence racket, an official said. Director General of Police (DGP) Gaurav Yadav said on social media X that the police recovered six fake arms licenses and Aadhaar cards, seven pistols, revolvers, double barreled rifle and a laptop with details of forged documents.

Over 51 percent  
polling in  
Jalandhar West  
constituency

**JALANDHAR:** 51.30 per cent voting took place till 5 pm in Jalandhar West Vidhan Sabha seat in Punjab. Voting has started at 7 am. It will continue till 6 pm. The Jalandhar West constituency is witnessing a multi-cornered contest with major political outfits like AAP, Congress and BJP vying to outdo each other. Fifteen candidates are in the fray for the by-election.

# High Court orders removal of barricades at Shambhu Border

BUREAU  
CHANDIGARH, JULY 10

The Punjab and Haryana High Court on Wednesday directed the Haryana government to open within one week its Shambhu and Khanauri border entry points that have remained barricaded since February 10 due to farmers' agitation.

The directions came on a petition filed against the sealing of border between Punjab and Haryana.

The Court directed the Punjab government to take care of demonstrations within its jurisdiction at the Shambhu border and allowed the Haryana government to take preventive action if law and order situation deteriorates again. The Bench had observed: "It is pointed out that the highways/national highways at the Shambhu border continue to be blocked, which is causing inconvenience to the commuters. Accordingly, both the states of Punjab and Haryana shall submit their affidavits regarding this aspect, by the next date of hearing, giving the details as to when it was closed and for how long the said position would continue."

One of the petitions was filed by city-based advocate Uday Pratap Singh for the issuance of urgent interim order to stay all "obstructive actions" of the gov-



ernments of Punjab, Haryana and the Union of India, against the farmers' "peaceful" protests.

He said the road blockade not only caused inconvenience to the locals, but also hampered the movement of pedestrians, ambulances, school buses, and other vehicles.

The farmers' organisations were also directed to maintain law and order.

Farmer organisations, while demanding a law to guarantee minimum

support price (MSP) for crops, had given a call in February for a march towards Delhi.

However, the Haryana government sealed the borders by putting barricades on national highways near borders to prevent farmers from driving towards Delhi on the highway.

Amid violence, the state government also deployed security to stop farmers at Shambhu and Khanauri borders.

## UP: 18 killed, 19 injured as bus collides with tanker

AGENCY  
UNNAO (UP), JULY 10

Eighteen people were killed and 19 others were injured when a tanker collided with a double decker bus in Bangar-mau area of Unnao district here in Uttar Pradesh on Wednesday, a police officer said here.

Circle Officer (CO) Bangar-mau Arvind Kumar said that the incident took place



near Jogikot village where the bus going to Delhi from Siwan in a bid to overtake collided with the milk tanker.

He said both the vehicles overturned after collision. "18 people, including drivers of both the vehicles, we're killed in the incident," he said.

The CO said that the police and UPEIDA team reached the spot and launched relief and rescue work.

## No change in existing curriculum, expect classes 3 and 6: CBSE

AGENCY  
NEW DELHI, JULY 10

The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has reiterated that there will be no change in the existing curriculum or textbook for all classes except for 3 and 6 for the coming year, as per a new notice released by the board on Wednesday.

As per a new notice released by the CBSE, all the CBSE-affiliated schools were once again instructed to continue using the same textbooks for the other classes as they did in the previous academic year (2023-24).

"The National Council of Educational Research and

Training (NCERT) has informed CBSE through a letter dated 18.03.2024 that new syllabi and textbooks for Grades 3 and 6 are currently under development and will



to follow these new syllabi and textbooks for classes 3 and 6 in place of textbooks published by NCERT till the year 2023. Additionally, a bridge course for class 6 and concise guidelines for class 3 is being developed by NCERT for facilitating a seamless transition for students to new pedagogical practices and areas of study aligned with NCF-SE 2023," the board said.

"There will be no change in the curriculum and textbooks for other classes for the academic year 2024-25, commencing from 1st April 2024," the board further stated.

soon be released. Consequently, schools are advised

## India-Austria friendship to get stronger in times to come: PM Modi

AGENCY  
VIENNA, JULY 10

The India-Austria friendship is strong, and it will get even stronger in the times to come, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said as he met Austrian Chancellor Karl Nehammer for a private engagement ahead of their official talks on Wednesday to tap the full potential of the bilateral partnership.

Modi arrived here from Moscow on Tuesday evening on a two-day visit, the first by an Indian prime minister in over 40 years.

Modi was welcomed by Austrian Foreign Minister Alexander Schallenberg at the airport.



"An important milestone in India-Austria partnership! PM @narendramodi hosted by Austrian Chancellor @karlnehammer for a private engagement. This is the first meeting between the two leaders. Discussions on realising the full

potential of bilateral partnership lie ahead," MEA Spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said in a post on X, along with photographs of the two leaders together in Vienna.

Modi was seen hugging Nehammer in one of the pho-

tos, while in another, the Austrian chancellor was seen clicking a selfie with the prime minister.

Nehammer posted a photo of him and Modi on the microblogging platform and said: "Welcome to Vienna, PM @narendramodi! It is a pleasure and honour to welcome you to Austria. Austria and India are friends and partners. I look forward to our political and economic discussions during your visit!" The prime minister thanked the Austrian chancellor "for the warm welcome" and said he looks forward to "our discussions tomorrow as well. Our nations will continue working together to further global good".

# Sushil Kashyap inaugurates free bus service for girls

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA  
GHARAUNDA, JULY 10

Social worker Sushil Kashyap has taken the initiative to run buses at his own expense in the remote areas of Gharaunda. On Wednesday, social worker Sushil Kashyap formally inaugurated the bus from village Mudogarhi by breaking a coconut and flagging off the bus. Girls will be able to travel free of cost in these buses, the buses will reach Kalpana Chawla Government Medical College in Karnal via various villages of Gharaunda.

When social worker Sushil Kashyap reached village Mudogarhi, the villagers welcomed him with flower garlands. He said that a free bus service is being started for sisters and daughters from village Mudogarhi of Gharaunda Vidhan Sabha, this bus will go from village Mudogarhi to Dera, Sadar Pur Peer Bidoli, Chaura, Kerwali, Amritpur Kala, Bhaini, Kutail, Raver and Tarapur to Kalpana Chawla Medical College Karnal. He said that social service is considered the biggest service, everyone should participate in social service works. A person should take out some time from his daily routine and spend it in social work, he said that always remember to help the people who are troubled in the society, this gives a feeling of spiritual happiness.

Many villages of Gharaunda are at a great distance from Karnal city and it



is very difficult to reach the city from these villages. Because there is a great lack of means of transportation. Women and students have to face a lot of problems because due to crowd or shortage of buses, the students used to get late in reaching school, college or institutes, which used to disrupt their studies. But now this will not happen. To overcome the problems of transportation of women and daughters, 2 buses have been started, women and daughters will be able to travel free of cost in

these buses. Kashyap said that a woman conductor will be kept in the bus so that sisters and daughters do not face any problem during the journey. This will also provide employment to one family. Sushil Kashyap told that he is constantly associated with social service works, he believes that social service is the biggest service. Considering this as the supreme religion, I keep engaged in my work, I try to do as much as



possible. From time to time he keeps doing such social work. Apart from the marriage of poor girls, helping the poor and helpless people is a part of his daily routine. Every person should do some kind of service from time to time. Not only does this give peace to the mind, but on this pretext you get acquainted with hundreds of people whom you do not know. In such a situation, if you help them, then God's blessings will always remain on you.

Sushil Kashyap said that so far 2 buses have been started and, one more bus will be started soon. Buses have been started in those far-flung villages of Gharaunda where there are

most problems of transportation. Women and daughters will benefit a lot from the start of these buses. They will be able to come to Karnal city from their respective villages and do their work or study. He said that after starting the buses, flour mills will be started in every village of Gharaunda, where anyone can get flour ground for free. Because the needy are facing a lot of problems in this inflation, my effort is to remove these problems as much as possible. On this occasion, acting State President OBC Cell Congress, Kartar Kashyap, Praveen Kashyap State Coordinator and Incharge Panipat OBC Cell, Ankur Phogat, Amar Jeet Baazigar, Sushil Barsat, Rajesh Kashyap, Sarpanch Suleman, Nazim, Rakesh Kumar, Rajesh Pingali, Baljinder Singh, Afib, Gulshan Kashyap, Shishpal and many others were present with him.







**Kanwar Pal congratulates Badoli on becoming BJP State president**

**RAHUL KOHLI JAGADHRI:** Haryana Agriculture Minister Kanwar Pal said that the top leadership of BJP has always handed over the reins of Haryana to strong hands to take the state further on the path of progress. He congratulated and wished Rai MLA Mohan Lal Badoli on being elected as the BJP State President and said that the central leadership has handed over the reins of the state to such an experienced and honest person with a great personality, Mohan Lal Badoli, this will definitely benefit the BJP in the state. This is a very commendable decision of the central leadership. He said that Mohan Lal Badoli is a very loyal person and whatever responsibility is given to him, he believes in doing that work with full dedication and honesty. With his energetic leadership and organisational experience, BJP will become stronger at the grassroots level. He said that the newly appointed BJP State President will work with full dedication and hard work to strengthen the party.

CHANDIGARH, THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2024

# GMDA approves Rs.2887 crore budget for development works

**BUREAU CHANDIGARH, JULY 10**

The 13th meeting of the Gurugram Metropolitan Development Authority (GMDA) was held under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Sh. Nayab Singh here today. During the meeting, a budget proposal of Rs 2887.32 crore was approved for the financial year 2024-25. Detailed discussions on various agendas were held, including increasing the capacity of CCTV cameras for city surveillance and adaptive traffic management, constructing new water treatment plants, and enhancing the capacity of existing ones, and strengthening the network of water drainage and sewer treatment plants, among others. The GMDA Authority approved the implementation of CCTV project phase 3 for city

surveillance and adaptive traffic management at an estimated cost of Rs 422 crore. With this, high-quality CCTV cameras will be installed at different locations, increasing the number from approximately 4000 to about 14000. The meeting also approved the construction of a flyover at the junction of Sector 45-46-51-52, with Rs 52 crore allocated for this project to decongest traffic. Similarly, to alleviate congestion at the intersection of Sector 85-86-89-90, another flyover will be constructed to facilitate commuters and enhance mobility. To provide ultramodern sports infrastructure for sportspersons, the GMDA authority has approved the upgradation of Tau Devi Lal Stadium, Gurugram, at an estimated cost of Rs 634.30 crore. This comprehensive renovation project aims to enhance the facilities and amenities available to athletes, including the construction of new training centers, state-of-the-art sports facilities etc. Additionally, modern systems and infrastructure will be provided to meet international standards, ensuring that the stadium is equipped to support a wide range of sporting events and activities. The approval for the construction of a 100 MLD Water Treatment Plant Unit No. VI at Chandu Budhera at a cost of Rs 78 crore has been given. Additionally, the authority approved the construction of a 100 MLD WTP Unit No. IV at Basai with an estimated cost of Rs 247 crore. The augmentation of the existing Main Pumping Station to 650 MLD capacity at Dhanwapur for Rs 119 crore has also been approved.

The meeting also approved the procurement of 200 electric buses under the Gross Cost Contracting Model for operation in the GMDA area at a cost of Rs 69.66 crore. This initiative aims to provide safe, reliable, clean, and affordable city bus services to the residents of Gurugram. The introduction of these electric buses is a significant step towards reducing the city's carbon footprint and promoting sustainable urban transportation. These buses will be equipped with the latest technology to ensure comfort and safety for passengers. For providing and laying the Master Storm Water Drainage System in Sector 76-80 along National Highway-48, the GMDA authority has approved a sum of Rs 215 crore for the implementation of this project.

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## St. Lawrence International School celebrates 11th Foundation Day

**RAJNI SONI YAMUNANAGAR, JULY 10**

Foundation Day of St. Lawrence International School, Pabani Road, Jagadhri is celebrated with great enthusiasm every year on 10th July. This year, on the 11th Foundation Day of the school, renowned educationist Dr. Mukesh Sehgal and Dr. Rajni Sehgal lit the lamp in the temple of Maa Saraswati, offering flowers at the feet of Ganesh Ji and Maa Saraswati and congratulated the entire Lawrence family on this occasion. The Principal of the school informed that today a special assembly and various types of activities were organized. The aim of which was to ensure the all-round development of the students in today's competitive era. The Chairperson of the school, Dr. Rajni Sehgal, in her address on the Foundation Day of the school said that school is the foundation stone of the student's life where he goes on stage and expresses his views, receives the best education, becomes a great citizen and waves his flag in every field of life. Dr. Rajni Sehgal congratulated everyone on the 11th Foundation Day and wished them to keep

moving forward by taking such steps. The competitions organized on this day were as follows; Students from class Pre Nursery to KG participated in activities like English Rhymes with Props, Speech Mera Parichay. Students from



class I to III participated in topics like Our Assistant Competition, Show and Tell Activity, Say No to Junk Food and Speech on Laughter is the Best Medicine. Poetry competition was organized for class IV and V. School's Managing Director Dr. M.K. Sehgal said that we all together have been organising such competitions from time to time in this school so that students can master not only academic activities but also sports and cultural activities and their lives can improve and their confidence can increase.

## Bike theft accused arrested by Cheeka police

**KULBHUSHAN SHARMA GUHLA CHEEKA:** Tightening the noose on two-wheeler thieves, a team of ASI Sandeep Kumar of Cheeka police station arrested Vicky, resident of Alipur Jatan, District Patiala, Punjab. Police spokesperson said that according to the complaint of Charanjit, resident of village Malikpur, on April 3, his bike was stolen by an unknown person from Gaushala Road Cheeka. A case was registered in Cheeka police station. Another accused has already been arrested by the police in the said case. The said stolen bike has already been recovered by Punjab Police from the possession of the accused. The accused will be produced in the court, interrogation is being done by the police now.

## If we want to save environment, we will have to plant more and more trees: Sushma Verma

**DR ASHOK KUMAR KARNAL:** Innerwheel Club of Karnal Uday is running a campaign to plant trees-increase greenery and increase green members. In which trees are also being planted by the club members themselves. At the same time, people are also being made aware about planting trees and environmental protection. On this occasion, Inner-wheel Club of Karnal Uday Pradhan Sushma Verma said that trees and plants are of great importance not only for human life but also for every living being. Trees give us fruits, wood and shade as well as oxygen for breathing. How important oxygen is for us. This can be estimated from the Corona period. During that time, how many problems had to be faced for oxygen, but today trees are being cut by people. Which is not right for the future. We have to understand the importance of trees. If we want to save the environment, then more and more trees will have to be planted. Sushma Verma appealed that it is monsoon season and everyone should plant trees and fulfill their responsibilities. She said that wherever a person plants a tree, he should take care of it.



## MC's Bimari Bhagao campaign underway: AMC

**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, JULY 10**

As per the instructions of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs of the Central Government, the Municipal Corporation is running the Cleanliness Adoption-Bimari Bhagao campaign in Karnal city. Under this, cleanliness activities are being carried out daily in different areas of the city by the Swachh Bharat Mission Urban Team of the Municipal Corporation. This information was given by Additional Municipal Commissioner of Municipal Corporation, Dheeraj Kumar. He said that under the campaign, on Wednesday, teachers and students were made aware about water cleanliness, water conservation, rainwater harvesting, soak pit, cleanliness and promotion of personal hygiene in the Government School located in Mangalpur. The team also gave information about the five types of



dustbins and what kind of garbage is thrown in them. Similarly, on Tuesday, the team gathered the slum dwellers near Narsi Village and Shaheed Udhm Singh Chowk in Sector-32 of the city and made them aware about the importance of cleanliness. Along with this, they were also informed about saving water and keeping the surroundings clean. He said that in this series, the team inspected

the cleanliness in Kalda Market located in Sector-13 under the above campaign. On this occasion, the rain water harvester present there was also cleaned. On this occasion, the Municipal Corporation planted saplings around the market with the help of Amritdhara My Hospital and planted various types of fruit and shade trees. On this occasion, all those present were also told the ways to stay

safe from diseases like malaria, dengue and diarrhoea. On this occasion, Municipal Corporation's Assistant Sanitation Inspector Gulab Singh and former councilor of Ward 10 Veer Vikram Kumar and dignitaries and Trigger Master Gurdev Singh and motivators Deepmala, Kuldeep and Mohinder from Swachh Bharat Mission Urban Team were present.

## BJP Medical Cell honours Sanjay Bathla

**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL:** The newly appointed OSD of Haryana Government Chief Minister and Karnal MLA Nayab Saini, Sanjay Bathla, who has previously been the representative of Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar, was honoured by the BJP Medical Cell by presenting a bouquet of flowers. Under the leadership of BJP Medical Cell District Convenor Dr. Amit Kumar, the members of the Karnal unit of the Medical Cell honoured Sanjay Bathla by presenting a bouquet of flowers at his residence and congratulated



lated Sanjay Bathla on his appointment and gave him sweets. On this occasion, District Coordinator of Medical Cell, Dr. Amit Kumar, while thanking Chief Minister Naib Saini for appointing Sanjay Bathla as OSD, said that Sanjay Bathla is a friendly, honest and hardworking worker and earlier also he has been getting the work of the people done without any discrimination as a representative of former Chief Minister Manohar Lal. He said that Sanjay Bathla is a rare diamond of Karnal and we hope that he will continue to solve the problems of the people like before. On this occasion, State Executive Member of BJP Medical Cell and Karnal District Incharge Dr. Rajesh Anand, State Executive Member Dr. Ashok Kumar, District Coordinator Dr. Mahendra Pratap, Dr. Ramesh Kumar, Dr. Mukesh Taneja, Dr. Vikram Tuteja, Jai Bhagwan, Dr. Tarun, Dr. Gulshan Gulati, Dr. Mukesh Kaushik, Dr. Ramniwas and other district officials were present.

## Ram Narayan Sahu to be VVIP guest in Global Achievers Awards ceremony

**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, JULY 10**

A meeting was organised under the chairmanship of National President of Anti Corruption Foundation of India Narendra Arora to take stock of the preparations for the grand Global Achievers Award ceremony to be held on Sunday 14 July. On this occasion, Narendra Arora said that in the Global Achievers Award ceremony, along with celebrity chief guest film actor Chunky Pandey and former Miss India Simran Ahuja, senior social worker of Chhattisgarh and International Director of Anti Corruption Foundation of India Ram Narayan Sahu will participate as VVIP guest. He said that Ram Narayan Sahu is a senior social worker of Chhattisgarh and International Director of Anti Corruption Foundation of India, who is playing a key role with his team in the field of corruption eradication awareness of the Foundation. Ram Narayan Sahu will be given special honor for his excellent contribution and his team will also be specially



honored. He informed that along with Ram Narayan Sahu, International Director Atma Ram Sahu, National Director Hardayal Sahu, National Director Chaman Sahu, National Director Rupesh Kumar Sahu, National Director Raj Kumar Sahu, Vice President Ram Narayan Sahu, National Director Hemant Kumar Sahu, State Incharge Prakash, State Coordinator Digesh Kumar, State Director Tok

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## Jindal Stainless leadership in Hisar gets safety training by British Safety Council

**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA HISAR:** Jindal Stainless' leadership here underwent a day-long safety training programme by global body British Safety Council here today. The activity was aimed at reinforcing the best practices in workplace safety facilitated by senior trainer Mr Girish Singhal. Emphasising on the importance of involving the leadership in safety, senior trainer from the British Safety Council, Mr Girish Singhal said: "Among the first steps towards being a leader requires ensuring a safe workplace for the workforce. You need to care for your people, coach them, and develop their competency as safety-oriented leaders. You also need to ensure efficient and seamless communication to bring safety concerns to the forefront. The training session put the spotlight on a healthy industry-academia collaboration as a key factor in safety improvement. Underlining Jindal Stainless' commitment to safety, Senior Vice President and Unit Head, Mr Vijay Kumar Bindlish, said, "At Jindal Stainless, we are committed towards the safety and well-being of our employees. This training programme empower our leaders with the knowledge and tools to foster a strong safety culture throughout the organization." The British Safety Council is the world's leading guide for health, safety and environmental management. The Council empowers organisations across the world to invest in workplace health, safety, and wellbeing.



## Budhiraja link between vendors and administration

**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, JULY 10**

No one's stall will be harmed. The stall will be set up where it used to be. As long as we are there, the stall of the poor will not be removed, said Haryana Youth Congress President and Congress Lok Sabha candidate Divyanshu Budhiraja. Along with the vendors, Budhiraja held a meeting with HSPV Estate Officer Jaspal Singh in which the matter of those who set up stalls in the Sunday market and those who sell goods by putting up tents was discussed. Budhiraja told the Estate Officer that the families who have been feeding their families by setting up stalls in the Sunday market for the last 25 years, removing their stalls is like kicking them in the stomach. This should be taken into consideration. If the stalls are not allowed to be set up, these families will be forced to beg on the streets because their only means of earning livelihood will be taken away from them. On July 7, the shops of



those who sell goods by putting up stalls and tents in the Sunday market in Sector 12, Karnal were vandalised on which Budhiraja had assured the stall owners and those who sell goods by putting up tents that their livelihood will

not be affected. He had assured them that he stands with them and will put their matter in front of senior officers. He also told the stall owners that he will not let anyone snatch their livelihood from them.

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## Special publicity campaign in the state till July 31

**MANISH KUMAR AMBALA, JULY 10**

The Department of Information, Public Relations, Language and Culture is running a special publicity campaign from July 1 to July 31 in which the general public is being informed about the schemes and achievements of the government through drama parties and bhajan parties. The departmental bhajan group informed the villagers about the schemes, projects and works of the government through songs and bhajans in villages like Chudiyala, Chudiali, Dubli, Khanpur etc. Through songs and bhajans, the artists told about many schemes like Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, Atal Maz-



door Canteen, Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana being run in the interest of farmers, Chief Minister Vivah Shagun Yojana, Kanyadahan Yojana, Aapki Beti Hamari Beti Yojana, Antyodaya Anna Yojana, Jan Aushadhi Kendra, Ayushman Card etc. Detailed information was given about the Mera Pani Meri Virasat Yojana, the benefits of government services available at home through various portals. The villagers also appreciated the information being given through songs and bhajans. District Information and Public Relations Officer Manoj Kaushik said that as per the instructions of

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Mandeep Brar, Director General of Information, Public Relations, Language and Culture Department, a special publicity campaign is being run in Haryana state from 1 to 31 July. In this campaign, the achievements, policies and schemes of the state government of 9 and a half years are being publicized. For this, departmental regular, contracted and listed parties will reach village to village. During this special publicity campaign, all the villages and wards of the cities of Ambala district will be covered. Departmental, regular and listed drama parties will give programmes in the district. Through these programs, the schemes, policies and achievements of the government are being told to the citizens.



Efforts being made to provide better health services to TB patients: DC



**SURINDER DAMDAMI KOTKAPURA:** According to the instructions received from State TB officer Dr Rajesh Bhaskar, according to the directions of the Civil Surgeon Faridkot Dr. Maninderpal Singh and under the leadership of District T.B. Officer Dr. Sarvdeep Romana, the department is making all possible efforts to provide the best health services to the patients. Under these efforts, Deputy Commissioner Faridkot Vineet Kumar, with the support of Pragati Welfare Society Faridkot, a social service organization formed under the department, Nikshay Mitra, Ration kits were distributed to 27 patients civil hospital. It may be mentioned here that a total of 51 patients have been adopted by Pragati Welfare Society Faridkot. These patients are to be provided free rations for 6 months by society. Speaking on the occasion, Deputy Commissioner Vineet Kumar said that this initiative of the social service organization is highly commendable. Taking guidance from this, other social workers, institutions should also come forward to help patients. Giving more information on this occasion, Dr. Maninder Pal Singh Civil Surgeon Faridkot and District T.B. Officer Dr. Sarvdeep Romana said that the government of India has set a target to make the country TB free by 2025.

Civil lines residents irked over laying of gas pipeline



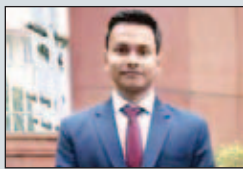
**ANIL VERMA BATHINDA:** Residents of Civil lines are irked over laying of gas pipeline by private firm of Gujarat in this area. The company workers had dug the pits to lay pipeline in the street of Civil Lines around 1 month ago. They have not filled the pipe so far, so uncovered pits and Soil dugout from the pits which is also lying alongside the pits posing a threat to the lives of residents. The men at work had promised to fill the pits back but the ground reality is quite different. Meeting was attended by E.C.S.Kanwar president, S.Baljit Singh Bir Behman, S.Amrinder Singh Sidhu V.President, S.Vineet Malhotra, S.Arun Goel, S.Sukhdeep Singh Bhinder, S.Shiv Dev Singh, Sh Anil aggarwal, Sh. Vinod Gupta, Sh Surinder Kumar, Smt. Rajpal kaur, Smt.Sweetly Angli.

District and Sessions Judge plants saplings at District Courts



**YADWINDER KADGILL TARN TARAN:** Kanwaljit Singh Bajwa, District and Sessions Judge-cum-Chairman, District Legal Services Authority, Tarn Taran and his wife Mrs. Jamirpal Kaur Bajwa Professor today while making their valuable contribution to the sincere efforts being made by the Punjab Government to save the environment. They are planted saplings at District Courts Tarn Taran while raising awareness about environmental protection. All judicial officers were present on this occasion. Speaking on this occasion, Hon'ble Judge Kanwaljit Singh Bajwa said that it is very important to plant plants to keep the environment green, to protect people from pollution and to protect them from many diseases as well as to provide them with clean air and oxygen. In the end, the honorable judge said that the existence of humanity depends on nature itself. One person alone is not enough to save nature, so we all should come together and work for a healthy and safe environment in time.

Prince Kumar Singh excels in UPSC IFS exam



**PARAMJIT SINGH JALANDHAR:** Prince Kumar Singh, an accomplished engineer from NIT Jalandhar, has made headlines by excelling in the UPSC Indian Forest Service (IFS) Examination. Hailing from Rohtas, Bihar, Prince's journey is a testament to resilience and hard work. Born to a lower-middle-class family, with his father serving as a hawildar in the Assam Rifles and his mother as a homemaker, Prince always exhibited exceptional academic prowess. After completing his B.Tech in Chemical Engineering from NIT Jalandhar (2016-2020 batch), he worked briefly in a chemical industry in Gujarat. However, driven by a desire to serve in the government sector, he resigned in March 2021 and dedicated himself to preparing for the UPSC exams. Despite facing financial constraints and lacking formal coaching, Prince cleared numerous prestigious examinations through sheer determination.

# Police busts fake arms license racket running from Tarn Taran Sewa Kendra

GAURAV GOEL CHANDIGARH/AMRITSAR, JULY 10

The ongoing drive to eradicate organised crime in the state as per directions of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann got a major breakthrough after Amritsar Commissionerate Police has unearthed a Fake Arms Licence Racket with the arrest of its two gang members involved in preparing such licenses and six fake arms license holders, said Director General of Police (DGP) Punjab Gaurav Yadav here on Wednesday.

The racket was running from Tarn Taran Sewa Kendra at the behest of District Manager identified as Suraj Bhandari, who is on the run. DGP Gaurav Yadav said that the arrested gang members include a Tarn Taran Sewa Kendra employee identified as Harpal Singh and a Photostat Shop owner identified as Baljit Singh, who admitted to be the brains behind tampering requisite identity proofs including Aadhar cards and arms license proforma to facilitate preparation of the fake



arms licence. Police teams have also recovered a laptop containing details of the various edited documents and online open source softwares used for tampering documents, he added.

The racket was uncovered following the arrest of Bablu alias Ballu of Anngarh on April 9, 2024 in attempt to murder case, who during interrogation confessed to owning a fake licensed weapons, along with co-accused Kanwardeep Singh. The DGP said following the revelations of accused Ballu, teams from Police Station Gate Hakima under the supervision of ADCP Zone-1 Dr Darpan Ahluwalia and ACP Central Surinder Singh started investigations and discovered that

weapon license was verified from the Deputy Commissioner Office, Tarn Taran but was not reflected in the official record. Moreover, criminals with adverse record, originally residents of Amritsar, were utilising facilities at Tarn Taran to make fake licenses, on basis of forged Aadhar Cards, in addition to those belong to Tarn Taran, he added.

DGP Gaurav Yadav, while not ruling out the connivance of Gun Houses, said that Police teams are probing the role of earmarked gun houses, with knowledge of license being fake, selling arms on those, without doing online verification. Further investigations are on, he added. Sharing more de-

tails, Commissioner of Police (CP) Amritsar Ranjit Singh Dhillon said that a first information report (FIR) was registered on June 11, 2024, and five more fake arms licensees identified as Abhay of Sultanwind fraudulently shown as resident of Jandiala road in Tarn Taran, Manpreet of Amritsar shown as resident of Tarn Taran, Kanwardeep of Amritsar shown as resident of Railway Road, Tarn Taran and Rohit of Amritsar shown as resident of village Kang in Tarn Taran were arrested on June 12, 2024, while, Harinder, a resident of Sadar Tarn Taran was nabbed on July 2, 2024. He said that Police teams have also recovered six fake arms licenses.

## Math phobia removed by providing valuable information to students

**RAMPURA PHUL (KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA):** A 4-day Vedic Math Workshop was organized at Government Senior Secondary Smart School (Girls) Rampura Mandi to overcome the math phobia of the students. During the workshop, India's youngest Vedic Math Trainer Upakesha, who is an 11th grader at the local St. Xavier's School, imparted valuable information to the school students. During these purely practical classes, Apeksha taught how to solve big problems of multiplication and division in a pinch with an easy method. Along with this, the girl students were also taught easy methods of extracting square and square root. Apeksha removed the students' fear of math subject and said that if we make friends with it instead of fearing it, then math becomes very fun for us.



## AAP hails High Court's decision to open Shambhu Border, backs farmers' demands

GAGAN JAIN CHANDIGARH, JULY 10

The Aam Aadmi Party has welcomed the High Court's decision to open Punjab-Haryana border 'Shambhu Border' (where farmers have been sitting on dharna for the last several months). The party said that all the demands of the farmers are justified, so the central government should consider fulfilling their demands instead of stopping them at the border.

On Wednesday, senior leader and spokesperson of Aam Aadmi Party Punjab, Neel Garg said that before becoming the Prime Minister in 2013, Narendra Modi himself had said that he will waive the entire debt of the farmers and make a law on MSP as per the recommendations of the Swaminathan Commission.



But Prime Minister Modi went back on his promise, so the farmers are forced to go to Delhi. Garg said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi has betrayed the farmers of the country. He did not fulfill a single promise related to the farmers, on the contrary, he tried to impose anti-farmers agricultural laws on them to hand over the land and crops to his corporate friends, due to which more than 750 farmers died. He said that when Prime Minister Modi had announced

to repeal the farm laws out of fear of the farmers' movement, even at that time he had said that a committee would be formed on MSP and work would be done towards making it legal, but till date he has not fulfilled it. If the Modi government had implemented MSP legally in two years, then the farmers of Punjab and Haryana would not have had to go to Delhi again.

He said that thankfully the High Court intervened in this matter, otherwise the highway would have remained closed indefinitely. Now after the court's decision, both the common people and the farmers will get relief. Travel will be easy for the common people. At the same time, farmers will again get a chance to convey their views to the central government in a peaceful manner.

## MC issues WhatsApp number for facilities, problems of city

**HOSHIARPUR (DALJEET AJNOHA):** Municipal Corporation Hoshiarpur has issued WhatsApp number 94643-97791 for the facilities and problems of the city residents.



Giving information in this regard, Commissioner Municipal Corporation Dr. Amandeep Kaur said that the name of this WhatsApp group has been kept as M.C.H Grievance Disposal. She said that in this group, the city residents can share messages (with photos) related to water, sewerage, street lights, cleanliness or any type of problem related to the Municipal Corporation related to their area. After which these complaints will be resolved soon by the concerned senior officials of the Municipal Corporation.

## Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University hosts five-day workshop on quality teaching for teachers

AJAY MALHOTRA FATEHGARH SAHIB, JULY 10

A five-day workshop for newly recruited teachers in SGPC schools has been organized at Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University, Fatehgarh Sahib, in collaboration with the Directorate of Education, SGPC.

Eighty teachers from across Punjab participated in this workshop which has fifteen technical sessions over the course of five days. Dr. Harneet Billing, Incharge of the Department of Education shared that the sessions will cover various topics, including Sikh Educational Philosophy, Educational Psychology, ICT-based Lesson Planning, and Language skills. The workshop was inaugurated by Prof. Pritpal Singh, Vice Chancellor of Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University, Fatehgarh Sahib. In his address, he emphasized the need



for such workshops to achieve qualitative improvement in teaching and urged the participants to focus on child-centered education.

He further urged the teachers to imbibe professional ethical values and work dedicatedly for upliftment of the children and to keep the sikh values intact. The first technical session of the workshop was conducted by Dr. Sikander Singh, Head of the Department of Punjabi; he shared his insights on the use of the mother tongue as the medium of instruction. Dr. Nirmal Dutt shared his expertise on English language teaching and out-

lined a model of using the vernacular language to understand the international language. In the third technical session, S. Talwinder Singh Bhuttar deliberated on the SGPC vision of education and the Sikh model of education.

The resource person of the fourth session was Prof. Sewak Singh who shared his views on Gurbani and Punjabi teaching. Prof. (Dr.) Sukhwinder Singh Billing, Dean of Academic Affairs, shared that the University is dedicated to the professional development of teachers and has been regularly organizing workshops, induction programmes.

## VB apprehends four members of PNDT team taking Rs 70,000 bribe



CHANDIGARH, JULY 10

The Punjab Vigilance Bureau (VB) in a significant development, has arrested four individuals comprising a joint Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (PCPNDT) team from Haryana and Punjab red-handed during a sting operation while taking a bribe of Rs 70,000.

These suspects along with other officials and private persons have formed an inter-state nexus to take bribes for illegal ultrasound sex determination tests from various clinics running in Punjab and Haryana in connivance with each other. Disclosing this here today an

official spokesperson of the state VB said the arrested individuals have been identified as Deepak Goyal, son of Chaman Lal, posted as Pharmacist, at Civil Hospital, Sirsa, Gurjit Singh, son of Hamir Singh, posted as District Coordinator for PNDT, Civil Surgeon, Barnala, Raj Singh, son of Gurtej Singh, posted as Peon at Civil Surgeon's office, Bathinda, and Surinder Singh, son of Ram Kumar, Driver at Civil Surgeon's office, Sirsa. Giving more details he added that the PCPNDT Act, commonly known as the PNDT Act, aims to prevent female foeticide by prohibiting prenatal sex determination tests.

## SA committed to give services to citizens by LSC: DC



SUMER GARG DIRBA, JULY 10

Deputy Commissioner (DC), Jitendra Jorwal at village Samuran of Sub Division Dirba today said that the citizens will be benefited from welfare schemes and other necessary administrative services were being provided on the spot through the Lok Suvidha Camp (LSC) set up under the instructions of the Punjab government led by Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, apart from village Samuran, the residents of Sihai, Safipur Khurd and Munshiwal villages also

availed administrative services near their homes under this people initiative. On this occasion, DC while giving on the spot old age pension approval letters to the elderly also distributed service letters like caste certificate, residential proof to other citizens. Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Jorwal said that under this exclusive initiative of the Punjab government, the officers and employees of all the government departments will personally reach out to the people to reduce the hardships of the common people to get administrative services.

## Four employees of health department arrested for accepting bribes

BHUPINDERJIT MAULVIWALA PATRAN, JULY 10

The Punjab Vigilance Bureau has arrested a health and family welfare officer and three other employees of the health department red-handed while taking bribes on the complaint of a doctor in Patran city. Members of the Punjab Haryana Health Department team formed to control ultrasound are said to be members.

Dr. Ashok Kumar of Patran said that a few months ago, a team of doctors from Haryana raided his clinic, but after finding nothing unauthorized, they went back. By taking me, he started forcing me to do ultrasound and when I refused, he said that the team of doctors has a lot of power and any case will be registered against you. He said that after that, fearing, he found 35 thousand and once



10 thousand in the Google Pay number given to him in the account, the call recordings of which he claimed to have. After that, the person referred him to the health department posted at Ludhiana. I met a senior official who asked me to do all kinds of illegal work by asking to do all the transactions through this driver and after that this official driver of the health department officer started demanding 70 thousand rupees. He informed the IG of Vigilance and the team led by DSP

Varinder Singh Gill has arrested two Punjab and two Haryana health department employees who came to collect money from him red-handed. They also include a Health and Family Welfare Officer. About this, Varinder Singh Gill, DSP Vigilance Bureau, said that on the complaint of a doctor of Patran, four employees of the health department have been caught red-handed by taking a bribe of 70 thousand. He said that a case will be registered against the arrested persons.

## Campaign launched by police against drugs is commendable: ETO



**JANDIALA GURU (KULJIT SINGH):** Cabinet Minister Punjab Harbhajan Singh ETO praised the campaign launched by the Punjab Police against drugs and said that along with the efforts of the police to arrest the drug smugglers, the efforts to keep the youth away from drugs. have been started, it can be expected that in the coming days Punjab will be freed from the leprosy of drugs.

Inaugurating the volleyball tournament organized by the Punjab Police at Bandala today, Harbhajan Singh said that the Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann has dreamed of making the state a colorful Punjab and this dream It can be completed only if every section of Punjab, whether youth, farmers, traders, industrialists, is happy. He said that along with economic prosperity, efforts have also been started to stop our misguided youth who are taking poison in the form of drugs. He said that now Punjab Police is not only recovering drugs from drug smugglers but also confiscating the properties of drug smugglers. Apart from this, initiatives like sports have been started by the Punjab Police, which will yield good results in the future. On this occasion, DSP Jandiala Guru, police station chief Jandiala Guru and a large number of dignitaries of the area were present with him.

## Placement drive at Khalsa College Patiala



RAWEL BHINDER PATIALA JULY 10

PG Department of Agriculture organised Placement Drive, under the aegis of Dr. Ganda Singh Career Guidance, Counseling and Placement Cell of Khalsa College Patiala. The officials from Insecticides (India) Limited Premier Crop Protection and Nutrition Company gave information about their company and gave a brief overview to the students about their past activities.

They also elaborated upon the positive aspects of joining the company. Students from

B.Voc. (Agriculture), B.Sc (Agriculture) and M.Sc (Agriculture) attentively took part in the seminar. Later, the students appeared for walk-in-interview with full zeal. Four students Samandeep Singh, Amanveer Singh, Prekshit and Ritik Dutta were selected. Dr. Dharminder Singh Ubha, Principal, Khalsa College Patiala, said that Insecticides (India) Limited is one of the best companies in India and the students should consider to build their future in it. He also motivated the students to be the brand ambassadors of the college.

## Students with DEO, teachers plant saplings



DALJEET AJNOHA HOSHIARPUR, JULY 10

District Education Officer Kamaldeep Kaur inspected Government Elementary School Jalalpur.

The aim of this surprise visit was to assess the quality of education, infrastructure and overall functioning of the institution. She was accompanied by Smart Classroom Coordinator Satish Kumar, District Coordinator Rajnish Kumar Guliani.

During the inspection, the District Education Officer inspected classrooms, libraries, laboratories and other facilities.

The District Education Officer also interacted with teachers, students and parents to take feedback and identify areas of improvement. This inspection is part of the District Education Officer's efforts to ensure that schools meet the required standards and provide quality education to students. The initiative aims to promote the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the education system. The District Education Officer said, "We will take necessary steps to remove any deficiencies found during the inspection and reward schools that demonstrate excellence."



Massive turnout in Nalagarh by-election



SHANTI GAUTAM BADDI : The by-election in Nalagarh witnessed a significant voter turnout. At the Green Polling Station (Government Senior Secondary School for Boys), there was a 100% turnout. In Nalagarh's women's polling station, located at Ward No. 4 Mian Sahib Wala Government Primary School (Girls), an elderly voter, Darshan Singh, cast his vote. Similarly, at the critical polling booth in Hatda, first-time voters Chinu Thakur and Shalu Thakur exercised their voting rights. As of the time of writing, the polling booth at Jogho Baniawala reported a 71% voter turnout.

Conman dupes many in Punjabar, Haroli

ASHOK KUMAR UNA : In Haroli's Punjabar area, a conman has swindled several people. The amount of the fraud is estimated to exceed one crore rupees. He promised high commissions to some and bought potato crops from others, thereby cheating many. Jagit Singh, a resident of Punjabhar, reported to the Haroli police station that Kuldeep Singh, who hails from Shimla district and runs an Ayurvedic shop in Punjabhar, tricked him into handing over 30 to 32 lakh rupees with the promise of doubling the money. Additionally, the fraudster swindled over 50 lakh rupees from several other villagers. The police station in-charge immediately registered a First Information Report (FIR) and took the accused into custody for questioning. The investigation will reveal the extent of the fraud and how many people in the Punjabhar area were duped by the conman. The accused is cunning enough that he did not open his own bank account. Instead, he used the account of an acquaintance to issue checks to the victims.

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DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA : Shimla's former Deputy Mayor Tikender Panwar on Wednesday called for cautious development in the Himalayan region to minimize landslide incidents. Reacting to a massive landslide on Badrinath Highway of Uttarakhand, the former mayor took to social media handle X and warned against the impending danger due to the plundering of mountains in the Himalayan region in the name of development. At least now we should start reviewing the developmental trajectory of the Himalayan region, he said. He also demanded the creation of a specialized agency for developing highways in the Himalayas.

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Ashutosh Garg appointed Nadda's aide

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA: Ashutosh Garg, a 2014 batch Indian Administrative Service officer from the Himachal Pradesh cadre, has been appointed as the Private Secretary to the Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare & Chemicals and Fertilizers Jagat Prakash Nadda. Garg is expected to serve at the level of Deputy Secretary, offering his expertise and administrative acumen to support the Minister's office. The decision was conveyed by Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Pooja Jain, on Tuesday. Garg's tenure in this pivotal role would span five years.

Congress Party continues to abuse power, highly condemnable: Nanda

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA: BJP state media in-charge Karna Nanda has criticized the Congress Party for continuously abusing its power, calling it highly condemnable. He stated that recent incidents across Himachal Pradesh have revealed the true face of the Congress Party.

Nanda pointed out that individuals in civilian dress were following BJP candidate Hoshiyar Singh, creating an atmosphere of fear in the assembly constituency. A video of this incident went viral on social media, showing a heated exchange between the civilians and the BJP candidate. Shockingly, these individuals were armed.

This raises several questions about the government's actions. Why

Nalagarh registers nearly 78 per cent voter turnout

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, JULY 10

Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) Maneesh Garg thanked the voters of Dehra, Hamirpur and Nalagarh Assemblies Constituencies (AC) for their participation in the bye-elections in large numbers. He said that good voter turnout was due to the endeavour of Election Commission of India (ECI) together with the concerted efforts of the team of Himachal Election Department and particularly due to awareness of the people of the State towards their right to franchise.

He also specially thanked all the categories of voters including youth who participated for the first time, the elderly voters, women voters and the PwD voters for



showing interest in voting and contributing to the democratic process.

He said that according to the information received for 6 PM at the state headquarters through Poll Day Monitoring System (PDMS), about 70.5 percent voting was recorded for AC bye-elections in Dehra, Hamirpur and Nalagarh.

He said that polling picked up early in the morning which was about 15.99 percent by 11 AM which rose

to 48.52 percent at 1 PM. The poll percentage picked up in the afternoon and by 3 PM it was 58.88 percent. According to the information received for 6 PM, the highest nearly 78 percent voting was recorded in Nalagarh AC followed by 67.7 percent in Hamirpur while approximately 65.42 percent voting was recorded in Dehra AC. He said that the final figures of voting percentage will be released only after the return of all the polling parties and scrutiny of documents.

CEO said that apart from the voting at polling stations in concerned ACs, about 1523 voters above 85 years of age and 348 PwD voters availed home voting facility.

He said due to elaborate security arrangements done by the State Election Department under the guidance of ECI, no

untoward incident was reported in the bye-polls.

He said that a total of 13 candidates were in the fray for three ACs including two women candidates. There are five candidates each in Dehra and Nalagarh while in Hamirpur AC there are only three candidates in the election fray. He said that for real time monitoring of the entire polling process, 315 polling stations were covered through live webcasting, which was being continuously monitored through control rooms established at the state, district and AC levels. Six polling stations were managed by women, one by PwDs and three were youth managed. He informed that apart from this, nine model and six green polling stations were set up across the three ACs.

Leadership change in Govt certain after by-election: Kashyap

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, JULY 10

Former BJP state president and MP Suresh Kashyap stated that the Congress is a mountain of false promises, under which the public is being crushed. According to him, the declarations made by the Chief Minister, his associates, cabinet ministers, CPS, and all Congress leaders are never fulfilled. If attempts are made to fulfill these promises, the public is burdened by these unsuccessful efforts. This mountain of lies created by the Congress has made life difficult for the people of Himachal Pradesh.

He mentioned that the state is overwhelmed with crimes like murder, rape, and robbery, and the law and order situation has completely collapsed.



Instead of addressing these issues, Congress is busy misusing power. Had they utilized power properly, the law and order situation would have improved. However, during the election period, they neglected the state's problems and focused solely on using power to fight the election.

Kashyap further pointed out that despite taking a loan of Rs. 30,000 crore, the current Congress government has

achieved nothing significant. The saga of their debts is extensive, but where did this loan go? Was it spent on the luxuries of their associates? Was it used in running their election campaigns? The Congress leaders must answer whether the borrowed money was spent on the public. The clique of this government is spending billions of rupees to win the three by-elections. Where did this money come from? The state machinery is fighting the election, while Congress plays a behind-the-scenes role. Despite this, BJP believes it will win all three by-elections. Kashyap emphasized that there will certainly be a leadership change in the government immediately after the by-elections, as the public is 100% fed up with this Congress government.

Monsoon likely to pick up in state

AGENCY SHIMLA, JULY 10

The Southwest Monsoon that has remained dormant over Himachal Pradesh since Monday is likely to be bring rain at a few places in the state in the next 24 hours, the weather office said on Wednesday. According to India Meteorological Department, conditions in the past couple of days have remained partly cloudy and mostly dry across the region. Shimla remains partly cloudy with a potential for light rain and low visibility conditions. Nalagarh could expect light rain, while Hamirpur and Dehra are likely to experience light rain accompanied by thunderstorms and lightning, said the weatherman. The broader state forecast indicates light precipitation along with isolated thunderstorms and lightning, particularly in the districts of Kangra, Mandi, Hamirpur, and Una. Over the last 24 hours, minimum temperatures have remained above normal across Himachal Pradesh, while maximum temperatures have stayed within the normal range. The lowest recorded temperature was 11.8°C at Kukumseri, and the highest was 36.5°C at Bilaspur. Significant rainfall has been recorded at Baijnath (32 mm), Paonta Saheb (18.4 mm), Dalhousie (17.5 mm), Palampur (8.8 mm), Nahan (8.3 mm), and Dalhousie (8.0 mm). According to the State Disaster Management Authority 28 roads remained affected due to recent rains including eight in Mandi, five in Sirmour, six in Shimla, four in Kangra, three in Kinnaur and two in Kullu.

HP HC bats for speedy payment of land acquisition compensation

AGENCY SHIMLA, JULY 10

Criticizing procedural delays, the Himachal Pradesh High Court has expressed concern over protracted arbitration for payment of compensation for land acquisition and directed the arbitrator in a eight-year-old case to conclude the proceedings by January 8, 2025, a court source said on Wednesday. Justice Bipin Chandra Negi expressed displeasure over the numerous adjournments in the process conducted by the arbitrator in the matter related to a group of petitioners whose land was acquired in Bilaspur district in 2016 for widening a National Highway. The Court emphasized the necessity of adhering to statutory timelines, underscoring that any delay must be bona fide and justifiable. In his judgment, Justice Negi highlighted the establishment's obligation to ensure fair and just compensation for the petitioners, whose lands had been acquired years ago. He mandated that the arbitrator must conclude the proceedings by January 8, 2025, and urged the establishment of a clear timetable to guide the remaining process. The dispute revolves around award of November 25, 2016, and its supplementary award, impacting the petitioners who had initially sought redressal through a Reference Petition on 2019. The Court highlighted the statutory requirement for the completion of pleadings within six months and the issuance of an award within 12 month, thereafter, extendable only by mutual consent of the parties for up to six additional months.

Ranjit Bakshi Jan Kalyan Sabha becomes saviour for poor and ailing families in Nurpur Assembly

SANJEEV MAHAJAN NURPUR, JULY 10

In the Nurpur Assembly, the Ranjit Bakshi Jan Kalyan Sabha has emerged as a saviour for the poor and families battling illnesses. Trishla Devi, a widow from Ward No. 1 of Bhleta Panchayat in Nurpur Assembly, is compelled to live in a broken kitchen with her two sons.

Trishla Devi knocked on every door seeking assistance to build a house, but only encountered disappointment and helplessness everywhere. The Ranjit Bakshi Jan Kalyan Sabha has stepped forward to help her. The Sabha has assured her of all possible assistance, emphasizing that everyone's small contributions are necessary to build a home for



the poor family. Trishla Devi lives with her household items and two sons in a small, dilapidated kitchen. One of her sons is completely mentally handicapped, and the other is also ordinary.

In tears, Trishla Devi shared that she sought help from the government and administration but received no assistance. For the past three years, the Ranjit Bakshi

Jan Kalyan Sabha has been dedicatedly serving the people of Nurpur and has come forward to help Trishla Devi. Akhil Bakshi, the president of the Sabha, stated that Trishla Devi approached them fearing the rainy season. The Sabha immediately provided her with a cheque of Rs.25,000 for assistance and assured her of all possible help.

Vigilance department arrests two media personnel for extortion

SANJAY AGGARWAL

DHARAMSHALA: Vigilance department has arrested two youths for demanding money forcibly from the chairmen of two private schools located in the areas adjoining Dharamshala in the name of news. Both the accused, claiming to be media personnel, had demanded Rs 50,000 each from the schools in lieu of not publishing false and derogatory news. Due to this, the chairman of the schools had

lodged a complaint against them in North Zone Vigilance Police Station Dharamshala. It has been said in the complaint that both the above mentioned youths work for different social media platforms. Both had threatened to publish false and derogatory news about the schools and had demanded Rs 50,000 each for not spreading fake news. On the basis of the complaint, Vigilance laid a trap to catch the accused and arrested them red handed.

CM to inaugurate solar energy project in Bhanjal on July 11

KISHORI LAL BAINS UNA, JULY 10

Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu will lay the foundation stone for a 5 MW solar energy project in Bhanjal, located in the Gagret Assembly constituency, on Thursday. He will also inaugurate the advanced training center of the Fisheries Department in Dioli.

Deputy Commissioner Jatin Lal reviewed the arrangements for the Chief Minister's proposed visit on Wednesday, inspecting the site and issuing necessary instructions to the concerned officials.

The Chief Minister is scheduled to arrive in Bhanjal around 3:30 PM. After laying the foundation stones for the development projects, he will depart for Shimla at 5:00 PM. Previously, the Chief



Minister laid the foundation stone for a 10 MW solar energy project in Aghlaur, Kutlehar Assembly constituency. Additionally, he recently inaugurated a 32 MW solar energy project of Himachal Pradesh Power Corporation Limited in Pakhubela. The completion of the Bhanjal and Aghlaur solar energy projects will enhance Una district's electricity production capacity and contribute significantly to the state's

goal of becoming a green state. Deputy Commissioner Jatin Lal conducted a surprise inspection of the Civil Hospital Gagret on Wednesday. He assessed the health services available for mothers and children in the maternal and child ward and provided necessary instructions to improve the care services. He interacted with the patients to gather feedback on the facilities provided under the Himcare and Ayushman schemes.

Tenure of the Bulk Drug Park Una extended upto March 2026

DINESH AGARWAL

SHIMLA: A review meeting of the Scheme Steering Committee (SSC) for Bulk Drug Park (BDP) Una was held in New Delhi today under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Department of Pharmaceuticals, Dr. Arunish Chawla to deliberate on the extension of the Bulk Drug Park (BDP) Scheme tenure up to the Financial Year 2026 and to assess the progress of the Bulk Drug Park in Una.

During the meeting, Rakesh Kumar Prajapati, Director Industries cum-Managing Director-cum-CEO, Himachal Pradesh Bulk Drug Pharma Infrastructure Limited (HPBDPIL), presented the board contour plan of the Bulk Drug Park along with



other required details. Rakesh Kumar Prajapati explained the rationale for the requested extension. He highlighted the significant impact of the recent disaster caused by heavy rainfall and subsequent losses in Himachal Pradesh in 2023, as well as delays in obtaining environmental clearance due to the enumeration of trees in the park by the forest department and other related requirements. After thorough

consideration, the committee was convinced by the justifications provided and agreed to grant the requested extension till March 2026. Director Industries assured the committee that the project would be completed within the new agreed timelines and that the entire team would work diligently to meet these deadlines. He also expressed his gratitude to the committee for their support and guidance.

Awareness camp organized in Haroli under Mission Shakti Scheme

KISHORI LAL BAINS

UNA: As part of the Mission Shakti scheme initiated under the Women and Child Development Department, a series of awareness camps spanning 100 days are being organized. Today, on Wednesday, an awareness camp focusing on the Prime Minister's Matru Vandana Yojana was conducted at the block level in Haroli. Approximately 40 women participated in the camp. During the camp, Poonam Chauhan, Project Officer for Child Development, provided detailed information about the registration process for eligible beneficiaries under the scheme. She appealed to Anganwadi workers to ensure that no eligible beneficiary is deprived of the benefits of the scheme.



Chauhan explained that Mission Shakti is divided into two parts: empowerment and support schemes. Under empowerment, schemes like Prime Minister's Matru Vandana Yojana, Poshan Abhiyan, Shakti Sadan, and Working Women Hostel are included to empower women. Additionally, under

support, initiatives such as One Stop Centers, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, Women's Courts, and Women Helpline are integrated. This initiative aims to empower women across various sectors and ensure their holistic development through targeted government schemes and interventions.

Louis Dreyfus Company relauches Vibhor Edible Oil Brand in India



SHIMLA: Louis Dreyfus Company (LDC), a leading global merchant and processor of agricultural goods, announced today the relaunch of Vibhor, its consumer-facing edible oil brand in India, in line with LDC's broader strategy to extend its reach further downstream in the value chain. With over 25 years of presence in India, LDC is leveraging its expertise and local market insights to refresh the Vibhor brand, with the ambition to further strengthen its position in India's rapidly growing edible oil market, which is projected to reach US\$34.75 billion in 2024 and grow annually by 4.94% from 2024 to 2029. "India is a key market for LDC, and our refreshed Vibhor brand reflects our commitment to meeting the evolving needs of increasingly health-conscious Indian consumers," said Sumeet Mittal, LDC's Country CEO for India. "This relaunch supports our strategy to move further downstream in the value chain and diversify our offering with value-added products- in this case, addressing evolving dietary trends in one of the world's most dynamic economies."



NSS students leave to participate in youth training workshop at Shimla



**KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA**  
**RAMPURA PHUL:** N.S.S. of Government Girls Senior Secondary School in nearby village Mehraj. Four students were dispatched to participate in Youth Training Workshop, Bahra University Shimla under the guidance of School Principal Geeta Arora and Program Officer Mohit Bhandari. On this occasion, Principal Geeta Arora introduced the children to NSS. Explained in detail about the importance of and about the workshop. Programme Officer Mohit Bhandari said that under the guidelines of Assistant Director Youth Services, Bathinda, a total of 9 girls from all Bathinda district are participating in this workshop, 4 of the districts are from this school. On this occasion, Kulwant Kaur Lecturer, Master Iarun Kumar, Rupinder Rishi Security in-charge Nachtar Singh, Mahender Singh.

**BFGI organises Tinker Sangam-From Tinkering to transformation**



**ANANTDEEP KAUR**  
**BATHINDA:** Baba Farid School of Entrepreneurship (BFSoE), BFGI hosted "Tinker Sangam-From Tinkering to Transformation" on July 8, 2024, to encourage grassroots innovation among students. The event saw participation from 10 schools across Bathinda, Mansa, and Ferozepur, as well as faculty members involved in skill development at BFGI. The resource person for the event, Mr. Rajive Gulati, Former Head of the United Nations Technology Innovations Lab, was introduced by Dr. Manish Gupta, Head, BFSoE. Mr. Gulati shared his experiences in establishing India's first incubator in Haryana and mentoring numerous innovations into successful startups. He emphasized that the right attitude and right mindset is crucial for problem-solving and fostering innovation.

**PAU launches training programme on integrated farming systems**



**AVTAR SINGH BHANWARA**  
**CHANDIGARH:** The All India Coordinated Research Programme on Integrated Farming System, School of Organic Farming PAU Ludhiana (Main Centre), in collaboration with the OFR Center Patiala, recently launched a training programme on integrated farming systems aimed at enhancing farmers' incomes in Madapur village, Block Ghanor, District Patiala. The event featured Dr. Sabir Singh Gosal, Vice Chancellor of Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana, as the chief guest. Dr. Gosal emphasized adopting integrated farming systems (IFS) for income enhancement and balanced nutrition for farmers' families. He highlighted that IFS is a multifaceted, whole-farm approach that addresses the challenges faced by marginal and small farmers by increasing employment opportunities and income through integrating various farm enterprises.

**Meeting of Chemist Association Nangal with Police Chief**



**KULWINDER BHATIA**  
**NANGAL:** A delegation from the Chemist Association Nangal, led by President Raman Kumar, met with Police Chief Inspector Rahul Sharma today. On this occasion, the association presented the police chief with a bouquet of flowers, following which various issues and problems faced by the chemists were discussed. They assured the police of their cooperation in the campaign against drugs. They stated that no chemist sells drugs and that the association will not support anyone involved in drug dealing. District Chemist Association President Vinay Rawal and District Chemist Association Organizer Karan Chaudhary were also present on the occasion.

**Bharaj gives Rs 8.30 lakh, compensation for cattle loss**



**SUMER GARG**  
**BHAWANIGARH:** AAP MLA from Sangrur assembly constituency, Narinder Kaur Bharaj today on behalf of Punjab government has given a cheque of Rs. 8.30 as financial assistance (FA) to Mahinder Singh S/o Sadhu Singh of Ramgarh, whose cattle were burnt and died due to fire. On the occasion, she distributed cheques of financial assistance of Rs.1 lakh 12 thousand and 19 thousand 500 respectively for two different cases of straw burning and shed damage due to fire. MLA Bharaj said that the shed of Gurcharan Singh son of Inder Singh and the straw shed of Rajdeep Singh son of Ajmer Singh resident of Ghanod Jatt were badly damaged due to the fire and the Punjab government led by Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Maan has given assistance to the farmers.

## Meeting between Czech Republic delegation and Chandigarh Administration held

SHASHI PAL JAIN  
CHANDIGARH, JULY 10

The Czech Republic delegation was led by H.E. Eliska Zigova, Ambassador of the Czech Republic to India and included Mr Adam Podhola, Third Secretary of the Embassy of the Czech Republic and Mr Guneet Chaudhary, Honorary Consul of the Czech Republic in Chandigarh. The UT Chandigarh Administration was led by the Adviser to Administrator, Rajeev Verma and included Sh. Ajay Chagti, Secretary Local Government, Smt. Anindita Mitra, Commissioner Municipal Corporation, Sh. Hari Kallikkat, Secretary Culture, Sh. Abhijit Vijay Chaudhari, Secretary Technical Education and Dr. Sangeeta Bagga, Principal Chandigarh College of Architecture (CCA).

The Adviser welcomed the Czech Republic Ambassador and presented souvenirs to the Czech delegates. Deliberations were done on various important agendas like establishing a Chair in Architecture at the CCA, for which, it was discussed that



an Agreement shall be drafted between CCA and University of Prague, after considering various modalities between the two institutions.

The Ambassador visited the Chandigarh College of Architecture during the day and appreciated the institution for its research initiatives and the creative spirit of the students. The matter to streamline the process for students going to Prague/ Czech Republic for the Architectural internship period of 6 months within the ambit of the Chair in Architecture, was also discussed.

This included facilitation of visas (travel cooperation on priority) for researchers, students, and faculty for periods of internship, research programme, and conferences between the two cities.

The scope of exchange programs for students of engineering and medical science was also discussed. The Czech Ambassador assured cooperation in all the matters discussed in the meeting. The Ambassador was keen to explore opportunities for cooperation with UT Chandigarh in fields like waste processing

technology and environment protection. The Adviser also suggested that Prague and Chandigarh are both Beautiful Cities and that both Cities should formally enter into a sister-city agreement, the process of which shall begin soon.

The Czech Ambassador appreciated Chandigarh for being a Green City, the City Beautiful and also pitched for enhanced partnership and co-operation between the Czech Republic government and the UT Chandigarh Administration.

**All Punjab anganwadi employees Union will hold state level protest today**

**RADHE SHYAM SHARMA**  
**MORINDA:** All Punjab Anganwadi Employees Union will hold a state level protest in front of the office of Director, Social Security Women and Child Development Department Punjab on July 11 to press for their de-

mands. Giving information in this regard, senior leader of the union Harbans Kaur said that the union's state president Har Gobind Kaur would address this protest. She said that a large number of Anganwadi workers and helpers from all over Pun-

jab would reach in this protest. She said that the Punjab government was not fulfilling the demands of Anganwadi workers and helpers. An atmosphere of fear was being created for the workers and helpers by issuing new letters every day.

## Arya College road traders block Kharar- Landran road against MC over drainage issue



SHASHI PAL JAIN  
KHARAR, JULY 10

Due to the ingress of rain water in the shops and houses located on Arya College Road during the rains and due to the lack of appropriate action by the local Municipal Council, the shopkeepers there blocked the busy Kharar-Landran road.

Giving information in this regard, the prominent shopkeeper Rajinder Agarwal and others said that after

many years of struggle, the shopkeepers succeeded in laying another pipe along with the old pipe to drain the water. This pipe was laid about 1 year ago but it was not connected with another pipe to drain the water and it remained lying wastefully in the soil.

On Friday night, a pipe was laid under the Kharar-Landran road, but the work was left as it was, which made it more difficult for the shopkeepers. This morning, a bul-

let motor cycle on which two persons were riding fell into this pit and injured them. Seeing the negligence of the contractor of the local municipal council, today the shopkeepers started a dharna on this road which lasted for more than 1 hour.

This Dharna was ended by them when Tehsildar of Kharar Madam Raman and Executive Officer of the Council Manveer Singh Gill reached the spot and they assured immediate action.

## Jalandhar West Vidhan Sabha by-election records 51.30% voter turnout by 5 PM

BUNNY SODHI  
JALANDHAR, JULY 10

The Jalandhar West Vidhan Sabha by-election in Punjab recorded a voter turnout of 51.30% by 5 PM on Wednesday. Polling began at 7 AM and continued until 6 PM under tight security measures. The votes will be counted on July 13.

This by-election has drawn significant attention, with major political parties like AAP, Congress, and BJP competing for the seat. Fifteen candidates are in the fray. Congress candidate Surinder Kaur criticized the AAP government, claiming people are unhappy with its performance.

On the other hand, AAP candidate Mahendra Bhagat expressed confidence in his party's victory. The Jalandhar West Vidhan Sabha seat became vacant after Sheetal



Angural resigned as an AAP MLA and joined the BJP on March 28. This election is crucial for all parties involved. Key candidates include Sheetal Angural from BJP, Mahendra Bhagat from AAP, Sarabjit Singh from Akali Dal (Amritsar), Binder Lakha from BSP, Surinder Kaur from Congress, and Surjit Kaur from Akali Dal. There are a total of 1,71,963 voters in the constituency. Punjab Con-

gress President and Member of Parliament Amarinder Singh Raja Waring, along with District Congress President Rajinder Berry and Sonu Dhesi, visited the Police Commissioner's office to ensure the polling process was peaceful and fair.

He noted that voting was generally smooth, though there were reports of outsiders trying to influence voters in some areas.

## Vijay Bansal Advocate's hard work paid off, government issued notification

**KALKA (SUBHASH KOHLI):** The hard work of Shivalik Vikas Manch State President and former Chairman Haryana Government Vijay Bansal Advocate, who has been fighting for the restoration of old age honorarium stopped for thousands of employees retired from various corporations, boards etc. including BCW Surajpur Cement Factory including public sector by the state government about 10 years ago, has paid off. Acting on the demand of Vijay Bansal Advocate, Haryana Government has issued a notification to give pension to all retired elderly people deprived of old age honorarium including employees retired from HMT. The above former employees were neither being given pension by their company or government department nor were they being given old age honorarium by the Social Welfare Department of the state government, at this stage of age the former employees were facing financial crisis. To remove this inequality being done by the government with the elderly, Advocate Vijay Bansal has been continuously struggling to get pension for the said former employees for more than a decade.



Advocate Vijay Bansal told that according to the notification issued by the government, all the elderly who have been deprived of old age honor allowance till now will get the benefit of this pension scheme from January 2024, which will provide support to the elderly who are still going through financial crisis.

## Deepti Goyal visits Central Jail Patiala, open jail Nabha



KHUSHAV SINGLA  
MANDI GOBINDGARH, JULY 10

District and Sessions Judge-cum-Chairman District Legal Services Authority, Mr. Arun Gupta, under the directions of the Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Secretary District Legal Services Authority, Ms. Deepthi Goel, visited Central Jail Patiala and the newly formed district jail in Nabha.

On this occasion, they inspected the jails and interacted with female inmates about their difficulties. They instructed jail officials to prior-

itize daily issues faced by female inmates as the basis for resolution. They also emphasized the need for cleanliness in jails, especially during the rainy season, due to various bacteria that can be harmful to human health. Ms. Goel arranged visits for the inmates to the barracks, bathing areas, dining halls, and drinking water sources. She specifically instructed jail staff to maintain cleanliness. During this visit, the quality of food being prepared in the dining halls for the inmates was also inspected.

## CS prescribes antenatal check-up for pregnant women

SUMER GARG  
SANGRUR, JULY 10

The Punjab health and family welfare department, for the early detection and early treatment of high risk pregnant women organizes special medical check-up camp on 9th and 23rd of every month under the banner Pradhan Mantri Safe Motherhood Abhiyan.

During these camps organized under this campaign at the local district hospital, Civil Surgeon (CS), Dr. Kirpal Singh, while addressing the high-risk pregnant women said that they should have their delivery done in government institutions. He said that all facilities from pregnancy tests to 42 days of delivery in government institutions are provided free by the government. He said that ac-



cording to the instructions of the department, ultrasound of pregnant women is also done free of charge and financial assistance is also given under the Janani Suraksha Yojana and institutional delivery. Treatment for newborn boys up to 01 years and girls up to 05 years is free. He urged the high-risk pregnant women to pay special attention to a nutritious diet as diet is the basis of a healthy

child. He also said that every pregnant woman should get all her scheduled antenatal check-ups as well as keep her blood count right until delivery. Besides others, female specialists, Dr. Amanpreet Kaur Khangura; District Education and Information Officer, Karnail Singh; Saroj Rani; BEE. Apart from Hardeep Jindal, Amarjit Kaur, ASHA workers were present on the occasion.

## Sambhav Welfare Foundation Trust gifts fans to Maharishi Dayanand Public School



RAJIV JAIN  
CHANDIGARH, JULY 10

Sambhav Welfare Foundation Trust gifted fans for classrooms to Maharishi Dayanand Public School, MDVA Bhawan, Daria, Chandigarh.

These fans were given under the chairmanship of Managing Trustee Pushpa Singroha and in the presence of NGO members Sanjeev Goyal, Sumita Parashar, Munindra Singla, Ashwani Mittal and Abhishek Singla. They visited the school and assured cooperation in fu-

ture as well. Dr. Vinod Sharma praised Sambhav Welfare Foundation Trust and said that they have extended their hands to contribute in providing quality education in rural areas. Emphasizing on all-round development for the bright future of children is the priority of the school. Managing Trustee of Sambhav Welfare Foundation Trust Pushpa Singroha praised the management and said that providing education in rural areas is a challenging task. She said that their NGO is always with them in this noble work.

## MCM holds 6-day bridge course on Vaccinology

**CHANDIGARH (GAGAN JAIN):** Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh, in association with the Microbiologists Society, India (MBSI)- Chandigarh Unit, conducted a 6-day online bridge course titled 'Life-Threatening Microbial Pathogens and Vaccinology- Understanding Disease, Prevention and Therapy'. This intensive bridge course was designed to provide in-depth knowledge and understanding of microbial pathogens and vaccinology, essential for excelling in the field of microbiology and related sciences. It aimed to bridge the gap between high school graduates, undergraduates, and advanced research or professional courses, offering valuable insights and hands-on knowledge.

Dr. Vandana Sharma of the college's Food Science Department kicked off the course with an introductory lecture on pathogens, detailing their types and modes of transmission. Dr. Sandeep Kaur followed with an in-depth discussion on virulence factors and covered significant bacterial, fungal and viral infections and their pathogenic mechanisms and treatment methods used. Dr. Deepika Malik shared her expertise on vaccines, covering their mechanisms, types and the latest trends in vaccinology. To ensure comprehensive understanding, Dr. Kirati Singla conducted a thorough assessment, evaluating the knowledge gained by the participants throughout the course. She also shed light on the role of diet in strengthening our immunity and preventing the onset of infections. During the course, special emphasis was laid on covering the syllabus and questions for postgraduate entrance tests. The participants found the course highly relevant and thanked the organisers for this initiative.

## Five day workshop starts by Punjab Government Youth Services dept at Bahra University

TILAK RAJ  
MOHALI, JULY 10

Five day workshop started by Punjab Government Youth Services Department at Bahra University Shimla Hills. The workshop is inaugurated by Assistant Director Youth Services Department Punjab Government Kulvinder Singh and his team around 380 students from ten universities, various colleges, schools and youth clubs of twenty three districts of Punjab have come to this workshop.

The purpose of organizing this workshop is to create social awareness among the youth and to make them aware of their responsibility towards the society. This initiative is started by the Chief Minister of Punjab. This program is going to run for the next five days in Bahra University Shimla Hills under the



chairmanship of Assistant Director Kulvinder Singh. In this workshop Lovakesh Kumar Camp PO GMSSS Chuna-gra, Miss Sumeeta, Venu, Dr Sukhpal Kaur, Madam Aman and Madam Poonam also part of this workshop as officials. The routine of this workshop includes morning yoga pranayam to technical session and different types of activities are going on throughout the day. Inaugurating the workshop, Kulvinder Singh wished all the students and urged everyone to try to implement whatever was told here in their lives.

## Meeting of Doaba Kisan Committee Punjab Circle Pathankot held

BUREAU  
PATHANKOT, JULY 10

Today the meeting of Doaba Kisan Committee Punjab Circle Pathankot was held at Gurdwara Singh Sabha Sahib village Mirthal under the chairmanship of Ranjit Kaur and Daljit Singh Mirthal.

In which all the members of Doaba Kisan Committee Punjab Circle Pathankot and Bhai Ghanhaia Ji Sewa Society Pathankot and farmers participated. Various issues were discussed during the meeting. Especially Daljit Singh Manjhpur, Amrik Singh Gharanh, Unkar Singh Devidas attended the meeting. Addressing the meeting, Daljit Singh Manjhpur focused everyone's attention on planting more trees and saving water. He said that the water level in the earth is de-



creasing day by day. So we all need to make people aware to save water. He said that the organization will also plant trees and plants will be distributed free of cost to the people.

The rains have started and soon the organization will start planting trees will be done. Doaba Kisan Committee Punjab Circle Pathankot and Bhai Ghanhaiyaji Sewa Society Pathankot appealed to the people for their cooperation to plant trees and save the water level from decreasing. On this occasion, Vice President Meher Singh, Treas-

urer Unkar Singh Devidas, Surjit Singh Mirthal, Numberdar Rupinder Singh, Balveer Singh, Sukhwinder Singh, Ram Singh, Onkar Singh, Sanjeev Kumar, Pankaz Kumar Kathgarh, Daljit Singh, Balkar Singh, Gurmukh Singh, Sohan Singh, Dr. Surinder Kumar, Seal Kaur, Jatinder Kaur, Mandeep Kaur, Kulwinder Kaur, Charanjit Kaur, Harjit Kaur, Jasveer Kaur, Rajveer Kaur, Gurpreet Kaur, Manjit Kaur, Gurdeep Kaur, Palakpreet, Gurpreet, Jaswinder Kaur etc. were present.



Loan of Rs 9.33 lakh to 11 youth for self-employment: DC



RAMAN GUPTA KAITHAL : DC Prashant Panwar said that during the financial year, Haryana Scheduled Caste Finance and Development Corporation has provided a loan of Rs 9 lakh 33 thousand to 11 youth of the district to start self-employment, out of which Rs 65 thousand The grant amount is. He said that the corporation provides loans to Scheduled Caste youth to start self-employment. During the financial year in the district, Rs 3 lakh 75 thousand were given to 5 beneficiaries for dairy farming, Rs 98 thousand to 1 beneficiary for sheep rearing, Rs 1 lakh to 1 beneficiary for pig rearing, Rs 2 to 3 youth for starting their own business. Under the NSKFC scheme, a loan of Rs 1.5 lakh was provided to one beneficiary.

Punjabi folk singer Jelly new song 'kheti vs manali' released from UK



TILAK RAJ MOHALI : Famous Punjabi folk singer Jelly new song "Kheti vs Manali" released and fully liked by audience in these days. Giving a brief detail about a song jelly told that this song under production of sanger records and written by kulwinder dhilon and this song is music by syphr beats. In this song Jinjia Dhuria playing a lead female role and this project is by Imran Khan (Happy Malik) and Ashu Malik and video is by Preet Bal. He told this is a beat song and this song is forver song in marriage season. He said this song can be heard on all musical sites and the video of the song can be seen on YouTube channel of sanger records and all broadcast music channel also. About a future activities he said that other new song will be released very soon.

BJP govt ruined sports in Hry: Anil Rana

SUBHASH SISODIA GHARAUNDA : Senior Haryana Congress leader Anil Rana said that the BJP government's policies have pushed Haryana back. Once the state was number one in sports pushed into worse conditions. Along with the players, the playgrounds were also in a bad condition due to inconveniences. Unfortunately, today the condition of Haryana under the BJP rule was such that the playgrounds have become a habitat for poisonous wild animals. Rana said that today the sports grounds lacking sports facilities were more in bad condition than stadiums. The Haryana which once lived up to slogans like "Number 1 Haryana", today the BJP in its misrule was busy with changing the Chief Minister instead of development.

## RIMT University's School of Agricultural Sciences and Technology leads innovation with new entrepreneurial courses

KHUSHAV SINGLA MANDI GOBINDGARH: RIMT University's School of Agricultural Sciences and Technology Expands Horizons with Innovative Value-Added cum Skill Development Courses.

In a ground-breaking move to redefine agricultural education matching with the on-ground potentialities, School of Agricultural Sciences and Technology, RIMT University has unveiled a diverse array of value-added/ Skill Development/ Entrepreneurship courses aimed at equipping students with cutting-edge entrepreneurial skills and knowledge to meet the challenges of tomorrow's agricultural landscape.

Nestled in the heart of Fatehgarh Sahib, a hub of

## Fire breaks out at illegal plastic factory in Gwalior; no casualty reported

AGENCY GWALIOR, JULY 10

A massive fire broke out at an illegal plastic factory in Madhya Pradesh's Gwalior district early Wednesday morning, an official said.

The illegal factory was located in a residential area in Gadhaipura locality under the jurisdiction of the Hazira police station.

According to Atibal Singh Yadav, Deputy Commissioner of the Gwalior Municipal Corporation, a total of 32 fire tenders were engaged to extinguish the fire and no casualties were reported.

"Upon receiving information about the fire on Wednesday morning, we immediately dispatched the fire tenders to the spot. About 32 vehicles were engaged in extinguishing the fire, and it



is now under control. The factory stored raw materials for plastic production, and plastic brought in by scrap dealers was kept in the warehouse," Yadav told ANI.

Due to its location in a residential area, the factory was operating illegally without permission. Nearby

residents also suffered as the fire spread to their houses, filling them with smoke. They were rescued by breaking windows, Yadav added.

"If this had happened around midnight, it is quite possible that the residents could have fainted, leading to

## PM Surya Ghar Yojana effective in meeting energy needs of poor: DC

JAGBIR UPLANA KARNAL : Deputy Commissioner Uttam Singh said that the PM Surya Ghar-Free Electricity Scheme has been started by the Central Government. Under this scheme, families of the state whose annual income is less than Rs 1.80 lakh can take

advantage of this scheme. The cost of installing solar panels is Rs 1 lakh 10 thousand. An amount of Rs 60 thousand will be given by the Central Government and Rs 50 thousand by the Haryana Government. By taking advantage of this scheme, the electricity bill will become

zero and the government will also buy the extra electricity that will be saved, which will give them additional income. The Deputy Commissioner said that this is an excellent scheme of the Central Government through which the energy related needs of the poor section of the society can

be fulfilled. He said that with this scheme the energy expenditure of poor families will become almost zero. If more electricity than the consumption is produced by the solar panel, then it will go to the electricity account which will be paid by the government to the said house owner.

## Pawan Parinda re-elected Chairman of Prabhu Kirpa Sahara Welfare Club



KULDEEP SOOD BARNALA, JULY 10

Prabhu Kirpa Sahara Welfare Club Reg, dedicated to social work, has elected a new leadership team under the supervision of eminent storyteller Pawan Parinda of Barnala. The selection was made unanimously after the executive report and detailed discussion regarding the social service activities done during the previous tenure. During the election, Pawan Parinda was re-

elected as club chairman, Praveen Singla as vice chairman, Mahendra Singh Bunty Grover as president, Dinesh Singla as general secretary, Rampal Singla as secretary, Surinder Mohan as treasurer and Sonu Uppal as press secretary. The newly selected team thanked all the members for the trust shown in them earlier and pledged to work hard and honestly for the fulfillment of the social service objectives of the club. He also paid tribute to the talented

young member of his recently departed club Umesh aka Honey Sohal by observing a two minute silence. Then discussed their proposed social work in detail and soon decided to organize a free mega medical camp dedicated to the memory of the late member Sohal. On this occasion, former manager Subhash Mittal, Dr. Rakesh Kumar Singla, Sevak Singh Bham, Ved Prakash Garg, Ashwani Jain, Ravi Sharma and Gopal Pali etc. senior members were present.

## Samadhan camp is proving to be boon for common citizens: SDM

JAGBIR UPLANA ASSANDH, JULY 10

SDM Virendra Singh Dhul said that the state government has taken important steps towards solving the problems of the public. A solution camp is being organized in the SDM office every day from 9 am to 11 am during the working day. Officials of the concerned departments will be present in the solution camp. He told that Samadhan Camp is proving to be a boon for the common citizens. In Samadhan Camp, the problems of the public are heard and resolved on the spot. SDM told that the subdivision administration is committed to implement the public welfare schemes of the state government and to resolve the problems of the common man. The problems received in Samadhan Camp are being resolved on priority basis. He told that any citizen can get the problems related to property ID, family identity card, land registration, outstanding certificate from local bodies, map approval from Nagar Palikas, ration card, social security pensions, crime related complaints and electricity, irrigation, public health engineering resolved on the spot. He said that this step of the government will provide convenience to the common people and will be helpful in building a better and prosperous society. The government is constantly committed to improving the living standards of the people and increasing prosperity.



## Family Identity Card camps to be organized at village and ward wise from July 11 to 15: ADC

RANVIR PARASHAR KAITHAL, JULY 10

ADC C. Jaya Shradha said that Citizen Resources Information Department will organize camps village and ward wise from 11 to 15 July in relation to the family identity card. In this camp, verification of common people's date of birth, name demo-authentic verification, marital status verification, family structure unvoted and untagged verification, occupation, duplicate mobile number, bank account, caste verification, family identity card amendment verification will be done.

These camps will be organized in government schools of the village. Additional Deputy Commissioner C. Jaya Shradha has issued necessary guidelines in this



regard to the officers of all the concerned departments. She told the DEO, DEEO, DDEO and all BEOs that they will open the camp location as per the duty chart and ensure presence of concerned head teacher. Concerned school nodal officer will submit daily attendance and progress report. Along with this, drinking water and other arrangements will be ensured.

DDPO and all BDPOs were instructed to order the village secretary to complete the pending income and caste verification work. DRO and all Tehsildars and Naib Tehsildars were instructed to order Patwari, Kanungo, CRO and MC to complete the pending caste verification and send its progress report to the Additional Deputy Commissioner's office. In this, take full cooperation of numberdars and volunteers.

## Orthopedic specialist Dr. Satendra Singh joins Life Care Hospital



KAPIL ARORA SHAHABAD MARKANDA: Dr. Satendra Singh, a bone specialist will provide his services in Life Care Hospital. Giving information, the hospital director Dr. Nitin Sharma said that better facilities were available for the patients in the hospital. He said that Dr. Satendra Singh was an experienced doctor who has worked in various prestigious hospitals of the country. In a special conversation, Dr. Satendra Singh said that now people suffering from knee, joint, cervical, hip pain would be able to get treatment in Life Care Hospital. Dr. Satendra said that if anyone has pain or any other problem in any joint of the body, then he should not take it lightly because bones worked to keep the structure of our body together. In case of even a slight problem, consult a doctor immediately so that the bone disease can be cured on time. Dr. Satendra said that in such cases one should not do any exercise without consulting a doctor because it can prove fatal. He said that Life Care Hospital has been providing better health facilities to the people of Shahabad for a long time.

## Nagar Palika employees demand permanent status and pension re-implementation



JAGBIR UPLANA KARNAL: Today, on the call of Nagar Palika Karamchari Sangh Haryana State Committee, the office bearers of Nagar Palika Karamchari Sangh Haryana branch, Karnal unit, while addressing a press conference, Deputy Chief of Nagar Palika Karamchari Sangh Haryana State and District Chief Virban said that among the main demands, first of all, temporary employees should be made permanent, salaries should be paid from time to time, NPS should be abolished and old pension should be re-implemented.

The Chief Minister of Haryana, Nayab Saini has increased the salary of Safai Karmacharis of Haryana from only Rs. 16,900 to Rs. 17,000. The employees and the main executive members of Nagar Palika have expressed their grief over this. After this, Women President of Haryana State, Sharda has also appealed to abolish skilled employment. She has said that this is a very deep conspiracy against the youth because till the time recruitment is done through skilled employment, all the youth will be deprived of regular recruitment. All our firemen in Nagar Palika should also be given Rs. 5,000 as compensation.

## One arrested with 1125 Alprazolam tablets at Village Binjalpur, Ambala

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KURUKSHETRA, JULY 10

Under the guidance of Shri O.P. Singh IPS, Additional Director General of Police, Haryana State Narcotics Control Bureau and the leadership of Smt. Nitika Gahlaut IPS, Superintendent of Police, Haryana State Narcotics Control Bureau, each unit of Haryana NCB is relentlessly targeting drug smugglers. Continuous action is being taken against drug smugglers across Haryana. Kurukshetra unit of HSNCB, while gathering clues by their secret informer, achieved great success in arresting accused Shekhar S/o Ashok Kumar R/o vill. Binjalpur PS Mulana, Distt. Ambala with 1125 Alprazolam Narcotics Tablets (Commercial Quantity). Under Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 possession of commercial quantity of Alprazolam Tablets by people who are neither importers nor exporters or manufacturers is punishable offence. The accused was planning to Supply narcotic drugs from Uttar Pradesh to Punjab, which was nab by HSNCB at Village Binjalpur, Ambala. In this relation a case has been registered under the Narcotics Act at Police Station Mulana (Ambala) and further



investigation is being done. HSNCB Kurukshetra Unit Incharge Sub-Inspector Gurnam Singh appealed to the general public and said that if anyone sees drugs being sold anywhere, then without any worry, inform on NCB's toll free number 90508-91508. The information given by you will be processed with immediate effect and the name and address of the person giving the information will not be disclosed under any circumstances. So that with our joint efforts Haryana state can be made drug free.

## Elderly man killed by beating with stick, accused arrested

JAIBEER RANA THAMBE

BARARA: In village Rajokhedhi, an old man was suddenly attacked by another old man with a stick, due to which he died in the hospital. At the same time, the police have registered a case of murder and arrested the accused. In a complaint to the police, Rajokhedhi resident Maya Devi, wife of Jarnail Singh, said that her real brother Pala Ram had also come from Mohali Punjab and settled in the same village at some distance from her house. Pala Ram had bought land here and was doing farming for about 45 years.

Maya Devi told that Rani, the wife of Pala Ram's son and Geeta Rani, the wife of Mama Chand's son of the same village, both used to talk to each other on the phone and both also used to go to the market to buy goods. Due to which Mama Chand was unhappy. Maya Devi's husband Jarnail Singh said that his brother-in-law, about 68 years old Pala Ram, came to their house on July 7 at 5 pm when their neighbor Mama Chand started abusing him. When Pala Ram came out of the house, Mama Chand hit Pala Ram several times on the head with a stick. Mamchand's wife Prakasho also had a stick in her hand. When Mayadevi came to intervene, Prakasho Devi attacked Palaram and Mayadevi with the stick. Meanwhile people gathered and Mamchand and his wife Prakasho entered their house.

## Ish Chopra celebrates mother's birthday by planting tree

DARSHAN SHARMA NILOKHERI:

Today in Nilokheri, social worker and head of Nilokheri Shivpuri, Ish Chopra, on his mother's birthday, planted a Sheesham tree in Shivpuri on the call of Modi ji, following his mother's name and said that the way there is a lot of problem in environment, we are facing a lot of shortage of oxygen. So if we cut a tree for any reason, then we should definitely plant one or two trees in its place. So that they not only give us cool air, but also give us oxygen. On this occasion, Ish Chopra's mother also said that we should plant as many trees as possible, so that we do not



face shortage of oxygen. On this occasion, the staff also planted a neem tree and said that we will take good care of

these plants. Ish Chopra's wife, son Yash Chopra, and all the family members and staff were present.

## Bhavik Jain unanimously elected head of society

MANISH KUMAR AMBALA, JULY 10

Meeting of Shri Manibhadra Veer Young Society was held at Amar Place regarding formation of new managing committee. At beginning of meeting, head Luv Jain thanked everyone for contribution made by all members in works done during his tenure.

Luv Jain told that many histories were created by society during his tenure such as organizing a tour of South India and organizing a day and night tournament in Ambala. Formation of new managing committee was



discussed in meeting and Bhavik Jain was unanimously elected as the head. Head Bhavik Jain thanked everyone for being elected as the head and assured that he will make every possible effort to take the society towards progress. And after this, new executive was formed by newly appointed head Bhavik Jain. Luv Jain was appointed as Chairman,

Vikul Jain as Vice President, Secretary Navyam Jain, Treasurer Manan Jain, Joint Secretary Aman Jain, Sanket Jain, Karun Jain, Puneet Jain, Sukant Jain, Bharat Jain as executive members. Giving information, Bhavik Jain said that the priority of the society will be to organize as many religious and social functions as possible and connect people with the society.



Editorial

A delicate matter

The issue of the status of expelled members of Parliament has attracted public attention. This article seeks to put forth the legal position. Under the provisions of the Tenth Schedule to the Constitution, members of the House can be categorised into three categories — belonging to a legislature party; independent member; nominated member. There are no provisions for the expulsion of members of the House from their political parties.

The Constitution (Fifty-Second Amendment) Bill, 1985, introduced in the Lok Sabha on January 24, 1985, which sought to incorporate the Tenth Schedule to the Constitution (Anti-Defection Law), provided for the expulsion from a political party as one of the grounds for disqualification from the membership of the House. However, in view of the concerns expressed by members cutting across party lines, the Rajiv Gandhi government decided to exclude this provision in deference to the predominant view that emerged.

It is a well-settled position that a political party has disciplinary control over its members and may expel a member under the provisions of the party's Constitution. Prior to the coming to force of the Fifty-Second Constitution Amendment Act, 1985 and the rules framed thereunder, the established practice in the Lok Sabha has been that if a member of a political party was expelled from his party, he was treated as an unattached member of the House. But the Fifty-Second Constitution Amendment Act, 1985 and the rules framed thereunder do not make a provision for a situation arising out of a member's expulsion from his political party for his activities outside the House. Hence, the Act and the rules do not stipulate the existence of an unattached member.

A similar approach was adopted during the ninth Lok Sabha when the then Speaker declared 25 members expelled from the Janata Dal as unattached. During the tenth Lok Sabha, however, the then Speaker in his decision in the Janata Dal case adopted a different approach and observed "In the past... when the Members were expelled, they were called Unattached, to distinguish them from the party Members as well as from the independent Member. The word Unattached is not used anywhere in the Tenth Schedule or any part of the Constitution of India or any other relevant laws or the Rules of Procedure followed in the Parliament." The Speaker took the view that it is doubtful that expulsion from a political party would automatically result in the expulsion of the member from the legislature party as well.

Biden pledges NATO support to Ukraine

US President Joe Biden pledged support of the NATO to defend Ukraine against Russian President Vladimir Putin's "war of aggression."

"Putin wants nothing less - nothing less than Ukraine's total subjugation; to end Ukraine's democracy; to destroy Ukraine's culture; and to wipe Ukraine off the map," Biden said in his welcome address at the opening of the three-day NATO summit in Washington DC on Tuesday (local time).

"Ukraine can and will stop Putin," Biden, 81, said to applause.

The US president said that the United States, Germany, the Netherlands, Romania, and Italy will provide Ukraine with the equipment for five additional strategic air defence systems.

"And in the coming months, the United States and our partners intend to provide Ukraine with dozens of additional tactical air defence systems," Biden said.

The US President said that Ukraine will receive hundreds of additional interceptors over the next year, helping protect Ukrainian cities against Russian missiles and Ukrainian troops facing air attacks on the front lines.

Biden said, "the United States will make sure that when we export critical air defence interceptors, Ukraine goes to the front of the line."

"They will get this assistance before anyone else gets it," Biden added stating that Ukraine continues to be a free country and "the war will end with Ukraine remaining a free and independent country."

"Russia will not prevail. Ukraine will prevail," the US President said to applause. Biden's speech at the NATO came a day after Russia conducted strikes across Ukraine including a strike on the country's largest children's hospital.



"All the Allies knew that before this war, Putin thought NATO would break," Biden said adding that the 32-member military alliance is "stronger than it's ever been in its history."

Joint Statement on Strengthening Ukraine's Air Defences was signed by US President Joe Biden, Dutch Prime Minister Dick Schoof, German Chancellor Olaf Scholz, Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni, Romanian President Klaus Iohannis, and Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy.

The US, Germany, and Romania will each provide a Patriot battery of their own, while the Netherlands will work with other countries to enable an additional Patriot battery, each country announced in the joint state-

ment. Meanwhile, Italy would also provide a SAMP-T long-range air defence system.

The statement said the five strategic air-defence systems, "will help to protect Ukrainian cities, civilians, and soldiers, and we are coordinating with the Ukrainian government so that these systems can be utilized rapidly."

"We are working on a further announcement this year of additional strategic air defence systems for Ukraine," it added.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said he would fight for "decisive actions" from the United States and Europe to help Ukraine.

"It is not only our country that needs it - everyone needs it, literally every partner, all nations," Zelenskyy said in his first remarks af-

ter arriving in the US.

The Ukrainian president said he would ask for more air defense systems, F-16 fighter jets, and additional security guarantees, "including weapons and finances, political support."

Meanwhile, at the inaugural ceremony of the NATO Summit, the US President awarded the NATO Secretary-General Stoltenberg with the highest civilian honour of the United States, the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Leaders of the 32 NATO members and five partner countries - Australia, New Zealand, Ukraine, South Korea and Japan are participating in the summit to commemorate the setting up of the military alliance April 4, 1949.

Literature & Health

Om Birla to lead Indian delegation to BRICS Parliamentary Forum

Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla will lead an Indian Parliamentary Delegation (IPD) to the tenth BRICS Parliamentary Forum (PF) to be held in St. Petersburg, Russia on July 11 and 12, 2024.

The Delegation will also comprise Hariyansh, Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha; Shambhu Sharan Patel, Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha; Utpal Kumar Singh, Secretary General, Lok Sabha; P.C. Mody, Secretary General, Rajya Sabha. Anjani Kumar, Joint Secretary, Lok Sabha Secretariat is the Secretary to the Delegation. The overall theme of the Tenth BRICS Parliamentary Forum is "The Role of Parliaments in Strengthening Multilateralism for Equitable Global Development and Security."

Speakers/Presiding Officers, Members of Parliament from BRICS Countries and Invitee countries, namely, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan and the President of Inter-Parliamentary Union, Tulia Ack-



son, will participate in the meetings of BRICS Parliamentary Forum.

Lok Sabha Speaker will deliver speeches during the Plenary Sessions on two sub-themes namely "The BRICS Parliamentary dimension: Prospects for strengthening inter-parliamentary cooperation" and "The role of Parliaments in countering the fragmentation of the multilateral trade system and overcoming threats related to the consequences of global crises".

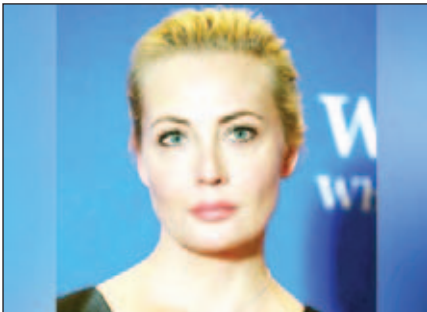
Russia: Court orders arrest of late opposition leader's wife in absentia

A court in Moscow has ordered the arrest of the wife of late opposition politician Alexey Navalny, Yulia Navalnaya, in absentia, her spokesperson announced on Tuesday, CNN reported.

The Basmany District Court in Moscow accused Navalnaya of "participation in an extremist organization," her spokesperson Kira Yarmysh announced in a post on social media. Yulia Navalnaya's name has also been included in an international wanted list, CNN reported, citing Russian state news agency RIA Novosti.

Additionally, the court granted a request by the Investigative Committee of Russia to detain Navalnaya. According to a press release, the period of detention would be calculated from the moment of possible extradition to Russian territory or from her detention on Russian territory. It is pertinent to note here that Navalnaya does not reside in Russia.

On February 16, Alexey Navalny died in the penal colony in Siberia, where he was serving a 19-year sentence after being found guilty of causing an extremist community,



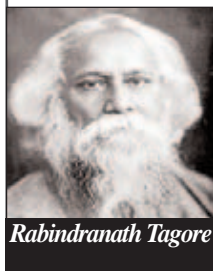
financing extremist activists and various other crimes in August, according to CNN report.

He was already serving sentences of 11-and-a-half years in a maximum security facility on fraud and other charges. He had denied the allegations and called it politically motivated. Navalny was Russia's high-profile opposition leader and spent years criticizing Russian President Vladimir Putin. His death came weeks before Russia's presidential elections that were scheduled to begin on March 15.

POEM

Journey Home

The time that my journey takes is long and the way of it long. I came out on the chariot of the first gleam of light, and pursued my voyage through the wildernesses of worlds leaving my track on many a star and planet.



It is the most distant course that comes nearest to thyself, and that training is the most intricate which leads to the utter simplicity of a tune. The traveler has to knock at every alien door to come to his own, and one has to wander through all the outer worlds to reach the innermost shrine at the end.

Rabindranath Tagore

Modi mania grips Times Square

Several religious leaders of minority communities and the Indian diaspora in the United States praised Prime Minister Narendra Modi for ensuring the inclusive growth of minorities in India and making them equal partners in the nation's global rise in the past decade.

They had participated in a 'Roundtable Meeting', co-organized by the Indian Minorities Foundation (IMF) and The Unity of Faiths Foundation, Bharat (TUFF Bharat), on inclusive growth and equal opportunities for all communities, particularly minorities PM Modi on Monday evening (local time). The multi-faith leaders thanked Prime Minister Narendra Modi for making India a safe haven for minorities.

They said during the over 10-year tenure of Prime Minister Modi, all communities have developed equally and inclusively, as a result of which India has also given a message of universal brotherhood and communal harmony to the world.

Besides others, the roundtable meeting was attended by Rajya Sabha MP and IMF Convenor Satnam Singh Sandhu, IMF co-founder Professor Hi-



mani Sood and TUFF co-founders Anna Bornholt and Shamender Talwar.

Participating in the roundtable meeting, religious leaders said that due to the tireless efforts of the Prime Minister, today India has become the biggest example for the world as a symbol of unity in integrity.

"It is because of PM Modi that India has created its own identity today. Under the leadership of PM Modi, India is

going through such a big change, as never before," they said.

Religious leaders highlighted that all Indian citizens, regardless of their religious affiliation, have benefited from Modi government policies that have lifted over 25 crore (250 million) people out of poverty during this period.

After the roundtable meeting, a walk of solidarity was held from 47th Street in New York to Father Duffy

Square to celebrate and salute the spirit of India.

With the popular musical number 'Maa Tuihe Salaam' playing in the background, Times Square reverberated with the chants of "Modi Modi" and "Bharat Mata Ki Jai" as a video clip played on-screen atop the square showed Bharat's growing stature under PM Modi and the promise of a prosperous, sustainable and harmonious planet as envisioned by PM Modi-led India.

Amid cheers for PM Modi and India, members of the Indian-American community joined multi-faith leaders and members of the Indian diaspora and people from diverse fields in a celebration of Modi 3.0 and India's global rise in the past decade under Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the iconic New York City destination.

During the event, the audience praised India's phenomenal rise in the last decade and PM Modi's ever-growing popularity as a global leader. They said India will emerge as the world's third-largest economy in Narendra Modi's third term as Prime Minister.

Indian Diaspora said India's growth story will continue under Modi 3.0 as

India is ready to take a giant leap, backed by its scientific acumen and technological prowess, under PM Modi's third successive term.

MP and IMF Convenor Satnam Singh Sandhu said until 2014, minorities succumbed to alienation in India for almost 65 years since independence and resigned to their fate of being left behind with respect to economic development and education.

"The lives of minorities in India have been transformed under PM Modi's leadership. The Modi government has followed an all-inclusive approach while implementing the welfare schemes. With the magic mantra of Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas', the Modi government practices only one religion - India First! with unity and inclusivity. As PM, Modi is passionate about ensuring development for all and appeasement towards none. In New India, it is not about a particular religion, sect or caste, it is about Indians who are getting equal opportunities. PM Modi is doing a phenomenal job of making India rise again on the world stage," he added.

Sandhu said PM Modi's tenure has been marked by a holistic and inclusive

approach to governance.

"From empowering farmers and women to driving economic growth, preserving culture, and leading on the global stage, the government's efforts have laid the foundation for a resilient, empowered, and globally respected India. As the nation continues on the path of development in PM Modi's third term, it is evident that the vision of Viksit Bharat by 2047 is not just a slogan but a living reality shaping the destiny of a vibrant and dynamic nation," he said.

Ann Clare Bornholt, the co-founder of The Unity of Faiths Foundation (TUFF) said that no leader in India or anywhere else has ever before crossed barriers and dealt with them like PM Modi has done.

"PM Modi is exceptional; he has a phenomenal job ahead of him. He is an extraordinary man with an extraordinary force behind him. He has a lot of people hoping that he is going to help the underprivileged. No leader has ever before, not in India, not anywhere else, crossed barriers and dealt with them like PM Modi has done; he is breaking them all on every level.



Snack anytime, anywhere with new range of KFC rolls

Amritsar/Ludhiana, July 10:—Hunger can strike anywhere and anytime. And in these moments, there's often confusion about what to eat. Presenting the perfect solution to this – the new range of KFC Rolls. These deliciously unique Rolls ko "kahin bhi khaao". No matter where you are or what time of the day it is, choose from the range of 5 exciting flavours including Thai Spicy, Korean Tangy, American Nashville, Indian Tandoori and Indian Spicy Veg. The latest menu offerings come at an unbelievable price of INR 99/- only. Consumers can pick any of the new KFC Rolls at just INR 99/-.

The classic American Nashville Roll brings together a crunchy chicken fillet, onions, and spicy garlic and Nashville chilli pepper sauces wrapped.

Aditya Birla Sun Life Quant Fund NFO Gamers Over Rs 2,400

NEW DELHI : Aditya Birla Sun Life AMC Limited (ABSLAMC) was incorporated in the year 1994. Aditya Birla Capital Limited and Sun Life (India) AMC Investments Inc. are the promoters and major shareholders of the Company. ABSLAMC is primarily the investment manager of Aditya Birla Sun Life Mutual Fund, a registered trust under the Indian Trusts Act, 1882. The investment manager has collected Rs 2,416 crore for its Aditya Birla Sun Life Quant Fund during the NFO period from 10th June 2024 to 24th June 2024. The open-ended equity scheme following Quant-based investment theme received a compelling response from 1,23,762 investors. The allotment date for the fund was 28th June 2024 and the fund reopened for subscription on 1st July 2024. The fund's investment strategy leverages a proprietary quantitative model designed to blend human insights with machine precision. Quantitative investing, by nature, is immune to emotional biases such as greed and fear.

Motorola launches moto g85 5G

Amritsar: Motorola, India's best 5G smartphone brand", today announced the launch of the moto g85 5G. The first ever moto g series smartphone with a groundbreaking 3D curved, endless edge display. The moto g85 5G offers numerous segment first and best features, such as the segment's best 3D curved 120Hz PoLED display with Gorilla Glass 5 protection and 1600 nits brightness. Segment's leading shake free 50MP OIS camera with the incredible Sony LYTIA™ 600 sensor, a sleek, lightweight and super-premium design with pantone curated colours plus a disruptive software experience with the revolutionary Smart Connect. Along with this, the moto g85 5G also boasts the segment's best 12GB RAM + 256GB storage and supports incredible 5G performance with 13 5G Bands, support for VoNR and much more at an effective price of just Rs. 16,999\* (8+128GB) and 18,999\* (12+256GB).

“How Urban India Pays” reveals India's rapid shift to digital payments

SIMLA, Unveiling India's accelerated transition towards a cashless economy, Kearney India and Amazon Pay India today released the “How Urban India Pays” report. This comprehensive study, based on a survey spanning 120 cities and over 6,000 consumers and 1,000 merchants, reveals a seismic shift in payment preferences. A staggering 90% of respondents favor digital payments for online purchases, while nearly half (50%) extend this preference to brick-and-mortar stores. Recognizing this paradigm shift, Indian merchants have swiftly adapted, with a substantial 69% of their transactions now conducted through digital channels. The survey's expansive reach across diverse regions, income groups, city tiers, age segments, and genders, offers a comprehensive lens into India's digital payment landscape. The report meticulously maps the adoption patterns of consumers and merchants, uncovering key growth drivers and areas for enhancement.

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

SIMLA : 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. The revamped plan also brings the renowned global streaming service provider-Netflix for its users, further strengthening its entertainment offering. With this partnership, Vi Postpaid users will be able to enjoy world-class entertainment with the best streaming experience on any device of their choice – mobile or television. Designed to cater to modern lifestyles, the all new enhanced REDX plan integrates entertainment, dining, travel, security, and priority customer service, all for just Rs1201. The newREDX plan provides access to a host of features that bring convenience, entertainment, and security – all in one single plan. To enjoy the exclusive REDX experience, login to the Vi webApp or walk-in to the nearest Vi Store. To know more, click <https://www.mvi.in/postpaid/redx>

Samsung Launches New Foldable Phones Galaxy Z Fold6 and Z Flip6

Chandigarh: Samsung today announced its all-new Galaxy Z Fold6 and Galaxy Z Flip6, along with Galaxy Bud3 and Galaxy Bud3 Pro at Galaxy Unpacked in Paris. With the introduction of the new Galaxy Z series, Samsung is opening the next chapter of Galaxy AI by leveraging its most versatile and flexible form factor perfectly designed to enable a range of unique mobile experiences. Galaxy AI uses powerful, intelligent, and durable foldable experience to accelerate a new era of communication, productivity, and creativity. "Samsung's long history of innovation has allowed us to lead in the mobile space, creating the foldable form factor and ushering in the mobile AI era. Now, we are excited to bring these two complementary technologies together and unlock new possibilities for users around the world," said TM Roh, President and Head of Mobile eXperience Business at Samsung Electronics. "Our foldables meet the unique needs of every user and now enhanced by the power of Galaxy AI, Samsung is delivering an experience like never before." Galaxy Z Fold6 and Z Flip6 are the slimmest and lightest Galaxy Z series ever, optimized for portability. The perfectly symmetrical design with straight edge provides an aesthetically sleek finish while a new cover screen ratio on Galaxy Z Fold6 provides a more natural bar-type viewing experience.

Integra Essentia Ltd.Board Approves Scheme of Amalgamation with G G Engineering Limited

Chandigarh : Integra Essentia Limited (BSE: 533958, NSE: ESSENTIA) is pleased to announce that the board of directors have approved the scheme of amalgamation of Integra Essentia Limited (transferee company) and G G Engineering Limited (transferor company). The scheme is subject to the approval of the BSE Limited (BSE), National Stock Exchange of India (NSE), Securities Exchange Board of India (SEBI), Shareholders and Creditors of both the Companies and other Specific Sectoral Regulators (if any). G G Engineering Ltd. the Transferor Company, is in the business of superior infrastructure Infrastructure & Structural Steel, and Engineering products which are used for diverse applications in various industries, like infrastructure, construction, mega projects, modern buildings, high-rise residential and commercial projects, engineering set-ups among others. The merger will enhance and strengthen the Transferor Company's infrastructure division, improving its operational capabilities and market competitiveness. It aims to enrich the combined product offerings and expand the customer base both locally and globally.

How social isolation may increase stress

Researchers have found that long term chronic isolation cause the build-up of a chemical in the brain, that increases stress, aggression and fear.

The mice isolated for two weeks showed behavioural changes like, increased aggressiveness towards unfamiliar mice, persistent fear, and hypersensitivity to threatening stimuli.

When encountering a threatening stimulus, mice that have been socially isolated remain frozen in place long after the threat has passed, whereas normal mice stop freezing soon after the threat is removed, the research said.

Although the study was done in mice, it has potential implications for understanding how chronic stress affects humans and has potential applications for treating mental health disorders, said lead author Moriel Zelikowsky, postdoctoral scholar at the California Institute of Technology in the US.

Previous studies have determined that social isolation for two weeks in mice resulted in the upregulation of the signalling molecule neuropeptide, tachykinin 2 (Tac2)/neurokinin B (NkB) – a short protein molecule.

In the new study,



published in the journal Cell, the team found that chronic isolation leads to an increase in Tac2 gene expression and the production of a neuropeptide called neurokinin B (NkB) throughout the brain.

But, administration of a drug that chemically blocks NkB-specific receptors enabled the stressed mice to behave normally, eliminating the negative effects of social isolation.

On the other hand, artificially increasing Tac2 levels and activating the corresponding neurons.

This Monsoon, Get a Personal Accident Cover

As the monsoon season ushers in cooler temperatures and lush greenery, it also brings along increased risks, especially for those who commute or travel frequently. Slippery roads, reduced visibility, and the potential for accidents make it essential to ensure your safety. One of the best ways to protect yourself and your loved ones during this season is by getting a Personal Accident Cover. Mr. Bhaskar Nerurkar, Head - Health Administration Team, Bajaj Allianz General Insurance, is explaining why this insurance is crucial and how it can offer you peace of mind amid the monsoon's challenges.

Understanding Personal Accident Cover  
Personal Accident Cover is a type of insurance that provides financial support in the event of accidental injury, disability, or death. It ensures that you and your family are not burdened by the financial repercussions of an accident, probability of which can be particularly high during the monsoon season due to the increased risk of mishaps.  
Key Benefits of Personal Accident Cover  
Financial Compensation for Accidents  
A Personal Accident Cover offers compensation for a range of accident-related scenarios, including:

Accidental Death: Provides a lump sum amount to the nominee in the unfortunate event of the policyholder's accidental death.  
Permanent Total Disability: Offers financial support if the policyholder suffers a permanent total disability, ensuring they can manage without a steady income.  
Permanent Partial Disability: Provides a proportionate payout based on the extent of the disability.  
Temporary Total Disability: Covers lost wages by providing weekly compensation if the policyholder is temporarily unable to work due to an accident.  
Mr. Bhaskar Nerurkar, Head - Health & Travel Administration Team, Bajaj Allianz General Insurance

Westside launches its 229th store in Faridabad



FARIDABAD : Westside, a part of the iconic Indian family - TATA, has inaugurated its newest store in Faridabad with an aim to inspire fashion enthusiasts. Located at Westside, Amolik City Centre, Sec 28, Near metro pillar 624, Faridabad, Haryana-121008, this store is spread across 22255 sq ft. With a conscious effort of making style simple for every moment, it will feature most of Westside's brands across apparels, accessories, cosmetics and footwear- all conveniently available at one

location! The new store seamlessly embodies the brand's vision of delivering an extraordinary retail experience, providing customers with contemporary and modern fashion trends at an exceptional value. It is committed to offering a seamless shopping experience, with meticulously arranged and clutter-free displays that highlight the newest fashions. With distinctive style, the brand embraces innovation and refreshes their collection every three weeks on Friday.

Vi Business and PayU Partner to Accelerate Digital Growth with exclusive offers

GURUGRAM / HISAR : Vi Business, the enterprise arm of Vi, a leading telecom operator, and PayU, one of India's leading digital financial services providers, have come together in a strategic partnership to propel India's MSME's into their digital journeys, by providing them bespoke digital payment solutions. The partnership will combine Vi Business

digital transformation solutions and PayU's expertise in digital payments and financial services solutions to offer a comprehensive suite of services designed to address growing needs of MSMEs. This collaboration brings innovative payment solutions, bespoke offers engine, buy-now-pay-later options, and seamless WhatsApp integration – all meticulously designed keeping

India's growing MSMEs at the core. Vi Business, as part of its dedicated MSME program, ReadyForNexa is also offering an exclusive range of productivity & collaboration digital tools tailor-made for MSMEs at special prices. The products include location tracking, google workspace, personal cloud storage and mobile security solutions to assist MSME's.

India Triumphs at ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024: Coca-Cola India and ICC Showcase 'Made in India' Recycled PET Flags

Chandigarh: In the thrilling conclusion of ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024 held in the USA and the West Indies where India truly emerged victorious, by winning the prestigious tournament. Coca-Cola India and the ICC once again brought a refreshing difference by combining cricket passion with a commitment to sustainability. Rajesh Ayapilla, Senior Director-CSR and Sustainability for Coca-Cola India

and Southwest Asia (INSWA), said, "At Coca-Cola, we're excited to unite cricket passion with our commitment to sustainability at the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024. These recycled PET flagsshowcase our dedication to circularity and environmental responsibility. By turning post-consumer plastic bottles into symbols of national pride, we celebrate fans and take a significant step towards a greener future. We believe that the

initiative will set a precedent for future events and will continue to inspire a positive change." ICC Chief Commercial Officer, Anurag Dahiya said, "ICC World Cups once again proven to be a fantastic platform to showcase the partnership between Coca-Cola India and the ICC, highlighting our shared commitment to cricket and the environment.

“GST: A Key Enabler for Viksit Bharat”: Experts

Chandigarh, July 10, 2024: Members of Trade and Industry Association from Punjab, Chandigarh & Haryana organized a workshop on “GST-A Key Enabler to Viksit Bharat” here today at a private hotel. Session was inaugurated by Manoj Kumar Srivastava [IRS], Chief Commissioner CGST Panchkula. Other Senior officers Sh. Vikas Kumar [IRS] Pr. Commissioner CGST Ludhiana, Hardeep Batra [IRS] Commissioner Audit Ludhiana, Rajan Datt [IRS] Commissioner CGST Panchkula, Kumar Gaurav Dhawan [IRS] Commissioner CGST Jalandhar interacted with trade members, resolved their grievances and assured to put forth the trade suggestions with CBIC. Manoj Kumar Srivastava felicitated members of trade and officers for their contributions in GST in past 7 years. CS Sanjay Malhotra (an eminent Indirect Tax Expert), who was the Key Note Speaker shared the recent amendments in GST, cir-



culars issued by CBIC and apprised members of recommendations of 53rd GST Council meeting which highlighted the road map of “GST as a key enabler of Viksit Bharat”. He focused on ensuring compliance and controls put in by GST Council to combat fake invoicing and tax evasions. He appreciated the initiative of “Grievance and Feedback session” undertaken by GST Commissionerate Ludhiana and Panchkula. Ritika Malhotra shared with the trade members Journey of GST in past 7 years” focusing on Gains, Pains, Most

Litigated issues and Suggestions for further tax reforms. Members of Trade Sanjay Aggarwal [MD- SCOTTEDILL], CS Arjun Tyagi – Regional Council Member ICSEI, Pawan Pathwa [PHDCCI] were also present and shared their views on GST-A Key Enabler for Viksit Bharat. Young moderators Ms. Kanwalpreet Kaur and Ms. Ritika Malhotra has given warm welcome to the Members from CGST Office and Industry as the officers have always been supportive to implement the suggestions given by Trade.

Swiss Beauty launches its premium makeup segment ‘Swiss Beauty Select’ on its 11th anniversary



CHANDIGARH July 10th : Swiss Beauty, one of India's leading makeup brands, celebrates its 11th anniversary with the debut of Swiss Beauty Select. Building on the brand's legacy of excellence, this new collection marks its foray into the premium segment. Designed to meet the evolving preferences of discerning beauty enthusiasts across India, Swiss Beauty Select is carefully crafted as a hybrid makeup range that offers a perfect blend of skincare and makeup. The products are spanned across multiple categories like liquid lipsticks, bullet lipsticks, eyeshadow, mascara among others and the brand has plans to keep adding new products to it every month.

The newly launched collection along with makeup as hero, is power packed with Vitamin E, Coconut Water Extracts, and other superior skincare ingredients as well. Swiss Beauty Select is exclusively available on Nykaa for the first three months along with their own website - [www.swissbeauty.in](http://www.swissbeauty.in) providing early access to customers. It will also be available at Swiss Beauty's exclusive brand outlets in Elante Mall in Chandigarh, Amanora Mall in Pune, VR Surat in Surat, Mall of Amritsar in Amritsar, EDM Mall in Ghaziabad, Icon Plaza in Muzaffarpur, Sarath City Capital Mall in Hyderabad, and Elpro City Square in Pune from July onwards.

Dr. Seema's Shocking Revelation: Shaminder Learns Keerat's True Identity



Gurman asks Babaji to help her, Dr. Seema calls Shaminder and informs him that her mother wants to meet him, and he is shocked to learn that Keerat is his daughter. In today's episode of "Dilan De Rishtey Shammi indirectly asks prabh what if Keerat were their daughter. Arshpreet tries to kill Shaminder. After all, who is the woman who is telling Shaminder the truth? Is Kirat Shaminder and Prabhot's daughter? Watch an interesting episode of "Dilan De Rishtey" every Mon to Sat at 7:30 pm only on zee punjabi.

UTCA all set to create record with 3456 players in 288 teams during Gully Cricket tournament

Chandigarh, In the series of Gully Cricket tournament commencing from July 26, UT Cricket Association (UTCA) organized a meeting wherein various stakeholders including senior officials from Chandigarh Police and Social Welfare Department participated. The meeting was chaired by UTCA's President Sanjay Tandon to strengthen the tournament's outline. DSP Ram Gopal of Chandigarh Police informed that the department's effort is to make the tournament more comprehensive than the previous edition. A team of 48 personnel from all across 16 police stations has been formed. Each station will send 16 teams of boys and two of girls. Only players hailing from Chandigarh born between 1-4-2006 to 31-3-2010 are eligible for the tournament. He said that apart from these, ground and team liaison officers have also been appointed in all the nine venues of the city. Tandon said that UTCA will once again create a record with the massive participation of 3456 players along with the expected 288 teams. He stressed that apart from creating records, the tournament will also strengthen the national anti-drug campaign. Representing the Social Welfare Department, Prabhjot Kaur said that their department will organize various activities under the nationwide campaign of the Govt of India's 'Nasha Mukta Bharat'.

SBI General Insurance Appoints Udayan Joshi as Chief Technical & Claims Officer

Chandigarh, SBI General Insurance, one of India's leading general insurers, has announced the appointment of Mr. Udayan Joshi as the Chief Technical & Claims Officer. In his new role, Mr. Joshi will play a pivotal role in shaping and executing strategic underwriting & reinsurance initiatives aimed at ensuring sustainable profitability. He will also lead the Claims function, focusing on delivering best-in-class, hassle-free claim services to customers. Mr. Joshi is a seasoned BFSI professional with almost two decades of extensive experience in the insurance industry. Prior to his current role at SBI General Insurance, Mr. Joshi held significant roles at Liberty General Insurance and ICICI Lombard. His extensive experience spans various functions within the General Insurance sector, where he has made notable contributions in areas such as underwriting & pricing, claims management, reinsurance, operations & customer experience. Mr. Joshi holds a

graduate degree in Commerce and is a qualified Chartered Accountant (ICAI) & Company Secretary (ICSI). Further, his post qualification specialization in Insurance & Risk Management from ICAI, underscores his proficiency in the field. Mr. Naveen Chandra Jha, MD & CEO, SBI General Insurance, "We are delighted to welcome Mr. Udayan Joshi to SBI General Insurance family. His extensive experience and proven track record in the insurance industry make him an invaluable addition to our leadership team. We are confident that Mr. Joshi's expertise will greatly enhance our ability to provide exceptional insurance solutions and drive sustainable growth for the company." On his appointment Mr. Udayan Joshi said, "I'm excited to join SBI General Insurance as the Chief Technical & Claims Officer. I look forward to collaborating with the team to further enhance our technical capabilities and claims management processes, adding significant value to the lives of our customers and stakeholders."

Ather Energy CEO Tarun Mehta Echoes Amitabh Kant's Call for Full Electrification of Transportation in India

Chandigarh: Tarun Mehta, CEO of Ather Energy, has endorsed Amitabh Kant's recent statement on the urgent need for the electrification of all transportation in India. In a tweet, Mehta highlighted the critical importance of transitioning to electric vehicles (EVs) to reduce fossil fuel dependence and emissions, echoing Kant's vision.

Tarun's tweet stated, "Amitabh Kant, Former CEO of Niti Aayog, has once again correctly called out the urgent need for electrification of all transportation in India. Naysayers in the industry will keep nitpicking on new tech, but there's perhaps no single lever more powerful than 100% electrification to reduce fossil fuel dependence and emissions reduction. Electrification coupled with green-ification of

power generation with solar and wind is an incredibly simple and powerful lever for our country today."

He emphasized the



immense potential of the Indian electric two-wheeler (E2W) industry, noting that India is at the forefront of both technological and social transformation. "Our industry has been investing in EV manufacturing, design, R&D, and components

ahead of many 2W players globally, and today we can lead this revolution in 2Ws globally," Mehta added.

Mehta also acknowledged the pivotal role of government policies in supporting the EV industry. "Back in 2021, when the government introduced favourable EV policies, they provided much-needed support to the fledgling EV industry. This support was crucial in making EVs economically viable for consumers while allowing EV startups to invest in R&D at previously unheard levels," he stated.

Reflecting on the impact of the revised FAME policy, Mehta highlighted how it enabled the industry to reduce reliance on subsidies while scaling up production and innovation.

How to take care of yourself during this monsoon

Patiala : The monsoon season is a time when one needs to take extra care of health. With the rain and humidity, the bodies become more vulnerable to infections and other illnesses. With the rains come a host of health concerns that must be addressed to ensure optimal well-being. Dr. Prashant Bhatt, Senior Consultant - Internal Medicine, Manipal Hospital Patiala, highlights that during monsoons, people are more susceptible to ailments like viral fever, dengue, malaria, and other water-borne diseases. Additionally, the humidity can cause skin irritation and fungal infections. This is why it is essential to pay special attention to physical and mental health during this season. Allergies can also worsen due to increased humidity and the presence of allergens like mold, pollen, and dust mites. These allergens thrive in damp conditions and can trigger respiratory



symptoms such as sneezing, coughing, congestion, and wheezing, especially for those with asthma or allergies.

Thus, it's important to make sure proper care is taken during this season, especially for children and elderly people. A few steps that individuals can take to protect themselves and their families during monsoon: Stay Hydrated: The monsoon season comes with cooler temperatures and refreshing downpours, but it also increases the risk of dehydration. It is essential to

stay hydrated during this period as the high humidity levels cause excessive sweating that can lead to dehydration. Dehydration not only causes thirst but also fatigue, dizziness, headaches, and dry skin. Therefore, it is crucial to drink plenty of fluids. Practice Good Hygiene: Due to the high humidity, bacteria, and fungi tend to thrive during the monsoon. Maintain good personal hygiene by washing hands frequently with soap and water, especially before eating and after using the restroom. Carry hand sanitizer for times when soap and water are not readily available. Keep your surroundings clean and dry to prevent the growth of mold and other harmful microorganisms. Take Care of Your Skin: One must keep the skin clean and hydrated by washing it twice a day with a gentle cleanser and following up with a moisturizer. This will prevent dirt, grime, and sweat from clogging your pores.

Kalyan Jewellers offers double the shopping experience with its all-new show room at Mall Road in Bathinda



Bathinda: Kalyan Jewellers, one of India's most trusted and leading jewellery brands, today announced the launch of its newly-designed showroom in Bathinda. The brand-new showroom is relocated to Mall Road. The showroom features an extensive range of designs from Kalyan Jewellers' jewellery collections, presented in a world-class ambience. Currently, the jewellery brand is present across all major markets

in the state namely – Amritsar, Ludhiana, Jalandhar, Patiala, Zirakpur and many more. Commenting on the new showroom launch, Mr. Ramesh Kalyanaraman, Executive Director of Kalyan Jewellers, said, "We are delighted to announce the relocation of our showroom in Bathinda, which will be providing an enhanced and opulent shopping environment for our valued customers. We believe the relocated showroom at Mall

Road is much more convenient and accessible to patrons. We will continue to offer vast range of exquisite and unique jewellery designs with focus on quality, service and transparent pricing." All the jewellery retailled at Kalyan Jewellers is BIS hallmarked and undergoes multiple purity tests. Patrons will also receive the Kalyan Jewellers 4-Level Assurance Certificate, guaranteeing purity, free lifetime maintenance of ornaments, detailed product information, and transparent exchange and buy-back policies. This certification reflects the brand's commitment to offering the very best to its loyal customers. To mark this momentous occasion, the company is offering flat 50% off on making charges on all jewellery products. The offer is valid until 14th July, 2024.

Motorola launches moto g85 5G

Chandigarh: Motorola, India's best 5G smartphone brand", today announced the launch of the moto g85 5G. The first ever moto g series smartphone with a groundbreaking 3D curved, endless edge display. The moto g85 5G offers numerous segment first and best features, such as the segment's best 3D curved 120Hz PoLED display with Gorilla Glass 5 protection and 1600 nits brightness. Segment's leading shake free 50MP OIS camera with the incredible Sony LYTIA™ 600 sensor, a sleek, lightweight and super-premium design with pantone curated colours plus a disruptive software experience with the revolutionary Smart Connect. Along with this, the moto g85 5G also boasts the segment's best 12GB RAM + 256GB storage and supports incredible 5G performance with 13 5G Bands, support for VoNR and much more at an effective price of just Rs. 16,999\* (8+128GB) and 18,999\* (12+256GB). The moto g85 5G brings details to life with an immersive 6.7" PoLED endless edge display that gives a continuous view from edge to edge with infinite contrast and cinematic colour. The display delivers over a billion shades of film-quality colour owing to its 10-bit depth and DCI-P3 colour gamut and comes with the segment's best Gorilla Glass 5 protection. Its FHD+ resolution delivers images that are remarkably sharp and detailed without any pixelation, moreover, a super-smooth 120 Hz refresh rate makes switching between apps, playing games, and scrolling websites smoother and seamless.



Social Welfare Club starts plantation campaign in village Kotla Nihang



DAVINDER SHARMA  
ROPAR: Social Welfare Club (Regd.) Kotla Nihang started a campaign to plant 500 saplings in the vacant places in the village. Club President Amarjit Singh Ladi said that former SGPC member Bibi Daljit Kaur started it by planting saplings. In which 50 saplings were planted in the water tank in the first phase. On this occasion, club patrons Sukhwinder Singh Whiskey and Lakhvir Singh Lakha praised the work and said that to control the rising temperature they should plant as many saplings as possible in all clubs, organizations and panchayats. To make the village green, more and more trees will be planted in the vacant places, so that there can be relief from the rising heat and the weather can be pleasant. On this occasion, senior vice president of the club Bikram Singh Lal, secretary Barinder Singh Advocate, vice president Gurpreet Singh Jaggi, Sanjeev Kumar, Kamaljit Singh, Harmet Singh Meeta and other members were present.

Raising public awareness on Govt welfare schemes and policies



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA  
KARNAL: The Department of Information, Public Relations, Language, and Culture of Haryana is running a special publicity campaign. The campaign aims to cover villages and city wards in the Karnal district. Dr. Narendra Singh, District Information and Public Relations Officer, informed that departmental regular and listed choir parties are reaching urban and rural areas to promote the government's schemes and policies. These parties use musical and entertaining performances to raise awareness about the government's schemes, policies, and achievements. Dr. Singh stated that the objective of the special publicity campaign is to inform the public about the government's developmental policies, schemes, and achievements through folk singing styles. Publicity teams are deployed to cover the entire district, promoting the government's welfare policies and schemes in both rural and urban areas. He emphasized that publicity campaigns play a significant role in increasing public awareness about government schemes. Departmental and listed artists involved in the campaign have prepared musical presentations about government schemes and policies, which have a profound impact on the public from an awareness perspective.

Free travel facility for those with annual income less than 1 lakh, 19,360 Happy cards distributed

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA  
KARNAL: Deputy Commissioner Uttam Singh announced that Happy Cards are being distributed to family members with an annual income of less than Rs. 1 lakh, providing them with 1,000 kilometers of free travel on Haryana Roadways buses. So far, the Roadways Depot has distributed 19,360 Happy Cards in the district, which beneficiaries are using for free bus travel. He explained that the state government is committed to the upliftment of every section of society and has launched the Happy (Haryana Antyodaya Parivar Parivahan Yojana) scheme. Under this scheme, family members with an annual income of up to Rs. 1 lakh can avail 1,000 kilometers of free travel annually on Haryana Roadways buses. Beneficiaries will be issued smart cards, which they can show to avail the travel benefit. Eligible beneficiaries can apply at Common Service Centers or through the website. The Happy scheme is the first of its kind initiated by any state in the country, leveraging modern technology to provide free travel benefits to the poor sections of society. Roadways GM Kuldeep Singh stated that these smart cards are directly connected to the e-ticketing system. Beneficiaries will be identified through the Family Identity Card (PPP). The application process for the Happy Card is transparent, simple, and online. Applicants must pay a one-time activation charge of Rs. 50, with the government bearing the remaining cost.

Govt should increase number of govt buses instead of issuing permits: Selja

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA  
SIRSA, JULY 10

The General Secretary of the All India Congress Committee, former Union Minister, and MP from Sirsa, Kumari Selja, said that the BJP government in the state wants to hand over Haryana Roadways to private hands by issuing bus permits. As soon as it is handed over to private hands, the state government will shut down the transport department.

If the BJP government wants to keep Haryana Roadways, a public transport service, alive, then it should increase the fleet of Roadways by purchasing government buses instead of issuing permits for state carriage buses. In a statement released to the media, Kumari Selja said that under the orders of the state government, the transport



department has issued a new notification regarding the permits for state carriage buses, under which permits will be issued for 362 routes falling on national highways, state highways, and major district roads.

Not only this but it has also been announced that permits for state carriage buses on any route will be up to 50 percent. This means that buses from the private sector will operate on

half the routes. The former Union Minister said that this is the initial step towards the Privatization of Roadways. Gradually, the number of permit buses will be increased to more than 50 percent, and then one day an order will be issued to shut down or fully privatize Roadways.

Employee organizations have been opposing the privatization of Roadways from the beginning, but the state government is not listening to them in any way.

Kumari Selja said that it has already been revealed in the PAC report that Haryana Roadways is incurring losses due to government negligence and lack of interest. Due to the lack of new buses and poor management, Roadways buses are running less than their target. In the year 2015-16, the loss per Km. was Rs 10.61,

Fair compensation for land used in transmission lines; Hry Govt approves new policy, says Harvinder Kalyan

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

KARNAL: MLA Harvinder Kalyan stated that under the leadership of Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh, the government is committed to ensuring quality power supply across Haryana by expediting the establishment of transmission lines. As part of this effort, the Energy Department has taken a significant step in infrastructure development by introducing a



new compensation policy for landowners affected by transmission projects. This initiative aims to resolve long-standing issues between landowners, especially farmers, and transmission utilities. Kalyan mentioned that this new policy would substantially increase the compensation for farmers, ensuring fair compensation for affected landowners while streamlining the implementation of transmission lines.

Setting up of ISTP will strengthen metal industry and boost products: Vipul Garg

RAHUL KOHLI  
JAGADHARI, JULY 10

The state government has approved the Industrial Sewerage Treatment Plant in Jagadhri. This treatment plant will be set up at a cost of about 99 crores. For the first time in Haryana, this Industrial Sewerage Treatment Plant is being set up in Jagadhri Assembly by the Public Health Engineering Department. BJP Jagadhri Mandal has expressed gratitude to Agriculture Minister Kanwar Pal for this. BJP Jagadhri Mandal President Vipul Garg, along with the Mandal officials, presented a bouquet to Agriculture Minister Kanwar Pal and thanked him for ISTP. Jagadhri BJP Mandal President Vipul Garg said that this was the demand of Jagadhri Metal Industry for a long time and this plant was very much needed in Jagadhri. The contaminated



water that comes out as waste from the metal industry sometimes creates many types of serious problems. When the people associated with the industry raised this problem before the Agriculture Minister, he took this matter seriously and first got this project approved and now its tender has been passed at a cost of about 99 crores. This has been possible only due to the efforts of Agriculture Minister Kanwar Pal. Jagadhri Metal Industry will definitely benefit from this. This will strengthen

metal industry of Jagadhri and its products will get further promotion. Through this treatment plant, it will also help in reducing the pollution level of Jagadhri. Its installation will be of great benefit in environmental protection. District Coordinator of Business Cell Pankaj Mangala said that the establishment of this Industrial Sewerage Treatment Plant will not only make the environment of Jagadhri clean, but it will also encourage local economic development.

With Badoli as state president, BJP will register historic success in poll: Vikas



VIJAY KAUSHIK

BABAIN: BJP District Secretary Vikas Sharma Jalakhedi expressed happiness by distributing laddus in a programme organised at his office on the appointment of BJP's newly appointed state president Mohanlal Baroli as the state president and said that under the leadership of Mohan Lal Badoli, the world's largest party will get stronger in Haryana. He said that this commendable decision of the party's top leadership will benefit the Bharatiya Janata Party in the assembly elections. With the experience, energy and political skills of Mohan Lal Badoli, BJP will again achieve historic success in the upcoming Haryana assembly elections. The central leadership has made such an experienced worker the state president who has been working with full devotion for the party for a long time, his appointment will definitely benefit the BJP in the state.

People eager to welcome Selja's padyatra: Lalit Butana

DR. ASHOK KUMAR

KARNAL: Lalit Butana, member of the State Congress Committee and National Convenor of Kisan Cell and former member of Haryana Staff Selection Commission, said that All India Congress Committee General Secretary, former Union Minister and Sirsa Lok Sabha MP Selja has decided to take out a padyatra in the urban areas of the state. He welcomes this decision. Lalit Butana said that this yatra will start in the last week of July. Through this, the message of Congress National President Mallikarjun Kharge and Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi will be conveyed to every urban voter. Also, people will be told in detail about the 10



years of misrule of BJP. The main goal of the padyatra is to strengthen the Congress against the BJP in urban assembly constituencies and give it a decisive edge. Most of the 44 assembly constituencies in the state in which BJP took a lead in the Lok Sabha elections are urban. Assembly elections are just around the corner and in

such a situation, Congress needs to focus on urban assembly constituencies under a new strategy. Therefore, Selja has decided to take out a padyatra in urban areas to strengthen the party.

Rahul Gandhi had undertaken the biggest yatras in the history of the country. To fight the battle of the common man, he travelled from Kanyakumari to Kashmir and Manipur to Maharashtra. He talked to people from every section of the country, understood their pain and conveyed the message of Congress to them. It was due to his inspiration that the Congress Sandesh Yatra was taken out in the state in the months of January-February.

Celebrities from Dubai will attend Miss and Mrs Yamunanagar Icon Global Program on Aug 4

RAJNI SONI

YAMUNANAGAR: Mother Mary Charity Home Sanstha's President Khushi and Director Vikram Singh went to Dubai and met Dr. Khalid Al Balushi, Chairman ANBDH Al Emarat and Deputy Chairman for Parkinson and Dr. Kabir, VC, CEO ANP M, Member, Board of Directors ANBDH and presented them invitation letters to be the chief guests of Miss and Mrs. Yamunanagar Icon of Global 2024 Powered by Amar the Jewelers to be organized by the organization on August 4. Giving information about this, the director of the organization, Vikram Singh, said that this charitable event was being organized for the purpose of safety and respect of women in Yamunanagar. Sheikh Dr. Khalid Al Balushi and Dr. Kabir KV from Dubai would be the chief guests in this show. In the meeting, information was given about the social service work done by the organization. Appreciating which, Dr. Kabir said that organizing such shows for the safety and respect of women by the organization showed the good thinking of the organization towards women.



Kashyap holds meeting with officials to review progress of development works



MAINPAL KASHYAP

INDRI: MLA Ramkumar Kashyap held a meeting with the officials of the Panchayati Raj Department and reviewed the development works to be done in the sub-division Indri and progress of ongoing development works. He discussed these matters with the officials. MLA Ramkumar Kashyap instructed the officials of Panchayati Raj Department to speed up the development works in the subdivision so that the public can get the benefits of these development works. He said that the state government was very serious about development works. He also said that high quality materials should be used in development works. Development works were being done in rural and urban areas under various schemes of the government and the officials of Panchayati Raj Department have a special role in these development works. He said that the development works being done under various schemes of the government should be implemented properly and by making a blueprint for completing the development works to be done in Indri subdivision such works should be started soon. He said that the estimates of the development works should be made and sent to the government so that they can also be completed soon.

Mohan Lal Badoli will strengthen the party: Sandeep Garg



NARESH GARG

LADWA: BJP leader and social worker Sandeep Garg said that with Rai MLA Mohan Lal Baroli became the Haryana BJP State President. This not only would the party get strength but also the organization of BJP became stronger in the state. Sandeep Garg was talking to journalists along with workers in Ladwa. He said that Mohan Lal Baroli was an MLA from Rai and belonged to the Brahmin community. He said that he has been associated with the Sangh since 1992 and his becoming the state president in the upcoming assembly would not only strengthen the party, but would also ensure the formation of the BJP government. He said that the way Haryana was progressing under the leadership of Haryana Chief Minister Naib Singh Saini, no amount of praise would be enough. He said that Chief Minister Naib Saini was taking decisions in the interest of Haryana, due to which people were getting huge benefits. He said that whatever development works were being announced by the Chief Minister all were being implemented soon.

MK Arya Girls School provides free uniforms to needy students



RAKESH JINDAL

NABHA: Manav Seva Uttam Seva Sansthan Nabha has always done a lot of public welfare work with the support of people. Today under this series uniforms were given to needy students at MK Arya Girls School Nabha by the organization. Vikas Mittal, the chief officer of the organization, thanked the people for their cooperation and the helpful gentlemen and hoped that this organization would continue to serve the needy people in this way and that social workers would continue to come forward for help in this short period of time. He said that if any needy person has any kind of requirement then they can contact us. On this occasion, Principal of MK Arya Girls School Madam Renu Bala, Madam Jeevan Jyoti, Madam Rachna, Madam Shivangi, Madam Divya Madan, Madam Himani, Committee Member Vikas Gupta etc. Manav Seva Uttam Seva Sanstha office bearers Vikas Mittal, Ankur Singla, Kamal Goyal, Ravinder Singh, Shiv Kumar Kaushal, Munish Mittal, Atul Bansal (Advocate), Sunil Gupta, Deepak Kumar, Varun Singla, Achar Das etc. and said that the needy students had to face a lot of difficulties due to lack of uniforms. He said that keeping our demand in mind, uniforms have been presented by the organization.

Smuggler arrested with 1.547 kg opium and Rs 25,000 drug money



VERMA

GURDASPUR: The district police is constantly keeping an eye on drug smugglers. Similarly, the district police has arrested a drug smuggler with a huge amount of opium. The police is likely to get more revelations from him during interrogation. SP (D) Balwinder Singh Randhawa said that on the instructions of Kidal Dayama Harish Kumar, a continuous campaign is being run against drug smugglers in the district. He said that the arrest has been made under the leadership of Sadar police station in-charge Amandeep Singh and CIA staff in-charge Kapil Kaushal. He said that SI Surjit Singh was patrolling with the police party to control the unruly elements. Meanwhile, he was stopped on suspicion while carrying a bag on his shoulder near the dirty drain culvert link road Babbari. On searching the bag, 1 kg 547 grams of opium and drug money of Rs 25,000 were recovered from him in two envelopes.





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