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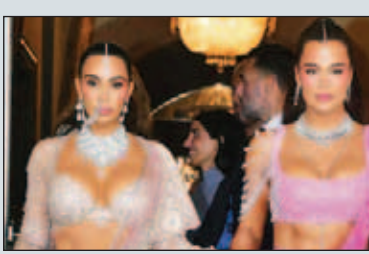


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CRPF jawan killed in militant attack in Manipur

IMPHAL: A Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) jawan was killed in a gun attack by suspected militants at Mongbung village in Manipur's Jiribam district on Sunday morning, police said. A policeman also suffered injuries he has been admitted to a hospital, they said. The deceased has been identified as Ajay Kumar Jha, 43, a resident of Bihar.

Police apprehend 5 more associates of Lakhbir Landa

JALANDHAR: In a breakthrough against organised crime, Jalandhar Commissionerate Police apprehended 5 more associates of Canada-based terrorist Lakhbir alias Landa. Punjab DGP Gaurav Yadav said on Sunday that, with this, the number of arrests of the Landa gang increased to 13 after establishing backward and forward linkages. He said the Gang is involved in multiple heinous crimes such as murder, extortion, and many other criminal activities in many districts of Punjab. Police recovered 3 Pistols and several cartridges from them.

IAS officer Puja Khedkar's Audi car seized

PUNE: Pune police on Sunday confiscated a luxury car used by controversial probationary IAS officer Pooja Khedkar by allegedly installing a red beacon light on it illegally, an official said. The Pune Regional Transport Office (RTO) on Thursday issued a notice to a city-based private company, which is the registered owner of the Audi car that 34-year-old Khedkar used during her posting here.

BSF inspector in Hoshiarpur booked for raping 7-year-old

HOSHIARPUR: An inspector posted at the Subsidiary Training Centre (STC), Border Security Force (BSF), here has been booked on charges of raping a seven-year-old girl, police said on Sunday. The child's mother allegedly discovered the officer during the act of rape within the premises of the training centre, they said. Police said Inspector Ghulam Mutanja, posted at the admin block of the training centre at Kharkan, allegedly raped the minor around 9 pm on June 26.

Donald Trump injured during assassination attempt at rally
Shooter shot dead by secret service

AGENCY WASHINGTON, DC, JULY 14

Former US President Donald Trump, in his first account of being shot at during a rally in Pennsylvania, has said that the bullet fired at him "pierced" the upper part of his right ear. Trump said that he immediately knew something was wrong. He also thanked the US Secret Service and law enforcement for their rapid response to the shooting that just took place in Pennsylvania's Butler. He also offered condolences to the family of a person who was killed at the rally and the person who was injured.

In a post on Truth Social, Trump stated, "I want to thank The United States Secret Service, and all of Law Enforcement, for their rapid response on the shooting that just took place in Butler, Pennsylvania. Most importantly, I want to extend my condolences to the family of the person at the Rally who was killed, and also to the family of another person that was badly injured." The shooting, which left one spectator dead and two others critically injured, is being investigated as an attempted assassination. The male attacker was also shot and killed by a member of the Secret Service. "It is incredible that such an act can take place in our Country. Nothing is known at this time about the shooter, who is now dead. I was shot with a bullet that pierced the upper part of my right ear. I knew immediately that something was wrong in that I heard a whizzing sound, shots, and immediately felt the bullet ripping through the skin. Much bleeding took place, so I realized then what was happen-



PM Modi condemns attack

NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday expressed deep concern over the attack on former US president Donald Trump, and said violence has no place in politics and democracies. Trump's campaign said that he was "doing well" after an assassination attempt at his election rally in Pennsylvania. Modi said on X, "Deeply concerned by the attack on my friend, former President Donald Trump. Strongly condemn the incident.

ing. GOD BLESS AMERICA," he added. The gunfire incident, which comes months before the 2024 US presidential elections, disrupted Trump's rally in Butler, Pennsylvania, on Saturday, CBS News. Trump was immediately escorted off stage by US Secret Service agents and taken away in a motorcade. In the videos that went viral on social media, Trump could be seen bleeding from his ear. Trump was taken away in a motorcade. He held up a fist as he sat in the SUV. His motorcade departed Butler Memorial Hospital a little before 9:30 pm (local time), CBS News reported, citing two sources.

Gaurav Gogoi named deputy leader in LS
K Suresh is Chief Whip



AGENCY NEW DELHI, JULY 14

The Congress party has named party MP Gaurav Gogoi as the deputy leader and K Suresh as the Chief Whip in the Lok Sabha. Congress MPs Manickam Tagore and Md Jawaid will serve as whips of the party. In this regard, a formal letter has been sent to Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla by Congress leader Sonia Gandhi.

"Hon'ble CPP Chairperson Smt. Sonia Gandhi ji has written to the Hon'ble Lok Sabha Speaker informing him about the appointment of the Deputy Leader, Chief Whip, and two Whips for the Congress Party in the Lok Sabha. Deputy Leader: Shri @

GauravGogoiAsm, Chief Whip: Shri @kodikunnilMP, Whips: 1. Shri @manickamtagore and 2. @DrMdJawaid1. Congratulations to the new appointees," he wrote in a post on 'X'.

The Congress MP also expressed confidence that the party, along with its allies in the INDIA bloc, would champion the people's causes in the Lok Sabha. "Guided by LOP Shri @RahulGandhi ji, the Congress and INDIA parties will energetically champion the people's causes in the Lok Sabha," he added.

Gaurav Gogoi represents Assam's Jorhat constituency in the 18th Lok Sabha. He was pitted against the Bharatiya Janata Party's (BJP) Topon Kumar Gogoi.

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, JULY 14

Haryana Chief Minister, Sh. Nayab Singh said that over the past 10 years, the double engine government of the Centre and the state has taken initiatives to deliver welfare schemes to the common man, reaching till the last person standing in the queue. The positive impact of these schemes is evident, as even the poorest individuals now have smiles on their faces and receiving the benefits of welfare schemes.

The Chief Minister was addressing a public gathering after unveiling the statue of Veer Shiromani Maharana



Pratap in village Bhaira Bankipur in the Rai constituency of Sonipat district. On this occasion, he also inaugurated and laid the foundation stones for 14

Defence ministry pays tribute to Kargil war heroes on 25th anniversary

AGENCY NEW DELHI, JULY 14

The Ministry of Defence has paid its tribute to the bravehearts on the 25th anniversary of 'Kargil Vijay'. It was on this day that Operation Vijay was declared a resounding

tag on X (formerly Twitter) and said, "On this day, 25 years ago, #OperationVijay was declared a resounding



success. Our soldiers stood tall amidst the Kargil heights, their extraordinary bravery and heroism a source of immense national pride and honour. #25YearsofKargilVijay."

Captain Vikram Batra, Lt Manoj Kumar Pandey, Major Rajesh Singh Adhikari, Major Vivek Gupta and others were among the 527 brave soldiers who gave their lives for the country.

Double engine govt has delivered welfare schemes to common man: Haryana CM

development projects worth Rs. 112 crore.

The Chief Minister mentioned that before 2014, governments only made announcements without implementing them. The government used to show dreams to the people, but those promises did not materialize in reality. Earlier, there was a crisis for electricity in the state, but the present government has reformed the system to ensure 24-hour power supply to the people.

He also highlighted that the government has provided government jobs to 1.5 lakh people without any bribery. Before 2014, the elderly received a mere Rs. 500 as a pension, but

after coming to power, the government increased it to Rs. 1000. Today, 20 lakh eligible beneficiaries in the state are receiving an Old-Age Samman Allowance of Rs. 3000. He said that under the leadership of Prime Minister, Sh. Narendra Modi, the country is functioning according to the Constitution and is progressing. Every needy person is being provided with facilities, which the opposition cannot digest. They are misleading people with lies, he added.

The Chief Minister said that unveiling the statue of Veer Shiromani Maharana Pratap is a matter of great fortune for him.

TN BSP Chief Armstrong murder accused killed in encounter

AGENCY CHENNAI, JULY 14

One of the key accused, Thiruvengadam, a history sheeter, involved in the murder of BSP Tamil Nadu Unit President K Armstrong, was killed in a police encounter on Sunday morning at Madhavaram area in North Chennai. Armstrong was murdered on the night of July 5 by a six-member gang.

The CB-CID police, which was probing the case, have so far arrested 11 people in connection with the murder. A police team took Thiruvengadam to recover the weapons used in the murder of Armstrong when the incident happened.

The accused tried to attack one of the Sub-Inspectors and tried to flee when the police opened fire in self defence killing him on the spot. His body was taken to government hospital for post mortem. It may be noted that Thiruvengadam along with 10 others have been in police cus-

tody since July 11 for interrogation. While eight accused-V Ponnai Balu, K Manivannan, Thiruvengadam, D Ramu, J Santhosh, S Thirumalai, G Arul, D Selvaraj-have surrendered soon after the murder, three others, Gokul, Vijay and Sivasakthi were ar-



rested later by the police. During questioning, Thiruvengadam had admitted to supplying the weapons used to murder Armstrong. He was taken to the spot where he allegedly told the police had hidden the weapons. According to police, Thiruvengadam had also admitted to supplying the country-made bombs that were seized from the suspects. When the special team took him to recover the weapons, the encounter took place, police said.

Jagannath temple's Ratna Bhandar re-opens after over 40 years

AGENCY PURI, JULY 14

Special boxes were brought to Shri Jagannath Temple ahead of the re-opening of 'Ratna Bhandar' (Treasure Trove) on Sunday to carry out the inventorization of valuables, including pieces of jewellery stored there.

The Ratna Bhandar of the Shri Jagannath Temple was opened today following Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) issued by the state government. On Saturday, the Odisha government gave approval for the opening of the Ratna Bhandar after

more than four decades of carrying out the inventorization.

Sri Jagannath Temple Administration (SJTA) Chief Arabinda Padhee says, "Odisha government has approved the SOP for opening the Ratna Bhandar. As per the decision, today the Ratna Bhandar is being opened as per set guidelines. Authorised representatives from the various 'sewa' groups, officials from the ASI, representatives of Shri Gajapati Maharaj and others would be there. The entire proceedings will be video recorded for our records, not for pub-



licity and will be strictly confidential."

He further stated that there will

inventory the valuables. We seek the blessings of Mahaprabhu that the Ratna Bhandar gets opened easily, and

the subsequent steps will follow," Padhee said. Puri SP Pinak Mishra says, "We have made relevant security arrangements keeping all aspects in mind... QRT has been deployed in all important places. In addition, we have placed a contingency arrangement and all plans are in place... The daily rituals being held in the temple will be held as usual... Only identified servitors who have their duty today will be allowed inside the temple." Speaking on the re-opening of the Ratna Bhandar, sand artist and member of the inspection committee, Sudarshan Patnaik, says, "After the High Court order, ASI.

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Take advantage of Pradhan Mantri Surya Ghar Free Electricity Scheme: DC Prashant Panwar

RANVIR PARASHAR
Kaithal: DC Prashant Panwar said that the Pradhan Mantri Surya Ghar Free Electricity Scheme has been started in the state. Under this, subsidy of up to Rs 1.10 lakh will be given by central and state government to provide solar energy to one lakh poor families of Haryana. Aim of scheme is to reduce electricity bill of people's homes as well as to promote green energy so that in future dependence on electricity generated through other sources can be reduced. This scheme will benefit environment. DC said that families whose annual income is up to Rs 1.80 lakh, such families will be given a subsidy of Rs 60000 by Centre and an additional subsidy of up to Rs 50000 by state government on installing solar panels up to 2 kilowatts. He said that production capacity of solar panel to be installed under scheme is up to 300 units per month. DC said that similarly, families whose annual income is between Rs 1.80 lakh and Rs 3 lakh will be given a subsidy of Rs 60,000 by central government .

CM plants sapling under the ‘Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam’ campaign

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, JULY 14

Haryana Chief Minister, Sh. Nayab Singh Saini said that programs like ‘Raahgiri’ not only foster a sense of unity and harmony among people but are also effective in making the youth mentally and physically robust.

Chief Minister, Sh. Nayab Singh was addressing public at the Raahgiri program organized near Herbal Park in Ambala city under the Haryana Uday Programme. Before this, the Chief Minister cycled himself near the PWD Rest House in Ambala city, promoting a message of good health. On this occasion, the Chief Minister also spread the message of the campaign ‘Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam’ run by the Forest, Environment, and Wildlife Department, and planted a tree himself.

The Chief Minister expressed his fortune at participating in the Raahgiri program on the sacred land of Ambala and congratulated everyone for being part of the event. He said that the Raahgiri program sends a good message of staying healthy and staying away from drugs menace.

The Chief Minister mentioned that on June 5th, World Environment Day, Prime Minister, Sh. Narendra Modi launched the campaign named ‘Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam’. Notably, the Chief Minister initiated this campaign from Karnal on July 13th and continued it today by planting saplings in Ambala. This campaign will be run during the monsoon by all educational institutions, social-religious organizations, and gov-



ernment departments. He urged planting more saplings to keep the environment clean and maintain temperature balance, and to take care of them until they become trees. During the program, the Forest Department also

distributed more than five thousand fruit and shade-giving saplings.

While interacting with media persons, Chief Minister, said that over the past ten years, millions of trees have been planted in the state, and this year alone, more than 1.5 crore trees have been planted so far. Through Agroforestry, saplings have also been planted in farmers' fields.

He appealed to people to plant a tree on their child's birthday, anniversary, or other social celebrations to make these events memorable. He also honored the martyrs who protected the motherland during the first spark of the freedom movement that rose from Ambala's soil on June 8, 1857.

Planting trees lays foundation for good future: Mamta Chauhan

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, JULY 14

A tree plantation campaign was started by Azad Yuva Sangathan. All the officials unitedly took a pledge to make the earth green. The officials associated with the organization planted trees as well as distributed them to the general public. On this occasion, many dignitaries including National President of Azad Yuva Sangathan Pradeep Kumar and National Women President and teacher Mamta Chauhan arrived. Teacher Mamta Chauhan said that from 2013 till now, more than 10 thousand trees have been planted by Azad Yuva Sangathan. On Sunday also, hundreds of plants were planted at Atal Park as well as many places. Teacher Mamta Chauhan said that planting trees is very important to maintain balance in nature and to keep the environment around us clean. As many trees as possible should be planted on the vacant land around rivers, canals, Amrit Sarovars on the sides of the school. Mamta Chauhan said that the tree plantation campaign will not be meaningful if done by only one person, for this we all have to make efforts together to keep the tree plantation and environment safe and at the same time we have to make others aware about tree plantation.

She said that trees are an important part of our life. Without trees, not only human life but the life of any creature is not possible. We are continuously cutting trees indiscriminately in the name of our convenience and progress. Due to which there is a decrease of trees in the environment. Therefore, tree plantation



is very important. Planting trees is equal to laying the foundation for building a good future. That is why it is said that if there is a tree, there is life. On this occasion, many members including Amita, Bharti, Raj Swaroop Nambardar, District President Panipat Rinku Kumar, Mukesh were present.

Tree plantation under Ek Paudha Maa Ke Naam held



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, JULY 14

Under Ek Paudha Maa Ke Naam program, Manav Care Sansthan Karnal planted neem, jamun as well as shady and medicinal plants in Sector 13 under the tree plantation campaign.

The president of the Sansthan, Sanjay Gupta, said that trees are the only

option to avoid the increasing heat and natural upheaval. We should plant as many trees as possible and protect them. Talking about environment, Dr. Nupur said that along with fruits and shade, plants that purify environment should be planted. Every year, Sansthan plants trees and takes care of them. So far, Sansthan has planted thousands of trees.

Surendra Udana invites people for Indri rally

MAINPAL KASHYAP INDRI, JULY 14

BJP youth leader Surendra Udana visited about half a dozen villages including Johar Majra, Kadarabad, Khanpur, Butankhedhi for the rally to be held in the grain market on August 25. On reaching the village, Surendra Udana was given a warm welcome by the villagers by throwing flowers. A large number of villagers were present on this occasion. Udana said that a rally will be organised for the youth in the grain market in Indri on August 25, for which people are being invited to attend the rally by going from village to village. He said that there is a lot of enthusiasm among the youth about the rally and the people are getting huge public support. He said that the Bharatiya Janata Party has made many public welfare policies for the common people, which are directly benefiting the common people.

He said that the Bharatiya Janata Party will win in



the upcoming assembly elections and the BJP government will be formed in the state again. Udana said that under the leadership of Nayab Saini, history has been created by implementing schemes for the development of the common man. Looking at the popularity of Saini among the people as soon as he became the Chief Minister, the future of all political parties is in the dark today. Surendra Udana said that the government formed under

the leadership of Narendra Modi at the center and CM Nayab Singh Saini in the state has implemented such a system, due to which the citizens do not have to visit government offices to get the benefits of the schemes, because through the online system they are getting the benefits of all the schemes sitting at home. It is the priority of the government that no person should remain hungry, and all the poor should get a concrete house. Today, pure wa-

ter is reaching every house through a tap.

He said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi has pledged to make the country a developed India by 2047, which will be accomplished only when every scheme of the country can reach the eligible person easily and to fulfill this objective, Vikas Bharat Sankalp Yatra is reaching every village of the country and providing benefits to the eligible beneficiaries at their homes.

Subsidy being given to farmers for pulse crops under Food, Nutrition Security Scheme : Wazir Singh

DR. ASHOK KUMAR KARNAL, JULY 14

Under the Food and Nutrition Security Scheme in the district, the Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department Haryana is giving subsidy to farmers for pulse crops in Kharif 2024. In this scheme, a farmer can avail a maximum of 2.5 acres. 20 percent benefit will be available to Scheduled Castes / Women Farmers / Small and Marginal Farmers. This information was given by Wazir Singh, Deputy Director, Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department. He informed that Haryana Government will provide subsidy of Rs. 3600 per acre on 80 acres of moong demonstration plant, Rs. 5000 per quintal or 50% subsidy, whichever is less, on distribution of 10 quintals of moong seed of varieties less than 10 years old, Rs. 2500 per quintal or 50% subsidy, whichever is less, on distribution of 10 quintals of moong seed of varieties more than 10 years old, Rs. 200 per acre or 50% sub-

sidy, whichever is less, on distribution of micronutrients on 250 acres, Rs. 120 per acre or 50% subsidy, whichever is less, on distribution of bio-fertilizers on 200 acres, 80% subsidy on 240 acres of gypsum, Rs. 300

one per farmer) for 10 hand operated spray pumps, Rs. 3000 per pump (maximum one per farmer) for 10 power operated spray pumps. Deputy Director informed that farmers will have to register online on <http://agriharyana.org/> for purchase of agricultural material and agricultural material will have to be purchased from government/semi government/cooperative society and authorized seller as per the overall recommendations of Haryana Agricultural University, Hisar and the receipt will have to be sent to the concerned Agriculture Development Officer. Agriculture Development Officer will verify and send it to office of Deputy Agriculture Director through proper medium. After this, subsidy amount will be sent to farmer's bank account by office of Deputy Agriculture Director. For more information, contact concerned Block Agriculture Officer/Agriculture Development Officer.

per acre or 50%, whichever is less, on distribution of WG sulphur, Rs. 200 per acre or 50% subsidy, whichever is less, on distribution of 350 acres of PP chemical. Similarly, on distribution of weedicide for 350 acres, subsidy will be given at the rate of Rs. 200 per acre or 50% subsidy, whichever is less, subsidy will be given at the rate of Rs. 600 per pump (maximum



Ambala Jail has defied HC order by not opening closed road: Shandilya

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA AMBALA, JULY 14

Anti Terrorist Front India's national president Viresh Shandilya said that for the past two years the Ambala jail superintendent has illegally closed the jail road in the name of jail security, but tomorrow there is a farewell programme in which thousands of people will participate and preparations for the programme are going on in the closed road of the jail and a stage is being set up. Viresh Shandilya asked the Ambala jail superintendent whether there is no threat to the security of Ambala jail now. The jail superintendent should tell on whose orders the road has been opened for the farewell program. By opening

the road for the farewell programme, the jail department has proved that there is no threat to the security of the jail, then it has been closed to harass the people of Sector 1 Manali House and the surrounding area.

National President of Anti Terrorist Front India, Viresh Shandilya said that the most important thing is that he and the residents of Sector 1 had filed a petition in the High Court through Advocate Vasu Ranjan Shandilya to open the Ambala Jail Road which is illegally closed from Sector 1 Manali House Prem Nagar Model Town to the highway, on which the High Court has issued a notice to the Jail



Superintendent Ambala, senior officials and the government for 2 August 2024. Viresh Shandilya said that the High Court had issued a notice to the Jail Department 57 days ago, till date the road which was closed illegally has not been opened, but the Jail Department has ignored the notice issued by the judiciary by opening the road for the Raah-

giri programme in which thousands of people are to participate.

Whereas the Jail Department should have opened the road on the same day when the High Court had issued a notice to the Ambala Jail Superintendent on his petition.

Viresh Shandilya said that he has no problem with the Raahgiri programme being held on Jail Road. His only demand is that the Jail Road which is illegally closed should be opened. If this road does not open permanently tomorrow, he will file a CM through his lawyer Vasu Ranjan Shandilya and will not let people face trouble at any cost.

Ghai congratulates team on completion of 200 episodes of TV show ‘Janki’

MAINPAL KASHYAP INDRI, JULY 14

Subhash Ghai is very happy today as his TV show ‘Janki’ has completed 200 episodes. He congratulated the entire team on this special day. The show reflects the experiences of countless Indian women, depicting their struggles, victories and struggles. He wrote, “My first experience of being involved in the creative of the TV series Janki as it was based on a story written by me in 1995 and I wanted to cast Madhuri Dixit in a story which is about an estranged daughter who proves to be better than the sons of a fami-



ly. I have also composed 5 songs in this series of my songs which were loved by the audience. Especially the title song of ‘Daughter’.

It is difficult for a filmmaker to be creative on television. But my writers helped me make it so lovable for the

TV audience. My production team at Mukta Arts enjoyed the making of Janki with the quality of filmmaking. Doordarshan was very cooperative and non-interfering. Thanks to the Doordarshan team.

Subhash Ghai said that

now we will make many more shows for the small screen too. Wait and watch.” Known as the ‘Showman’ of Indian cinema, he also talked about his first television show on ‘Doordarshan National’ and said that Doordarshan has opened the doors for filmmakers to show their stories on television series. That is why I have designed my show ‘Janki’ for Doordarshan, which is the story of a daughter's journey from birth to adulthood, who faces everyday challenges in a world of domineering men and families who want a son over a daughter and consider their daughters as ‘Paraya Dhan’.

Two accused arrested with similar theft

JAIBEER RANA THAMBER BARARA: Two accused immediately arrested in the case of theft from police station Barada area, stolen goods recovered. Police team of police station Barada took action. During the special campaign being run to curb the incidents of theft/ robbery/ snatching And accused Arun resident village Babatpuri Ramipatti police station Bade village Banaras Hall Address Singhpura Colony Barada district Ambala was arrested and sent to judicial custody as per the order of the Court. In connection with this case, complainant Manish Kumar resident Singhpura Colony Barada lodged a complaint in police station Barada on 13 July 2024 that on 12 July 2024, the accused unidentified from Sinihapura Colony Barada had stolen his tractor's batra and other items. On this complaint, the police immediately registered a case and took action and arrested two accused and recovered the stolen goods.

Angels World School takes students of Class VIII and XI to show movie 'Chandu Champion'



RADHE SHYAM SHARMA MORINDA: Angels World School, Morinda which has name in education and interesting activities for its students, took the students of class VII to XI to show a movie to make the education of children more meaningful, inspiring and entertaining. All the students were shown a movie named Chandru Champion. The students were very excited to go on the film trip. The main purpose of showing this film was to make the students understand that one should never give up in life. Difficult times were a part of life, the purpose of life was not to bow down to these but to overcome these and move forward should be their main purpose. The students were very happy after watching the film Chandru Champion. On this occasion, the Principal of the school, Deepika Sharma said that they always tried to organize such activities for the students keeping their future in mind. She said that her school did not want to miss any opportunity which was important for the future of the students.

Rupnagar Cong President Jaidar Satwinder Singh Chaidia no more

DAVINDER SHARMA RUPNAGAR: Renowned social worker and Congress Party President District Rupnagar Jaidar Satwinder Singh Chaidia passed away. He suffered a heart attack a few days back and was admitted to PGI Chandigarh and died on Sunday morning due to another heart attack. May god rest the departed soul in his feet and give strength to the family of Jaidar Satwinder Singh Chaidia to bear the loss. His last rites will be performed at Chaidia village after returning from abroad.

School chairperson Rajendra Kaur Sunar leads 'Make Punjab Green' campaign



CHET RAM RATAN NAWANSHAHR: Shiv Chand Public High School, Skohpur Tehsil Nawanshahr, School Chairperson Rajendra Kaur Sunar, Chairman Manjit Singh Dhaah and Neena Dhaah led the "Make Punjab Green" campaign! On this occasion, Punarjot Eye Bank Society's International Coordinator Ashok Mehra, Punarjot Coordinator and Eye Donation Organization Nawanshahr's General Secretary Ratan Kumar Jain, Advisor Ashok Sharma and Eye Donor Family Gaurav Gulati were especially present. This campaign was started by Gaurav Gulati from the eye donor family of Nawanshahr by planting the first sapling in the memory of his mother, eye donor Neelam Gulati. On this occasion, Nawanshahr's General Secretary Ratan Kumar Jain appealed to all the eye donor families that they should also plant one sapling in the name of their eye donor family member. For this, Netra Daan Sanstha Nawanshahr and Punarjot Society will give their every possible support!

750 of 957 candidates appear for PCS written exams

RAKESH JINDAL PATIALA, JULY 14

The Punjab Civil Service (Executive) written examination conducted by the Punjab Public Service Commission today was successfully completed. PPSC regarding this exam taken at Patiala. Adequate strict arrangements were made for identification of candidates, including extensive security arrangements.

Punjab Public Service Commission Chairman Jatinder Singh Aulakh has said that PCS. The examination of Register-C and Register-A-2 was conducted today, for which the attendance of the candidates was 79 percent. He said that there were a total of

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Horticulture Minister and Danish Ambassador explore wide-ranging agricultural partnerships

GAURAV GOEL CHANDIGARH, JULY 14

Punjab Horticulture Minister S. Chetan Singh Jouramajra, on the directions of Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Singh Mann, held a productive meeting with Mr. Freddy Svane, Ambassador of the Royal Danish Embassy in New Delhi.

During the high-level talks centered on strengthening mutual relations and exploring potential business collaborations between Punjab and Denmark, S. Chetan Singh Jouramajra and Ambassador Mr. Svane engaged in a comprehensive dialogue, exchanging insights on various sectors of mutual interest.

Both dignitaries stressed upon fostering bilateral ties and leveraging the strengths of their respective regions. The discussions were held on



potential areas for cooperation, including sustainable agriculture and innovative horticultural practices, food processing, biogas development, groundwater management, efficient irrigation, water conservation techniques and dairy sector cooperation. The Horticulture Minister, while highlighting Punjab's rich agricultural heritage and its ongoing efforts to modernize the horticulture sector, said that Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Singh Mann led

government is taking all possible steps to prosper the state. "The Punjab government is committed to exploring international partnerships that can contribute to the state's agricultural growth and economic development," the Cabinet Minister categorically mentioned.

He said that the focus on biogas development, groundwater management and efficient irrigation will align well with both regions' commitments to sustainable

Notice issued to CMD PSPCL by Pb and Hry HC for not regularizing contract employees

SURINDER DAMDAMI KOTKAPURA: Civil Writ Petition 14363/15, 19324 before the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court for regularization of cashiers and meter readers working on contract for the last 15 years in

various sub-divisions of Punjab under Punjab State Power Corporation Limited and Civil Writ Petition 19608/15 Ravinder Kapur Vs Punjab State Power Corporation Limited through CM. D. PSPCL was filed. Justice

Namit Kumar of the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court decided on 29/2/24 and issued an order to PSPCL that the petitioner should be regularized within four months. In this regard, the petitioner Ravinder Kapur alias Romi

informed that copies of the orders of the said three petitions were handed over to CMD, PSPCL Patiala, Director HR PSPCL Patiala, Chief Engineer South PSPCL Patiala, Chief Engineer PSPCL Bathinda, SE, PSPCL Bathinda.

Jain saints Naveen Chandra Ji, Puneet Muni Ji maharaj will hold Chaturmas

SUMER GARG SUNAM, JULY 14

Discipline of Jain Sant Sangh Shasta shasan parbhavlyak Gurudev Shri Sudarshan Lal Ji Maharaj, madhur Vakta, Gurudev Shri Naveen Chandra Ji Maharaj along with parvachankar Shri Puneet Muni Ji Maharaj thane 2 reached at the local Jain sthanak for the 'Chaturmas' from Arora Colony today. Guru Maharaj said that this Chaturmas will continue till the full moon day of Kartik. On this auspicious occasion, Parameshwari Devi, mother of Cabinet Minister to GoP, Mr. Aman Arora, took blessings of the saints and the followers from different cities Chhajli, Lehra, Moonak, Panchkula, Sangrur, Bareta, Bathinda, Faridkot came for their darshan. On reaching the Jain Sthanak, President of SS Jain Sabha Sunam, Praveen Jain said that Shri Naveen Muni Ji Maharaj was born in Sunam and by the saint Chaturmas he



their followers said that Guru Sudarshan Sangh has always been kind to Sunam; joint Secretary Sajal Jain while welcoming the Gurus said that Sunam city is virtuous, which Fount Chaturmas of such saints; Geetika jain and Taruni Mandal welcomed the Gurus with bhajans; and Sushma Jain introduced the life of Guru Parampara Acharya Shri Amar Singh to the present Sangh sanchalak Gurudev, Shri Naresh Muni Ji Maharaj. Senior devotee Sandeep Jain said that Shri Naveen Muni Ji Maharaj was born in Sunam and by the saint Chaturmas he

will repay his debt by preaching religion to his birthplace.

Besides others, President of Tera Panth Samaj, Mr. Ramlal Jain; President of Punjab Tera Panth, Kewal Krishna Jain; President of S.A. Jain Sabha, Arun Jain; secretary, Shailendra Jain and the entire society had come to welcome the Gurus. General Secretary Ashwani Jain; Treasurer, Navneet Jain; Youth jain mndal President, Vipran Jain; vice president Siddh Raj Jain, joint sect. Rajiv tina, Patron Jagjivan Jain thanked all the followers of Jain Samaj.

Blood camp organised by 21 PB NCC BN Kapurthala



ASHISHPURI KAPURTHALA: A blood donation camp was organized at the Combined Annual Training Camp, under the guidance of Camp Commandant Colonel Vishal Opal, today. Colonel Opal led an example by donating the first unit of blood, inspiring others to follow suit. The blood donation camp saw enthusiastic participation from NCC cadets and staff, who donated blood to support this noble cause. The camp was organized in collaboration with Civil Hospital, Kapurthala and medical team, and collected over 70 units of blood. Colonel Vishal Opal, Camp Commandant, appreciated the enthusiasm and support of the cadets and staff, saying, "Blood donation is a noble act that can save lives. I am proud to lead by example and inspire others to contribute to this worthy cause." The blood donation camp is a testament to the NCC's commitment to social responsibility and community service. The collected blood will be used to support patients in need at local hospitals.

Punjab govt committed to environment conservation: Jimpa

DALJEET AJNOHA HOSHIARPUR, JULY 14

The Punjab Government led by Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann is fully committed to environment conservation for the welfare of future generations. For this purpose, steps are being taken at the ground level. This was disclosed by Cabinet Minister Punjab Bram Shankar Jimpa while planting saplings under Nanak Baghi Project in collaboration with Forest Department and Indian Medical Association (IMA) near Bassi Jana Forest Rest House. During this 500 saplings were planted. Mayor Surinder Kumar, Senior Deputy Mayor Praveen Saini, Forest Officer North Circle Hoshiarpur Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Tiwari, DFO Nalin Yadav, State President of IMA Dr. Sunil Katyal, State Secretary Dr. B.S. Johal,



Finance Secretary Dr. R.S Bal, IMA District President Dr. Balwinderjit Singh, Secretary Dr. Sandeep Singh, Finance Secretary Dr. Amit Gupta and doctors from state and local IMA units were also present.

The Cabinet Minister said that Nanak Baghichiya is playing an important role in the purity of the environment. He said that

everyone should take a pledge to plant trees in their lives under the campaign, only then the environment can be saved. He said that the balance of the environment is deteriorating so much that concrete arrangements are needed, in which plantation comes first because plants give oxygen and the climate remains balanced.

Big success of district police, interstate smugglers exposed

KULDEEP SOOD BARNALA, JULY 14

Barnala police has registered a case after arresting 5 employees along with 5 lakh 42 thousand narcotic tablets and capsules. District Police Chief Sandeep Malik said that 1 lakh 37 thousand 500 drug pills were recovered during the blockade led by CIA in-charge Baljit Singh on the basis of the secret information received by the police under the anti-narcotics campaign. Due to which Shiv Ram resident of Patiala was arrested. He said that SP (D) Sandeep Singh Mand, DSP Satveer Singh and Rajinderpal Singh led the accused Shiv Ram during the interrogation by Thana Dhanola in-charge Lakhveer Singh and CIA in-charge



Mohammad Alam resident of Saharanpur (UP), Farman Ali. A resident of Muzaffarnagar (UP), Ashu resident of Saharanpur (UP) and Abhishek Kumar resident of Saharanpur (UP) were arrested and a car with UP number along with 4 lakh

25 drug pills was recovered from them. He said that many cases of selling drugs have been registered against Farman Ali. The district police chief said that the police have remanded the accused for 5 days from the court.

Manmohan Kumar takes over as president, Mukesh Garg as Secretary

RAKESH JINDAL NABHA, JULY 14

On behalf of Rotary Club Nabha Greater Nabha, the inauguration ceremony was held at City Heart Hotel Nabha. On this occasion, Manmohan Kumar took over the post of Rotary Club Nabha Greater Nabha President and Mukesh Garg also took over the post of Secretary. On this occasion, the special chief guest, Rotarian Sandeep Chauhan District Governor 3090 and special guest Amit Singla DGN 3090 were present. On this occasion, Assistant Governor Shastri Lalit Sharma conducted the stage. , the program was started by lighting candles. Bhupesh Bansal welcomed the guests to the club and former



secretary Sanjeev Garg gave detailed information about the projects done by the club last year.

On this occasion, Chief Guest Governor Sandeep Chauhan while congratulating the new team of the club, appreciated the social service work done by the club members wearing the same collar and expressed hope that the new team will do more social

service work. He said that all the clubs in my district should work as a team like Nabha, he assured all the club members that they stand shoulder to shoulder with them at all times. He said that an awareness campaign about cervical cancer will be launched by Rotary District in the near future. On this occasion, the club honored the guests by giving mementos.

Road jammed for 2 hours on Jandiala Gahri Mandi Road due to bad condition of road



KULJIT SINGH JANDIYALA GURU: The condition of road going from GT Road Jandiala to Gahri Mandi has gone from bad to worse. The reason for this is improper drainage of water from Jandiala's grain market! Due to this, whenever there is a little rain, two to three feet of water accumulates on the road and it becomes difficult for pedestrians to walk. This trend has been going on for more than 1 year. The video of this problem also went viral on social media but the concerned department did not pay any attention. Regarding this matter, Shiromani Akali Dal Badal's Punjab Deputy Chief Manjinder Singh blocked the Jandiala Gahri Mandi road for 2 hours. While talking, he said that the length of this Jandiala Gahri road is about 2 kilometers on which about 1 crore 38 lakhs have been spent.



AMRIK SINGH AMRITSAR, JULY 14

From the Pathankot bypass to three villages Khankot, Chhota Khankot, Bada Khankot and Sardaran Wala Khankot, the villagers got angry when the road dug last year to lay sewerage and water supply pipes was not built and they protested by raising strong slogans against the administration. Villagers Ranbir Singh Rana, Sabi Khankot, Bikramjit Singh Joshan, Gurinder Singh Joshan, Sukhdev Singh Joshan, Gagandeep Singh, Surjan Singh, Kashmir Singh, Shamsher Singh, Bikram Singh Bikka, Sonu Khankot, Arshdeep Singh, Harmesh Singh and Surjan Singh Fauji

Khankot said that they talked to the administration officials and political leaders many times but no one listened to them. They said that if this road is not built as soon as possible, they will be forced to take to the streets. because during rainy season the

conditions become very bad and no vehicle can pass through here due to which many people have suffered losses by falling in the potholes on the road, they appealed to the administration to get rid of this problem as soon as possible.

Woman dies under suspicious circumstances in Indora

SANJAY AGGARWAL DHARAMSHALA: A 39-year-old woman has died under suspicious circumstances under Indora police station. The woman is from Surdavan village, while her body was recovered by the police in another village Bhogran. The woman's family has suspected her murder. Due to this, the police has arrested the woman's husband. In-charge of Police Station Indora, Ashish Pathania, said that the police received information about this on the helpline number 112 that the body of a woman from Surdavan has been recovered. On this, a team led by Assistant Sub Inspector Pushpindra Singh reached the spot and as per the allegations made by the maternal side, the woman's husband has been arrested. He was produced in the court on Saturday. The court has sent him to judicial custody for three days. The woman's husband told the court that his wife was suffering mentally for about 12 years. In this regard, the report has also ordered to present a court from the hospital on the mental state of the woman. The woman's post-mortem was done and the body was handed over to the family. Now after the post-mortem report comes, further action will be taken.

Major success for police on Santoshgarh-Ajoli main road: Large quantity of opium poppy seized

ASHOK KUMAR TAHILWAL UNA: The police achieved a significant success on the Santoshgarh-Ajoli main road when they stopped and searched a container, resulting in the seizure of 1 quintal, 46 kg, and 890 grams of opium poppy. According to the information received, Rahul Sharma, son of Raman Kumar, a resident of Bas village, Nangal Tehsil, Roopnagar district, was driving a container towards Santoshgarh from Ajoli Mod. The police stopped the container near the Ball factory and, upon searching it, found a large quantity of opium poppy. The police registered a case, seized the vehicle, and arrested Rahul under the NDPS Act. Further investigation is underway.

Clash between worker and security guard at Deepak Spinning Mill, guard slaps worker, situation escalates

SHANTI GAUTAM BADDI: A clash occurred between a worker and a security guard at the renowned Deepak Spinning Mill in Baddi during the shift change at midnight. The altercation escalated when the security guard slapped the worker. The situation intensified to the point where a police officer, who came to resolve the issue, also got injured. Bottles of cold drinks were thrown, causing damage to the police vehicle. SP Baddi, Ilma Afroz, arrived at the scene at night and pacified hundreds of workers. The security guard, who had slapped the worker, fled to Ambala. The SP stated that the accused has been called back, and further action is being taken.

By-elections fought with lies and govt pressure, not on development: Nanda



DINESH AGARWALL SHIMLA: BJP state media in-charge stated after casting his vote in the Sanatan Dharma Sabha elections that no election is small, and every voter should exercise their right to vote. Winning and losing are part of elections, but there should be positive work in the state and all institutions.

Nanda highlighted that the BJP's strength in the Himachal Pradesh legislative assembly has reached 28 seats. As the opposition, the BJP has become more robust in the state and will openly challenge the government's anti-people policies in the upcoming assembly. He remarked that the current government is clearly one of revenge, and during the by-elections, the government troubled BJP candidates and supporters significantly. Now that the elections are over, the government should withdraw all notices issued to the public, BJP candidates, and supporters. Nanda pointed out that the results of the by-elections for three assembly seats in Himachal Pradesh have been declared, and CM Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu faced defeat in his home district for the second time.

Yoga practice with Gita Wisdom at Alunia Baba Temple on the banks of Banganga

SANJEEV MAHAJAN NURPUR, JULY 14

A yoga camp was organized at the Alunia Baba Temple, Old Kangra, on the banks of the Banganga River, featuring Gita wisdom and yoga practice. This camp was organized by the Trigart Divya Yoga Seva Samiti and the Fit and Fat Youth Group, Old Kangra.

World-record-holding yogi Ranjit Singh led the session, starting with the chanting of Om and a series of yoga exercises, including Yogic Jogging, Tadasana, Vrikshasana, Mandukasana, Vakrasana, Bhujangasana, Setu Bandhasana, Yoga Nidra, Pranayama, and meditation.

During the Gita satsang, Ranjit Singh conveyed that

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CM lays foundation stone of tourism complex at Auhar in Bilaspur

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, JULY 14

Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu today laid the foundation stone of a new tourism complex at Auhar in Bilaspur district to be constructed at a cost of Rs. 33.75 crores. This complex will feature modern facilities including a hotel block, a food court and a recreational zone. The project is expected to be completed within two years.

The Chief Minister directed the tourism department to ensure the quality construction work. He said the hotel block would have a reception-cum-waiting area, a restaurant with seating capacity for 60 people, a conference room for 30 people, a Dham hall for 400 people, a banquet hall for 300 people,



rest rooms, kitchen and toilets. The hotel would also offer 40 guest rooms and the food court would accommodate 214 people and feature eight stalls, a pickup area, common toilets for males and females, kid's play area and a green area.

The recreational zone will boast a swimming pool, a gym and spa, a pantry, a store, back office, and toilet facilities on the ground floor. The first floor will include an indoor games

room for pool, a lobby area, four massage rooms, and additional toilet facilities. Additionally, the complex will feature a proposed sewage treatment plant (STP) with a capacity of 50 KLD, including green grassing, royal palm trees, and a sprinkler system.

The Chief Minister said that the new complex will epitomize luxury and cater to tourists with its state-of-the-art facilities. He directed the

integration of the tourist complex with water sports activities at Gobind Sagar Lake, including speed boats and sailing boats to enhance the visitor's experience and attract more tourists to the area.

"The second phase of the complex will be constructed on the opposite side of the road, with both blocks interconnected. This phase will feature an amusement park for children, a food court and other essential amenities and the entire project will cost of Rs 150 crore", said the Chief Minister.

Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu said that the state government was committed to improve the infrastructure and providing world-class facilities for tourists so that they did not face any inconvenience during their stay.

Start-up was guarantee for youth, what happened?: Jairam

DINESH AGARWAL

SHIMLA: Leader of the Opposition, Jairam Thakur, raised questions about the progress of the start-up scheme promised by the Sukhu government. In a press statement from Shimla, Thakur inquired about the number of youth who have benefited from this scheme since the government took office a year and a half ago.

He emphasized that during the election campaign, the Congress had guaranteed a start-up

fund of ₹680 crore, with ₹10 crore allocated for each assembly constituency to help young people create job opportunities for themselves and others.

Thakur criticized the government for collecting forms from young people before the election but failing to provide any financial assistance under this scheme. He pointed out that the previously running Swavalamban scheme was halted, and even the projects approved under it were stopped.

Major temples will be connected with e-connectivity facility: Mukesh Agnihotri

SANJAY AGGARWAL DHARAMSHALA, JULY 14

The Shaktipeeths of the state attract lakhs of devotees every year. The state government has taken an important initiative to e-connect the major temples of the state, which will ensure the facility of darshan to the devotees from home. This information was given by Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri after offering prayers at the Jwalamukhi temple on Sunday. During this, his daughter Dr. Aastha Agnihotri was also present. He said that the government has started a pilot scheme to provide online booking facility for havan, bhandara and jagran ceremonies in the temples and Shaktipeeths of the state. Through this digital



platform, devotees can also connect with the priests of the temple. He said that to make the experience of pilgrims more pleasant, the government is also working on the beautification and development of infrastructure of major temples. Special emphasis is also being laid on better

facilities for devotees to rest in the temples. He said that the pilgrimage places of the state are the center point of tourism and in this regard, a plan is being prepared to develop the temples so that along with pilgrimage, the local people can also get employment opportunities. He said that Jwalaji Temple is a major Shaktipeeth of Himachal and it will be developed in a planned manner so that the devotees do not face any kind of problem. Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri said that the government is also taking effective steps for the preservation of art and folk culture. In this regard, meaningful initiatives have been taken to get recognition for the various arts of Himachal across the country.

Governor releases book authored by Dr. Bharat Barowalia

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, JULY 14

Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla released a book authored by Dr. Bharat Barowalia titled "Balancing the Scales: Proportionality of Sentencing for the offence of Rape" at Raj Bhavan today. The book focuses on sentencing of the criminals by the courts in cases of the offence of rape under Section 376 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 and under Section 64 of the newly enacted Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

The Governor appreciated and congratulated the author for publishing the book and said that it was poised to make a significant contribution to the ongoing dialogue surrounding criminal justice



reform. With its rigorous scholarship, thought-provoking insights and impassioned advocacy for justice, this book promises to be an indispensable resource for legal practitioners, policymakers, scholars and activists alike, he added.

Dr. Barowalia traces the evolution of rape laws and sentencing practices,

highlighting significant legal reforms and landmark judgments that have shaped the current landscape. Through detailed case studies, the book illustrates the application of sentencing principles in real-life scenarios, analyzing the factors influencing judicial discretion and the outcomes of notable cases.

Dr. Bharat Barowalia is currently Assistant Professor (Law) at Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla and is a regular resource person at Himachal Pradesh Judicial Academy, Shimla. Commenting on the release of the book, Dr. Bharat Barowalia stated, "It is my hope that this work would contribute to meaningful reforms and inspire a balanced approach to justice, where the rights and dignity of victims are upheld, and the principles of fairness and proportionality are meticulously applied."

Lokayukta, Himachal Pradesh Justice C.B. Barowalia, Secretary to Governor C.P. Verma was also present on the occasion was also present on the occasion.

MLA Vivek Sharma inaugurates one-day cricket tournament, emphasizes importance of sports

JOGINDER DEV ARYA BANGANA, JULY 14

Kutlehar MLA Vivek Sharma Vikku inaugurated a one-day cricket tournament at Senior Secondary School Budhan, organized by Gujjar Titans. Addressing the youth, he highlighted the crucial role of sports in maintaining health and keeping individuals away from vices such as drugs.

He stressed the importance of sports in combating various societal issues affecting the younger generation, advocating for greater attention to sports.

On this occasion, Budhan Panchayat Pradhan Kamlesh Kumari (wife of Jaswant Singh), Diyungli Panchayat Pradhan Kamal Rana, former Pradhan Lathiyani Mahinder Singh, former Deputy Pradhan Tilak Raj (Kukki),



Sainik Cell President Keval Krishna, Mohit Sharma, Pankaj Bains, Amit Mankotia, Keval Krishna Malangad, Shiv Nath Pada, Sukhdev Singh, Ashok Kumar (Sujan), Ramesh Chand, Karm Singh from Dehn, Bhairav Dutt, Rajesh Kumar, Pradeep Kumar Bablu, Sunil Kumar, Pritam Singh, former Panch Pritam Chand, Sushil Kumar Sidhu, Ashish Kumar, Ankita, Anku, Kunal, Prince, Mohit, Pankaj, Deepu Jatt, Dinesh

Kumar, Poli Ram, Ishu, Vishu, and numerous players and party workers were present.

MLA Vivek Sharma Vikku contributed INR 5100 and two solar lights for the sports ground to encourage the youth. He stated that the government is working on special schemes for the younger generation, with plans for sports and tourism development in the Kutlehar constituency soon to be implemented.

Congress alliance thrives across India including Himachal, NDA alliance struggles: Jagat Ram Sharma

KISHORI LAL BAINS UNA, JULY 14

The National INTUC's Organizational Secretary and State INTUC's General Secretary, Comrade Jagat Ram Sharma, stated during a press conference in Una that the Congress alliance is flourishing across India, including Himachal Pradesh, while the NDA alliance is struggling. He elaborated that out of 13 by-elections held in the country, the NDA won only 2 seats, while the rest were secured by the INDIA alliance. This indicates that the influence of Modi, RSS, and BJP is waning, and the people of the country are beginning to understand their misdeeds.

Discussing the situation in Himachal, Jagat Ram mentioned that he had gathered information from INTUC on three seats. In Dehra, Kamlesh



Thakur's victory seemed certain, and in Nalagarh, the win was expected to be between 5,000 and 7,000 votes but ended up being around 9,000 votes. In Hamirpur, the chances of a Congress victory were high, and Hardeep Baba's remarkable performance, along with Mukesh Agnihotri's hard work and the unity of the local people and Congress members, led to a successful outcome. Other central trade union leaders, including those from INTUC, CITU, HMS, insurance, and banking sectors, were also

active in supporting Congress and the INDIA alliance in Nalagarh and other places.

Jagat Ram further mentioned that the growing anti-BJP and anti-Modi sentiment in the country is due to the contributions of Sonia Gandhi, Priyanka Gandhi, Kharge, and Rahul Gandhi. Additionally, National INTUC President Dr. G. Sanjeeva Reddy deserves commendation for mobilizing farmers, workers, employees, small traders, and the common poor against the BJP nationwide.

SR Harnot 's short stories includes in many Universities syllabus in India

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, JULY 14

The popularity and recognition of Hindi writer SR Harnot, based in Himachal, is increasing day by day in Hindi literature. This is evident from continuous MPhil & PhD researches being done on his literature and the stories being included in BA & MA syllabuses in various Universities of the country. So far his 13 short stories are being studied in various renowned Universities in the country.

This year, in a span of just six months, five of his his Hindi short stories have been included in the courses, including "Nadi Gayab Hai" at Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University,



Chhatrapati Sambhajanagar, Aurangabad, Maharashtra, "Cats Chat" at Mumbai University, "Bhagadevi ka Chaighar" at Kolkata University and "Aabhi" has been included in the curriculum in Gurukashi University Punjab. His story "Maa Padhati Hai" has been collected in the mother-centric book "Rishton Ki Khidkiyan" by NCRT Delhi.

Earlier, Harnot's stories are being taught in the curriculum of Kerala University, Central University of Punjab & Dharamshala, Gautam Buddha University Noida, Jain University Bangalore & Bangalore Naggar University too. Last year, Harnot's most popular short story "Jeenkaathi" has been taken in M.A. syllabus in Himachal University while the English translations of "Aabhi" and "Lal Hota Darakht" are being taught in BA courses. In Kerala, one of his story M.dot.com is studied in plus two. All the courses of these universities are online in which information about these stories of SR Harnot along with many renowned writers of the country is mentioned.

Tourism in Himachal remains accessible despite recent heavy rains

SHIMLA, JULY 14

A spokesperson of the Tourism and Civil Aviation department today said that recent reports regarding widespread road blockages in Himachal Pradesh due to heavy rains and landslides are exaggerated. While some roads in certain areas have been affected, the majority of roads across the state remain open and accessible for tourists and the general public. He said that tourism is vital for the state and the state government was committed to ensuring visitors can travel safely and enjoy their holidays in Himachal Pradesh so that they leave state with pleasant memories. The Public Work Department was also working diligently to clear any blockages and restore travel routes promptly. The Spokesperson said that the State government has taken all necessary measures to ensure the safety and convenience of tourists. Regular updates on road conditions are being provided by the district administration and state police. He said that key tourist destinations including Shimla, Manali, Dharamshala, Dalhousie, Kinnaur and Lahaul & Spiti continue to welcome visitors. He said that tourists have been encouraged to check for updates on specific routes and travel with confidence. He urged travelers to stay informed by checking the latest travel advisories and road conditions through district administration helplines, police department contacts and social media handles.

DM issues orders for various restrictions in district

DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR: District Magistrate Hoshiarpur Komal Mittal has issued various restraining orders in the district using the powers conferred under Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (Act No. 2 of 1974). Under this, orders have been issued to the administrators of those villages to keep vigil at night to prevent incidents of looting and theft in the villages. This order has been issued to ensure the safety of people's lives and property at night in the villages. The District Magistrate has imposed a complete ban on the watering or bathing of cattle by any person in the large and small canals, Chow dam and Dhusi dam on the banks of the Beas river within the limits of Hoshiarpur district. Similarly, a complete ban has been imposed on any person their cattle openly on roads or in public places within the limits of district Hoshiarpur.

People bless Pratik Mittal on becoming CA



BALWINDER AZAD
BARNALA DEHATI: Prateek Mittal and his family have been receiving continuous congratulations on becoming a CA, son of cow servant Prem Mittal, a resident of Mandi. And they were felicitated and honored by specially invited by the management committee. Principal Anupama Sharma said that Prateek Mittal is a bright student of the school. Prateek Mittal's father Prem Mittal said that Prateek Mittal has been a student of Sharivikari School since the beginning and he specially thanked the school, the staff of the school for this achievement. Prateek Mittal thanked his family members and school staff for this achievement and said that tireless hard work is necessary to achieve any success.

People of Jalandhar West put their faith in Bhagwant Maan by paying in their favor: Balkar Sidhu



KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL: The people of Jalandhar West have once again repaid their faith in Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann and won Mahendra Bhagat with a big margin. Expressing these things, MLA Balkar Sidhu expressed happiness over the victory of Mahendra Bhagat from Jalandhar West and said that by fulfilling the promises made to the people of Punjab in the first two years, Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann has shown a mirror to the traditional parties that people are now yours. They will not come in fox tricks. MLA Balkar Sidhu said that the one-sided victory of Jalandhar West became the basis for victory in the upcoming four by-elections and taught a lesson to Sheetal Angral, who contested the election by cheating the people of Jalandhar West, that she had done it before. Votes were given to Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann. On this occasion, under the leadership of Sukhi Maluana's personal assistant MLA Balkar Sidhu, volunteers gathered at Main Chowk and shared the joy of Mahendra Bhagat's victory, distributed laddus and congratulated Chief Minister Bhagwant, Mahendra Bhagat and MLA Balkar Sidhu. On this occasion, Bahadur Singh Brar, Satwinder Singh Pamma, Robby Brar, Darshan Sohi, Inderjit Bawa, Jaspreet Bhullaretc, Lekh Raj, Satwinder Singh Pamma, Gurbhajan Dhillon, Chaina Phulewala, Sher Bahadur Dhalwal etc.

Monthly plenary meeting of Retired Teachers Association held

KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL: The monthly plenary meeting of the Retired Teachers Association Rampura Phul was held, Chairman Birbahad Gupta, President Devinder Kumar Sharma, President Satpal Goyal of the association sat in the presidium. The proceedings of the meeting were conducted by Janak Raj. He shared with the audience the information regarding the pending writs of the employees and retired teachers in the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court. LTC and Life Time.

Nagla road Welfare Association organises successful tree plantation drive

VICKY BHABAT
ZIRAKPUR, JULY 14

The Nagla Road Welfare Association organized a tree plantation drive today at 10 AM to raise awareness among residents about the importance of conserving trees and enhancing green cover for environmental balance.

The event aimed to foster a personal connection between residents, especially children, and trees by allowing them to plant and nurture the saplings themselves. The President of the Nagla Road Welfare Association, Mr. Hakam Singh Chahal, along with representatives from all societies on Nagla Road, diligently worked for several days to create awareness about the benefits of tree plantation and conservation.

UTCA, Chandigarh police meet to discuss Gully Cricket



GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, JULY 14

In wake of upcoming Gully Cricket Tournament commencing from July 26 being organised by UT Cricket Association (UTCA) and Chandigarh Police, a review meeting was held at Police Lines, Sector 26. During this meeting, the outline of the tournament which will run for more than two weeks was prepared and the details of management were discussed.

UTCA's Secretary Devender Sharma said that like last year, Gully Cricket is getting the full support from Chandigarh Police. The effort of both the counterparts is to control criminal activities by keeping the youth away from evils like drugs and at the same lines to build a healthy nation by connecting them with sports. During the meeting, DSP Dalbir Singh, DSP Sita Devi, Inspector Mini Bhardwaj of CID department along with SHO officers, liaison officers and ground

liaison officers of all police stations participated. The target for 3456 players to participate in the tournament with 288 teams is set for this edition as the tournament will be played in a total of nine grounds across the city. All the station's SHOs gave registrations updates and also marked their suggestions to make the tournament successful. UTCAs senior members Ravinder Singh Billa, Dr. Rupesh Kumar Singh and others also participated in the meeting.

250 cardiologists attend day-long academic program-CIIST360

R N KHERA
CHANDIGARH, JULY 14

Heart diseases are increasing at an alarming rate, with many young patients in their twenties and thirties succumbing to heart attacks in India. This trend is a huge concern for cardiologists, said Dr H K Bali, world-renowned interventional cardiologist, who is the founder patron of HEART Foundation and Chairman of Cardiac Sciences of Livasa Hospitals (formerly IVY hospitals).

HEART Foundation, in association with Livasa Hospitals, organized a day-long academic program—CIIST360, at Chandigarh on Sunday, to highlight the latest advances in the field of cardiology. Around 250 cardiologists and physicians from different states and



union territories of North India attended the conference. Eminent speakers from the region, as well as experts from New Delhi and Kolkata, delivered lectures on various cardiac diseases, including coronary artery diseases, structural heart diseases, and heart failure. Delegates had the opportunity to interact with distinguished speakers and discuss specific patient cases, enhancing the collaborative spirit of the

event. Dr. Bali emphasized the importance of image-guided angioplasty using IVUS or OCT, which provides better short-term and long-term results.

In addressing the needs of elderly patients at high surgical risk, Dr. Bali discussed the non-surgical treatment of aortic valve stenosis through the percutaneous technique called TAVI (Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation).

Donated by Mansa's philanthropist, city club introduces mobile drinking water cart in city



NARESH GOYAL
MANSA, JULY 14

With a sole mission to quench the thirst of citizens during the sweltering heat, Mansa's City Club has introduced a mobile cart that would provide cool drinking water to the pedestrians in the streets of the city.

This mobile drinking water unit now moves in the bazars and streets of Mansa and facilitates all and sundry to quench their thirst in the sultry days. The mobile cart has been donated by Manoj Kumar Bansal, a philanthropist of the city who

came forward to do this task. Bansal is learnt to have gifted this mobile cart to cherish the memory of his late father, Chiman Lal Bansal. Disclosing this, Vinod Kumar Bhamma, president of the City Club Mansa told that they were working over the project when this philanthropist of Mansa voiced his concern and voluntarily donated the mobile cart as well as the other necessary infrastructure required to accomplish this project. The club honoured Bansal with a memento and thanked him to come forward for this yeoman's job.

AAP workers distribute laddus after winning Jalandhar by-poll

KULWINDER KARWAL
SARDULGARH, JULY 14

There is a lot of happiness among the party workers after the victory of Mahinder Bhagat of Aam Aadmi Party in the by-election held on Jalandhar West Assembly seat. Due to which today all the workers of Sardulgarh constituency gathered in the party office and shared happiness by distributing laddus.

On this occasion, Aam Aadmi Party office in-charge Virsa Singh said that the people of Jalandhar, being influenced by the policies of Aam Aadmi Party and seeing the work of the last two and a half years, have voted for the candidate of Aam Aadmi Party with a big lead.

He further said that we all the workers of Aam Aadmi Party are very grateful to the people of Jalandhar. When he was asked about Kejriwal be-



SUKH NAHAR
JAGRAON, JULY 14

A crucial meeting of Press Club Jagraon was conducted today at the premises of dining delight in Jagraon in which the members of club unanimously election Deepak Jain as its new member.

The former president Sukhdeep Kumar thanked the club members for their constant support and dedication towards welfare of club and suggested for the election of new president.

While assuming his duties as the new president, Deepak Jain assured that he shall ensure that the prob-

Police station chief Jagdeep Singh plants saplings



RAMPURA PHUL (KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA): In order to maintain the purity of the environment, Deepak Pateek S.S.P. While guarding Bathinda's thinking, Jagdeep Singh, in-charge of Thana City Rampura, attended with his staff to increase police-public coordination on the invitation of Green Mission Welfare Society Rampura Phul. The convener of the society, Dharmapal Dhada, President Namdhari Nirpal Singh, Nazar Singh Nafria, Rupinder Singh PSPCL, Teacher Dharamveer Khanna, Sandeep Kumar, Gurpal Singh, Jagdeep Sharmar, Professor Sukhwinder Singh, Advocate Pawan Garg, Advocate Krishan Chand Jain Notary Public, Jeevan Kumar Garg, Hardeep Singh Parjapat, Baldev Jindal, Amritpal Vicky, Neem and ancient trees were planted with the support of Rajinder Bahia, Sepoy Sandeep Singh and children. At this time, Inspector Jagdeep Singh praised the work of Green Mission Welfare Society while promising all kinds of support.

25th Kargil Vijay Diwas: Mahindra & Mahindra group car rally to Dras



VERMA
GURDASPUR, JULY 14

To commemorate the 25th anniversary of India's victory in the Kargil War, Mahindra & Mahindra Group, in close collaboration with the Indian Army, is hosting a special 'Heart to Bravehearts Car Rally.' The rally, which commenced from three corners of the country, will culminate at Dras on 15 July 2024.

The Pan India Car Rally embarked on three distinct routes originating from Tanot in the west, Tezu in the east, and Kochi in the south, converging at New Delhi on 8

July 2024. From there, a unified Car Rally started its journey towards Dras via Udhampur.

The Car Rally commemorates the resounding victory of the Armed Forces in the Kargil War and pays homage to the brave soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice for the nation. Spanning a vast distance across the plains of Haryana, Punjab, and the challenging terrain of Jammu & Kashmir, the Rally arrived at the Udhampur Military Station on 12 July 2024. Along the route, the team engaged with NCC cadets, students from schools and col-

leges, ex-servicemen, and Veer Naris. The rally was flagged off from Udhampur on 13 July 2024, by Lt Gen Vijay B Nair, SM, COS, HQ Northern Command, on behalf of the GOC-in-C Northern Command. He commended the team for undertaking this remarkable Pan India journey, underscoring the profound message of 'Unity in Diversity'. He also applauded the pivotal role played by Mahindra & Mahindra Group in spearheading this national initiative to honour the valour and sacrifice of the Indian Armed Forces personnel during the Kargil War.

Chandigarh Administration executes successful anti-encroachment drive in Village Raipur Kalan

GAGAN JAIN
CHANDIGARH, JULY 14

In a decisive move to uphold the integrity of government land, the Chandigarh Administration has successfully executed an anti-encroachment drive in Village Raipur Kalan.

This operation, spearheaded by the Engineering Department with the support of the Enforcement team of the Estate Office, targeted unauthorized occupations on government property.

During the drive, multiple unauthorized temporary structures were identified and subsequently removed from the site. This rigorous action has led to the reclamation of approximately 7 acres of land, which had been encroached upon illegally. The



Chandigarh Administration's commitment to preserving government land and ensuring the city's planned development was clearly demonstrated through this action. This anti-encroachment drive serves as a strong message that the administration is dedicated to maintaining the integrity of its lands and preventing unauthorized occupations.

Van Mahotsav celebrated by Bharat Vikas Parishad with support of Baba Milk by planting saplings in focal points



KOTKAPURA (SURINDER DAMDAMI): Van Mahotsav was celebrated at the local focal point by both branches of Bharat Vikas Parishad Kotkapura in collaboration with Baba Milk Products Limited Company. Meanwhile, a message was given to protect the environment by planting shady and fruitful plants in the water treatment plant of the company. Baldev Kataria, head of the main branch of the organization and Nareish Goyal, head of the Swami Vivekananda branch, presided over the event. MD of Baba Milk Vijay Arora, Director Ved Arora, Narinder Arora, and Varinder Arora were specially present. On this occasion, the provincial advisor of Bharat Vikas Parishad, Jaipal Garg, provincial patron Nareishpal Kansal, district president, and convener of both branches Ram Kumar Garg participated. On this occasion, Secretary Umesh Tiwari and Amit Mittal said that earlier Tulsi saplings were planted and distributed in the Railway Colony dedicated to the foundation day of the organization and said that this process should be continued in the future as well.

Truck driver, his partner crushed by another truck, both died on the spot

ZIRAKPUR (VICKY BHABAT): The driver and his partner, who were checking the air of tires of their truck in front of a dhaba on Airport Road, were crushed by an unidentified truck, due to which both died on the spot. After the accident, the truck driver escaped from the spot, the police registered a case against the unidentified truck driver and started investigation. The deceased have been identified as 45-year-old Lakhwinder Singh, a resident of village Damka, Lehragaga and 65-year-old Kaka Singh, a resident of Lehragaga.

Kaka Singh and Lakhwinder Singh were going to Mohali from Derabassi in their truck. Meanwhile, they stopped their truck in front of Saini Dhaba located on PR-7 road and when they started to check the tire air, another truck coming from behind crushed both of them.

Investigating officer Sub Inspector Jaswant Singh said that Lakhwinder Singh and Kaka Singh were going to Mohali from Derabassi last night. Around 1.30 pm, he stopped in front of a dhaba on PR-7 road and got down from the truck and was checking both the tires. While they were checking the tires of the truck, a truck coming from behind hit them both. Meanwhile, Kaka Singh died on the spot. As soon as the incident was reported, the police team reached the spot and took the injured Lakhwinder Singh to the Government Hospital in Sector 32 of Chandigarh by ambulance, where he died after some time.

Sanjay Tandon attends aarti of Jagannath Rath Yatra Procession at ISKCON Temple



CHANDIGARH (RAJIV JAIN): Sanjay Tandon, BJP's National Executive Member and Deputy In-charge of Himachal Pradesh, paid obeisance at Iskcon Temple Sector 36, Chandigarh, today and sought the divine blessings of Lord Krishna as part of the traditional rituals preceding of the Jagannath Rath Yatra. Sanjay Tandon participated in the auspicious Aarti ceremony conducted at the Iskcon Temple, where

prayers were offered for peace, prosperity, and harmony in society. Reflecting on the occasion, he said, "The Jagannath Rath Yatra is not merely a religious event but a celebration of cultural heritage and unity. It is a privilege to be here and partake in these timeless traditions that bind our community together." The Rath Yatra, with chariots carrying the deities amidst chants and fervent devotion, passed through

various parts of the city, drawing thousands of devotees. The procession culminated back at the Iskcon Temple late in the evening, symbolically completing its journey. Former Mayor Ravikant Sharma, District President Rajinder Joshi, Mandal President Deepak Mahajan, former Mandal President Gulshan Girdhar, Sanjay Aggarwal, and others joined in the festivities with enthusiasm and reverence.

Maryland State University awards doctorate degree to Kamal Nimal



BD AGGARWAL
REWARI: Rewari resident senior advocate Kamal Nimal has been awarded an honorary degree by Maryland State University, United States of America, for his social work and legal philosophy. Kamal Nimal Advocate has been continuously engaged in social work since childhood under the inspiration of Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh and after completing his law studies, he has been very interested in legal philosophy and has provided justice to many people through his advocacy. Seeing his talent, today he was awarded an honorary doctorate by Maryland State University, United States of America.

Take advantage of PM Surya Ghar free electricity scheme: DC

RAMAN GUPTA
KATHIAL: DC Prashant Panwar said that Pradhan Mantri Surya Ghar Free Electricity Scheme has been started in the state. Under this, a subsidy of up to Rs 1.10 lakh will be given by the Central and State Government to provide solar energy to one lakh poor families of Haryana. Apart from reducing the electricity bills of people's homes, the aim of the scheme is also to promote green energy so that in future the dependence on electricity generated through other sources can be reduced. The environment will benefit from this scheme. Giving more information, DC Prashant Panwar said that families whose annual income is up to Rs 1 lakh 80 thousand will be given a subsidy of Rs 60 thousand by the central government and an additional subsidy of up to Rs 50 thousand by the state government for installing solar panels up to 2 kilowatts. Will be given by the government. He said that the production capacity of solar panels to be installed under the scheme is up to 300 units monthly. DC said that similarly, families whose annual income is between Rs 1.80 lakh to Rs 3 lakh, are given a subsidy of Rs 60 thousand by the Central Government and an additional subsidy of up to Rs 20 thousand by the State Government for installing solar panels up to 2 kilowatts.

9 residential houses, 2 cowsheds gutted in Handwara fire

SRINAGAR: At least nine residential houses and two cowsheds were gutted in a devastating fire incident that erupted during the intervening nights of Saturday and Sunday in the Handwara area of Jammu and Kashmir's Kupwara district, officials said. They said seven cows also died in the fire incident. Fire and Emergency Service officials said a fire broke out in the Rajwara area in a house during the intervening night of July 13/14 and engulfed other nearby houses, causing extensive damage to nine residential houses and two cowsheds. In the blaze, two three storey, five double storey and two single storey residential houses, besides two cowsheds.

Former Union Minister's close aide returns lakhs looted by rogue travel agents

KARANPREET KARAN
BARNALA, JULY 14

Former Union Minister, Balwant Singh Ramuwalia's very close social worker Jatinder Jimmy Barnala returned lakhs of rupees stolen from people by rogue travel agents. Under this campaign, the rogue travel agencies have returned about 30, crores stolen from people against the agents. He said that the next time will be the rogue travel agents of Barnala, all the reports are in process, these words were also expressed by Jatinder Jimmy in front of the media!

Under that series, about 62 lakh rupees were returned to the people at Barnala today, Angrej Singh resident of Malot, Sukhdev Singh resident of Gurdaspur, Kamaljit Singh resident of Sri Muktar Sahib, Beant Singh resident of Dayalpura, Balwinder Singh, Gulzar Singh resident of

Mizoram Police seizes drugs worth Rs 32.54 cr; two people arrested

AGENCY
AIZAWL, JULY 14

Mizoram Police seized drugs worth Rs 32.54 crore and arrested two drug peddlers, including a woman, in one of the largest seizures this year, according to police statement on Saturday.

In the drug seizure case that was reported in Aizawl, Mizoram, on July 12, Lalbiakthanga Khiangte, the Inspector General of Police (L&O) said that during the operations, the police apprehended two people, including a lady.

"On July 12, the Khawzawl and Champhai District Police, while conducting a joint operation, intercepted one Bolero coming from Champhai towards Aizawl," he said.

The IG said that 115.55 kg Methamphetamine tablets



(also called Yaba tablets or party tablets), were contained in 106 packets. Further, he added, "The vehicle was carrying a huge quantity of Methamphetamine. The vehicle was being driven and was owned by Lalrintluanga (50) of Champai Vengthlang. The seized drugs weighed 115.55 kg (106 packets of 1, 070, 600 tablets) valued at Rs 32,11,80,000 at the local market. "The Khawzawl police station registered a case under the ND & PS Act for

further investigation to ascertain other linkages," Lalbiakthanga Khiangte said. The Mizoram police had seized a large quantity of drugs worth Rs 32.54 crore in two separate operations that were conducted on July 12. He also said that in a separate operation that was conducted on July 12, the Zokhawthar Police Station team, acting on a specific input, recovered and seized 124 soap cases of heroin, weighing 1429 grams, valued

Team of Rampura police post arrests accused with 6.14 grams of heroin

RAHUL KOHLI
JAGADHRI: The team of Rampura police post arrested an accused with 6.14 grams of heroin (smack). Giving information, the police spokesperson said that the district police was continuously taking strict action against drug smugglers and to curb drug



trafficking. Working in this regard, the team of Rampura police station has succeeded in arresting a youth with 6.14 grams of heroin (smack). A case was registered against the accused under the NDPS Act and he was presented in the court. From where he has been taken on one day police

remand. Hamida Chowki In charge Nirmal Singh said that his team had received secret information that a youth was roaming around with drugs near Chittha Mandir. Based on this information, a team of Sub Inspector Satpal, Head Constable Hukam Singh, Rohit, Balinder was formed.

Gharaunda will play an important role under 'Haryana Maange Hisaab' campaign: Anil Rana

SUBHASH SISODIA
GHARAUNDA, JULY 14

The Congress unit of Gharaunda Assembly will strongly expose the anti-people policies of the BJP in the 'Haryana Maange Hisaab' campaign being run by Haryana Congress under the leadership of MP Deepender Hooda to corner the current BJP's Saini government. This announcement was made by senior Haryana Congress leader Anil Rana while addressing Congress workers in Gharaunda to make the padayatra a success under the 'Haryana Maange Hisaab' campaign to be held in Karnal on July 15.

Anil Rana said that the BJP government in Haryana has been running under insecure leadership for the last 10 years. He claimed that Khattar's work of nine years would be the main reason for the defeat of the



BJP, due to which the BJP has made changes in the government and the organization to woo the public.

He said that the law and order situation in Haryana has completely collapsed. Shameful acts like rape, looting and murder of minor girls in the state were enough to expose the BJP government in Haryana. He said that open firing by gangsters, extortion by threatening people has

created an atmosphere of fear among the businessmen of the state. He said that the BJP government has not been able to improve the law and order situation in the state, due to which unemployment has reached its peak due to lack of industries in the state. He said that the government was not allowing the police to work independently, due to which many police officers were putting their promotions on hold.

Plantation program under Haryana Uday campaign held in Jagadhri



RAHUL KOHLI
JAGADHRI: Under the Haryana Uday Plantation Program, an event was organized at Shri Satya Sai Jagriti Vidya Mandir in Darwa village, Jagadhri Assembly, courtesy of the Forest Division Officer. The event was graced by MLA Ghanshyam Das Arora as the chief guest.

MLA Ghanshyam Das Arora emphasized the importance of planting and taking care of trees to protect the environment. He highlighted that trees purify the environment and contribute to rainfall. The more trees we plant, the more we contribute to the welfare of society. He pointed out that all types of furniture, including tables, chairs, and beds, are made from wood. Arora also mentioned that placing jamun wood in a water tank keeps the water from spoiling and that trees provide medicinal benefits used to treat diseases like cancer and diabetes. During the plantation drive, saplings of jamun, arjuna, neem, mango, amla, peepal, banyan, harsingar, guava, shisham, bael, amalrash, chandni, tikoma, and karonda were planted. He urged everyone to plant at least one sapling in their lifetime and take care of it.

Meeting held for OBC Morcha programme on July 16: Chauhan

RAJNI SONI
YAMUNANAGAR, JULY 14

In preparation for the upcoming Assembly elections, the BJP has started making extensive arrangements to secure a third consecutive term in government. On July 16, an OBC Morcha event will be organized in Mahendragarh, where Union Home Minister Amit Shah and Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini will be present. A large number of people from the district are expected to attend to hear Amit Shah speak.

Outgoing Mayor Madan Chauhan held a meeting with party workers in Ward No. 16 and invited people to participate in the event. He emphasized that the BJP government has given significant respect and



recognition to the OBC community, something that should never be forgotten.

Madan Chauhan highlighted that the BJP government has done more for the OBC Morcha than any previous government. He criticized other governments for neglecting the OBC community, stating that since the BJP came to power, every community has seen development, with the OBC community benefiting

the most. The government has made several important decisions to uplift the OBC community.

He pointed out that under the BJP government, the annual income limit for the OBC creamy layer has been increased from 6 lakh to 8 lakh. The reservation for backward classes in Group A and Group B positions has been increased to 27% in line with central government policies.

Plant more trees under 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' initiative: Meena Chauhan 'Raisan'



DARSHAN SHARMA
NILOKHERI: Various social organizations are currently running tree plantation programs to protect the environment. In this initiative, BJP workers are actively participating. Meena Chauhan Raisan, the State Vice President of BJP Mahila Morcha, has taken on the task of planting as many trees as possible in the Nilokheri Assembly.

Speaking to journalists, she shared that in response to the call of India's esteemed Prime Minister, Narendra Bhai Modi, and Haryana's dynamic Chief Minister, Nayab Singh Saini, tree plantation is being carried out under the 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' program.

She emphasized that given the current environmental conditions and the visible effects of global warming, it is everyone's moral duty to plant more trees. She suggested gifting plants instead of other items to help control the adverse environment created by unnatural resources and to ensure we can breathe fresh air.

Surendra Udana invites public to upcoming rally at grain market

DR. ASHOK KUMAR
KARNAL, JULY 14

BJP youth leader Surendra Udana extended an invitation for the rally to be held at the grain market on August 25. He toured around half a dozen villages, including Joharmajra, Kadarpur, Khanpur, and Bhutankhedi, to invite residents to the rally. The villagers warmly welcomed Udana with flower garlands, and a significant number of people were present on the occasion.

Surendra Udana informed that the rally, focused on the youth, will be held in the grain market at Indri on August 25. He has been visiting various villages to invite people to participate. Udana mentioned that there is tremendous enthusiasm



among the youth for the rally and that it is receiving massive public support. He stated that the BJP has implemented numerous welfare policies for the general public, directly benefiting them.

Udana expressed confidence that the BJP will win the upcoming assembly elections and form the government in the state. He praised CM Saini's leadership, which has led to the implementation of

developmental schemes, thereby gaining immense popularity among the people and casting a shadow over other political parties.

Udana highlighted the efficient system established under the leadership of PM Narendra Modi and CM Naib Singh Saini, where citizens no longer need to visit government offices frequently as they can now access benefits of various schemes online from their homes.

Congress MLA inaugurates roads under Adarsh Gram Yojana

BD AGGARWAL
REWARI, JULY 14

Congress MLA from Rewari Chiranjeev Rao inaugurated the road in village Ladhuwas Ahir and Dunganwas under MLA Aardash Gram Yojana. MLA Chiranjeev Rao was warmly welcomed by all the villagers on getting the road constructed. On receiving a warm welcome, MLA Chiranjeev Rao thanked all the villagers and said that even in adverse circumstances, the people of Rewari showed faith in me and sent me to the assembly, which I can never forget. In the last 5 years, being an



opposition MLA, I have tried my best to provide rights to the people. Whatever money has come from the government, every penny of it is being spent in the Assembly. However, some big projects could not be

completed, for which I tried my best and have repeatedly raised your voice in the Assembly. But now the time is not far because the people of the state have made up their mind to oust BJP from power and have decided to

hand over the keys of power to Congress. Therefore, after two months, when Congress government is formed in the state, the condition and direction of Rewari will be changed. All the stalled works of Rewari will be completed with interest. It has become clear in the by-election results that came on Saturday that the people are fed up with the BJP. In the by-election results, India Alliance has won 11 out of 13 seats. MLA Chiranjeev Rao said that the Congress party asks the BJP government why Haryana has the highest unemployment in the country.

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
TARAORI, JULY 14

President of Manav Seva Dal Hospital Taraori and industrialist Pankaj Goyal said that people should be aware of their health. He said that today in the whole world keeping oneself fit is no less than a big challenge. Therefore, there is a need to provide opportunities like free health camps to the needy people. He was speaking on the occasion of inauguration of free mega heart medical camp organised in memory of Lala Satpal Goyal at Manav Seva Dal Hospital Tarawari today. In this mega camp, free checkup of heart as well as eye, stomach, bone and women's diseases was done. The team of doctors from Karnal's Amrit Dhara Hospital checked more than 300 people for free.



ECG, blood and sugar tests of the patient were done free of cost and free medicines were also given to the patients. Addressing the occasion of inauguration, Pankaj Goyal said that Satpal Goyal was serious about the

health of the people. That is why he built Manav Sewa Dal Hospital and dedicated it to the service of people. He said that people's lifestyles has changed, so it is natural to be serious about health.

He said that such events are necessary from time to time so that people can know about their illness and get timely treatment. He said that Manav Sewa Dal Hospital will increase the number of free health checkup camps. He said that Satpal Goyal was always ready to help the needy and he got this inspiration from his father. While conducting the stage, Secretary of Bharat Vikas Parishad Rakesh Hans said that Satpal Goyal's family has been engaged in serving people for many years. Pankaj Goyal and his family are always promoting social work, so the Goyal family has a different status.

EDITORIAL

Rising militancy

The spurt in terror attacks in Jammu & Kashmir — the latest strike in Kathua district claimed the lives of five army personnel — is a grim reminder of Pakistan-sponsored nefarious elements spreading their tentacles in the region and exposes the hollowness of the government's claims on the restoration of normalcy. The Kathua attack, the fifth in the Jammu region in a month, pointed to both tactical lapses in the security apparatus and the scale of the challenge that has to be grappled with ahead of the Assembly elections. Kashmir Tigers, a shadow outfit of the banned Pakistan-based Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM), has claimed responsibility for the attack. The Jammu region, known for its peaceful atmosphere, has been shaken in recent months by a series of ambushes on security vehicles, search parties and military convoys, particularly in the border districts of Poonch, Rajouri, Doda and Reasi, resulting in casualties among both civilians and security personnel. The back-to-back incidents reveal a clear pattern that Pakistani handlers are keen to reignite militancy in the Jammu region where it was believed to have been wiped out two decades ago. Terrorist handlers from across the border appear to have become emboldened with the way they have been able to execute the attacks at will. One of the most tragic incidents occurred on June 9 when terrorists attacked a bus carrying pilgrims from the Shiv Khori temple in Reasi district, claiming the lives of nine persons. The terror attacks pose a complex challenge which needs to be addressed by both military and political measures. No terror challenge has been overcome by military means alone. Last week, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said in Parliament the fight against terrorism in J&K is in its last stage, and that a multi-pronged strategy had been adopted to destroy the remaining network. Democratic empowerment, making the people the genuine stakeholders in development, will be the best way to foil the devious designs of terrorists to disrupt the normal rhythms of the state and society. The final step of integration of the troubled region will be the free and fair conduct of Assembly elections before September 30, as mandated by the Supreme Court and the return to statehood. The safe conduct of the Amarnath yatra and the holding of local elections should be the immediate priority for the central government.

Glacier exploitation threatens Pakistan's ecological future

The illegal cutting and commercial exploitation of glaciers in regions like Dir, Chitral, Swat, Shangla, Kaghan, Naran, and other parts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa pose a grave threat to the ecological and climatic stability of the province. These activities flagrantly violate environmental protection statutes and regulations governing KP, Dawn reported. Pakistan boasts over 7,000 glaciers, forming the largest mass of ice outside the polar regions. Northern Pakistan, crisscrossed by the Karakoram, Himalayan, and Hindu Kush mountain ranges, is a landscape shaped by ice and rock. These glaciers are vital for local communities, providing crucial irrigation and sustaining life in the north. Local inhabitants have developed intricate canal systems to harness glacier meltwater for agriculture. However, climate change has profoundly impacted Pakistan, causing temperatures to soar and snow to melt rapidly, resulting in devastating floods that frequently destroy villages and claim lives. Like alpine regions worldwide, Pakistan's glaciers are receding at an alarming rate. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa is home to approximately 3,050 glaciers, primarily in its northern reaches. These glaciers are indispensable for the region's water resources and ecological balance. Shockingly, certain individuals and entities are illicitly extracting and transporting glacier ice for commercial gain, cutting



glaciers into large blocks. This exploitation rapidly depletes these critical natural resources.

Local reports indicate that during recent years, particularly during Ramazan, 200 to 300 mini-trucks loaded with ice blocks were daily transported from Upper Dir to other parts of Dir, Bajaur, Malakand, and even Mardan Districts. Sadly, much of the local population remains unaware of the glaciers' vital role in their area's ecological system, as reported by Dawn.

Despite Pakistan's obligations under international

environmental laws, there is a glaring absence of specific legislation addressing glacier protection at both national and provincial levels. The Environmental Protection Act of 1997, the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Protection Act of 2014, and the Climate Change Act of 2017 do not mention glaciers, highlighting a critical legal void given their pivotal role in the region's ecological and climatic stability.

In 2010, Argentina set a global precedent by passing the world's first national glacier protection law, which bans

mining, industrial activities, and other harmful practices near glaciers. In January 2024, Tajikistan followed suit with its own glacier protection legislation.

The unauthorised cutting of glaciers flagrantly violates existing environmental protection laws and regulations in KP. These actions demand immediate investigation and the enforcement of appropriate legal penalties against the perpetrators. Glacier depletion disrupts fragile ecological balances, adversely affecting local flora and fauna.

The loss of glaciers undermines biodiversity preservation efforts and threatens endangered species in these regions. Glaciers also play a critical role in global climate regulation by reflecting solar radiation and maintaining temperature balance. Their reduction accelerates global warming and climate change, with severe repercussions for weather patterns, agriculture, and human health.

These glaciers serve as vital freshwater reservoirs. Their degradation will significantly reduce water availability for local communities, agriculture, and wildlife, jeopardising food security and livelihoods. The natural beauty and pristine environments of these regions attract a substantial tourist influx, contributing significantly to the local economy. Glacier destruction threatens tourism revenues, causing economic losses for communities dependent on this sector.

Pakistan, a signatory to the Paris Agreement and numerous international climate and environmental protection treaties, is obligated to safeguard its glacier reserves. The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, including the Kyoto Protocol and Paris Agreement, mandates greenhouse gas reduction efforts crucial for mitigating glacier melt and preservation.

Article 2 of the Paris Agreement aims to limit global warming to well below two degrees Celsius, with efforts to cap the increase at 1.5°C, critical targets for curbing glacier melt rates.

Call for justice and recognition of 1971 Bangladesh genocide intensifies



Calls for justice and recognition of the 1971 Bangladesh genocide are intensifying, as highlighted in a recent international event. Organised by 'Genocide 71,' an initiative of Mukto Ashor and Bangladesh History Olympiad, the event featured diverse voices emphasising the need for global acknowledgment and education about the atrocities committed by the West Pakistani army and their collaborators. With eyewitness accounts and advocacy from human rights activists, researchers, and former legislators, the push for international recognition and justice for the victims of the genocide, which resulted in an estimated 3 million deaths, is gaining momentum.

A webinar titled "International Webinar on Bangladesh Genocide, Justice for the victims 53 years and counting!" was organised on Saturday. Muktoi Ashor is a

prominent non-governmental organisation from Bangladesh. The webinar was hosted by Priyajit Debsarkar, an independent geopolitical analyst.

The webinar featured a range of speakers, each bringing unique perspectives and expertise. "On March 25th, 1971, 53 years ago, the West Pakistani army, along with local collaborators, perpetrated horrific atrocities in Bangladesh, we pay our tributes and respects to those who fell that day. Their targets were civilians, including students, women, and children. They were eagerly anticipating the restoration of democracy after the General Election of 1970" said Priyajit in his remarks. Ian Martin, an English human rights activist who witnessed the early days of the conflict in Dhaka, highlighted the importance of remembering these events despite their relative obscurity in the West.

Xi Jinping directly responsible for Uyghur genocide: East Turkistan Govt in Exile



The East Turkistan Government in Exile (ETGE), representing East Turkistan and its people, said that the Court of the Citizens of the World, a quasi-judicial body, has held Chinese President Xi Jinping "directly responsible for the genocide of Uyghurs." East Turkistan, also known as the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region of China, lies in the very heart of Asia. In October of 1949, the People's Liberation Army (PLA) troops marched into East Turkistan, effectively ending the ETR. The Chinese communists established the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region in the territory of East

Turkistan. The ETGE, officially the Government in Exile of the Republic of East Turkistan, is a political organisation established and headquartered in Washington, DC by Uyghurs, Kazakhs, and other peoples from East Turkistan. "The China Tribunal delivered its final verdict on China's atrocities in Occupied East Turkistan (so-called Xinjiang). The presiding Judge emphasised that East Turkistan is an 'area which was supposed to be independent.' He asserted that China's underlying motive for its crimes is to prevent East Turkistan's independence and to forcibly integration East

Turkistan and its people into a single Chinese nation," ETGE said in a social media post. "The Judge underscored that international law mandates the recognition of the right to self-determination. He concluded that China systematically planned and executed acts of genocide and crimes against humanity targeting Uyghurs and other Turkic peoples and Chinese dictator Xi Jinping is directly responsible for the crimes. The Judge further highlighted that the ongoing Uyghur Genocide is a continuous vigorous attack aiming to completely annihilate the Uyghur community," the post added. The Court of the Citizens of the World, a quasi-judicial body, launched the 'China Tribunal' in The Hague, Netherlands, holding hearings from July 8 to 12. The tribunal included charges against Chinese President Xi Jinping, covering counts including crimes of aggression, crimes against humanity, and genocide in Taiwan, Tibet, and East Turkistan (Xinjiang). Testimonies from victims of Chinese persecution were presented during the court proceedings.

POEMS

I Knew A Woman

I knew a woman, lovely in her bones, When small birds sighed, she would sigh back at them; Ah, when she moved, she moved more ways than one: The shapes a bright container can contain! Of her choice virtues only gods should speak, Or English poets who grew up on Greek (I'd have them sing in a chorus, cheek to cheek). How well her wishes went! She stroked my chin, She played me Turn, and Counter-turn, and Stand; She taught me Touch, that undulant white skin; I nibbled meekly from her proffered hand; She was the sickle; I, poor I, the rake, Coming behind her for her pretty sake (But what prodigious mowing we did make). Love likes a gander, and adores a goose: Her full lips pursed, the errant notes to sieze; Her play it quick, she played it light and loose; My eyes, they dazzled at her flowing knees; Her several parts could keep a pure repose, Or one hip quiver with a mobile nose (She moved in circles, and those circles moved). Let seed be grass, and grass turn into hay: I'm martyr to a motion not my own; What's freedom for? To know eternity. I swear she cast a shadow white as stone. But who would count eternity in days? These old bones live to learn her wanton ways: (I measure time by how a body sways).

Global trade in liquefied natural gas continued to grow in 2023

Liquefied natural gas (LNG) trade increased 3.1 per cent globally in 2023 to average 52.9 billion cubic feet per day (Bcf/d), an increase of 1.6 Bcf/d from 2022, according to a report from the International Group of Liquefied Natural Gas Importers (GIIGNL). Expanded export and import capacity and increasing natural gas demand drove the growth in global LNG trade last year.

Published by the US Energy Information Administration (EIA), the report says LNG export capacity expanded primarily in the United States, Mozambique, Russia, Indonesia, Norway, and Oman. In the United States, Freeport LNG returned to service in February 2023 after being offline since June 2022,

and it was operating at full production capacity by April. Developers in both Mozambique and Russia commissioned new projects in 2022 -- the 0.4-Bcf/d Coral South Floating LNG in Mozambique and the 0.2-Bcf/d Portovaya LNG in Russia--and these projects reached full production in 2023. In Indonesia, the Tangguh LNG export facility added a third train. Norway and Oman increased LNG production capacity by optimising operational efficiency of existing LNG plants.

In 2023, the United States became the world's largest LNG exporter, with exports increasing by 12 per cent compared with 2022. Exports from the three largest global LNG exporters--the United States, Australia, and Qatar -- accounted for 60 per cent of all



LNG exports in 2023. Algeria's LNG exports increased 0.4 Bcf/d as additional natural gas feedstock became available from the newly commissioned production fields. Exports also increased from Norway and Australia mainly due to optimization of the export plants' operational performance and from Indonesia after a capacity expansion at Tangguh LNG.

LNG import capacity was expanded primarily in Europe and Asia. In Europe, operators placed several new Floating Storage and Regasification Units in service and expanded regasification capacity at some existing terminals. In Asia, new capacity was added primarily in China, India, the Philippines, and Vietnam.

Asian countries continued to lead the growth in LNG imports globally, with imports increasing by 3.5 per cent. 1.2 Bcf/d in 2023. LNG imports increased by 12 per cent (1.0 Bcf/d) in China, the most of any country in the world, making China the world's largest LNG importer for the second year since 2021. LNG imports in India increased by 11 per cent (0.3 Bcf/d) as new regasification terminals were placed in service and LNG prices declined. Lower LNG prices also contributed to increased imports into Thailand (by 0.4 Bcf/d), Bangladesh (0.1 Bcf/d), and Singapore (by 0.1 Bcf/d).

LNG imports in Europe increased slightly by 1.4 per cent (0.2 Bcf/d). Imports into Germany -- the newest LNG importer -- averaged 0.7 Bcf/d. Imports also increased to

countries that expanded regasification capacity, such as the Netherlands, Italy, and Finland. LNG imports to the United Kingdom, France, and Spain declined by a combined 1.3 Bcf/d, mainly because natural gas demand in these countries decreased.

In Latin America, LNG imports increased mainly in Colombia, by 0.1 Bcf/d. Colombia experienced drought and used LNG for natural gas-fired electric power plants to offset lower hydropower generation. In Brazil, LNG imports declined by 0.2 Bcf/d because more electricity was generated by hydropower, reducing demand for natural gas-fired electricity generation in 2023. LNG imports into Puerto Rico also increased by 0.1 Bcf/d.

Honor MagicPad 2 With Snapdragon 8s Gen 3 SoC Launched Alongside Honor Pad 9 Pro

Honor MagicPad 2 was launched by the company on Friday alongside a more affordable tablet from the company, the Honor Pad 9 Pro. The newly unveiled MagicPad 2 is powered by a Snapdragon 8s Gen 3 chipset and features an OLED display, while the Honor Pad 9 Pro runs on a MediaTek Dimensity 8100 SoC and sports an LCD screen. Both tablets run on MagicOS 8, which is based on Android 14, and are equipped with a 13-megapixel primary camera. Honor MagicPad 2 pricing starts at CNY 2999 (roughly Rs. 34,500) for the base 8GB+256GB RAM and storage configuration.

Shocking Twist: Arshpreet Attempts to Kill Shaminder in Today's Episode of 'Dilan De Rishtey'



Gurman asks Babaji to help her, Dr. Seema calls Shaminder and informs him that her mother wants to meet him. Shaminder goes to know that Keerat is his daughter. In today's "Dilan De Rishtey" episode, Shaminder indirectly asks prabh if Keerat were their daughter. Arshpreet tries to kill Shaminder. Keerat saves Shaminder and they share a good time. Prabhjot's rival comes to their house. Is Arshpreet trying to kill Shaminder? Will Prabhjot accept Keerat as a daughter-in-law? Watch an interesting episode of "Dilan De Rishtey" every Mon to Sat at 7:30 pm on zee punjab.

Over 3.25 Lakh Youth trained through HDFC Bank Parivartan's Skill Development Programmes

Chandigarh/Ludhiana: On World Youth Skills Day, HDFC Bank Parivartan is proud to celebrate a significant milestone, having engaged over 325,000 youth across India through its various skilling programmes. Skill Developmentand Livelihood Enhancement is a key focus area of the Bank's Parivartan programme, its umbrella brand for all CSR initiatives. The Bank is currently working on over 100 projects in the area of Skill Development across different states, covering multiple sectors including IT/ITES, retail, healthcare, manufacturing and agriculture. Ms. Nusrat Pathan, Head of CSR at HDFC Bank, stated, "At HDFC Bank, we believe that empowering our youth with the right skills is crucial for the socio-economic development of our nation. Our Parivartan training programmes are designed not only to provide vocational skills linked with market demands, but also to instil confidence and ambition in young minds.

NGO Shree Shyam Karuna Foundation organizes 'Community Kitchen' or 'Bhandara'

Panchkula: "It is not necessary to wait for an auspicious day or 'muhurat' to organize an 'Ann Bhandara', or Community Kitchen as it is a humanitarian work. All days are auspicious for holding a "bhandara," said Amitabh Rungta founder of the Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) Shree Shyam Karuna Foundation at the 122nd 'Ann Bhandara' organized by the foundation at Industrial Area Phase 1, Panchkula. Rungta added that food-donation made to the needy is counted as "mahadaan" in Hindu traditions. He said that people should know this fact and also make others aware of the importance of holding community kitchens. The NGO's volunteers Anupama Rungta, Chaitanya Rungta, Pragati, Sukpal Singh, Suresh Jangra helped in the organization of the 'bhandara'.

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Pan Healthcare Pvt. Ltd. Celebrates Success of "SABKA SATH SABKA VIKAS" initiative

Chandigarh: Pan Healthcare Pvt. Ltd, is a leading hygiene product manufacturing company based in Gujarat, recently organized a grand celebration for the "SABKA SATH SABKA VIKAS" initiative for their distributors, channel partners and team members, which reiterated Mr. Chirag Pan's vision of inclusive growth of all associated members of the company whether it is channel partners, employees or associates. The company, known for manufacturing baby diapers under the Little Angel brand, adult diapers under the Liberty brand, and sanitary napkins under the Everlean brand, saw remarkable participation at this event. Over 500 members, including 150+ esteemed channel partners and winners, along with the dedicated sales team from the North region attended the celebration. Mr. Chirag Pan, CEO and Managing Director of PAN Healthcare, says, "PAN Health was born out of a commitment to make superior quality hygiene products accessible to the masses at an affordable and budget-friendly price point.

Ixigo and AU Small Finance Bank launch RuPay variant of their Co-Branded Travel Credit Card

Chandigarh: Ixigo, India's leading OTA for the next billion users and AU Small Finance Bank, the largest Small Finance Bank of India, announced the launch of the RuPay variant for its premium co-branded Ixigo-AU Small Finance Bank travel credit card, enabling UPI-based payments and rewards. This new offering is designed to bring enhanced benefits like greater convenience, wider reach, security, and accessibility to modern travellers. Mr. Sanjay Agarwal, Founder and MD & CEO, AU Small Finance Bank, said, "Our partnership with Ixigo continues to set new benchmarks in the travel industry, offering unparalleled benefits tailored for the modern traveller. This launch reaffirms our commitment to providing innovative and inclusive financial solutions to our customers. The RuPay variant will maintain exceptional travel rewards and bring the added advantage of RuPay's extensive network, fulfilling the desires of aspiring Bharat. This move exemplifies our customer-centric approach as we continue to serve the diverse needs of our customers across Bharat." Commenting on the launch, Alok Bajpai, Group CEO & Rajnish Kumar, Group Co-CEO, Ixigo said, "We are excited to introduce the RuPay variant to the existing co-branded AU Small Finance Bank travel credit card. With seamless UPI integration and comprehensive insurance coverage, this card is designed to meet the evolving needs of modern travellers, especially those from tier 2,3 & 4 cities. By combining our travel expertise with AU SFB's robust financial solutions, we aim to make travel more accessible and provide a smoother experience nationwide."

Benefits of drinking lemon tea



Lemons are essential to the Indian kitchen, for that matter to any kitchen. Add it to a cup of tea and you are set with a huge number of benefits. In addition to the vitamin C they are famous for, lemons are also packed with essential minerals such as calcium and magnesium, which can benefit all facets of health.

1. Detoxifies The Body The citric acid content in lemons is remarkably high, aiding in purifying the liver. Consuming lemon tea on an empty stomach in the morning assists in getting rid of all the wastes and toxins accumulated in the liver and thereby detoxifies the body completely.
2. Boosts Digestive Health The dietary fibres present in lemon tea slow down the processing of simple sugars, enhancing gut health and regulating metabolism and appetite. This significantly boosts digestive health eases digestive discomforts if any and may prove to be an aid if you are trying to lose weight or maintain a healthy body weight.
3. Keeps One Hydrated An average person should be drinking about two litres of water a day, but even more, hydration should be made available to the body from other sources such as food,

- can strengthen and support the immune system immensely, providing it with the support it needs to combat infectious ailments effectively. Even when the body is dealing with the effects of an infection, the antioxidants in lemon extracts can efficiently relieve congestion in the chest as well, aiding in a speedy recovery from infectious ailments, particularly in monsoons.
5. Enhances Skin Wellness With its astringent properties, lemon tea can, over time, enhance skin health by removing dead skin cells and

- revitalising the skin.
6. Improves Mood Rich in nutrients, lemongrass tea clears the body of the toxins that stress can create and paves the way for better brain health. One may experience an improved mood. It can remedy headaches, increase energy by keeping at bay lethargy and fatigue, increase the overall capacity of the brain's function every day as well as its long-term health and even alleviate depression and anxiety symptoms. It can be great for mental clarity and can improve memory as well.

Greenlam Industries launches its exclusive display center in Hoshiarpur

Hoshiarpur: Greenlam Industries, among the top 3 manufacturers in the world for surfacing solutions, recently inaugurated its exclusive display center at Mittal Plywood & Hardware Agencies in Hoshiarpur. The display will feature an exclusive range of Greenlam Laminates, offering such a diverse collection in the laminate segment. The display center was inaugurated by Mr. Munish Gupta (Owner Mittal Plywood & hardware agencies), Mr. Anubhav Sharma, Regional Sales Head - Chandigarh, Punjab, J&K, HP & Haryana, Greenlam Laminite & Allied and Mr. Anil Marwaha, Branch Sales Head - Ludhiana, Punjab Greenlam

Laminite & Allied along with contractors, and customers. Commenting on the inauguration, Mr. Anuj Sangal-Country Head, Greenlam Laminite & Allied at Greenlam Industries said- "We are thrilled to present the unmatched excellence and sophistication of Greenlam Laminates to the esteemed residents of Hoshiarpur. Our display center stands as a testament to our unwavering dedication to delivering top quality laminates while ensuring an extraordinary customer journey. With the chance to touch and feel the full-sheet laminates first-hand, we aim to make the purchasing process exceptionally convenient and

hassle-free, providing our valued customers with an unforgettable product selection experience." Greenlam Industries has been known for creating high-quality surface solutions integrated with elegance. Its legacy of unflinching passion for excellence, along with exceptional artistry and finesse, is clearly visible in its flagship brands' offerings. Its diverse range offers an extensive assortment of textures, colors, and designs for Greenlam's customers. This multi-functional gamut of products is meant to give Greenlam's consumers flexibility while designing their spaces and enhance the creativity of their interiors.

Wynk celebrates the release of Akshay Kumar starrer "Sarfire" with Rs 1/- subscription of Wynk Premium

Wynk Music, India's leading music streaming app by downloads and daily active users, today made live a unique offer for music fanatics in the country with a never before offer where

brates the idea of affordable air travel that was pioneered by Air Deccan in India.

Available only for today (July 12), the Rs 1/- Wynk Premium subscription can be availed by logging on here https://open.wynk.in/hp and will be valid for 30 days.

With Wynk Premium, users can enjoy an exciting music experience with exclusive features like ad-free streaming, unlimited downloads, high-quality audio with Dolby Atmos, unlimited Hellotunes, amongst many other benefits. Wynk Premium also offers irresistible experiences to all its users like fan-artists meets, exclusive experiences like movie set visits amongst others. Some of the recent initiatives that we were exclusively available for Wynk Premium customers.



users will get Wynk Premium subscription for Rs 1. The offer is in collaboration with Akshay Kumar, Radhikka Madan starrer "Sarfire" which is inspired by the life of G. R. Gopinath – the Founder of Air Deccan who revolutionized domestic air travel. The innovative offer of Wynk Premium subscription @ just Rs 1/- celebrates the idea of affordable air travel that was pioneered by Air Deccan in India.

Consumer survey on 'AC Usage in Indian Homes' by Godrej Appliances reveals drastic surge in AC usage & energy bills this summer

Chandigarh : Godrej Appliances, business unit of Godrej & Boyce, released interesting insights on 'AC Usage in Indian Homes' based on a consumer survey conducted in partnership with Twinty India which studied AC usage patterns in Indian households, its impact on energy bills and maintenance practices followed. More than 50% respondents reported that their AC usage this summer had doubled (or more) compared to a few years ago while almost 90% agreed that the AC usage was at least 1.5 times more. Close to two thirds claimed that the number of ACs installed in their home had gone up in the last two years. 90% also stated that their energy bills have been rising rapidly over the last few years with summers accounting for the highest proportion. 52% said that the energy bill during summer was almost double their average energy bill. The figures are a direct consequence of the unprecedented rise in summer temperatures and heatwave being witnessed in different parts of the country.

AVPL International and Haryana Skill Development Mission Partner to Create 800 Drone Entrepreneurs in Haryana



GURUGRAM: In a landmark collaboration, AVPL International, homegrown drone major, has partnered with the Haryana Skill Development Mission (HSDM) to empower 800 drone entrepreneurs across four DGCA-

approved Remote Pilot Training Organizations (RPTOs) in Haryana. This initiative aims to drive economic prosperity, technological innovation, and skill development in the state. Through targeted training programs and practical

applications, AVPL International and HSDM aim to not only meet the growing demand for drone technology expertise but also to establish Haryana as a hub for innovation in the unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) sector.

The partnership seeks to address the growing demand for drone technology expertise, establish Haryana as a hub for UAV innovation, and promote sustainable development. The training programs will focus on advanced drone operating skills, precision agriculture, and entrepreneurship, aligning with the state's vision for economic growth and technological advancement.

Dabur Glucose Launches 'Energize India' Campaign to Promote Young Athletes



Amritsar: Dabur Glucose, the leading instant energy drink from the House of Dabur, today announced the launch of a mega Campaign 'Energize India' to promote young sporting talent and drive awareness about the importance of energy and stamina among young athletes in major sports academies across India.

As part of the campaign, Dabur

Glucose today conducted a special awareness session on energy and stamina management at Prabhakar Senior School in Amritsar, featuring renowned doctor and expert in the field. This session provided valuable insights and strategies to help athletes optimize their performance and achieve their full potential. Dabur also facilitated top athletes of this school: Sandeep Kaur, Priyansh Sharma and boxing coach S.

Baldev Raj, Baxiniy coach Naina Sharma.

"We are delighted to launch our 'Energize India' campaign to promote the importance of energy and stamina among young athletes and provide them with the necessary energy to excel in their respective sports. As a brand, Dabur Glucose is a perfect fit for athletes, sports enthusiasts, and people who lead an active lifestyle. The product is designed to provide an instant energy boost, which is essential for individuals engaged in physical activities," Dabur India Ltd, Corporate Communication, Manager, Mr. Dinesh Kumar said.

"Dabur Glucose has always been committed to promoting a healthy and active lifestyle among our youth. This partnership with young athletes is another step forward towards achieving this goal. With its refreshing taste and instant energy boost, Dabur Glucose is the perfect choice for young athletes to stay energized and perform at their best," Mr. Dinesh Kumar added.

Samsung Launches Z Fold6, Z Flip6 in India; Pre-book Now for Exciting Offers

Chandigarh/Ludhiana : Samsung, India's largest consumer electronics brand, has opened pre-orders for its sixth generation foldable smartphones - Galaxy Z Fold6 and Z Flip6 in India, unfolding the next chapter of Galaxy AI. The new Galaxy Z Fold6 and Z Flip6 elevate Galaxy AI to new heights,

enabling a range of unique mobile experiences for consumers. "At Samsung, we are thrilled to open the next chapter of Galaxy AI with our sixth generation foldables- Galaxy Z Fold6 and Z Flip6. The new smartphones are designed to unfold unique mobile experiences across communications, productivity and cre-

ativity. Together with AI-infused connected Galaxy ecosystem, our new products will empower you and enhance your lives. I am excited to share that both Galaxy Z Fold6 and Z Flip6 are manufactured at our Noida factory," said JB Park, President and CEO, Samsung Southwest Asia.

Cases of Dengue on the Rise: Expert Urges Vigilance and Early Intervention

Chandigarh: As the monsoon season progresses, health officials report a significant increase in dengue fever cases across the region. Dr Jasmeet Singh Senior Consultant Medicine Shalby Hospital Mohali has expressed his concern regarding this growing health issue "Dengue fever can have a devastating impact on individuals and families," stated Dr Jasmeet Singh Senior Consultant Medicine Shalby Hospital Mohali. "As a Consultant Physician, I have witnessed the severe complications that can arise if the

disease isn't diagnosed and managed early. It's crucial for everyone to recognize the early signs of dengue and seek medical attention promptly." Key Early Symptoms of Dengue Fever: High fever, Severe headache, Pain behind the eyes, Joint and muscle pain, Nausea and vomiting, Skin rash. Dr Jasmeet Singh emphasized, "While most dengue cases are mild and can be managed at home with rest and fluids, severe cases can lead to life-threatening complications like dengue hemorrhagic fever and dengue shock syndrome. Early detection and treatment significantly improve the



chances of a full recovery." Treatment for dengue primarily focuses on managing symptoms and preventing dehydration. This may involve maintaining adequate fluid intake, using pain relievers like acetaminophen (avoiding aspirin and NSAIDs), and close monitoring for signs of severe dengue. In severe cases, hospitalization may be required for intravenous fluids and specialized care. Health officials urge the public to take preventive measures to minimize the risk of dengue infection. These measures include: Eliminate Standing Water, Use Mosquito Repellents, Wear Protective Clothing, Maintain Cleanliness, Community Engagement.

350 saplings planted in Sector 27

Chandigarh: In a joint effort of Fire and Security Association of India (FSAI), Global Alliance for Rights & Duties and ISHRAE (Indian Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air Conditioning Engineers) Chandigarh Chapter, a massive tree plantation program was organized in Sector 27 D today. 350 saplings were planted on the occasion. Satya Pal Jain, former MP and Additional Solicitor General of India was the chief guest in the program and Shri Jain started the program by planting Tivani. Special guest in the program, former Mayor of Chandigarh Daveh Moudgil and preachers of various religions Director Don

Bosco Church Reverend Father Reji Tom, Advisor National Commission for Minorities Govt of India Anun Masih and Sadar-e-Jammat Chandigarh Sufi Mohammed



Imtiyaz Sabri planted 350 saplings. On this occasion, Shri Satya Pal Jain said that today the whole world is struggling with the problem of imbalance of water and air change. In some places there is drought,

accepted Indian culture authentically, in which trees and plants have been made venerable by linking them with religion so that every person understands its importance, takes health benefits from it and conserves it. It is the Indian religious culture which has given the knowledge about the benefits and importance of Tulsi, Sandalwood, Peepal, Neem and Banyan. The science of Ayurveda describes the principles of treating deadly infections and diseases with plants and herbs thousands of years ago.

CMF Phone 1, CMF Buds Pro 2, and CMF Watch Pro 2 go on sale starting 12 PM IST today

SHIMLA: CMF, a sub-brand of London-based technology company Nothing, announced the sale commencement of the highly anticipated CMF Phone 1, CMF Buds Pro 2, and CMF Watch Pro 2 starting today, 12 PM IST. CMF Phone 1 deliv-

2.6, powered by Android 14, offering a unique and customizable Android experience. The powerful camera system includes a Sony 50 MP rear camera with a dedicated portrait sensor for accurate bokeh effects and a 16 MP front camera. The dazzling 6.67"



ers segment-leading performance and is India's first phone with the MediaTek Dimensity 7300 5G processor, co-engineered with Nothing for speed, reliability, and efficiency. With a 5000 mAh battery, users can enjoy up to two days on a single charge. With up to 16 GB RAM, it ensures smooth multitasking and runs on Nothing OS

Super AMOLED display features an ultra-smooth 120 Hz adaptive refresh rate for seamless interactions. CMF Watch Pro 2, A versatile and stylish smartwatch with an interchangeable bezel design, a 1.32" AMOLED always-on display offering high resolution, and over 100 watch faces with customizable options. It supports more than 120 sports modes and automatic recognition of 5 sports. It also provides round-the-clock health monitoring, Bluetooth calls, music control, and intelligent features like notifications and being able to remotely control the camera. With IP68 water and dust resistance, it supports an active lifestyle and boasts up to 11 days of battery life.

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100% of serviceable pin codes. Through such shopping events, our aim is to enable small and medium businesses to embrace the power of e-commerce and unlock new avenues for their success, fostering a vibrant online marketplace that contributes to the larger economic growth of India," said Amit Nanda, Director, Selling Partner Services, Amazon India. Small and medium businesses can leverage a robust suite of tools and features available on Amazon to gear up for Prime Day 2024. A streamlined self-service registration process (SSR 2.0) makes it easy for sellers to get started on the Amazon.in marketplace, with multi-language support, easy registration, and invoicing. Sellers can use the Sale Event Planner to opt-in and offer great deals during Prime Day. The tool also offers data-driven recommendations on inventory planning, enabling sellers to maximize their opportunity and sales. The New Seller Success Centre is an onboarding buddy that provides step-by-step guidance to sellers on setting up their online shops, adopting key growth levers, and utilizing features like Ads, Prime, and deals.

MBD Group Celebrates 79th Founder's Day with a Legacy of CSR

Jalandhar: MBD Group commemorated its 79th Founder's Day reaffirming its commitment to social responsibility under the theme "Legacy Lives On". This momentous occasion honored the outstanding legacy of their visionary founder, Ashok Kumar Malhotra. This year's celebration saw the Group organize a series of CSR initiatives across its locations in Delhi, Noida, Ludhiana and Jalandhar. MBD Group's 79th Founder's Day celebrations embraced various social responsibility initiatives. They championed environmental sustainability with tree plantations at the Radisson Blu MBD Hotel Noida, Radisson Blu Hotel MBD Ludhiana & MBD Neopolis malls in Jalandhar & Ludhiana & printing factories. In Noida, they partnered with Jeevishwa "The Humanity" to distribute educational essentials to children from Seemarpuri and further strengthen the established MBD Library. Ludhiana saw continued support for Nishkam Sewa Trust with ration distribution and a Hi-Tea for residents while upholding industry by hosting children with special needs from the "Do Good Foundation" for a day of hospitality, games, and fun.

SAR Televenture Limited announces Composite Equity Issue of 450 crore

Chandigarh: SAR Televenture Limited (NSE Symbol: SARTELE) announces Composite Equity Issue of ₹ 450 crore. The Composite Issue comprises Rights Issue aggregating up to ₹ 300 crore and FPO aggregating up to ₹ 150 crore (The "Total Offer Size"). The proposal for fund raising of an amount up to ₹ 450 crore through issuance of equity shares through Composite Issue was approved at the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company held on 20th January 2024. The Rights Issue will comprise 1,50,00,000 fully paid up Equity Shares of Rs. 2 each at an issue price of ₹ 200 per Rights share (including premium of ₹ 198 per Rights Share). The Rights Issue will open on Monday, July 15th 2024 and close on Monday, July 22nd, 2024. (The "Rights Issue and Offer Period") Existing shareholders will get 1 (one) Rights share for 1 (one) equity share held as on record date Tuesday, July 09th 2024 for the purpose of date determining the equity shareholder's entitled to receive the Rights Entitlement in the Rights Issue ("Eligible Equity Shareholders for Rights Issue")

Tyani by Karan Johar Jewellery Store unveiled

Chandigarh: Tyani by Karan Johar Jewellery Store has been launched in Sector 17 with Polki jewellery and traditional designs. It was inaugurated by the brand's owner and Bollywood film producer Karan Johar.

On this occasion, the store manager Paramveer Singh said, "The residents of this city, called City Beautiful, have a good opportunity to buy new designs and quality gold jewellery. But now people's inclination is also being seen towards buying Polki jewellery and traditional designs instead of gold jewellery and we are also giving priority to this. Polki jewellery is also a form of pure diamond."

He said that Polki jewellery has been launched in Tyani by Karan Johar Jewellery Store on the demand of customers. In this store, customers will get a huge range of a new jewellery collection and with time new designs will

be added to it.

He added that the store has a complete range of wedding jewellery which includes a wide range of heavy sets, necklaces, earrings, bangles etc. The range of 22 and 18 carat Polki jewellery in the store is attracting



customers from North India i.e. Punjab, Haryana, Himachal and Chandigarh. He said that there is no compromise on quality in the store. By giving better jewellery designs and high quality to the customers, the store has become the first choice of the customers in a very

shorttime.

Tyani by Karan Johar exhibits exclusive designs of handmade jewellery with the finest craftsmanship, exclusive designs, excellent product quality and the highest standards of customer service. The store is famous for its luxurious and highest quality bridal gold polki jewellery with a blend of modern and traditional values.

"Wedding is a very special moment for everyone. Keeping in mind this we have a wide variety of Polki jewellery. Many young brides want a simple look for themselves and some are inspired by Bollywood brides, we specialise in fulfilling all the wishes of the bride to make her wedding day even more special. We have stunning ornate creations adorned with Polki and precious stones studded in 22 carat and 18 carat gold."

HPCL and RCED take cleanliness drive in Maloya Village

BUREAU CHANDIGARH: Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) joined hands with the Regional Centre for Entrepreneurship Development (RCED) to orchestrate a noteworthy cleanliness drive in Maloya Village as part of Swachhata Pakhwada. The event, graced by key figures including Mr. Prem Singh, Deputy General Manager,



Chandigarh LPG Regional Office (HPCL), Mr. Paramjit Singh, Director of RCED, underscored the pivotal role of cleanliness in community health. Afsana Kumari, Senior Marketing Officer of Chandigarh LPG Regional Office (HPCL), and Mrs. Ramneek Kaur from NULM Chandigarh, shared insights into the importance of hygiene and ongoing efforts in the region.

Union Minister targets Cong during BJP's working committee meeting

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, JULY 14

Senior BJP leader and Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Sunday attacked the Congress and said that the Congress could not win even 100 seats for the third consecutive Lok Sabha election and in this election it had to face its third worst defeat. Sitharaman was speaking at the Chandigarh BJP state executive meeting, where she was the chief guest. Later, she held a meeting with traders and understood their problems and heard their demands. The finance minister further said that the Congress could not win a single seat in 14 states. A total of 13 indi alliance parties managed to win only 232 seats, while the BJP won 242 seats on its own. She said, "But they are



celebrating as if they have won the election. In the last 10 Lok Sabha elections from 1984 to 2024, the Congress could not even cross the 250-seat mark, but they have this artificial confidence." Sitharaman said that the opposition did not fight this election in a fair manner. They created fake narratives, the effect of which was so much that no matter how much effort is made to convince the people, it is too late. She said that the opposition distorted the statements of Prime Minister

Narendra Modi, Home Minister Amit Shah and Union Minister Nitin Gadkari on several issues and tried to create a fake narrative. He said that the BJP should respond to this with facts and figures.

She said that on every issue, Congress or its supporters knocked at door of the Supreme Court, but the decision came in favour of the BJP-led government. Rahul Gandhi abused the RSS and he had to apologize in court. Congress said that there was corruption in the

Rafale deal they again had to apologize in court. But, they were shameless.

A notification of Samvidhan Hatya Diwas has been issued to remember what happened during the Emergency. Every opposition leader was sent to jail. The words socialism and secularism were added to the Constitution in 1975 itself.

He said unlike the bomb blasts in India during the Congress regime, the country was moving in a positive direction. Be it solar energy or artificial intelligence, both the sectors have seen good growth. "We have a responsible government which is doing good work in other sectors as well," she said. Earlier, BJP president Jatinder Pal Malhotra listed the achievements of the Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led government.

State govt can give gift to city councillors on lines of Sarpanches and Panches: Sudha

KARAN OHRI KURUKSHETRA, JULY 14

Haryana's Urban Local Bodies Minister Subhash Sudha said that the state government can give gifts to city councilors on the lines of sarpanches and panches. The main demands of these councilors have been placed before Chief Minister Naib Singh. Now a state level meeting of councilors, vice chairmen, chairmen of municipal corporations, city councils and municipalities has been scheduled in Hisar on 25 July at 12 noon. Chief Minister Naib Singh can give gifts to the councilors in this meeting.

Urban Local Bodies Minister Subhash Sudha was addressing a meeting of workers at the Circuit House on Sunday. During this, State



Minister Subhash Sudha heard the problems of hundreds of people related to various departments and also gave necessary guidelines to the officials to solve them. State Minister Subhash Sudha said that for the first time in the state, a state level meeting of councilors of all the municipal bodies has been called. In this meeting, the demands and problems of the city councilors will be placed

and he is hopeful that Chief Minister Naib Singh can give gifts to the city councilors on the lines of Sarpanchs and Panchs. The state government has allowed Sarpanchs to get development work done up to Rs 21 lakh. With this, Sarpanchs will be able to develop the villages as per the wishes of the people. Apart from this, many other rights have also been given to the Gram Panchayats.

MP Jindal listens to problems of people in Pundri villages

RAMAN GUPTA PUNDRI, JULY 14

MP Naveen Jindal said that the service of medical van for the people of the Lok Sabha constituency will be started in all the nine circles from next month. These medical vans will provide health services by reaching the doorstep of people in every village. A team of experienced doctors and support staff will also be present in it.

The special thing is that this service will continue free of cost from their side like in the previous tenure.

MP Naveen Jindal had attended the thanksgiving programs organized in villages Teak, Barot, Bandarana, Rasulpur,



Begpur, Jadaula, Solu Majra and Faral on Sunday. During this time, when the villagers raised the issue of not having a hospital or dispensary before MP Jindal, he said that he will send the entire hospital to every village in the form of medical van. MP Jindal urged the Sarpanches and representatives that whenever they submit the demand letter of the

Panchayat to him, they should write the demands in the order.

Keep the most important demand at number one and then write down the tasks that are to be done first in that order. Because often when a demand letter is written, the work which is to be done later in it starts first. Due to which important works remain pending.

CM Naib Singh Saini takes part in 'Rahgiri' programs in Ambala

MANISH KUMAR AMBALA, JULY 14

Haryana Chief Minister Naib Singh said that programs like Rahgiri were effective in awakening the feeling of unity and love among people as well as in making the youth mentally and physically fit. Chief Minister Naib Singh was addressing the huge crowd gathered in the Rahgiri program organized near Herbal Park Ambala city under Haryana Uday programme on Sunday. Earlier, the Chief Minister himself gave the message of staying healthy by cycling near Public Works Rest House Ambala city. On this



occasion, the Chief Minister also gave the message of 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam', a campaign being run by the Forest, Environment and Wildlife Department to increase the forest area and he also planted a sapling himself. The Chief Minister said that he considered it his good fortune to reach this

land of Ambala, the holy land of Maa Amba, for the Rahgiri program and congratulated everyone for being a part of the program.

The Chief Minister said that on June 5, on World Environment Day, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi had started the 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' campaign. It was

notable that the Chief Minister had started the Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam campaign from Karnal on July 13 and in this series he planted saplings in Ambala on July 14. This campaign would be run by all educational institutions, social-religious organizations and government departments during the monsoon. He said that to keep the environment clean and maintain the balance of temperature, plant as many saplings as possible and took care of them till they became trees. During the program, more than five thousand fruit and shade trees were also distributed by the Forest Department.

Shri Agarwal Sabha plants 120 saplings



NARESH GARG

LADWA: The city's social organization Shri Agarwal Sabha, along with other organizations of city, organized a huge plantation ceremony. Sabha's general secretary Vikas Singhal informed that a huge plantation ceremony was organized in newly built Lala Jamuna Das Agarwal Park run by Sabha, along with other organizations of city, which was inaugurated by planting a sapling by former head of municipality and social worker Narendra Singhal. Sabha's head Durgesh Goyal welcomed all the attendees and said that in the first phase of plantation in the park, 120 plants of different types were planted by the representatives of all the organizations, which will not only enhance the beauty of the park but will also provide health benefits to the society and after this, a total of 400 plants will be planted in the park in the next phases.

Grand welcome for Brahmin Samrasata Yatra in Shahabad



KAPILARORA

SHAHABAD MARKANDA: The Brahmin Samrasata Yatra received a grand welcome on Sunday at the Markanda Oil Store on Barada Road by the Panchayat Gaud Brahmin Sabha, represented by President Ravindra Sharma, Piyush Rao, Kulwant Sharma, Rammoorti Sharma, Ishant Sharma, Hardik Sharma, Pandit Rajesh Shastri, former Minister Krishna Bedi, and Ashok Vats. The yatra, which began in Ambala and travels through Sambhalkha and Panipat, aims to unify the Brahmin community. Former Minister Krishna Bedi stated that the Brahmin community has always been revered and respected. He noted that the leadership of the BJP in the state has also been entrusted to a Brahmin, Mohanlal Baroli. Ravindra Sharma, President of the Panchayat Gaud Brahmin Sabha, welcomed the yatra and emphasized the need for the Brahmin community to unite. He expressed gratitude to Ashok Sharma from Kurukshetra, Rajkumar Vats, Jai Bhagwan Sharma, Surendra Vats, Roshan Lal Sharma, Vidya Prakash Sharma, Shivram Sharma, and all the Brahmins who joined the yatra in their efforts to unify the community.

Selja's march will mobilise urban voters in favor of Cong: Balla



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

KARNAL: Haryana Pradesh Congress Committee member, former Haryana Police Recruitment Board member, and strong Congress ticket contender from Nilokheri Assembly constituency, Rajendra Balla, spoke to journalists during a public contact campaign in Nilokheri. He highlighted that the announcement of a march through urban areas by Congress MP Kumari Selja, a popular leader of the 36 communities, has energized Congress workers and the general public alike. He praised Kumari Selja for her honest and clean image, noting her consistent efforts to elevate the Congress party.

Balla stated that the enthusiasm shown by the public for the Congress party during the Lok Sabha elections will be transformed into a wave of support through this march. He emphasized that Kumari Selja will carry the messages of Rahul Gandhi and party president Mallikarjun Kharge to the people. The primary goal of this march is to free urban citizens from the clutches of BJP's misguided policies. He pointed out that the common urbanite in Haryana is entangled in the complications of Property ID and PPP (Parivar Pehchan Patra).

CIA-2 team arrests man with illegal weapons

MANISH KUMAR

AMBALA: As per the instructions of Superintendent of Police Ambala Surendra Singh Bhoria, during special campaign being run by Ambala Police against those possessing illegal weapons/cartridges, on July 13 the police team of CIA-2 under the leadership of Inspector Naresh Kumar took immediate action and arrested the accused Gursevak Nindi, resident of village Khan Ahmedpur under police station Mullana, district Ambala with illegal country-made pistol and four live bullets. He was produced before the court and the police have obtained three days police remand as per the order of the court. The police team of CIA-2 had received secret information that the accused has an illegal weapon which can result to some untoward incident. The accused was roaming around with an illegal weapon in village Khan Ahmedpur on Sunday and passed through the government school on foot. If immediate action was taken, he can be arrested along with the illegal weapon. After receiving the information, the police team of CIA-2 took immediate action and set up a blockade near the government school under police station Mullana area village Khan Ahmedpur.



Organisational work will get new direction under state president Badoli: Saini

DALBIR MALIK

KURUKSHETRA: Expressing happiness over the appointment of Mohan Lal Badauli as Haryana BJP State President by the high command, Sarpanch Baldev Singh Saini said that under the leadership of the newly appointed BJP State President Mohanlal Badauli, the organizational work in Haryana would get a new direction and the BJP government would be formed in Haryana for the third time. He said that BJP was a cadre based party and the world's largest political party. He said that every worker of BJP was very disciplined and restrained. From time to time, the top leadership kept guiding the BJP workers. Master Baldev Singh Saini said that in the upcoming assembly elections, the BJP government would be formed in Haryana for the third time with a huge majority.

He said that the state government was committed to fulfill the promises made to the public. At present, the government in the state was working day and night for the welfare of all sections. Through Samadhan Camps, all the leaders and officers were resolved the people's problems on the spot. Sarpanch Baldev Singh Saini expressed his happiness and said that the state government has given a lot of respect and power to the Sarpanchs due to which the Sarpanchs of the state were very happy with the Haryana government.



Seva Trust UK India and Zila Parishad Kurukshetra organize tree plantation program in Gyan Jyoti Sr Sec School, Tangor



DALBIR MALIK

KURUKSHETRA: On Sunday, a tree plantation program was organized in Gyan Jyoti Senior Secondary School, Tangor, jointly by Seva Trust UK India and Zila Parishad Kurukshetra, under the Green India, Green Earth campaign. The chief guest of the program was Zila Parishad Chairperson Kanwaljit Kaur. The program was conducted by school manager Jasbir Rana and Zila Parishad member Ramesh Pal. They welcomed all the guests on reaching the school. First of all, tree plantation was done in the school and saplings were distributed to more than 400 children. Along with this, the children and villagers present were called upon to plant as many saplings as possible. Zila Parishad President Kanwaljit said that the nature has provided them with all the resources and facilities that were necessary for a happy life. They have received countless valuable gifts from nature without returning anything. Therefore, it was their duty to plant saplings to make this nature clean.

Sarva Brahmin Samaj organizes harmony journey



VIJAY KAUSHIK

BABAIN: On July 14, Sunday, members of the Sarva Brahmin Samaja came together to organize the Brahmin Harmony Journey. The journey, supported by the entire community, began at Asaram Public School in Ambala Cantt and concluded in Samalkha late in the evening. The journey was greeted with welcoming ceremonies at various locations.

At Umri Chowk on GT Road, Brahmin community members from nearby villages, including Devendra Sharma Umri, Deepak Sharma, Lovely Sharma, Suresh Sharma, Professor Vivek Sharma, and Dr. Ganesh Dutt, welcomed the journey in the esteemed presence of State President Bhair Pawan Pahalwan. The journey passed through Shahabad, Umri Chowk, Nilokheri, Tarawadi, Uchana, Bastara, Gharaunda, Kohand, Panipat, and concluded in Samalkha. Organizers Shri Ashok Sharma and Shri Rajkumar Sharma, along with members of various communities including Dhiman, Jangra, Jogi, Panchal, Bairagi, Goswami, Bhatt, and Gaur Brahmin communities, participated in the journey. People from all communities came together in large numbers to welcome the journey at various organized events.

Haryana Banao Abhiyan gets booster dose when hundreds of Gram Panchayats extend support



PREETI SAINI

SADHAURA: Haryana Banao Abhiyan received a booster dose from hundreds of Gram Panchayats when these have extended their support to Abhiyan. The Haryana Banao Abhiyan team led by its convener Randhir Singh Badharin started a village-to-village padayatra from Kamal district on Sunday with a target to cover all villages and met all public representatives across Haryana and build public opinion on the demand for a separate High Court and separate capital for Haryana. Hundreds of Gram Panchayats and other elected public representatives were also supporting the demands. In the first week of August, Haryana Banao Abhiyan will call a state conference in which thousands of members of Haryana Banao Abhiyan will participate from every district of Haryana and decide the further strategy of the campaign. In the upcoming Haryana Assembly elections, the demand for a separate High Court and new capital for Haryana will be the main public demand of Haryana. If any political party opposed this demand, the public will teach them a lesson. In the first phase of Haryana Banao Abhiyan, Randhir Singh Badharan Advocate, Yashpal Rana Advocate, Surendra Bairagi Advocate, Bharat Bhushan Balmiki, Ritesh Gujar Advocate, Rakesh Katlari, Vendra Kalsora, Narendra Sansarwal and hundreds of other social workers will strengthen this campaign.

Uruguay finishes third in Copa America 2024 after 4-3 penalty shootout victory over Canada

North Carolina : Following Luis Suarez's dramatic injury-time equaliser, Uruguay finished third at the Copa America 2024 after a 4-3 penalty shootout victory over Canada on Sunday at the Bank of America Stadium. The match went to penalties after it had ended 2-2 in normal time. Uruguay's goalkeeper, Sergio Rochet, performed exceedingly well during the penalty shootout. He stopped a poor spot-kick from Canada's Ismael Kone, and Alphonso Davies' attempt hit the crossbar, allowing Uruguay to win the shootout 4-3. Uruguay looked geared up for a stunning defeat when Jonathan David gave Canada a 2-1 lead in the 80th minute. However, former Barcelona and Liverpool striker Luis Suarez, who came on as a second-half replacement, saved the game for Uruguay. In the second minute of injury time, he scored with a clean finish from a Jose Gimenez cross, levelling the game at 2-2 and forcing a penalty shootout. In the shootout, Uruguay goalkeeper Sergio Rochet stopped Canada midfielder Ismael Kone's penalty attempt. Alphonso Davies then attempted a panenka, but the ball struck the crossbar and bounced out, resulting in Uruguay's triumph.

Jay Shah instructs BCCI to release Rs 1 crore for Anshuman Gaekwad's treatment

New delhi: The Board of Control for Cricket in India Secretary Jay Shah has instructed the BCCI to release Rs 1 crore with immediate effect to provide financial assistance to former India cricketer and head coach Anshuman Gaekwad, who is battling cancer. Shah also spoke to Gaekwad's family to take stock of the situation and extend support, as per the BCCI Apex Council statement. "The board stands by Gaekwad's family in this hour of crisis and will do whatever is essential for his quick recovery. The Indian Cricket Board will continue to monitor Gaekwad's progress and is confident that he will come out of this phase strongly," added the statement. The 71-year-old is a former Indian cricketer and a two-time coach of the Indian cricket team. He is known for his powers of concentration and has featured for India in 40 Tests and 15 ODIs. Gaekwad made his Test debut against the West Indies in December 1974.

Jamshedpur FC sign goalkeeper Albino Gomes for ISL 2024-25 season

New delhi: Indian Super League (ISL) team Jamshedpur FC have strengthened their goalkeeping line-up with the acquisition of seasoned goalkeeper Albino Gomes on a two-year deal with an option to extend based on performance. The towering goalkeeper, standing at 6 feet 2 inches, has a wealth of experience and an impressive record of 32 clean sheets in the ISL and I-League, making him a valuable addition to the Men of Steel. Gomes' career highlight was in 2017, when he played under Khalid Jamil's underdog Aizawl FC side through a phenomenal campaign to win the Haeague, with the Goan having played all 18 games with 8 clean sheets, as per an official release by the ISL. The talented 30-year-old is well-experienced, having played across teams in the ISL and I-League. He played a crucial role in Sreenidi Deccan FC's run in the I-League 2022-23 season, keeping an impressive seven clean sheets and helping the team finish as runners-up, missing promotion to the ISL by thin margins. On signing for Jamshedpur FC, Gomes said, "I'm thrilled to be back in the ISL with Jamshedpur FC, a club steeped in history and passion. The energy of the fans here is electric, and I'm proud to be a part of this team. I feel fortunate to play under the guidance of coach Khalid Jamil, and I'm confident that I can earn his trust back with hard work and performances. I had a tough few seasons due to injury, but I worked hard to get back in the I-league.

England needs to be on top of their game against Spain in EURO 2024 final: Jamie Carragher

New Delhi: Former England footballer Jamie Carragher said that the Three Lions need to be at the top of their game against Spain in the upcoming final match of the EURO 2024. Spain will take on England in the final match of the EURO 2024 at the Olympiastadion Berlin on Sunday. Speaking to Sky Sports, Carragher said that England need to put in a performance that they haven't seen in the tournament so far. "We'll have to be at the top of our game. We will have to put in a performance that we haven't seen from this team in this tournament so far. I think we were fantastic in the first half of the semi-final against Netherlands, and I think we were fantastic in the very first game against Serbia as well," Carragher was quoted by Sky Sports as saying. He added that England's match against the Netherlands was a 50-50 game. "I think we'll need more than a good half of football. I think we'll also be asked to defend for long periods in this game as well, that's something we haven't been asked to do throughout this tournament.

Sports



Mukesh, Samson shine as India beat Zimbabwe by 42 runs to secure T20I series 4-1

AGENCY HARARE: A fine four-wicket spell by Mukesh Kumar and half-century by Sanju Samson were the highlights as India defeated Zimbabwe by 42 runs in the fifth and final T20I at Harare to secure the series on Sunday. India has won the series 4-1.

In the run chase of 168 runs, India was off to a fine start as pacer Mukesh Kumar clean bowled Wessly Madhevere for a duck. Zimbabwe was 1/1 in 0.3 overs.

Brian Bennett and Tadinawanashe Marumani tried to put India under pressure, getting three boundaries in Tushar Deshpande's over. However, before the threat could increase, Mukesh ended it, with the ball getting top edge of Bennett's bat and reaching Shivam Dube at third man. Bennett was gone for 10 in eight balls. Zimbabwe was 15/2 in 2.3 overs.

In the later half of the powerplay, Marumani joined with Dion Myers and targeted Mukesh and spinner Ravi Bishnoi. Zimbabwe ended the powerplay on high, with three boundaries against Bishnoi and 16 runs from the over. At the end of six overs, Zimbabwe was 47/2, with Marumani (22*) and Myers (12*) unbeaten.

Zimbabwe reached the 50-run mark in 6.4 overs.

The 44-run stand between Marumani and Myers ended with Washington Sundar trapping Marumani leg-before-wicket for 27 in 24 balls, with five fours. Zimbabwe was

59/3 in 8.2 overs.

Skipper Sikandar Raza was at the crease and halfway through the innings, Zimbabwe was 69/3, with Raza (2*) and Myers (25*) unbeaten.

The partnership between Myers and Raza was yet another short one, as Dube got Myers' wicket with assistance from Abhishek Sharma for 34 in 32 balls, with four boundaries and a six. Zimbabwe was 85/4 in 12.4 overs.

Dube just could not be kept out of action as he ran out Raza for just eight and got the wicket of Jonathan Campbell for four runs in quick succession, reducing Zimbabwe to 90/6 in 14.4 overs.

The all-rounders were enjoying a feast on a tough Harare surface as Abhishek Sharma cleaned up wicketkeeper-batter Clive Madande for just one run, with Sanju Samson taking a fine catch. Zimbabwe was 94/7 in 15.1 overs.

Faraz Akram and Brandon Mavuta helped Zimbabwe put up some fight, helping them cross the 100-run mark in 16.2 overs. Akram targeted Tushar Deshpande with some fine hits. Deshpande got Mavuta for just four runs. Zimbabwe was 120/8 in 17.5 overs.

In the penultimate over, Mukesh got a dangerous Faraz caught behind by Samson for 27 in 13 balls, essentially sealing the game. Zimbabwe was 123/9 in 18.2 overs. He also removed Richard Ngarva for a duck, getting his fourth wicket. Zimbabwe was all out for 125 in 18.3 overs, losing by 42 runs.

Mukesh (4/22) was the pick of the bowlers for India. Dube also delivered a fine spell of 2/25. Abhishek, Washington and Tushar also got a wicket each.

Earlier, a fine half-century by Sanju Samson and a quickfire cameo by Shivam Dube powered India to a modest 167/6 in their 20 overs in the fifth and final T20I of the series against Zimbabwe at Harare on Sunday.

India needs to defend 168 runs in order to win the series 4-1

After being put to bat by Zimbabwe, India started off with a bang, courtesy of two big sixes from opener Yashasvi Jaiswal on a no ball and first legal delivery of the first over by Sikandar Raza, the Zimbabwe skipper.

However, Raza had the last laugh as he clean bowled Jaiswal for 12 in five balls. India was 13/1 in 0.4 overs.

Abhishek Sharma joined the skipper, Shubman Gill, at the crease. The pair eased off some pressure by taking down Faraz Akram with two fours and a six in the third over. But in the next over, pacer Blessing Muzarabani removed Abhishek for 14 in 11 balls, with a four and six.

Wicketkeeper Clive Mandande took a fine catch. India was 38/2 in 3.5 overs.

In the very next over, India landed in a big trouble as skipper Gill lost his wicket to Richard

Ngarva for 13 in 14 balls, with Raza plucking a catch at mid-on. India was 40/3 in five overs.

At the end of six overs of powerplay,

India was 44/3, with Sanju Samson (3*) and Riyan Parag (1*) unbeaten.

Samson-Parag, teammates from Rajasthan Royals (RR) in the Indian Premier League (IPL), continued with their fine chemistry displayed in the league, this time in Indian colours.

They took India to the halfway point of the inning without much attacking, besides a six each from both. At the end of 10 overs, India was 75/3, with Samson (19*) and Parag (14*) unbeaten.

In the 12th over, Samson relieved

some pressure by hitting Brandon Mavuta for two sixes and getting 15 runs off the over. The duo stitched their half-century partnership in 40 balls.

India reached the 100-run mark in 12.4 overs.

Mavuta got the scalp of Parag for 22 in 24 balls, with a six after the batter mistimed a slog which landed in the hands of Ngarva at long-off. The 65-run partnership was over. India was 105/3 in 14.2 overs.

A look at Samson-Parag's success as batting duo in T20s this year

Harare : India batters Sanju Samson and Riyan Parag continued their fine chemistry together as a batting duo, putting up a inning-saving partnership in the fifth and final T20I of the series against Zimbabwe at Harare on Sunday. A half-century partnership between Samson and Parag helped India overcome early wickets and push themselves to 167/6 in their 20 overs in the final game. Samson ended with a fine half-century, a knock of 58 in 45 balls, with a four and four sixes at a strike rate of 128.88, while Parag managed 22 in 24 balls, with a six at a strike rate of 91.66. They both put together a 65-run partnership, rescuing India from 40/3 and helping them cross the 100-run mark. In nine innings this year in T20 cricket, including their stint in the Indian Premier League (IPL) with Rajasthan Royals (RR) this season, Samson-Parag have put on 398 runs together at an average of 44.22. The run-rate while they play together is a really strong one at 8.12 per over. Samson and Parag have put on two fifty and one hundred run partnership, with their best partnership being a 130 run partnership for RR during the IPL. Coming to the match, Zimbabwe won the toss and elected to field first. They had India at 40/3 at one point until a 65-run partnership between Sanju Samson (58 in 45 balls, with a four and four sixes) and Riyan Parag (22 in 24 balls, with a six) and a fine cameo from Shivam Dube (26 in 12 balls, with two fours and two sixes) took India to 167/6 in their 20 overs. Blessing Muzarabani (2/19) was the pick of the bowlers for Zimbabwe. Richard Ngarva, Sikandar Raza, and Brandon Mavuta also got a wicket each.

"Hard to put into words the emotions that I felt this week": Anderson after retiring from international cricket

NEW DELHI : Days after retiring from Test cricket, veteran England pacer James Anderson said that it was hard for him to put his emotions into words.

Anderson ended his final Test for England with figures of 1/26 and 3/32 across both innings. After making his debut at the Lord's in 2003, Anderson ended his illustrious career with 704 Test wickets behind the iconic spin duo Muttiah Muralitharan (800) and Shane Warne (708). The star pacer got to go out on high with a win by an inning and 114 runs. In all of international cricket, Anderson brought down the curtains on his 22-year career with 991 international wickets.

On Instagram, Anderson said that it was 'overwhelming' for him to see the reaction of the



fans at Lord's. He added that it was an unforgettable week for him.

"Hard to put into words the emotions that I felt this week. It was pretty overwhelming to see and hear the reactions of people on the ground. A truly unforgettable week. The atmosphere was as good as I've experienced at Lords. Thank you for making it so memorable x," Anderson wrote on Instagram.

Recapping the first Test match between England and the West Indies, Anderson took the first wicket of the day at Lord's sending back Joshua Da Silva to all but put an end to West Indies' fight.

But while Anderson showcased his wares one final time, there was Gus Atkinson, on Test debut, who etched his name onto

the Lord's honours board with a ten-wicket haul - a proper handing over of the baton if ever there was one.

Earlier, England had taken a big first-inning lead, with five batters crossing the half-century mark in a total of 371. Gus Atkinson's seven-wicket haul had helped bowl the West Indies out for 121 on day one of the Test match.

With a 250-run lead in the bag, England seamers fired away on day two to reduce the West Indies to six wickets down by stumps. While Atkinson once again shone, Anderson set the tone with a peach that seamed back in to castle Kraigg Brathwaite as the Three Lions beat the West Indies by an innings and 114 runs on Friday.

Ponting parts ways from Delhi Capitals after seven years as head coach



New delhi: Legendary Australian batter and World Cup winning captain Ricky Ponting will no longer be the head coach of the Indian Premier League (IPL) franchise Delhi Capitals (DC), as his seven-year association with the team was announced to have concluded ahead of the mega auction for the 2025 edition of the cash-rich league. As per ESPNcricinfo, it is understood that under Ponting, the franchise failed to achieve the desired results, and the owners have decided to move on from the legend. The official X handle of the franchise on Saturday confirmed that it was parting ways with Ponting, tweeting, "After 7 seasons, Delhi Capitals has decided to part ways with Ricky Ponting. It's been a great journey, Coach! Thank you for everything." Ever since Ponting's appointment as a coach in 2018, when the franchise was called Delhi Daredevils, Delhi qualified for the playoffs thrice, in 2019, 2020, and 2021. In fact, in the 2020 season, DC made it to the finals for the first-time ever, but lost to the Mumbai Indians (MI). However, for the last three years, DC has failed to progress to the final four stages. This year, the franchise finished in the sixth spot, narrowly missing out on the playoffs on the basis of net-run-rate. They won and lost seven matches this year. However, the positives were in plenty for the team this season as not only their skipper Rishabh Pant returned to competitive cricket after a life-threatening accident, but several youngsters like Jake Fraser McGurk, Tristan Stubbs, Abhishek Porel, Rasikh Salam Dar, etc.



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Kim Kardashian stuns in embellished lehenga at Anant-Radhika's 'Shubh Aashirwad'

Reality TV stars Kim Kardashian and Khloe Kardashian turned heads with their stylish entry at Anant Ambani and Radhika Merchant's 'Shubh Aashirwad' ceremony.

The global stars opted for traditional outfits for the ceremony. Kim opted for a custom Tarun Tahiliani ensemble while Khloe exuded equally regal vibes in a lehenga with silver work. Her blouse featured pearl sleeves that added glamour quotient to her look.

Celebrity fashion designer Tarun Tahiliani shared the video on Instagram stories. In the clip, Kim Kardashian can be seen walking towards her car with her sister, Khloe Kardashian.

Kim Kardashian and her sister Khloe opted to wear sarees for the wedding of Anant Ambani and Radhika Merchant's wedding on Friday.

Kim chose a shimmering red saree teamed with a matching bralette blouse. Tassel de-

tailoring at the hemline of the midriff-baring blouse definitely amped up her outfit.

Earlier on Friday, Kim and Khloe stepped out and enjoyed an autorickshaw ride in India's film city.

Khloe shared a candid video on her Instagram, where the sisters, adorned with traditional tikka on their foreheads and dressed in Western attire, playfully documented their auto adventure. In the video clip, Khloe is heard saying, "Kim and I are in a rickshaw in India," as the camera captures their animated expressions and the dynamic backdrop of Mumbai's urban landscape.

The light-hearted moment concludes with Kim, famed for her signature pout, posing for the camera amidst laughter and enjoyment.

Anant Ambani and Radhika Merchant's 'Shubh Aashirwad' ceremony is being attended by a number of celebrities and eminent personalities.

Shah Rukh Khan, Salman Khan, Ranbir Kapoor, Alia Bhatt, veteran actor Jeetendra, actor Tusshar Kapoor film producer Ekta Kapoor, Janhvi Kapoor were among B-town celebs graced the ceremony.

Shanaya Kapoor, Disha Paatani, Sachin Tendulkar and Sania Mirza, Rajinikanth, Rashmika Mandanna, Vidhu Vinod Chopra, Shahid Kapoor and his wife Mira Rajput were among those present.

For Shubh Aashirwad's look, Radhika wore a lehenga by designer Abu Jani Sandeep Khosla, who collaborated with artist Jayasri Burman to make this masterpiece for the bride.

The youngest son of Reliance Industries Chairman Mukesh Ambani and the daughter of industrialist Viren Merchant exchanged vows in a spectacular wedding ceremony attended by a host of international celebrities and high-profile guests from various fields on July 12.

The wedding celebration of Radhika and

Anant Ambani took place at the Jio World Convention Centre in Mumbai.

Radhika Merchant continued to captivate throughout the festivities with her style and grace.

For her vidaai ceremony, following her marriage in a traditional ivory and red lehenga by Abu Jani Sandeep Khosla, Radhika opted for a stunning sindoori red ensemble crafted by Manish Malhotra.

The ensemble was completed with a Banarasi silk dupatta and a veil cascading into a dramatic train, creating a picture of timeless elegance.

Adding to her regal appearance were heirloom jewellery pieces passed down through generations, embellished with gold, diamonds, and emeralds.

Each accessory, from the choker to the mang tika, contributed to Radhika's majestic presence on her special day.

The celebrations continue with 'Mangal Utsav,' the wedding reception on July 14.

Sajid Nadiadwala, Sanjay Dutt reunite for 'Housefull 5'

In a major casting update, filmmaker Sajid Nadiadwala has announced that superstar Sanjay Dutt will be joining the ensemble cast of the eagerly awaited 'Housefull 5.'

Known for his prowess in assembling stellar casts, Nadiadwala expressed immense joy at collaborating once again with Dutt, a long-time friend and colleague. "Sajid Nadiadwala has been like family from the beginning of my journey," shared Sanjay Dutt, reflecting on his deep bond with the renowned producer.

"I'm thrilled to be working with him again on Housefull 5 and look forward to many more collaborations in the future," he added.

Directed by Tarun Mansukhani, 'Housefull 5' is slated to be a landmark installment in the Housefull franchise, set entirely aboard a cruise ship.

This setting marks a first for Hindi cinema franchises, aiming to elevate the comedic and camaraderie-filled essence that the series is celebrated for.

The film boasts a star-studded lineup, including Akshay Kumar, Ritesh Deshmukh, Abhishek Bachchan, and now Sanjay Dutt.

Scheduled for release on June 6, 2025, 'Housefull 5' is set to deliver laughter, love, and timeless entertainment to audiences worldwide.

Apart from this, Sanjay Dutt has recently wrapped up shooting for his much-anti-



pated project 'Double iSmart' also starring Ram Pothineni.

The film's production house Puri Connects recently treated fans with this news with a new poster and captioned the post, which read, "Double iSmart SHOOT COMPLETED. Grand WW release on August 15. Gear Up for DIMAAK KI KIRIKIRI Experience in Theaters."

The poster features Ram Pothineni and

Kavya Thapar in a romantic pose as the still from one of the songs from the film.

Meanwhile, the entire shoot of the movie has been completed. The post-production work is also underway.

Directed by Puri Jagannadh, the film also features Kavya Thapar, Bani J, Getup Srinu, and Ali in pivotal roles.

Makers have also unveiled the song 'SteppaMaar', which garnered positive re-

sponse from audience.

This peppy dance number is sung by Nakash Aziz, Sahiti, and is penned by Moshin, while the music is by Mani Sharma.

Recently, the makers also unveiled the teaser for the film.

In the teaser, Ram Pothineni reprises his role as the titular character, once again finding himself embroiled in trouble.

The teaser provides glimpses of Ram's character indulging in his trademark antics, including flirting with girls and dancing, before confronting Sanjay Dutt's formidable character, Big Bull, marking the Bollywood actor's debut in Telugu cinema.

The teaser sets the stage for an intense showdown between Ram and Sanjay, with a gripping fight sequence near a Shiva linga.

'Double iSmart', which is a sequel to the 2019 blockbuster 'iSmart Shankar', is produced by Charmme Kaur and Puri Jagannadh, with Sam K Naidu and Gianni Giannelli handling cinematography duties.

Renowned music composer Mani Sharma returns to create the film's score. The film is set to be released in multiple languages, including Telugu, Tamil, Kannada, Malayalam, and Hindi.

The original film, 'iSmart Shankar', enjoyed immense success at the box office despite receiving mixed reviews for its portrayal of the titular character and controversial scenes.

Comedy, chaos and a bunch of misfits!

CHANDIGARH : Privilege se village ka safar is no less than a suffering! Get ready to witness a hilarious journey of two entitled siblings - Dev and Kalki in Disney+ Hotstar's upcoming series - Life hill Gayi as they are challenged to prove their mettle for their grandfather's estate and all hell breaks loose! The sassy, classy and massy slice of life series is produced by Aarushi Nishank, Himshri films directed by Prem Mistry and written by Jasmeet Singh Bhatia, stars the hilarious Divyennadu as Dev and the digital sensation Kusha Kapila as Kalki along with Vinay Pathak, Mukti Mohan among others. Life hill Gayi will soon begin streaming exclusively on Disney+ Hotstar.

Producer of Life hill Gayi, Aarushi Nishank, Himshri films said, "Life hill Gayi is a relatable comedy drama set in the heartland of India. Our idea was to birth a world that is relatable, light-hearted and edgy. Along with it, having my roots from Uttarakhand itself, I always wanted to show the beauty of this state to the world and this show offers just a sneak peek into the heaven Uttarakhand is! We have the dream team with Prem Mistry on the director's chair with Kusha Kapila and Divyennadu taking on sibling characters and Disney+ Hotstar bringing this world to all."

Talking about the series, Director Prem Mistry said, "Life hill Gayi is a heartland drama but with a twist. Universally, siblings are known to have a chaotic yet emotional relationship. For the first time, the audiences will see a story such as this unfold in the rural setting with Kusha Kapila and Divyennadu coming from the most privileged background and joining the fight as siblings. We cannot wait to introduce our dysfunctional family to the Disney+ Hotstar audiences."

Taking on the role of Dev, Divyennadu added, "The audience has shown me a lot of love and appreciation seeing me do a comical character and I wanted to give them another surprise of my comedy and that's what Life hill Gayi is! You will remember your fights with your siblings, the love and hate relationship and all sibling struggles you would have faced growing up when you watch Life hill Gayi on Disney+ Hotstar. We really enjoyed shooting this and I am sure that would have also translated on screen and we can't wait for all of you to watch it!"

Joining a heartland drama for the first time ever, Kalki aka Kusha Kapila said, "I love Kalki's character since it's a very well-rounded extension of entertaining but flawed characters I have often done as a creator. When Disney+ Hotstar's Life hill Gayi happened, the script and the ensemble really got me excited. To share space with such renowned actors who are so dearly loved is a dream come true. Add to that I love that Kalki's character is not one dimensional - she is real, flawed and has a redemption arc that honestly is really refreshing to see. It's a show I am immensely proud of and I really hope people watch it soon on Disney + Hotstar."



'Euphoria' season 3 to begin filming early next year



The highly anticipated third season of HBO's acclaimed series 'Euphoria' is set to kick off production in January 2025, marking a long-awaited return for fans and viewers worldwide.

HBO has confirmed that all principal cast members will be reprising their roles, promising to continue the captivating narrative that has garnered widespread acclaim.

Francesca Orsi, executive vice president of HBO programming and head of HBO drama series and films, expressed her enthusiasm about the upcoming season, stating, "I am thrilled that we are ready to begin production on 'Euphoria' in January. We could not be happier with our creative partnership with Sam and this incredible cast. We look forward to bringing this new season of 'Euphoria' to life for the fans," according to Variety.

The announcement comes nearly three years after the premiere of season 2, which aired in early 2022. Delays in production were attributed to various factors, including industry-wide strikes in 2023 affecting both writers and actors, the busy schedules of the cast involved in multiple projects, and creator Sam Levinson's meticulous approach to crafting the storyline independently, reported Variety.

Earlier discussions between Levinson and HBO in late 2023 and early 2024 revealed plans for Season 3, which included a significant five-year time jump and intriguing story arcs, such as Rue's potential role as a private investigator.

Siddharth Anand, Mahaveer Jain team up for global thriller inspired by Sri Sri Ravi Shankar



Bollywood filmmaker Siddharth Anand, celebrated for his blockbuster hits like 'Pathaan' and 'War', is set to embark on an international filmmaking journey alongside producer Mahaveer Jain.

The duo has announced their collaboration on an ambitious thriller inspired by the life of Gurudev Sri Sri Ravi Shankar, a revered global spiritual leader and humanitarian.

The upcoming film will highlight a pivotal moment in Gurudev Sri Sri Ravi Shankar's life, his influential intervention in Colombia's decades-long civil war, which remarkably concluded without a single shot fired. Set against the vibrant backdrop of Latin America, the narrative promises to captivate global audiences with its compelling storyline and rich cultural tapestry. The announcement coincided with the recent World Cultural Festival held in Washington, D.C., a monumental event that united millions from over 180 countries. This gathering underscored the theme of unity and peaceful coexistence, echoing the principles that Gurudev Sri Sri Ravi Shankar advocates through his teachings.

In a statement, Siddharth Anand expressed his excitement about venturing into international cinema, emphasising the film's potential to resonate with audiences worldwide.

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