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Railways to install AI-enabled CCTV cameras on locomotives, yards

PRAYAGRAJ: To address the rising incidents of rail accidents across the country, the Railway Board will install CCTV cameras equipped with Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology on every locomotive and at key yards, according to officials. In a press briefing at Prayagraj Railway Junction, Railway Board Chairperson and CEO Jaya Verma Sinha said these cameras will help detect any unusual situations, "We are installing CCTV cameras with AI technology on every locomotive and at all significant yards," she said.

Ex-Bangladesh PM Khaleda Zia's bank accounts to be unfrozen after 17 years

DHAKA: Tax authorities in Bangladesh have decided to unfreeze the bank accounts of Bangladesh Nationalist Party Chairperson Khaleda Zia, 17 years after they were blocked. The National Board of Revenue (NBR) on Monday instructed banks to unfreeze the accounts of BNP Chairperson Zia, the Daily Star newspaper reported. In August 2007, the NBR's Central Intelligence Cell directed banks to freeze the accounts of the BNP Chairperson, who has been elected Bangladesh's prime minister twice since 1990.

Gold rallies Rs 1,400 to Rs 74,150 per 10 grams; silver jumps Rs 3,150

NEW DELHI: Gold prices saw the sharpest gain in the past one month and rallied by Rs 1,400 to touch Rs 74,150 per 10 grams in the local market on Tuesday, amid strong global cues. The precious metal had closed at Rs 72,750 per 10 grams in the previous session on Friday. Silver price also climbed by Rs 3,150 to Rs 87,150 per kilogram from Rs 84,000 per kg in the previous close.

Labourer beaten to death by his employer in Faridabad, 2 held

FARIDABAD: A 35-year-old labourer was allegedly beaten to death by the owners of an RMCA plant here when he went to ask for money to go home, police said on Tuesday. The victim was identified as Bechan Shah, a native of district Chhapra in Bihar, working at the RMCA plant in Mirzapur village for the last few months, they said.

Hospital horror: SC pulls up Bengal govt for lapses, sets up panel on doctor safety

AGENCY NEW DELHI, AUG 20

The Supreme Court on Tuesday came down heavily on the conduct of West Bengal Government and the now-removed principal of R G Kar Medical College and Hospital over the lapses in handling the case of the rape and murder of a doctor in the institution on August 9. The court also ordered the constitution of a 10-member National Task Force to suggest steps for safety of doctors within two months.

A bench comprising Chief Justice of India D Y Chandrachud, Justices J B Pardiwala and Manoj Misra had on Sunday taken suo moto cognizance of the rape and murder of the doctor.

Taking up the matter on its own initiative, the Court questioned the West Bengal Government and the police over the handling of the case.

CJI also told the state to not take coercive actions against people who were participating in peaceful protests and speaking up in the media and social media.

"Let not the power of the State of West Bengal be unleashed upon peaceful protesters. Let us deal with them with great sensitivity. This is a moment for national catharsis," CJI said.

The Court appealed to the doctors, who are protesting all over the country against the incident, to return to their duties.

The Court said that since it has taken up the issues relating to the doctors'



safety, the protesting medical professionals should refrain from abstention from duties.

The CJI expressed deep concerns over the fact that the name of the victim, photographs and video clips showing the dead body have been spread all over the

media. The Court also questioned the State over the conduct of the Principal, the delay in the registration of the FIR and the vandalism which took place at the hospital during a public protest on August 14.

Scuffle breaks out between police, ABVP activists

KOLKATA AUG 20 : A scuffle broke out between police personnel and abvp activists during a march to swasthya bhavan: ters of the west Bengal health department, in Salt Lake area to protest against the alleged rape and murder of an RG Kar hospital medic. The protestors demanded the resignation of Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee who also doubles up as the state's health and home minister. The police had put up barricades at several roads leading to Swasthya Bhavan, which the ABVP activists tried to break through, a senior officer said.

Delhi court extends judicial custody of Arvind Kejriwal till August 27

AGENCY NEW DELHI, AUG 20

The Excise Policy case, Delhi's Rouse Avenue Court has extended Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal's judicial custody in the CBI case until August 27, 2024.

The Special Judge Kaveri Baweja while fixing the matter for August 27, noted that the Court is also scheduled to consider the ED's supplementary chargesheet filed against Kejriwal and others on the same day.

Senior Advocate DP Singh appeared for Central Bureau of Investigation in the matter.

Last week, the Supreme Court issued notice to the CBI on pleas of Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal seeking bail and challenging the Delhi High Court order upholding his arrest by the CBI in a corruption case stemming from the alleged excise policy scam.

A bench of Justices Surya Kant and Ujjal Bhuyan sought response from the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) by August 23 and refused interim bail to him.

When senior advocate Abhishek Manu Singhvi, representing Kejriwal, pleaded for interim bail to Kejriwal on health grounds, the bench said, "We are not granting any interim bail. we issue notice."

Singhvi said Kejriwal got interim bail on three occasions in the money laundering case despite the stringent rigours of Section 45 of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act. When he got bail under the stringent PMLA, how could he be denied regular bail in the CBI case since the Prevention of Corruption Act does not have stringent conditions similar to the money laundering law, asked Singhvi while terming Kejriwal's arrest by the CBI an "insurance arrest".



BJP fields Kiran Choudhry for Haryana RS seat

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, AUG 20

Haryana MLA Kiran Choudhry has resigned from the Vidhan Sabha and is likely to be fielded in the Rajya Sabha bypolls by the BJP, nearly two months after she joined the party after quitting the Congress.

"I have tendered my resignation as Vidhan Sabha member (MLA)," Choudhry told PTI over phone on Tuesday.

A former Haryana minister and MLA from Tosham, Choudhry had joined the BJP along with her daughter Shruti and their supporters in June.

Elections to 12 vacant Rajya Sabha seats in nine states will be held on September 3. The bypoll for



the lone Rajya Sabha seat in Haryana was necessitated after Congress leader Deepender Singh Hooda was elected to the Lok Sabha from Rohtak.

The last day of filing nomination for the seat is Wednesday. Sources said the BJP is likely to field Choudhry from the Rajya Sabha seat in Haryana.

Ahead of polls, Rahul Gandhi to visit J&K today

AGENCY SRINAGAR, AUG 20

Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha and Congress leader Rahul Gandhi and party president Mallikarjun Kharge shall arrive on a two-day visit to Jammu and Kashmir beginning Wednesday, party leaders said on Tuesday.

The visit of Congress leadership is important as the party is looking for potential allies in the National Conference and the Peoples Democratic Party for the upcoming three-phase Assembly polls in Jammu and Kashmir beginning September 18.

Assembly elections are taking place for the first time in J&K after the abrogation of Article 370 in August 2019.



J&K Congress president Tariq Karra on Monday said the party was open to an alliance with like-minded parties. He said that at some level talks were on with the PDP.

The NC is also in touch with central leadership of the party, he said.

Govt asks UPSC to cancel latest lateral entry advertisements

AGENCY NEW DELHI, AUG 20

The Centre on Tuesday asked the UPSC to withdraw the latest advertisement for lateral entry in bureaucracy, amid a row over reservation in the advertised posts. Union Minister of State for Personnel Jitendra Singh wrote to Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) Chairman Preeti Sudan and asked her to cancel the advertisement so that marginalised communities get their rightful representation in government services. The UPSC had on August 17 issued a notification for recruiting 45 joint secretaries, directors and deputy secretaries through lateral entry - referred to as appointment of specialists (including those from the private sector) in government departments.

The decision had ignited criticism from opposition parties, which claimed it undermined the reservation



rights of OBCs, SCs and STs. In his letter, Singh said that for Prime Minister Narendra Modi, reservation in public employment is "a cornerstone of our social justice framework aimed at addressing historical injustices and promoting inclusivity".

"Since these positions have been treated as specialised and designated as single-cadre posts, there has been no provision for reservation in these appointments. This aspect needs to be reviewed and reformed in the context of the Hon'ble Prime Minister's focus on ensuring social justice," Singh said. "I urge the UPSC to cancel the advertisement for lateral entry recruitment issued on 17.8.2024," he said.

This step would be a significant advance in the pursuit of social justice and empowerment, Singh said.

Notification issued for first phase of polls in J-K

SRINAGAR: The Election Commission on Tuesday issued notification for the first phase of the three-phased assembly polls in Jammu and Kashmir in which 24 segments will go to polls on September 18.

With the issuance of the notification, the nomination process for the candidates has started.

The last date for making nominations for the first phase is August 27, while the scrutiny of the nominations will take place on August 28.

RSS all-India coordination meeting to be held in Palakkad



AGENCY NEW DELHI, AUG 20

The Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) will hold its annual Akhil Bharatiya Samanvay Baithak Meeting in Palakkad, Kerala, from August 31 to September 2, 2024.

This three-day national meeting, typically held once a year, was previously conducted in Pune in September 2023. The meeting gathers key officials from various RSS-inspired organizations, who actively engage in democratic efforts to bring about social change in different spheres of public life. During the meeting, representatives from different organizations will share updates and experiences related to their work. There will be discussions on the current national situation, recent significant events, and various dimensions of social transformation. The meeting will also focus on enhancing mutual cooperation and coordination among the organizations on various topics of national interest.

India, Malaysia elevate ties to comprehensive strategic partnership: Modi

AGENCY NEW DELHI, AUG 20

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday said that the ties between India and Malaysia will be elevated to a Comprehensive Strategic Partnership.

In a joint press statement with his Malaysian counterpart at Hyderabad House in Delhi, PM Modi said, "After becoming the PM, this is the first visit of Dato' Seri Anwar bin Ibrahim. I am happy to have the opportunity to welcome you at the beginning of my third term. India and Malaysia are completing a decade of partnership and in the last two years, with the support of Prime

Minister Anwar Ibrahim, our partnership has gained a new momentum and energy."

Prime Minister Modi further said that the investment from Malaysia to India reached over 5 billion dollars last year.

He said, "Today, we discussed extensively all areas of mutual cooperation. We have seen that our bilateral trade is progressing steadily. Last year, investment from Malaysia to India reached over 5 billion dollars. Today we have decided that our partnership will be elevated to a Comprehensive Strategic Partnership"

Lauding the India-Malaysia relationship, Prime Minister Modi



said that the two countries have "more potential" when it comes to ties, which is why the cooperation must be increased.

He also announced that India's UPI will be collaborating with Malaysian Paynet, and the linkage of the two will be worked upon.

PUBLIC NOTICES

I, Mohammad Rauf S/o Zikar Rahman R/o H.No.134 W.No.5 Janata College Road, Ahmedgarh Distt. Malerkotla declare that my Son Mohammad Mujahid is out of my control therefore i exclude him from my total movable and immovable property. with this, the lender himself will be responsible. Neither i nor any member of my family shall have any responsibility.

63372 I, Resham Singh S/o Gyan Singh R/o Near Jwan Singh Gurdwara P.o. Chand Ranaa Teh-Baghapurana (Moga) declare that my son Jaila Singh and his wife Poonaa is out of my control. So i disown with them from my moveable/immoveable property. If anybody dealing with them at his/her own risk.

63372 I, Army No. 3199800W Ex Hav Ravi Rana R/o Vpo. Bakhlaur Teh- Nawanshahr declare that in my army record my wife name wrongly entered Meenakshi Devi. But wife correct name Meenakshi. So amended my wife name from Meenakshi Devi to Meenakshin in my army record.

63372 I, Radha Rani W/O Sh. Sudhir Kumar R/O H.No. 153, W.No.5, Kurali (Mohali) Declare That In Some Documents Of My Daughter's Minakshi Sharma, My Name Mention Wrongly As Radha. That My Correct Name Is Radha Rani. Known Me As Radha Rani.

63372 I, Sh. Sudhir Kumar S/O Sh. Babu Ram R/O H.No. 153, W.No.5, Kurali (Mohali) Declare That In Some Documents Of My Daughter's Minakshi Sharma, My Name Mention Wrongly As Sudhir. That My Correct Name Is Sudhir Kumar. Known Me As Sudhir Kumar.

63372 I Sinderpal Kaur Wife Of Tejinder Singh Mother Of No. 15506742L LD SUKHPREET SINGH Resident Of VPO Sihaura (Sehaura) , Tehsil Payal, District Ludhiana Do Heraby Declare That My Correct And Actual Date Of Birth Maybe Read As 01/01/1966 Instead Of 02/08/1967. That My Date Of Birth May Be Modified From 02/08/1967 To 01/01/1966 In Service Record Of My Son.

63372 This is to inform the general public that Pavneet Kaur and Pavneet Kaur Bharaj, daughter of the late Sr. Baljit Singh R/O 508/1,Housefed Complex,Pakhowal Road, Ludhiana,Pin 141013, Punjab, India are one and the same person. This clarification is made for all official purposes and records.

63372 I, Hans Raj S/O Fakir Singh S/o Dalip Singh, R/o Village Jhinjran SubTehsil Chanarthal Kalan District Fatehgarh declare that my father Fakir Chand died, he was known as both Pakhir Singh and Fakir Chand. Which was the same person having these both names.

63372 I Darsan Singh S/o Ajit Singh R/o Village Bhumal Tehsil Jagraon District Ludhiana state that my father Ajit Singh Alias Jeet Singh is known by both names, he is the same person with both names.

63372 I A Valli Mother Of Number 15332045y Rank Hav Name M Nandakumar Of Unit 422 (I) Engr Sqn C/O 56 Apo Presently Residing At Village Thazanur Postoffice Arcot Taluka Walajia Distt Ranipettai State Tamilnadu Declare That I Have Change My Name From A Valli To Vallamma Vide Affidavit Number Before Notary Pathankot Punjab.

63372 I D Murugan Father Of Number 15332045y Rank Hav Name M Nandakumar Of Unit 422 (I) Engr Sqn C/O 56 Apo Presently Residing At Village Thazanur Postoffice Arcot Taluka Walajia Distt Ranipettai State Tamilnadu Declare That I Have Change My Name From D Murugan To Murugesh .D Vide Affidavit Number Before Notary Pathankot Punjab.

63372 I Ujjwala Mother Of Number 17001388f Rank Hav Name Bembe Ravikant Motilal Of Unit 422 (I) Engr Sqn C/O 56 Apo Presently Residing At At Post- Telgaon Taluka Ahmedpur Distt Latnr State Maharashtra Declare That I Have Change My Name & Dob From Ujjwala Bembe (12-08-1959) To Ujvala Motilal Bembe (01-01-1976) Vide Affidavit Number Before Notary Pathankot Punjab.

63372 I Army Number 17001388f Rank Hav Name Bembe Ravikant Of Unit 422 (I) Engr Sqn C/O 56 Apo Declare That In My Service Record My Son Name Has Been Wrongly Entered As Sanskar Instead Of Bembe Sanskar Ravikant Vide Affidavit Number Before Notary Pathankot Punjab.

63372 I Motilal Bembe Father Of Number 17001388f Rank Hav Name Bembe Ravikant Motilal Of Unit 422 (I) Engr Sqn C/O 56 Apo Presently Residing At At Post- Telgaon Taluka Ahmedpur Distt Latnr State Maharashtra Declare That I Have Change My Name & Dob From Motilal Bembe (24-06-1956) To Motilal Raghunath Bembe (01-01-1969) Vide Affidavit Number Before Notary Pathankot Punjab.

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It is for general information that I, Abhimanyu S/o Satpal Singh R/o J/G-11 Chd city, sector-45, Karnal Haryana -132116 declare that name of my father and my Mother has been wrongly written as Sat Pal and Nirmala in my passport No P1546328. The actual name of My Father and My Mother are Satpal Singh and Nirmal respectively, which may be amended accordingly.

100046 I, Sunil Kumar son of Sh. Hukum Chand R/o H. No.2181-C, Urban Estate, near Dyal Singh Public School, Sector-7, Karnal, Tehsil & Distt Karnal haryana have changed my name from Sunil Kumar to Sunil Gupta.

100046 I, Bhupinder Kaur w/o Manjeet Singh r/o Village Saidupur, Po. Mundh district Jalandhar have changed my minor daughter's name from Priya to Priya Kaur. All concerned note please.

50008 I, ESM Hav Army No. 2977395X Name Sohan Lal S/o Phool Singh R/o Village Batta Tehsil Kalayat Distt. Kaithal (haryana) Declares That In My Army Service Records , My Wife's Name Is Wrongly Written As Shayam Kumari & Dob Is 01/07/1957. But My Wife's Real Name Is Shayama Kumari & Dob Is 07/07/1957. Please Correct My Wife's Name As Shayama Kumari & Dob As 07/07/1957 In My Army Service Records.

84451 I, No. 1484117L, Ex-NK Chamkaur Singh R/o VPO Bhunder Teh Maur, Distt Bathinda, Punjab Inform all that have changed my name from Chamkaur Singh to Chamkaur Singh Chauhan for matching with civil records, my Aadhaar 843159939108, also my son has changed his name from Navjot Singh to Navjot Singh Chauhan, his Aadhaar 752124720541

100078 I, Manir, son of Abdull, resident of Ghaso Khurd Narwana, Jind, declare that my name is written as Munir in my passport, which is wrong. My name is Manir in all my documents which is correct. I should be known as Manir in future

100039 I Meena Kamboj W/o Balinder Kumar R/o VPO Chamrori , Tehsil Radaur, Distt Yamunanagar have changed my name from Meena Kamboj to Meena Devi.

511363 I VEENA ATUL KABRA am legally married spouse of NO. IC-70550A Rank LT COL Name ATUL ARVIND KABRA Permanent residing at 21A/43 BRINDAVAN SOCIETY, NEAR MAJIWADA, THANE WEST, THANE. MAHARASHTRA-400601. Declare that my name mentioned in my husband's service record is VEENA MAHESHWARI. Whereas, my Correct name is VEENA ATUL KABRA as per Aadhar card/pan card.

900028 I, Jaspreet S/O Assa Ram Vill.& P.O.Rehpa Teh. Banga Distt. SBS Nagar, have changed my name to Jaspreet Singh. Please note.

900022 I Amandeep S/O Kuldeep Chand R/O V.P.O. Mianwal Molvin Innawal, Tehsil Shahkot, Distt. Jalandhar, Punjab-144702 have changed my name Amandeep to Amandeep Mahey.

461257 I, Raj Kumar s/o Late Natha Ram r/o Village Dhumsi Jagir, Tehsil Indri, Distt. Karnal inform that my Late brother Ranjit Singh's widow Savita Devi and her son Sahil are out of control. Therefore I have severed relations with them. My family will not be responsible for their good or bad deeds and transactions in future.

72737 I, Gurdev Ram S/o Duman R/o Village: Jindowal, Teh-Banga (S.B.S. Nagar) Declare That My Son Guralp Dugg was evicted from his movable property due to my refusal to do so. Now my boy in my saying therefore, i withdraw my son's daily expulsion.

63372 I C Chandran Is Father Of Service No 15323289I Rank Hav. Name C Gouri Kutti Of Unit 202 Engr Regt C/O 56 Apo And R/O 2-138, Varadarajula Palle Yadamari, Chitoor, Andhra Pradesh-517422 ,That I Have Changed My Name From C Chandran To C Chandraiah And Changed My Dob From 01.07.1970 (Incorrect) To 1960 Due To Wrongly Entered In The Service Record Of My Son. Pertains To One & Same Person. Vide Affidavit Attested By Notary Public (Govt Of India) Please Correct It.

63372 I T Sarasamma Is Mother Of Service No 15323289I Rank Hav. Name C Gouri Kutti Of Unit 202, Engrs Regt C/O 56 Apo Residence Of 2-138, Varadarajula Palle Yadamari, Chitoor, Andhra Pradesh-517422 That I Have Changed My Name From T Sarasamma To C Sarasamma & Changed In My Dob From 01.07.1970 (Incorrect) To 1969 Due To Wrongly Entered In The Service Record Of My Son. Pertains To One & Same Person. Vide Affidavit Atte Sted By Notary Public (Govt Of India) Please Correct It.

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I, Navtej Singh S/o Hardev Singh Vill. Barian Tehsil Baba Bakala Distt. Amritsar Have Changed My Name From Navtej Singh To Navtej Is My Given Name And Singh Is My Surname

72737 I, Jodhbir Singh S/o Jasbir Singh Vill. Sarli Kalan Tehsil Khadoor Sahib Distt. Tam Taran Have Changed My Name From Jodhbir Singh To Jodhbiris My Given Name And Singh is My Surname

72737 I, Saleem S/o Vijay Kumar , R/o. H.no.F22/547, Main Bazar, Mustafabad, Batala Road, Amritsar, Punjab- 144001 I Have Changed My Name Saleem Kumar

72737 I, Krishna D/o Naresh Kumar Bhargav R/o 184, Orchard Valley, Sher Shah Suri Road, Chhehartara, Amritsar have changed my name KRISHMA TO KRISHMA BHARGAV. Please Concerned Note

72737 I Satinder Kaur W/o Manjit Singh R/o Vill Kot Dharam Chand Khurd Po Kot Dharam Chand Kaland Have Changed My Name To Satinderjit Kaur.

72737 I hitherto known as SOMA W/o KULWINDER R/o INDERA COLONY, TALWAN ROAD, VILLAGE NANGAL, TEHSIL PHILLAUR, DISTT JALANDHAR, PUNJAB have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as SOMARANI

72737 I hitherto known as SAMEER KAPUR S/o RAVI KAPUR R/o 221, LANE NO. 9, LEFT SIDE VARINDAVAN GARDEN, NANGLI FGC ROAD, DISTT AMRITSAR-143008, PUNJAB have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as SAMEER KUMARKAPUR.

72737 I, Soni Devi W/o Army No Jc-289480L Rank Nb/Sub (Ds) Name Tara Singh Residing Of Khatola No. 1, Dineshpur, Po: Dineshpur, Dist: Udharn Singh Nagar Uttarakhand Pin Code-263160 Declared That I Have Changed My Name From Soni Devi To Soni Koranga. Vide Affidavit No. Pb478175539912 22W, Dated 20-08-2024. Best Before Notary Public Amritsar.

72737 I, Jyoti D/O No Jc-289480L Rank NB/SUB (DS) Name Tara Singh Unit 1832 Lt Regt Presently Residing At Khatola No.1, Dineshpur, PO: Dineshpur, Dist: Udharn Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand PIN-263160 Declared That As Per Service Records Of My Father, My Name is Mentioned Jyoti Which is Incorrect. My Correct Name is Jyoti Koranga. Vide Affidavit No. Pb47810900143674W, Dated 20-08-2024. Best Before Notary Public Amritsar

72737 I, Rozy D/o No Jc-289480L Rank Nb/Sub (Ds) Name Tara Singh Unit 1832 Lt Regt Presently Residing At Khatola No.1, Dineshpur, Po: Dineshpur, Dist: Udharn Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand Pin-263160 Declare That As Per Service Records Of My Father, My Name is Mentioned Rozy Which is incorrect. My Correct Name is Rozy Koranga. Vide Affidavit No. Pb47814286209342W, Dated 20-08-2024. Best Before Notary Public Amritsar

72737 I, Kamala Devi Mo No Jc-289480L Rank NB/SUB (DS) Name Tara Singh Unit 1832 Lt Regt Presently Residing At Lathi Bageshwar, Uttarakhand PIN-263633 Declared That As Per Service Records Of My Son, My Name is Mentioned Kamala Devi Which is Incorrect. My Correct is Kalawati Devi. Vide Affidavit No. Pb47815371253719W, Dated 20-08-2024. Best Before Notary Public Amritsar

72737 I Slochana Sharma w/o Late Lkhan Lal Sharma r/o H.no.65, Park colony, BTM road Bhiwani declare that i have changed my name from Slochana Sharma to Sulochna Sharma. In future I will be known as Sulochna Sharma.

989752 I hitherto known as MANJOT SINGH S/O HARJIT SINGH R/o VPO MONA KALAN, DISTT. HOSHIARPUR-146112, PUNJAB have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as MANJOT SINGH THIARA

72737 I, Jagsir Singh S/o Sohna Singh , Vpo Balluana, Bathinda my Father's name Sohan Singh is wrongly written on my Passport while my Father's name is Sohna Singh.

50008 I Sarwan Kumar Jha s/o Joginder Jha r/o H. No. 89, W.No. 03, Back Side Ram Shamam Ashram, Sukhdev Nagar, Ahmedgarh, District Malerkotla (148021) have changed my name from Sarwan Kumar Jha to Sarwan Kumar.

50008 I, Sunita, W/O Yash Pal R/o House No- 2693, Lane- 02, Near Jalvayu Vihar, Sector- 67, Mohali, SAS Nagar (Mohali), Punjab- 160062. have changed my name and shall hereafter be Known as Sunita Bhardwaj.

42778

I Nilesh S/o Ganesh Kumar Joshi R/o Vill-Kothi Po-Fatehpur Kothi Teh- Garhshankar Distt Hoshiarpur have changed my name to Joshi Nilesh. Joshi Is My Surname.

63372 I Mohd Usman S/o Mohammad Shafiq R/o Mohalla Raiyan Wala, Inside Sirhandi gate, Malerkotla Tehsil & District Malerkotla Have Changed My Name Mohd Usman to Mohammad Usman.

63372 I Mohd Shafiq S/o Mohammad Shafi R/o Mohalla Raiyan Wala, Inside Sirhandi gate, Malerkotla Tehsil & District Malerkotla Have Changed My Name Mohd Shafiq to Mohammad Shafiq.

63372 I Gourav Kumar Mehta S/o Raghvir Mehta R/o #103 W.No.15 Istari Satsang Bhawan Maur Mandi Dist. Bathinda Pb have Changed my Name to Gourav Kumar.

63372 I Mumtaj Ahmed S/O Muhammad Sadik, Vpo Kokri Kalan, Tehsil & Distt Moga Pb 142054 I Have Changed My Name Mumtaj Ahmed To Mumtaya.

63372 I, Karamjit Kaur W/O Boota Singh R/o Vill: Khosa Randhir Teh-Dharamkot (Moga) have known by both names Karamjit Kaur & Karamjeet Kaur one and the same person.

63372 I, Sarbjit Kaur Kamboj W/o Sukhchian Singh R/o Gali No. 6, Awan Road, Zira, Tehsil Zira, (Ferozepur), Have Changed My Name Sarbjit Kaur.

63372 I, Rajvinder Kaur W/O Sukhwinder Singh, R/O Village Kakar, P.O. Tihara Tehsil Jagraon, (Ludhiana), Have Changed My Name Rajwinder Kaur.

63372 I, Lashmi Devi W/o Kamaljit Kumar Basra R/o Talwan Moh. Tarkana Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) have changed my name from Lashmi Devi to Lashmi Devi Basra.

63372 I, Shabira W/o Bashir Mohammad R/o Vill:Jitwalkala Teh And District Malerkotla I Have Changed My Name Shabira To Sabiran.

63372 I Mohamed Yasin S/o Ali Mohd R/o Gali No 4 Mohalla Bari Wala Teh,And District Malerkotla I Have Changed My Name Mohamed Yasin To Yaseen.

63372 I, Daljeet Kaur Dhalial W/o Gurdeep Singh Dhalial R/o Vpo.Takhtupura Teh-Nihal Singh Wala (Moga) have changed my son name from Shagandeep Singh to Shagandeep Singh Dhalial.

63372 I, Mamta Rani W/o Madan Lal R/o H.No. 716 Muhala Ratan Wala Sunnam (Sangrur) have changed my name from Mamta Rani to Mamta.

63372 I, Kulip S/o Harbans Singh R/o Vpo. Jhakra Teh-Zira (Ferozepur) Punjab-142047 Have Change Name from Kulpid to Kulpid Singh.

63372 I, Surinder Kaur W/o Shingar Chand R/o Vpo. Kulam (SBS Nagar) have changed my name from Taro alias Surinder Kaur to Surinder Kaur.

63372 I, Anitha Rani W/o Rajesh Kumar R/o Mohalla Guru Angad Nagar St.No. 2 PS City Nawanshahr Punjab, have changed my name from Anitha Rani to Anita Rani.

63372 I Sarabjeet Kaur W/o Baldev Singh H.No.513 Block-5 Jaidlara Mohalla Doraha Teh-Payal (Ludhiana) have changed my minor daughter name Chanda to Chanda Kaur.

63372 I, Harjit Singh S/o Mohan Singh R/o H.No. 137/4 Top Khana Gate Patiala (Patiala) have changed my name from Harjeet Singh to Harjit Singh.

63372 I, Kamaljeet Kaur W/o Sikandar Singh R/o Vpo. Ugrahan Teh-Sunam (Sangrur) have changed my name to Amritpal Kaur.

63372 I, Raj Kumar S/o Balwinder Kumar R/o Vill: Bahadarpur Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) have changed my minor daughter name from Sharabjot Aujla to Sharabjot Aujla.

63372 I, Gurdip Singh S/o Karnail Singh R/o Vpo. Pathlawa Teh-Banga (SBS Nagar) Pb, have changed my name from Gurdip Singh to Gurdeep Singh.

63372 I, Surjit Singh S/O Baldev Singh R/O Village Faizgarh, Tehsil Khanna (Ludhiana) Changed My Name To Surjit Singh Khattrra.

63372 I, Samsher Singh S/o Dalbir Singh R/O W.No.7 Mohalla Rajputan Rahon (SBS Nagar) have changed my name to Shamsher Singh.

63372 I, Ashok Kumar S/o Sham Lal R/o Vpo. Aur Teh-Nawanshahr (SBS Nagar) have changed my minor daughter name from Palak to Palakdeep Kaur.

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I, Baljinder Singh S/o Meor Singh R/o Vpo Lakha Tehsil Jagraon District Ludhiana have changed my name to Baljinder Singh Dhalial.

63372 I Nirlep Kaur W/o Baljinder Singh Dhalial, R/o Vpo Lakha Tehsil Jagraon District Ludhiana have changed my name to Nirlep Kaur Dhalial.

63372 I Indpal Singh S/o Chamkaur Singh Sekhon R/o Patti Badal Vpo Kaunka Kalan Tehsil Jagraon Distt Ludhiana have changed my name to Indpal Singh Sekhon.

63372 I, Simranjit Kaur D/O Amarjit Singh R/O H No. 9, Maan Singh Nagar, Po. Chugitti, Dis Jalandhar Pb 144009, Have Changed My Name To Simran Jee Kaur.

63372 I, Sukhwinder Singh S/o Balihar Singh R/o Vill: Kang Jagir Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) have changed my name to Sukhvinder Singh.

63372 I, Kiran W/o Sukhwinder Singh R/o Vill: Kang Jagir Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) have changed my name to Kiranjit Kaur.

63372 I, Sahil S/o Jaspal Singh R/o Vpo. Lasara Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) have changed my name to Singh Sahil.

63372 I, Karan S/o Ram Lubhaya R/o Vpo. Ghurka Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) have changed my name to Karan Jakhu.

63372 I Karamjit Kaur Saran W/O Surinder Singh Village Sekha Kalan, Po Sekha Kalan, District Moga Have Changed My Name To Karamjeet Kaur Saran.

63372 I, Kuldeep Singh S/o Santa Singh R/o Vill: Kishangarh Po. Tajpur Teh-Raikot (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Kuldeep Singh Grewal.

63372 I,Rajinder Kaur W/o Kuldeep Singh Grewal R/o Vill: Kishangarh Po. Tajpur Teh-Raikot (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Rajinder Kaur Grewal.

63372 I Gurpreet Singh S/o Sukhdev Singh R/O Village Hassanpur, Tehsil And District Patiala, Punjab-147001 Have Changed The Name Of My Minor Daughter Jashnam Kamboj Aged 15 Years And She Shall Hereafter Be Known As Aradhya.

63372 I Lipsy Garg D/O Suresh Kumar R/O House No 145-A Ward No- 11 Patran Patiala Have Changed My Name To Amrya Garg.

63372 I Am Jagdeep Singh S/O Omprakash R/O Vill-Alawla Teh- Assandh Distt, Karnal. I Have Changed My Name From Jagdeep Kumar to Jagdeep Singh.

63372 I Seema Rani W/O Vijay Kumar Garg R/O H.No. 39, Ward No. 4a, Dharampura Mohalla, Dhuri, Distt Sangrur Has Changed My Name To Seema.

63372 I Sher Khan S/O Rabbi, Near Akbari Masjid, Saraud Road, Jamalpura, Tehsil and District- Malerkotla, Punjab has Changed his name to Sher Mohammad.

63372 I, Ranjit Singh S/o Veela Singh R/o Ramgarh Bhunder (Bathinda) have changed my name from Ranjit Singh Dandiwal to Ranjit Singh.

63372 I, Karmjeet Singh Wadhawan S/o Amar Singh R/o #7532 Guru Nanak Pura Mohalla (Bathinda) have changed my name to Karamjeet Singh.

63372 I, Harman Singh S/o Charanjit R/o H.No.15 Mohalla Ibrahim Basti Nawanshahr (SBS Nagar) have changed my name to Harman Virdi.

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Wall painting will not be allowed on government property: District Election Officer

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL: Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer Uttam Singh said that in view of Haryana Assembly Elections-2024, Model Code of Conduct has been effectively implemented in the district. He said that it will be completely prohibited to do wall painting related to election campaign on public property. Action will be taken against accused of doing so under Defacement of Public Property Act.District Election Officer said that during assembly elections, instructions have been given to officers to follow model code of conduct in district that if election slogans are seen written on wall of a government building, then action should be taken against the concerned political party or the worker who got it written under Property Defacement Act. Complete strictness will be taken in such cases. He said that it is necessary to take prior permission in writing from the property owner to do wall painting on private property. He said that the painter doing wall painting on private property will also have to write his name and mobile number below the painting.

Poor Hindus threaten to adopt Islam if demands not met

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, AUGUST 20

Even after 78 years of independence, poor people are not getting the benefit of the Constitution made by Dr. Ambedkar. The government may have given plots to the poor people to build houses, but the strongmen occupied them. Officers who reached high positions on the strength of reservation are also harassing their class instead of getting them justice. A similar case is of Dalit families of Uncha Samana village in the constituency of MLA Harvinder Singh Kalyan of Gharanda area of Karnal district, the parliamentary constituency of Union Minister Manohar Lal and the constituency of Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini in Haryana. Families of Dalit and Brahmin communities who have been fighting for justice for the last forty years have decided to leave Hinduism and adopt Islam in despair.

More than a dozen poor families of Uncha Samana village of Karnal district are upset because the government and administration are not listening to them. There are two families of this village who got 100-100 yards plots in 1984 under the 20-point program. But till date these families have not received the plots. This family has met two pres-



idents, two prime ministers, five chief ministers, governor, Supreme Court, Human Rights Commission, SC ST Commission, Chief Secretary. Among these presidents, APJ Abdul Kalam, current president Draupadi Murmu, Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Narendra Modi, Chief Ministers from Bansil Lal to Nayab Singh Saini have met them. Even after their orders, the administration has

not been able to get the land removed from the encroachers and land mafia. Even after six years of filing a case against the occupants under SC ST Act in Madhuban police station, no action has been taken against the accused. The complainants say that the accused have the blessings of the local MLA and DSP. The DSP on the contrary got a FIR registered against the complainants.

Rajiv Gandhi made contribution to women empowerment: Sweety Ranga



DALBIR MALIK KURUKSHETRA, AUGUST 20

People paid homage to the late Rajiv Gandhi on his birth anniversary. Prime Minister late Rajiv Gandhi Jagmohan Shetty and Deepak Kakkar said that late Rajiv Gandhi did a lot of work for the development of the country. He is considered the father of telecommunication. Sweety Ranga Nalvi, National Observer of Indian Women's Congress said that Rajiv Gandhi did special work for the uplift of women and created the National Education Policy.

Sweety Ranga said that the Panchayati Raj system was also started by late Rajiv Gandhi. Today India is at the heights of development in which he had a huge contribution. Congress workers should take a pledge that together in the coming assembly elections, form a Congress government in Haryana and take forward the true thinking of Rajiv Gandhi. On this occasion senior Congress officials Jagmohan Shetty, Sardar Balkar Singh, Deepak Kakkar, Vijay Kalsi Councilor, Lalit Bhargava, Rajan Bodla, Ajay Tushar Councilor and all officials were present.

To spread awareness about cleanliness, Swachhata Ambassadors appointed on August 12: Dharambir

MAINPAL KASHYAP

INDRI : To spread awareness about cleanliness in the city, Swachhata Ambassadors were appointed in the wards on 12th August. While giving this information, Municipal Secretary Dharambir said that to spread awareness about cleanliness in the city, Pala Ram in Ward No. 10 Gudha, Shiv Kumar in Ward No. 1 Indri, Satish Kumar in Ward No. 4, Chandra Prakash in Ward No. 2 and Amit Sabharwal in Ward No. 8 Indri have been appointed Swachhata Ambassadors. People related to cleanliness will go to the wards and make people aware about cleanliness.

Dental check-up held for students of Guru Nanak Khalsa College



RAHUL KOHLI JAGADHRI, AUGUST 20

Guru Nanak Khalsa College, Yamunanagar organised a dental check-up camp for its students. A team of esteemed dental professionals from DAV Dental College conducted thorough checkups, benefitting around 200 students. The event aimed at promoting dental health awareness among the youth and encouraging regular dental care. Dr. Harinder Singh Kang, Principal of Guru Nanak Khalsa College expressed his gratitude towards the dental team for their dedication and efforts. He highlighted that Good dental health is fundamental to the overall well-being of individuals. Dr. Himani Tonk, from DAV

Dental College, spearheaded the dental checkup and survey, ensuring comprehensive examinations were carried out. She was supported by an expert team, including Dr. Rehmat Jot Singh, Dr. Mridul, Dr. Manu, and Dr. Nandini. Together, they worked diligently to assess the students' dental health and provide important advice on oral hygiene practices.

The volunteers and students of NCC Unit, NSS Unit and Rotaract Club played an important role in successful completion of the dental check-up.Sardar Randeep Singh Jauhar, President of the Governing Body and Managing Committee of the college, praised the initiative. He stated that we are proud to organize such health-focused events for our students.

District executive of Bharatiya Kisan Sangh formed

MAINPAL KASHYAP INDRI, AUGUST 19

New executive of Bharatiya Kisan Sangh Karnal was formed under the guidance of Area Organisation Minister Surendra Singh. Election Officer Gultan was specially present on this occasion. In the new executive formed on this occasion, Krishna Chand Bastali was made District President, District Minister Aman Gautam Dabkauli, Media Incharge Harvinder Dabkauli, Joint Secretary Gagandeep Kalri, Vice President Surendra Gangakheri, Suresh Chaura and Suresh Lala Nissing, Treasurer Vinod Sambl, Youth Chief Pradeep Kalri, Cow Service Chief Surendra Brass, Electricity Dimension Chief Sheeshpal Amritpur, Organ-

ic Chief Randhir Khanpur, Sugarcane Chief Vikram Santari, Women Chief Suman Dingar Majra, Seed Chief Bhupendra Murad-

ed as executive members. All the newly appointed office bearers took an oath to fully cooperate in the development and policies of the associa-



garh, Marketing Chief Pradeep Salwan, Agro Economic Chief Aman Muradgarh were made.

Ishwar Araipura, Karmaveer Fauji Panaudi, Yashveer Bastali and Suresh Jangra Nisang were nominat-

tion. On this occasion, State Gau Seva Pramukh Ramkisan Arya, State Youth Pramukh Surendra ji, State Organic Pramukh Teg Singh, Department Pracharak Vijay Gaud and many workers of the district were present.

Anti-ragging week observed at DAV Girls College



RAHUL KOHLI

JAGADHRI: Anti-ragging week was observed by the anti-ragging cell of DAV Girls College to make the students aware. The students were made aware about the disadvantages of ragging through street plays and wall painting. They were also administered an oath to prevent ragging. College Principal Dr. Meenu Jain presided over the program. The program was held under the supervision of anti-ragging cell convener Dr. Monika Sharma. Dr. Meenu Jain said that ragging is completely prohibited in the college. If a senior student rags a junior, then it comes under the criminal category. She said that UGC has also issued a toll free number for complaints related to ragging.

A committee has also been formed at the college level to prevent ragging. The students gave detailed information about the ill effects of ragging through street plays. They also told about the actions that can be taken against those who do ragging. In the wall painting competition, the students showed in detail the disadvantages of ragging. All the students were also made to take an oath not to do ragging.

Anti-ragging week observed at DAV Dental college



RAHUL KOHLI

JAGADHRI: Anti Ragging Day was observed on 12th August,2024 followed by Anti Ragging Week from 12th August to 18th August,2024 at DAV Dental College as per the directives of DCI, UGC and Government of India in their commitment to show and follow "zero tolerance" to ragging in all the government and private dental institutions of the country. It has been an urgent requirement now to be observed by every dental institution which is otherwise considered as the highest seat of learning professional education. The sensitisation programme as an initiative-being one of the tools for increasing awareness against ragging besides various other activities to make sure that there is never any episode of ragging in our institution, was conducted during the celebration of Anti Ragging day / week at DAV Centenary. Dental College which was inaugurated by Dr IK Pandit, Principal of the college. Introduction/Orientation lecture on Anti Ragging was conducted by Dr Aruna. Various inter-class competitions such as slogan and essay writing, poster making and logo designing on anti ragging was the main theme of the program in the college. The winners in Presentations , logo making and assay writing were awarded certificates to encourage them to promote Anti Ragging in and around campus .

Lamps have been lit in houses of poor in last 10 years: Kalyan

SUBHASH SISODIA

GHARAUNDA: On Tuesday, Gharaunda MLA Harvinder Kalyan visited 6 villages of the area as part of BJP's promotion and propagation. People of villages Nalipar Tilla, Nasirpur, Jammukhala, Mustafabad, Dhakwala Rodan and Dhakwala Gujran of Gharaunda assembly agreed to the work done by BJP in 10 years and assured to support BJP for the third time. During his address, Kalyan said that only the BJP government has worked on the path shown by Baba Bhimrao Ambedkar and the rules made by him, just like today, for the benefit of any scheme, a person does not have to repeatedly request any particular person, only for the application, one has to get his documents online and that person gets the benefit of that scheme sitting at home, this proves that BJP has made Baba Saheb's dream come true. Today deserving children from poor families do not have to wander for jobs and neither do they have to look for any recommendation because they are getting jobs on the basis of their ability, otherwise earlier jobs were sold and deserving children used to wander. He said that in terms of development, Gharaunda region was 40 years behind, no previous government took care of this place, but as soon as BJP came to power, works were done after a lot of effort and today every facility has been made available to the people of the area.



Block level Haryana State School Sports Competitions organized



MAINPAL KASHYAP

INDRI : Block level Haryana State School Sports Competition for age group 14, 17 and 19 boys was inaugurated by District Education Officer Karnal Mrs. Sudesh Thakral. Block Education Officer Dr. Gumam ji, Sports Secretary Mrs. Sumitra ji, Principal, Government Senior Secondary School Nagla Rodan, welcomed them by giving a bouquet of flowers. Chief guest gave the message of moving forward after seeing the children performing well and wished them for their bright future.Sports Secretary informed that this competition will run from 20.08.24 and 21.08.24. After this, he will represent Block Indri at district level from 23.08.24 which is to be held at Karan Stadium, Karnal. The results of these sports competitions are Shubham (U-19), Bibipur Jatan, was first in 100 meter race, Arpit (U-14), Nagla Rodan, was first in 100 meter race, Ali Khan (U-17), Bibipur Jatan, was first in 200 meter race and Yash (U-14), Bibipur Jatan, was first in 600 meter race. In the same series, Government Senior Secondary School, Nagla Rodan defeated Khanpur by 12-02 in Kho-Kho Sports Competition (U-14).

Rakshabandhan binds us in love of God: Rani Didi

MANISH KUMAR

AMBALA: A divine Rakshabandhan festival was organized at Prajapita Brahmakumari Ishwariya Vishwavidyalaya Shanti Dham, Dayal Bagh, Ambala Cantt. Rajyogini BK Rani Didi explained the importance of Rakshabandhan festival and said that this festival of Rakshabandhan reminds us of the strong vow of purity and the sweet bond of dignity. Rakshabandhan binds us in the love of God, it is a sacred thread. God is always ready to help us but we have to check how capable we are to receive his help. Rajyogini BK Shaili Didi said 000 is God's number which we have to dial. But this should not be dialed from the mobile. 000 may be said to be God's number but this is the mind's connection with God which means that I, the soul, remember the dot, meaning zero, God, and connect the wire of the mind with it, then the power we get from it puts a full stop to every obstacle and every situation. That becomes the third zero. Rotary Club President Dinesh Sethi said that connecting the soul with God, showing everyone the path of peace and happiness and filling humanity in humans is the main objective of Brahma Kumari Ishwariya Vishwavidyalaya. Colonel Vikas said that I am feeling very good coming here, it is my great fortune that I have got a chance to go to Mount Abu.



Brahmin Sabha Haryana demands 20 seats from political parties in assembly election

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, AUG 20

Brahmin Sabha Haryana State President Surendra Sharma Barota said that Brahmin community will not back down from taking its rights. He demands from all political parties that maximum number of Brahmin community candidates should be fielded in Haryana. They have a right in Rajya Sabha too. Any Brahmin should be given Rajya Sabha ticket. If political parties ignore Brahmin community then the community will take a big decision. Brahmin Sabha Haryana State President Surendra Sharma Barota was talking to journalists at Brahmin Dhamshala Karnal. He put forth his demands through a press conference. Addressing the journalists, Surendra Sharma Barota said that on August 17, a special meeting was organized by Brahmin Sabha Haryana in Kaithal in which the state level executive was formed in which he was given the responsibility of the state president unanimously and everyone decided that they will not let the

Brahmin community be ignored. He said that he demands from the political parties that Brahmin community candidates should be fielded on at least 20 seats in Haryana and they also have a claim on the



Rajya Sabha seat of Haryana. After DP Vats, no Brahmin has got a Rajya Sabha ticket. Now Brahmin community should be given tickets for Rajya Sabha as well. He said that if the political parties ignore the Brahmin community, then the state level committee will take a big decision. To raise the voice of Brahmins, a state level Brah-

min Maha Sammelan will be held and a strict decision will be taken in it.

Surendra Sharma Barota said that he is placing his demand through press conferences in all 22 districts of Haryana. A press conference was also held in Hisar on Monday and today on Tuesday, press conferences are being held in Karnal and Kurukshetra in the same series. Barota said that if any political party accepts the demand of Brahmin community and supports them, then Brahmin community will also fully support them. He said that it is their right that Brahmin candidates should be fielded on those seats where Brahmin community dominates. Surendra Sharma Barota said that he is not associated with any political party and he is demanding for the benefit of his community. He appeals to all the organizations of Brahmin community to unite and take a decision in the interest of the society. Support the political party which will listen to them. Barota said that he has been raising the voice of the society as Pradhan for the last 15 years .

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, AUGUST 20

Seva Bharti is working at the All India level in various service activities mainly under the dimensions of education, health, self-reliance and social harmony. The objective of Seva Bharti is that every part of the society should develop equally, everyone should get equal opportunities, everyone should be happy and our nation should become extremely glorious by being filled with such supportive, strong, powerful, successful, prosperous and service-minded society. Seva Bharti has been working for the upliftment of Haryana state society since 1980. The state office of the organisation is located at Seva Shri Ashram, Valmiki Basti, Arjun Gate, Karnal. In this connection, another new advanced sewing center was inaugurated



at Seva Bharti Seva Shri Ashram, Karnal on Sunday, in which the All India Organization Minister of Seva Bharti Sudhir Kumar was specially present.

The duration of the course in this advanced sewing centre will be 6 months and the timing will be from 2 pm to 5 pm

and the timing will be from 2 pm to 5 pm (3 hours). 20 students will be able to learn sewing together in one batch. All types of modern and automatic sewing machines and other facilities are available in the advanced sewing centre. Training will be given for sewing all types of designer clothes through modern machines. Patchwork, embroidery and pico etc. will also be taught. In this centre, the sisters will be trained in sewing designer clothes by a skilled trainer, so that they can create self-employment for themselves and improve the economic condition of their family. Sudhir Kumar said in the program, "This initiative is an important step towards empowering the sisters. This will not only improve their economic condition, but they will also be able to make their mark in the society."

Lecture on cyber security, social media held at Fateh College



KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA RAMPURA PHUL: The National Service Scheme Department of Fateh Group of Institutions organized a special lecture and poster making competition on the topic of Cyber ??Security and Social Media on the occasion of International Youth Day. Famous storyteller Bhupinder Singh Mann arrived as speaker. Telling many important things about cyber security to those volunteers like don't share your personal documents, OTP etc. with anyone, they shared the points of proper use of social media. Before this, the chairman of the organization S.S.Chatta formally welcomed the guests and encouraged the volunteers to work hard in life. Saplings were distributed to the winners of poster making competitions. MD Manjit Kaur Chatha, Principal Dr. Jagwinder Kumar, Vice Principal Dr. Rajinder Kumar Tripathi, Assistant Director Jaswinder Singh, Harpreet Sharma on this occasion told the students about the importance of Youth Day and told them to maintain discipline along with moral education in life.

New votes to be registered for youth who completed 18 years

KHUSHAV SINGLA MANDI GOBINDGARH: According to the program released by the Election Commission of India, a door-to-door survey is being conducted by BLOs from August 20 to September 20 regarding the photo voter list correction work related to date 01.01.2025. Giving more information in this regard, District Election Officer-cum-Deputy Commissioner Ms. Parmeet Shergill said that during this survey, action will be taken by BLOs to make the water list error-free. The Deputy Commissioner said that during this period Form No. 6/6A/7/8 will be received from BLOs regarding receiving claims/objections. Form No. 06 for making a new vote. NRIs should submit their vote form no. 6A can register through Form No. 7 can be submitted for deletion of votes previously entered in the voter list, Form No. 8 for correction of vote, for getting disability marks and regarding EPIC and change of residence.



Kulveer Singh Thakkar Sandhu appointed DSP Nangal

KULWINDER BHATIA NANGAL: Today DSP Kulveer Singh Thakkar Sandhu took charge in Sub Division Nangal. On this occasion, Police Chief Nangal Inspector Rahul Sharma welcomed him by presenting a bouquet of flowers. DSP Thakkar Sandhu said that our main objective is to maintain a peaceful environment by controlling drug abuse and crime in the area by soon fulfilling the shortage of police personnel in Police Station Nangal and Chowki Navan Nangal. DSP said that since this subdivision is adjacent to Bilaspur and Una districts of Himachal Pradesh, the police will deal strictly with criminal elements. He has appealed to the residents of the area that if any person looks suspicious or deals in drugs or is involved in any kind of crime, then inform the police about him. Inspector Rahul Sharma, Reader Pradeep Kumar, Narinder Singh, Gurdeep Singh etc. were present on this occasion.

Kapurthala youth drowns in pool in America



ASHISHPURI KAPURTHALA: A youth from village Masita in Sultanpur Lodhi subdivision of Kapurthala died by drowning in pool in America. It is being reported that two youths have died by drowning in a pool in Florida, USA, one of whom was from Kapurthala and the other is from Hoshiarpur. Following this tragic news, a wave of mourning has spread through the village of Masita, and the family is inconsolable in their grief. According to information, Sahil Preet Singh Bajwa (21 years old), son of the late Surjit Singh and resident of Masita village, had gone to Florida, USA, around five months ago in hopes of a better future and to earn a livelihood. It is being mentioned that recently, Sahil Preet Singh Bajwa and his friend had gone to a swimming pool in Florida for a swim. However, during this time, his friend slipped, and when Sahil Preet tried to save him, he also drowned in the pool. Sahil Preet and his companion Amandeep Singh, who was from the Hoshiarpur area, both lost their lives. It is also worth mentioning that Sahil Preet's father had passed away in 2017. Upon hearing this tragic news, a wave of sorrow has spread through the village of Masita and the surrounding areas. Sahil Preet was working at a store in Florida, USA.

Govt working on war-footing to reduce road accident mortality rate: Dr. Balbir Singh

GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, AUG 20

Punjab Health & Family Welfare Minister Dr. Balbir Singh and Transport Minister S. Laljit Singh Bhullar today asserted, Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Singh Mann led state government is committed to reducing road accident mortality rate and providing treatment during the crucial golden hours to save lives in the state, adding that 'Farishtey Scheme', 'Sadak Surakhiya Force' and the new addition of a fleet of ambulances to the Health Department are the significant steps taken in this direction.

Addressing gathering during one-day workshop on "Emergency Care and Schemes for road accident victims in Punjab" organized by the Lead Agency on Road Safety "Punjab Road Safety Council" at MGSIPA, both the Cabinet Ministers said that the Punjab government has been working intensively to reduce death mortality rate in road accidents by 50 percent by 2025 and making every possible effort to achieve this goal. They asked the administrative officials of all districts to treat saving lives of road accident victims as a mission. If a needy victim or kin of any deceased person receives financial assistance under various government schemes, it can help the affected family become economically stronger to sustain their life, they



added. Dr. Balbir Singh said that after the formation of the Sadak Surakhiya Force, the mortality rate in the state has decreased by 45 percent compared to the previous year. Referring to the Farishtey Scheme, he called upon state residents to come forward in large numbers to save the lives of road accident victims. The Cabinet Minister said that over 500 government and private hospitals are empanelled under

the Farishtey Scheme, where complete treatment for road accident victims is being provided free of cost.

He asked officials to increase awareness about this Farishtey Scheme and involve NGOs. Advocating for implementation of road safety rules from the home, the Health Minister directed officials to ensure that all government vehicles are equipped with first-aid kits. He asked the Direc-

Saplings planted by Shivalik Press Club in Government ITI

NANGAL (KULVINDER BHATIA): Today Shivalik Press Club Nangal organized an official ITI under the leadership of President Rajesh Patial. Various types of saplings were planted on this occasion in Nangal with the cooperation of Principal Gurnam Singh Bhallari. Bhallari said that our ITI will also take care of these saplings planted with the cooperation of Press Club for the purity of the environment.

He appealed that saplings should be planted on every auspicious occasion and they should also be maintained. On this occasion, the members of the Press Club also honored the staff members who performed their duties with devotion and dedication. All the members of the club thanked the entire staff of the Industrial Training Institute, especially the Principal for their cooperation. All the members of the Press Club were present on this occasion.

Government committed to empowering weaker sections: Dr. Baljit Kaur



RAJIV JAIN
CHANDIGARH, AUG 20

The Punjab Government, under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, is prioritizing the upliftment of economically weaker sections to realize the vision of a "Rangla Punjab". Social Security, Women & Child Development Minister, Dr. Baljit Kaur, emphasized this while addressing a gathering in Malout, where she distributed financial assistance to beneficiaries under the Sponsorship and Foster Care Scheme for the welfare of destitute children.

Dr. Baljit Kaur announced that nearly 3,000 applications have been received so far, and during the current financial year, Rs. 7.91 crore has been disbursed to support 1,704 children. She stressed the importance of as-

sisting those who have been left behind in society and integrating them into the mainstream.

The Minister highlighted that the Sponsorship Scheme provides Rs. 4,000 per month to children who have lost their parents, are orphans, or have parents suffering from serious illnesses or who are imprisoned.

This support enables these children to access quality education and become responsible citizens.

Dr. Baljit Kaur informed that the Punjab Government has allocated Rs. 7.91 crore for the Sponsorship Scheme in the current financial year, aiming to cover 7,000 children by March 31, 2025. She also mentioned that a dedicated helpline, 1098, is operational for reporting any cases of child labor, begging, or destitution.

Punjab suffered as central govts refused to meet demands of State: Badal

SUMER GARG
LONGOWAL, AUG 20

Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) president, Sukhbir Singh Badal today said Punjab was suffering because successive central governments had refused to cede the just demands of the State including restoration of its River water rights and transfer of Chandigarh and Punjabi speaking areas to Punjab.

While paying glowing tributes to Sant Harchand Singh Longowal at a mammoth conference held here to commemorate his martyrdom, the SAD president said "Sant Ji made the supreme sacrifice for the cause of Punjab, but was betrayed by the centre which refused to implement the promises made to him as well as the people of the State". He said even now Sant Longowal was being betrayed by both the Congress and the



Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) which had both compromised the State's stand on its River waters as well as transfer of Chandigarh to Punjab.

In an eloquent speech, Mr Sukhbir Badal while speaking from his heart said "it is time that the Sikh quom (community), recognizes its own and identifies traitors like Bhagwant Singh Mann, who is not ready to speak against Dera Sirsa head Gurmeet Ram Raheem or even give sanction for the latter's

prosecution under section 295-A. He also asked people to think about the massive mandate they had given to Bhagwant Mann, adding "he forsook you after becoming chief minister and never visited you when your fields were flooded or even otherwise". While urging people to reject those who were trying to weaken the Panth, the SAD president said "you have listened to Bandi Singh Bhai Gurdeep Singh Khara yesterday.

70311 dealers avail OTS-3, receive 164.35 cr in Govt Treasury: Cheema

CHANDIGARH, AUG 20

Punjab Finance, Planning, Excise and Taxation Minister Advocate Harpal Singh Cheema announced on Tuesday that a total of 70,311 dealers have availed the benefits of One Time Settlement Scheme-3 (OTS-3), launched by the Punjab Government in November 2023 to reduce and streamline legacy tax issues.

Revealing this in a press communique issued here, Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema said that the OTS-3 also resulted in a significant addition of Rs. 164.35 Crore to the Government Treasury." This stands in contrast to the OTS-1 and OTS-2 schemes launched by previous governments, which realized a total tax revenue of only Rs. 13.15 Crore from 31,768 cases", he added.

Disclosing further, the Finance Minister said that



50,903 dealers with arrears up to Rs. 1 Lakh benefited from a 100% waiver of tax, interest, and penalty Under OTS-3, which resulted in a total waiver of Rs. 221.75 Crore. "Additionally, 19,408 dealers with arrears between Rs. 1 Lakh and Rs. 1 Crore availed the benefit of 100% waiver of interest and penalty, and 50% waiver in tax, amounting to a total waiver of Rs. 644.46 Crore", said Harpal Singh Cheema.

Rajesh Kumar new Principal of Swami Sivananda Sarv Hitkari Sr Secondary School



RADHE SHYAM SHARMA
MORINDA, AUG 20

Rajesh Kumar has been appointed as the new Principal of Swami Shivanand Sarv Hitkari Senior Secondary School in Morinda. His appointment was warmly welcomed by the school's committee chairman, Ramesh Bhola, and all the committee members.

Upon taking charge, Rajesh Kumar expressed his commitment to working

closely with the teachers and the managing committee to elevate the school's standards even further. He emphasized his dedication to advancing the school with hard work, passion, and integrity.

Subhash Mahajan, the State Representative, highlighted that Rajesh Kumar has previously served in several other schools, gaining significant experience. This experience is expected to help him lead the school toward greater success.

Two-Day workshop on PGS certification in natural farming concludes at MRSPTU

ANIL VERMA
BATHINDA, AUG 20

The Two-Day Workshop on Participatory Guarantee System (PGS) Certification in Natural Farming concluded successfully at Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University (MRSPTU), Bathinda.

The event was organized collaboratively by the National Council for Organic and Natural Farming (NCONF), Ghaziabad (North Zone), Kheti Virasat Mission, Jaito, and the School of Agriculture Sciences and Engineering at MRSPTU.

The workshop saw active participation from B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture students, faculty members, Kheti Virasat Mission members, and representatives from the Punjab State Seed Certification Agency. Prof. (Dr.) K. S. Sandhu, Head of the Department,



welcomed participants and emphasized the importance of PGS certification in promoting organic and natural farming practices.

Dr. Gurinderpal Singh Brar, Registrar of MRSPTU, encouraged students to leverage such workshops to enhance their practical knowledge and contribute to sustainable agriculture.

The workshop featured presentations from several experts, including Dr. Rashmi Singh from NCONF, who provided an overview of the PGS certification process. Mr. Sanjeev Sharma, Director of Kheti

Virasat Mission, discussed the principles and benefits of natural farming, while Mr. Rashpinder Singh Grewal, also from Kheti Virasat Mission, shared practical tips from his experience as a natural farmer.

Dr. Wineet Chawla, Assistant Professor at the School of Agricultural Sciences and Engineering, provided additional insights on the significance of natural farming. The event concluded with a valedictory session where Prof. (Dr.) Sandeep Kansal, Vice-Chancellor of MRSPTU, was the chief guest.

Awareness seminar conducted under "Mission Nishche"



KOTKAPURA (SURINDER DAMDAM): According to the orders of Punjab Government and DGP Punjab, and under the guidance of Dr. Pragya Jain IPS, SSP Faridkot, ASI Jagsir Singh In-charge Sub Division Sanjh Center City Kotkapura, Sanjh Center staff including ASI Tilak Raj and Mahila Mitra staff, conducted a awareness seminar regarding adverse effects of drugs at Dr. Chanda Singh Marwah Government Girls Senior Secondary School Kotkapura. Students of eleventh and twelfth standard and school staff participated in the seminar. As part of the 'Mission Nishchai' initiative, Sanjh staff, Shakti Help Desk, social workers and intellectuals made a special effort to tackle the drug crisis, spread awareness and support the youth against drugs.

On this occasion, Principal Prabhjot Singh welcomed everyone and gave information about the Punjab level achievements of the girl students of his school and thanked his hardworking staff.

Uninterrupted power supply during Baba Nand Singh Barsi programme



JAGRAON (SUKH NAHAR): Punjab state Power Corporation Limited zone Ldhiana chief engineer Jagdev Singh Hans conducted a meeting with electricity department employees of Jagraon sub division in order to issue instructions to them regarding uninterrupted electricity supply in Nanaksar during Barsi program of Baba Nand Singh Ji. The concerned officials including Xen engineer Gurpreet Mahinder Singh Sidhu, SDO engineer Gurpreet Singh Kang, engineer Jugraj Singh, engineer Harmandeep Singh, Gurpreet Singh and others. Giving detailed information about the meeting, Jugraj Singh Hans said that during Barsi program, Gurudwara Nanaksar shall be supplied with uninterrupted electricity via 2 feeders.

Valmiki Mazhabhi Sikh community welcomes SC decision, calls for nationwide implementation



RUPNAGAR (DAVINDER SHARMA): On 1st August 2024, the Supreme Court of India delivered a landmark verdict in favor of the Valmiki Mazhabhi Sikh community. The community expressed its gratitude towards the seven-judge bench of the Supreme Court and extended special thanks to the Deputy Commissioner of Rupnagar. They also urged Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the central government to implement this decision across the entire country.

In 1975, the Punjab government, under the leadership of then Chief Minister Sardar Giani Zail Singh, conducted a survey which found that the Valmiki Mazhabhi Sikh community was lagging behind in terms of reservation benefits. Based on this survey, 12.5% of the 25% reserved quota for Scheduled Castes (SC) in Punjab was allocated to the Valmiki Mazhabhi Sikh community.

Aman Arora pays tributes to martyr Sant Longowal

SUMER GARG
LONGOWAL, AUG 20

Punjab Government Cabinet Minister, Aman Arora on the occasion of the death anniversary of martyr Sant Harchand Singh Longowal, while paying tributes at his Portrait bowed to their martyrdom today and on this occasion, a blood donation camp(BDC) at the local Anaj Mandi here. Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur Jitendra Jorwal also offered flowers of respect to the martyr and the district administration also distributed saplings to the people, so that the district can be made green by planting more saplings.

While speaking on this occasion, Cabinet Minister, Arora said that Sant Harchand Singh Longowal laid down his



life for the unity and integrity of the country and today it is a true tribute to the martyrdom of Sant Harchand Singh Longowal by the Punjab government that on the occasion of the saint's anniversary, by staying away from the mammoth gathering of political persons to get fame and a noble one blood donation camp has been organised. He said that blood donation is a great donation through which one can contribute to save the precious lives of patients undergoing

treatment in hospitals. The cabinet minister while offering floral tributes to Sant Harchand Singh Longowal said that the martyrdom of those who sacrificed their lives for the service of humanity can never be forgotten. He said that the nations which remember their martyrs, they always live. Aman Arora said that every single drop of blood collected through this blood donation camp dedicated to the memory of saints will prove helpful in saving precious lives.

Man threatened with gun

RAJNEESH SHARMA
HAMIRPUR: A person serving in Gugga Mandali was beaten up and was also threatened with a gun. A case has been registered after a complaint to the police. According to the information received, this complaint has been lodged by Atul Dogra son of Devraj village Kale Amb post office Ropa under police station Hamirpur. According to the complaint letter, when Atul was serving Gugga Mandali in village Bhari, Abhishek Dogra son of Pratap Singh of Bhari village stopped him and beat him with a wooden plank. After this, when he was going towards Hamirpur sitting in Shashi's trolley, Abhishek again surrounded me and threatened to kill me with a gun. Police has registered a case under FIR number 207/2024 under section 126(2)111(2)351(2) of Indian Penal Code and started investigation.

Digital fraud can be avoided only through awareness: Vivek Mahajan



AVINASH CHAUHAN
AMB: Organised a digital literacy camp at Ambedkar Bhawan Amb on Tuesday. SDM Vivek Mahajan came as the chief guest in this camp. In the camp, SBI manager Una explained in detail about the frauds related to bank accounts and its security. He said that we should never share our OTP or any kind of bank related information with anyone. The bank never asks for any information from any consumer. The bank already has all the information of the customers available. SHO Amb Gaurav Bhardwaj gave information about the frauds happening in cyber crime. He told that to avoid these things, we ourselves have to be alert. He said that nowadays fraudsters are cheating people using artificial intelligence and are stealing their hard earned money. Press Club Amb President Parikshit Sekhri told about fake news. He said that before forwarding any news on social media, you must know about its veracity and then only forward it.

Flour and rice available in ration depots of state have become expensive

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA: Now consumers will get flour and rice available in ration depots of Himachal Pradesh at a higher price. After about 15 years, the prices of flour and rice have been increased. However, the central government provides rice and wheat to ration card consumers of the state. But the state government argues that the freight rates for transporting ration to depots and warehouses have increased. Therefore, the rates of ration have been increased. Currently, APL consumers are getting flour at the depots at the rate of Rs 9.30 per kg. A proposal has been prepared to increase it to Rs 12 per kg, rice from Rs 10 to Rs 13. Similarly, BPL (35 kg ration, 5 kg per person) consumers will get rice from Rs 6.85 to Rs 10 per kg and flour from Rs 7 to Rs 9.30 per kg. Food Supply Corporation has prepared a proposal for this. According to sources, this new system can be implemented on September 1.

State govt to introduce high end technology in working of Forensic department: CM

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, AUG 20

While presiding over the H.P. Forensic Sciences Development Board meeting here today, Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu stressed on incorporating modern technology in order to reduce the waiting time for the processing of crime reports. He said that the department plays crucial role in solving the crime cases and the State Government would provide every possible assistance to modernize the department. He said that the department must ensure quality assurances in crime reports to improve conviction rates in the court of law. Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu said that effective case management is essential in order to ensure punishment of the guilty in the court of law, therefore,



proper sample collections from the crime scenes is necessary. He said that the department must introduce a bar coding system to maintain the integrity of sample collection from the crime scenes which would enhance the accuracy and reliability of evidence. He said that the State Government would provide four forensic vans for the effective handling of cases. He said that vacant functional posts of the department would be filled up

to address the issue of shortage of manpower and the State Government would also upgrade the infrastructure. He said that forensic behavioral analysis unit, food forensic units and other new units would be established in the department for the effective functioning.

The Chief Minister stressed the need to rationalize the staff in the forensic department and said that the State Government would create District Forensic

Units in Hamirpur, Una, Sirmaur, Kullu, Kinnaur and Lahaul-Spiti districts. He said that department must ensure high end technology in the working of the department and the State Government would provide all possible support in this respect.

Health Minister, Dr. (Col.) Dhani Ram Shandil, Education Minister Rohit Thakur, Chief Parliamentary Secretary Sanjay Awasthy, Chief Secretary Prabodh Saxena, Additional Chief Secretary Home Onkar Chand Sharma, Principal Secretary Devesh Kumar, Secretary to the Chief Minister Rakesh Kanwar, Advocate General Anoop Rattan, Director General of Police Atul Verma, OSD to the Chief Minister Gopal Sharma, Director Forensic Sciences Dr. Minakshi Mahajan and other Members of Board also attended the meeting.

Anti-ragging week observed in college

AVINASH CHAUHAN
AMB: Anti-ragging week was celebrated in Maharana Pratap Mahavidyalaya Amb. On this occasion various competitions were organized in the college, under which slogan writing, proposal writing, poster making, logo designing competitions were

held. Tania Dadhwal stood first, Komal second and Muskan third in logo designing. Dhvani first, Ankita second and Smiley third in poster making. Shreya first, Kavita second and Kritika third in slogan writing. Similarly, Shagun first, Palak Ratan second and

Anamika third in proposal writing. Acting Principal of the college Rekha Sharma said in her statement that there is a need for awareness on the subject of ragging so that no student is mentally and physically troubled. On this occasion college staff and students were present.

CM pays floral tribute to former PM Rajiv Gandhi on his birth anniversary

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, AUG 20

Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu paid homage to former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi on his birth anniversary by offering floral tributes at his statue at Rajiv Chowk, Chhota Shimla, today. The day is also being observed as Sadbhavana Diwas across the State. The Chief Minister also administered the Sadbhavana Diwas pledge to the officers and officials of H.P. Secretariat on the occasion. On the occasion, the Chief Minister said that Bharat Ratan former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi is also known as the architect of modern India. He said that during his tenure as the Prime Minister, he spearheaded numerous reforms and initiatives to bring positive change in the mindset of the people and the society. He said: "When Rajiv Gandhi was Prime Minister, I was president of the National Students' Union of India



(NSUI). On the demand of the NSUI, Rajiv Gandhi granted the right to vote to the youth by reducing the age to vote from 21 years to 18 years, ensuring active participation of youth in the democratic process.

It was the greatest achievement of his tenure." Sukhu said that in the modern era, India was the leading country in the entire world in the IT sector due to the efforts and vision of Rajiv Gandhi. He said that when America declined the request to provide

supercomputers to India, then he took decisive steps to ignite an IT revolution in the country. He said that Rajiv Gandhi also voiced for the rights of women in the democratic process and granted 33 percent reservation to women in Panchayati Raj Institutions. He said that senior Congress leader Sonia Gandhi also advocates for 33 percent reservation to women in Vidhan Sabha and Parliament. Health Minister Dr. (Col.) Dhani Ram Shandil, Education Minister Rohit Thakur, Himachal Pradesh Congress Committee Chief Pratibha Singh, Chief Parliamentary Secretary Mohan Lal Brakta and Sanjay Awasthy, Chairman of the H.P. Buildings and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board Nardev Kanwar, Vice-Chairman HIMUDA Yashwant Chhajta, Mayor MC Shimla Surender Chauhan, Deputy Mayor Uma Kaushal, Councilors of MC Shimla, Chief Minister's OSD Ritesh Kaprate were also present on the occasion among others.

CPRI Shimla organizes its 76th Foundation Day

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, AUG 20

Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla said alternative sources of income should be made available to the farmers in view of the changing climatic conditions. He stressed the need to establish a potato based industry in the State.

He was addressing on the 76th Foundation Day of the Central Potato Research Institute (CPRI), Shimla, as the chief guest here today.

He said that diversification of crops could prove to be fruitful to ensure food and nutrition security for the growing population of the country. He said that potato was the major vegetable crop of India



which contributes about 28 per cent of the total vegetable production. He said that India was the second largest potato producer in the world after China and accounting for about 15 percent of the global potato production. During the year 2022-23, India reached a record high of over Rs. 20 billion in the export value of potato, he added. The Governor said that potato crop was

cultivated in about 14000 hectare area in Himachal, producing approximately two lakh tonnes of crop.

Though less than the national average, yet it good and unmatched quality, it generates good income for farmers. He congratulated the institute for developing blight-resistant potato varieties like Kufri Himalini, Kufri Girdhari and Kufri Karan.

Fortnight long protest ends at Sunni Dam project site

AGENCY
SHIMLA: A fortnight long protest by the locals at the Sunni Dam Project site was aithdrawn on Monday following a meeting chaired by Deputy Commissioner Shimla, Anupam Kashyap. The meeting, mediated by the Shimla district administration, involved the project officials and local representatives, addressing the demands and grievances of the affected population. Deputy Commissioner Kashyap acknowledged that the local community had raised several concerns regarding the dam project, which led to the prolonged protest. After a thorough discussion, it was agreed that the issues raised by the locals would be given priority, ensuring that the displaced and affected individuals receive maximum benefits. Kashyap instructed the dam project officials to prioritise local candidates in any upcoming recruitments, as per the rules. He emphasised that if any hiring includes candidates from outside Himachal Pradesh, the Additional District Magistrate (Law and Order) must be informed. The Deputy Commissioner appointed the Additional District Magistrate (Law and Order) as the nodal officer for overseeing the recruitment process and other related matters. The Deputy Commissioner also addressed the local demand for road widening and improvements in the traffic system, instructing the project officials accordingly.



Rs. 71,000 contributed to Chief Minister Relief Fund



AVINASH CHAUHAN
AMB: Members of Gram Panchayat Maidikhas, under the leadership of Pradhan Reena Thakur, made a partial contribution of seventy one thousand rupees to the Chief Minister Relief Fund to help people affected by natural disasters. Pradhan Reena Thakur said that due to the terrible earthquake in Himachal, many people have lost their homes. we cannot return all that to them but we can help them together so that they can live a normal life again.

She said that in this hour of disaster, everyone should come forward to help the helpless. She said that she is very impressed with the decisions of the government under which under disaster management, the affected people are given seven lakh rupees instead of one lakh sixty thousand rupees to build a house and land is provided to build a house. During the disaster, going to the affected areas himself and standing with the people.

Rajiv Gandhi took country forward towards modernity and development: Chandra Kumar

DAULAT CHAUHAN
JAWALI, AUG 20

Jawali Block Congress celebrated the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister late Rajiv Gandhi with great enthusiasm today at Vishram Grih Jawali. On this occasion, the state's Agriculture and Animal Husbandry Minister Chaudhary Chandra Kumar and Congress workers paid tribute to Rajiv Gandhi by offering flowers in front of his statue. On this occasion, Agriculture Minister Chandra Kumar remembered the contribution of late Rajiv Gandhi towards the country.

He said that while being the PM, Rajiv Gandhi brought about improvements in technology and economy as well as took many surprising decisions. Which changed the face of the country. Rajiv Gandhi gave the right to vote to 18-year-



old youth for strengthening democracy and strengthened the Panchayat institutions by giving them powers.

Rajiv Gandhi brought telecom revolution in India. That is why he is called the father of Digital India and Information Technology.

Former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi took the country forward towards modernity and development. His contribution in the field of computer science is

inspiring for the young generation today. On this occasion, Mandal President Chain Singh Guleria, General Secretary Surendra Chhida, Mandal Spokesperson Sansar Singh, District President of Congress Rajiv Gandhi Cell, Manmohan Thakur, ITI Chairman Manu Sharma, BDC Umesh Dhiman, Raghubir Bhatia, Shivdev Singh, Digvijay Malhotra, Ashwini Chaudhary and others were present.

Issues of farmers, local residents raised in memorandum submitted to MLA

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA, AUG 20

A memorandum addressing various issues concerning farmers and the Panchayat Samiti area was submitted to Kutlehar MLA Vivek Sharma by Panchayat Samiti member Joginder Dev Arya. One of the key issues highlighted in the memorandum pertains to the lack of official records for a "Sarai" (inn) that has existed for decades in the village of Kadsai, Panchayat Tanoh. The memorandum requests that this Sarai be officially recorded in the revenue department's records.

Additionally, the memorandum outlines a complex issue related to the administrative boundaries of the area. The Mahal Kanuhada, previously part of the village of Kadsai under the Panchayat Tanoh, was divided into two sections: Mahal Kadsai and Mahal Dadyar, which now fall under the Lathiyani Patwar Circle. However, the Mahal D.P.F. Kanuhada, which was originally part of the Saroh Patwar Circle, is located 16 kilometers from the Mahal Sasan. The memorandum requests that the land records of Mahal D.P.F. Kanuhada, currently registered in the Saroh Patwar Office, be brought under the jurisdiction of the Tanoh Panchayat Office for better



administrative alignment.

The memorandum also includes a request from local farmers regarding the demarcation and partitioning of land. It suggests that instead of requiring the original "Aksh Musabi" (land demarcation map), a colored photocopy should be accepted, as obtaining the original map can be a difficult and time-consuming process. The farmers urge that this change be made to provide them with much-needed relief.

Youth arrested for theft at Shiva Temple in Saloh, remanded for three days

ASHOK KUMAR
TAHLIWAL: A youth who committed theft at a Shiva temple in Saloh, near Haroli, has been arrested by the Haroli police. The incident occurred last night when the accused was caught on CCTV stealing a bell and its chain from the temple's Shivalinga. Sunil Kumar, the Station House Officer (SHO), reported that the accused was identified and apprehended near Nangal, Punjab, and has been taken into custody. The accused, Suraj Rana, son of Ashok Kumar and a resident of Nangal, Punjab, has a prior drug-related case registered at Haroli police station, for which he was out on bail. During police interrogation, the accused revealed the involvement of another individual in the theft. The police are currently searching for this accomplice at various locations. The accused is reportedly addicted to drugs and committed the theft to fund his addiction. He is currently under police remand for further investigation.



4 Scouts and 2 Guides of Govt Sr Sec School Tauni Devi win state award

RAJNEESH SHARMA
HAMIRPUR, AUG 20

Scouting is a movement that develops discipline, service, and leadership qualities in the youth. Its aim is to make children physically, mentally and spiritually strong, so that they can become responsible citizens. Through scouting, children learn important life skills like self-reliance, teamwork, and social service, which leads to their all-round development. The training given to them from time to time takes them to the President's Award and for that, the Scout Guide has to work continuously for the third stage at the district



level and then the State Award. The State Award (the highest honor at the state level) is given to those students who have excelled in scouting and guiding. This award recognizes their unique example of discipline, service, and leadership ability.

In this series, proud moments have come for

Government Senior Secondary School Tauni Devi, when 4 scouts (Surya Jaswal, Anmol, Gulshan and Anshul) and 2 guides (Ruchi and Deepali) of this school have received the state award. Getting this award in scouting and guiding is a big achievement not only for these students but for the entire school and society.

Dedicated Environmental Cell to be established for effective urban waste management in HP

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, AUG 19

In a significant move toward improving waste management in urban areas, the Himachal Pradesh government has decided to establish a dedicated Environmental Cell within the Urban Development Department. This initiative aims to address the growing challenges of solid and liquid waste management in the state's urban areas, which have been escalating due to rapid urbanization.

Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu emphasized the necessity of effective waste management in urban regions, noting that Himachal Pradesh comprises

60 Urban Local Bodies (ULBs), including 5 Municipal Corporations, 29 Municipal Councils, and 26 Nagar Panchayats. These bodies are continuously striving to meet the increasing demand for various services and to resolve their challenges. The Chief Minister stated that solid and liquid waste management is currently the biggest challenge faced by these ULBs. To tackle these challenges and ensure a clean and sustainable urban environment in Himachal Pradesh, a dedicated Environmental Cell will be established. Currently, the Urban Development Department lacks the technical manpower required for effective execution. The

formation of the Environmental Cell will ensure the availability of sufficient staff and expertise. At present, waste management activities are managed by the project branch of the Directorate of Urban Development, which is already handling various responsibilities. The establishment of the Environmental Cell will aid in empowering the state's Urban Local Bodies environmentally and administratively. The Chief Minister underscored the importance of proper disposal of solid and liquid waste, warning that improper disposal could adversely affect people's health, the environment, and overall quality of life.

Spl revision of electoral rolls begins: BLOs start verification process



PARAMJIT SINGH JALANDHAR: As part of the special summary revision of electoral rolls based on the qualifying date of January 1, 2025, Booth Level Officers (BLOs) have commenced door to door verification of voter details from today. This process will continue until September 20, 2024. Providing further information, Deputy Commissioner-cum-District Election Officer Dr. Himanshu Aggarwal stated that during the survey, BLOs will verify the details of voters already listed in the electoral roll to ensure there are no errors. The BLOs will also collect data on young individuals who are yet to register as voters, prospective eligible voters, deceased or relocated individuals, and duplicate entries in the electoral roll. The verification will be conducted by BLOs using the BLO app on their mobile phones. Dr. Aggarwal mentioned that any person in the household who has turned 18 but has not yet registered as a voter can fill out Form 6 to register as a new voter.

Competition organized in connection with festival of Rakhi in Golden Days Public School



ISHWER GARG TALWANDI SABO: A competition was held in connection with the festival of Rakhi in Golden Days Public School. This competition was conducted among the students of Red, Green and Blue House. In which the students of class V to X participated with full enthusiasm. The girl students prepared Rakhiya with different types of decorative items. At this time, Principal Rahul Mehta said that the school conducts such competitions from time to time related to different festivals. In this competition, the students of Blue House won. remained. Harpreet Kaur, Amandeep Kaur and Kirandeep Kaur in charge of Red, Green and Blue Houses were present in this competition along with Principal Rahul Mehta. Campus in-charge Jagvinder Singh spoke and said that the festival is celebrated with great importance in the school so that the students stay connected with their culture.

Punjab police partners with study academy for affordable UPSC coaching



JS SODHI JALANDHAR: In a major initiative to support the children of Punjab Police personnel, the Punjab Police, under the leadership of Director General of Police Punjab Mr. Gaurav Yadav, has signed an MoU with the IAS Study Group, Chandigarh. The agreement was signed by ADGP M.F. Farooqui and Raj Malhotra, Director of IAS Study Group, at the PAP Campus in Jalandhar. The collaboration aims to provide high-quality IAS, PCS, and allied services coaching at discounted rates. The total course fee of Rs. 1,40,000 will be reduced by 50% for children of officers up to Inspector rank and by 40% for wards of DSP and higher-ranking officers. Families of police martyrs will receive a full fee waiver, and the fee can be paid in three installments over six months. Additionally, a 50% scholarship for deserving candidates facing financial difficulties will be provided by the NGO 'Joy of Guidance.' Private individuals can also avail of coaching at a 10% discount, with a portion of the fees contributed back to PAP under CSR. Classes will be held at the Regional Training Centre in the PAP Battalion, Jalandhar, with senior police officers in attendance at the signing ceremony.

Meeting of Doaba Kisan Committee Punjab Circle Pathankot, Bhai Ghanhaia Seva Society



BUREAU PATHANKOT: A joint meeting of Doaba Kisan Committee Punjab Circle Pathankot and Bhai Ghanhaia Ji Seva Society Pathankot was held at Punjabi Dhaba Nangal Bhoor under the chairmanship of Dr. Narinder Singh Ghiala. In which the pending subsidy of sugarcane was discussed. Doaba Kisan Committee Punjab Circle Pathankot General Secretary Daljit Singh Manjpur said that the most shameful incident happened in Calcutta where a lady doctor was raped and murdered, which the entire organization and the society strongly condemned the central government and the state government is done. He said that as per the promise made by the Punjab government to the farmers, they have once again cheated the farmers by entering the sugarcane subsidy in the accounts of the farmers. Following the pattern of the central government, the Punjab government is treating the farmers like a stepmother.

Chandigarh Administration, police are all set to implement groundbreaking provisions of NDPS Act

SHASHI PAL JAIN CHANDIGARH, AUG 20

The Chandigarh Administration and the Chandigarh Police are all set to implement groundbreaking provisions of NDPS Act aimed at disrupting and dismantling the drug trafficking network in the city. Objective is to encourage drug peddlers to cooperate and provide comprehensive and crucial information about the drug warlords.

In this regard, a meeting was held today in Sector-9 Chandigarh Secretariat, under the Chairmanship of Sh. Rajeev Verma, Adviser to Administrator, UT Chandigarh to ensure compliance of the directions passed by the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court in case no. IOIN-CRA-D-1218-2022 regarding the implementation of provisions of NDPS Act. It will ensure a proactive approach to combat drug trafficking in the city.

Respective departments including the Police, Finance, Health, Social Welfare and Public Relations were directed to take necessary action pertaining to their departments and send the action taken report in coordination with the DGP, UT Chandigarh.

It is for information of the general public that under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS)



Act, 1985, Section 27, the consumption of any narcotic drug including cocaine, morphine, diacetylmorphine or any other narcotic drug or any psychotropic substance is a punishable offence with rigorous imprisonment or fine or both.

The aim of the administration is more towards reform than to punish. The Objective is to encourage drug peddlers to cooperate and provide comprehensive and crucial information about the drug warlords.

To effectively combat drug trafficking, it's essential to address the deterrents created by drug warlords vis-

avis their employed peddlers. Therefore, under the NDPS Act, Section 64 A, there is a provision of immunity from prosecution to addicts volunteering for treatment. Any addict, who is charged with an offence punishable under section 27 of NDPS Act, or with offences involving small quantity of narcotic drugs or psychotropic substances, who voluntarily seeks to undergo medical treatment for de-addiction from a hospital or an institution maintained or recognised by the Government or a local authority and undergoes such treatment shall not be liable to prosecution for offences in-

volving small quantity of narcotic drugs or psychotropic substances.

There is also a provision of conditional immunity from prosecution u/s 64 NDPS Act, provided a full and true disclosure of the whole circumstances relating to such contravention be made by the person.

Therefore, the Chandigarh Police made an appeal to drug peddlers who have been forced to become part of this network and want to come out of this menace to come forward to reveal true and complete information on the drug warlords and drug network.

Govt should renovate building of old dispensary Kurali : Swarnkar Samaj

SHASHI PAL JAIN KHARAR, AUG 20

The President of Swarnkar Samaj Punjab Hem Raj Verma and General Secretary Amrit Verma jointly inspected the ruined building of Old Dispensary which is situated on Kurali-Chandigarh Highway and which has become a place for loitering and garbage dumping. As per today's standards, this ruined building is worth crores of rupees. This building has been lying like this for many decades, its cost at present would be around 2-3 crores. The main demand of



the city dwellers and area residents is that this building should be built in a new way and given the shape of Sub-Tehsil Kurali. Along with the local residents, the MLA and Cabinet Minister of the constituency, Anmol Gagan Mann



should also raise this demand and get Kurali declare as Sub-Tehsil. This will provide great relief to all the residents of the city and the area. This building will also provide relief to the residents of the ward from the drains and dirt.

Rakhi making competition conducted at GS Public School Dhaula



BARNALA DEHATI (BALWINDER AZAD): A Rakhi making competition was held for schoolgirls at GS Public School Dhaula, a renowned institution of the area. The students of third to ninth class participated in these competitions. The girls made beautiful rakhis for their brothers and decorated them. The school chairman Mr. Rishav Jain and managing director Mr. Suresh Bansal ji informed that the main aim of GS school is to develop the children in the school, so by celebrating each festival with the children in the school.

Improving infrastructure of villages is first priority: ETO



KULJIT SINGH JANDIALA GURU, AUG 20

It is the dream of Chief Minister Punjab Mr. Bhagwant Singh Mann to provide all kinds of urban facilities to the people of the villages and our first priority is to improve the infrastructure of the villages. These words were expressed by the Cabinet Minister Mr. Harbhajan Singh ETO while distributing grants of 25.25 lakh rupees to the 16 Gram Panchayats under Halka Jandiala Guru. He said that these grants are being given under RDO (S

scheme) with which the Gram Panchayats will be able to develop their villages. ETO said that Gram Panchayat Dhar of Constituency Jandiala Guru got Rs 0.50 lakh for solar lights, Rs 1.50 lakh for liquid waste management, Gram Panchayat Rana Kalan got Rs 1 lakh for solar lights, Rs 1.50 lakh for solid waste management, Gram Panchayat Rana Kalan. Panchayat Hundal Har 0.75 lakh for solar lights, Gram Panchayat Nijhar Pura Rs 1 lakh for solar lights, Gram Panchayat Nawana Kot for 1 lakh solar lights.

Delegation of Christian community, led by Munawar Masih, meet DGP Law and Order, Arpit Shukla

VERMA GURDASPUR, AUG 20

A delegation from the Christian community in Punjab, led by former Chairman of the Punjab Minority Commission, Munawar Masih, met with Punjab DGP Law and Order, Arpit Shukla, and submitted a memorandum regarding the demands of the Christian community in Punjab. The memorandum highlighted the injustices and atrocities faced by the Christian community.

The delegation included President Lawrence Malik, District President Amreek Masih Dinanagar, District President Saab Masih Mangalsain, Yusuf Masih Babba, President of the Pastors' Association Janak Ibrahim Ludhiana, Dr. Rahul, Pastor Samuel, Bishop Raj Jalandhar, Sumit, and Yaqub. On this occasion, Munawar Masih told DGP Arpit Shukla that mi-



norities in Punjab are facing several problems, leading to a lack of justice and hearing for them. He mentioned that despite numerous FIRs filed regarding interference in our religious matters, no arrests have been made in connection with any of the accused.

He further stated that our country is a secular state where people have the freedom to practice their religion and the full right to protect their rights. However, the Christian community is still not religiously free. He emphasized that re-

Tributes paid to Rajiv Gandhi on his birth anniversary

GURDASPUR (VERMA): The 80th birth anniversary of Rajiv Gandhi was celebrated at the local Congress Bhavan in Gurdaspur under the leadership of City President Ranju Sharma. During the event, his contributions to the nation's welfare were praised. Among those present were



former president Darshan Mahajan, senior vice president Pankaj Mahajan, Mohan Sharma, general secretary Pawan, Ravikant Mahajan, Joginder Kalia, Ramesh Sharma, councilor Bindu, Surjit Singh, councilor Jugal Mahajan, Ajay Sharma, Gurinder Lal (secretary), Satish Kalia, and other Congress workers.

Chandigarh skill development mission honors medal winners



CHANDIGARH: Chandigarh Skill Development Mission, under the aegis of Directorate of Technical Education, organized the State Level, India Skills Competition 2023-2024 under the able guidance of Secretary Technical Education, Chandigarh Administration and Mission Director-cum-Director Technical Education, Chandigarh Administration.

A felicitation ceremony was held today on August 20, 2024 in U.T. Chandigarh Secretariat and Sh. Rajeev Verma, Adviser to the Administrator, UT Chandigarh graced the occasion and honored the medal winners.

A total of 34 participants from Chandigarh were selected in the State Level, India Skills Competition and they showcased their expertise in 31 Skill trades in National Level, India Skills Competition 2023-24 held in May 2024, demonstrating exceptional enthusiasm and energy throughout the competition. Chandigarh participants earned 2 Silver Medals, 2 Bronze Medals, and 6 Medallions of Excellence. The ten prize winners viz Prashant Prakash, Shivom Nayyar, Stuti Modhil, Tarun Kotyan, Karamveer Singh Sethi, Deepak, Sahil Kumar, Rahul, Nautiyal, Vardhan Dhawan, Amitosh Sharda and the organizers, Sh. Rubinderjit S Berra, PCS, Mission Director, Dr. Sunita Mehta, Ms Anju Verma Lakhani, Dr Ashwani Kumar and Ms Renu Gulati were also felicitated for their efforts and commendable achievement by the Adviser to the Administrator, Chandigarh Administration.

Swami Roop Chand Jain School hosts splash pool party for students



JAGRAON (SUKH NAHAR): Swami Roop Chand Jain Sr. Sec. School, Jagraon organized a splash pool party for kids, providing an enjoyable break from the daily routine. The event held at the courtyard of school was memorable and vibrant gathering of pre primary and primary kids. The party kicked off with a warm welcome by the School Principal Mr. Rajpal kaur who emphasized the importance of family bonding and outdoor activities for children's development.

The pool area was creatively decorated with colorful balloons and beautiful decorations, adding to the festive atmosphere. Throughout the event, various fun-filled activities like water pools swings, enjoyable rides were arranged for kids. A lively poolside dance session saw enthusiastic participation for everyone. A variety of delicious snacks and refreshing beverages were available, ensuring that everyone stayed energized and hydrated throughout the day. Principal Mrs Rajpal kaur told that school also ensured safety of students is our top priority.

Seminar on entrepreneurship at Rayat Bahra management college



DALJEET AJNOHA HOSHIARPUR, AUG 20

Rayat Bahra Management College recently held an engaging seminar on entrepreneurship, attracting enthusiastic participation from MBA and BBA students. The event aimed to guide students on entrepreneurship opportunities, strategies, and key aspects of achieving business success.

Keynote speaker, entrepreneur Shivam, co-founder of a private company, provided students with in-depth insights into effectively setting

up, running, and profiting from a business. He shared valuable tips and advice on various facets of entrepreneurship, aiding students in shaping their business careers. Shivam emphasized that becoming an entrepreneur demands patience, dedication, and continuous effort. He encouraged students to stay committed to their vision and goals and to work relentlessly to achieve their dreams. The seminar also featured former Rajya Sabha MP Avinash Khanna, who highlighted the significance of entrepreneurship.

Malaria wing tells students of Maharishi Dayanand School ways to avoid it

CHANDIGARH: The team of Malaria wing, Health Department, Chandigarh Administration told the students of Maharishi Dayanand Public School, MDAV Bhavan, Daria, Chandigarh ways to avoid malaria. Addressing the students in Smt. Sikan-dra Devi Multimedia Hall, the team said that all the water storage vessels should be kept closed with lids. And once a week, dry the water in tanks, tray behind the refrigerator, cooler, flower vase, animal and bird water bowls and pots, rub and wipe them and let them dry for 3-4 hours. Do not let water accumulate around your house. Fill the pits filled with water with soil. Keep the area around the house clean. Install nets on doors and windows. Remove broken pots, old tyres, useless utensils, pitchers, drums etc. If you cannot remove them, then clean them and dry them. Do not keep plates under the pots. Water in the money plant and bamboo plant kept at home must be changed once a week. They said that the tray behind the refrigerator must be checked once a week and if it is filled with water, it must be dried. Get the blocked drains cleaned and opened. Giving information about preventive measures, they said that wear full clothes or use creams etc. to protect yourself from mosquitoes.



Jimpa celebrates Raksha Bandhan at BSF Kharkan camp



DALJEET AJNOHA HOSHIARPUR, AUG 20

On the auspicious occasion of Raksha Bandhan, Cabinet Minister Punjab Bram Shankar Jimpa visited the Border Security Force (BSF) training camp at Kharkan in Hoshiarpur. During this, women soldiers of BSF tied Rakhi to the Cabinet Minister and this festival, a symbol of brotherhood, was celebrated with full enthusiasm and devotion.

During this, the Cabinet Minister wished Raksha Bandhan to all the soldiers

and expressed gratitude towards their sacrifice and service. During this, Mayor Surinder Kumar and BSF officer LK Meena and other dignitaries were also present with him. After getting the Rakhi tied, Cabinet Minister Jimpa said that BSF is discharging its duties for the defense and security of the country. He said that it is because of the hard work and dedication of these soldiers that all of us citizens are safe in our homes. This festival of Raksha Bandhan strengthens the relationship between brothers and sisters.

Medical check-up camp organised by Prime Chemical



KULWINDER BHATTIA
NANGAL: A medical camp was organised today by Primo Chemical under the leadership of Vice President Ranjit Singh Marwah as per the directions of Managing Director Naveen Chopra. This camp was organised at Poona village in Himachal Pradesh, in which a team of doctors from Max Hospital, Mohali participated and medical checkup of 110 patients was done. In this camp, patients were checked up by General Medicine Specialist Dr. Nancy and tests related to sugar, BP and ECG were done free of cost. Giving information to the journalists on this occasion, Ranjit Singh Marwah said that the company has organised these camps every month with the aim of providing good health facilities in various villages of the area and appealed to the people to take maximum benefit of these camps.

Morinda Civil Hospital lacks basic facilities

RADHESHYAM SHARMA
MORINDA: The Civil Hospital in Morinda has earned the unfortunate nickname of a 'Referral Hospital' due to its lack of basic facilities. The shortage of doctors often results in patients receiving only basic treatment before being referred to Chandigarh's PGI or Sector 32 hospital. The situation is exacerbated by the hospital's poor hygiene and maintenance. The hospital's boundary wall, which collapsed a long time ago, has yet to be rebuilt. The toilets are extremely dirty, and broken taps have been replaced with bricks. Additionally, the hospital currently lacks a doctor to attend to pregnant women. The de-addiction center patients are also being treated alongside regular patients, causing discomfort for female patients. The hospital building itself is in dire need of maintenance. Despite Morinda being a sub-division for quite some time, the Civil Hospital has not been upgraded and remains a Community Health Center.

AAP District Secretary Kulbhushan Sharma joins Congress

BUREAU
GUHLA CHEEKA: Kulbhushan Sharma the District Secretary of the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP), has resigned from his position and primary membership of the party. He officially joined the Congress Party in Delhi under the leadership of MP Deepender Hooda. Addressing the press, Sharma explained that he had been diligently working with AAP for the past two and a half years but had to step back due to personal reasons, which prevented him from playing an active role in the party. As a result, he submitted his resignation to AAP's State President, Dr. Susheel Gupta. Sharma expressed his confidence in the Congress Party's ideology and decided to join them.

Delhi Commuters face traffic congestion amid heavy rains

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, AUG 20

Severe traffic congestion was witnessed in several parts of Delhi following a heavy downpour on Tuesday.

Commuters faced problems due to the traffic congestion. Parts of Delhi witnessed severe waterlogging following heavy rainfall in the early hours of Tuesday.

Heavy rain leads to waterlogging in several parts of the city, including the NSUI Office, ITO, Raisina, and Jantar Mantar.

Severe waterlogging was witnessed near Ashram Bridge after incessant rainfall. Waterlogging on Minto Road led to parked vehicles getting submerged in water.

An autorickshaw driver,



whose vehicle got submerged on Minto Road, Munil Mehto, said, "My vehicle suddenly stopped. I asked a few drivers to help me. To save my life, I came out of the car. The vehicle's paper is still in it."

"I urged other drivers to help me make my vehicle out but I was not able to cross this road," he added.

The Delhi BJP Unit hit

out at Delhi Minister Aatishi and the AAP government for the continued water logging in the capital

"Atishi ji, the one who tells a new lie every day, the AAP government had cleaned all the drains, now whom will you hold responsible for this waterlogging," a post by the Delhi BJP said.

Meanwhile, taking cognizance of sewer overflow

RAMAN GUPTA

KAITHAL: SP Rajesh Kalia met the media in the office of the Superintendent of Police. After getting introduced to the media persons, SP Rajesh Kalia talked about giving priority to law and order, women's safety and drug prevention in the district. The SP said that the security



system will be further strengthened to prevent crime, especially to curb criminals

Rajiv Gandhi creator of modern India: MP Varun Chaudhary

JAIBEER RANA THAMBER
BARARA, AUG 20

Former Prime Minister Bharat Ratna Late. On the birth anniversary of Rajiv Gandhi, on Rajiv Chowk Saha, MP Varun Chaudhary along with Congress officials and workers along with former Prime Minister Late. Worshipping Shri Rajiv Gandhi's statue and paid tribute to him.

Highlighting the life of Shri Rajiv Gandhiji, the MP said that former Prime Minister of the country Shri Rajiv Gandhi was the youngest Prime Minister of the country between 1984 and 1991. In these five years, this young Prime Minister left an indelible mark in the hearts and minds of the people of the country with his actions. He did many such works in a single term, for which he is still remembered today.

Shri Rajiv Gandhi implemented the Panchayati



Raj system through the 73rd Constitutional Amendment to make the villages of Hindustan a participant in development. This was the foundation of India's dream of Shri Rajiv Gandhi's dreams. Information in the country, core banking, space research work, franchise for 18-year-old youth, reservation in panchayats and local bodies to women is the result of late

Shri Rajiv Gandhi. . Due to their foresight, today India has emerged as a world power in the field of telecom and information technology. And crores of youth have got new employment opportunities in this field. The MP said that Shri Rajiv Gandhi was always committed to all religion harmony, balanced regional development and construction of modern India.

Returning Officer Virendra Singh Dhul holds meeting of officials of political parties

JAGBIR UPLANA
ASSANDH: Returning Officer and SDM Virendra Singh Dhul held a meeting in his office on Tuesday with the representatives of political parties and potential candidates of Assandh assembly constituency regarding conducting elections together and peacefully after the election notification was issued on August 16. During this, he said that all political parties should follow the model code of conduct during the assembly elections. Along with this, if anyone is violating the model code of conduct, then immediately complain on the C-Vigil application. Action will be taken against the violators as per the rules. During the meeting, the Returning Officer said that all political parties should put up their campaign banners only at the place specified by the Election Office.

Application for permission for this can also be made online. Apart from this, the name and number of the printer must be mentioned on the pamphlets distributed during the election campaign. If this is not done, necessary action will be taken as per rules against the printer and the party or candidate distributing the campaign material. He informed that from 5 September 2024 to 12 September 2024, nomination papers will be filled by the candidates in front of the Returning Officer on working days. He informed that the nomination papers will be scrutinized on 13 September and the candidates will be able to withdraw their nomination papers on 16 September. The Returning Officer appealed to all the political parties to read the rules issued by the Election Commission of India for the candidates and political parties. He said that the work of making new votes is still going on, if any eligible voter has missed getting his vote made, then he can still get it made. He said that apart from this, fill the form to get the votes of the voters who have died cancelled.

KUK signs MOU with Meerkats Innovative Techno Tools Pvt Ltd Delhi

DALBIR MALIK
KURUKSHETRA, AUG 20

Electronic Science Department of Kurukshetra University signed an MoU with Meerkats Innovative Techno Tools Pvt Ltd., where the both parties will work together for improving the performance and life of electronic systems. Vice Chancellor of Kurukshetra University Prof Som Nath Sachdeva said that this MOU will help start the collaborative research activities with the company for developing new materials and structures using nanotechnology. Prof Sachdeva further added that the faculty and the research scholars of the department will grasp different aspects of efficiency and performance of electronic systems, especially laptops and desktop computers.



Chairperson, Department of Electronic Science Prof. Mukesh Kumar informed that through this MoU, department and Meerkats Innovative Techno Tools will share their research facilities with each other to develop products for the electronics market. It will also offer opportunities to students for carrying out their summer internship and six-month project activities at the sites of Meerkats Innovative Techno Tools. Prof Mukesh further informed that department is already working in the area of semiconductor design and

fabrication and is also part of India semiconductor mission. This kind of industrial partnership will help not only in supporting our existing activities, but will also open door for starting new fields and area of research for the departmental research scholars and other students. This MoU is also going to help in implementation of spirit of New Education Policy and the company will offer options for summer internship and six month dissertation work to the students of M.Sc Electronic Science.

Rotary Club Rewari Royals presented helmets to 60 sisters on Raksha Bandhan



BD AGGARWAL
REWARI: On behalf of Rotary Club Rewari Royals on the holy festival of sister-brother's love, two-wheelers were presented with helmet gifts to 60 sisters. Giving the above information, the public relations officer of the club remembers. Sugandh said that it is necessary for two-wheelers to install helmets according to traffic rules, but it is also useful as a life guard on any untoward. In view of this, the Rotary Club Rewari Royals team organized a program to offer helmet to the sisters as a gift to the sisters to commemorate Raksha Bandhan. Progut chairman Naveen Arora said that the sisters often driving a two-wheeler without a helmet, they always always in their hearts. It was the idea that sisters should be made aware and encouraged to install helmets. Therefore, the day of the festival of Raksha Bandhan took a suitable time for this work and the club was presented with helmets to the sisters driving two -wheelers without a helmet and made them aware of the helmet while driving a two -wheeler. Manoj Yadav, Meenakshi Arora, Nidhi Yadav, Vipin Dhingra, Preeti Dhangra, Niraya Krishna Arora, Harshit Bhatia, Tarun Madan, Amita Lecturer YMCA, Vaidehi, Karan etc. were many members of the club on the occasion.

SBS Nagar Police organises anti-drug 'Marathon' in district

CHETRAM RATTAN
NAWANSHAHR: In order to make Punjab a drug free state as per directions of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, SBS Nagar district Police on Tuesday organised an Anti-Drug Marathon in the district to launch state-level 5th Anti-Drug Awareness Campaign.

As many as 700 people of different age group participated in the marathon and pledged to keep drugs at bay and live a healthy life. The Marathon was commenced at 5:30 am from ITI Ground Nawansahr and after taking the round of 5 km via Chandigarh road-Chandigarh Chowk- Dr BR Ambedkar Chowk-Sugar Mill- Chandigarh road and culminated at same venue.

Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) SBS Nagar Dr Mehtab Singh, while addressing the media, said that a special awareness drive is being conducted by the district Police as per the directions of Director General of Police (DGP) Punjab Gaurav Yadav and DIG Ludhiana Range Dhanpreet Kaur, with aim to sensitise people about adverse impacts of drugs and exhort people to live a healthy lifestyle. Dr Mehtab Singh sensitised participants about the negative impacts of drugs and also motivated them to keep their engagement in educational



& sports activities. The SSP further addressed that the intent behind organising a Marathon was to sensitise people about perils of drugs and encourage them to live a healthy life. These kinds of initiatives also help in enhancing the engagement of youth in sports activities, he added. He said that the district Police will continue to organise these kinds of initiatives in future also to keep our youth away from drugs by channelising their energy in the right direction.

In view of assembly elections, DEO and DC hold press conference



RAMAN GUPTA
KAITHAL: District Election Officer and DC Dr. Vivek Bharti said that the preparations of the district administration for the assembly elections are complete. Officers have been appointed for all four assembly constituencies of the district. Eligible candidates can cast their votes till 2nd September. There are 7 thousand 605 disabled voters in the district and 10 thousand 803 elderly people above 85 years of age who can cast their vote from their home or at the polling station as per their wish.

For this they will have to inform the election office in advance. District Election Officer and DC Dr. Vivek Bharti was addressing the press conference in the Mini Secretariat in view of the assembly elections. Deputy District Election Officer Gurvinder Singh, SDM Ajay Kumar were present on this occasion. DC Dr. Vivek Bharti said that a gazette notification related to the elections will be issued by the Election Commission on Thursday, September 5 and nominations can be made till September 12.

Children of Govt School Jaisinghpura excelled in table tennis: Pawan

JAGBIR UPLANA
ASSANDH, AUG 20

Principal of PM Shri Government Senior Secondary School Pawan Jindal said that block level sports competition is being organized under the guidance of Block Education Officer Baljit Singh. On Tuesday, the Principal went to different playgrounds and encouraged the children.

He said that the third day of the competition was in the name of government schools. High School Jaisinghpura stood first in table tennis for girls. High School Jaisinghpura also secured first position in table tennis for boys. The entire responsibility of conducting the block level sports competition was given to PM Shri School. He said that



indoor events were organized today in PM Shri Vidyalaya Assandh and MM Vidyalaya Assandh.

These included chess, yoga, wrestling, judo, karate, martial arts. To run the games smoothly, different DPE PTI, sports trainers have been assigned duty. Monu Sharma, PGT Physical Education played an important role as Zonal Secretary. On this occasion Neelam More Dharmendra Sharma, Pritam Rana,

Naveen, Kavita, Dhanraj Kashmir Singh Middle School Ardana were present. In chess, Mayank stood first in Under 14, Devjeet of JPS School stood first in Under 17. Lakshya, son of PM Shri Asandh stood first in Under 19. Similarly, in wrestling, Daksh New Era Salwan stood first in Under 14 and Harsh, son of Government Senior Secondary Uplana stood first in Under 17 and Shubham of Vedic School Balla stood first in Under 19.

Accused arrested in jewelry theft case

MANISH KUMAR

AMBALA: As per the instructions of Superintendent of Police Ambala Surendra Singh Bhorla, during a special campaign launched by Ambala Police to curb the incidents of theft / robbery / snatching, the Police took immediate action on August 19, 2024 in theft case of jewelry under Ambala Cantonment area of Police Station and arrested the accused. Mangal, resident of Deha Colony of Ambala Cantonment and sent him to judicial custody as per the order of the Court. In connection with this matter, the complainant Madan Mohan resident of Ram Darbar Temple Ambala Cantonment had lodged a complaint at Police Station Ambala Cantonment on August 19, 2024 that the accused Mangal had stolen the jewellery from Ram Darbar Temple Housing Board Ambala Cantonment. On this complaint, the police registered a case and took immediate action and arrested the accused.



State Committee meeting of Rational Society Punjab held

KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA, AUG 20

The state working committee meeting of Tarkashil Society Punjab was held at the local Tarkashil Bhawan Barnala under the chairmanship of the state organizational head Master Rajinder Bhadour, in which the sixth student consciousness test in the government and private educational institutions of Punjab was held in the second week of October. The decision was made. On this occasion, while strongly condemning the brutality of rape and murder of a female doctor in Kolkata, there was also a strong demand to give severe punishment to the culprits and to ensure the safety



of women in the society. Giving information in this regard, state committee leaders Master Rajendra Bhadour, Hem Raj Stanon, Sumit Amritsar and Ram Swaran Lakhewali said that the purpose of this examination is to develop scientific consciousness among students to free them from superstitions and all kinds of

superstitions and to make them aware of the reality of society. The heroes are scientists, philosophers and immortal martyrs. Told that for this exam two different books have been prepared by the rational society for middle and secondary groups out of which objective type 100 questions based exam will be taken.

Cancer sensitization program organised in SD College educational

KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA, AUG 20

Cancer sensitization program was organized in SD College educational institutions. Chief guest of the program Dr. Kulwant Singh Dhaliwal of Global Abenders World Cancer Care Society shared detailed views on the causes of cancer, its prevention and treatment. He said that it is a matter of great sadness for Punjab that the land of Guru Peers is surrounded by many problems like cancer, drug addiction, dowry, corruption. Regarding breast cancer in women, he said that women have even stopped



breastfeeding their children. Every woman should get mammography done for cancer at least once a year. The water and food of Punjab have become very polluted, due to which we will have to start avoiding cancer and other terrible diseases from our kitchen. From simple food to events of happiness and sorrow, we

will have to keep them simple. Along with this, he also emphasized on avoiding sugar, chemical fertilizer vegetables and fried foods. He said that our organization has been working for cancer prevention and awareness in Punjab for a long time. On this occasion, he also answered the questions of the audience.

Editorial

India's final frontier

India's space exploration journey reflects geopolitical prowess, technological breakthroughs and security-oriented diplomacy. The Indian space programme received international attention after the 2008 launch of Chandrayaan-1. The recent successes of Chandrayaan-3 and Aditya-L1 solidified India's capacity to develop critical technologies. India's next focus is on 'Gaganyaan', its first human space mission, which would strengthen its geopolitical position as a nation with one of the fastest-growing space programmes in the world.

Socio-economic agendas and developmental challenges shaped India's space exploration in the 1960s. In January 1985, in the backdrop of the arms race between the US and the USSR, India even sponsored a declaration of a non-aligned group opposing an arms race in outer space and nuclear testing. From advocating for 'weapons-free outer space' in the early 2000s to becoming the fourth country after the US, Russia, and China to successfully conduct an anti-satellite test in 2019, India has come a long way as a space-faring nation.

India started revamping its space programme after the Kargil war in which intruders from Pakistan went undetected. In 2001, ISRO launched the Technology Experiment Satellite, the first Indian satellite capable of military surveillance. Next year, the Kargil Review Committee and the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Defence recommended the establishment of an aerospace command within the Indian air force as part of military modernisation. An Integrated Space Cell was formed in 2010 to work under the HQ Integrated Defence Staff. In 2019, the Integrated Space Cell was upgraded to the Defence Space Agency.

An event that triggered the Indian approach was the 2007 ASAT test by China. India's neighbourhood tensions and the nuclear security dilemma among India, Pakistan and China further destabilised regional security. After the controversial ASAT test, India claimed that it respects and has not violated any international law. The 1967 Outer Space Treaty is the primary international law that governs outer space. India is a signatory to the OST and ratified it in 1982. Interestingly, Article IV of the OST states that "Parties to the Treaty undertake [not to place] in orbit around the earth any objects carrying nuclear weapons or any other kinds of weapons of mass destruction, [install] such weapons on celestial bodies... in outer space in any other manner." If we delve into the literal interpretation of Article IV, it would mean that it prohibits the placement or installation of weapons in orbit. ASAT does not involve either.

US: Democratic National Convention kicks off in Chicago



The first night of the Democratic National Convention (DNC) has begun in Chicago.

US President Joe Biden, First Lady Jill Biden and former US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton are among the major speakers who will deliver remarks on the first night of DNC, CNN reported.

Biden will use his primetime remarks to talk about the accomplishments of his administration and highlight how critical it is that US Vice President Kamala Harris defeats former US President Donald Trump in the elections set to be held in November, according to CNN report.

New York Representative Alexandria Ocasio Cortez and Georgia Senator Raphael Warnock will also deliver remarks on the first

night of the DNC, according to CNN report. Monday night will also include people who have been affected by stricter abortion laws passed by states after the overturning of Roe vs Wade, including Hadley Duvall, the Kentucky woman whose story has been included in Democratic campaign ads in this cycle.

Nearly 50,000 visitors are expected to attend the convention, including approximately 4,000 delegates. The theme of the convention is "For the People, For Our Future." The theme for Monday will be "For the People," with speakers expected to pay tribute to Biden, according to DNC officials.

While the official schedule has not yet been released, Democratic National Convention officials have confirmed that President Biden and

First Lady Jill Biden will speak on Monday.

On Monday night, Biden said that he's ready to pass the torch to Kamala Harris as he takes the stage as a supporter of his vice president instead of his party's presidential nominee.

On being asked whether he was ready to pass the torch, Biden told reporters, "I am," as he did a walk through the United Center in Chicago.

Biden has been reworking and fine-tuning his speech in the days leading up to the event. He has been working closely with one of his closest aides and one of the final people he spoke to before announcing his exit from the presidential race, Mike Donilon, CNN reported. According to aides, this is not Biden's

farewell speech. However, they recognise that was one of the last major audiences Biden will have while in office.

On being asked if tonight will be "bittersweet" for him, Biden said, "Memorable."

Former US President Barack Obama is scheduled to speak on Tuesday, which will focus on the theme "A Bold Vision for the Future." On Wednesday, under the theme "A Fight for Freedom," former President Bill Clinton and Speaker Emerita Nancy Pelosi of California will address the convention, according to a source familiar with the schedule.

Second Gentleman Doug Emhoff, Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, and House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries are also expected to speak this week, DNC officials said.

Mike Waltz, Kamala Harris's running mate, is expected to take the stage on Wednesday to officially accept the vice-presidential nomination. Harris will formally accept the presidential nomination during her speech on Thursday, a night dedicated to the theme "For the Future."

Harris will arrive at the convention shortly after a bus tour through Pennsylvania over the weekend. She will also hold a rally on Tuesday in Milwaukee, the same city where Trump accepted the Republican presidential nomination last month.

Typically, the convention includes a roll call vote to formally nominate presidential and vice-presidential candidates. However, Harris officially cemented her status as the presidential nominee earlier this month when she earned a majority of delegates in a virtual roll call. The vote was held in early August to avoid potential issues with ballot access in Ohio. A ceremonial roll call is still expected to take place at the convention. Democratic organizers had to rework the programming entirely for the DNC after President Biden dropped out of the race in late July and endorsed Vice President Harris to replace him on the ticket.

Literature & Health

Pakistan: Rights group expresses concern over encounter of Sindhi activists

The Human Rights Commission of Pakistan (HRCP) has raised concerns over the ongoing police encounters in Sindh, Pakistan against activists raising voices against state repression.

The HRCP, in a statement, claimed that four such encounters have been reported in the last several days. During these incidents, several suspects sustained severe injuries, as they were shot before being formally detained by the security agencies.

"Sindh police recorded over 3,000 police encounters in just one year in the province in 2023. This practice violates the right to due process as well as the state's legal obligations under the Torture and Custodial Death (Prevention and Punishment) Act 2022 and the Convention Against Torture, to which Pakistan is a state party," the HRCP claimed.

The HRCP demanded that the culprits of these encounters be brought to justice, and strict measures must be im-



plemented to prevent the use of unlawful and unwarranted force by the police on the Sindhi community in Pakistan.

In a previous incident, the Sindh police reportedly tried to cover a fake encounter with a civilian in the Hyderabad city of Pakistan's Sindh province.

Earlier, the Jeay Sindh Freedom Movement (JSFM) condemned the alleged abduction, torture, and shooting of its national activists by Pakistani state agencies, particularly the Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI).

The incident reportedly took place in Kotri, Sindh on August 14, 2024.

Israel sees decrease in suicide rate

Israel's Ministry of Health released the data on the rate of suicide in Israel, specifically in the aftermath of the October 7 Hamas terror massacre and the ensuing Iron Swords War against Hamas in Gaza.

The Ministry of Health, together with the Mental Health Division and the National Suicide Prevention Council, have been monitoring trends in suicidal behaviour following the events of 10/7/23 in recent months. Despite individual incidents reported in the media and social media, the data indicate a decrease in the rate of suicide cases in Israel between the months of October and December 2023 compared to these months in recent years, including during the years of dealing with the coronavirus.

A similar trend was found in previous periods of dealing with emergency situations in Israel and in the world, and can be explained, among other things, by increased social cohesion during these periods. Key data: Suicide accounts for about 1 per cent of all deaths among people aged 15



and over in Israel. In 2020, suicide was the second most common cause of death among young people aged 15-24 when a total of 437 people died from suicide, with an age-standardized rate of 6.4 per 100,000 people (10.4 for men and 2.7 for women).

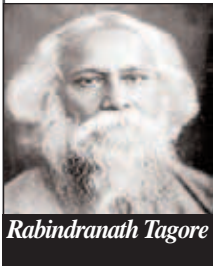
In the last decade, the suicide rate in Israel was lower than the rate in the early 2000s.

In 2022, 6,861 suicide attempts were recorded in Israel. Over the past decade, the age-adjusted suicide rate for men was 3.8 times higher than for women.

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The Further Bank

Long to go over there to the further bank
Of the river. Where those boats are tied to
The bamboo poles in a line; Where men
Cross over in their boats in the morning with-
Ploughs on their shoulders to till their far-
away fields; Where the
cowherds make their low-
ing cattle swim across to
the riverside pasture;
Whence they all come back
home in the evening, leav-
ing the jackals to howl in
the island overgrown with weeds. Mother, if
you don't mind, I should like to become the
boatman of the ferry when I am grown up.
They say there are strange pools hidden be-
hind that high bank.



Rabindranath Tagore

Indian diaspora in Warsaw excited for PM Modi's visit to Poland

Members of the Indian community in Warsaw have expressed excitement over Prime Minister Narendra Modi's upcoming visit to Poland.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will be making official visits to Poland and Ukraine from August 21-23, the Ministry of External Affairs said on Monday. The visit by Prime Minister Modi will be the first visit by an Indian PM to Poland in 45 years. The visit comes as New Delhi and Warsaw mark the 70th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations in 2024.

Ahead of PM Modi's visit, the Indian diaspora has expressed happiness as PM Modi will be visiting Poland. Members of the



Indian community praised PM Modi for his contribution to the

development of India. Speaking to ANI, Saurabh Gilitwala said,

"I am from Mumbai, I came to Poland 7 years ago...It has been

more than 40 years since an Indian President or PM has visited Poland. We are all excited as this visit will further strengthen India-Poland ties."

Speaking about the message he would like to give to PM Modi, he said that he would like to thank him for making him 'atmanirbhar' (independent) and for instilling in him a sense of responsibility. He also said that he received his first cheque from the government in 2012 under Khel Mahakumbh when Modi served as Gujarat's CM.

Ajay Sharma, a member of the Indian diaspora, said that they are all excited to welcome PM Modi and added that friends living in other parts of Poland

have also booked their tickets to travel to Warsaw to see PM Modi.

Ajay Sharma said, "I have been in Poland for almost 6 years. I came here as a student in 2018. Then I established my own company here. And after I completed my studies, now I am working for my own company and growing my own company. We are very excited. Our friends and colleagues in different cities are asking about PM Modi's schedule and they have even booked their tickets to travel to Warsaw to see PM Modi.

"All of us are excited to witness this moment as its after 40 years, the Indian PM will travel to Warsaw.

Recharge like a Champion: Coca-Cola unveils Limca GlucoCharge

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: The Coca-Cola Company unveils a new brand identity for its affordable glucose and electrolyte drink under its home-grown brand Limca – the all-new Limca GlucoCharge. With its unique combination of glucose and electrolytes, Limca GlucoCharge is a go-to beverage for rapid rehydration and energy, perfect for on-ground and everyday sweat moments and challenges to energize those leading an active on-the-go life. Limca GlucoCharge, was introduced during the Olympics with a squad of champions – Neeraj Chopra, Men's India Hockey Team along with Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty. Through a series of brand films, the brand showcased its commitment to support the golden boy with 'silver' lining empower the dynamic duo and back the powerful hockey team and its heroes.

Toyota Kirloskar Motor Installs Three New Water Purification Units in Ramanagara District

CHANDIGARH: Continuing its unwavering dedication to improving the health and quality of life among local communities, Toyota Kirloskar Motor (TKM) today announced the installation and operationalization of three new water purification units in the Ramanagara District. The newly installed units in Benne Halli, Kodiyala Karendahalli, and Chennemanganoaddodd significantly enhance access to clean drinking water for the local communities. Given the urgent need for a drinking water unit, these facilities serve as a vital lifeline for the community, ensuring they have reliable access to safe and clean drinking water. Mr. Sudeep Davli -SVP and Chief Communication Officer, Toyota Kirloskar Motor said, "At Toyota Kirloskar Motor, we believe that our commitment to the community extends far beyond just manufacturing vehicles.

IDBI Bank Announces Enhanced Interest Rates on Utsav Fixed Deposit

Chandigarh: IDBI Bank announces enhanced interest rates on the Utsav Fixed Deposit scheme for a limited period. The Bank has increased the interest rates on special tenures of 444 days and 375 days, now offering a peak rate of 7.85% and 7.75% per annum. This enhancement makes the Utsav Fixed Deposit an even more compelling option for customers seeking higher yields. This limited period offer is valid till September 30, 2024. Customers can open an Utsav Fixed Deposit conveniently through the Bank's website or mobile banking application or at any IDBI Bank branch.

Ginni Soyabean launches in a new avatar

PARWANOO: Bunge India, a prominent name in the global agribusiness and food industry, proudly announces the launch of GinniSoyabean in a fresh new avatar. A company with over 200+ years of expertise in agribusiness and food processing, Bunge India remains steadfast in its commitment to delivering high-quality, affordable products to consumers. Ginni Soyabean, a popular choice among consumers who value both taste and quality, is making a comeback targeted at the economy and affordable segments. This launch underscores Bunge India's dedication to meeting the needs of a diverse consumer base while maintaining cost-effectiveness without compromising on quality. Contains vitamins A, D, and E, Ginni Soyabean helps contribute to overall well-being. Additionally, it is a source of Omega-3 fatty acids and Polyunsaturated Fatty Acids (PUFAs), which are crucial for maintaining normal blood cholesterol levels.

TIE Chandigarh to organize Teej Celebrations aiming at women empowerment and networking

TIE Chandigarh is organizing a special Teej Celebration dedicated to honoring and celebrating the spirit of women entrepreneurs on August 21 at Hotel Wyndham, Mohali. As the largest women-exclusive event in the area, this celebration promises a dynamic mix of culture, empowerment, and networking, making it a must-attend for everyone who believes in the power of women-led initiatives. Event Highlights includes: Business Showcases, Inspiration & Empowerment, Networking Opportunities and Cultural Extravaganza. According to Ms Isha Taneja, Chair, TIE Chandigarh "We are excited to announce the upcoming TIE Teej Entrepreneurship Event, a vibrant celebration of innovation, culture, and entrepreneurship. This event will provide a platform for aspiring entrepreneurs to connect, collaborate, and showcase their ideas. With a focus on empowering women and promoting creativity, TIE Teej is set to inspire a new wave of business leaders in our community".

SBI Life Insurance partners with (PCI) as a Gold Sponsor for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games

ROHTAK / SONIPAT: SBI Life Insurance, one of India's most trusted life insurance companies, steps up to partner with the Paralympic Committee of India (PCI) as a Gold Sponsor for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games starting on 28th August 2024 in Paris. This alliance aims to meaningfully connect with the sports enthusiasts by spreading awareness about the importance of insurance and its role in empowering every individual to fulfil their dreams and build a financially secured future. The Paralympic Games stand as a global stage where extraordinary athletes from across the world demonstrate that limitations are not barriers but stepping stones to greatness. By partnering with PCI, SBI Life aims to highlight its commitment to fostering independence in thinking, supporting inclusivity in sports and empowering individuals to pursue their dreams, regardless of the challenges they face.

MG Windsor, India's First Intelligent Crossover Utility Vehicle

Chandigarh: JSW MG Motor India, in a latest video, has teased the "Infinitely Glass Roof" of its much-anticipated vehicle - MG Windsor, India's first Intelligent Crossover Utility Vehicle (CUV). This innovation has a bespoke design that seamlessly fuses the outdoor environment with the plush cabin of the car, providing the occupants with a panoramic and immersive driving experience. With this expansive glass roof, proud owners of the MG Windsor can enjoy an uninterrupted connection with the outdoors, whether navigating through urban landscapes or the serene countryside. This one-of-a-kind feature not only adds a touch of luxury but also enhances the sense of space, resulting in an airy feel inside the advanced cabin, making every journey more enjoyable. The Infinitely Glass Roof perfectly complements the Windsor's elegant design, making it an ideal choice for Indian consumers who value both premium style and comfort. This teaser follows the recent reveal of the CUV's segment-first Aero-Lounge seats, which have already set a new standard for comfort and luxury. These features make the MG Windsor one of the top choices for Indian consumers who want a premium driving experience without compromising on practicality and performance. The Intelligent CUV is inspired by the iconic architectural masterpiece and emblem of royal heritage – the Windsor Castle in the UK. Similar to the legendary castle, MG Windsor demonstrates meticulous craftsmanship and a commitment to excellence. Attention to detail is another hallmark of this largest occupied castle in the world.

4 things to do to stay fit with a busy schedule

Is staying fit important for you? But with a tight schedule and in between chasing deadlines, going to the gym might not always be possible.

But little goes a long way and we need to carve a bit of time to move the body and imbibe daily movement practice of some sort. Staying healthy and carving out time for fitness is more than just a trend. Building a fitness routine helps one with stress relief and enhances focus. Moreover, one can feel a boost of energy swirling through.

Belting out a list where you'll find small yet effective ways you can imbibe in your day-to-day life to stay fit and on top of your game.

Movement Practice
Our lifestyle has been getting more sedentary these days and our strides are done when we get up to grab a snack. This makes us prone to getting stiff back and gaining weight. Bid adieu to stiff back and fatigue by taking walks in between and dedicate at least an hour post meal to count as many steps as you could. Alternatively, you can use stairs, do a 10-minute workout, or just dance it all out.

Consume Goodness
Grabbing some bites of your favourite snack isn't a crime. Making smart and good choices will serve you in the long run. You may switch to creamy yogurt, nuts, bananas,



apples, and so on. A bowl of fresh fruits on your desk can be worthy and fun and your taste

buds will love the same. Apart from snack consumption make sure you stay hydrated.

Sweet Sleep
A consistent sleep schedule is a promising pillar and one of the fundamentals of building a healthier life. Bedtime hygiene can be a little ritual you can follow as you hit the bed. Quality sleep doesn't only enhance your mood but proves to improve immunity as well.

Sweat Session
Sweating helps one to get rid of any toxic elements in the body. It definitely feels rejuvenating!

Considering you have a few minutes you can jump on a HIIT workout session, do a few bodyweight exercises, or just go for a run.

Amity University Punjab honoured with MY FM Excellence Award for Academic Research Leadership

Mohali: Amity University Punjab is proud to announce that it has been awarded the prestigious MY FM Excellence Award with the title "Award for Excellence - Academic Research Leader Award." This distinguished recognition underscores the university's unwavering commitment to advancing academic research and contributing to the global knowledge economy. The award was presented by the renowned actress Chitrangada Singh, who graced the ceremony with her presence, adding a touch of glamour and prestige to the occasion and the award was received



by Mr. Sahil Kapoor, Director, Amity University Punjab. The accolade reflects Amity University Punjab's relentless pursuit of excellence in academic research, a cornerstone of the institution's mission to nurture innovation and thought leadership among its students and faculty.

Amity University Punjab has consistently focused on high-end academic research, fostering an environment where groundbreaking ideas can flourish. The university's emphasis on research-driven education has enabled it to emerge as a leader in the academic community.

Shri Dharendra Shastri Endorses "The Diary of West Bengal": A Mission Beyond Cinema

Bhageshwar Dham's Shri Dharendra Shastri has passionately endorsed the upcoming film "The Diary of West Bengal," emphasising



Singh (formerly Waseem Rizvi), who converted to Hinduism and now goes by Jitendra Shukla. Shastri Ji praised Rizvi's bold stand against threats, declaring, "Full Sanatan Dham is with Waseem Rizvi." He urged Hindus from Bangladesh and West Bengal to face challenges courageously, highlighting the film's powerful depiction of these struggles.

"This is not just a movie; it's a mission," Shastri Ji asserted, marking this as the first time he has endorsed a film so wholeheartedly. He praised the film for addressing critical issues such as the Rohingya crisis, love jihad, and violence against women, calling it an eye-opener for the nation. "The Diary of West Bengal," produced by Jitendra Narayan Singh and directed by Sanoj Mishra, is set to release on August 30, 2024. With a star-studded cast, the film is expected to spark significant conversation on communal tensions and the path to peace.

that his support is driven by devotion, not promotion. During a recent visit by the film's team to Chhatarpur, Shastri Ji expressed his admiration for Jitendra Narayan

insights into the latest tools and technologies, along with hands-on demonstrations that were highly appreciated by both students and faculty. The event was attended by Dr. Seema, Principal of CTIHS, Dr. Arun, HOD of Physiotherapy, faculty members, and students. Dr. Inderpreet Singh expressed his satisfaction, stating, "I'm pleased to share this knowledge with the bright minds at CTIHS and hope it enhances their future practice in healthcare."

CT Institute of Higher Studies Hosts Expert Talk on Multidisciplinary Pulmonary Care



Jalandhar (J S SODHI) The Department of Physiotherapy at CT Institute of Higher Studies (CTIHS) recently organized an expert talk on the multidisciplinary approach to pulmonary care, led by Dr. Inderpreet Singh, MD Chest, from Reheat Medicity. The session highlighted the complexities of ICU patient care during chest drainage, with Dr. Singh emphasizing the significance of a multidisciplinary approach in pulmonary care. He provided in-depth

Tata Tea Agni's new campaign celebrates the Selfless Josh of homemakers

Ambassador: Tata Tea Agni, a flagship brand from Tata Tea's diverse portfolio, has launched a new campaign celebrating homemakers' tireless spirit and unwavering energy, embodying the brand's proposition "Josh Jagaye Har Roz." The new brand communication is a powerful tribute to the determination of every homemaker, who works round the clock to nurture and support her family to make their dreams come alive. Passion takes many forms, each ignited by one's unique spirit. It can be the bold roar of a sportswoman breaking barriers and challenging norms or the quiet, steadfast dedication of a homemaker. Speaking about the launch of the TVC, Puneet Des, President, Packaged Beverages, Tata Consumer Products, states, "Tata Tea Agni is one of the largest brands under the Tata Tea portfolio, with a national presence. This new campaign is our effort to celebrate the homemakers in India who are also our core consumers. The energy and 'Josh' of a homemaker is boundless and depicts the spirit of brand Agni—the 'Josh' within. This TVC is a salute to all homemakers for the special role they play in our lives." The new Tata Tea Agni TVC highlights the daily contributions of homemakers who are driven by boundless passion and indomitable spirit. The film portrays a homemaker who rises before dawn, fuelled by unparalleled energy, to tirelessly support her family's dreams. Her incredible dedication and fiery spirit are captured with the quote, "Itna Josh Kahan Se Laati Ho? Tabhi to Tum Agni kehlati Ho."

American Oncology Institute (AOI) in Gurugram Treated a Rare Case of Double Malignancy

Gurugram: American Oncology Institute (AOI) in Gurugram has successfully treated a rare and complex case of double malignancy in a 73-year-old woman from southern India. The patient presented with postmenopausal bleeding for about one month, and examinations revealed a 3 cm endocervical growth extending into the upper vagina, alongside a lump in the right breast. Upon further evaluation, the breast lump was identified as a 3.0 x 3.1 x 2.4 cm invasive ductal carcinoma. The cervical mass was diagnosed as squamous cell carcinoma. Additionally, FDG scans also showed active lymph nodes in the right armpit and left area near the rectum. Dr (Brig) Anil Kumar Dhar, HOD, Medical Oncologist, AOI Gurugram, commented on the case, & This case was particularly challenging due to the rarity and complexity of treating two malignancies concurrently. Our team at AOI Gurugram meticulously planned and executed a multi-modality treatment approach, resulting in a successful outcome. This case not only underscores our commitment to pro-

viding personalized and effective cancer care but also sets a precedent for treating similar cases in the future. & The treatment approach for this challenging case involved a multi-modality strategy, including concurrent chemotherapy and radiotherapy for the cervical cancer, followed by surgery for the breast can-



cer, and subsequent adjuvant chemotherapy and hormonal therapy. This comprehensive treatment plan led to a complete response, and the patient is currently in remission. Harish Trivedi, CEO of CTSI - South Asia, remarked, & This case exemplifies AOI

Gurugram's dedication to managing the most challenging cancer cases through a multidisciplinary approach. The patient's remarkable recovery highlights our capability to provide world-class healthcare and reinforces our commitment to delivering exceptional cancer care across South Asia. Dr Amit Dhawan, RCOG, AOI Gurugram, added, "The successful management of this rare double malignancy case highlights the expertise and dedication of our team at AOI Gurugram. We are proud of the comprehensive care provided, which ensured a positive outcome for the patient. This case exemplifies the high standard of cancer treatment we strive to deliver. American Oncology Institute (AOI) at Arvay Healthcare Super Specialty Hospital is one of the best cancer hospitals in Gurugram, North India. It offers world-class cancer care treatments and diagnostics in Gurugram and the neighboring states. American Oncology Institute (AOI) brings with it the network of super-specialty cancer hospitals in India and South Asia.

Marico Ltd. launches Hair & Care Oil in Serum

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: Hair & Care, the hair oil brand from Marico Ltd, known for providing upto 100% damage repair, has announced the launch of innovative Hair & Care Oil in Serum. This innovative serum delivers the styling of serum with the added goodness of almonds. Launched in West Bengal, Orissa, Punjab, and the Northeast region, the Hair & Care Oil

in Serum features an ultra-light serum formula enriched with goodness of Almond oil and infused with Vitamin E. This combination helps control frizz, leaving your hair smooth, shiny, and silky at an affordable price of Rs 2 per use. Speaking on the launch, Somasree Bose Awasthi, Chief Marketing Officer, Marico Ltd. said, "Women enjoy the beauty that comes with leaving their hair open, but

frizz and tangles can often stand in the way of achieving that perfect look. That's why we've introduced Hair & Care Oil in Serum—an innovative product that brings together the styling benefits of a serum and the nourishing goodness of almond oil. Understanding that serums are often seen as costly, we've ensured that Hair & Care Oil in Serum is an affordable.

Lawyer Desk Unveils AI-Powered "Law Book" Mobile App

LawyerDesk.ai, a trailblazer in AI legal technology, proudly announces the launch of "LawBook", an advanced mobile app designed to redefine legal education for law students across India. This cutting-edge app leverages artificial intelligence to provide an unparalleled learning experience, equipping students with the knowledge and skills they need to excel in their legal careers.

"LawBook" is a comprehensive educational platform brimming with features that cater to the diverse needs of law students. It combines traditional legal resources with innovative AI-driven tools to create a dynamic and interactive learning environment.

Key Features of Law Book: Case Generator: Generate case scenarios based on various types of law, allowing students to practice and hone their legal reasoning and argumentation skills.

Legal Research: Access a vast database of legal texts, case laws, statutes, and journals, all easily searchable and regularly updated.

Legal Drafting: Tools to assist in the creation of legal documents, helping students learn the intricacies of legal writing and formatting.

Learning Tools: Engage with mind maps, notes, flashcards, and AI lawyer personas to enhance understanding and retention of legal concepts.

Moot Court Simulation: Experience simulated moot court environments, complete with realistic case scenarios and role-playing, to practice courtroom skills.

User-Friendly Interface: An intuitive design that ensures easy navigation and accessibility to all features.

"We are thrilled to introduce "LawBook", an app that embodies our commitment to innovation in legal education," said ANUSHITA KARUNAKARAM, CEO of LawyerDesk.ai. "By integrating advanced AI capabilities with comprehensive legal resources, Law Book provides a holistic learning experience that prepares law students for the complexities of the legal profession.

108 Ambulance Organizes First Responder Training in Patiala

Patiala: 108 Ambulance, a leading healthcare service provider in Punjab, conducted a

Participants engaged in practical demonstrations and interactive sessions



Program underscores our commitment to preparing the next generation of healthcare providers. By imparting critical skills and knowledge, we aim to empower these students to confidently respond to emergencies and contribute positively to community health."

designed to simulate real-life scenarios. Divulging details about the program,

practical training initiatives across Punjab.

SKH Announces SKH M – A Strategic Alliance with Magna in India

GURUGRAM : Krishna Group's Metals Division, SKH, has forged a strategic alliance with global automotive systems leader Magna International Inc for Body and Chassis operations in India. SKH and Magna have created a new strategic alliance – SKH M. This new alliance marks a significant milestone in SKH's expansion strategy and bolsters its position in the automotive components sector.

This strategic alliance builds on SKH's two-decade history of international partnerships spanning multiple continents. The company has established collaborations with industry leaders from various countries including Spain, Italy, Japan, and Canada. This diverse alliance portfolio, reaching across Europe, Asia, and North America, highlights SKH's commitment to global expertise and innovation in the automotive components sector.

The alliance aims to combine SKH's lean manufacturing strength with Magna cutting-edge technology to drive innovation in Chassis and Body-in-White (BIW) Systems. By leveraging the strengths of both companies, this strategic alliance is set to enhance product offerings, expand market reach, and push the boundaries of technological advancement in the automotive sector.

Mr. Sunandan Kapur, Vice-Chairman of Krishna Group said, "At SKH, we have always strived to be at the forefront of innovation and excellence in the automotive industry. This alliance with Magna for body and chassis operations in India is a testament to our commitment to pushing boundaries and creating value for our customers. It represents not just a step forward for our Metals Division, but a leap towards realizing our group's vision of being a global leader in automotive solutions."

Mr. John O'Hara, President Cosma International, added, "We are thrilled to partner with SKH, a company that shares our commitment to innovation and excellence. This alliance allows us to combine our technological expertise with SKH's strong manufacturing capabilities and market presence in India. Together, we're poised to deliver cutting-edge solutions that will shape the future of the automotive industry."

"This strategic alliance represents a significant step in SKH's growth, enhancing our capabilities in advanced chassis and BIW Systems," said Mr. Manish Gupta, Head-Strategy, & Marketing at SKH. "We are excited to synergize our best practices with Magna's operational excellence, delivering the best of both worlds to our customers."

Tiger's journey to the top of Mount Elbrus

Chandigarh, August 19: Ankit, a fitness freak from tricity, has resolved to conquer the challenging peak of Mount Elbrus to fulfill his adventure dreams. Situated at an altitude of 5,642 meters, Mount Elbrus is the highest mountain in Europe and is considered a coveted goal for mountaineers around the world.



Where the average temperature often remains in the range of -15 to -20 degrees.

Ankit has spent months preparing for his journey, from physical training to mental toughness. He has set out on this adventure with his partner Shakti Negi, where their goal is not only to reach the summit but also to set an example by creating a record. Ankit Malik will set a record by hoisting a 78 meter long tricolor on the top of Elbrus on the coming 15th August, India's 78th Independence Day.

His friends and family are extremely proud of his journey and wish him success. Everyone is wholeheartedly supporting Tiger's journey, and it is hoped that he will hoist the tricolor on the top of Mount Elbrus safely and successfully.

Ankit's journey is not only a story of his courage and dedication, but also an inspiration for all those people who are ready to work hard and take bold steps to make their dreams come true.

Jindal IVF Expands Services to Mandi Through Strategic Partnership with Mandav Hospital

MANDI: Jindal IVF, a leading institute in Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART) and In Vitro Fertilization (IVF), has announced a strategic partnership with Mandav Hospital, Mandi. This collaboration, effective since July 2024, aims to bring Jindal IVF's renowned fertility treatments closer to the residents of Mandi and surrounding regions. The partnership is designed to enhance patient accessibility and convenience by offering comprehensive fertility services locally, with minimal travel required.

Under this collaboration, Mandav Hospital will serve as the local hub for initial patient screenings, consultations, and counseling sessions. Patients will also receive stimulation treatments, including necessary injections and medication, at Mandav Hospital. These preliminary phases of treatment will be closely reviewed by senior

consultants at Jindal IVF Chandigarh, ensuring that patients receive the same high standard of care that Jindal IVF is known for. Additionally, a counselor, specially appointed and trained by Jindal IVF, will be stationed at Mandav Hospital to provide personalized support and guidance throughout the treatment process.

Patients will only need to travel to Jindal IVF Chandigarh for essential procedures like Ovum Pickup (OPU) and Embryo Transfer (ET). Following these critical treatments, all post-procedure monitoring and follow-up care will be conveniently managed at Mandav Hospital, under the expert guidance of Jindal IVF's senior consultants.

This arrangement not only minimizes the need for frequent and lengthy travel but also ensures that patients can receive top-tier fertility care while staying comfortably close to home. The success rates achieved through this

partnership are among the highest in the field, demonstrating the rigorous standards upheld by Jindal IVF.

"Our collaboration with Mandav Hospital marks an exciting new chapter in fertility care for the region," said Dr. Sheetal Jindal, Senior Consultant and IVF-PGT expert at Jindal IVF. "This partnership isn't just about expanding our services; it's about integrating our expertise with Mandav's commitment to compassionate care to create a truly patient-centered approach. We're bringing the best of both worlds together—cutting-edge technology and personalized support—to make advanced fertility treatments more accessible and less daunting.

Dr. Sandeep Banga of Mandav Hospital remarked, "The pressing need for specialized fertility care in our region has been evident, and our partnership with Jindal IVF steps up to meet this demand.

Ecom express limited files DRHP with SEBI for up to rs.2600 crore ipo

Chandigarh: Ecom Express Limited is India's only pure-play B2C e-commerce logistics solutions provider as of the Financial Year 2024 (Source: RedSeer Report). Ecom Express pan-India reach covers over 27,000 PIN codes and it has the widest coverage amongst its peers as of March 31, 2024 (Source: RedSeer Report), with a network of 317 (covering sorting hubs, processing centers, return centers and fulfillment centers), and 3,421 delivery centers, in each case as of March 31, 2024, the PIN codes Ecom Express cover collectively account for approximately 97% of India's population (Source: RedSeer Report).

vivo India Announces Second Edition of vivo Imagine Smartphone Photography Awards

CHANDIGARH: On the occasion of World Photography Day, vivo, the trusted global smartphone brand, unveiled the second edition of vivo Imagine Smartphone Photography Awards to celebrate the power of imagination, encouraging photographers to push the boundaries of creativity and showcase their unique perspectives through the lens of their smartphones. Esteemed Writer and Film-maker Zoya Akhtar will lead the distinguished jury, joined by photography luminaries Vineet Vohra, Rakesh Pulapa, and Amair Wani. The awards encompass six captivating and distinct categories: Nature & Wildlife, Architecture, Portraits, Night & Light, Motion and Street Photography. As entries close on September 8, the jury will select 30 finalists. These finalists will face an exciting challenge, with an opportunity to submit their work for final evaluation. They will also get an opportunity to attend photography masterclasses led by renowned photographers and jury members Vineet Vohra, Rakesh Pulapa, and Amair Wani, to further refine their photography skills. The grand prize winner will receive a cash prize of INR 5 lakhs, while six category winners will win a vivo X100 Pro each at the grand finale event to be organised in Mumbai. Geetaj Channana, Head of Corporate Strategy, vivo India said, "As we celebrate World Photography Day, we are thrilled to announce the second edition of the vivo Imagine Smartphone Photography Awards, themed 'Joy of Imagination.'

Rohit Sharma Joins Forces with Fitrr to Spark a Fitness Revolution in India



CHANDIGARH: In a bold move set to transform the fitness landscape of India, cricket icon Rohit Sharma has announced a strategic partnership with Fitrr, one of India's leading fitness platforms. This collaboration introduces the Fitrr Hart ring, a cutting-edge smart ring designed to seamlessly integrate health tracking into everyday life, making fitness more accessible, personal, and engaging for millions of Indians. In a nation where the pressures of modern life are increasingly taking a toll on health, this partnership couldn't be more timely. With a mission to inspire a shift from sedentary habits to active lifestyles, Rohit Sharma and Fitrr are poised to lead India towards a new era of well-being, where fitness is no longer a luxury but a way of life. Jitendra Chouksey, Founder & CEO of Fitrr, sees this partnership as a catalyst for widespread change. "Partnering with Rohit Sharma allows us to connect with people from all walks of life—athletes, professionals, and everyone in between. The Fitrr Hart ring is our way of saying that fitness is for everyone, and we're here to support you every step of the way." Rohit Sharma, represented exclusively by Rise Worldwide, has long been a proponent of maintaining peak physical condition, and is enthusiastic about what this partnership means for India. "Fitness isn't just about hitting the gym—it's about understanding your body and making informed choices every day, regarding overall wellbeing," Sharma said. "The Fitrr Hart ring will be a tool for people to take control of their health in a way that's simple, effective, and most importantly, personalized."

Anil Sandhu Monty holds meeting of Congress workers



PREETI SAINI
SADHAURA : In view of the Haryana Assembly elections, the Congress Party is organising a constituency level conference in Sadhaura on 22nd August, for which Congress leader and Zila Parishad member Anil Sandhu Monty held a meeting of workers. Addressing the Congress workers, Anil Sandhu Monty said that now the assembly elections are near, all the workers should work to strengthen the Congress Party at their own level. Anil Sandhu Monty appealed to the workers to reach the Congress Party's public conference to be held on 22nd August in maximum numbers and make the program a success. During this, Sanjeev Saini BKU, Prateek Bansal, Ankush Chauhan, Sube Singh, Manish Kanipia, Darshan Kanipia, Pradeep Fauji, Anil Bains were present on the occasion.

Globe Heritage International School wins national Karate championship

VIJAY KAUSHIK
LADWA: Students of Globe Heritage International School won the National Karate Championship. School's sports department teacher Sanjay Kumar informed that the three-day national karate competition was organized at Tau Devi Lal Stadium Panchkula. In which students of Globe Heritage International School participated from Haryana and won 13 medals including four gold, three silver and six bronze medals. The players who won medals were Amritpal Singh, Arnab Garg, Priyank Banchal and Dhruvika won the gold medal while Bhagat Ram, Aviral and Archana won the silver medal and Dev Garg, Eric, Keshav Rana, Kunal, Sarthak and Anika won the bronze medal. The winners were welcomed on reaching the school.

Tributes paid to former PM Rajiv Gandhi on Sadbhavana Diwas

VIJAY KAUSHIK
LADWA: A heartfelt floral tribute was paid to former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi on his birth anniversary. His birthday is celebrated as Sadbhavana Diwas. Sanjay Gandhi Memorial Senior Secondary Public School, Dhanora-Ladwa Principal Dharmendra Kheda, Vice Principal Narendra Sharma, teachers and students paid floral tributes before the portrait of late Rajiv Gandhi and paid homage to him. Dharmendra Kheda said that Bharat Ratna Rajiv Gandhi was a reluctant politician who became the Prime Minister of India in 1984 after the assassination of his mother, the then Prime Minister of India Indira Gandhi. During his tenure, he introduced the use of computer technology and telecommunications and revolutionized the field.

No one safe under BJP government: Kumari Selja

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, AUG 20

All India Congress Committee General Secretary, former Union Minister and MP Selja started a yatra from Kamboj Dharamshala in Karnal against the alleged anti-people policies of the BJP government on the occasion of the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister late Rajiv Gandhi at 10 am today. The Congress Yatra in Karnal started from Kamboj Dharamshala via Valmiki Chowk, Karnal Gate Market, Mahavir Chowk near Old Sabzi Mandi, Nehru Place Gate, near Post Office Gate, Mahavir Dal Hospital Gate, in front of Miglani Hospital, in front of Suvidha Showroom, near Randhir Cinema, Civil Hospital Chowk, Mela Ram School, Sachdeva Hospital



and ended at Madan Lal Dhingra Chowk. Selja said that we have got two CMs from Karnal, yet the people here are the most unhappy. The biggest scam of the state also happened in Karnal. She said that today neither women are safe, nor businessmen. The future of the youth is at stake. Today is Rajiv Gandhi's birth anniversary. When he dreamt of the technological era, the opposition raised a hue and

cry, but today we are moving ahead with the same technology. Rajiv Gandhi dreamt of giving people's power to the people. He had the thought of fulfilling Dr. Ambedkar's dream. Today Rahul Gandhi is also moving ahead with the same thought. When he speaks in the Parliament to raise the voice of the people, all the ministers stand up one by one, but he does not stop. She said that for the last

Mahant Rajendra Puri expresses support for BJP

YAGYADATT SHASTRI
PIHOWA: A press conference was held at a private institution in Pihowa under the leadership of Mahant Rajendra Puri from Jag Jyoti Darbar Bijadpur. During the interaction with journalists, Mahant Rajendra Puri shared his reasons for joining the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). He expressed admiration for the work and policies of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, former Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar, and the current Chief Minister Nayab Saini. Mahant Rajendra Puri highlighted how Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership has earned respect for India not just within the country but also abroad. He commended Modi for achieving what was once considered impossible, such as the abrogation of Article 370 in Jammu and Kashmir and the enactment of laws like the triple talaq ban. Rajendra Puri pledged to fulfill any responsibilities assigned to him by the BJP. When asked about his potential role as a legislator from the Pihowa constituency, he stated that his primary focus would be on the protection of cows. He emphasized that the survival of the nation and its religion is tied to the preservation of cows, advocating for the need to balance religious and political duties. He also outlined his priorities if elected, which include ensuring the security of religious sites like temples and gurdwaras, maintaining cleanliness and drainage systems in Pihowa and surrounding areas, and regulating the issuance of Aadhaar cards and passports to control population growth.

Development of entire humanity is possible only by adopting scientific mindset: Nisha Raj

MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI, AUG 20

A seminar was organized on the occasion of National Scientific Mindset Day under the joint aegis of Chemistry, Physics and Mathematics Department of Shaheed Udham Singh Government College, Matak Majri Karnal on Tuesday. The theme of this seminar was "Scientific Mindset and human welfare". In this seminar, Dr. Nisha Raj, Professor of Physics Science of Government College, Barwala, participated as the keynote speaker and shared her views on the related topic with the students. Dr. Deepa, Senior Professor of Science Department of the college welcomed the students. In her address, she formally welcomed the keynote speaker



and while throwing light on the topic of the seminar, she said that it was not necessary to be a science student to have a scientific mindset. Any common man who was capable of analyzing the circumstances around him can do so. In fact, he was no less than a scientist. Scientific mindset was an international subject and its relevance in the current and practical scenario cannot be denied.

Professor Sumit Goyal of the Mathematics Department gave a detailed introduction of the keynote speaker and

Competitions boost students' confidence: Sudesh Thakral

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, AUG 20

A district-level science seminar on the topic of "Artificial Intelligence: Possibilities and Concerns" was organized at PM Shri Government Senior Secondary School in Karnal. The seminar saw participation from the first and second-place winners of the block-level science seminars.

The registration for the district-level seminar began at 10:00 AM, with the event starting at 10:30 AM. The block-level seminars, held on 9 August, involved students and teachers from 69 government and private schools. The winners from these block-level events advanced to the district-level seminar, where they took a written exam followed by the seminar



presentation. District Science Specialist Deepak Verma conducted the seminar, while the judging panel consisted of Dr. Pawan, Chemistry Lecturer Sapna Puri, Biology Lecturer Shahid, Chemistry Lecturer Meenakshi, and Biology Lecturer Dr. Renu Verma from DIET Shahpur supervised the entire event. All participating students were honored with certificates of appreciation.

Sudesh Thakral, the District Education Officer of Karnal, congratulated the winners and encouraged all participants to actively engage in such competitions, highlighting how they help boost students' confidence. The event was attended by Principal Mini Sharma, Physics Lecturer Deepika Kakkar, Surrender, District Nodal Officer Deepak Verma, and various other officials.

BJP made welfare schemes for all classes: Garg



NIRMAL SAINI
RADAUR: BJP District Vice President and senior leader Amit Garg said that whenever BJP was in power, it made welfare schemes keeping in mind people of every class. Development work has been done equally in all areas. He was addressing the people in Jathlana, Daulatpur and Kamalapur under his public relations campaign. People were made aware of the party's policies. Garg said that the BJP government has always been farmer friendly. Where earlier the government took the decision to buy crops at MSP. Now again the state government has decided to give bonus to farmers on Kharif crops in case of less rainfall in the monsoon season. Farmers are getting good prices for crops in BJP rule. He said that the farmer class is happy today, whereas in the earlier governments, it was ignored.

City residents plant saplings enthusiastically on Rakhi



CHEET RAM RATAN
NAWANSHAH: Residents of ward number 17 Sant Nagar, Begumpura Nagar, Triwani Mohalla and Navani Abadi planted 100 shady and fruit trees enthusiastically in the Nagar Palika Public Garden DAV School Road Nawanshahr on the occasion of Rakhi festival under the leadership of Kudrat Ashirwad Kalyan Sanstha Director Chet Ram Ratan Senior Councilor, and Bibi, sisters and brothers.

Remembering their brothers and sisters on the virtue of Rakhi, they planted trees and appealed to the people to plant as many trees as possible to make the public garden of the municipality green. Pradhan Satpal Singh, Dr. Avtar Tari, Gurnam Singh, Inderpall Singh, Madam Kamlesh Kumari President, Bibi Bhajan, Bhim Prakash, Jagtar Singh, Gyani Tarlochan Singh, Gurdev Singh demanded from Councilor Chet Ram Ratan to clear the garbage heap and make a park. After a long struggle, they succeeded in making the park. He said that we also congratulate and thank the Nagar Parishad administration and Ward Koslar.

Rajiv Gandhi gave right to vote to youth of country at age of 18: Shandilya



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
AMBALA: National President of Anti Terrorist Front India Veeresh Shandilya today remembered former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi on his birth anniversary, who sacrificed his life for the unity and integrity of the country, and offered flowers on his picture. Kulwant Singh Manakpur, Mukul Goyal, Harsh Sharma, Pandit Mohan Lal, Suresh Sharma, Surendra Dhiman, Ajay Aju, Rajan Arora, Mohan Lal, Sanjeev Seth were present on this occasion. National President of Anti Terrorist Front India Veeresh Shandilya said that first of all I salute Rajiv Gandhi's mother who gave birth to him and was called the Iron Lady of the country. Rajiv Gandhi, who was born to this great Iron Lady, also sacrificed for the country and gave birth to the communication revolution during his tenure as Prime Minister. Rajiv Gandhi was the one who introduced ATM and computer and Rajiv Gandhi reduced the voting age of the country's young generation from 21 to 18 years and gave strength to Panchayati Raj.

Gursevak Singh of Shri Brahmarshi Vidya Mandir to show talent in science seminar



KAMAL SHARMA
TARAORI: Students of Shri Brahmrishi Vidya Mandir Convent School performed well in the district level science seminar organized at Government Senior Secondary School, Karnal. The top student was felicitated on reaching the school. It is noteworthy that students from many schools participated in the district level science seminar. The program was presided over by senior education officers and educationists. Students who were winners at the block level from all private and government schools participated in the science seminar. Gursevak Singh, a class XII student of Shri Brahmarshi Vidya Mandir Convent Tarawari, secured third position in the competition and included the name of Nilokheri block and his school in the top-3. The winning students will participate in the state level science seminar to be held in the coming week. The program was inspected by the district science expert of the district.

Sarbat Da Bhala Trust distributes pension cheques to needy widows: Inj Sidhu



KARNPREET KARAN
BARNALA: About 190 needy widows and invalids were distributed monthly pension checks by Sarbat da Bhala Trust at the local Guru Ghar Tap Asthan Bibi Pradhan Kaur and about 10 new forms were filled by the needy. This information was not released to the press, the president of the organization, Eng. In order to educate the society and to suppress the problems that are flourishing in the society, because lakhs of patriots have sacrificed their lives to get this freedom and lakhs of people have spent many years in Kale Pani and other jails. Sun Sidhu congratulated all the attendees on Independence Day. On this occasion, Warrant Officer Balwinder Singh Dhindsa, Avtar Singh Bhure, Kulwinder Singh Kala, Gurjant Singh, Sonu, Subedar, Gurjant Singh, Naiwala, Jathedar, Gurmeet Singh, Dhaura, Hauldar, Basant Singh, Ugo, Gurdev Singh, Makar, Jathedar, Gurdarshan Singh, Bhan Singh, Manjit Kaur and Hundreds of beneficiaries were present.

DAV Police Public School, Jagadhri wins 12 medals in district level Karate Championship



RAHUL KOHLI
JAGADHRI: Students of DAV Police Public School Jagadhri won 12 medals in the district level Karate Championship and made its name in the championship among all the schools. The Karate Championship was organized in Ambala by District Karate Association Haryana. Students of many schools of the district participated in it. The students who won silver medals were Avika, Vanshika, Jhalak, Bhavish Rath, Samar Chaudhary and Avish Mahala and Lavya, Jiya Sharma, Kunj Sharma, Adil Ali, Dhruv and Hdayanshu won bronze medals. This success was achieved under the leadership of teacher Neha Verma. The school's principal Anup Kumar Chopra congratulated all the winning students and said that this success was the result of the continuous practice and hard work of teacher Neha Verma and the students. The principal said that D.A.V. Police Public School will provide all possible facilities, training and assistance for the all-round development of the students so that in future also the students can achieve similar success and bring glory to the school.

Distt Admin prepares for assembly elections, key arrangements and voter guidelines



RANVIR PARASHAR
KAITHAL: District Election Officer and Deputy Commissioner (DC) Dr. Vivek Bharti announced that the district administration is fully prepared for the upcoming Assembly elections. In a press conference held at the Mini Secretariat, Dr. Bharti provided an overview of the preparations and outlined important voter guidelines. Dr. Bharti confirmed that officials have been appointed for all four Assembly constituencies in the district. Eligible voters have until September 2 to register or update their voter details. He also mentioned that the district has 7,605 differently-abled voters and 10,803 elderly voters above 85 years of age. These voters have the option to cast their votes either from their homes or at polling stations, but they must inform the election office in advance. Accompanying Dr. Bharti at the press conference were Additional District Election Officer Gurnvinder Singh and SDM Ajay Kumar. Dr. Bharti informed that the Election Commission will issue the election-related Gazette Notification on Thursday, September 5, with the nomination process open until September 12.

Trident Group's Takshashila program aims to recruit and train 2000 youth

KARNPREET KARAN
BARNALA: Trident Group, a global USD 2 Bn. + enterprise conglomerate, proudly announces the launch of 'Takshashila', its flagship recruitment and training program. This groundbreaking initiative aims to recruit and train 2000 entry-level employees from rural and semi-urban India, focusing on employment and skill development.

The Takshashila Program offers a platform for youth from various educational backgrounds, including ITI, diplomas, and 10+2 education. By breaking down educational barriers, Takshashila opens doors for young individuals to earn, learn, and grow, fostering a culture of continuous improvement and personal development. Typical salary range post training starts from 12 lacs per annum – giving live and livelihood opportunity with basic education background, which is unique and one of its kind in Corporate India.

Speaking on the program, Mr. Rajinder Gupta, Emeritus Chairman of Trident Group, commented, "Today marks such a momentous occasion as we embark on a new chapter of growth and empowerment with the launch of our flagship program, Takshashila. This program is specially designed keeping in mind social development, economic upliftment, diversity, inclusion and nation building. Towards this, special preference will be given to woman (with 50% seat reserved), rural and economically weaker families, defence service veterans and national level sport players. "Takshashila embodies our philosophy of 'Opportunities Unlimited' by providing a platform for everyone to expand their horizons and be true partners in prosperity. It's a testament to our unwavering commitment to fostering an environment where everyone learns, fuelled by a love for growing together.

Kiwanis International India Covention Program held in City



KARAN OHRI
THANESAR: Today a convention program was organized in Kurukshetra on behalf of Kiwanis International India. In which all the club members and international leaders of Kiwanis India arrived and formally participated in the convention program. The program started with lighting of lamps, after which school children pray Ganesh Vandana and gave welcome performance, after which all the guests were welcomed. In this program, Governor Khushvinder Kathpalia and Neelu Kathpalia from India welcomed the guests. Governor Lee Kon Yong arrived from Malaysia, Governor Designate Olivia Chan arrived from Malaysia, Kiwanis Trustee Mohan Lamsal from Nepal, J P Singh Lions Club International Director, IG Haryana Ashok Kumar, Bollywood actor Kuldeep Sareen, Lalit Madhav Das from ISKCON Vrindavan, Yogi Priyavrat Animesh Founder ooj, Ashish Shastri Founder Kanhiya Dham and other leaders and dignitaries arrived, Khushvinder Kathpalia gave information about the projects going on in India.

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