

WINNERS



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BJP hits **hat-trick** in Haryana, NC-Cong to form govt in J-K

HARYANA: BJP-48, CONG-37, INLD-2, IND-3

J & K: NC-CONG-49, BJP-29, PDP-3, OTH-9

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, OCT 8

The BJP will form its third successive government in Haryana and National Conference-Congress alliance is on course to form government in Jammu and Kashmir as results of assembly polls on Tuesday sprung a few surprises. As per sources Nayab Saini will take oath as Haryana CM on 12 October.

Proving wrong predictions of exit polls, BJP achieved its biggest victory in Haryana polls with the Hindi heartland state turned into one of its bastions. The BJP will create electoral history in the state. The Congress, which was seen to be having advantage of anti-incumbency and was seen to be ahead in the perception battle, fumbled again and could not pull enough weight to dislodge the BJP, which proved that it continues to have support of a rainbow of caste groups in the state.

BJP leaders said that it was "pro-incumbency" for their government in Haryana based on the work it had done in the past 10 years. In the first assembly election held in Jammu and Kashmir after a decade and abrogation of Article 370, the National Conference (NC)-Congress alliance swept the polls, breaking a three-decade-long jinx by securing a majority on its own. Out of the 90 seats in the Jammu and Kashmir Assembly, the NC-Congress alliance won 48 seats, crossing the majority mark of 46. Led by veteran politician Farooq Abdullah, the NC secured 42 seats, including 35 from the Kashmir region and the remaining from Jammu. In the Kashmir Valley, the NC contested 40 seats. NC Vice President Omar Abdullah triumphed, winning both his seats from Budgam and Ganderbal. Commenting on the results, NC President Farooq Abdullah said that this represents a clear rejection of the Centre's August 5, 2019 move- that revoked J&K's Special Status.

Omar Abdullah will be the next J&K CM: Farooq

SRINAGAR: National Conference chief Farooq Abdullah on Tuesday declared that his son and party Vice President Omar Abdullah will be the next Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir. "Omar Abdullah would be the Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir", National Conference President Farooq told media persons at his Gupkar residence. He said people have given their verdict and proven what the central government did on August 5, 2019, was "not acceptable" to them. Replying to a question, Farooq said "More work has to be done to eradicate the difficulties of the people including unemployment, inflation and drug menace among the youth".



Vinesh Phogat wins from Julana

JULANA: Congress candidate Vinesh Phogat on Tuesday emerged victorious in Julana Assembly Constituency in Haryana as she defeated Bhartiya Janta Party (BJP) candidate Yogesh Kumar as per the Election Commission of India. The former wrestler defeated her rival with a margin of 5761 votes. Congress leader and wrestler Bajrang Punia who joined the Congress along with Punia only days prior to the Haryana Assembly elections took to social media to congratulate Vinesh.



Aditya Surjewala wins from Kaithal

KAITHAL: Despite the Indian National Congress trailing behind BJP in the haryana-election>Haryana elections, Congress leader Aditya Surjewala won Kaithal assembly seat by 8124 votes. His supporters celebrated at his residence as he leads over BJP's Leela Ram in the constituency. Surjewala who will now be the third generation from his family to represent Kaithal then took out a road show in the city.



Manohar Lal credits Hry's "victory" to party workers

NEW DELHI: As the BJP leads to the majority mark and edges towards a hat-trick in the Haryana assembly, Union Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on Tuesday credited the party's "victory" to the public and the workers of the party and said that the work BJP has done for Haryana's wrestlers, farmers and youth, Congress could have never done that. "The issue (of election) was that the work we have done for Haryana's wrestlers, farmers, youth, Congress could never do that. I just want to say that the credit for this victory goes to our party workers and the people of the state. The public has stamped on our victory and this credit goes to them and the workers of the party," Khattar said. Union Minister also took a dig at the Congress party for allegations on the Election Commission by reiterating the Haryana CM Nayab Singh Saini's remarks.

Hooda wins from Garhi Sampla-Kiloi by 71,465 votes

ROHTAK: Despite the Indian National Congress trailing behind the BJP in the Haryana assembly election, former Chief Minister and senior Congress leader Bhupinder Singh Hooda won by a margin of 71,465 votes from Garhi Sampla-Kiloi constituency on Tuesday. As per the Election Commission of India (ECI), he defeated BJP candidate Manju.



Punjab cabinet okays custom milling policy for kharif 2024-25

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The Punjab Cabinet led by Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann on Tuesday approved The Punjab Custom Milling Policy for Kharif 2024-25, for conversion of paddy procured by State Procurement Agencies (Pungrain, Markfed, Punsup and PSWC) into Custom Milled Rice and its delivery into the Central Pool.

A decision to this effect was taken by the Council of Ministers in its meeting held under the chairmanship of the Chief Minister at his official residence.

Disclosing this here today a spokesperson of the Chief Minister's Office said that the Kharif Marketing Season 2024-25 will start from October 1, 2024 and the procurement of paddy will be completed up to November 30, 2024. During KMS 2024-25, the paddy so procured will be stored in eligible rice mills situated in the State. The Department of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs, Punjab issues Custom Milling Policy every year before the commencement of the Kharif Marketing Season to get the paddy milled which is procured by the State Agencies as per the specifications laid down by the Government of India.



As per the provisions of "The Punjab Custom Milling Policy for Kharif 2024-25", the Rice Mills will be linked online to the mandis in time by the Department. The paddy allocation to Rice Millers under RO scheme will be automatic through an online portal. The paddy will be stored at the eligible rice mills as per their entitlement and agreement executed between the State agencies and the rice millers. The rice millers shall deliver the due rice of paddy stored up to March 31, 2025 as per policy and agreement. In a major initiative aimed at giving further fillip to the industrial development of the state, the Cabinet also gave nod to reduce the environmental clearance processing fee by introducing seven slabs based processing fee structure for granting environmental clearance in the state.

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BJP's Attri defeats Cong's Brijendra Singh from Uchana Kalan by 32 votes

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BJP candidate Devender Chatar Bhuj Attri won the Uchana Kalan seat in Haryana by a margin of just 32 votes, as per the Election Commission.

Attri defeated his nearest rival and Congress candidate and former IAS officer Brijendra Singh. Jannayak Janta Party leader Dushyant Chautala, who was the outgoing MLA from Uchana seat, was at the fifth spot.

J-K: 7 independents emerge victorious

JAMMU: Seven independent candidates have emerged victorious in the Jammu and Kashmir Assembly polls, marking an increase from the 2014 elections when three such candidates had won. Satesh Sharma, who left the Congress and contested as an independent from the Chhamb seat of Jammu region, won the election by defeating BJP candidate Rajeev Sharma with a margin of 6,929 votes. Satesh Sharma, 42, who is son of two-time MP and former Congress minister Madan Lal Sharma, polled 33,985 votes. Former deputy chief minister and Congress candidate Tara Chand, who had won this seat three times, finished third with 16,449 votes.

J-K polls: BJP's Devender Rana wins with highest margin

SRINAGAR: BJP candidate Devender Rana won from Nagrota segment with the highest margin while the PDP's Tral candidate Rafiq Ahmad Naik had the lowest margin for victory in the Jammu and Kashmir assembly elections whose results were declared on Tuesday. Rana, who had won the 2014 assembly elections on the National Conference (NC) ticket, retained the Nagrota seat on BJP ticket by a margin of 30,472 votes. His nearest rival, NC's Joginder Singh, got 17,641 votes. AICC general secretary Ghulam Ahmad Mir also won big with a margin of 29,728 votes, closely followed by Rana's fellow NC defector to BJP, Surjit Singh Slathia, who won by a margin of 29,481 votes from Samba seat.

PUBLIC NOTICES	
I, Daya Singh S/o Chetan Singh R/o H.No. 31 Satabgarh Sub-Teh- Zirakpur (SAS Nagar, Mohali) declare that my son Germanjit Singh and his wife Gurpreet Kaur is out of my control. So I disown with them from my moveable/immovable property. If anybody dealing with them at his/her own risk.	63372
I, Salauddin S/O Israil R/O 356, Near Govt. School No.1, Billa Wali Chhapri, Khanna (Ludhiana) Declare That My Son Md. Iktahab Alam Is Out Of My Control. I Disinherit Him From My Entire Moveable & Immoveable Properties. I Have No Relation With Him, Anybody Dealing With Him At Their Own Risk.	63372
I Gori Shankar S/o Radhey Sham R/o Focal Point, Shiv Nagar, Kotkapura Distt. Faridkot do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that my son Gulshan Singh was fallen in bad company and out of my control. So we evicted my son Gulshan Singh from all my moveable and immovable property. If any person will deals with above said Himanshu, he will be himself responsible, I and my any family member will not have any concern/relation with that.	63372
We Krishan Agarwal and Kavita Agarwal W/o Krishan Agarwal R/o House no.1 Gulmohar Villa, Backside Magnet Resort, Barewal Road, Ludhiana declares that our son Kushal Aggarwal and his wife Shyna Agarwal are out of our control. So we disown them from our all moveable and immoveable properties. We shall not responsible if anybody deals with them.	63372
Zora Singh Chohan S/o Mal Singh R/o Vill and Po. Lehra Distt Ludhiana Declare that my father was known by two names Mall Singh and Mal Singh.	63372
I, Moontee Upadhayay wife of Army no 14656488F rank Nk Vijay Prakash Upadhayay R/o Vil+ post- Vighara Usmanpur Teh - Chail Distt. kaushambi Pin 212218 (UP) that my husband is working in Indian army, that my husband army record my name is wrongly mentioned as Montee my correct name is Moontee Upadhayay.	63372
I, Service No. 2501319F Rank- Hav(CC) Name Patil Ravindra Ashok R/o Vill. Hingone Seem, PO. Hingone Khurd, Tehsil- Chalisgaron, Distt. Jalgaon, Pin-424102, State- (MH) have changed my daughter name from DARSHANA to DARSHANA RAVINDRA PATIL vide Affidavit dated 07-10-2024 before Executive Magistrate Chalisgaron, Distt. Jalgaon.	63372
I Ashwani Dugg S/o Baldev Raj R/o Vpo. Nussi Teh-Jalandhar-II, Distt-Jalandhar Punjab-144004 have bifurcate my given name in my Indian Passport from Ashwani Dugg to Ashwani in given name and Dugg in surname.	63372
I, Sarbjit Kaur Wd/o No. 2482478F Ex- Hav Late Sukhwinder Singh R/o Vpo. Begampur Teh- Nawanshahr Distt. SBS Nagar (Pb)-144514, my name is Sarbjit Kaur in Army documents. But my name is Sarbjit Kaur in civil Documents. I have changed my name from Sarbjit Kaur to Sarbjit Kaur.	63372
I Gunwant Kaur W/o Hardeep Singh R/o Vill-Sheikhupura, Teh- Jagraon, District Ludhiana declare that my minor son name Robinpreet Singh Dhatt is written in the school record as Robinpreet Singh. While The Correct Name Is Robinpreet Singh Dhatt. Be Corrected.	63372

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I Havildar Gurtej Singh army number 15219825 W, S/o Gurmmail Singh Resident of KaleKe Tehsil Baghapurana District Moga inform that my father's name Gurmel Singh and date of birth 01.07.1958 are recorded in my army record which is wrong. Name Gurmmail Singh date of birth 01.01.1952 which should be corrected in my army record.	63372
I, Komal D/o Deena Nath R/o H.No-5 Saini Vihar, Phase-4 Baltana SAS Nagar Mohali have changed my religion from Hindu to muslim.	63372
I, No. IC 74019N Lieutenant Colonel Abhinav Kumar of(Unit) 788(1) Air Defence Brigade, presently Residing at Nabagram Army Camp, PS. Nabagram, Distt. Murshidabad, W.B-742184, hereby declare that I have changed the name of my son from Yuvraj Singh To Yuvraj Shankar. Both names pertain to one and the same person vide Affidavit No INPB68797450813477W dated 08.10.2024 Attested by Notary Public (GOVT OF INDIA).	63372
I, Surekha is Mother of Army No. 15620492P, Name Jadhav Shashikant Laxman and Resident of Jawalarjun, Javalarjun, Pune, Maharashtra, Pin-413303, Hereby declare That in the Service Record of my Son my name wrongly entered as Surekha instead of Surekha Laxman Jadhav as per my Aadhar card. Both names pertain to one and the same person. Vide Affidavit Attested by Notary Public (GOVT OF INDIA) Kindly Correct it.	63372
I, Laxman is Father of Army No. 15620492P, Name Jadhav Shashikant Laxman and Resident of Jawalarjun, Javalarjun, Pune, Maharashtra, Pin-412303, Hereby declare That in the service record of my son my name wrongly entered as Laxman instead of Laxman Baban Jadhav As per My Aadhar card. Both names pertain to one and the same person. Vide Affidavit Attested by Notary Public (GOVT OF INDIA) Kindly Correct it.	63372
I Mithlesh Legally wedded spouse of Number 15618952M Rank L/Hav Name Shyam Kumar Of Unit 9 Guards c/o 56 APO Presently Residing at Village Nanhui Post Saifulla Ganj Tehsil Sultanpur Distt Sultanpur State(UP) Declare that I have change my Name From Mithlesh To Mithlesh Pal Vide Affidavit Number Before notary Pathankot Punjab.	63372
I, hitherto known as Balvir S/o Darshan Ram R/o Vill: Malla Bedian Distt. Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, Punjab, Pin Code-144417, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Balvir Ram. it is certified that i have complied with other legal requirements in this connection.	63372
I, hitherto known as Krishna W/o Balvir Ram R/o Vill: Malla Bedian Distt. Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, Punjab, Pin Code-144417, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Krishna Devi. it is certified that i have complied with other legal requirements in this connection.	63372
I, hitherto known as Kuldeep Kumar S/o Mohan Lal R/o Vill: Chuharpur Po. Kulam Teh- Nawanshahr Distt. Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, Punjab, Pin Code-144514, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as name Kuldeep, surname Kumar.	63372

I, Swaran Singh S/o Norang Singh R/o Village Lalyani Tehsil Nilokheri Distt Karnal. That in my son's Passport my name is written as SWARAN SINGH. I have changed my name from SWARAN SINGH to SWARN SINGH. I will be known and identified by the name SWARN SINGH in future.	100066
I, Ishwar Chander Singla Son of Hanuman Dass Gupta r/o H.No.1031 Sector-14-P, Hisar (Haryana) India have changed my name from Ishwar Chander Singla to Ishwar Chand. Concerned Please Note.	100065
I, Neelam Saini W/o Satbir Saini R/o 1589/4, Nadi Mohalla, Ambala City, Distt Ambala-134003 have changed my name from Neelam to Neelam Saini.	84451
I, Om Parkash s/o Balwant Ram Resident of Village Khairulapur, P.O. Singhpur, Tehsil Nakodar, District Jalandhar, Punjab, India. I have changed my minor daughter's name from Pragati to Pragati Gharu .All concerned please note.	78645
I, Gurwinder Singh S/o Varian Singh R/o VPO Balair Tehsil Patti District Tarn Taran Have Changed my name from Gurwinder Singh to Gurwinder is my given name and Singh is my surname	100066
I, Kishor Kumar Bassi S/o Raj Kumar R/o.152, Gali No.12, Near Pawan Nagar, Batala Road Amritsar Have Changed my name to Kishor Kumar	100066
I, Jagdeep Singh S/o Sukhchain Singh R/o Vpo Dhand Tarn Taran Punjab have Changed my name to Jagdeep is my given name and Singh is my surname	100066
I, Hitherto Known As Sunyana W/o Joginder Pal Angural R/o 34, Uttam Nagar, Sagarpura, Po Govt Poly Tech Batala, Distt Gurdaspur-143506, Punjab Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Sunyana Angural.	60017
I, Kuldeep Kaur D/o Hans Raj, resident of Gobindpura, Teh Lehra, district Sangrur have stated that my father's name is Hans Raj in my Aadhaar card, Class X and XII certificate and voter card. But B.A. In the certificate, Hansa Raj is wrongly entered, so my father is known as Hans Raj.	60017
We Kulwant singh s/o Jawala Singh & Nanki KAUR W/O Kulwant kaur r/o #C-705-25, st no.3 Jujhar Nagar Vill Behloipur Tehsil & distt Mohali declared that we disown our Amandeep singh and his wife manpreet kaur and their daughters seerat kaur and kirat kaur from my moveable immovable properties due to out of our control, anybody dealing with them at their own risk.	60017

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ਮੈਂ ਸੁਰਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਮਾਹੀਆ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਪਿੰਡ: ਗੁਨੋਮਾਜਰਾ ਤਹਿ: ਖਰੜ (ਐਸ.ਏ.ਐਸ. ਨਗਰ) ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰਾ ਲੜਕਾ ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤਪਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਅਤੇ ਇਸਦੀ ਪਤਨੀ ਗੀਤਾਂਜਲੀ ਸਰਮਾ ਅਤੇ ਉਸਦਾ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਜੋ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹਨ। ਮੈਂ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ-ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ। ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਮੇਰਾ ਜਾਂ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦਾ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਤਾਲੁਕ ਵਾ ਵਾਸਤਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ।	63372
ਅਸੀਂ ਬਲਵਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਤੇ ਸੁਰਿੰਦਰ ਕੌਰ ਵਾਸੀ ਮਹੱਲਾ ਬਾਗਵਾਲਾ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਸ਼ਾਹਕੋਟ (ਜਲੰਧਰ) ਆਪਣੇ ਲੜਕੇ ਜਗਮੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦੇ ਹਾਂ ਕਿਉਂਕਿ ਉਹ ਸਾਡਾ ਕਹਿਣੇਕਾਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੈ। ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ।	63372
ਮੈਂ ਗੁਰਬਖਸ਼ ਸਿੰਘ (ਘੁਰਬਖ਼ਿਕਰਉਸਹ ਸਿਨਗਰ) ਉਰਦ ਗੁਰਬਖਸ਼ ਸਿੰਘ (Gurbaksh Singh) ਉਰਦ ਗੁਰਬਖਸ਼ ਸਿੰਘ (Gurbaksh Singh) ਵਾਸੀ ਪਿੰਡ ਪੱਟੀ ਅਮਰਾ ਉਰਦ ਪੱਟੀ ਸਦੀਕ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਅਬੋਹਰ ਜ਼ਿਲਾ ਫਾਜ਼ਿਲਕਾ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਗੁਰਬਖਸ਼ ਸਿੰਘ (Gurbakhash Singh) ਉਰਦ ਗੁਰਬਖਸ਼ ਸਿੰਘ (Gurbaksh Singh) ਉਰਦ ਗੁਰਬਖਸ਼ ਸਿੰਘ (Gurbaksh Singh) ਤਿੰਨ ਇਕੋ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਦੇ ਯਾਨੀ ਮੇਰੇ ਨਾਮ ਹਨ।	63372

I, Sukhwinder Kaur W/o Varinderpal Resident of Village Khairulapur, P.O. Singhpur, Tehsil Nakodar, District Jalandhar, Punjab, India. I have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as RAJWINDER KAUR.	100066
I Gurjit Singh S/o Kashmir Singh Village Thakarpura Tehsil Patti Distt Tarn Taran Have Changed My Name Gurjit Singh to Gurjit Singh Mand All Concerned please not it.	100066
I, Roopkamal Kaur D/o Charnjit Singh Vpo. Kaleke Tehsil Baba Bakala Distt. Amritsar have Changed my name from Roopkamal Kaur to RoopKamal is my given name and Kaur is my surname	50008
I, Gurwinder Singh S/o Varian Singh R/o VPO Balair Tehsil Patti District Tarn Taran Have Changed my name from Gurwinder Singh to Gurwinder is my given name and Singh is my surname	100066
I, Kishor Kumar Bassi S/o Raj Kumar R/o.152, Gali No.12, Near Pawan Nagar, Batala Road Amritsar Have Changed my name to Kishor Kumar	100066
I, Jagdeep Singh S/o Sukhchain Singh R/o Vpo Dhand Tarn Taran Punjab have Changed my name to Jagdeep is my given name and Singh is my surname	100066
I, Hitherto Known As Sunyana W/o Joginder Pal Angural R/o 34, Uttam Nagar, Sagarpura, Po Govt Poly Tech Batala, Distt Gurdaspur-143526, PUNJAB have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as JASPREET SINGH.	100066
I, hitherto known as PARVEEN W/o RAMAN KUMAR SHARMA R/O VILLAGE MURADPURA, BLOCK VERKA, DISTT AMRITSAR-143001, PUNJAB have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as REEMA KUMARI.	100066
I, hitherto known as RENU AERI W/o LALIT MOHAN R/O HOUSE NO. 852, STREET NO. 11, TIBBA SAHIB, DISTT HOSHIARPUR-146001, PUNJAB have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as RENU BALA AERI.	100066
I, hitherto known as HARJINDER KAUR ALIAS RAJINDER KAUR W/O IQBAL SINGH R/O VILLAGE MANDIALA, PO SOHAL JAGIR, TEHSIL NAKODAR, DISTT JALANDHAR-144703, PUNJAB have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as RAJINDER KAUR.	100066
I hitherto known as BHAJAN SINGH S/O PRITAM SINGH R/O SOHAL JAGIR, TEHSIL SHAHKOT, DISTT. JALANDHAR-144703, PUNJAB have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as HARBHAJAN SINGH.	100066
I hitherto known as BINDER KUMAR ALIAS RABINDER KUMAR S/O GEJU RAM R/O VPO NAWAN QILLA TEHSIL SHAHKOT, DISTT JALANDHAR PUNJAB have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as BINDER KUMAR	100066
I hitherto known as ANJALI PROHIT W/O AJAY PROHIT R/O 256, GREEN VELLY, VILLAGE GHOLU MAJRA, PO DAPPAR, TEHSIL DERA BASSI, DISTT SAS NAGAR (MOHALI), PUNJAB-145006 have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as RAJNI PROHIT.	100066

I, hitherto Known as RAJWANT KAUR W/O JOGINDER SINGH R/O VPO. KHOJALA - 143516 DISTT. GURDASPUR PUNJAB have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as RAJWINDER KAUR.	100066
I hitherto known as SUDARSHAN PAL S/O JEET RAM R/O VPO SOHAL, TEHSIL DHARIWAL, DISTT GURDASPUR, PUNJAB have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as SUDARSHAN PALSINGH	100066
I hitherto known as TEJINDER PAUL SINGH alias TEJINDER PAL SINGH S/O DHARAM SINGH R/O #71, Ward Number.01, Chohatta Bazar, Sunam, Sangrur, Punjab-148028 changed my name and shall hereafter be known as TEJINDER PALSINGH.	100066
I, Chaman Lal S/O Jagat Ram R/O hno.655 Near Ram Vihar, Green Model Town, Jalandhar, Punjab, India have added my surname Maan And shall hereafter be known as Chaman Lal Maan. All concern please note.	100066
I, Ishita Goyal W/o Nitin Jain R/o H.No.26 New Jawahar Nagar Jalandhar Punjab Have Changed My Name From Ishita Goyal To Ishita Jain Aftr Marriage.	100066
I Ranjit Kaur w/o Baljeet Singh R./O village gande - ke, post office chone Tehsil Batala, district Gurdaspur, Aadhar card number 7 596 45 63 66 51 and passport number T 9 14 6 8 81 have changed my name from Ranjit Kaur to Ranjeet Kaur. note it	100066
I, NALITA RAY is legally mother of No. 15227760H Rank L/NK (DMT) Name Manindra Ray Unit 78/10 FD Regt. C/o 99 APO Mariani Assam Permanent address: Chiponchila Pt.-1 Bongaigaon, Assam, 783380 have my correct Dob 01-10-1968 and incorrect Dob 15-04-1971 vide affidavit dated 08-10-2024 before Notary Public at Ferozepur.	100066
I, Gudia Devi legally wife of Army no 2495372N Rank Hav name Rakesh Kumar permanent address: Gram: Magurjan, Post- Nipaniya, Thana-Barhara Kothi, Distt.-Purnia, (Bihar), 854202 have changed my name to GUDIA DEVI vide affidavit dated 07-10-2024 before Notary Public at Ferozepur.	100066
I Kamal Kishore Bhardwaj S/o Parmod Bhardwaj R/o B1/102, Shourya Greens, Surya Enclave, Jalandhar-144008,, Punjab, have changed my name from Kamal Kishore Bhardwaj to Kamal Bhardwaj.	100066
I Ram s/o Girdhari Lal R/o Basant Kunj, Near Salempur Musalmana, Jalandhar, Punjab, have changed my name from Ram to Ram Heer in which given name Ram surname as Heer.	100066
I, Sewa Singh S/o Sucha Singh R/o Vill: Badarpur Po. Kalewal Teh-Kharar (SAS Nagar, Mohali) have changed my name from Sewa Singh Dhanoa to Sewa Singh.	100066
I, Roshan Lal S/O Ruldu Ram R/O Samrala (Ludhiana) changed my minor son name Jobanpreet to Jobanpreet Singh.	100066
I, Swaran Singh S/o Dharam Singh R/o Vpo. Kakrala Kalan (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Swaran Singh Kaler.	100066
I, Rajinder Kaur W/o Swaran Singh Kaler R/o Vpo. Kakrala Kalan (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Rajinder Kaur Kaler.	100066
I, Rajinder Pal Singla S/o. Kulwant Rai R/o. Sunam Udhm Singh Wala, Teh. Sunam Udhm Singh Wala, Distt. Sangrur have change	100066

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I, Tirath Singh S/o Gurdas Singh R/o Vpo Chhapar Tehsil Ludhiana District Ludhiana Have Changed My Name To Tirth Singh.	100066
I, Jashanjot Singh S/o Pritpal Singh Bassi R/o Near Balvir Palace, VPO Badhni Kalan, Distt. Moga, Punjab- 142037, have changed my name to Jashanjot Singh Bassi.	100066
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I, Jujhar Singh S/o Piara Singh R/o Vill: Dholeta Po. Goraya Teh- Phillaur (Jalandhar) have changed my name to Jujhar Singh Sahota.	100066
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I, Jagmeet Singh Bhullar S/o Gurdas Singh R/o Vpo. Behman Diwana (Bathinda) have changed my name to Jagmeet Singh.	100066
I, Deepak Verma R/o Verma Niwas Lok Sewak Colony Bassi Road Sirhind have changed my minor son name from Aarav to Aarav Verma.	100066
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I Deen Mohammad S/o Haji Abdulah R/o Faridpur Kalan Teh and Dist. Malerkotla declare that have changed my name from Deen Mohammad to Deen Muhammad.	100066
I Mohammad Shamshad S/o Ilaamdin R/o Sherwani Kot Dist. Malerkotla Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Mohammad Shamshad to Shamshad.	100066
I, Jai Bharti S/O Pawan Kumar Bharti R/O H.No.139, W.No.4, Masanda Mohalla, Samrala (Ludhiana) Have Changed My Name To Jay Bharti.	100066
I, Ankit Bajaj S/O Rajinder Kumar R/O Gali Bajaja Wali, Zira, Tehsil Zira (Ferozepur), Have Changed My Minor Daughter Name Anaya To Anaya Bajaj.	100066
I Surjit Kaur Bhullar W/O Balwinder Singh R/O Mandi Kalan Distt Bathinda Have Changed My Name To Surjit Kaur.	100066
I Balwinder Singh Bhullar S/O Maghar Singh R/O Mandi Kalan Distt Bathinda Have Changed My Name To Balwinder Singh.	100066
I Arham D/o Mohammad Naeem R/o Mohalla Arayyan Wala, Malerkotla Distt. Malerkotla have changed my Name Mariyam.	100066
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I Monika sood W/o Pankaj Kumar Sood 984/1 Disposal road Kartar Enclave Jagraon Distt Ludhiana Punjab 142026 has been changed Sood as surname and Monika is first name.	100066
I Ashok Kumar S/o Ved Parkash H:No B VIII 699 Street No 1 Moti Bagh Near Kalyani Hospital Jagraon Ludhiana Punjab 142026 have changed my name to Ashok Kumar sood.	100066
I, Baldev Krishan S/o Mulkh Raj, R/o H.No. 56A, Street No. 4, Waryam Nagar, Jalandhar-144003, Jalandhar, Punjab, India have changed my name from Baldev Krishan to Krishan Baldev (Krishan as Surname).	100066
I, Pritpal Singh S/o Amrik Singh R/o Vpo. Chak Vandal Teh- Nakodar (Jalandhar) Pb, have changed my name from Pritpal Singh to Singh Pritpal.	100066
I, Sukhjot Kaur D/o Diyal Singh W/o Sadhu Singh R/o Khosa Randhir (Moga) have known by both names Sukhjot Kaur alias Rani Kaur one and the same person.	100066
I Shehnaz W/o Mohammad Yasin R/o Village Abaspura PO Haider Nagar, Malerkotla have changed my Name Sahinaj.	100066
I, Surinder Kumar S/o Gouri Mal Ralli R/o H.No. 20 Canal Road South City Extension Ayali Khurd (Ludhiana) Pb-142027, have changed my name to Surinder Kumar Ralli.	100066

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“Our CM already said ‘Ek din aaga jab janta degi jawaab aur yeh (Congress) ek hi baat kahenge ki EVM kharab’...” Since the counting trends are contrary to the exit polls, Khattar said that the predictions failed earlier too and the public doesn’t tell their ‘Mann ki Baat’ to everyone.



Assembly election counting concluded peacefully: DEO Uttam Singh



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, OCT 8

District Election Officer Uttam Singh said that the counting of votes for the assembly elections was completed peacefully. The returning officer gave the certificate to the winning candidates of all five assembly constituencies.

He told that the results were as follows. In Karnal assembly, BJP candidate Jagmohan Anand got a total of 90,006 votes. He

won by 33,652 votes. Congress candidate Sumita Singh came second. She got 56,354 votes.

In Nilokheri assembly constituency, BJP candidate Bhagwandas Kabirpanthi got a total of 77,902 votes. He won by 18,845 votes. In second place was Congress candidate Dharampal Gondar, who got 59,057 votes.

BJP candidate Harvinder Kalyan got a total of 87,236 votes in Gharaunda assembly. He won by 4,531 votes. He has scored a hat-trick of win. Congress can-



didate Virendra Singh Rathore came second, he got 82,705 votes.

BJP candidate Yogendra Singh Rana got a total of 54,761 votes in Assandh assembly. He won by 2,306 votes. Congress candidate Shamsher Singh Gogi came second, he got 52,455 votes.

In Indri assembly, BJP candidate Ramkumar Kashyap got a total of 80, 465 votes. He won by 15,149 votes. Congress candidate Rakesh Kamboj came second, he got 65,316 votes.



People took right decision by making BJP win in Haryana: Naveen Jindal

DALBIR MALIK KURUKSHETRA, OCT 8

The Bharatiya Janata Party has registered a tremendous victory in Haryana Assembly elections. MP Naveen Jindal gave the credit of this massive victory of BJP to the people of Haryana and BJP workers. MP Naveen Jindal reached Kurukshetra by helicopter to congratulate Nayab Singh Saini and other candidates. Sharing his views in the celebration of victory, he said that the people of Haryana have once again expressed faith in BJP. This victory is not just an electoral success for us but it is the voice of the heart of the people. Our government has always given priority to development, good governance and social harmony. With this victory, we are more determined that we will take Hary-

ana to new dimensions of development.

Expressing gratitude to the people of Kurukshetra parliamentary constituency, he said that I thank the people of

the promises and will leave no stone unturned to make Haryana a developed state. On this occasion, Nayab Singh Saini hugged Naveen Jindal and wished him. MP Naveen Jin-



the entire Kurukshetra parliamentary constituency who trusted BJP. I went among the people and propagated the development work of BJP. Now we are committed to fulfill all

dal welcomed Nayab Saini and his wife Suman Saini by offering them a flower bouquet. Senior BJP leaders, officials and workers were present on this occasion.

Public approved the policies of BJP- Dhanpat Saini

NIRMAL SAINI RADAUR, OCT 8

On getting BJP clear majority under the leadership of Chief Minister Naib Saini in the state

and Shyam Singh Rana's victory from Radaur, District Public Relations and Grievance Redressal Committee member Dhanpat Saini celebrated the victory by distributing laddus with his supporters at his office. On this occasion, the workers danced to the beat of dhol and celebrated the victory. On this occasion, Dhanpat Saini said that this was the victory of BJP's hard work. BJP party has won many seats in the last 10 years under the leadership of Manohar Lal and Naib Saini. Welfare work was done for the people of the state. There was a wave of happi-

ness among the people of the state since BJP gave the post of Chief Minister to the OBC community for the first time. This was the reason that in the elections, the people of



OBC class and Saini community accepted the respect given by the BJP party. He took the honor to heart and by giving his one-sided support to BJP, he ensured that BJP formed the government in the state for

the third time. This was the victory of the people of the state. Now the BJP government was formed for the third time in a row, the people will be provided the benefits of de-

velopment by getting equal work done for the public and the Radaur constituency. The youth will get jobs without any slip or expenditure. This victory is the victory of BJP's policies.

BJP and Congress won two assembly seats each in the district



RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR: District Election Officer and Deputy Commissioner Captain Manoj Kumar said that the counting of votes for the Assembly General Election 2024 in the district has been completed peacefully in the presence of counting observers at the ITI campus, Yamunanagar. He congratulated the people of the district and thanking the candidates and their supporters of all political parties for their cooperation and maintaining peace in the counting of votes.

The District Election Officer said that under the Assembly General Election-2024, in the counting of votes in all four assemblies of Yamunanagar district, Congress Party candidate Renu Bala was victorious in Sadhaura Assembly constituency. She got 57248 votes, while her rival BJP candidate Balwant Singh got 55608 votes. Congress candidate Akram Khan was victorious in Jagadhri assembly constituency. He got 67094 votes while his rival BJP candidate Kanwar Pal got 60313 votes. In Yamunanagar assembly constituency, BJP candidate Ghanshyam Das Arora was victorious, he got 72967 votes, while his rival Congress candidate Raman Tyagi got 50455 votes and in Radaur assembly constituency, BJP candidate Shyam Singh Rana was victorious, he got 73117 votes, while Congress party candidate Bishan Lal Saini got 59868 votes. The winning candidates were given victory certificates by the respective returning officers.

Congress says results 'not acceptable', raises serious questions about integrity of democratic process

CHANDIGARH : Alleging a conspiracy, the Congress on Tuesday (October 8, 2024) said it would not accept the Haryana Assembly poll result as it raises "serious questions" about the integrity of the instruments of the democratic system. Congress general secretary Jairam Ramesh said the Haryana result is a victory of manipulations, and subverting the will of people. He also alleged that it is a defeat of the transparent and democratic processes. The Congress rejected the Haryana Assembly election verdict, alleging EVM manipulation and accusing the BJP of subverting the people's will. Addressing the media on Tuesday evening, Congress General Secretary and Communications in-charge Jairam Ramesh said, "All afternoon, I've been in touch with the Election Commission. The Election Commission has replied to my complaint, I've replied to the reply. We've received very serious complaints on the process of counting, the functioning of EVMs.

Factors that helped BJP fight anti-incumbency in Haryana

CHANDIGARH : The BJP showed a decisive performance in Haryana which helped it fight anti-incumbency in the state and form government for a third term straight. The party won 48 of the 90 Assembly seats. The magic number that a party or an alliance needs to form a government in the state is 46. According to a senior party functionary, Jat voters are typically vocal about their demands, whereas those who voted for the BJP weren't as vocal but supported the clean governance given by the BJP in the state. This suggests that it was the non-Jats who backed the BJP in large numbers. The BJP also leveraged the sentiment of 'Jat vs non-Jat' dominance. Sources in the BJP said followers of Bhupinder Singh Hooda openly vouched for a Jat chief minister, which in turn polarised other communities like OBC, Punjabis, Dalits and others, and they voted against the dominance of one community. Appointing Nayab Singh Saini helped the party in fighting anti-incumbency which it had anticipated just ahead of the Lok Sabha elections. Appointing an OBC leader as the face of party consolidated votes for BJP as Saini not only had a clean image, but also was approachable to the common masses. A senior BJP leader said "kharchi and parchi" did wonders for the party. The BJP worked on a fear psychosis that if Congress again comes back, then the extortion racket would be back in Haryana. The second phase of the farmers' agitation worked in favour of the party. A party leader who requested anonymity said the decision of the BJP government to not let farmers cross the Shambhu border helped the party as during the first phase of the farmers' agitation, massive chaos was caused in the state.

155 patients examined in cancer screening camp

RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR, OCT 8

The team of Dr. Nidhi Goyal, Dr. Chetan Prakash of Bhagwan Mahavir Cancer Hospital, Cancer Care Sanstha checked in a bus from Jaipur with fitted test machines and mammography, lung examination and other blood tests were done here for breast examination. 155 patients were examined in the cancer screening camp organised by Rotary Club Yamunanagar Rivera. The examination camp was organised at Capital Super Specialty Hospital Ambala Road Jagadhri. President Rotarian Sanjeev Sethi, Club Secretary Rotarian Amit Gupta, Project Chairman Rotarian People who came to the camp were examined free of cost, Dr. Kuljinder Sodhi said that the average age of cancer diagnosis in India is less than other countries, yet the rates of cancer detection are very low. According to the Health Nation Report, a recent



report has revealed alarming trends in non-communicable diseases, in which cancer cases are skyrocketing.

India has been declared the cancer capital of the world in the year 2024. According to the report, one in three Indians suffer from diabetes, two in three suffer from hypertension and one in ten suffers from depression. The most common cancers in India are breast cancer, cervical cancer, ovarian cancer and lung cancer. Urgent need for health screening. Cancer

screening refers to tests that check for signs of cancer before symptoms appear. Studies show that certain screening tests help detect cancer early, when it is easier to treat and possibly cure. Who should get tested? Anyone over the age of 40, anyone of any age who has been diagnosed with a precancerous condition or any patient with a family history of cancer, women over the age of 40 are advised to have annual breast mammograms and breast examinations. PSA blood tests

and prostatic examinations are recommended for men over the age of 45. Cervical cancer screening should start at the age of 21, for which a Pap smear test is being done. People over the age of 45 should get tested for colorectal cancer, for which we do stool tests and colonoscopy if required. Ravindra Agarwal, Surend Madan, Anil, Dhanishyam Agarwal, Jagjit Singh Mann, Dr. Manpreet Sodhi, Ritu Sethi, Ritu Gupta were present from the club on the occasion.

People stamped development for 3rd time: Kabirpanthi

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA NILOKHERI: BJP candidate Bhagwandas Kabirpanthi

from Nilokheri constituency won by 18 thousand 881 votes. After his record-breaking victory, celebrations were held in all the villages of the constituency including Tarawari, Nilokheri, Nigdu and Nising. An atmosphere of happiness was seen among the people of the constituency. On returning with the certificate of victory, the MLA of the constituency Bhagwandas Kabirpanthi was given a grand welcome by putting garlands of flowers at dozens of places on the Delhi-Chandigarh National Highway. He gave credit for this victory to the people of the constituency and every citizen. While talking to journalists, MLA of Nilokheri constituency Bhagwandas Kabirpanthi said that this victory is the victory of development of the constitu-



ency. The development work that the BJP party has done in the entire state including Nilokheri constituency, has not happened till date.

He said that Nilokheri constituency will be made an employment hub. He said that the people of the state voted in favour of BJP for the development of Haryana. The people have again expressed their faith in the policies of BJP and have formed the BJP government in Haryana for the third time. The MLA of the constituency Bhagwan-

das Kabirpanthi enumerated the development works done by the Bharatiya Janata Party in the country and the state. He said that today our country is touching new heights under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has made the name of India proud in the whole world.

India has emerged as a new power. He said that the Bharatiya Janata Party has resolved to set up separate welfare boards with adequate

budget for small backward castes (36 communities), increase in all social monthly pensions based on scientific formula linking pensions, full scholarship to Haryana students of OBC and SC castes studying medical and engineering from any government college in India, Rs 2100 under Lado Laxmi Yojana, scooter to top girl students, cylinder to women for Rs 500, guarantee of government job to every Haryanvi Agniveer, construction of KMP's orbital rail corridor with the cooperation of Government of India and introduction of new Vande Bharat trains, various rapid rail services and intercity express metro service between Faridabad and Gurugram with the cooperation of Government of India, Haryana will be made a center of global education. On this occasion, many people including Jai Bhagwan Sikri.

Anil Vij wins from Ambala Cantt beating Chitra Sarwara

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, OCTOBER 8

Former Home Minister Anil Vij won from Ambala Cantt Assembly in Haryana. Vij defeated independent candidate Chitra Sarwara by 7,277 votes. Anil Vij got 59,858 votes while Chitra Sarwara had to face defeat with 52,581 votes. Chitra was seen in a close contest with Vij. When the counting of votes opened at 8 am on all 90 seats of Haryana, Vij was trailing. The counting of votes cast in Ambala Cantt Assembly was done in 16 rounds. Meanwhile, Vij took the lead from the fourth round. However, he again went down in the middle. But later he won. Anil Vij's reputation was at stake against Chitra Sarwara. After winning the Ambala Cantt assembly seat, Anil Vij and his workers are celebrating. Sweets are being distributed. On his victory, Vij says that this is the victory of BJP's policies and Prime Minister



Modi wants to take the country forward rapidly, this is his victory. It is the victory of people's faith. Earlier, Vij had said that I will accept the people's mandate. If the high command wants, I will become the Chief Minister. At the same time, Vij also took a dig at Hooda and said that the BJP is leading and Congress people are celebrating because many people in the Congress party want Bhupin-

der Singh Hooda to lose the election.

After this recent victory, Anil Vij has now become MLA from Ambala Cantt for the seventh time. Vij contested the first assembly election from Ambala Cantt in the year 1991 and won. At that time, this seat was vacant due to Sushma Swaraj going to Rajya Sabha. Vij has also contested elections as an independent from Amba-

la Cantt. In 1996 and 2000, he contested as an independent candidate and won both times. However, Vij lost the 2005 election. After this, he was again elected as MLA from Ambala Cantt in 2009. At the same time, Anil Vij also won from Ambala Cantt in the 2014 and 2019 assembly elections. Anil Vij describes himself as the most senior BJP leader in Haryana and is strongly contending for the post of CM.

No party got a majority in the 2019 Haryana Assembly elections. A party needs 46 seats on its own to get a majority in the total 90 assembly seats in Haryana. But after the results, the ruling BJP won 40 seats, Congress 31 seats, JJP 10 and others 9 seats. BJP and JJP formed an alliance and ran a coalition government in the state under the leadership of CM Manohar Lal. During this, JJP Principal General Secretary Dushyant Chautala was the Deputy CM of Haryana.

Every grain of crops to be bought: Dhiman

CHETRAM RATTAN
NAWANSHAHR: Adequate arrangements have been made for the purchase of paddy in all the markets of the district and farmers, farmers, shelter owners and labor will not be allowed to face any problem. This was expressed by Deputy Commissioner Rajesh Dhiman during a conversation with farmers, farmers and officials after starting the purchase of paddy at Dana Mandi Nawana Shahr today. On this occasion, Constituency Incharge Nawanshahr Lalit Mohan Pathak (Ballu), Chairman of Market Committee Nawanshahr Gagan Agnihotri were also with him. The Deputy Commissioner said that one grain of the farmers' crops will be bought.

Banner released regarding protection against monkeypox disease



SURINDER DAMDAMI
KOTKAPURA: Health department Resident is making the district residents aware of the prevention of monkeypox disease. In this regard, a banner was released by Civil Surgeon Dr. Chandra Shekhar. On this occasion, Civil Surgeon Dr. Chandra Shekhar, while giving information, said that monkeypox is a viral genetic disease that has symptoms similar to smallpox but less severe. Monkeypox by the World Health Organization has been declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern. He said that the duration of this disease is about 6 to 13 days. The disease is spread by direct person-to-person contact, such as bodily fluids, sexual contact or contact with a wound, and indirect contact with contaminated clothing.

Bela pharmacy college wins overall trophy in south zone youth festival



BAHADURJEET SINGH
RUPNAGAR: Amar Shaheed Baba Ajit Singh Jaijit Singh Memorial College of Pharmacy, Bela, has secured the overall trophy at the South Zone Youth Festival 2024. The college also bagged the Music and Theater overall trophy, showcasing its exceptional talent. Director of the college Dr. Shalish Sharma attributed this success to the hard work and dedication of students, teachers, and coaches. Coordinator Harsimran Singh said that the college's fifth consecutive year winning the overall trophy of the festival. Students excelled in various events and secured first positions in One Act Play, Mimicry, Skit, Shabad Gayan, Indian Group Song, Vaar Singing, Western Vocal Solo, Modeling, Painting, and Story Writing. Secured Second positions in Mehndi, Collage Making, Mime, and Folk Song. Secured Third positions in Bhangaari and Giddha. Pharmacy College President Dr. Bhag Singh Bola and other management committee members congratulated students and staff on this remarkable achievement.

AAP's Jagdeep Singh becomes Sarpanch of Nabha



RAKESH JINDAL
NABHA: Panchayat elections were held unanimously in Dhamera village of Patiala Rural Constituency. Panchayat elections are being held in Punjab. In the same way, rural Patiala constituency is giving priorityThe panchayat was unanimously elected in Dhamera village and AAP leader Jagdeep Singh Dhamera was elected Sarpanch. It is worth mentioning that Jagdeep Singh was elected village Sarpanch unopposed because no person submitted nomination papers compared to Jagdeep Singh, along with Daljit Kaur Panch, Kuldeep Singh Panch, Sarabjit Kaur Panch, Jagdish Singh Panch Vthanking the residents of Dhamera village for this unanimously elected position, Jagdeep Singh assured that Cabinet Minister Dr. Balveer Singh will give priority to the all-round development of the village under the able leadership.

Efforts to provide basic facilities to district: DC



DALJEET AJNOHA
NAWANSHAHR: District Nawanshahr Deputy Commissioner Rajesh Dhiman while talking to senior journalist Daljeet Ajnoha on various issues said that Every possible effort will be made in the district to fulfill the dreams of Shaheed Bhagat Singh and everyone should make efforts together to make his dream come true. If drugs are investigated thoroughly, there is a supply and a demand. If the supply is stopped, the demand will automatically end and our young generation can avoid drugs and for this all sections of the society should make efforts together. Regarding burning of stubble, the civil and police administration are jointly organizing programs in the villages to make the farmers aware. Despite this, if any farmer tries to burn stubble, legal action will be taken against him and a red entry . A song was also released whose lyrics have been sung in a very effective manner to encourage farmers not to burn stubble.

Dr Balbir Singh inaugurates workshop to train nursing tutors

SHASHI PAL JAIN
MOHALI, OCT 8

In a groundbreaking move, the Bhagwant Mann-led Punjab government has embarked on an ambitious project to transform the health sector by training 5,000 faculty members from 250 nursing colleges. This initiative aims to elevate nursing education to international standards, ensuring top-notch health-care services for the people of Punjab.

The First of the series of such training workshops was inaugurated by Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr. Balbir Singh at the Auditorium of Chandigarh University, (Gharuan) Mohali, in which over 500 faculty members from the nursing institutes of the districts of Mohali, Ropar, and Fatehgarh Sahib participated. In his inaugural address, the Health Minister emphasised on the strengthening of Clinical Training of the Nursing Students in government hospitals. He added that the nursing colleges, students and Health Dept. of Punjab should collaborate to provide



quality patient care in government hospitals. Students should also be provided the training on preventive care like lifestyle modifications, health education in the community.

Dr. Balbir Singh said that the Punjab government is committed to strengthening the health and education sectors, recognizing their potential for job creation among youth. This initiative is a significant step towards achieving Chief Minister Bhagwant

Mann's vision of a healthy and prosperous 'Rangla Punjab'. The Health Minister also launched the NRTS and Primary Registration System in Punjab that will help the nursing professionals to align with Central Registration.

Dr Balbir Singh informed that this training covers a variety of key areas, including Clinical Training in government Hospitals, NRTS, TNAI, Online Evaluation of Answer Sheets, College Inspections, and roles such as Centre Su-

perintendents, Invigilators, and for Practical Examinations. The Health Minister also assured Punjab government's support in setting up of the Simulation lab."Punjab will be the first state in the region to establish a simulation lab in collaboration with TNAI," he added.

Meanwhile Dr. Avnish Kumar, Director, Research & Medical Education welcomed the Chief Guest and other delegates, giving an overview of the series of workshops.

Engineering students visit CSIR-CSIO

MOHALI (LK BANSAL): The Electrical and Electronics Engineering Department of Rayat Bahra University organized an educational visit to the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, and Central Scientific Instruments Organisation (CSIR-CSIO), Chandigarh. Students of 2nd year of Electronic and Electrical Engineering went there to understand the recent trends and innovations in the field of Biomedical Electronics & Digital Signal & Image Processing along with the Faculty Coordinator Er Maninder Kaur. Students gained knowledge about applications of electronics and electrical engineering in various fields and enjoyed the educational visit. Vice-Chancellor Dr Parvinder Singh and Dean, University school of Engineering and Technology Dr Anmol Goyal, Head of the Department Er Sonal Sood, said the educational visit to CSIO provided the students with hands-on exposure to cutting-edge scientific instruments, enhancing their understanding of STEM concepts and bridging the gap between theory.



DC starts purchase of paddy at Bhawanigarh



SUMER GARG
SANGRUR, OCT 8

Deputy Commissioner (DC), Sandeep Rishi, while starting the official procurement of paddy at anaj mandi, Bhawanigarh said that the Punjab government is fully committed for the purchasing every grain of the commodity brought by the farmers to the mandis. The DC said that all the arrangements for the purchase of paddy in all the grain markets of the district have already been completed and the sub-divisional magistrates(SDMs) in various sub-divisions have been instructed to continuously monitor the markets. The DC while urging the farmers said that they should bring only dry paddy to the grain markets, as the

paddy with less than 17% moisture can be procured easily by the government procurement agencies. He said that the officials of all the market committees have been instructed to check the paddy moisture at the gate of the grain markets through a machine, so that the dry crop coming to the markets can be purchased within 24 hours, the time limit set by the government, payment to the concerned farmer will be made within 48 hours and the crop can be lifted within 72 hours, so that there is no accumulation of paddy in the markets

He expressed his satisfaction over the procurement arrangements made at Anaj Mandi Bhawanigarh and instructed the market committee officials to ensure that during

the entire season in coordination with the SDM Bhawanigarh to ensure timely facilities of farmers, laborers, commission agents (CAs) and other sections related to the paddy procurement process. The Deputy Commissioner while thanking the Presidents of CAs & Labor Association farmers present at Anaj Mandi assured them that the administration will be allowed, to face any problem to any section during the entire paddy season. Besides others, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Amit Bambi; Assistant Commissioner (UT), Dr. Aditya Sharma; SDM, Ravinder Bansal; DFSC, Major Gurpreet Singh Kang; Tehsildar, Gurwinder Kaur and other officials were also present on the occasion.

Two-day annual fest Parivartan 2024 begins at CGC Landran

CHANDIGARH, OCT 8

Chandigarh Group of Colleges (CGC) Landran, inaugurated its two-day annual cultural extravaganza, Parivartan 2024, with much fanfare today. 'Cultures Connecting Communities' is this year's theme of the fest. Organized by the Department of Student Welfare (DSW), CGC Landran, Parivartan seeks to bring together students and cultural performers from diverse backgrounds to celebrate unity, culture, tradition and creativity.

In addition to this a total of 169 employees who had completed 10 years, 15 years and 20 years of distinguished service with CGC Landran, were honoured with cash prizes and certificates on day one. The festivities commenced with a grand Parivar-



tan Procession by CGCians in the college campus, followed by an energetic flash mob that set the tone for day one of the fest. The invited dignitaries were accorded a warm welcome through a traditional Lamp Lighting ceremony, symbolizing the spirit of cultural enlightenment. Dozens of Punjabi Film industry Malkeet Rauni, Shivendra Mahal and Raj Dhaliwal graced the

occasion as guests of honour. They were accompanied by Rashpal Singh Dhaliwal, President CGC Landran, Satnam Singh Sandhu, Chairman, CGC Landran, Dr. P.N. Hrisheeksha, Campus Director, CGC Landran, Gagandeep Kaur Bhullar, Dean Student Welfare, CGC Landran, Directors and Deans from different departments of the institution.

Bareta residents protest against civic authorities and govt for not repairing closed ROs of town

NARESH GOYAL
MANSa, OCT 8

Residents of town Bareta of Mansa dist are up in the arms against the government for not making arrangements of clean and potable drinking water in the town.

Irrated residents protested against the civic authorities and demanded that the closed reverse osmosis (ROs) plants be repaired and supply of clean and potable drinking water be restarted in the town. According to sources, there were eight ROs installed in the town during the regime of SAD-BJP government.

However, many of these were closed down after some time and a few ceased to function for not paying the power bills of these ROs. Sources revealed that the only RO that was installed close to post of-

fice was functioning normally. But now that too has been locked because the bore well of this RO is reportedly not providing adequate supply of water.

Though many rich families have got their own ROs installed in their homes, but those who are unable to manage their own are left at the mercy of these closed ROs. Since the underground water of the area contains excess fluorosis and is unfit for human consumption, so there is no other alternative left with the residents of Bareta except to depend upon the water supplied by these ROs.

Residents Seema Rani and Veena Singla stated that if the RO installed near post office is made operational, it would provide relief to almost half of the population of the town.

Victory of BJP in Haryana will speed up dev: Makhan Jindal

KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL, OCT 8

With BJP's resounding victory in Haryana for the third time in a row, a wave of happiness has spread among BJP leaders in the local city. Expressing happiness over BJP's victory, BJP's state executive member Makhan Jindal said that the people of Haryana have elected for development for the third time in a row.

He said that this victory of BJP will give a boost to development work in Haryana. He said that after Haryana, BJP's victory in the Delhi assembly elections to be held after a few months is certain.

Jindal said that this time in the Haryana assembly elections, the party has benefited greatly from making the face of a non-Jat chief minister. He said that with the BJP's



hat trick of victory in Haryana, it is almost certain that the BJP government will be formed in the assembly elections in Punjab in 2027.

Strict action needed against political turncoats: Youth Brahmin Sabha President Umesh Sharma

RADHE SHYAM SHARMA
MORINDA, OCT 8

It has become commonplace to read in newspapers about leaders switching from one political party to another, especially as elections draw near. These political "turncoats" often hurt the emotions and trust of the people who once supported them. Such actions deceive the public and tarnish the democratic process. Umesh Sharma, President of the Youth Brahmin Sabha, has urged both the Election Commission and the Supreme Court to take strict action against these opportunistic politicians.

Many leaders, disappointed by not receiving a party ticket, shift their allegiance to rival parties as if obtaining a ticket is their birthright. Despite the existence of the anti-defection law, passed in 1985



with the goal of curbing such unethical practices in Indian politics, very little action is being taken to enforce it.

Sharma pointed out the hypocrisy of leaders who first publicly criticize a party, only to later join the same party for their personal gains. This behavior deeply wounds the sentiments and trust of thousands of supporters who once voted for these leaders in good faith. He stressed that it is crucial to rein in such political opportunists to maintain the



public's faith in Indian democracy.

Dr. Aman Bhanot echoed these sentiments, stating that while it may be understandable for a leader to change their political affiliation once, those who repeatedly switch parties based on convenience can rightly be labeled as "turncoats." He emphasized that this issue requires serious consideration by the Election Commission to preserve the integrity of the political system.

Religious, social organizations of Gurdaspur unite for Shri Sai Palaki Yatra on Oct 16-17

VERMA
GURDASPUR, OCT 8

In a significant show of unity, religious and social organizations from Gurdaspur convened at the Chaudhary Maiya Das Mistri Shivala Temple to discuss and finalize preparations for the grand Shri Sai Palaki Yatra, scheduled for October 16-17. During the meeting, it was unanimously decided that all organizations would actively participate in the Sai Festival and the Palaki Yatra of Shirdi Sai Baba.

Pardeep Mahajan, representing the Shri Sai family, outlined the program. On October 16, the reading of the sacred Sai Satcharitra will take place at 6:00 PM at the temple, followed by Sai Sandhya at 7:00 PM. After the evening prayer session, langar will be distributed to all devotees. The



celebrations will continue on October 17, starting with a gathering at 11:00 AM, which will feature devotional songs by Rajkumar Ji and his group from Amritsar.

The highlight of the event, the Palaki Yatra, will begin at 3:00 PM from the temple and pass through prominent locations in the city, including Imamabad Market, Hanuman Chowk, Geeta Bhawan Road, and Old Bus Stand, among others. The procession will return to the temple via Police Line Road, where the Maha Aarti will be performed, followed by the distribution of

langar prasad. Various organizations are playing a crucial role in ensuring the success of the event. The Vishav Hindu Parishad will manage the langar distribution on the night of October 16, while members of the Shri Sanatan Jagran Manch will take charge of the langar on October 17. MIW Foundation has been entrusted with maintaining security during the Palaki Yatra. The Bharat Vikas Parishad (City Branch) will ensure that devotees follow behind the Palaki, while its Main Branch will organize the participants in the procession.

Savitri Jindal creates history by winning Hisar Poll: Kansal



SUNAM (SUMER GARG): People of Sunam under the leadership of Agarwal Sabha Sunam unit's Chief Advisor, Ghanashyam Kansal and President, Ishwar Garg gathered in the old grain market and distributed Laddoos to celebrate the victory of Savitri Jindal, who has won as an independent candidate from Hisar assembly constituency in the state of Haryana. Mr. Kansal said that Savitri Jindal, mother of BJP MP, Naveen Jindal has set a record by registering a historic victory by a huge margin of votes and she was confident of her victory from day one, as I got a chance to go to Hisar and campaign in her favor.

Ghanashyam Kansal further said that with the help of Agarwal Samaj and Rotary Clubs many election functions were organized in support of Savitri Jindal, observed the enthusiasm among the people and it was clear that the Hisar voters have made up its mind to support Madam Jindal. Mr. Kansal informed that Savitri Jindal had said in her election campaign that her aim would be the faith, change and development of Hisar and she was 100% sure that she would maintain the trust of the people by taking forward the development of Hisar. He congratulated all the Rotary Clubs of Hisar, especially Nitin Grover, President of Rotary Club Central, Hisar.

'YuvaSanchetnaDiwas' celebrated at RR Bawa DAV College for Girls



VERMA
BATALA, OCT 8

Under the patronage of Dr. Ekta Khosla, Principal, RR Bawa DAV College for Girls, Batala and under the guidance of Dr. Lucky Sharma (program Coordinator and Incharge Student Welfare), Dr. Ritu Goswani (Programme Convener and Incharge Student Council), Mrs. Supriya Duggal (Co-Dean Discipline) and Dr. Meenakshi Duggal (Dean Academics), 'YuvaSanchetnaDiwas' was organized in the college campus.

On this occasion, Principal Dr. Ekta Khosla congratulated the members of newly appointed 'Student Council' and 'Discipline Committee'.

She also stated that being the part of the college administration they are required to fulfill their responsibilities with punctuality and discipline. Following the procedures, P.G. Head Girl Kumari Vibha, Joint Head Girl Kumari Arshdeep Kaur, Assistant Head Girl Kumari Priya and U.G. Head Girl Kumari Vidhyanti and Chief Proctor Kumari Bhavya Mahajan were duly honoured on this occasion and the selected students were given badges by the principal.

At this juncture, Dr. Lucky Sharma administered the oath ceremony and the elected students took an oath to fulfill their responsibilities with full devotion.

SHANTI GAUTAM BADDI: According to information received from the Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board's Sub-Division Nalagarh-2, there will be a power outage on October 10 due to maintenance work on the 11

kV Him Chem feeder, which operates from the Nalagarh power substation. Assistant Engineer Mukesh Sharma of Nalagarh Sub-Division-2 provided this information. The outage will affect power supply from 9 AM to 6 PM on October 10, 2024,

in areas including Dadi Bhole, Mehshi Plassi, Pirsthan, the RTO office, and industrial units such as Kangaroo, Deep Sweet, Chris Flexipack, Sentis Pharma, Doon Valley Saraswati Vihar, and Riya Packers.

Himachal Gau Seva Samiti thanks Maharashtra Govt for declaring cow as Raj Mata

KISHORI LAL BAINS UNA: Himachal Gau Seva Samiti has thanked the Maharashtra Government for declaring cow as Raj Mata. Rasil Singh Mankotia State President of Himachal GauSevaSamiti said that the people of Maharashtra also deserve congratulations for this. He said that Himachal Gau Seva Samiti has raised the demand of giving the status of Rashtriya Mata to cow before many governments for many years. But Maharashtra is the first State in the whole of India which has given the status of Raj Mata to Mother Cow. Himachal Gau Seva Samiti appeals the Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu to give Gau Mata the Status of Raj Mata in Himachal Pradesh like Maharashtra.

BJP celebrates Haryana Assembly victory with great enthusiasm



DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA: The BJP state office, Deep Kamal Chakr, witnessed grand celebrations following the party's victory in the Haryana Assembly elections. Party workers distributed sweets (laddoos) in jubilation. BJP's state media in-charge, Karan Nanda, shared the details of the celebrations, which saw the presence of state secretary Sanjay Thakur, office secretary Pramod Thakur, and co-media in-charge Pyar Singh Kanwar. Karan Nanda also informed that BJP state president Dr. Rajeev Bindal, leader of opposition Jai Ram Thakur, former Union Minister Anurag Thakur, former Chief Ministers Prof. Prem Kumar Dhumal and Shanta Kumar, organizational general secretary Siddharthan, general secretary Bihari Lal Sharma, Dr. Sikandar Kumar, Trilok Kapoor, MP Suresh Kashyap, Rajeev Bhardwaj, Indu Goswami, Harsh Mahajan, and all party workers extended their congratulations and best wishes to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Minister Amit Shah, and National President & Union Minister JP Nadda on this historic win. BJP state president Dr. Rajeev Bindal remarked that the election results clearly show that the BJP has formed the government in Haryana for the third time in a row, marking a hat-trick in the state—an extraordinary record. He added that Congress' false promises failed to sway the electorate in these Assembly elections. Bindal emphasized that Haryana needs a government and a Chief Minister free from corruption allegations. This victory proves that the people stand with the BJP, rejecting Congress' corrupt leadership. He highlighted the BJP's core principle: if any party member is found involved in corruption, the party takes swift action, even at the risk of losing power. This reflects the BJP's ethos, which views politics as a means of nation-building rather than merely forming governments.

CM Sukhu reviews preparations for International Kullu Dussehra Festival

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, OCT 8

Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu today chaired a high-level meeting to review the preparations for the International Kullu Dussehra festival. He directed officials to ensure smooth arrangements for the event which is scheduled to take place from October 13 to October 19 this year. The Chief Minister also emphasized the need to complete all preparations within the specified timeframe. Sh. Sukhu also directed the Kullu administration to ensure proper arrangements for the deities participating in the Dussehra fair. He said that all necessary provisions should be made in accordance with



the traditions and respect for the deities.

He said that this year International cultural troupes would be the main attraction of the event and approximately 20 International cultural troupes were expected to participate in the fair. So far cultural groups from Russia, Sri Lanka, USA, Indonesia, and Myanmar have confirmed their participation.

Additionally, artists from Assam, Punjab, Uttarakhand, Rajasthan, and Haryana will also be showcasing their performances. Cultural groups from Himachal Pradesh will have the opportunity to display their talents in the fair as well.

The Chief Minister further said that several foreign diplomats were expected to attend the Dussehra festival enhancing

the global appeal of the event. He said that a cultural parade would be also organized on October 14, and the Kullu Carnival would take place on October 19, featuring tableaux showcasing the programs and achievements of various government departments. To make the International Kullu Dussehra more attractive competitions such as Kabaddi, volleyball and other

sports events will also be held. Sukhu said 300 Home Guard personnel and 870 police jawans would be deployed for the event to ensure the safety and security of the event.

Chief Parliamentary Secretary Sunder Singh Thakur participated in the meeting virtually. Meanwhile, in Shimla, the meeting was attended by Chief Secretary Prabodh Saxena, Additional Chief Secretary Onkar Chand Sharma, Principal Secretary Devesh Kumar, Secretary to the Chief Minister Rakesh Kanwar, Secretary M. Sudha Devi, ADGP Abhishek Trivedi, Director Tourism Department Mansi Sahay Thakur, Director Language and Culture Pankaj Lalit, ENC PWD N.P. Singh amongst others.

Yadvinder Goma criticises Jai Ram Thakur for misleading people

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, OCT 8

The Youth Services and Sports Minister, Yadvinder Goma today here said that the Leader of the Opposition Jai Ram Thakur is misleading the public regarding the so-called sportsperson tax scheme in the state. He categorically refuted the allegations that the government has been collecting taxes from players or sports associations at the Athletic Tracks in Dharamshala and Bilaspur. He said that these claims are entirely unfounded and only politically motivated to malign the image of present state government.

Yadvinder Goma reiterated that no fees of any kind have been imposed by the department. The fees set by the District Sports Council for sports complexes and other



related expenses are determined only after a thorough assessment of all relevant factors. He said that the rates for the use of Indoor Stadium in Bilaspur was fixed back in 2014 while the rates for the Synthetic Athletic track in Bilaspur was set in 2021. At present the charges for sports associations and government institutions for using these sports facilities are Rs. 5 thousand and Rs. 10 Thousand for the private institutions. No new charges have been introduced by the state government.

Folk media teams raise awareness about earthquake-resistant buildings in rural areas

KISHORI LAL BAINS UNA, OCT 8

Under the Samarth 2024 program of the District Disaster Management Authority, artists from Purvi Kala Manch Jalgrn Tabbha performed street plays on Tuesday in Haroli subdivision to raise awareness about building earthquake-resistant structures. At locations such as Haroli Bus Stand and Bathu village, the performers educated the locals about various techniques that can minimize damage to life and property during an earthquake. The artists emphasized that using the right construction techniques is crucial for safety during natural disasters.

They introduced the audience to different methods of earthquake-resistant construction, including the use of high-quality cement mortar, horizontal earthquake-resistant bands, reinforcement of brick walls, reinforced joints, pillar construction, piling techniques, concrete standards, and essential elements for building strong foundations. The importance of consulting engineers before making any



structural modifications to buildings was also stressed, as this can help mitigate the potential damage caused by earthquakes.

In addition to spreading awareness about earthquake-resistant buildings, the artists also urged the community to focus on environmental conservation. They encouraged planting more trees, emphasizing that maintaining environmental balance can help reduce the impact of natural disasters.

Bulk Drug Park Project: A new chapter in Himachal's industrial growth

KISHORI LAL BAINS UNA, OCT 8

Industrial development is the cornerstone of any state's progress and prosperity, creating employment opportunities and paving the way for economic empowerment and overall improvement in living standards. The ongoing construction of the Bulk Drug Park project in Haroli Assembly Constituency, Una district, Himachal Pradesh, marks a decisive step in this direction. Spanning 1,405 acres and with an estimated cost of Rs. 2,000 crore, this project aims to boost industrial growth in the state and achieve self-reliance in pharmaceutical production. The Himachal government



has committed to investing ?1,000 crore to oversee its operations, with the goal of transforming the state's industrial landscape and providing thousands of job opportunities.

Anshul Dhiman, Joint Director of the Industry Department, explains that the primary goal of the Bulk Drug Park project is to achieve self-sufficiency in the

production of Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs), the essential raw materials for drug manufacturing. This project will position Himachal Pradesh at the forefront of the pharmaceutical industry. Under the leadership of Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu, Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri, and Industries Minister

Harshvardhan Chauhan, the project is advancing at a rapid pace. Director of Industries Rakesh Prajapati is committed to swiftly developing the project's infrastructure to reduce the state's reliance on API imports, thus strengthening India's pharmaceutical supply chain and improving drug availability in both national and international markets.

In June, during his visit to Haroli, Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu laid the foundation for four major projects worth Rs. 150 crore under the Bulk Drug Park initiative. These include the construction of administrative buildings, water supply projects, and other essential infrastructure.

Former BJP leader and his wife consume poison, leader dies

SANAJY AGGARWAL DHARAMSHALA, OCT 8

Rakesh Chaudhary, who had contested elections twice as an independent candidate on a BJP ticket from Dharamshala assembly constituency, and his wife were admitted to Dr. Rajendra Prasad Government Medical College Tanda in critical condition on Tuesday. Leader Rakesh Chaudhary died during treatment, while his wife was saved. It is being told that both of them had allegedly consumed some poisonous substance. The police have started investigating the matter as to why Rakesh Chaudhary and his wife took this horrific step. Doctors treating both of them in Tanda Medical said that Rakesh Chaudhary died during treatment, although his wife's condition is out of danger. This incident is being



told of last night. According to the information received from the police, both of them were admitted to Tanda Medical College at present. Confirming the matter, ASP Bir Bahadur of Kangra district said that the reason behind eating the poisonous substance has not been revealed yet.

He said that the police have registered a case and the investigation of the case is going on. ASP Bir Bahadur

said that a case has been registered in this case at Yol police station and investigation is being done from every angle. Rakesh Chaudhary had contested the last assembly elections from Dharamshala on a BJP ticket. While this time he contested the by-election as an independent candidate. However, he had to face defeat. Earlier also he had contested the election once as an independent candidate.

District level three-day Dussehra festival to be held in Shahpur on Oct 9: Pathania

SANAJY AGGARWAL DHARAMSHALA, OCT 8

Deputy Chief Whip Kewal Singh Pathania said that Ayush, Youth Services and Sports Minister Yadavindra Goma will inaugurate a grand procession on October 9 during the district level three-day Dussehra festival in Shahpur. While chairing a review meeting of preparations with officials in Dharamshala for the successful organization of Dussehra festival, Deputy Chief Whip Kewal Singh Pathania said that on October 9, the procession will start at 4 pm with the Bhoomi Pujan of Ram statue at Rameshwar Temple Shahpur, along with this the first cultural evening will be organized from 6 pm to 10 pm. He said that Himachali artists will be given an opportunity to show their talent in the cultural evenings so that Himachali



culture can be promoted. KCCB Chairman Kuldeep Singh Pathania will participate as the chief guest in the cultural evening on October 10.

Deputy Chief Whip Kewal Singh Pathania said that the government is focusing special attention towards women empowerment and for this, the cultural evening of October 11 will be dedicated to women artists. He said that on October 11, MLA Kamlesh Thakur will participate as the chief guest and advocate Anup Ratna

will be present as the special guest. He said that in this cultural evening Mamta Bhardwaj and Varsha Katoch will give their performances as star artists. In the first cultural evening on October 09, Indian Idol fame Anuj Sharma will show his talent as a star artist, in the second cultural evening on October 10, Ishant Bhardwaj will show his talent as a star artist. Kewal Singh Pathania said that on the occasion of Dussehra, fireworks show and effigy burning program will also be organized on October 12 at 7 pm.

BJP Mandal Dharamshala conducts membership campaign



SANAJY AGGARWAL DHARAMSHALA: Dharamshala: Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha Mandal Dharamshala conducted a membership campaign in Kachhari Adda Dharamshala under the Organization Festival Membership Campaign-2024. The youth showed enthusiasm in the BJP membership campaign. During this, halwa was also distributed. BJP Mandal President Dr. Vishal Nehriya said that the Dharamshala BJP Mandal has a target of making 25000 members, while the figure of making 20000 members has been completed. On this occasion, Mandal President of Bharatiya Janata Party Mandal Dharamshala Dr. Vishal Nehriya, State Media Co-in-charge of Himachal Pradesh BJP and Advocate Vishav Chakshu, who was the media co-ordinator of the former Chief Minister in the Chief Minister's Office of Himachal Pradesh, Madhu Sharma, Yuva Morcha President Sushil Kapoor, Mani Joda, Prema Sharma, Sameeksha Sharma, Ankush Sharma, Akash Chaudhary, Rajesh Kumar, Ankesh Dogra, Sandeep Kumar etc. were present.

We have to move forward towards women empowerment: Manisha Mishra



AVINASH CHAUHAN **AMB:** On the fourth day of NSS camp in Government Senior Secondary School Daulatpur Chowk, volunteers donated their labour in Mata Kuha Devi temple. In this, NSS volunteers carried out cleanliness drive around the temple. And collected garbage and gave the message of clean India. Madam Manisha Mishra, Project Director Lamp, participated as the chief guest. The program started with Jyoti Prajabalan. Madam Manisha Mishra guided the children with her address on women empowerment, Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao and the role of daughters in society. Program Officer Sanjeev Sharma and Women Program Officer Madam Monica Ratan honored the chief guest by giving him a memento. On this occasion, the Principal of the school Vasudev Thakur welcomed the chief guest with his address.

Patient Welfare Committee meeting held at 10-Bed Ayurvedic Hospital in Suliali

SANJEEV MAHAJAN NURPUR, OCT 8

The Patient Welfare Committee (RKS) meeting of the 10-bed Government Ayurvedic Hospital, Suliali, was chaired by SDM Nurpur, Gursimr Singh. During the meeting, the hospital in-charge and committee member secretary, Dr. Chandra Prakash Arun, presented the budget for the year 2024-25, amounting to Rs. 4,41,400, which was unanimously approved by all members after discussion. The meeting highlighted provisions for essential items such as Rs. 2.91 lakhs for medical equipment, Rs. 50,000 for repairs, Rs. 10,000 for stationery, Rs. 25,000 for bio-medical waste management, and Rs. 40,000 for laundry services. Additionally, Rs. 25,000 was allocated for miscellaneous expenses. A key decision taken during the meeting was to open a pharmacy within the hospital premises to provide affordable medicines to patients while increasing the hospital's revenue through the



committee's funds. Sub-Divisional Ayush Officer, Sharad Chandra Trivedi, called upon the administration to ensure better medical facilities for the public.

He emphasized the need to address deficiencies in patient services and discussed necessary improvements in various areas. Dr. Chandra Prakash Arun, hospital in-charge and member secretary of the Patient Welfare Committee, elaborated on the meeting's outcome. He noted that this was the committee's 12th annual meeting since its inception in 2013, chaired by SDM Nurpur.

Ramayana teaches discipline and brotherhood, says Jogendra Dev Arya

BUREAU BANGANA, OCT 8

On the fifth day of the ongoing 66th annual Ramayana performance at Shri Ram Natak Club in Hatli, National Union of Journalists' member Jogendra Dev Arya graced the event as the chief guest. The committee warmly welcomed and honored him on stage. Arya emphasized that the Ramayana is the most significant religious scripture in Kaliyug, teaching individuals the values of discipline, brotherhood, and love. He noted that the annual staging of the Ramayana at Hatli is a long-standing tradition, promoting Sanatan Dharma



and educating people about Lord Ram's virtues.

Jogendra Dev Arya further highlighted that the Ramayana is not merely a form of entertainment but a profound source of life lessons, especially in Kaliyug. By following the teachings of Ramayana, one can lead a meaningful life. Arya praised the club

members for their dedication, noting that they rehearse a month in advance and then offer their services free of charge during the Navratras, spreading the teachings of Lord Ram to the public. He congratulated the club for its efforts in inspiring people to follow the righteous path shown by Lord Ram.

Debate organized on Wild Life



CHANDIGARH: Wild Life Week concluded at Maharishi Dayanand Public School, Daria. Today, a debate on wildlife was organized with the collaboration of the Environment Department, Chandigarh Administration. In this competition, the students said that wild animals should be protected by planting more trees. Forests are our wealth. If we all want prosperity and happiness in our lives, then the environment has to be made clean. Only by making it clean can we live a healthy life. Trees and plants are invaluable treasures. We all have to cooperate in creating a clean environment by planting them in maximum numbers. Factory waste should be dumped in rivers and drains only because it proves fatal for wild animals. He said that our ancestors loved trees, plants, animals, birds and other creatures. We should not pollute the rivers. We should not affect the lives of wild animals. We have to develop the forest wealth only then the life of wild animals will be safe. For their excellent performance in the competition, Raj, Lovepreet, Rupanshu and Hemant were awarded first, second, third and consolation prizes respectively. Vice Principal Anju Modgil said that the main objective of this competition was to promote the conservation of wildlife.

Farmers will not face any problem regarding purchase, payment of paddy; DC



SURINDER DAMDAMI KOTKAPURA: The Punjab government has completed all the arrangements in the mandis regarding the purchase of paddy and farmers , aartis and labor will not be allowed to face any kind of problem regarding the purchase of paddy . This was revealed by the Deputy Commissioner, Mr. Vineet Kumar during a conversation with the farmers and officials after starting the purchase of paddy at the main procurement center Faridkot . He said that the farmers will not face any problem regarding the purchase , payment, or lifting of paddy, and also, the farmers will be paid for the purchase of paddy on time. He said that preparations have been made for procurement in 68 procurement centers by the Mandi Board and District Food Supply Controller in the district . He also instructed the Mandi Board officials that the trolley should be allowed to enter the market only after checking the moisture of paddy at the gate . The Deputy Commissioner said that paddy in Faridkot district of purchase for purchase Shade , light , water and sanitation, etc. have been arranged in the centers . Along with this, the duty of the police has also been assigned to prevent the incidents of paddy thieves. He appealed to the farmers to harvest the paddy by installing Super SMS on the combine and bring the paddy to the markets only as per the prescribed standards, so that they do not have to face any kind of trouble. He appealed to the farmers not to burn stubble.

Workshop on Legal Empowerment for Women held at MCM



CHANDIGARH: The Foreign Students' Cell and Postgraduate Department of Sociology at Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh, under the aegis of Internal Quality Assurance Cell and, in collaboration with Government College, Chamba, organised a workshop titled 'Legal Empowerment for Women: Breaking Barriers and Building Justice'. The workshop was conducted by Prof. Navneet Arora, University Institute of Legal Studies, Panjab University, Chandigarh. The session aimed to educate students about the various legal aspects related to their empowerment, enhance legal literacy, and address issues concerning gender justice. Prof. Arora's presentation covered the issues women face today, such as domestic violence, sexual harassment and other forms of gender-based violence. The expert discussed various legal avenues available for women to address these challenges, focusing on legal aid mechanisms designed to empower them. She also shared examples of landmark legal cases that have shaped the discourse on women's rights in India, and through these case studies, she underscored the role of the judiciary in upholding women's rights and the importance of strong legal frameworks. The workshop also familiarised the participants with various support platforms available to women, such as the Internal Complaints Committee (ICC), the National Commission for Women, Mission Shakti- One Stop Centre, Nari Niketan, and movements like Me Too were also discussed. The event concluded with an interactive session where participants engaged with the speaker, seeking advice on how to navigate legal challenges. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation of around 85 students, reflecting the growing interest in legal empowerment and gender justice. Principal Dr. Nisha Bhargava lauded the organisers as she highlighted the relevance of such awareness sessions that empower the stakeholders with knowledge about their rights and relevant legal provisions.



Punjab Governor and Administrator UT Chandigarh Gulab Chand Kataria on Tuesday paid obeisance at Mata Mansa Devi Temple in Panchkula. The Governor along with the Lady Governor Smt Anita Kataria offered prayers by following all rituals at the Shrine. He also extended his greetings to people of the State and UT Chandigarh for Navratras.

Punjab BJP celebrates Haryana's win with bhangra and drum beats

RAJIV JAIN
CHANDIGARH, OCT 8

Amidst vibrant Bhangra and the beats of dhol, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Punjab celebrated BJP's resounding victory in Haryana at the state ofice in Chandigarh today. Party members rejoiced in the triumph by sharing laddus, which were also distributed among the common public gathered at the event. Similar celebrations took place in every corner of Punjab, where BJP workers marked the celebrations with drum beats and distributed laddus in the streets and marketplaces. Leading the celebrations at the state office, Punjab BJP Vice President Kewal Dhillion, accompanied by State Media Head Vineet Joshi, State Office Secretary Sunil Dutt, District



Mohali President Sanjeev Vashisht, and other senior party workers, danced to the tunes of Bhangra and shared sweets among each other. Speaking to the media, Kewal Dhillion attributed the victory to the developmental policies of the BJP government in Haryana. He emphasized that the win reflects the people's trust in the party's commitment to inclusive development, spearheaded by Prime Minister Narendra Modi's central

schemes. "This is the victory of the development policies of the BJP government of Haryana. It is the victory of the policy of the BJP government to ensure development of everyone without discrimination. By entrusting BJP with power for the third consecutive time, the people of Haryana have not only rejected the negative politics of Congress but have also sent a strong message to Rahul Gandhi that the Constitution is not in danger.

Donation in memory of freedom fighter Chanan Ram



SUMER GARG
DABWALI, OCT 8

Surinder Singla a social worker said that former Punjab and Haryana High Court, Justice, SN Aggarwal and his son senior advocate Harsh Aggarwal will give a financial assistance of Rs 7 lakh to local Shri Gaushala for the construction of a new shed in the memory of his uncle Lala Chanan Ram, who was a great freedom fighter. Singla further said

Governor inaugurates national seminar on Srimanta Sankardev at Panjab University

CHANDIGARH: The Governor of Punjab and Administrator UT Chandigarh Sh Gulab Chand Kataria , inaugurated a one-day National Seminar today at Panjab University, Chandigarh, commemorating the 576th Birth Anniversary of Srimanta Sankardev. The seminar, themed "Understanding Srimanta Sankardev: A Multifaceted Genius," attracted scholars, students, and dignitaries from across the country to explore the life, teachings, and lasting impact of the great saint, philosopher, and social reformer. In his inaugural address, Governor Kataria shared personal memories of his time in Assam, where he witnessed the profound cultural heritage and simplicity preserved in the Sattras, religious institutions established by Srimanta Sankardev over five centuries ago. He spoke about Sankardev's tremendous influence on Assamese society and the Indian spiritual landscape, emphasizing that Sankardev's teachings resonate deeply with the vision of a harmonious and progressive India.

CIA staff Kharar arrests 10 member gang including 7 women who stole jewellery

SHASHI PAL JAIN
KHARAR, OCT 8

CIA staff Kharar has succeeded in busting a 10-member inter-state gang of thieves who steal jewelry by tricking shopkeepers into buying jewelry in Jeweler's Shop. Addressing the media at Kharar today, Talwinder Singh, DSP (Investigation) and Inspector Harvinder Singh, in-charge of CIA staff, Kharar, said that on September 15, 02 women and one black person were inside the shop of Praveen Kumar resident of Kurali. The women who came sat inside the shop and started looking at the jewelry and the Mona person stood at the door of the shop. The women in the shop repeatedly kept looking at the jewels in their hands and after giving him a thousand rupees, the women said that they would take the money and take the jewels back. After that the



women did not come back. When he checked his jewelry in his box, three pairs of tapes, a pair of gold, a gold ladies ring, a gold locket were found stolen. He said that CIA staff Kharar was asked by the SSP Mohali to solve this case. During the investigation, it was found that 8 to 10 women and persons are involved in this gang of thieves who carry out the incidents in different Swift cars. This gang of thieves was arrested by the police yesterday. The arrested persons include Asia, Zaida, As-

meen, Mehrunisa, Nargis, Patun, Sajid, Munne Khan, Nazim and Insar. According to the police, about 92 grams of gold ornaments, 01 kilos of 850 grams of silver ornaments have been recovered from them. According to the police, all these who are from Ghaziasah, U.P. are residents of and all of them are related to each other and they are organized among themselves in Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Rajasthan, U.P. And jewelers in other states target snake shops.

14 Sapanch and 233 Panch elected unopposed in Kharar block for Panchayat Elections

KHARAR (SHASHI PAL JAIN): After the withdrawal of nomination papers in the ongoing Panchayat Elections, now a total of 434 candidates have remained in the fray. Among them, 138 candidates for the post of Sarpanch and 296 candidates for the post of Panch are in the fray. The SDM of Kharar and the returning officer for these elections, Mr. Gurmander Singh, said that a total of 65 Panchayats are to be elected in Kharar block, for which 9 clusters were formed. He said that yesterday 115 nominations for Sarpanches and 123 for Panches were withdrawn and now 138 candidates for Sarpanches and 296 candidates for Panches are in the fray. He said that in these elections, 14 Sarpanchs and 233 Panches have been declared elected unopposed.



Efforts to build memorial for Baba Banda Singh Bahadur in Batala: Parmjit Gill

VERMA
GURDASPUR, OCT 8

The National Vice President of the Himalaya Family Organization and senior leader of the Gurudaspur Lok Sabha constituency, Paramjit Singh Gill, stated that the first Sikh emperor, Baba Banda Singh Bahadur, took charge during the battle to drive the Mughals out of Batala. The Sikh flag was raised after expelling the Mughals, but no government has paid attention to this. Now, they will attempt to build a memorial for Baba Banda Singh Bahadur in Batala, bringing together various sections of society. He mentioned that Baba Banda Singh Bahadur fought against the Mughals in Batala at the beginning of the 18th century, and according to historical references, the local Khandkhol area serves as proof of this. Additionally, 13 kilometers from



Batala, in Mirza Jaan village, a fort was built where the Khalsa armies, under the leadership of Baba Banda Singh Bahadur, bravely faced the Mughal forces. Gill further stated that Baba Banda Singh Bahadur captured Batala, Kalnour, and other places by defeating the Mughals in 1715. He emphasized that Baba Banda Singh Bahadur, who granted land ownership rights to the farmers and dedicated his entire life to the fight against the Mughals, focused on increasing mutual unity and brotherhood.

Emotional Bharat Milap scene moves audience to tears



DAVINDER SHARMA
RUPNAGAR, OCT 8

The sixth day of the ongoing Ramlalela, organized by the Shri Mahavir Dal and Shri Hanuman Mandir in the Beant Singh Amar Nagar, featured an emotionally charged performance that brought tears to the eyes of the audience. The event commenced with the auspicious lighting of the Aarti by prominent figures including Mohan Lal Goyal, National Senior President of Shri Indian Mahavir Dal, Deepak Singla, National Vice President, and Punjab

President Yogesh Goyal, all hailing from Mandi Gobindgarh. The proceedings began with the Aarti of Bholenath, followed by the poignant scene of Bharat's entry into Ayodhya. Bharat, accompanied by the three mothers, journeys into the forests to bring Lord Ram back to Ayodhya. However, Lord Ram's unwavering commitment to his duties proves challenging for Bharat to alter. The emotional farewell between Bharat and Ram left the audience visibly moved, with many shedding tears.

Honoured and elated to organize this program and serve so many great saints: Singer B Prak



CHANDIGARH, OCT 8

Under the aegis of Shri Krishna Priya Ju Sankirtan Mandal, Vrindavan Praktya Utsav and Shrimad Bhagwat Katha are being organized at the Mela Ground in Sector 34, Chandigarh. This program will continue till October 13. Today, on the second day of the programme, world famous Katha Vyas Param Pujya Shri Indresh Maharaj nar-



rated that the first shloka of Shrimad Bhagwat Geeta starts with the word 'Jann' (Birth) and the last word is 'Hari Satya'. He explained that since birth till the last breath the human life is to be surrendered in the feet of Sri Hari, and during the course he need to perform all his duties while chanting and remembering Sri Hari. While refereeing to the digital era, Maharaj ji said that just

similar to how everyone reaches the desired destination through Google Map installed in mobile, in the same way Shrimad Bhagwat Geeta steers the human being to the ultimate destination of life. On this occasion, singer B Praak told that the well-known saints of the country are arriving in this Bhagwat Katha, who will recite the Shrimad Bhagwat Katha and explain to the people the reality of life.

Lawrence school students shine in various sports competitions



TILAK RAJ
MOHALI, OCT 8

Students from Lawrence Senior Secondary School, Sector 51, Mohali, have brought pride to their institution by excelling in various sports competitions at both the state and regional levels. Bhavya Kamboj, a standout athlete, won three gold medals at the 68th Inter-State School Games 2024-25, held in Sangrur. His performance has earned him a spot to represent the school at the National Level Competition in Delhi this November. Additionally, Bhavya show-

cased his exceptional talent in the CBSE North Zone-II Roller Skating Championship 2024 at OPSS School, Ambala, where he clinched one gold and one silver medal. He has now qualified for the CBSE National Games 2024 in Belgaum, Karnataka, set to take place in November. Another student, Tejas, won a gold medal in the 500-meter road event at the CBSE North Zone Roller Skating Championship. In the same spirit of achievement, Barin Sharma, a student of Class fourth won two silver medals at the School State Games held in Sangrur.

Amity University Punjab welcomes freshers with talent hunt, DJ party



MOHALI (LK BANSAL): Amity University Punjab, a renowned institution committed to academic excellence and holistic development, recently hosted an enchanting event to welcome its incoming students. The event, which marked the culmination of "Amity's Got Talent," allowed the Fresher's batch of 2024 to exhibit their diverse talents across a wide spectrum of genres. The celebration brought together a unique fusion of talent, creativity, and entertainment.

Amity's Got Talent showcased the remarkable abilities of the incoming batch, with participants competing in various domains, including Quiz, Debate, Extempore, Ideathon, Photography, Gaming, Sketching, Painting, Dance, Music, Drama and Fashion. The event was a testament to the exceptional skills and creativity that students possess at Amity University Punjab. The "Amity's Got Talent" extravaganza extended over three days, culminating in a grand celebration on Fresher's Day. The evening featured captivating cultural dance performances, enthralling band acts, soul-stirring music performances, and a stunning fashion show. The audience was spellbound by the extraordinary talent showcased by the participants, a testament to the remarkable creativity that thrives within the university.

BJP leaders celebrate landslide victory in Haryana

DAVINDER SHARMA
RUPNAGAR, OCT 8

In celebration of the BJP's massive third consecutive win in Haryana, local party leaders gathered at Gandhi Chowk to distribute sweets and rejoice. The event was led by BJP District President Ajayveer Singh Lalpura, who expressed gratitude to the party workers and made them celebrate with sweets. Addressing the gathering, Lalpura called the victory "historic," attributing it to the unwavering trust the people of Haryana have placed in the BJP's double-engine government, which represents both state and central governance under BJP leadership. He emphasized that this win was possible due to the strong faith in development and the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Lalpura not-



ed that despite the efforts of the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) and Congress to create issues and defame the BJP, they failed to sway the public. He stated that leaders like Rahul Gandhi and Arvind Kejriwal underestimated the challenge of defeating a party led by Narendra Modi. He credited the victory to the ground-level development work carried out by Modi and Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Saini, which won over the people's trust. Looking ahead to the 2027 elections,

Lalpura appealed to the people of Punjab to give the BJP a chance, ensuring that the double-engine government would bring about transformative development in Punjab as well. He expressed confidence that the BJP would secure a win in Punjab in 2027, ushering in a new era of progress for the state. Also present at the celebration were prominent BJP leaders, including Jagdish Chandra Kajla, who congratulated the people of Haryana on the victory.

Final tribute to social worker Hansraj Bhardwaj on Oct 10



A N WAR HUSSAIN BADDI: A final tribute to late social worker Hansraj Bhardwaj will be held on Thursday, October 10. The memorial prayer meeting is set to take place at the Birla Auditorium in Maharana Pratap Nagar, near the Baddi bus stand. People from Baddi, Barotiwala, Nalagarh, and neighboring states are expected to gather to pay their heartfelt respects. The prayer meeting, organized by Bhardwaj's family, will take place between 12:00 PM and 2:00 PM. Following the memorial service, a Brahm Bhoj (community meal) will be held in his honor. Bhardwaj passed away on September 27 due to a heart attack at PGI Chandigarh. The family of the late Hansraj Bhardwaj has invited people to offer floral tributes during the prayer ceremony. Friends and acquaintances from Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, and Punjab will share fond memories of him, recounting the inspirational life he led and the lessons they learned from his selfless service to society. Renowned devotional singer Dani Giri will perform bhajans (devotional songs) during the event. Bhardwaj's significant contribution to social work in the region will be remembered by all those who attend, celebrating his life and legacy.

Taking abortion medicine without medical advice can be fatal: Dr. Tapinderjot

KULDEEP SOOD BARNALA: The Health Department Barnala, under the leadership of Deputy Commissioner Madam Punamdeep Kaur, is taking steps regarding health safety in district Barnala. Under this, strict steps are being taken to stop the sale of common abortion medicines (MTP kits) at medical stores. Giving more information in this regard, Dr. Tapinderjot Kaushal, Civil Surgeon Barnala, said that appropriate action will be taken by the Health Department Barnala against those medical stores which illegally sell abortion kits (MTP). Dr. Jyoti Kaushal said that it is illegal to sell any abortion (MTP kit) medicine without the advice of a gynecologist. He said that every medical store will have to keep a complete record of the purchase and sale of this abortion medicine (MTP kit) and a photocopy of the prescription of the concerned doctor, which can be checked at any time and necessary instructions have been issued. In this regard, necessary orders have been issued to the Drug Inspector Barnala. Dr. Praveesh Kumar, District Family Welfare Officer, Barnala said that abortion medicine has many disadvantages and its consequences can be fatal. He said that sometimes if the wrong abortion medicine (MTP kit) is taken by mistake, then the tube bursts and MTP happens. The person who takes the kit can also die.

Two police officers found dead after juvenile escapes custody near Adampur

PARAMJIT SINGH JALANDHAR: In a tragic turn of events, two police officers from Hoshiarpur district were found dead after a juvenile accused escaped custody near Adampur while being transported from Kapurthala court to Hoshiarpur Juvenile Jail. The incident occurred under the jurisdiction of Jalandhar Rural Police. The police team was escorting two juvenile accused. One of them, Amandeep @ Kalu, aged 17, is facing charges including murder, criminal intimidation, and conspiracy under FIR No. 67 of 2024 at PS City Kapurthala. The second accused, Dev Kumar, aged 17.5, is charged under FIR No. 184 of 2024 at PS City Kapurthala for gang rape and offences under the POCSO Act. Amandeep @ Kalu escaped custody near Adampur Bus Stand while returning from court. Despite immediate pursuit by LR/ASI Jiwan Lal and LR/ASI Pritam Dass, the accused evaded capture. Subsequently, the bodies of the two officers were discovered at Adampur Railway Station. Preliminary reports suggest they consumed a toxic substance. LR/ASI Harjinder Singh, the third officer, successfully retained custody of the second accused, Dev Kumar, and promptly informed the authorities about the incident. Senior Superintendent of Police, Jalandhar Rural, Harkamal Preet Singh Khakh, said that upon receiving information about the incident, a police team led by SHO Adampur, under the supervision of DSP Adampur, rushed to the spot and immediately launched a probe into the matter. In this regard a case has been registered against the escaped juvenile, Amandeep @ Kalu. A thorough investigation is underway, and efforts are being made to apprehend the fugitive. The Police team led by SHO Adampur under the supervision of DSP Adampur is assisting the GRP with proceedings under Section 174 CrPC concerning the deaths of the two officers.

DC and SSP urge farmers to manage stubble responsibly, warn against burning

BALWINDER AZAD BARNALA DEHATI, OCT 8

Deputy Commissioner Poonamdeep Kaur and Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Sandeep Kumar Malik visited several villages today to raise awareness among farmers about the dangers of burning stubble and to promote stubble management as a collective movement.

They conducted meetings with the residents of villages Dhurkot, Bhaini Fatta, Badra, and Kahanake, emphasizing the importance of sustainable stubble management practices. Addressing progressive farmers, members of youth clubs, village heads, watchmen, cooperative

Irresponsible, unfounded: ECI responds to Jairam Ramesh's 'misleading trends' allegations

AGENCY NEW DELHI, OCT 8

The Election Commission of India (ECI) responded to a memorandum by Congress leader Jairam Ramesh regarding an alleged delay in updating the results of the Haryana Legislative Assembly elections on its official website.

Ramesh, Congress General Secretary in-charge Communications, had earlier in the day alleged that there is a slowing down in uploading up-to-date trends in the Haryana Assembly election's vote counting on the Election Commission website.

In its official reply, the ECI dismissed these concerns, stating that the counting of votes is being conducted as per Rule 60 of the Conduct of



Election Rules. "With reference to your today's Memorandum regarding the slowdown in updating the results of Haryana on the ECI Website, it is reiterated that the entire counting process in Haryana and J-K is unfolding in the presence of candidates, observers and micro-observers as per the Statutory

scheme. There is nothing on record to substantiate your ill-founded allegation of the slowdown in updating of results. Your Memorandum also does not bring out any contrary facts as to the delay at any of the constituencies in Haryana or J&K", said ECI in its response to Ramesh's memorandum.

Railway underbridge work will start soon: Arora

SUMER GARG SUNAM, OCT 8

Punjab Cabinet Minister, Aman Arora today revealed that the process of building a railway underbridge is being started to remove the problem being faced by the residents of Sunam city for the many decades. Mr. Arora along with the officials while visiting the railway underbridge site, before the start of the construction works said that the entire project would cost around Rs 10 crore and it would be completed within a short period of time. He further said that under this project, the work of widening the roads on both sides of the railway track has already been completed and now the construction of the railway underbridge will start soon to relieve the city residents from the traffic jams caused due to the closure of the railway gates. He added that the majority of



passenger and goods trains pass through this railway track daily, due to which this railway gate was closed many times a day and the road traffic was blocked. Arora said that the promises made by the Punjab government led by Chief Minister, Bhagwant Mann to the local residents are now being fulfilled one by one. He said that Shaheed Udhham Singh ITI was renovated and the traffic problem was

solved, all these works are being completed as per the needs of the people. He said that the road widening project has been completed under his supervision. On this occasion, Cabinet Minister Aman Arora also assured the residents of Indira Basti of the city that after the construction of the railway underbridge, adequate arrangements will be made for the drainage of rainwater.

DC visits Grain Market Barnala, starts paddy procurement

KARANPREET KARAN BARNALA: Deputy Commissioner Barnala Madam Punamdeep Kaur IAS visited the main grain market here yesterday afternoon and started the paddy procurement. On this occasion, she took stock of the arrangements and directed the officials of the procurement agencies that no negligence should be done in the procurement arrangements. She said that Chief Minister Punjab S. Bhagwant Singh Mann is personally reviewing the procurement arrangements every day so that the farmers do not face any kind of problem. She directed that it should be ensured that paddy is purchased at the right price in the Mandis. On this occasion, she said that paddy procurement has started in the district and farmers will



not be allowed to face any kind of problem.

On this occasion, the Deputy Commissioner interacted with the representatives of Mandi Board, Market Committee, procurement agencies and traders and directed that the paddy that has arrived in the Mandi should be purchased and lifted as soon as possible. On this occasion, he said that arrangements for electricity, water, cleanliness, toilets etc.

Panchayat of village Behman Jassa Singh elected unanimously

ISHWER GARG TALWANDI SABO: At village Behman Jassa Singh Wala, the villagers unanimously elected a panchayat and Gurdeep Singh, an intelligent and literate young man of the village, was elected as the Sarpanch of the village, while Amandeep Kaur, Raj Singh, Manpreet Kaur, Randhir Singh, Jagsir Singh, Baljit Singh. And Paramjit Kaur



was elected Panch. Sarpanch Gurdeep

Singh and panchayat members were congratulated by the villagers, friends and relatives. During the conversation with the press Sarpanch Gurdeep Singh and panchayat members said that they will fulfill the responsibility given by the villagers with full dedication and hard work. He said that measures will be taken for the comprehensive development of the village.

DC launches paddy procurement in Jalandhar, ensures smooth operations, timely payment

BUNNY SODHI JALANDHAR, OCT 8

Deputy Commissioner Dr. Himanshu Aggarwal officially launched the paddy procurement season at the New Grain Market in Jalandhar City. He emphasized that all arrangements have been made to ensure the smooth lifting of crops and timely payments to farmers. Dr. Aggarwal stated that around 11.20 lakh metric tonnes of paddy are expected to arrive at 79 purchase centers across the district this season. So far, 8,739 metric tonnes have been received. The Punjab Government is committed to purchasing every single grain brought



by farmers, with no delays allowed. Facilities such as clean drinking water, shades, tarpaulins, and sufficient Bardana (sacks) are in place to ensure hassle-free procurement. The DC also interacted with farmers, receiving positive feedback about the arrangements. Farmers like Jarnail Singh and Hari Singh expressed

satisfaction, stating their crops were procured immediately after arriving at the market. The Deputy Commissioner assured that all labor and transport contracts are ready, and any negligence during the season will be strictly dealt with. He urged farmers to bring dried crops to the Mandis and avoid nighttime harvesting.

Parsinder Kaur elected Sarpanch from Jogi Cheema village by Sarv Samiti



VERMA GURDASPUR: Today, the Sarpanch of Jogi Cheema village has also joined the list of Sarpanchs to get the amount of ₹5 lakh announced by Chief Minister Bhagwat Singh Mann for the development of villages. Giving information in this regard, Shamsheer Singh alias Shera told that the residents of the village will get a special grant from the government for the development of their village and have chosen t Parsinder Kaur, wife of Maluk Singh, as the Sarpanch of the village unanimously to change the face of the village. Jasbir Kaur in ward number 1, Vidya in ward number 2, Dalbir Singh in ward number 3, Mandeep Singh in ward number 4, Gurpreet Singh in ward number 5, Manjit Kaur in ward number 6 and Amrit Pal Kar in ward number 7 have been elected as members. She said that she will continue to make every effort for the development of the village so that Jogi Cheema village can be made a model village. On this occasion, Advocate Jagroop Singh Sekhwan honoured him by presenting him a Siropha and assured him that the Punjab Government will extend full cooperation for the development of this village.

GM reviews performance of Northern Railway, emphasis on green initiatives

NEW DELHI, OCT 8

Ashok Kumar Verma, General Manager, Northern Railway, today reviewed the Northern railway's performance with the departmental heads of Northern Railway and DRMs at Baroda House. The comprehensive review showcased Northern Railway's commitment to operational excellence, customer satisfaction and sustainable development. Deliberations were held on keeping focus on passenger amenities at stations for the upcoming festival season. In this review meeting, he emphasized on convenient movement of railway passengers at stations and proper management of other facilities for passengers, additional clearance of congestion during the upcoming Durga Puja, Diwali and Chhath Puja. He also reviewed the arrangement of festival special trains, cleanliness of platforms during the festival rush. Verma, stressed the importance of Green Initiatives by reducing carbon footprint. He said that effective waste management practices have resulted in reduction in waste generation and Northern Railway may make significant strides in reducing its environmental footprint through solar power, energy-efficient lighting and eco-friendly practices. Northern Railway is committed to provide safe, smooth and efficient services to its customers.



Farmers reach markets after Arhtiyas strike ends; procurement begins in Nangal, Surewal Mandis

MANJINDER BHATIA NANGAL, OCT 8

After several days of strike by commission agents (arhtiyas), the strike finally ended, and with that, farmers started bringing their paddy crops to the markets. The grain market in Nangal has now resumed operations. Ajay Kapila, President of the Arhtiya Association in Nangal, expressed his joy over the end of the strike and the resumption of procurement in the markets. He emphasized the long-standing relationship between the arhtiyas and the farmers and added that the arrival of farmers at the mandi has begun, with an estimated procurement of one lakh sacks of paddy expected. Farmer Gunmeet Singh, who brought his crop to the mandi on the



first day after the strike ended, shared that his trolley had been filled for over a week but was delayed due to the strike. He expressed satisfaction with the arrangements made by the administration in the market.

Jaswinder Singh, Secretary of the Market Committee, Shri Anandpur Sahib, assured that all necessary facilities such as drinking water, electricity, and seating arrangements have been set up, and provisions for

gunny bags have also been made. The arhtiyas have also expressed their satisfaction with the arrangements. Additionally, electricity supply in Nangal mandi has been ensured by the authorities, and the municipal council has also activated the mast lights. He confirmed that the Food Corporation of India (FCI) has started procurement in Nangal, while Markfed has begun operations in the Surewal mandi.

Hoshiarpur Police arrest 2 accused with 1 pistol 32 bore and 1 pistol 30 bore

DALJEET AJNOHA HOSHIARPUR, OCT 8

On the directions of SSP Hoshiarpur Surender Lamba to crack down on anti-social elements, a special team of SP Sarbjit Singh Bahia ,DSP Atish Bhatia and Inspector Gurpreet Singh in-charge CIA staff, under the supervision of SP Sarbjit Singh Bahia on the basis of secret information arrested 02 members of this gang namely Emanpreet Singh alias Eman son of Rashpal Singh resident of Jasowal police station Mahilpur district Hoshiarpur and Vinay Kumar son of Mahinderpal resident of Rampur police station



Garhshankar district Hoshiarpur and succeeded in recovering 01 Pistol 32 bore and 01 Pistol 30 bore 02/02 rounds alive from him. SSP Hoshiarpur told through a press note that on 3rd October, CIA.

The staff team received information from a special informer that Jaskarpreet Singh alias Kanu son of Joginder Singh resident of Kukkar Mazara police station Garhshankar

district Hoshiarpur and Lovepreet Singh alias Ladi son of Sher Singh resident of village Bhajala police station Garhshankar district Hoshiarpur both are of criminal nature and presently living abroad and are involved in crimes like extortion, fighting and supply of arms through their gang in Hoshiarpur district and these persons supply arms ammunition to their gang members.

Cheema Brothers of Village Teipur: A model for sustainable farming without burning stubble

RAWEL BHINDER PATIALA:

To help reduce environmental pollution, farmers in Patiala district are adopting modern farming machinery to manage crop residue. Among them are Gurmukh Singh and Jatinder Singh, brothers from Village Teipur, who have not burned stubble on their 10 acres of land for the past nine years. By planting wheat without burning the leftover straw, they have not only increased their income but also contributed to a cleaner environment. Farmer Gurmukh Singh explained that since 2015, they have been incorporating stubble back into the soil without burning it. He uses a combine harvester equipped with a Super SMS and then plants wheat using a Super Seeder. Sharing his farming experience, Gurmukh noted that by mixing stubble into the soil, the salinity in the land has decreased, fertility has increased, and the use of urea fertilizer has been cut in half. He further added that crop yields have improved, and the quality and color of the crops have seen noticeable enhancements. There is also a reduction in pest attacks, and the soil's ability to absorb water has increased, eliminating the growth of weeds in the fields. Gurmukh Singh highlighted that the Super Seeder is not only environmentally friendly but also offers several other benefits, including faster wheat sowing in a single pass and significant time savings.



Editorial

Create a niche

Productive employment creation is a significant development challenge. But we must ask: how to create employment when no wherewithal exists in rural India? Is it going to be done within the 'business as usual' paradigm with an unshakeable faith in the 'trickle down' effect of market fundamentalism with a reliance on investment of corporate capital? Not at all; the reason being employment intensity of corporate capital is too low to be accepted as a means of redressal of unemployment, which is growing at a frightening scale. Moreover, openings in the government or public sector are few. Unemployment is also an acute problem in rural India, which is vulnerable to uncertain agricultural performance.

The challenge is how to create space for the educated folk in the rural economy that might transform itself through the creation of employment and income opportunities. Low capital-based but efficient local development process can create such a space in the rural economy. This is possible to achieve, I argue, by way of instituting an alternative mode of employment creation through new models like collective entrepreneurship structure or 'niche structure'. The employment-generation schemes as provisioned in the national budget have reasons to lend credibility to this model. The alternative route to employment creation in rural India as suggested by this model may not only extricate the rural economy from the low-level equilibrium trap but also trigger consumption demand which, in turn, could lead to a rise in investment and create employment.

Niche structure is a new collective entrepreneurial structure or collective enterprising system for a variety of economic activities in the form of self-organisation as a part of commons. It gives rise to innumerable associated producers' self-organisations in all kinds of activity, including manufacturing, processing, repairing, construction and servicing. These are collective enterprises — but not co-operatives in the traditional sense — with a low capital base that maintain relative autonomy. It is a reinvention of workers' cooperatives, an independent creation of the workers not as a protégé either of the government or of large capital. It can even take the support of the State but it must not be ruled by it. Workers themselves are owners here.

What matters is how one calibrates the utilisation of material resources for job creation. The production processes and services may be encouraged to grow with green technology. These are small-scale ventures but energy-efficient, non-polluting and community-oriented.

China remains mum on possible PLA Navy submarine accident

There has been intense Western media reporting alleging that a novel Chinese submarine prototype destined for the People's Liberation Army Navy (PLAN) sank whilst under construction at the Wuhan Shuangliu shipyard on the Yangtze river four months ago.

Thomas Shugart, an analyst at the Center for a New American Security and a former US Navy submariner, first noticed in satellite imagery an unusual collection of four crane barges around what appeared to be a submarine either fully or partially submerged. The Wall Street Journal was the first to publish a story on this speculative event on September 26, with many other outlets rapidly jumping on the story.

The hybrid submarine in question was a first-of-class Type 041, also known as the Zhou class, which state-owned China State Shipbuilding Corporation was building in Wuhan. Satellite images showed crane barges were present from at least 12-17 June, as well as a boom net to capture oil spills. Such cranes would be necessary to lift a submarine off a riverbed. By the first week of July, the barges were gone, the submarine presumably salvaged, and activity seemed to have returned to normal. What attracted the most attention were allegations that this submarine featured a nuclear reactor. Importantly, there has been no release of radiation nor any evidence of a nuclear emergency response, so this was certainly not a Chernobyl-type incident.

An unnamed Pentagon spokesperson quoted by The Wall Street Journal article said the Type 041 is a 'new class of nuclear submarine that is similar in size to navy conventionally powered submarines, but with a small nuclear reactor'. They added, "As such, we do not know if the submarine reactor was fueled at the time of incident, or if it is going to be re-



located to a known nuclear-certified facility for its initial fueling, such as Huludao shipyard, which has built all previous navy nuclear submarine classes." The American spokesperson provocatively noted: "It's not surprising that the PLA Navy would try to conceal the fact that their new first-in-class nuclear-powered attack submarine sank pier-side."

China has indeed been silent on the incident, neither confirming nor denying it. When asked about the potential incident, a Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson said at a Beijing press conference on 27 September that he

was unfamiliar with the topic. A Chinese embassy spokesperson in Washington also said, "We are not familiar with the situation you mentioned and currently have no information to provide."

Considerable caution is needed when discussing Chinese military programs, especially when China refuses to divulge information. It can be dangerous to speculate or make assertions based on fragmentary evidence or episodes. Indeed, the assertion by some media that this was a nuclear-powered submarine was a mischaracterization. There is no doubt that China has been developing the Type 041

SSP(N) type, as its existence is noted in the latest order of battle in the reputable Modern Chinese Maritime Forces listing. Authored by Manfred Meyer, this publication is the most comprehensive, unclassified, open-source Chinese data available on the PLAN. This document described the Zhou class as "a testbed for air-independent propulsion (AIP) with micro-nuclear reactor". The submarine has a tentative displacement of 4,000 tons and is 84m long.

Furthermore, there was previous evidence that China was developing such technology. Slides from a Chinese presentation by retired Rear Admiral Zhao Dengping of the PLAN in 2017 hinted that China was pursuing such a concept. Richard D. Fisher Jr., an American analyst with the International Assessment and Strategy Center, analyzed this information revealed at that time. He assessed: "Zhao...revealed the PLAN may be working on a novel low-power, low-pressure auxiliary nuclear power plant for electricity generation for fitting into conventional submarine designs, possibly succeeding the PLAN's current Stirling engine-based AIP systems."

Fisher elaborated: "One slide seems to suggest that the PLAN will continue to build smaller submarines around the size of current conventional powered designs, but that they will be modified to carry the new nuclear auxiliary power plant to give them endurance advantages of nuclear power."

Today, the US Navy produces only nuclear-powered submarines, whereas China has pursued the twin prongs of conventional and nuclear propulsion. Now it seems to be combining the best of both design types by developing a hybrid that is principally a diesel-electric boat, but which adds a nuclear reactor to greatly increase its submerged range.

Literature & Health

Police identifies Karachi airport blast bomber

The Karachi police have identified suicide bomber responsible for the recent explosion near Jinnah International Airport which claimed the lives of three foreign nationals and left 17 others injured, ARY News reported.

According to the police, the attacker was identified as Shah Fahad registered the vehicle used in the attack under his name on September 5, 2023.

As per ARY News, the investigation have revealed that Fahad, accompanied by two accomplices, arrived in Karachi on December 3, 2023, and checked into a hotel in the city's Preedy area at 7.49 pm.

Further, the police said that Fahad returned to Karachi on October 4, 2024, and made a biometric entry at another hotel at 10:47 am. On the day of the blast, Fahad checked out of the hotel at 12 noon, ARY News reported.

According to ARY News, the probe into the recent explosion near airport has yielded significant progress, with investigators uncovering valuable leads from the suspect's repeated stays at two local



hotels. Authorities have established a 3-kilometer security perimeter around the blast site and taken several individuals into custody for questioning regarding potential connections to the terrorists, the ARY News reported.

As part of the ongoing investigation, officials are actively collecting details and data related to suspicious calls. Investigators are probing how sensitive information regarding the movements of Chinese engineers was leaked to terrorists.

Tunisia's incumbent President Kais Saied wins second term

Tunisian President Kais Saied has won a second term in the presidential election of the northern African country, Al Jazeera reported.

In a televised statement, the head of the Independent High Authority for Elections of Tunisia (ISIE) said that Saied won 90.7 per cent of the vote.

Tunisia, a small country in Northern Africa is touted as the birthplace of the 2011 Arab Spring revolution which saw a wave of democracy spread across the Arab states. Despite the popular uproar generated during the movement amongst various member states, Tunisia has been hailed as the only relative success story of this revolution.

It was observed that senior figures from the biggest parties of the country which largely oppose Saied, have been imprisoned over a year, and the other opponents were also barred from running.

Imprisoned figures include Abir Mousli, head of the Free Constitutional Party, and the young leader Ayachi Zammel of the liberal Azimoun party, who was sentenced



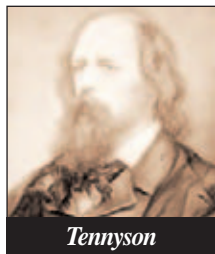
to 12 years in prison on election-related offences. Demonstrators had taken to the streets of Tunisia to raise concerns about this issue. The 66-year-old former law professor, Saied, said that he had no political or campaigning experience before he was elected President in 2019. He won that election on a ticket to end corruption and promote equity, largely buoyed by a groundswell of support from young voters, Al Jazeera noted.

However, Saied has rejected criticism of his actions, saying he is fighting a "corrupt elite" and "traitors".

POEM

Sweet and Low

Sweet and low, sweet and low,
Wind of the western sea, Low,
low, breathe and blow,
Wind of the western sea! Over the
rolling waters go, Come from the
dying moon, and blow, Blow him



again to me; While
my little one, while
my pretty one, sleeps.
Sleep and rest, sleep
and rest, Father will
come to thee soon;
Rest, rest, on mother's
breast, Father will come to thee
soon; Father will come to his babe in
the nest.

Alfred, Lord Tennyson

Researchers find clues about dementia's behavior changes

When most people think of dementia, particularly Alzheimer's disease, they often think of memory loss first.

However, dementia alters a person's behaviour, whether it leads them to become agitated or worried, melancholy, nervous, or apathetic, or even changes their entire personality.

Over time, these behavioural changes can cause as much disruption in their life as losing their capacity to think and remember effectively.

Now, a team of University of Michigan researchers reports new clues about what might be happening in the brains of people experiencing even the earliest signs of dementia-related behavior changes.

Using two types of advanced medical imaging to study the brains of 128 people in the early stages of dementia, they show links between one of the brain's most crucial communication networks, a protein called tau, and the level of behavioral symptoms a person has.

This goes beyond the role of tau that scientists have already known about in people with more advanced dementia: causing tangled nerve



fibers in brain regions involved in thinking and memory. The new study suggests that tau disrupts the integrity of the brain's salience net-

work. This highway of connections between specific brain regions is key to our ability to understand and decide how to react to things that are

happening around us. It also helps us process our own thoughts and emotions.

The researchers showed that the more a person's salience network had been disrupted in the presence of tau, the more behavioral changes that person would experience. They report their findings in Alzheimer's & Dementia: The Journal of the Alzheimer's Association.

While the one-time imaging of these 128 research volunteers can't show cause and effect, the strong association between tau, salience network disruption and behavior change is intriguing, the team says.

They call for further study of the potential connection in other populations, and for research to evaluate change over time to explore what might be going on within the pathways of connected brain cells that make up the salience network, and explore how it relates to tau buildup and behavioral changes over the course of years.

They also hope to test whether they could slow behavioral change in people with early-stage dementia by targeting the salience network with mild electrical current or magnetic

fields applied from outside the skull and guided by precise imaging.

The researchers, from the Research Program on Cognition and Neuromodulation Based Interventions (RP-CNBI), are led by Alexandru D. Iordan, Ph.D. and program leader Benjamin M. Hampstead, Ph.D. Both are faculty in the U-M Medical School's Department of Psychiatry.

Iordan, a neuroscientist who is lead author of the new study, says, "What we see is that the presence tau pathology relates to behavioral symptoms not in a direct relationship, but rather through dysfunction of a specific network in the brain – the salience network. The more affected this network is, the more severe the behavioral symptoms."

He adds, "This is the first study that links the biomarker status of an individual with the dysfunction of this network, and behavioral symptoms, in people on the Alzheimer's disease spectrum."

The team used functional magnetic resonance imaging, or fMRI, to study each volunteer's brain and trace three different networks that each connect far-flung areas of the brain.

Tata Motors Group global wholesales at 3,04,189 in Q2FY25

Chandigarh/ Ludhiana: The 'Tata Motors Group global wholesales in Q2 FY25, including Jaguar Land Rover' were at 3,04,189 nos., lower by 11%, as compared to Q2 FY24. Global wholesales of all 'Tata Motors' commercial vehicles and Tata Daewoo range in Q2 FY25 were at 86,133 nos., lower by 19%, over Q2 FY24. Global wholesales of 'Tata Motors passenger vehicles' in Q2 FY25 were at 1,30,753 nos., lower by 6% as compared to Q2 FY24. Global wholesales for Jaguar Land Rover' were 87,303 vehicles, lower by 10% as compared to Q2 FY24. Jaguar wholesales for the quarter were 5,961 vehicles, while Land Rover wholesales for the quarter were 81,342 vehicles.

Add a magical twist to your festive look with Nykaa Cosmetics' Stardust Holographic Chrome Eyeliners!

Nykaa Cosmetics is heating up its latest launch - Stardust Chrome Eyeliners! Bring eye drama to your look with these ultra-pigmented liners that take your look from basic to out-of-this-world. With color-changing pigments, these dual chrome liners take your look from subtle glow to bold statement. Get ready to make your eyes look their best!These liners get two shades in one stroke, double the fun and double the style! Choose from six stunning shades, each priced at just Rs 499. Choose 'Metaverse' for pink vibes. Or if you're feeling a glitchy aesthetic, there's the 'I'm Glitching' move in light gold. Ready to slay like a cyber queen? 'Cyber Baddie' Teal Blue there you have it.

Meningitis Prevention: The Ultimate Shield for your loved ones.

Chandigarh: Meningitis is a serious vaccine preventable infection holding significant health concerns, particularly for children. World Meningitis Day aims to raise awareness and drive global efforts to defeat this disease, promoting the lifesaving potential of early detection and its prevention through vaccination. India ranks amongst the top three countries with the highest number of meningitis-related deaths. Dr. Sorabh Gopal, Consultant Pediatrics & Neonatologist, Cloud Nine Hospital, Panchkula, Chandigarh emphasizes "High-risk individuals, including college students, the elderly, and those with underlying health conditions, must be prioritized for meningitis vaccination. The disease can spread rapidly in communal settings, and the vaccine is the best preventive measure we have to stop it in its tracks.

Solarworld energy solutions limited files drhp with sebi

GURUGRAM : Solarworld Energy Solutions Limited, one of the leading solar energy solutions provider, specialising in engineering, procurement and construction ("EPC") services for solar power projects in terms of revenue from EPC business for Fiscal 2024 according to CRISIL, has filed its Draft Red Herring Prospectus ("DRHP") with market regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI"). The Company plans to raise funds through offer of equity shares (face value ₹5 each) through initial public offerings aggregating up to ₹6000 million (₹600 Crore). The offer comprises of fresh issue of equity shares aggregating up to ₹5500 million (₹550 crore) (The 'Fresh Issue') and offer for sale by Selling Shareholders aggregating up to ₹500 million (₹50 Crore). (The 'Offer for Sale').

ICICI Bank partners with PhonePe to offer instant credit on UPI

GURUGRAM/FARIDABAD: ICICI Bank today announced that it has partnered with PhonePe to offer instant credit on UPI to its pre-approved customers on the app of the digital payments company. The partnership enables millions of pre-approved customers of ICICI Bank to activate short term credit line instantly on the PhonePe app, and use it for UPI transactions in a seamless and secure manner. The Bank offers credit line on UPI for up to ₹2 lakh with a repayment period of 45 days. The facility is announced during the festive season to empower customers to purchase high ticket items like electronics, travel and hotel bookings, bill payments, and much more. Mr. Niraj Traishawala, Product Head- Payment Solutions, ICICI Bank said, "We at ICICI Bank are delighted to partner with PhonePe to provide seamless and easy access of credit to millions customers. At the arrival of the festive season, the pre-approved customers of ICICI Bank can activate the credit line instantly to make payments for their festive shopping needs on PhonePe. Aimed at providing seamless digital credit, this offering is likely to play an important role in the personal banking experience of our customers."

Play safe, pay safe and always stay safe, says MS Dhoni as part of Mastercard's 'Payments Ka Powerplay' campaign

Chandigarh: Continuing its efforts of making commerce safer and smarter, Mastercard has launched a new card advocacy campaign, 'Payments Ka Powerplay'. The campaign, live from 1st till 15th October, features former Indian cricket team captain and Mastercard's brand ambassador, Mahendra Singh Dhoni in a series of six commercials highlighting the benefits of using cards, such as security, chargebacks and purchase protection for cardholders. The campaign uses interesting credit analogies to empower cardholders to confidently make payments through cards. One analogy compares the width of a cricket bat to the four-centimeter range within which contactless transactions can occur, making contactless payments easier to understand and addressing misinformation around their safety. Another analogy humorously compares chargebacks to Decision Review System (DRS), a technology-based system in cricket that helps on-field umpires make accurate decisions.

Airtel and Nokia collaborate to drive sustainability initiatives for mobile networks

Bharati Airtel and Nokia, today, announced a groundbreaking collaboration on "Green 5G" – an initiative aimed at introducing energy-efficient solutions and practices to Airtel's mobile network. This ambitious project will focus on enhancing energy efficiency across Airtel's extensive 4G/5G Radio Access Network (RAN) by leveraging state-of-the-art technologies like AI/ML, as well as a suite of advanced software features and innovative solutions. The comprehensive solution is expected to enhance energy efficiency during peak and off-peak hours and is projected to reduce Airtel's carbon emissions by an estimated 143,413 metric tons of CO2 annually.

Ehit's ton went in vain, UT boys lost to Hyderabad by 44 runs

Chandigarh, Despite Ehit Salaria's unbeaten knock of 112, Chandigarh faced a 44-run defeat at the ongoing Vinoo Mankad Trophy match played against Hyderabad at PCA Mallapur on Tuesday. Hyderabad won the toss and decided to bat first. Unbeaten Sacheti (90) and Wafi Kachchihi (65) helped their team to pile up 293/5 runs in the stipulated fifty overs. In reply with a shaky start, UT boys could not make a comeback in the match till the end and were bundled out for 249. The unbeaten knock of Ehit Salaria which was studded with 14 boundaries and two sixes was the consolation for the losing side. Malik took four wickets.

Yoga for self-care: prioritizing wellbeing in a hectic world

Amidst the whirlwind of modern life that is nothing but a never-ending loop of deadlines and commitments, yoga emerges as an oasis of tranquility. It invites us to slow down, tune in and truly connect with our innermost selves. A holistic practice that unifies the mind, body and spirit, yoga goes beyond the realms of exercise and relaxation and can actually be used as a tool for self-care and acceptance.

"Yoga is a means to connect with yourself and to understand that at the core we are all complete. Our asana practice enables us to uncover this whole, complete part of ourselves so that we can live more fully and peacefully," she says when quizzed about the essence of yoga. "The best way to start is to incorporate simple pranayama into your daily routine. Breathing consciously helps to relax the nervous system, improve breathing patterns and refresh the mind."

According to Pragma, there are 3 yoga asanas that hold great significance for modern women:

Warrior Poses, or the different versions of Virabhadrasana because being strong is essential.

Headstand, the 'king of asanas' to see things from a different perspective.

Marichyasana, a pose dedicated to the Sage Marichi to remove all the toxins.



With yoga helping individuals to listen to their bodies, honour their limitations and treat it with kindness, both on and off the mat, here's how you can incorporate it into your self-

care routine: It's low maintenance - The best part about yoga is that you don't need to invest in fancy pieces of equipment or a high-end class. With so many

videos available online, all you need is the desire and dedication to learn. Whether indoors or outdoors, practising yoga leaves no room for excuses to skip it.

Sonalika achieves highest ever domestic YTD sales of 63,136 tractors

Chandigarh, India's No. 1 tractor export brand Sonalika Tractors has proved its mettle again as the powerhouse in the tractor industry and excited to set a new performance benchmark in FY '25. At the outset of the festive season, the company has recorded its highest ever domestic YTD sales of 63,136 tractors and continued to be among the leading market share in the domestic industry. This includes a staggering performance of 7X growth over industry performance. Sharing his thoughts on the enchanting performance, Raman Mittal,



Joint Managing Director, International Tractors Limited, said, "Every farmer's demand is unique and therefore, a distinctive approach of developing customised farm solutions is essential and

already deeply inscribed in our DNA. Our unique proposition for tractor industry has enabled us record our highest ever domestic YTD sales of 63,136 tractors and continuously gain market share in India.

SBI General Insurance launches 'SBIG Health Super Top-Up' Policy to meet challenge of rising Medical Costs

GURUGRAM / HISAR : SBI General Insurance, one of India's leading General Insurance companies announces the launch of 'SBIG Health Super Top-Up', a health insurance top-up plan designed as an economical and affordable



option supplementing over and above the basic health insurance policy. The product offers versatility for individuals seeking insurance to enhance their existing policy - by seamlessly complementing any existing health insurance policy from any provider, whether corporate or personal. It enables customers to customize their coverage to suit

their specific needs, ensuring a convenient and hassle-free experience. With lifestyle diseases on the rise and medical inflation escalating at approximately 14% in the country, having sufficient coverage is imperative to effectively manage unexpected medical emergencies, which are not usually covered through standard health insurance plans. Speaking about the policy, Mr. Subramanyam Brahmajoyula, Chief Product & Marketing Officer, SBI General Insurance said, "With the escalating costs of medical treatments and the growing prevalence of lifestyle-related illnesses, having comprehensive health coverage is no longer a luxury but a necessity. At SBI General, we have always been at the forefront of providing customers with simplified and affordable risk solutions that address the evolving needs of the customers. The 'SBIG Health Super Top-Up' Insurance Policy, is for the benefit of insuring customers who want to top up their existing insurance plan at a reasonable premium rate. This policy is tailored to meet the diverse needs of individuals and families, offering peace of mind and financial security during unexpected medical emergencies. This super top-up policy features the unique advantage of seamlessly complementing any existing health insurance plan from any provider."

vivo launched its Diwali Campaign, 'The Spirit of Homecoming'



CHANDIGARH: vivo, the global smartphone brand, has launched a heartfelt Diwali campaign titled 'The Spirit of Homecoming', created in collaboration with FCB India. For the past 10 years, vivo has been bringing families together, empowering people across India to connect with their loved ones during moments that matter the most. This campaign beautifully captures the essence of Diwali - coming home to be with loved ones, reflecting vivo's decade-long commitment to fostering meaningful connections. This year, as vivo marks its 10th anniversary, the

brand celebrates not just its journey, but also the feeling of homecoming and the joy that accompanies it, especially during the festive season of Diwali. Through evocative storytelling, the campaign unfolds the universal tale of children who, though scattered across the country in pursuit of their dreams, feel an irresistible pull to return home during Diwali. It captures the delicate, unspoken bond between parents, who silently long for their children's presence yet refrain from asking, and the children, who understand that their homecoming is the true heart of the celebration.

Samsung India Announces Winners for 'Solve for Tomorrow 2024

HIMLA: Samsung India has announced the winning teams, Eco Tech Innovator and METAL for the 3rd edition of 'Solve for Tomorrow 2024', the company's flagship national education and innovation competition. While Eco Tech Innovator from Golaghat, Assam was declared the Community Champion in the School Track, METAL from Udupi, Karnataka was announced as the Environment Champion in the Youth Track, demonstrating the reach of the programme outside major Indian cities. Eco Tech Innovator, which developed an idea around equitable access to non-contaminated potable drinking water, received a seed grant of INR 25 lakh for prototype advancement. METAL, which developed technology for arsenic removal from ground water, received a grant of INR 50 lakh for incubation at IIT-Delhi, JB Park, President and CEO, Samsung Southwest Asia and Shombi Sharp, United Nations Resident Coordinator in India awarded certificates and trophies to these teams. In addition, the school of the 'Community Champion' will receive Samsung products, including a Smart Display Flip 75", Freestyle Projector and 10 Galaxy Tab S10+, helping with education and encourage a problem-solving mindset. Similarly, the college of the 'Environment Champion' will receive a Smart Display Flip 75", Freestyle Projector and 10 Galaxy Book 4 Pro laptops to promote social entrepreneurship.

Hero Motocorp Unveils Festive Campaign Shubh Muhurat Aaya, Hero Saath Laya

Chandigarh / Ludhiana: Hero MotoCorp, the world's largest manufacturer of motorcycles and scooters, has announced an innovative festive campaign that celebrates the auspicious beginning of festivities in India and embodies the country's rich heritage and traditions. 'Shubh Muhurat Aaya, Hero Saath Laya' marks the third edition of Hero MotoCorp's Grand Indian Festival of Trust (GIFT) offering customers an exciting opportunity to dial up the festive cheer by bringing home their favourite Hero MotoCorp products. In an industry-first approach, Hero MotoCorp is introducing a ground-



breaking Gen-AI campaign, 'Shubh Muhurat Saathi', featuring youth icons and actors, Divyendu Sharma and Hansika Motwani. Through an exciting AI feature, the celebrities will feature in a

personalised video messages to guide over two million customers through their purchase journey in English, Hindi, Bengali, Tamil, Kannada and many other languages.

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FMC launches Ambriva® herbicide, providing wheat farmers in India with a new tool to tackle Phalaris minor

Chandigarh : FMC, a leading global agricultural sciences company, announced the launch of Ambriva® herbicide for use in wheat during the upcoming growing season at a customer event in Chandigarh, India. Ambriva® herbicide features Isoflex® active, a group 13 herbicide, which is a novel mode of action in cereal crops and provides Indian farmers with a new tool for resistance management. Studies have shown that Ambriva® herbicide, formulated with both Isoflex® active and Metribuzin, demonstrates



early post-emergence knock-down activity and residual control against Phalaris minor, also known as 'Gulli danda' or 'Mandooosi', protecting wheat during the critical crop-weed competition period.

"Wheat farmers in Punjab, Haryana and parts of Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan face significant challenges from Phalaris minor," said Ravi Annavarapu, FMC India, and South-West Asia President.

Why Amazon Gold Vouchers Should Be Your Go-To Corporate Gift This Festive Season

Chandigarh: As the festive season approaches, corporates are constantly looking for thoughtful, valuable, and flexible ways to spread the festive cheer with their employees and business partners. The Amazon Gold Voucher, launched in partnership with Pine Labs, is the perfect corporate gifting solution that combines the investment tied up with gold along with the convenience of Amazon Pay. Whether for incentivizing teams or expressing appreciation to clients, here's why Amazon Gold Vouchers are a must-have for corporate gifting this festive season. Amazon Gold Vouchers are issued and powered by the leading fintech company

Pine Labs Private Limited (Pine Labs). Flexible Gold Gifting Across Multiple Brands: Unlike traditional gold vouchers



limited to a single brand, the Amazon Gold Voucher is a first of its kind prepaid instrument that offers flexibility by allowing recipients to choose from a range of trusted

gold brands, such as Kalyan, MMTTC, Tanishq, and Joyalukkas, directly on Amazon.in. This ensures that they can select the gold product that suits their style and preferences, from coins and bullion to jewellery. Reaching Employees Nationwide: Amazon.in's strong last-mile delivery network ensures that Amazon Gold Vouchers are redeemable across 7,000 pin codes in India, including Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities. This is a significant advantage for corporates with a geographically distributed workforce, ensuring that every employee can access high-quality gold products, no matter where they are located.

UNIQLO announces Kareena Kapoor Khan, Sidharth Malhotra as news faces of brand



Chandigarh: Global apparel retailer UNIQLO today announces Bollywood icons, Kareena Kapoor Khan and Sidharth Malhotra as the new faces of the brand in India. This exciting partnership will be marked with the duo's debut in UNIQLO's 2024 Fall Winter campaign. Known for their authentic and distinctive style, Kareena and Sidharth embody UNIQLO's LifeWear values of diversity and timelessness. Ahead of the winter season, the new campaign films featuring the stars bring UNIQLO's winter essentials to the forefront. Kareena showcases the warm and cozy Fluffy Yarn Fleece Jacket,

while Sidharth highlights the versatile PUFFTECH Parka. The 30-second campaign films highlight Kareena and Sidharth effortlessly incorporating UNIQLO's winter essentials into their everyday lives. Commenting on the launch of her partnership with UNIQLO, Kareena Kapoor Khan shared, "UNIQLO has been a go-to brand for everyday essentials for me and my family. This feels like a natural collaboration as I believe clothing needs to be classic, functional and versatile. I am honored to partner with the brand and look forward to personifying the brand's LifeWear philosophy of authenticity and timelessness.

Jio drives Digital Inclusion across rural and semi urban landscapes of Punjab

Chandigarh : Driving digital inclusion in the vast rural and semi-urban areas across Punjab, Reliance Jio has connected around 5 lakh houses and business premises in the state with high-speed broadband and world class home entertainment by rapidly expanding its JioFiber and Jio AirFiber services. The immensely popular JioAirFiber service which is now available for every home and small business across all 23 districts, 98 Tehsils, 82 Sub-Tehsils and thousands of villages is getting an overwhelming response across the state. JioAirFiber's cutting-edge connectivity solutions have truly enhanced the state's digital infrastructure especially across rural and remote areas of the state as it overcomes the challenges of last-mile connectivity arising due to the complexities and delays involved in extending optical-fiber to the premises. JioAirFiber has provided an opportunity to TV or broadband users to upgrade to a world-class latest home entertainment, broadband and digital experience, delivered through one integrated service. JioAirFiber plans offer unlimited data at 30 Mbps speed for Rs 599, 100 Mbps speed plans at Rs 899 and Rs 1199. All these plans offer 550+ digital TV channels and subscription to popular OTT apps. While 14 popular OTT platforms are available with Rs. 599 and Rs. 899 plans, the Rs. 1199 plan offers access to 16+ popular OTT apps including Netflix, Amazon Prime and Jio Cinema Premium. Thousands of customers spanning all age groups and areas of the state from vivid backgrounds are daily adopting Jio AirFiber services to enjoy its amazing benefits.

Step into the festivities with Amazon Fashion and Beauty: Elevate your style and be #HarPalFashionable

HIMLA: As the festive season draws near, it's the perfect time to revamp your wardrobe and update your beauty essentials. Whether you are getting ready for family celebrations, hosting festive gatherings, or simply indulging in the spirit of the season, Amazon Fashion and Beauty's specially curated collections are here to make your every festive look stand out. During the Amazon Great Indian Festival 2024, customers will get up to 80% off on top fashion and beauty brands across apparel, footwear, accessories, luxury beauty, and travel. Customers will also enjoy the lowest prices of the year on ethnic wear, watches, smartwatches and much more. With collections designed to cater to diverse styles and budgets, Amazon Fashion and Beauty's specially curated range offers 30M+ selections and 3M+ styles from over 1,500 fashion brands, 1,300 homegrown beauty brands, and 60+ international beauty brands, including the latest trends, premium offerings, and everyday essentials.

Director Environment Unveils the World's First CNG Motorcycle Freedom 125 in Chandigarh



For those wanting to upgrade to a motor bike that's both 'environment friendly' and offers unmatched fuel economy there is good news - Two wheeler giant Bajaj Auto has introduced Bajaj Freedom - the world's first CNG bike. The bike was unveiled by Mr. T. C. Nauyial, Director, Dept. of Environment (DoE) & Renewable Energy, Chandigarh Administration at NDM Bajaj Auto Ltd. at Industrial Area, Phase I. Manpreet Bindra, Regional Sales Manager; Naved Mohsin, Regional Service Manager; Ankur Aggarwal, Area Sales Manager & Rahul Gupta, Area Service Manager of Bajaj Auto Ltd.(BAL), were also present. Vaibhav Mehan & Nipun Mehan,

Directors of NDM Autowheels, the Bajaj Dealership in Chandigarh, too were present. Vaibhav Mehan informed that 16 vehicles were delivered on the day of launch itself. In a statement Rakesh Sharma, Executive Director of Bajaj Auto Ltd., said, "The Bajaj Freedom 125 showcases the Bajaj Auto Ltd. R&D and manufacturing prowess. Through innovation Bajaj Auto Ltd. has addressed the twin challenge of reducing rising fuel costs and reducing the environmental footprint from travel. The initiative also aligns strongly with the government of India Infrastructure projects of building a CNG network driven by the need to use cleaner fuels and save foreign exchange. Over 75% of 2-wheeler customers rate fuel efficiency as a key

attribute. Freedom 125 is aimed at all such customers, and we invite them to 'Ride the Change.'" Freedom to live better with unmatched savings in fuel costs: The Bajaj Freedom CNG motorcycle offers 50% cost savings by significantly reducing fuel expenses, as compared to similar petrol motorcycles. The CNG tank provides a range of 200+ km on just 2 kg of CNG fuel. Additionally, it has a 2-liter petrol tank which performs as a range extender, offering over 130 km of range in case the CNG tank empties, ensuring an uninterrupted journey. Freedom to Go Green: CNG combustion produces approximately 26.7% less CO2 emissions than petrol, contributing to mitigating climate change. Additionally, CNG vehicles emit 85% lower NMHC's (non-methane hydrocarbons) and 43% less NOx (nitrogen oxide). Comfort, Safety and Convenience Features: The challenge posed in creating a CNG motorcycle is the packaging, given the compact nature of motorcycles compared to cars. The Bajaj Freedom CNG Motorcycle has an integrated CNG tank and kit housed securely in a trellis frame, with proven safety through rigorous testing.

OPPO India celebrates Diwali with a new brand campaign #VishwKaDeep

Ludhiana, October, 8:- This Diwali, OPPO India ignites the festive spirit with its new campaign #VishwKaDeep. Through a captivating film and a series of engaging digital experiences, the campaign explores the unique Diwali celebrations across India, capturing the essence of unity in diversity. The message, "Har Diwali Vishwas Ka Deep Jalati Hai", celebrates the deep-rooted trust and hope that connect people and communities during this festive season.



The heartwarming ad film - live on OPPO India's YouTube and Instagram, OTT platforms and cinemas - takes viewers on a vivid journey across regions. It begins in the sand-dusted lands of Rajasthan, where a young man travels to his hometown of Jodhpur amidst a fierce sandstorm. Guided by a Diwali lamp lit by his mother on the rooftop, the film captures the essence of 'Thar Ki Diwali', featuring the mesmerizing Kathputli art form. The journey continues to Himachal Pradesh's serene hills, where the age-old tradition of Budhi

Diwali - celebrated almost a month later in several communities - comes alive with midnight bonfires, folk dances and music. Finally, the film heads to the coastal city of Goa, showcasing the vibrant Narak Chaturdashī celebrations, where effigies of Narkasur are paraded and burnt at dawn amidst fireworks to mark the beginning of Diwali festivities. To deepen the experience, OPPO India has introduced an interactive microsite where users can explore unique Diwali traditions - from Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Gujarat, Maharashtra, West Bengal, Assam, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh etc - and create their AI-driven Diwali postcards.

Chandigarh faces tobacco challenge as 1 in 8 men struggle with addiction

Chandigarh: The tobacco epidemic continues to enslave millions across the country, with recent findings from the National Family Health Survey (NFHS-5) indicating that around 12.1% of men aged 15 and older in Chandigarh are caught in the grip of tobacco use. This local statistic mirrors a national con-

dition. With an astonishing 267 million users nationwide, it is crucial to rejuvenate our cessation strategies, integrating evidence-based alternatives specifically designed for dedicated smokers. By learning from successful international models such as those in Japan, Sweden, the UK, and the USA, we may develop innovative and safer options like Heated Tobacco Products (HTPs) to assist smokers on the path to quitting." The NFHS-5 findings question starting regional disparities across India, emphasizing that tobacco poses a public health risk everywhere, even in areas like Chandigarh with relatively lower usage rates. Instead of fostering complacency, these statistics should galvanize an intensified effort to enhance preventive measures and incorporate innovative de-addiction strategies into the healthcare framework of the region. Dr Pawan Gupta, Senior Consultant of Pulmonary Medicine at BLK-MAX Super Speciality Hospital, reinforces the need for comprehensive strategies, asserting, "The compulsion of tobacco, combined with its widespread availability in various forms, presents a formidable challenge for



cern, as India grapples with approximately 267 million tobacco users, constituting nearly 29% of the adult population. This troubling situation underscores the crucial need for vigilant public health initiatives and proactive strategies to stem this growing tide of addiction. Dr Ankur Gupta, a consultant cardiologist at Paras Health in Panchkula, highlights the urgency of addressing this crisis, saying, "The tobacco epidemic in India necessitates immediate action. More than 12% of men in Chandigarh are currently battling tobacco

7th Annual Wrestling competitions organized in village Pachnangal



DALJEET AJNOHA HOSHARPUR: The stadium of village Pachnangal and Khushalpur in district hoshiarpur 7th Annual Wrestling competitions organized under the leadership of wrestler Pankki and Sanjeev Pachnangal with the cooperation of NRIs. On this occasion Former Union Minister Vijay Sampla, former Cabinet Minister Sohan Singh Thandal, Sanjeev Talwar participated as chief guests in these wrestling competitions about 250 wrestlers of A B C category participated in these wrestling competitions and on this occasion the wrestlers displayed their wrestling skills very well. On this occasion, the winning wrestlers were jointly felicitated by senior leaders like former Union Minister Vijay Sampla, former Cabinet Minister Sohan Singh Thandal, Sanjeev Talwar etc. On this occasion, the organizers had also arranged for langar for the wrestlers and spectators who had come to watch the wrestling competition.

Chhatbir Zoo wildlife week concludes with valedictory ceremony

BUREAU CHANDIGARH: On Tuesday, the ongoing wildlife week celebrations were commemorate with a valedictory ceremony at the Chhatbir Zoo. The full week were spicily organized for the mass mobilization of the zoo visitors in which they were sensitize towards wildlife and nature conservation. Zoo keeper's talk, mini marathon, Cyclothon, cleanliness drives, pledge ceremony and various competitions among school students was organized during the week. Today a function was organized by the zoo authority in which Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) Mrs. Pratima Srivastava IFS was invited as Chief Guest. In this function the kids of Genius World School performed a street play regarding wildlife conservation and pollution. A special play named "Pralaya" was performed by the kids of Asiana Foundation. The whole acts were very impressive and message full. The pledge ceremony also conducted in whichall the officers, staff, school students, teachers and visitors take pledge to save wildlife and environment. After this prize distribution ceremony was conducted in which the winners of the various competitions were awarded by Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) Mrs. Pratima Srivastava IFS and Field Director Neeharu Kumar PFS. The following winners were awarded in the small ceremonial function.

Blame ourselves, not govt for drug crisis: Thakur Dalip Singh

BUNNY SODHI JALANDHAR: Thakur Dalip Singh has emphasized that the rising drug addiction in the country should not be blamed on the government or political parties. He argues that the root cause lies within the public itself, as they are the ones consuming and trading drugs. According to him, if the public refrains from drug use, the drug trade would cease, even if the government allowed it. He points out that while politicians, government officials, and the police are often accused of profiting from the drug trade, these individuals are also part of the public, which forms the government through elected representatives. Thakur Dalip Singh stresses that the responsibility for drug addiction falls on society as a whole, including those who consume drugs or unknowingly benefit from the drug trade. He believes that neither the government nor any political party has the ability to stop the drug trade unless the public itself takes the initiative to end it. He urges individuals to need themselves accountable, spread awareness, and discourage drug use among family and friends. Only when society collectively rejects drugs, both legal and illegal, can the addiction crisis be resolved. In his view, expecting the government to solve the problem without public cooperation is unrealistic.



State level poster making competition organized by Guru Nanak Khalsa College, Yamunanagar

RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR, OCT 8

The Department of Education at Guru Nanak Khalsa College, Yamunanagar, organized a State Level Poster Making Competition on the thought-provoking themes of One Nation One Election and Election Results: Shaping the Future. Principal Dr. Harinder Singh Kang while addressing the gathering, emphasized the importance of elections in shaping the democratic fabric of the nation. Dr. Jagat Singh, Head of the Department of Education appreciated the enthusiasm and dedication of the participants.

The competition was judged by Dr. Gurvinder Kaur and Prof. Renu, with Nivea and Pragati from Guru Nanak Khalsa College Yamunanagar securing the first prize, Aarya and Deepali from Guru Nanak

Nayab Saini wins Ladwa seat by 16054 votes

VIJAY KAUSHIK LADWA, OCT 8

In the Haryana Assembly elections held in 2024, the country's largest political party BJP got majority by winning 48 seats in Haryana. At the same time, BJP candidate and acting Chief Minister of the state Nayab Singh Saini, who stood from Ladwa assembly constituency, which is considered to be the hottest seat in these elections, won by getting 16,054 votes. While giving information, Returning Officer of Ladwa Assembly and SDM Pankaj Setia said that BJP candidate Naib Singh Saini got a total of 70,177 votes, Congress candidate Mewa Singh got 54123 votes, Independent candidate Vikramjit Singh Cheema got 11191 votes, INLD- BSP



alliance candidate Sapna Badshami got 7439 votes, Independent candidate Sandeep Garg got 2262 votes, Aam Aadmi Party's Jog Singh got 632 votes, Independent candidate Kashyap Ramchandra got 611 votes, Independent candidate Ashok Saini Hamidpur got 415 votes, Independent candidate Bhajan Singh got 265 votes, JJP

NTAS Patiala promotes cleanliness and education through stage show at Baradri Bagh

RAWEL BHINDER PATIALA, OCT 8

The entire team of National Theater Arts Society (NTAS), Patiala, under the guidance of Senior Theater Artist and Director Padmashri Pran Sabharwal and State Awardee Sunita Sabharwal, organized programs to promote cleanliness, service and education for the backward students. The community organized a lively stage show at the beautiful Baradri Bagh in the royal city. The objective of the program was to create awareness about the importance of sanitation and education for the development of the most vulnerable members of the society.



Bhagwan Dass Gupta, Veteran social Activist environmentalist and art lover, patron of Indian Red Cross Society Patiala and Past president Rotary Club Patiala Mid Town, who arrived as a special guest in the program, spoke and asked to support the social warriors. Emphasizing the need to work collectively for He urged the audience to join initiatives to clean the environment and make the

CM announces to adopt Monal Bird at 73rd Wildlife Week Closing Ceremony

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, OCT 8

Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu today announced to adopt the Monal bird during the closing ceremony of the 73rd Wildlife Week in Shimla today. In his address, he appealed the people to adopt Wildlife species housed in the state's zoos and parks emphasizing that adopting an animal not only aids in their care but also fosters a deeper understanding of and commitment to the preservation of our natural world. The Chief Minister also announced the formation of a committee of experts to conduct a comprehensive study on the conservation of pheasant species, aiming to develop a concrete strategy for their conservation, ensuring that future generations can also enjoy these magnificent



birds. He announced the development of a unified ticketing platform for all zoos in Himachal Pradesh, would go a long way in simplifying the tourist experience while generating revenue to be invested in conservation efforts, infrastructure improvements, and the welfare of wildlife. Additionally, the Chief Minister declared the inclusion of Spiti's Sarchu Valley as a Conservation Reserve, aimed at protecting its fragile ecosystem and wildlife corridors. "Our state's natural beauty, dense forests, snow-covered Himalayan peaks, and precious wildlife are not just our heritage but our lifeline," said the Chief Minister. "Protecting them is not only our responsibility but also an imperative for future generations.

Lord Shri Ram's meeting with Kewat



BUREAU CHANDIGARH: Ramlila being organised by Shri Ram Sevak Yuva Kala Manch in Sector 48's Dussehra Ground, the scene of Dashaarath's death was shown. Thereafter, a touching scene of Lord Shri Ram meeting Kewat during his exile and crossing the Ganga was staged. Chandigarh MP Manish Tiwari attended the programme as the chief guest. Chandigarh Congress President Harmohinder Singh Lucky was also present on this occasion. He said on this occasion that I have been participating in various Ramlilas being organised in the city for the last 30 years but this type of Ramlila being staged by theatre artists is amazing. Earlier, while welcoming the chief guest, Vipin Jot Singh Aman, President of Shri Ram Sevak Yuva Kala Manch, said that this is the first Ramlila Mahotsav organized by the organization under the guidance of Deepak Kumar and Manthan Arts Society's Director Heera Singh Ji.

Do not look at service with discrimination, but do it with selfless spirit: Satguru Mata Sudiksha Ji Maharaj

SHASHI PAL JAIN KHARAR, OCT 8

There are many types of people living in this world who have different languages, clothes, food habits, caste, religion and culture etc. But despite so many differences, one thing is common among all of us that we are all human beings. Whatever our color, dress, country or food habits, the same blood flows in everyone's veins and everyone breathes the same. We are all children of God. Many saints expressed this feeling in their own language and style at different times and places as the message of 'the whole world, one family'. For the last about 95 years, Sant Nirankari Mission has not only been transmitting this message, but



also presenting a living example of this message by regularly organizing many satsangs and Samagam. This year too, lakhs of devotees of the Mission are going to once again grace the scene of the Maha Kumbh of humanity by reaching the 77th Annual Nirankari Sant Samagam to be held at Sant Nirankari

their minds with the teachings of Sant Samagam. The service of preparing the land for this Sant Samagam was inaugurated today, like every year, by the lotus hands of Satguru Mata Sudiksha Ji Maharaj and Nirankari Rajpita Ji. On this occasion, all the members of the Mission's executive committee, officers of the Central Sevadal and thousands of other followers of Satsang were present. It is worth mentioning that at this huge Samagam site spread over 600 acres, along with the accommodation, food, health and transportation of lakhs of saints, many other types of arrangements are made, for which devotees come from many places and serve selflessly throughout the month.

BJP candidate Vinod Bhayana creates record, wins from Hansi again

BUREAU HANSI: A record has been made in Hansi assembly elections as BJP candidate Vinod Bhayana won twice in a row on BJP ticket. He became MLA from Hansi assembly for the third time. In Hansi, former Congress MLA Chaudhary Late Hari Singh Saini Pedewala and former MLA Amir Chandra Makkar also won three elections but they could never win consecutive elections. In the 2024 Haryana assembly elections, BJP candidate Vinod Bhayana has taken credit for winning twice. The victorious BJP candidate Vinod Bhayana got 78686 votes while Congress candidate and former MLA late Amir Chandra Makkar's grandson Rahul Makkar got 57226 votes. Vinod Bhayana won by 21460 votes. Aam Aadmi Party candidate Rajendra got 2333 votes, Bahujan Samaj Party candidate Ravindra Kumar 2182, Jannayak Janata Party Shamsheer 618 votes, independent candidate Suman Kumar 182, Haris Verma 180, Rohit - 176 votes, Amarjeet - 163 votes, employee leader Kashmiri Lal Grover - 103 votes, Veerban - 72 votes, Naveen - 69 votes and Jai Prakash - 23 votes. A total of 13 candidates contested the elections this time. While 374 voters rejected all the candidates in the votes. The election of Hansi remained very interesting this time. In the betting market, the Congress candidate was being predicted to win from Hansi but the result was opposite to it.



TSPL launches campaign to combat stubble burning, pledge for cleaner Punjab

ISHWER GARG TALWANDI SABO, OCT 8

Talwandi Sabo Power Limited (TSPL), Punjab's largest thermal power plant, is taking a significant step to combat the environmental crisis of stubble burning in the region, particularly in Mansa district. This initiative is part of TSPL's broader commitment to environmental sustainability and community engagement. As an organization, TSPL has also included a total of 3 Electrical vehicles to its fleet, to reduce its carbon footprint. Stubble burning has become a major concern in Punjab, contributing to severe air pollution and impacting public health. In response, TSPL's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) team has embark on a grassroots campaign aimed at educating the local farmers about the detrimental effects of stubble



burning and advocating for sustainable agricultural practices. The campaign has been launched on 7th of October 2024 from village Gagowal, in association with its NGO Partner Nabha Foundation. The campaign launched in presence of the Deputy Commissioner of district Mansa Sh. Kulwant Singh, Chief Agriculture officer of district Mansa Sh. Harvinder Singh Sidhu and more than 70 farmers from the village Gagowal. The campaign starting from the

2nd week of the October month will last till middle of the month November. This time-period is very crucial in terms of stubble burning. The campaign will include awareness rallies, workshops, informational sessions, and direct interactions with farmers to promote alternative methods for managing crop residues. TSPL aims to empower the farming community with knowledge and practical solutions, fostering a cleaner and healthier environment.



Navratri mein entertainment ka special dose!

CHANDIGARH: &TV presents a fun-filled week of entertainment and comedy amidst Navratri celebrations in its popular shows Happu Ki Ultan Paltan and Bhabhiji Ghar Par Hai. About &TV's Happu Ki Ultan Paltan, Yogesh Tripathi aka Daroga Happu Singh shares, "Katori Amma (Himani Shivpuri) sees Durga Maa in her dream. Durga Maa tells her to visit Vaishno Devi during Navratri. She excitedly shares her dream with the entire family. Happu (Yogesh Tripathi), with his usual swagger, confidently assures everyone that he will make sure the family goes to Vaishno Devi for darshan. Happu and Malaika (Sonal Panwar) lie to Commissioner (Kishore Bhanushali) to get leaves for the trip. Happu then tries to book the tickets but engages in an argument and ends up being banned from travelling. When he informs the family, they all get disheartened. Beni (Vishwanath Chatterjee) suggests that instead of a train, they should fly to Vaishno Devi, but that plan fails too as Gabbar (Saheb Das Manikpuri) is terrified of flights. Beni then proposes another plan, however, this plan also falls apart when Beni gets injured. In the end, Malaika volunteers to take responsibility for leading the family to Vaishno Devi. However, Malaika also suffers injury. Once again, their plans are shattered. Will the family's wish to visit Vaishno Devi finally come true?" About &TV's Bhabhiji Ghar Par Hai, Aasif Sheikh Vibhuti aka Narayan Mishra shares, "Angoori (Shubhangi Atre), Prem (Vishwajeet Soni), Doctor (Jeetu Gupta) and Master (Vijay Singh) come to Vibhuti's (Aasif Sheikh) house to collect donations for Navratri, but Vibhuti has no



money. Tiwari (Rohitashv Gour) mocks him in front of everyone. Vibhuti feels embarrassed and heads to Godi Bar with David Chacha (Anup Upadhyay) for a drink. There, a man named Bamboolina mistakes Vibhuti for "Tendua," the owner of the bar, because they look identical. Bamboolina gives Vibhuti a hefty sum of money, thinking he is Tendua. Vibhuti returns home with the cash, giving Anita 20,000 and donating 30,000. Bamboolina later invites Vibhuti to the bar again, saying they have prepared a special atmosphere for him. At the bar, Vibhuti meets a woman named

Chumalina and, mistaking her for Anita gets on stage to dance with her. Tiwari secretly records the entire scene on his phone and shows it to Anita. While Anita confronts Vibhuti, Chumalina arrives at their house and claims that Vibhuti is her lover. Vibhuti wants to explain the truth, but David Chacha stops him, and Anita throws all three of them out of the house. How will Vibhuti come out of this situation?" Watch Happu Ki Ultan Paltan at 10:00 pm and Bhabhiji Ghar Par Hai at 10:30 pm, airing every Monday to Friday only on &TV!

From watching the Ramleela to savouring sweets: Sony SAB's artists share their Dussehra memories

CHANDIGARH : Dussehra, symbolizing the victory of good over evil, holds a special place in the hearts of many. This year, Sony SAB's leading actors share their cherished Dussehra memories, from participating in Ramleela performances to enjoying traditional sweets. Reflecting on the significance of the festival, they also offer personal insights into the values it imparts in today's world. Sujay Reu, who essays the role of Lord Ram in Shrimad Ramayan, said, "I have cherished memories of watching the Ramayana on TV and listening to my grandmother's stories about Lord Ram and Raavan. As I grew older, I came to appreciate the deeper significance of Dussehra and how it symbolizes the victory of good over evil. While I've never participated in a Ramleela, I've enjoyed watching many performances across India. It's quite surreal to think that now I am playing Lord Ram. My message to fans is to embody the wisdom and integrity of Lord Ram in our daily lives. In today's fast-paced world, it's crucial to maintain our composure and learn valuable lessons from his life." Sumeet Raghavan, who essays the role of Rakesh in Waggle Ki Duniya, said, "Dussehra is a time for reflecting on childhood memories filled with joy and enthusiasm. It reminds me that good always triumphs over evil. I believe the essence of the festival lies in adhering to our core morals and values."



Bhabhiji Ghar Par Hai's Aasif Sheikh and Rohitashv Gour Steal the Show at Lal Quila's Grand Ramleela Celebrations!

CHANDIGARH : The iconic Luv Kush Ramleela at Lal Quila, celebrated for its stunning grandeur and lively atmosphere, once again captivated the capital, drawing thousands of devotees and fans eager to witness the epic tale of Lord Ram's victory. This year's event was made even more special by the presence of &TV's beloved and popular Bhabhiji Ghar Par Hai actors, Aasif Sheikh aka Vibhuti Narayan Mishra and Rohitashv Gour aka Manmohan Tiwari. The talented artists not only attended the celebrations but also became a highlight of the festivities, much to the audience's delight. Aasif Sheikh, who has strong ties to Delhi, was touched by the city's warm welcome. Expressing his joy, Aasif Sheikh aka Vibhuti Mishra shared, "Every time I return to Delhi, it feels like a homecoming. Being part of the Ramleela is truly humbling, and the energy here is electric!"



AIRIA Mall to host one of the biggest comedy festivals of the year

GURUGRAM : Gurugram's premier retail and entertainment destination, AIRIA Mall, is all set to host 'No Way! Comedy Festival' one of the biggest comedy festivals of the year. Running from 11th to 13th October, this three-day festival will feature over 65 comedians, transforming AIRIA Mall into a laughter zone from 04:00 PM to 10:00 pm each day, promising a non-stop laughter marathon for all attendees. Comedy enthusiasts can look forward to performances by some of India's most celebrated stand-up artists. In addition to those, a host of rising and established comedians will take to the stage. Attendees can expect a wide range of comedic styles such as observational humor, anecdotal storytelling, satirical comedy, improv performances, and quick-witted one-liners from these performers. The first day of the festival will headline Aakash Gupta, Rahul Subramanian and Gurav Kapoor, followed by Harsh Gujral, Ravi Gupta and Biswa Rahul Dua on the second day. The final day of the festival will feature Anubhav Singh Bassi, Abhishek Upmanyu and Gaurav Gupta. Along with these bigger stars, the festival will also feature other popular artists such as Aakash Mehta, Aditya Kulu, Sharon Verma, Neeli Palta amongst others.



Guru Randhawa is reminded of Arijit Singh after listening to contestant Chetan Bharanga in Sa Re Ga Ma Pa

CHANDIGARH: Zee TV's Sa Re Ga Ma Pa has made a spectacular comeback with its new season, captivating audiences with the incredible talent of India's most promising new voices. After eight thrilling episodes, the show continues to set the stage for remarkable musical journeys, showcasing the next generation of artists. This season features the beloved musical duo Sachin-Jigar, alongside the talented composer-lyricist couple Sachet-Parampara, and the acclaimed singer-songwriter Guru Randhawa as mentors. Hosted by the dynamic duo Vipul Roy and Salman Ali, the show remains a fan favorite! In an upcoming episode of Sa Re Ga Ma Pa, Chetan Bharanga from Rajasthan delivers a soulful rendition of "O Rangrez," leaving mentor Guru Randhawa and the audience in awe of his heartfelt performance. Guru was



particularly moved by Chetan's voice and artistry, noting that he possesses the qualities of a true playback singer. He even mentioned being reminded of National Award-winning singer Arijit Singh. Guru Randhawa said, "I feel there is a calmness in your voice; you are such a refined artist. The feeling that a playback singer's voice needs, you have it. I generally do not compare anyone with anyone because I believe comparison is the enemy of joy."

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