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Kejriwal to the People of Chabbewal Constituency, "I always deliver on what I say promise"

DALJIT AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR, 9 NOV

The National Convenor of the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP), Arvind Kejriwal, and Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann campaigned for AAP candidate Ishank Chabbewal in Chabbewal. Both leaders addressed a large public rally in Jiyan village and appealed to the people to support the AAP candidate.

Arvind Kejriwal, urging people to support Ishank, said, "Two and a half years ago, you gave AAP an historic mandate. Therefore, your expectations are also high." He said, "Two and a half years ago, people in Punjab were most troubled by high electricity bills. Some had old bills of up to 2 lakh or even 1 lakh rupees. We promised you that we would waive off your old bills and your future bills would be zero. We fulfilled that promise. Now, people's electricity bills are zero."

Kejriwal said, "The BJP governs in nearly 20 states of the country, and other states are governed by different parties. AAP is only in two places: Punjab and Delhi, and in both places, people's electricity bills are zero, and they get 24-hour electricity. In other states, electricity is very expensive. Providing free electricity is like a miracle."

"We promised you free healthcare. Today, Aam Aadmi Clinics are opening across Punjab. Medicines and tests are free there. We are also improving all government hospitals, and treatment there is free as well. Schools across Punjab are being improved. So far, over 45,000 youth have been given government jobs. In every village in Punjab, about 4 to 5 youth have received jobs. No one had to pay money or use influence. Earlier, it was impossible to get a government job without bribes or recommendations."



"We have regularized temporary employees, and the process of regularizing employees is ongoing. Now, government employees are not seen on water tanks; they are at their workplaces. Additionally, our government has shut down several toll plazas, saving people millions of rupees every day."

Kejriwal said, "When your MP, MLA, and state government are all from AAP, the development of the region will happen much faster." He praised Dr. Rajkumar Chabbewal and said, "There won't be a single family in the area that hasn't received free treatment from him."

Kejriwal assured the people and said, "If you elect Dr. Ishank with a historic majority, all your needs will be fulfilled." Kejriwal promised that an ITI-Polytechnic College would be built in the area. "The water from the Bist Doab Canal does not reach here; we will arrange for the farmers here to benefit from that water. A new policy for agriculture-based and women-based small-scale industries will be created so that more industries come here and our children get more jobs." He also said, "All necessary sports stadiums will be built to help youth give up drug addiction. The road from Adampur to Garhshankar will be named after Baba Banda Singh Bahadur, and all roads leading to Gurudwaras will be widened to 18 feet to make commuting easier."

Chief Minister Mann attacks opponents – "In the previous government, for five years FM kept saying that the exchequer was empty"

"They didn't provide free electricity, build good roads, hospitals, or schools, so how could the treasury be empty? In reality, their intentions were empty" – Mann

Addressing a Public Rally, Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann said that in the previous government, the Finance Minister kept saying for five years that the treasury was empty. He questioned, "If they didn't provide free electricity, build roads, or create good hospitals and schools, how could the treasury be empty? The truth is, their intentions were empty. They didn't want to work."

He added, "We never said the treasury was empty, yet we carried out major projects. We are providing free electricity to the common people. Farmers are getting more than 8 hours of electricity during the day for farming. To address the power shortage, we purchased the Goindwal Sahib thermal plant.

Bomb blast at Quetta railway station kills 24



LAHORE: At least 24 people were killed and 46 others injured on Saturday in a suicide bombing at a railway station in Pakistan's restive Balochistan province, officials said.

The explosion ripped through the railway station of the provincial capital Quetta as passengers gathered on the platform before the departure of the Jaffar Express, scheduled to depart for Peshawar at 9:00 am. Quetta Division Commissioner Hamza Shafqaat said it was a suicide attack and 24 people were killed in the blast.

The suicide bomber had entered the station with luggage, the commissioner said, adding that was difficult to stop a person coming with an intention to carry out a suicide attack.

The Baloch Liberation Army (BLA), an ethnic Baloch separatist group designated as a terrorist organisation, has claimed responsibility for the attack. The BLA alleges that the federal government exploits Balochistan's resources while neglecting the province's development.

However, the federal government dismisses these allegations and claims that foreign powers are manipulating disgruntled elements to perpetrate sabotage.

The suicide bombing comes a week after a blast near a girl's school and a hospital in Balochistan's Mastung district killed eight people, including five children.

Earlier, SSP Operations Muhammad Baloch had also said that initial findings point to a possible suicide bombing. While confirming the death of 21 people, he had warned the number of victims could rise.

Rescue and law enforcement teams responded immediately, securing the area and transporting the injured and deceased to Civil Hospital Quetta, according to the provincial government spokesperson Shahid Rind.

Delhi man stabs mother for 'not allowing' him to shift to Canada

NEW DELHI : A 50-year-old woman was stabbed to death by her son allegedly after she did not allow him to shift to Canada for work, police here said on Saturday.

The incident took place in Molarband village in southeast Delhi's Badarpur area, they said.

After killing his mother on the evening of November 6, the accused, Krishna Kant (31), called his father Surjeet Singh (52) and asked him to come home, they said.

When Singh reached home, Krishan Kant said "sorry" to him and asked him to go upstairs and see for himself what he had done, Deputy Commissioner of Police (southeast) Ravi Kumar Singh said. Upon reaching the first floor of the house, Singh found his wife Geeta lying in a pool of blood with multiple stab injuries on her body, he said, adding that during this the accused managed to flee. Singh immediately took Geeta to Apollo Hospital, where she was declared dead, the police said.

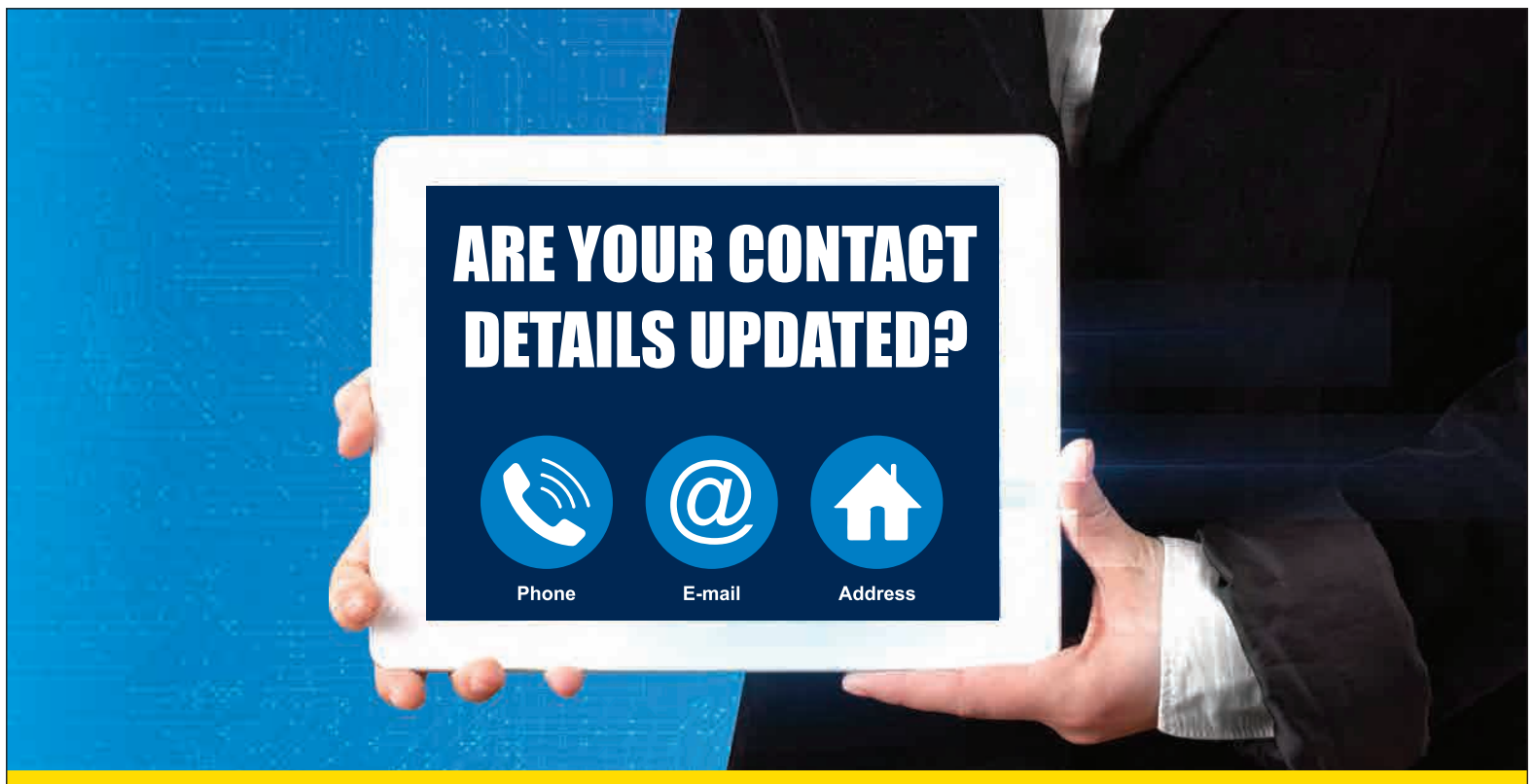
Canada discontinues popular visa scheme for international students



TORONTO: In an another policy shift, Canada has put an end to the Student Direct Stream (SDS) with immediate effect— a move that would impact thousands of international students. Launched in 2018, the SDS was designed to streamline the study permit process for applicants from 14 countries, including India, China, Pakistan, and the Philippines. The SDS programme, popular among international students, provided faster permit approvals — often within weeks — compared to the standard process. Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) has also shut down the Nigeria Student Express (NSE) programme, requiring Nigerian applicants to use the standard study permit application route. The SDS visa application usually took three to four weeks to process while the normal process takes eight to twelve weeks.

The Canadian government has set a cap of 4,37,000 new study permits for 2025, covering all levels of education, including postgraduate programmes.





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Religious leaders from India and overseas will converge in Sarva Dharma Sammelan

CHANDIGARH, A two-day long Sarva Dharma Sammelan dedicated to the Prakash Parv of Shri Guru Nanak Dev Maharaj Ji is being organized at Darbar Shri Guru Granth Sahib Ji, Bulandpuri, Nakoda on November 12 and 13. This event themed 'The Wave of Friendship and Love for Each Other' is being organized by the Jathedars of five pious Takhts - Singh Sahib Gyani Raghbir Singh of Amritsar (Akal Takht), Singh Sahib Gyani Harpreet Singh of Talwandi Sabu (Damdama Sahib), Singh Sahib Gyani Kulwant Singh of Nanded (Hazur Sahib), Gnani Sultan Singh of Anandpur (Keshgarh Sahib) and Giani Baldev Singh of Patna (Patna Sahib). Addressing a press conference held at the Chandigarh Press Club, organizing committee members Baljit Singh, Raghbir Singh, Palwinder Singh and others informed that in the era of hatred flourishing, human love and philanthropy is the need of the hour and such a forum is aimed to fulfill the purpose. In these two days, the heads of religions, devotees, saints, saints, scholars, maulanas, imams, priests, cardinals, monks, vice chancellors, intellectuals, writers, philosophers, historians and other prominent people will deliberate upon their viewpoints. Among those who will grace the occasion includes Acharya Lokesh Muni, Founder of Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti, Dr. Imam Umar Ahmed Nyasi, Head of All India Imam Organization, Yangzin, Seventh Ling Rimpoche, Swami Chidananda Saraswati Ji from Parmarth Niketan Ashram, Acharya Prashant, Founder of Prashant Advait Foundation, BK Hussain Didi from Om Shanti Retreat Center, Rabbi Dr Yakub Nagen, Director, Israel-based Blickle Institute for Interfaith, Don Lucas Chaque Apaza, President, Council of Vice Aymara Elders, Mohammad Usman Rehman Shahi Imam of Punjab, Marjaban Jalwawala, the religious leader of Parsi community, Bahai Faith Secretary Dr AK Merchant, Baha'i Faith Secretary.

NEWS BRIEF

Akal Academy Celebrates its 38th Annual Day

BARU SAHIB: A series of activities marked the 38th Annual Day of Akal Academy, Baru Sahib here today. Sikh Samaritans from across the globe, Akal Academy alumni, students, and families came together to honour the legacy of Padma Shri Baba Iqbal Singh Ji and the vision he pioneered. As part of Akal Academy's 38th Foundation Day celebrations, students amazed the audience with a stunning Martial Arts performance! With skill, precision, and spirit, these young champions demonstrated their dedication to fitness and discipline—qualities they develop through their rigorous training as part of the Academy's curriculum. Kindergarten stars took us on a meaningful journey with their heart-warming skit, Journey to Zero Hunger! Through their innocent smiles and powerful message, they highlighted the importance of sharing, compassion, and working towards a world where no one goes to bed hungry. Senior students delivered a powerful skit, investing in Women's Education, a heartfelt appeal to the audience about the transformative impact of educating young girls. Through moving scenes and strong messages, they highlighted how education empowers girls to break barriers, uplift families, and build a brighter, more equitable society.

Utkarsh Small Finance Bank Limited's First Sustainability Report, Highlights Commitment to Green Banking

LUDHIANA- Utkarsh Small Finance Bank Limited proudly announces the release of its inaugural Sustainability Report for FY 2023-24, marking a significant milestone in the Bank's journey towards integrating Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) principles into its core operations. This comprehensive report, titled "U-SUSTAIN," highlights the Bank's strategic initiatives and achievements in promoting sustainable development and responsible banking. Commenting on the Sustainability Report, Mr. Govind Singh, MD & CEO, Utkarsh Small Finance Bank Limited, "We are delighted to present our first Sustainability Report, which underscores our unwavering commitment to ESG principles. At Utkarsh Small Finance Bank Limited, we believe that sustainable banking is not just a responsibility.

Greenlam Industries launches its exclusive display center in Mandi

MANDI; , Greenlam Industries, a leading integrated substrate and surface solutions provider, providing a wide range of products to customers in over 120 countries, has recently launched its exclusive display center for Greenlam Laminates in Sneh Hardware & Interiors, at Tehsil Balh, Mandi. Himachal Pradesh. This showroom show cases exclusive range Greenlam1 MM Laminates. Greenlam Industries has been known for creating high-quality surface solutions integrated with elegance. Its legacy of unflinching passion for excellence, along with exceptional artistry and finesse, is clearly visible in its flagship brands' offerings.

Guru Nanak Girls College's Hat-Trick in Hockey



RAJNI SONI
YAMUNANAGAR : Guru Nanak Girls College secured first place and won the championship in the Kurukshetra University Inter-College Hockey Tournament, held at the Markandeshwar Hockey Stadium, Shahabad Markanda. Department Head Dr. Meenakshi Gupta shared that the college achieved this victory by winning three consecutive matches. The first match was won against Guru Nanak Khalsa College with a score of 4-2, the second match against Arya Kanya Gurukul Mor Majra with a score of 5-0, and in the third and final match, they defeated Government College Panchkula 4-0 to claim the top position in the university.
Players from the college—Raveena, Ritika, Mahak, Rajni, Sneha, Manpreet, and Tanu—were selected for the university hockey team's coaching camp. College Director Dr. Varinder Gandhi extended a grand welcome to the hockey team for achieving their third consecutive victory and praised their performance. College Principal Dr. Harvinder Kaur also congratulated the team on their outstanding performance and wished them a bright future.

New Era: Škoda Auto India unveils all-new Kylaq

Jalndhar – Škoda Auto India has taken the wraps off its much-awaited SUV, the Kylaq, revealing the vehicle for the very first time in India and the world. The Kylaq ushers in the New Era for Škoda Auto in India as it enters new markets and attracts new customers into its fold. The company had ascertained its ambitions to expand further in India with the announcement of this SUV in February this year. In October this year, Škoda Auto India conducted drives of a camouflaged pre-production version of the Kylaq. And a month later, the Kylaq has now made its world premiere, with bookings opening from December 2, 2024. Klaus Zellmer, CEO of Škoda Auto, says: "The Škoda Kylaq is our first sub-4-metre SUV, designed in India and for India as a new entry point to our brand. India is key to our internationalisation plans, the world's third-largest car market, and SUVs make up 50% of new vehicle sales. We want the Kylaq to welcome new customers who are looking in this popular and fast-growing segment. Adding to its appeal, the Kylaq marks the debut in India of our Modern Solid design language, with new visual accents. It also beckons with a wide choice of variants.

Day 2: AWWA literature fest 'Abhivyakti 4.0' starts with keynote address of Punjab Governor



SHASHI PAL JAIN
CHANDIGARH: The Day 2 of AWWA Literature Festival 'Abhivyakti 4.0' began on Saturday with an insightful keynote address by Punjab Governor and UT Administrator Shri Gulab Chand Kataria, Chief Guest.

Lt Gen Mohit Wadhwa, SM, Chief of Staff, Western Command, Chandimandir, welcomed Shri Kataria on his arrival in the august presence of senior Army officers, former Chief of Army Staff General VP Malik, and others. Shri Kataria took a round of the exhibition where several organizations aided by AWWA have exhibited their products, Shuchi Katiyar, Regional President AWWA was also present with the Governor. The Governor later also took a round of the area where arms and weapons have been put on display.

Meanwhile, the governor in his address expressed pride in witnessing the unifying power of literature that transcends boundaries and brings diverse literary voices onto a shared platform. The governor said that literature connects India's past with the present and also provides an outlook for the future. He complimented Army officers, their wives and even children for producing some very good quality literature in form of various books. He said what literature can give to the future generations will be decided by what type of writings, stories, journalism, poetry etc. our litterateurs are presently engaged in.

Meanwhile, one of the highlights at the Main Venue of 'Abhivyakti 4.0' was a thought-provoking panel discussion on the theme 'From Battlefields to Bestsellers,' which captivated the audience. The panelists were Lt Gen Bhopinder Singh (Retd), Mr Shabbir Boxwala, Mr Shiv Aroor, Mr Rahul Singh, and Captain Sajita Nair (Retd).

The discussion, which was moderated by Mr Vivek Atray, IAS (Retd), delved into the unique journeys of authors whose experiences in the armed forces have shaped their literary voices, bridging the worlds of military and literature.

The panel discussion on 'Pride in Uniform: Celebrating Army Wards' Achievements' served as a tribute to the remarkable accomplishments of individuals raised in military families. The session brought together – actor Pooja Batra, Major Mohammad Ali Shah (Retd), budding authors Aashna Lidder and Karunya S Bisht. The discussion explored how values imbibed in an army setting contributed to the personal and professional success of army wards across.

MLA Yogendra Rana distributes Prasad on Gopashtami



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
ASANDH/KARNAL : On the auspicious occasion of Gopashtami, Asandh MLA Yogendra Rana attended the 56 Bhog ceremony at Shri Gopal Krishna Gaushala in Uplana. He offered prayers to Lord Shrinathji and then participated in the community meal service, personally distributing prasad.

Speaking on the significance of Gopashtami, MLA Rana shared that it is traditionally believed that on this day, Lord Krishna began his journey of cow herding, and hence, the day is dedicated to serving cows. Observing rituals with a sincere heart and reading the Gopashtami vrat katha on this day is said to fulfill one's wishes. According to tradition, cows and their calves are worshipped on Gopashtami, and both devotees and the animals are bathed early in the morning.

The MLA assured attendees that he would fulfill the requests made by the Gaushala. The event saw the presence of Gopal Swami, Uplana Sarpanch Representative Ram Swaroop, Shakti Kendra Head Joginder Pal, Rajendra Uplana, Tarsem Uplana, Shish Pal Rana, Amarjeet Chhabra, and other dignitaries from the village.

LPU Offers Scholarships and top placement opportunities

JALANDHAR (J S SODHI) : Lovely Professional University (LPU), recognized among India's top educational institutions and holding NAAC A++ accreditation, has opened admissions for the academic year 2025-26. Ranked 9th in India and within the 601-800 band worldwide by the Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2025, LPU invites high-achieving students to apply and earn scholarships through LPUNEST, an entrance and scholarship test. Prospective students can register online and select preferred



programs while taking LPUNEST to qualify for scholarships. LPU offers industry-linked programs in AI, Data Science, Aerospace, Bioengineering, and dual-specialization MBA options to meet modern job demands. With a record of successful placements, including packages up to Rs 64 lakh for the 2022–24 batch and offers from companies like Microsoft, Amazon, and Deloitte, LPU aims to prepare students with industry skills and values. Dr. Ashok Kumar Mittal, LPU's Founder Chancellor, emphasized LPU's mission to empower students as future leaders, supported by a curriculum focused on practical skills and work-integrated programs.

District-level crime and law & order review meeting held at Yamunanagar

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR; A district-level crime and law & order review meeting was conducted on Saturday at the Mini Secretariat hall, led by Superintendent of Police (SP) Rajeev Deswal. The meeting was attended by all Deputy Superintendents of Police (DSPs), Crime Branch In-charges, Station Heads, and Police Chowki In-charges from the district.

During the meeting, a detailed analysis of crime statistics in the district was carried out, and discussions were held on improving law and order. SP Rajeev Deswal reviewed the crime data and the points received from the Police Headquarters. He emphasized the importance of timely resolution of all complaints registered at police stations. Each complaint should be duly entered into the Crime and Criminal Tracking Network & Systems (CCTNS) and a receipt should be provided to the complainant, ensuring immediate action is taken on the matter.

He also highlighted the need to address pending complaints within the specified time frame, with a focus on obtaining feedback on the status of these complaints, which is under constant monitoring. Furthermore, the SP stressed that during the upcoming Kapal Mochan Fair, all police personnel must perform their duties with complete vigilance. He directed the enforcement of special campaigns against proclaimed offenders, bail jumpers, and habitual criminals, ensuring strict legal action. Close monitoring of the daily activities of habitual offenders was also emphasized.

Two-Day National Conference concludes at Maharana Pratap Horticulture University



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: A two-day national conference on Smart Farming Solutions in Horticulture, with a focus on ornamental horticulture, concluded at Maharana Pratap Horticulture University (MHU). The closing ceremony featured Dr. Dheer Singh, Director of NDRI and Vice-Chancellor, as the chief guest. Dr. Suresh Malhotra, the Vice-Chancellor of MHU, welcomed Dr. Singh, while Dr. SS Sidhu, Secretary of the Indian Ornamental Horticulture Society, served as the program's emcee.

In his address, Dr. Dheer Singh emphasized the importance of floriculture as an essential branch of horticulture that is closely connected to nature. He praised MHU's initiative to promote floriculture at a national level, stressing that such programs will significantly benefit farmers in adopting new farming methods. Dr. Singh noted that the expansion of flower cultivation would aid environmental conservation and yield products beneficial for health. He highlighted that the crop residues from flower cultivation are environmentally friendly.

Dr. Suresh Malhotra, Vice-Chancellor of MHU, emphasized the need for collaborative work on smart farming solutions to enhance environmental health and boost farmers' incomes. He praised the discussions held across all sessions, especially the insights shared by Dr. Singh on dairy and floriculture, calling them valuable for all attendees. Dr. Malhotra also commended the MHU team for their efforts in making the conference a success. The event included an interactive session where students, entrepreneurs, and experienced flower farmers shared their insights and posed questions about floriculture.

Distinguished scientists excelling in their research fields received Lifetime Achievement Awards. Additionally, six scientists were honored with the Lotus Awards, and six entrepreneurs in the industry category received the Rose Awards. The Fellowship Society Awards were presented to ten scientists, while three farmers were also recognized with Rose Awards. Professor Ramesh Goyal, Dean of the College of Horticulture, expressed gratitude to the guests, scientists, and entrepreneurs attending the conference. The event concluded with the national anthem.

Door to door campaign in markets of Barnala by Kewal Singh Dhillon



KARANPREET KARAN
BARNALA: Bharatiya Janata Party's Barnala Vidhan Sabha by-election candidate Kewal Singh Dhillon conducted a door-to-door campaign in the markets of Barnala today. During which he received a great response from the residents and businessmen of Barnala and announced that they would stand by him during the election. Meanwhile, he also paid obeisance at Sri Guru Singh Sabha Gurdwara Sahib and Panchayati Mandir. There also saluted Shaheed Bhagat Singh.
On this occasion, Kewal Singh Dhillon said that the traders and people of Barnala city have been getting good support every time. Even today, the shopkeepers and traders of the city honor him by laying flowers. For which he will always be indebted to the residents of the city. He said that the law and order situation in Punjab has given a big push to business. Big gangsters in Punjab are demanding ransoms by threatening our business brothers over the phone.

Grey Group and Marriott International Unveil JW Marriott Ludhiana



RAJIV JAIN
CHANDIGARH: Grey Group and Marriott International proudly announce the grand opening of JW Marriott Ludhiana, a landmark addition to Punjab's luxury hospitality landscape, set to offer an unparalleled experience in sophistication and comfort. The exclusive launch event took place at JW Marriott Chandigarh, where representatives from both Grey Group and Marriott International highlighted the collaborative vision to redefine premium hospitality in the region. JW Marriott Ludhiana stands as a premier destination with 160 elegantly designed rooms and expansive indoor and outdoor banqueting spaces, catering to discerning guests who seek a blend of luxury and world-class service. The property's offerings include a selection of fine dining venues, a specialty restaurant, sophisticated lounge bars, and a welcoming lobby lounge, all crafted to provide a memorable stay. In addition, guests have access to a fully equipped gym, a serene spa, and a luxurious swimming pool, ensuring a holistic wellness experience. In addition, Grey Group launched an exclusive, members-only luxury club featuring world-class amenities and is planning to introduce branded luxury residences.

Flying squad teams verifying immunisation data and visit livestock farms

SUMER GARG
CHANDIGARH: Punjab animal husbandry, dairy development and fisheries minister, Gurmeet Singh Khudian said that more than 48% of the state livestock have been vaccinated against Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) within just 18 days of the statewide mass-immunisation drive, which was commenced on October 21.



He further stated that five teams of flying squads have been formed to assess the effectiveness of the immunisation drive. Each team has been assigned to cover four to five districts to verify the FMD immunisation data and visit livestock farms across the state. Out of a total of 65,47,407 livestock in the state, over 31.48 lakh cattle have been administered with the FMD vaccine by 816 teams of the animal husbandry department. He directed the department authorities to ensure that all livestock are vaccinated against FMD by November 30.

While urging livestock farmers to take advantage of the drive to protect their cattle from FMD, Mr. Khudian mentioned that the Punjab animal husbandry department has set up a control room at the state level, along with district-level control rooms at the offices of the Deputy Directors of the animal husbandry department. The department has also provided a helpline number, 0172-5086064, to assist livestock farmers. Principal Secretary of animal husbandry, dairy Development and Fisheries, Mr. Rahul Bhandari, stated that the department has procured 55.86 lakh disposal syringes with needles and other logistics at a cost of Rs. 1.08 crore to ensure the smooth and efficient execution of the mass inoculation drive.

PUBLIC NOTICE

BEFORE NAVEEN, DANICS, ASSISTANT ESTATE OFFICER-1, EXERCISING THE POWERS OF THE ESTATE OFFICER, U.T., CHANDIGARH



SUBJECT: Transfer of ownership rights in respect of House No. 1050, Sector-8C, Chandigarh to the extent of 87.50% share on the basis of Intestate Death of Sh. Lal Chand Aggarwal.

It is notified for the information of general public and all concerned that as per record of this office, the ownership of the property known as House No. 1050, Sector-8C, Chandigarh, bearing file No. RP-2681 to the extent of 87.50% share stands in the name of Late Sh. Lal Chand Aggarwal.

Now Smt. Savita Goyal, Sh. Madan Gopal Aggarwal, Sh. Ram Gopal Aggarwal, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Aggarwal, Sh. Rajesh Gupta, Sh. Vaneet Aggarwal, Sh. Atul Aggarwal, Ms. Neha Aggarwal, Sh. Ankit Bansal, Sh. Rajeev Gupta, Sh. Vipur Aggarwal, Ms. Nidhi Garg and Mrs. Rajni Saraowgi, All legal heir of Late Sh. Lal Chand Aggarwal have applied for transfer of ownership to the extent of 87.50%% share in respect of House no. 1050, Sector-8C. Chandigarh on the basis of Intestate Death of Late Sh. Lal Chand Aggarwal, who expired on 10.11.1995

It has further been intimated that Late Sh. Lal Chand Aggarwal has expired on 10.11.1995 and left behind following legal heirs:

Sr. No.	Name of Legal Heirs	Relation with deceased
1.	Smt. Swarn Devi Aggarwal	Wife (Deceased)
2.	Sh. Krishan Gopal Aggarwal	Son (Deceased)
	Legal heirs of Sh. Krishan Gopal Aggarwal	
i.	Indresh Rani	Wife (Deceased)
ii.	Atul Aggarwal	Grandson
iii.	Vipul Aggarwal	Grandson
iv.	Nidhi Garg	Grand Daughter
3.	Ram Gopal Aggarwal	Son
4.	Madan Gopal Aggarwal	Son
5.	Rakesh Kumar Aggarwal	Son
6.	Nand Kishore Aggarwal	Son (Deceased)
	Legal heirs of Sh. Nand Kishore Aggarwal	
i.	Neelam Aggarwal	Wife (Deceased)
ii.	Vaneeet Aggarwal	Grandson
iii.	Neha Aggarwal	Grand Daughter
iv.	Ankita Bansal	Grand Daughter
7.	Veena Rani	Daughter (Deceased)
	Legal heirs of Smt Veena Rani	
i.	Rajesh Gupta	Grandson
ii.	Rajeev Gupta	Grandson
iii.	Rajni Saraowgi	Grand Daughter
8.	Shukla Gupta	Daughter
9.	Savita Goyal	Daughter

If anybody have any objection upon the mutation of the said property in favour of the above named applicants then he/she/may furnish the same in writing alongwith supporting documents in the office of the undersigned within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which this property shall be mutated accordingly and no further claim whatsoever shall be entertained later on.

Sd/-
Naveen, DANICS, Assistant Estate Officer-1,
Exercising the Powers of the Estate Officer,
U.T. Chandigarh.

Agroha Dham fair will be inaugurated today: Garg



SUMER GARG
HISAR: An important meeting of representatives of Vaish Samaj was held under the chairmanship of National President of Agroha Dham Vaishya Samaj & Provincial President of Trade Board, Bajrang Garg and he also supervised the ongoing preparations and formed different teams for the arrangements of the fair. In which four food pandals, tea breakfast, shoe house, darshan of all the temples, six parking, grand tableaux of Shri Lord Ram Chandra, Shri Krishna Leela and Vrindavan, trade fair fair, water system, medical camp, Loker room, Appu Ghar, for all arrangements separate committees were formed and duties of the volunteers were imposed on Shakti Sarovar bath Mr. Garg said that devotees from every corner of the country have started coming to Agroha Dham and two selfie points have been made for the devotees. He said that construction work and beautification is being done in Agroha Dham at a cost of Rs. 4 crores and further the grand beautification of Shri Rameshwar Dham and Baba Hanuman Ji temple is being done and Mathura temple in Agroha Dham. After constructing a Dharamshala of 56 rooms, it was fully ready to use. He said that the program will be inaugurated with the flag hoisting of Maharaja Agrasain Ji. The main program in Agroha Dham, grand cultural program, bhajan and conference program will start at 12 o'clock and a grand Kalash Yatra will be taken out by 501 women. A large number of religious lovers along with their families will participate in the fair. Excel Group Chairman, Dr. Subhash Chandra; Punjab Cabinet Minister, Virendra Goyal; Hisar MLA Smt. Savitri Jindal; Yudhishthir Mahabharat Gajendra Chauhan, leading industrialist, Vinod Singla will participate in the fair.

Gopashtami festival celebrated with devotion at Shri Krishna Kripa Gaushala

DHALBIR MALIK
KURUKSHETRA: The Gopashtami festival was celebrated with great enthusiasm at Shri Krishna Kripa Gaushala under the guidance of Gita Manishi Swami Gyananand Maharaj. The event was graced by Haryana's Agriculture and Animal Husbandry Minister, Shyam Singh Rana, as the chief guest. Both Swami Gyananand Maharaj and Minister Shyam Singh Rana performed the worship of cows, applied tilak to them, offered jaggery, and performed the aarti. The program was initiated by the lighting of a lamp by Minister Shyam Singh Rana.

Upon his arrival, the Shri Krishna Kripa family and the Geo Gita team welcomed the chief guest with a bouquet of flowers. Swami Gyananand Maharaj presented a memento to Minister Rana as a token of blessing. A large number of devotees participated in the cow worship ceremony, and the atmosphere was filled with devotional chants and bhajans dedicated to cow mothers and Radha Krishna.



Swami Gyananand Maharaj conveyed his warm wishes on Gopashtami, emphasizing that the cow is not a mere animal but embodies the presence of all gods. He expressed concern about the plight of abandoned cows and called for Haryana to become the first state to be free from stray cattle. He further stated that cows are the pride of the nation and should not be abandoned; they should be cherished and preserved. He mentioned that cow products, especially Panchagavya, offer medicinal benefits and help purify the environment. He also suggested the creation of a separate Cow Ministry in Haryana, similar to the one in Rajasthan, to aid in cow preservation efforts.

Agriculture and Animal Husbandry Minister Shyam Singh Rana, in his address, shared his privilege of being part of the Gopashtami celebrations. He highlighted the importance of cows in ancient Indian culture, particularly in farming and economic activities.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Pantomath's Bharat Value Fund Invests INR 2350 Million for Minority Stake in Haldiram Bhujiawala

AMRITSAR: Kolkata-based Haldiram Bhujiawala Limited has announced the successful closure of its Private placement round, with Pantomath's Bharat Value Fund (BVF) investing INR 2350 Mn in the Company for minority stake. Haldiram Bhujiawala Limited retails its products under the brand "Prabhuji".
The snacks market, one of the fastest-growing sectors in India, was estimated to be worth INR 426 billion in FY24, which is expected to reach ~ INR 955 billion by FY32, registering a CAGR of 11%.
Haldiram Bhujiawala Limited has a strong legacy of more than 6 decades in snacks and savoury industry. It has a potent mix of its retail business as well as distribution business. The Company has distribution network of approximately 2000 distributors servicing more than 200,000 retailers across the country. The Company will use the funds to expand its manufacturing and markets outside of Eastern and North-Eastern Indian markets.
Mr. Manish Agarwal, Managing Director, Haldiram Bhujiawala Limited, said on the occasion, "In the last 60+ years, we have cultivated a loyal customer base by offering delectable snacks and sweets. Our Company has been a trendsetter, revolutionizing food habits and tastes of India."

Don't get misled by Oppn: CM Nayab Saini appeals to farmers

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Haryana Chief Minister Sh. Nayab Singh Saini has requested all the farmers not to pay attention to any kind of rumours. He said his government is committed to ensure continuous supply of DAP in the state so that farmers do not face any kind of problem in sowing Rabi crops. Till Today, a stock of 23,118 metric tonnes of DAP is available in various districts. Within the next two to three days, 9,172 metric tonnes more DAP will be received in various districts of the state.

The Chief Minister said the Haryana Government has made all arrangements for the availability of fertilizers. Congress leaders are working to mislead the farmers whereas the truth is that adequate stock of fertilizers is available in Haryana and its distribution is also being ensured properly.

He said the DAP stock in the state is equal to the demand of last year. Last year, from October 1 to November 9, the consumption of DAP was 1,46,152 metric tonnes. This time, till November 9, 2024, 1,54,540 metric tonnes have been consumed. He said the Government of India has allotted 1,10,200 metric tonnes of DAP to Haryana for the month of November. Apart from this, 71,281 metric tonnes of Single Super Phosphate (SSP) and 24,343 metric tonnes of NPK stock are still available in the state.

Sh. Nayab Singh Saini said the state government has worked for the interests of commission agents. "Our government has increased the commission of the commission agent from Rs 46 per quintal to Rs 55 per quintal. The additional burden of Rs 9 per quintal will be borne by the state government. The government has resolved all the problems of all rice millers in every possible way. A bonus of Rs 62.58 crore has been given to all rice millers till August 31, 2024 for delivery of CMR in the state. Apart from this, the matter of out-turn ratio of hybrid variety of paddy has also been placed before the Government of India.

Giving information about the purchase of Kharif crops, the Chief Minister said during this Kharif season 2024-25, 4,84,927 farmers are registered on the Meri Fasal Mera Byora portal for paddy. The government has made complete arrangements for the payment of the crop. After the purchase of the crop, the work of transferring the money to the accounts of the farmers was done within 72 hours. He said so far, 50,46,872.45 metric tonnes of paddy has been procured in the state, in lieu of which an amount of more than Rs 11,296 crore has been paid to the farmers. Nayab Singh Saini said seeing the farmer-friendly decisions of the Haryana Government and the arrangements made in the mandis for crop purchase, farmers of neighbouring states are also willing to sell their crops in the mandis of Haryana. Taking a dig at the Opposition, he said the Congress is not able to digest the farmer-friendly policies of the government.

City Union Bank opens its new branch in Karnal



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, NOV 9

A new branch of City Union Bank was inaugurated at Gokul Market Hospital Chowk in Karnal city. On this occasion, Mr. Sushil Kumar Jain, Chairman, Haryana Chamber of Commerce and Industry, special guest Mr. Harmeet Singh Happy, Secretary, Haryana Chamber of Commerce and Mr. Manoj Arora, Pradhan, Karnal HSIIDC Industries Welfare Association participated as the chief guest. The bank was inaugurated by cutting the ribbon by the chief guest and special guests.

On this occasion, the bank's A.G.M. Mr. Arul Arasu, R.D.M. Mr. A. Fanendra Kumar and Branch Manager Mr. Sanjay Kumar Tiwari honored the guests by garlanding them and giving them mementoes. He said that the bank will provide every kind of facility to the customers along with lockers and ATMs. He said that this bank is 121 years old and has always lived up to the trust of the people and the first branch of this bank has been opened in Karnal. The bank has a total of 820 branches and with the opening of the Karnal branch, their number has increased to 821 across India.

The main objective of the bank is to provide maximum facilities and benefits to the customers. On this occasion, Mrs. Kamlesh Sharma, U. Balasubramanian, Balram Sharma, Shyam Sharma, Siddhant Tiwari, Neeraj Sharma, Sanjay Kumar Tiwari, Tanvi Sharma and Jaswinder etc. were present.

Become a part of virtue by donating blood: Dr. Amit

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, NOV 9

On the occasion of World Science Day, BJP Medical Cell District Karnal is organizing a free blood donation camp in Save Life Blood Bank in front of Kalpana Chawla Hospital on Sunday, 10 November from 9 am.

BJP Medical Cell District Coordinator Dr. Amit Kumar and Co-coordinator Dr. Mahendra Pratap appealed to the people and said that the way dengue disease is spreading these days and people suffering from it are in dire need of blood. Therefore, all healthy people should donate blood in this blood donation camp and become a part of virtue.



He told that in this free blood donation camp, all the blood donors will be honored with medals and certificates in addition to refreshments. In this blood donation camp, as the chief guest, the newly elected MLA of Karnal Jagmohan Anand will honor the blood donors with his own hands.

Veeresh urges PM Modi to appoint a cabinet minister in centre for protection and maintenance of the cow shelters

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
AMBALA, NOV 9

Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi should appoint a cabinet minister with him in the central government for the protection and maintenance of all the cow shelters. This will be the biggest worship of cow mother by the Indian government. These words were said by Anti Terrorist Front India and Vishwa Hindu Takht chief Veeresh Shandilya while talking to journalists after worshipping cow mother in the cow shelter of Ambala city on Gopashtmi today. While Shandilya congratulated the countrymen on Gopashtami, he also wrote a letter to the Prime Minister of India to appoint a cabinet minister in his government for cow protection in the country and said that laws should be made so that cow mother is not seen eating garbage on the roads anywhere in the country and cow mother should not die due to lack of treatment or hunger in any cow shelter of the country. He said that our gods, goddesses and gurus protected cows on earth along with protecting women. Vishwa Hindu Takht Pramukh Veeresh Shandilya has requested the Prime Minister of India that under his leadership Sanatan has become stronger and the Sanatanis of the country worship cow as if it were 100 crore gods and goddesses. Today on Gopasthami Veeresh Shandilya not only fed fodder to the cows but also bowed his head standing towards the tail of the cow because Lord Hanuman resides in the tail of the cow.



Choose Smarter Financial Choices Over Impulsive Spending This Festive Season – Bandhan Mutual Fund

CHANDIGARH : Bandhan Mutual Fund unveils a fresh take on festive season spending with its latest video campaign, encouraging consumers to shift from impulsive buying to responsible financial planning. While many brands focus on capitalising on the festive season, Bandhan Mutual Fund takes a different route, targeting post-festive reflections—when consumers often reassess purchases made during festive sales.

Vishal Kapoor, CEO, Bandhan AMC shares, "The festive season is often accompanied by a wave of consumerism, where sales and discounts make many items feel like 'must-haves' or 'essentials.' Through this campaign, we aim to inspire consumers to think beyond instant gratification and consider the impact of their financial choices. The campaign video highlights that while festive purchases may gather dust, a wise investment will continue to add value over time. Our message, 'Invest Karte Raho. Badhte Raho' aligns with Bandhan Mutual Fund's core philosophy of continuous growth and learning. We believe responsible financial habits can empower individuals to lead fulfilling lives." The video humorously personifies items people tend to buy impulsively during festive sales—those frequently unused and forgotten. From a dusty exercise cycle to an abandoned air fryer, these products "speak" directly to their owners, playfully reminding them of the promises made during the purchase but quickly forgotten. This light-hearted quip builds to a larger message: encouraging viewers to invest in something truly valuable, like mutual funds, for long-term growth potential.

Godrej Enterprises Group Supplies Critical Process Equipment with specialized metallurgy to Mexico

CHANDIGARH : The Process Equipment business of Godrej & Boyce, a part of Godrej Enterprises Group, announces the successful manufacturing and dispatch of more than 20 critical equipment to two refineries in Mexico. In the last 3 years, Godrej & Boyce has substantially increased its market share in the Americas through supplies for various prestigious projects in the USA and Mexico. By successfully delivering critical process equipment to international markets, Godrej & Boyce demonstrates the excellence of Indian manufacturing on the global stage, embodying the spirit of "Make in India" for the world.
These equipment are designed to support the refineries' objectives of contributing to the local economic growth and underscoring commitment to upgrading the country's refineries. This successful execution includes advanced high-pressure reactors and large columns, with reactor featuring specialized Chrome Moly Vanadium Steel construction. This advanced metallurgy provides exceptional strength, durability, and superior resistance to corrosion, heat, and wear - crucial characteristics for demanding refinery operations.Hussain Shariyarr, Executive Vice President & Business Head, Process Equipment business of Godrej & Boyce, a part of Godrej Enterprises Group said, "The successful delivery of these critical reactors and columns underscores the trust global clients place in our advanced manufacturing capabilities. We are continuously evolving in making equipment which enables such projects. With exports accounting for over 70% of our business, we are focused on further expanding our global presence footprint and at the same time catering to the growing domestic demand."

The Collective Re-Launches at Elante Mall, Chandigarh



CHANDIGARH: India's premier luxury fashion brand, The Collective, has re-opened its boutique at Elante Mall, Chandigarh. As part of the prestigious Aditya Birla Fashion & Retail Ltd portfolio, this re-launch brings global luxury fashion even closer to the vibrant, style-forward clientele of North India. The event was graced by celebrity Shanaya Kapoor, whose presence added a layer of glamour and sophistication, perfectly reflecting The Collective's luxury ethos.
Curated by The Collective's team of luxury fashion experts, the Chandigarh location features contemporary architectural elements blended with refined interiors. The store offers a curated selection of the world's most iconic fashion houses, including Moschino Couture, Vivienne Westwood, Marc Jacobs, Kenzo, Karl Lagerfeld, Polo Ralph Lauren, and Philipp Plein - creating an exclusive destination for style-conscious shoppers.
Speaking on the launch, Mr. Amit Pande, Brand Head for The Collective & International Brands at Aditya Birla Fashion & Retail Ltd, shared that Chandigarh has been extremely special for The Collective since launched in 2013. We are thrilled to relaunch our luxury fashion store in a city that embodies a unique blend of modernity and heritage. Our vision is to offer an exclusive shopping experience, bringing global fashion trends and style to Chandigarh while celebrating the city's discerning taste and vibrant spirit. We look forward to welcoming both loyal customers and new fashion enthusiasts.

Cabinet Ministers worship cows on Gopashtami

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On the occasion of the Gopashtami, the Hindu festival celebrating the sacred cow, observed on November 9, Haryana Cabinet Ministers worshipped cows at the Gaushalas located in their respective assembly constituencies.

Haryana Energy, Transport and Labour Minister Sh. Anil Vij while speaking at a program organized at Rambagh Gaushala in Ambala Cantonment on the auspicious festival of Gopasthami said that in Indian culture cows are considered equivalent to mother and are worshipped as goddesses. He urged the people of the state to ensure that cows are not left on the roads.

Extending the greetings to the people of the state on the occasion of Gopashtami, Sh. Anil Vij said that the day of Gopashtami is a very holy and great day. This day is the day of worship of Lord Shri Krishna's most beloved cow. In this country, products made from the milk of the desi cow contain plenty of A-2 protein and consuming it also provides relief from diseases.

He said that the state government has released a grant of Rs 70 crore for 250 gaushalas across the state under the Govardhan Rehabilitation Scheme. A minimum financial assistance of Rs 3.50 lakh has been arranged for each gaushala on taking 'Godhan'.

The Urban Local Bodies Minister, Sh. Vipul Goel, emphasized the significance of cows in Indian culture. He said that since ancient times, the cow has been a fundamental part of Indian culture and tradition. The cow is the foundation of India's faith and culture, said the Minister while addressing the devotees at the programme organized on the occasion of Gopashtami at Shri Krishna Gaushala in Karnal. Prior to this, he performed rituals for the holy cow, feeding it jaggery, fodder, and water as a gesture of respect.

Sh. Vipul Goel said that the state government is making significant efforts in cow protection and conservation, allocating crores of rupees to gaushalas every year. The government has also launched numerous initiatives to make gaushalas self-sustaining and has taken steps to bring stray cows to these gaushalas. Valuable support for cow protection is being received through religious and social organizations, with the general public also contributing.

He added that under the guidance of Gita Manishi Swami Shri Gyananand Ji Maharaj, the Haryana government is also working to spread awareness of cow service and the teachings of the sacred text, the Srimad Bhagavad Gita. Through the International Gita Mahotsav, the message of the Gita is reaching people worldwide.

Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Minister, Sh. Shyam Singh Rana said that the state government is making every effort for the welfare of Gauvansh. Under this, the Gau charand lands which are being used by Panchayats on contract basis, efforts will be made to get those lands released from contract. Because our ancestors had left Gau charand land for the Gauvansh in the village, where cows used to graze, but in 1965, according to a court decision, the Gau charand land went to the Panchayats, every effort will be made to get them released.

Youth must register on PM Internship Portal within the next 48 Hours, Gaurav Gautam

CHANDIGARH: Haryana Minister of State Youth Empowerment and Entrepreneurship, Sh. Gaurav Gautam said that to realise the Prime Minister, Sh. Narendra Modi's vision of empowering and making youth self-reliant various new schemes have been introduced by the Central Government. The Minister said that India's youth would play a crucial role in realizing the Prime Minister's vision of a developed India by 2047, as the country has the world's largest youth population. He said that as part of Prime Minister's Internship Scheme, 1,.25,000 Youth across the Nation would be getting internship opportunity with top companies and to grab this opportunity, every instructor.

Airtel Payments Bank Posts Quarterly Revenues of Rs. 674 crore in Q2 FY25 – up 58% YoY

HISAR : Airtel Payments Bank today announced its consolidated results for the second quarter ended on 30 September 2024, continuing its strong growth trajectory. The Bank's quarterly revenue grew to Rs. 674 crore, up by 58% YoY and 10% up over the last quarter. The Bank's net profits stood at Rs. 11.2 crore, up by 45% YoY. EBITDA witnessed an increase of 87% YoY to Rs 76.1 crore in Q2 FY25.

In a milestone, Airtel Payments Bank's Monthly Transacting User (MTU) count grew to 102 million, up by 76% YoY. The annualised gross merchandise value (GMV) crossed USD 40 billion dollars reflecting the growing adoption of the Bank's digital savings accounts and other products. The customer balances crossed Rs. 2,950 crore, up by 43% YoY.

This growth has been driven by a strong uptake of Airtel Payments Bank's digital propositions, with an increasing number of customers choosing its digital safe account for daily transactions. The Bank emerged as the leading player in urban transit and maintained its leadership position in rural India. Anubrata Biswas, MD and CEO of Airtel Payments Bank said, "These results underscore our position as a key player in the digital banking sector, where we have been the fifth largest mobile bank in India. The rising adoption of our digital solutions and security features has made us India's first choice for a safe second account. This growth validates the strength of the payments bank model, demonstrating its crucial role in driving financial inclusion and meeting the evolving digital needs of India's population."

LexLegis.ai Introduces Interact

CHANDIGARH : LexLegis.ai, a leader in legal technology and Large Language Models (LLMs), proudly announces the launch of Interact, a revolutionary feature designed to transform how legal professionals handle, analyze, and optimize document workflows. Building upon LexLegis.ai's reputation as a powerful legal research tool, Interact marks the platform's evolution into a comprehensive case management solution, integrating AI-driven capabilities to make legal processes smarter, faster, and more efficient. At the heart of Interact lies its ability to empower legal professionals with intelligent tools for document comparison, analysis, and insight extraction. With a single, intuitive interface, users can now:



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Locks by Godrej Enterprises Group continues to lead in home safety with trusted Made-in-India Innovations

CHANDIGARH : Locks by Godrej, a business of Godrej & Boyce and part of the Godrej Enterprises Group, has been a trusted name in home safety for over 127 years. In line with its commitment to innovation and technology, the brand is setting its sights on 20% growth, outpacing the projected 14% market growth, by focusing on smart home integration, design-led solutions, and expanding its market presence.

Driven by significant investments in technology and local manufacturing, Locks by Godrej is well-positioned to meet the evolving needs of Indian consumers. The company's growth strategy emphasizes expanding its portfolio of smart digital locks while enhancing local production through automation and innovation.

Shyam Motwani, Business Head, Locks and Architectural Fittings and Systems Business, Godrej & Boyce, commented on the company's growth plans: "We are targeting 20% growth by leveraging our 'Make in India' philosophy and focusing on smart solutions that enhance home safety. Our commitment is to deliver reliable, innovative, and affordable safety products that cater to the diverse needs of families across the country."

Aligned with the national focus on 'Make in India,' the company has been investing significantly to build capabilities and capacity within its state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities. By combining world-class technology with advanced design, Locks by Godrej delivers safety solutions that meet global standards while contributing to the local economy.

Locks by Godrej offers a wide range of advanced safety products, including upcoming IoT-enabled digital locks and biometric systems designed to seamlessly integrate into modern homes. The brand's design-led approach focuses on user-friendly, secure, and aesthetically pleasing solutions for tech-savvy and design-conscious consumers.

With the Indian home safety market valued at Rs 6,700 crore and expected to grow to Rs 10,000 crore by 2027, Locks by Godrej is poised to capitalize on this demand through its expanding range of smart safety products, catering to both premium and mass-market segments.

SBI Life Insurance in collaboration with Mirchi kicks start it's Regional Finale of the 14th edition of Spell Bee 2024 in Chandigarh

CHANDIGARH :SBI Life Insurance, one of India's most trusted life insurers, in collaboration with Mirchi, announced the commencement of the Regional Finales for its 14th edition of SBI Life Spell Bee 2024 – 'Bee Spellbound' in Chandigarh. The competition, which brings together the brightest young spellers from across the country, has now moved into its next phase where the champions from across regions will be identified and will progress to the national stage. The Chandigarh Regional Finale saw 40 students participating out of 14,438 students from across 48 schools from Chandigarh. Pranet Prasanna, 10 years old from Gurukul Global School, Chandigarh, studying in Class V won the Chandigarh Regional Finale of SBI Life Spell Bee 2024 with his outstanding spelling ability and intellectual prowess. He will now be joining the Grand Finale, to be held in December' 24, to compete with the rest of shortlisted participants from other cities. Anil Bhatt, Regional Director - Chandigarh region, SBI Life Insurance felicitated the finalists in presence of other respected dignitaries. SBI Life continues to nurture future leaders through this unique initiative. In this year's edition, over 2 lakh students from more than 500 schools across 30 cities will be participating, each one vying for the prestigious title of 'Spellmaster of India 2024'. The competition is not just about spelling words correctly, but also about instilling life skills, building confidence, and fostering intellectual growth among young minds. This phase of the competition will culminate with winners from the regional finales advancing to the Grand Finale, where the top 51 spellers from around the country will compete for the title on a nationally televised platform.



I think we are at the dawn of a new era in commercial space exploration.

Elon Musk

If I'm not in love, if I'm not with a long-term companion, I cannot be happy.

Elon Musk

Editorial

Justice wheels grind slowly as Chandrachud steps down

Supreme Court Justice D Y Chandrachud held that denial of social welfare measures was violation of fundamental rights of citizens.Supreme Court Justice D Y Chandrachud held that denial of social welfare measures was violation of fundamental rights of citizens.

The wheels of justice keep on grinding even as Chief Justices come and go. It was to ringing anticipation that Chief Justice D.Y. Chandrachud had taken office more than two years ago in a term longer than those of many of his more recent predecessors. And he leaves on a note of some ambiguity regarding his legacy that he spoke about towards the end of his term.

Take the case of the Aligarh Muslim University whose minority status had been struck down in 1967 by the Supreme Court on the grounds that it was created by a Central law and had the status of a Central university funded by the Government of India and was hence not eligible to be a minority institution.

A clear definition of its right to minority status, considering the history of the institution established in the 19th century and founded as the AMU in 1920, is to be welcomed now though the ruling by the larger bench on the guiding principle that it is eligible for minority status has taken a long time to come.

The seven-judge bench, which ruled in a 4:3 majority after reserving judgment in February, has laid down the principles. How long the university will have to wait for its status is unknown as the case would have to go before a regular bench to adjudicate on the appeals against a 2006 verdict of the Allahabad high court that had struck down the law by which AMU was accorded minority status.

The fact that the issue had been in a legal maze for over seven decades and counting is a pointer to how mixed-up things can get when legal clarity is not shed on the matter on time. This is not necessarily to be taken as a pointer to how all things went in the tenure of the Chief Justice though it could be said that the highest expectations around such a legal luminary, son of a former CJI, were not wholly met.

A guiding principle in the life of great institutions has also been that those who come to head it should not rock the boat as the sense of permanency is far greater around organisations. Regardless of the personalities who come to head it from time to time, it does not seem to matter if a positive change can help reform the way it is going or define its future path along a more ideal path to progress.

Why Trump won, Dems lost: Churches played crucial role

It all started with my Uber driver in New Hampshire. A middle-aged, friendly woman, chatty and full of opinions, who was more than willing to share them. It didn't take long before we were deep into politics. She was a single woman, raised Catholic, but now attended a big independent church. "Trump's the chosen leader", she told me. "You know, the man in the Bible."

When I asked her where in the Bible Trump was mentioned, she shrugged: "You know, The Man Who Built the Wall". It was so obvious to her: Trump as a kind of Biblical figure, a leader standing against a world teetering toward chaos. To her, the Democrats weren't just a rival party; they were a cabal actively plotting America's demise, apparently in cahoots with China.

The more I pressed, the more she shared. She explained that the Democrats, and celebrities like Oprah Winfrey and Mark Zuckerberg, were hoarding resources, food in hidden bunkers. These bunkers apparently stretched from New Hampshire to Hawaii, ready for an impending betrayal of the American people.

"While they're hoarding," she said, "the rest of us are paying the price. Food, gas, you name it… Because they want us weak".

Where did she hear all this? "My church", she answered matter-of-factly, adding it was non-denominational. "One of those big Evangelical ones." It wasn't just a Sunday stop for her, but a source of news, guidance and political identity. Later, as I drove through the heart of Pennsylvania, with mile after mile of mobile homes, remote homesteads, and eventually a mega-church, I understood the impact of churches like hers. The landscape itself told the story: scattered homes, schools and hospitals miles away,



with little to connect people other than these big, community-centric churches.

They weren't just places of worship, but local hubs, providing education, childcare, social services, and, yes, political beliefs. In communities where local infrastructure is thin and isolated, these churches take on a role that's hard to overstate.

I stopped at a trucker's diner outside Harrisburg and ended up in conversation with a farm worker, munching on his sandwich and unknowingly echoing almost the exact points my Uber driver made. Trump was "the man protecting America", the Democrats were "corrupt elites", and the wall was essential to keep out dangerous foreign criminals.

When I asked where he'd heard this, he pointed to his church, describing it as a large, independent congregation that wasn't "too big on the Pope or any of that" but was "definitely big on family values".

Later in New York, a hotel worker shared the same views, down to the food hoarding conspiracies. When I asked, she explained that she attended a large Evangelical church upstate, where her pastor regularly talked about issues like immigration, abortion, and threats to national security, almost like a campaign speech.

There was an eerie uniformity to what they said, almost as if they were reading from the same script. These conversations underscored something essential the Democrats and Kamala Harris missed: connect with the local community.

While Kamala Harris and the Democratic Party relied on the mainstream media and social platforms to convey messages, Trump's campaign tapped directly into the vast, powerful influence of independent Evangelical mega-churches.

These churches aren't just religious institutions; they are the beating heart of many communities, providing services where even hospitals and schools could be few and far between. Trump's team embedded messages about the wall, food prices, family, and national security directly into sermons, community groups, and gatherings, creating a network of messaging that felt deeply personal, rooted in trust and shared faith.

The idea that Trump was the protector of America wasn't just something they believed; it was something they felt, reinforced each week from the pulpit and through community gatherings.Rising inflation and economic hardship were on the minds of voters, and Trump's team knew it. He cast himself as the candidate of the working class, the one who would lower prices, protect jobs, and bring back the America they felt was slipping away.

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It didn't matter that Kamala Harris had a blueprint to solve rising costs by taxing the rich and protecting the middle class from price gouging. It didn't matter he was a failed businessman who had declared bankruptcy six times. His message came from people that the communities trusted.

These people told them that Trump was good for the economy.

Trump's campaign presented the Democrats not as a mere opposing party but as existential threats, traitors, even agents of chaos. Each churchgoer seemed to have the same fears: criminals swarming over the borders, corrupt politicians hoarding resources, and national security in jeopardy. These weren't fringe ideas to them; they were the truth, spoken by their trusted pastors week after week, woven into sermons and treated as gospel.

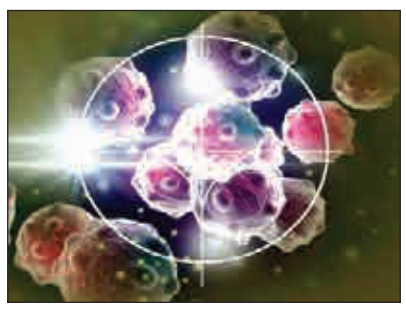
Literature & Health

New antibody treatment boosts immune response against tumour: Study

Israeli and US researchers have developed an antibody-based treatment that empowers the body's immune system to effectively attack cancer cells and prevent their spread, Israel's Weizmann Institute of Science (WIS) said in a statement on Monday.

WIS-led scientists revealed that a form of breast cancer known as triple-negative breast cancer encourages nearby immune cells to form "molecular bridges." These bridges prevent immune cells from attacking the tumour, resulting in immune suppression.

The research team demonstrated that an antibody treatment blocking the formation of these bridges can revive the immune system's ability to mount a robust attack on cancer cells, halting tumour progression in mouse models. They explained that while the breast cancer cells themselves express very low levels of the protein CD84, which is used to build the bridges, they induce



nearby immune cells to produce large quantities of this protein, creating the bridges that suppress the immune response.

The study also found that higher levels of CD84 in patients' tumours were linked to shorter survival times. Experiments with genetically engineered mice lacking CD84 revealed smaller tumour growth, highlighting how CD84 within the tumour environment suppresses T cell activity in the immune system.

Education, occupation and wealth can influence dementia risk in people

A new study has found that not just genes, socio-economic factors such as education, occupation and wealth can also impact the likelihood of developing cognitive impairment or dementia in later life and whether a person is likely to recover.

By estimating the time spent in each cognitive state and the likelihood of transitions to neuro-cognitive disorders such as cognitive impairment and dementia, the researchers from University College London (UCL) were able to gain a comprehensive understanding of how socioeconomic factors impact the progression of a person's disorder, as well as the duration spent within each cognitive state over time.



Lead author Aswathikutty Gireesh from UCL Epidemiology and Health Care said that it is possible that education and intellectually demanding jobs provide more mental stimulation and help to build a stronger brain reserve to help protect individuals against cognitive impairment and dementia.

The study, published in the journal Scientific Reports, highlights the critical role of wealth, education, and occupation not only in reducing the risk of transitioning from mild cognitive impairment to dementia but also in increasing the likelihood of reversing cognitive impairment to a healthy cognitive state, which is promising, said senior author Dr Dorina Cadar from UCL Department of Behavioural Science and Health and Brighton and Sussex Medical School.

The researchers tracked how people moved between various states: healthy, mild cognitive impairment and dementia.

They also considered the possibility of reversals, where individuals improved from a mild cognitive impairment state to a healthy one.

POEMS

Distant Time

I know not from what distant time thou art ever coming nearer to meet me. Thy sun and stars can never keep thee hidden from me for aye. In many a morning and eve thy footsteps have been heard and thy messenger has come within my heart and called me in secret. I know not only why today my life is all astir, and a feeling of tremulous joy is passing through my heart. It is as if the time were come to wind up my work, and I feel in the air a faint smell of thy sweet presence.s.

Rabindranath Tagore

As a felon reaches the White House God help America! Is it beyond saving?

If I were just a flower
What would I simply need?
Watered earth to feed each part
Sunlight over the entire bower
And busy bees to breed
By sucking pollen from my heart...
And of course I'd want the daily breeze
To flutter and flatter my separate flakes --
Petals that humans feign to adore
And hypocritically cut and squeeze
To place in vases, conversational stakes
For dining guests-- our deaths the score?"

From The Ballad of M.T. Pilly, by Bachchoo

During the campaign, he openly said: "If you vote for me, you won't have to vote again". Did he mean he will abolish the Constitution now that he has, during the same election, a Republican majority in the Senate? Will he ditch the clause which says Presidents can't serve more than two terms? I don't know if the word "consecutive" is included in this clause or whether it just says "two-max?"

This week, gentle reader, I was going to write about the breakage of the plastic handle of my clothes iron, though before I put finger to keys I awoke to the news of the universal breakage, the shattering of several hopes, faiths, futures and credence to Winston Churchill's contention that democracy is the worst form of government -- except for all the others.

Yes, Donald has beaten Kamala and will be the next US President. The states of the United (for now?) States of America, through its constitutional provision gives, as I write, Strumpet 295 electoral college votes to Kamlately's 226. Even if the few as-yet-not-assigned votes all go to her, he still wins.

One of the world's supposedly leading democracies has, perfectly constitutionally, voted to the presidency a criminal convicted of fraud, of falsifying documents, of paying hush money to a porn star, a maniac who asserts that immigrants eat innocent citizens' cats and dogs, an alleged rapist, avowed racist, feral misogynist, a constant and public liar, a failed businessman… OK, gentle reader, you and the world know all this, so I'll stop, though there's much more.

So, what happens in January? He has promised to Make America Gaga Again. It has been the slogan of his campaign and the iconic abbreviation and dog-whistle for all his supporters. And from the "policies" -- if one can call them that -- or intentions that he has outlined, he certainly will.

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Does he mean that democracy can evolve into his very own dictatorship? If he does, then it is a grievous fault and grievously have some answered for it.

He has also vowed to pardon and set free all those who were convicted of violence and armed rioting during the attempted insurrection he instigated on January 6, 2021, after losing the 2020 election.

Donald Trump constantly talks of punishing those who openly disagree with him. That would, of course, mean dozens of those whom he appointed to senior posts in his last administration from 2016 to 2020, who have since openly stated that he is a liar, a dumbo and some have even used the word "fascist". You don't have to be Hitler to be called that -- Joachim von Ribbentrop will do!

Now, Nazi Jo was Hitler's foreign minister and as the world knows Nazi Germany's policy towards most other nations, with perhaps the exception of Japan and Italy, was not "very friendly".

Of course, Trumpet, whichever sycophantic chamcha he appoints as secretary of state, has declared his admiration for both Vladimir Putin and for Kim Jong Un. Should this admiration make the Ukrainians and Nato nations (apart from the USA) wary and nervous? And South Korea (where the dogs are already nervous)?

Then there is his unswerving regard for selling American arms to Israel. Can his foreign policy make things for Palestinians, Lebanese, Iranians and other Middle Easterners any worse than they are already? Are there degrees or levels of genocide?

What about poor old "special cousin" Brexit UK?

Barack Obama made it clear, during his term as President, that the "sceptred isle, earth of majesty" will be at the back of the queue. When Joe Biden became President, he made it clear that he disapproved of Boris Johnson's deal with Northern Ireland, considering it unfair, ambivalent and redeemable -- so not much loving flow in the special relationship.

Which prompts me to ask, in analogous form, the question that Donald asked the American electorate and one which, pollsters say, induced them to vote for him: "Do you feel you are better off now, is there more money in your pockets, than when I was President?"

NEWS BRIEF

Deepika Choudhary wins silver medal in state level competition



AVINASH CHAUHAN
AMB: Deepika Choudhary, a student of Government Senior Secondary School Thathal of subdivision Amb, brought laurels to her district, subdivision and village by winning silver medal in 200 meter race in under-19 girls state level athletics competition in Hamirpur. Deepika gave credit of her victory to her parents and teachers.

Information about Voter Helpline App given in college Amb



AVINASH CHAUHAN
AMB: A one-day camp was organized by the Electoral Literacy Club in Maharana Pratap Government College Amb, in which the students of the college were given information about the Voter Helpline App (mobile app) and for new registration, from 9.11.2024 to 28 11.2024, contact the BLO of your booth and get your name registered in the voter list by filling Form No. 6 and on 13.11.2024, a help desk is also being set up in the college premises, you can register your vote there. Its necessary documents are Aadhar card, voter card with date of birth, passport site photo. This information was given by nodal officer Anay and Pariksha Kumari.

'Samosa Politics' low point for state politics: Prem Kaushal

RAJNISH SHARMA
HAMIRPUR: Senior Congress leader Prem Kaushal has criticized BJP leaders for what he calls "samosa politics," deeming it a sad and low point in the state's political landscape. In a statement to the media, Kaushal said BJP leaders are stirring up a minor incident, unrelated to the Chief Minister or the government, to create controversy where none exists. Kaushal explained that the Chief Minister follows a simple diet recommended by doctors, making any attempt to link him to this issue purely politically motivated. He accused the BJP of focusing on trivial topics like tea, samosas, and snacks while neglecting pressing issues affecting the state, claiming BJP leaders are avoiding key matters that impact the public. Kaushal urged the Chief Minister to identify and take strong action against individuals within the administration who may be conspiring to defame him and the government. He added that some people are taking advantage of the Chief Minister's humility and patience, and he suggested a stricter approach to deter such behavior in the future.



International Radiology Day observed at AIIMS Bilaspur

AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY
BILASPUR: All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) marked the occasion of International Radiology Day, honoring the contributions of Wilhelm Conrad Roentgen, the Nobel Prize-winning scientist who discovered X-rays in 1895. The event was chaired by the Executive Director of AIIMS, Professor Veer Singh Negi, who highlighted the significance of Roentgen's discovery, which led to the development of ionizing radiation used in various diagnostic procedures like X-rays, fluoroscopy, DSA, and CT scans. These techniques are crucial for diagnosing and treating a wide range of medical conditions.



Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha hold 'Samosa march' in Shimla

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Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha workers organised a 'Samosa' march in Shimla on Saturday amid the ongoing 'samosa' controversy.

The protest comes over a CID investigation into samosas and cake that were intended for the Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister but were mistakenly served to his staff. As the investigation stirred a row, CM Sukhu said that the investigation was related to an incident of misbehaviour and blamed the media for the samosa controversy.

"There is no such thing. It (CID) got involved on the issue of misbehaviour, but you (the media) are running news about 'samosa'," CM Sukhu said while speaking to on Friday. Further, Sanjeev Ranjan Ojha, Deputy General CID said that it was an internal matter of the CID and should not be politicised.

"This is completely an internal matter of the CID. It should not be politicised. The CM does not eat samosas. We have not given notice to anyone. We have just said to find out what happened. The government has nothing to do with this... We will find out how this information was leaked," Ojha said.

The Himachal Pradesh CID has launched an investigation to determine how samosas and cake intended for Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu were mistakenly served to his staff. The alleged incident, which took place on October 21 during a program at the CID headquarters, led to a full inquiry by a Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP). The inquiry sought to understand which officers and staff members were responsible for the oversight.

The Chief Minister visited the CID headquarters to inaugurate the Cyber wing's new Citizen Financial Cyber Fraud Reporting and Management System (CFCFRMS) station. However, instead of the CM, the samosas and cake were served to his staff, sparking an internal CID investigation. DGP, Atul Verma said that the matter is being investigated by the CID and not by the police headquarters.

Horticulture College crowned Youth Fest Champions

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, NOV 9



The College of Horticulture, Nauni, was crowned the overall winner of the Annual Inter-College Youth Festival which concluded at Dr. Y.S. Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni, on Friday evening. The festival, which ran for three days, featured spirited competition across various categories, including literary, theatre, fine arts, and performing arts, with all four university colleges participating. Ajay Yadav, Additional Deputy Commissioner of Solan, was the Chief Guest at the closing ceremony, where teams showcased their talents in the highly anticipated Group Folk Dance event. The performances, which included vibrant depictions of Nati and regional dances, brought the audience to their feet.

Following a thrilling series of performances, the College of Horticulture was declared the overall winner, with Forestry College taking second place. In other competitions, the College of Horticulture and Forestry, Thunag earned the top spot in the Group Dance, followed by Forestry College in second. The Group Song competition saw Forestry College take first place, with Horticulture College securing second. In Light Vocals, Mohit from the College of Horticulture won first place, while Deepak from Thunag College took second. The Patriotic Song category also saw Horticulture College claim first place, with Forestry College finishing second. In the One-Act Play and Mime, Forestry College emerged victorious, while Horticulture College won the Skit event. Mono Acting saw Diksha from Forestry College claim first place, with Bharti from Horticulture College taking second.

Sukhu govt should worry about the public, not samosa: Vishav Chakshu

SANAJY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, NOV 9



State BJP co-media in-charge and advocate Vishav Chakshu said in a press statement that the samosa scandal has exposed the Sukhu government. By setting up a CID inquiry on the samosa cake, the functioning of the Congress government has been questioned. Chakshu said that what the government is doing and what its top officials are doing has become a laughing stock in the country today. He said that setting up an inquiry in such a small matter and then terming that mistake as anti-government is surprising. Sukhu government should worry about the promises made to the public. It should not worry about who ate my samosa and cake in the program. He said that the functioning and ideology of the government has completely failed.

nThe Congress government is worried about the samosa and cake, not the public. Within about two years, the government has done such things in the name of system change due to which the government is being criticized across the country and the name of Himachal Pradesh Dev Bhoomi is also being defamed. He said that development work in the state is stalled, unemployed people are on the streets, drug mafia is active in the state, Sukhu government is misleading the public with 10 guarantees, health services in the state are in a bad state, the level of education is continuously falling, law and order is completely shaky. The common people are facing many burning issues. The Congress government is not concerned about all these things, the only concern is how to please the friends and how to get the samosa cake investigated.

Officers should prepare action plan for development of rural areas: Kamlesh Thakur

SANAJY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA , NOV 9



MLA Kamlesh Thakur said that effective steps will be taken for the overall development of rural areas. For this, departmental officers have been instructed to prepare an action plan so that people can get better facilities. On Saturday, after listening to the problems of the people in Mehwa of Dehra subdivision, MLA Kamlesh Thakur said that the present government has started various schemes and programs to provide better facilities to the general public. Appropriate steps are being taken to ensure that the benefits of these schemes reach the eligible people at the rural level. Kamlesh Thakur said that better road, health and education facilities are being provided in the villages. She said that lack of funds at any level will not be allowed to come in the way of development works in the panchayats in Dehra assembly constituency. In Dehra Vidhansabha area, solution of people's problems will be ensured at ward level and booth level, tap water and better drinking water facility will be provided to every house so that people can get better drinking water facility. Along with this, necessary emphasis is also being laid on strengthening women self-help groups. Economic condition of women is being improved through formation of self-help groups. Him Era Shop will also be opened for sale of products of self-help groups. Kamlesh Thakur said that for quick solution of people's problems, we are ensuring solution of people's problems at Panchayat level so that people do not have to face any kind of inconvenience. She directed to install transformer within ten days to get rid of the problem of low load of electricity in Mehwa. Along with this, instructions were also given to the departmental officers to make the road from Panchayat house to dispensary concrete.

Former MLA Rajendra Rana stands with ex-soldier, criticizes Govt and Police

RAJNISH SHARMA
HAMIRPUR, NOV 9

Former Sujanpur BJP leader and ex-MLA Rajendra Rana voiced his support for an ex-soldier who was allegedly assaulted, condemning the lack of justice for him. Addressing the media on Saturday, Rana sharply criticized the government and police, stating that while serious crimes remain unaddressed, authorities are wasting resources investigating trivial matters like stolen samosas, which he called "a shameful affair." Rana revealed that certain individuals, leveraging their power, have been evading accountability with police support. He warned that Sujanpur BJP would not remain silent if justice isn't delivered to the ex-serviceman. In the event of continued inaction, he threatened a protest to surround the Sujanpur Police Station, demanding that those involved in criminal activities be apprehended immediately to prevent severe consequences.

Rana also praised Sujanpur BJP Mandal, which he said had gained the highest number of new members across the district. At a meeting in Sujanpur BJP office, he mentioned that the BJP's national membership drive is progressing well across Hamirpur district, with significant participation at every level. He added that the active membership campaign is ongoing until November 30, aiming to strengthen the party from booth level to the national stage.

SP Ilma Afroz transfered abruptly after nine-month tenure marked by strong actions in Baddi

SHANTI GAUTAM
BADDI, NOV 9



In a sudden and unexpected move, IPS officer Ilma Afroz, SP of Baddi Police District in Himachal Pradesh, vacated her residence overnight and returned to her home state, Uttar Pradesh. This comes after a brief but impactful nine-month tenure, during which she made notable strides in combating crime and enforcing law and order in the Baddi-Barotiwala-Nalagarh (BBN) industrial region. Afroz's abrupt departure follows ongoing tensions and controversies, including clashes with the Chief Parliamentary Secretary (CPS), which escalated into a privilege motion in the state assembly. Afroz was reportedly engaged in preparing for a two-day police conference in Shimla when, following closed-door discussions with government officials, she returned to Baddi, packed her belongings, and left. Her sudden exit from the police residence spread quickly through the town, sparking public outrage over the unofficial transfer of a well-regarded officer.

Sources reveal that Afroz had ongoing conflicts with CPS over various issues. These tensions were exacerbated by recent events, including her absence from an August 15th program, and the issuance of fines against vehicles associated with the CPS's family. Disputes continued to mount, culminating in a press conference where the CPS criticized Afroz's conduct and maturity, further fueling the conflict. Afroz's transfer was reportedly previously considered but was delayed due to a high-profile investigation into a sexual exploitation case in Nalagarh. The Himachal Pradesh High Court's involvement protected her position temporarily, granting her a few additional months in the BBN region.

Under Afroz's leadership, crime rates in Baddi, Barotiwala, and Nalagarh saw significant reduction. Her efforts included cracking down on illegal gambling, narcotics, and mining operations.

State level fencing competition inaugurated by Deepak Patial

AVINASH CHAUHAN
AMB, NOV 9



Deepak Patial inaugurated the 21st state level fencing competition at Maidi in Amb subdivision of Una district. About 350 participants from Shimla, Una, Bilaspur, Kangra, Mandi, Kullu, Hamirpur, Sirmaur and Solan districts took part in the competition. In this competition, competitions for men and women in under 12, 14, 17, 20 and senior categories are being held. In the first day's competition of this competition which will continue from 9th November to 11th November, in the under 12 morning category, Rashvi Thakur Una got first place, Anushka Sharma Una got second place, Ritika Thakur Kullu got third place and Saanvi Malhotra Kangra got fourth place. In the final women's category, Karidha Thakur Una got first place, Ambika Hamirpur got second place, Navika Kangra got third place and Rehmat Kaur of Kullu got fourth place. In the AP women's category, Ravneet Kaur got first place, Shanaya Sharma Una got second place, Vanshika Hamirpur got third place and Aradhya Malpa of Kullu got fourth place. State President of Himachal Pradesh Fencing Association Shadi Lal Goswami participated as chief guest and blessed the participants. On this occasion PS Group chairman Pyara Singh Dadwal, CEO HPFA Shiv Kumar Parashar, Amit Thakur, cashier HPFA Sandeep Parashar, head DFA Kangra Aman Guleria, media in-charge Deepak Sharma, MD Combined School Sandeep Parashar, MD Academic Hill School Vanita Sharma, PS International School Principal Ichcha Dadwal, Principal ITI Maidi Onkar Singh, head primary school organization Jagdev Singh Jaggi, principal Monika Thakur, Sanjay Dhiman, Kaeshb.

50th State Kabaddi competition held at Dabhota

SHANTI GAUTAM
BADDI, NOV 9



The 50th Junior State Kabaddi Competition will be held from November 16 at Dabhota in Nalagarh. The event will feature a junior girls' kabaddi team from Himachal Pradesh, which has been adopted by the renowned pharmaceutical company, Curetek Group. The junior boys' kabaddi competition will take place on November 17. The two-day event will be inaugurated by Sumit Singla, CEO of Curetek Group.

In this regard, Sumit Singla expressed that Curetek Group has always been at the forefront in supporting the youth in various sports. He highlighted that the group had previously adopted the Himachal Pradesh Disabled Cricket Team. Singla urged the youth to stay away from drugs and remain healthy by actively participating in sports. He emphasized that the industrial sector should come forward to make Himachal Pradesh a leader in the sports arena. The competition, organized by the Kabaddi Association Solan, will see 22 teams from various districts and sports clubs of Himachal Pradesh participating in Dabhota. International kabaddi player Padma Shri Ajay Thakur will be present to motivate young athletes. After assessing the performance of junior girls' and boys' teams, the Himachal Pradesh Junior Kabaddi Team will be selected to represent the state in the Inter-State Junior Kabaddi Competition, scheduled from December 3 to 6. This competition will see teams from all over the country participating.

The event will be inaugurated on November 16 by Sumit Singla, and the winners will receive awards from Hardeep Bawa, MLA of Nalagarh. Other notable personalities, along with Kabaddi Association Solan officials Anil, Gurmukh, and Bhushan, will also be present at the event.

Grand Sai Sandhya in memory of Late Prof. Simmi Agnihotri resonates with Sufi melodies

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA, NOV 9



In a tribute to the legacy of the late Prof. Simmi Agnihotri, known for her contributions to social work and education, a grand "Sai Sandhya" was organized at the Shri Ramlila Ground in Una on Friday evening. The event featured spiritual performances by the Sufi Brothers Hamsar Hayat Athar Nizami and renowned singer Gurpriti Guppi, enchanting attendees with soulful music that deeply resonated with the audience.

The ceremony was attended by prominent figures, including Himachal Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri, his daughter Dr. Aastha Agnihotri, his brother Dr. Rakesh Agnihotri, MLA Vivek Sharma and his wife Mridu Sharma, MLA Sudarshan Bablu, and Congress leader Sanjeev Saini. They, along with other dignitaries and a large gathering of devotees, offered heartfelt tributes to Prof. Simmi's portrait, honoring her remarkable contributions to society. Deputy CM Mukesh Agnihotri expressed gratitude to the Yuva Sai Samiti for organizing the event, acknowledging that Prof. Simmi was not only a distinguished academician but also a role model in social reform. He noted that her memory and values would remain a continual source of inspiration. Prof. Simmi Agnihotri, born on September 29, 1968, dedicated her life to both academia and public welfare until her passing on February 9, 2024. She was a Professor of Public Administration at Himachal Pradesh University and was widely respected for her scholarship, leadership, and social contributions. Through the Aastha Foundation, she engaged in initiatives like anti-drug campaigns, road safety drives, and various other social projects to aid the needy, embodying her belief that education should serve not just personal growth but societal welfare.

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Pb Guv meets Romesh Mahajan at Gurdaspur Sugar Mill



VERMA
GURDASPUR: It was indeed a proud moment for Mahajan and his all organisations when K Siva Prasad IAS, from Punjab Raj Bhawan, chandigarh has informed the Deputy Commissioner Gurdaspur, Uma Shankar Gupta, IAS, that H.E Governor of Punjab wants to meet Romesh Mahajan on his way to pathankot from Amritsar on 7.11.2024. The great philanthropist and National Awardee, Senior citizen Romesh Mahajan who is feeling blessed and cherished to meet H.E the Governor of Punjab, Sh Gulab Chand Kataria Ji.

On this moment Mahajan said that doing something good always left its impact on society and motivates others to do good work. He said that he always believes in Karma and karma always returns back.

NEWS BRIEF

Leakage in sewerage pipeline near Radha Swami Ashram causes contamination and health risks



PREETI SAINI
SADHAURA: A leak in the sewerage pipeline near the Radha Swami Ashram in Sadhaura has caused dirty water to flow into nearby farmlands, posing a threat to crops and creating unhygienic conditions in the area. The stagnant, contaminated water near the ashram has raised concerns about the spread of diseases. According to Janak Raj Pandit, the head of the local unit of the Bharatiya Kisan Union, the pipeline has been leaking for a long time, and the authorities have been notified about the issue. However, there has been no action taken. The leaked sewage is damaging the crops in the fields, while the accumulation of dirty water around the ashram is attracting flies, mosquitoes, and other pests, increasing the risk of disease outbreaks. Pandit warns that if the administration does not address the issue soon, the situation could lead to widespread health concerns.

MLA Gurlal Ghanoor unanimously becomes President of Kabaddi Association Punjab



BHUPINDER KAPOOR
RAJPURA: International Kabaddi player and Constituency MLA Guralal Ghanor was unanimously nominated by Kabaddi Association Punjab. The president has been elected. All the members of the association made this election unanimously during the meeting held at Rajpura. On this occasion Tejinder Singh Midu Khera as General Secretary was chosen. This election of Kabaddi Association Punjab was conducted under the leadership of Chief Election Officer Dal Singh Brar, Election Observer Upkar Singh Virak and District Sports Officer Patiala Harpinder Singh. In which 36 members from 18 districts out of total 23 districts of Punjab registered their attendance. In which the election process was started with the Sarb Samiti under which Guralal Singh Ghanour MLA of Halka Ghanour was appointed as the President of Kabaddi Association Punjab, Tejinder Singh Middu Khera General Secretary, Baljit Singh and Iqbal Singh Senior Vice President, Bhupinder Singh Kamalpreet Singh Harjit Singh and Nirmal Singh. Singh as Vice President, Kamaljit Singh Kuldeep Singh Baljinder Singh and Jaskaran Kaur as Joint Secretary and Charan Singh as Treasurer. Newly elected Kabaddi Association President Gurlal Singh Ghanour said that today's election was conducted in a very peaceful manner. Thanking all the members of the association, he said that two national level kabaddi tournaments will be conducted at the Punjab level very soon, apart from this, various efforts will be made to promote the mother sport of kabaddi.

Countdown of 'encounter' govt has begun: Akhilesh

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LUCKNOW, NOV 9



Samajwadi Party President Akhilesh Yadav on Saturday said that the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) government is laying landmines by destroying social harmony.

Talking to the reporters at the party headquarters, Akhilesh said, "The countdown of the encounter government has begun. That is why they are scared. Their language has changed. They are so scared that they are considering the officers as their officials but the officers and the people of the government probably do not know that the public is no longer with them."

He said, "The public is against the BJP. When the public is against them, what will the officer do? What has become of the Chief Minister's language and what is he saying?"

The SP chief said that now the BJP will not remain in the government for as long as it has been. "That is why their language has changed. Their way of thinking and understanding has changed. The truth is that the wickedness of the mind becomes the bitterness of words. In the by-elections, the SP and the public will strongly counter every trick of the BJP government. The public is against the BJP. Now BJP has no credibility left, that is why it is contesting elections by putting officers forward. But officers also know that the public is not with BJP," he claimed.

He said that the BJP government is discriminating against saints and sages. "Fights are being instigated between saints and sages. What kind of Yogis are they? Indian tradition has been that the bigger a saint is, the less he speaks and when he speaks, he speaks for the welfare of the people. Here everything is the opposite. Their qualification will have to be tested. Because of the kind of language they are using, it seems that somewhere we should know about their qualifications. A person is a Yogi not by his clothes but by his words," he said. Akhilesh said that BJP reminds him of Amrit Kaal but during its tenure, it is Amrit Kaal of ruin and not of freedom. "It is said that in Kaliyug everything is the opposite.

MLA Ghanshyam Das Arora holds meeting to combat dengue in Yamunanagar

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR, NOV 9



MLA Ghanshyam Das Arora convened a meeting with officials at the Yamunanagar Municipal Corporation to address the rising cases of dengue and malaria in the city. Deputy Municipal Commissioner Dr. Vijay Pal Yadav also attended. Arora discussed sanitation issues in detail and issued strict instructions for timely insecticide spraying to control the spread of disease, setting a clear deadline for improving city sanitation.

Arora urged the Municipal Corporation, Health Department, and Rotary Club Riviera Yamunanagar to work together to fight dengue. He ordered frequent fogging across the city and instructed officials to ensure cleanliness at all times. He appealed to residents to prevent the accumulation of garbage and stagnant water around their homes.

The MLA set a deadline of November 30 for citywide fogging, directing officials to conduct it both in the morning and evening. He emphasized the importance of treating the city as their home and maintaining cleanliness to prevent disease outbreaks. Arora commended Rotary Club Riviera, led by Sanjeev Sethi, for its commitment to the anti-dengue campaign, assuring the administration's full support in their efforts.

Rotary Club President Sanjeev Sethi reported that, in partnership with the District Civil Hospital and Municipal Corporation, the club has launched an awareness campaign to curb the spread of dengue. Rapid fever surveys and sample testing are underway to identify potential cases. He urged residents with symptoms to visit the hospital immediately for testing.

DC and SSP visit Villages to promote stubble management, praise women's efforts

RAKESH JINDAL
NABHA, NOV 9



Today in the fields near village Ajnauda Kalan, the women are harvesting the grain of paddy cut with a combine harvester and handling the stubble. Deputy Commissioner of Patiala Dr. Preeti Yadav and S.S.P. Dr. She was surprised to see Nanak Singh next to her.

Both the district officials visited these women working in the fields during their field visit to villages Rohti, Lubana Karmu, Ajnauda Kalan, Simbaro, Dhangera, Kishangarh etc. in Nabha block to promote proper stubble management. Said that "it has happened for the first time when the district headHe has never had such a warm meeting with the officials. Deputy Commissioner and SSP He appreciated the manual labor being done by these women to handle the paddy straw and described the interaction with these women as a new experience for him.

Dr. Preeti Yadav said that these women were saving the straw without setting it on fire by cutting it with dati for their household chores and animals, which is a good and laudable effort to protect the environment. Dr. Preeti Yadav and S.S.P. Meanwhile, he also extinguished the fire in the fields near village Simbaro and praised the farmers who are managing the stubble in the nearby fields with insitu and ex-active methods. He said that the farmers who have taken efforts to save the stubble will also be honoured.

Minister Vipul Goyal highlights cultural importance of cows at Gopashtami festival in Karnal

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, NOV 9



Haryana's Revenue and Urban Local Bodies Minister Vipul Goyal emphasized the importance of cows in Indian culture, referring to them as the "foundation of Indian faith and culture." Speaking as the Chief Guest at the Gopashtami Festival held at Shri Krishna Gaushala under the guidance of Geeta Manishi Swami Shri Gyananand Ji Maharaj, he praised the cow's revered status in Indian tradition and inaugurated a new cow hospital at the event. The minister also pledged a donation of ?11 lakh to support the gaushala (cow shelter). Minister Goyal noted the state government's ongoing efforts to protect and promote cow welfare, highlighting government programs to support gaushalas and aid in their self-sufficiency. He also appreciated the invaluable contributions of religious and social organizations in cow conservation, calling on the public to actively participate in cow service. He mentioned that, under Swami Gyananand Ji's guidance, Haryana has been promoting both cow welfare and the teachings of the Bhagavad Gita, with the annual International Gita Festival spreading its message worldwide.

This year, the event in Kurukshetra will be held from November 28 to December 15, with Tanzania and Odisha participating as partner nation and state, respectively. In his address, Swami Shri Gyananand Ji Maharaj explained that serving and protecting cows aligns with Lord Krishna's purpose on Earth, as the Gopashtami festival marks the first cow-grazing festival of Lord Balakrishna. He emphasized that cow service is a primary duty for all followers of Sanatan Dharma and a way to connect deeply with Lord Krishna. Karnal MLA Jagmohan Anand, who attended the event as a guest of honor, praised the cultural significance of cows, acknowledging them as "mothers" in Indian tradition. He encouraged the people of Karnal to take a pledge to serve cows and support religious and social institutions in this endeavor.

DAV College student wins bronze at Kurukshetra University's 61st Annual Sports Competition



YAGYADATT SHASTRI
PEHOWA: Kurukshetra University recently held its 61st Annual Sports Competition from November 6-8 at Dronacharya Stadium, Kurukshetra. Students from DAV College actively participated in various events, showcasing their athletic talents. Among them, Tanisha, a second-year BA student from the college, brought pride to her institution by winning a bronze medal in the 1500-meter race.

Principal Dr. Surendra Sharma welcomed Tanisha warmly upon her return to the college and congratulated her on her achievement. He also extended his congratulations to Professor Ankit, who attended the competition as the team in-charge, and Dr. Ashok Kumar, the sports in-charge, for the college's accomplishment. The entire teaching and non-teaching staff were present to celebrate this success.

Rs. 1792 cr paid to farmers in Jalandhar district for paddy procurement

PARAMJIT SINGH
JALANDHAR, NOV 9



Deputy Commissioner Dr. Himanshu Aggarwal today, while reviewing the paddy procurement arrangements, said that the administration is leaving no stone unturned to ensure the smooth completion of the paddy procurement process in the district. He stated that the Punjab government is continuously reviewing the arrangements to ensure seamless procurement in the mandis (markets), timely payments, and lifting as per the guidelines issued.

Dr. Himanshu Aggarwal informed that so far, a payment of Rs. 1792 crore has been ensured for the paddy procured from farmers. He added that 803739 metric tons of paddy have been received in the district's mandis, out of which 799429 metric tons have been procured by various agencies. He also mentioned that rapid lifting of paddy is being ensured across all grain markets in the district, and so far, 398789 metric tons have been lifted. He emphasized that the lifting process will be further accelerated in the coming days, for which instructions have already been issued to the officials.

The Deputy Commissioner made it clear to the officials that any delay in the procurement process will not be tolerated, and strict action will be taken against those who are negligent. He instructed that paddy lifting should be carried out in an organized and efficient manner in the district's mandis to ensure that farmers do not face any difficulties.

Dr. Aggarwal reiterated the Punjab government's commitment to purchase every grain of the farmers' crops and assured that the district administration will leave no stone unturned in ensuring the smooth implementation of procurement arrangements.

Kejriwal does only politics in the name of farmers, says Sampla

DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR, NOV 9



Aam Aadmi Party Supremo Arvind Kejriwal only does politics in name of farmers. In reality, Kejriwal has nothing to do with farmers' woes and he uses them only for garnering votes. If Kejriwal actually is a pro-farmer leader, he should have gone to the house of farmer Jaswinder Singh from village Nadampur, Bhawanigarh district Sangrur, who committed suicide on Nov 5 as the poor farrmer was unable to sell his paddy produce on MSP rate. The former Union Minister and former Punjab BJP president Vijay Sampla stated in a press statement issued here today.

He said that the Arvind Kejriwal –who used to react even on the smallest of agriculture issues – has now preferred to remain mum on the tough conditions farmers are reeling in this paddy season. At the oath taking ceremony of sarpanches of Punjab held at Ludhiana recently, Kejriwal remained mum on such a pivotal issue.

Kejriwal has turned to be stone hearted person, whom farmer suicide due to paddy not being procured on MSP, could not move.

Sampla said that Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann was responsible for forcing farmer Jaswinder Singh to commit suicide and hence a case for abetment to suicide should be registered against him.

He added that despite Rs 44000 cr sent by the center government 39 days ago for paddy procurement, Punjab government has miserably failed to ensure that each and every grain is bought. The AAP government miserably failed as it could not make arrangements for smooth paddy procurement from Oct 1 onwards.

Five-day Youth Red Cross training camp concludes in Karnal

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, NOV 9



A five-day Youth Red Cross training camp, organized by the Red Cross Society Karnal branch under the guidance of Haryana State Red Cross Chandigarh and Deputy Commissioner Uttam Singh, concluded on Saturday at Maharishi Dayanand Government Girls College, Dadupur Rodan. Chief Guest Kulbir Malik, Secretary of the Karnal Red Cross branch, addressed the volunteers, highlighting the Red Cross Society as a humanitarian international organization committed to serving humanity selflessly in situations of war, natural disasters, and accidents, without discrimination.

College Principal Dr. Anita June encouraged the volunteers to spread awareness about Red Cross activities and apply the knowledge gained from the camp to help others in society. Camp Director Rajpal Chaudhary stated that the camp trained volunteers from various district colleges in Red Cross and community service activities, emphasizing the camp's goal of extending its benefits to students from rural areas. The camp commenced with Dr. Mukesh Aggarwal, General Secretary of Haryana Red Cross Society, Chandigarh, who introduced participants to the history and achievements of the Red Cross in Haryana. Expert speakers provided detailed lectures on topics like drug de-addiction, traffic rules, women's empowerment, eye and organ donation, blood donation, first aid, HIV/AIDS awareness, stress management, legal literacy, and emergency aid.

Victory of AAP candidate Dhaliwal is very important for development of city: Dheeraj Dadhahur

KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA, NOV 9



The main reason for senior Barnala Assembly BJP leader Shri Dheeraj Dadhahur leaving the BJP party and joining the Aam Aadmi Party is the BJP high command giving ticket to a leader who has been losing elections for a long time. He said that giving ticket to a leader who has been losing repeatedly is demoralizing the party workers. He said that the thought I had made to dedicate my childhood, youth and now old age to the BJP party has been shattered because of this leader. I have served the party (BJP) with my heart and soul but the party has not given any value to it. Not only the workers of Barnala region but the workers of entire Punjab are disappointed with the BJP. Praising the Aam Aadmi Party, Shri Dadhahur said that if there is any development man of this area then it is Meet Hayer, who has got grants worth crores of rupees from the present government for the development of the area and has given the pace of development. Chief Minister Mr. Bhagwant Mann has given jobs to about 46000 unemployed youth to eliminate unemployment from Punjab. Mr. Dadhahur appealed to the people of the area and said that if any party or independent candidate wins without broom, then the development of the area will go towards decline instead of development. He said that if Aam Aadmi Party candidate Harinder Singh Dhaliwal wins this election, then the development of the city and the region will touch the peak. Therefore, he requested the people to vote for the broom election symbol on November 20.

Bharti Kisan Union Dakonda holds monthly meeting



RAKESH JINDAL
NABHA: The monthly meeting of Bharatiya Kisan Union Dakonda was held under the leadership of President Nirmal Singh Narmana at the local Gurdwara Baba Ajapal Singh Ghodiawal Sahab, in which the problems arising on the issues of procurement of crops, lack of DAP etc. were discussed. On this occasion, a discussion was also held regarding the preparation of a sharp struggle. Farmers were also informed about the instructions issued by the state committee. On this occasion, Swaranjit Singh Chhitanwala Vice President, Lakhvir Singh Dukhdi Treasurer, Bhagwan Singh Chatha General Secretary Amar Singh Tunga, Mahinder Singh Binahedi, Nahar Singh, Lakha Singh Chhitanwala, Sardara Singh Chhitanwala, Kesar Singh Duldi, Seesa Singh, Darbara Singh, Harnek Singh, Jagrup Singh, Kehar Sigh, Jagdis Singh etc. were present.

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Ludhiana among 10 cities in country to get ESIC Medical College: MP Arora



LUDHIANA(SHARMA): A new government medical college is set to open in Ludhiana, providing a significant boost to medical education and research in the area. This will be the first public medical institution in the city, complementing the existing private Christian Medical College and Hospital (CMCH) and Dayanand Medical College and Hospital (DMCH). The ESI Corporation approved the establishment of 10 new ESIC medical colleges in the country. Other nine cities to get these colleges are Andheri (Maharashtra), Basaidarapur (Delhi), Guwahati-Beltola (Assam), Indore (Madhya Pradesh), Jaipur (Rajasthan), Naroda-Bapunagar (Gujarat), Noida, Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh) and Ranchi (Jharkhand). Giving this information here on Friday, MP (Rajya Sabha) Sanjeev Arora added that the college will be established by the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) under the Union Ministry of Labour and Employment, with an initial intake of 50 MBBS undergraduate seats.

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Buses flagged off for Maa Naina Devi Dham



KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL: Two buses filled with devotees were flagged off from Rampara Phul for the first grand Jagran organized by Krishna Jagran Mandal Rampura Phul at Maa Naina Devi Dham. These buses were flagged off by Gaurav Diagnostic Center Operator Dr. Gaurav Garg and Dentist and Specialist Dr. Sakshi. The puja and jyothi of the Jagran to be held at Maa Naina Devi Dham will be done by Prachanda Contractor Virendra Garg Pinna and his family. During the Jagran to be held at the Samadh of Jai Shakti Bhandara Society and Rampura Phul Wale's Dharamshala Rasta Jeouna Maur, the hymns of Mother will be sung by Krishna Jagran Mandal Rampura Phul. On this occasion, Krishna Kavar Sangh, Mahila Kirtan Mandal, Suhum Parivar Gupta Mandir, Prashotam Gupta, Naseeb Singla, Vikas Garg, Subhash Nauharia, Rinku, Yaspal Dhigra, Laddu etc. were present.

Achal sahib Fair is symbol of brotherhood: Gill

VIKAS VERMA
GURDASPUR: Paramjit Singh Gill, National Vice President of the Himalaya Family Organization and Senior Leader from the Gurdaspur Lok Sabha constituency, extended his heartfelt congratulations to the people of the country on the occasion of the Navami and Dashmi Fair, which will be held at Achleshwar Dham on November 10-11.He stated that Achleshwar Dham and Achal Sahib, located on the Batala-Jalandhar road, are symbols of mutual brotherhood. The ancient Gurudwara and a temple with a shared holy pond at this location serve as a representation of unity, where people from all religions come to offer their prayers and contribute to the vibrancy of the fair.He further explained that according to ancient accounts, Lord Shiva and the 33 crore deities are associated with this sacred place.



Ved Prachar mandal event organized by Vasant Valley Public School



VIKAS VERMA
DHURI: Vasant Valley Public School hosted a meaningful and impactful EVENT, the VED PRACHAR MANDAL, on 6th November, 2024, where 19 schools from the region gathered to participate. The event featured a speech competition among students, aimed at promoting cultural values and encouraging young minds to delve into the rich heritage of Vedic knowledge.The district commissioner Mr.Sandeep Rishi (IAS) graced the occasion as the chief guest, adding to the prestige of the event. In his address, he emphasized the importance of understanding and preserving ancient wisdom in today's fast-paced world, highlighting how Vedic teachings can offer guidance for ethical living, unity, and compassion. The Ved Prachar Mandal was organized with the dual purpose of fostering a connection to India's cultural heritage and enhancing students' public speaking skills. By delving into Vedic teachings.

Shri Balaji Langar Seva Samiti Welfare Society organizes weekly langar



SURINDER DAMDAMI
KOTKAPURA: The weekly Bhandara run by the religious organization Sri Balaji Langar Seva Samiti Welfare Society at the local Shri Sankatmochan Hanuman Mandir Old Anaj Mandi was organized by Naresh Kumar Munna, Anil Kumar, Manish Kumar, Satish Mittal, Dinesh Goyal, Somil Goyal, and Dhruv Mittal. At this time, the president of the organization, Karan Goyal, said that in view of the winter weather, the said society Langar of Sarson ka saag, Makki di roti, butter naan and desi ghee-sugar was installed today with the support of the abovesaid sewadaars.

"We must reconnect with our ancient wisdom while tackling current challenges" : Prof Vivek Lal

GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, NOV 9



The day 2 of the 1st GIOS Conference, themed "Bridging Horizons: Integrative Approaches to Upper Gastrointestinal and Hepatopancreaticobiliary Malignancies," marking the formal inauguration of the Conference, commenced with great enthusiasm at Hotel Radison, Mohali. Under the auspices of the Department of Radiotherapy & Oncology, this pioneering event brings together experts from various disciplines to address the pressing issues surrounding gastrointestinal malignancies.

At the formal inauguration, the *Chief Guest of the event, Padma Shri Prof. Y.K. Chawla, Former Director, PGIMER,* emphasized the importance of collaborative efforts in addressing cancer. "This conference serves as a platform for dialogue and learning. It enables us to share knowledge and collaborate, to ensure that best practices are disseminated throughout our healthcare community," he stated. Prof. Vivek Lal, Director PGIMER as Guest of Honor,* delivered an impactful opening address. "Kshushra Samhita and Charak Samhita have long been forgotten in our medical discussions today," he pointed out. "We must reconnect with our ancient wisdom while tackling current challenges. Cancer is a devil that we must fight by addressing its root causes—primarily lifestyle choices such as tobacco use and diet. We need to spread awareness from grassroots to schools and remind everyone that prevention is our best strategy." His words resonated with participants, underscoring the urgency of education and prevention in mitigating the risks associated with cancer.

Prof. Rakesh Kapoor, the Organizing Chairman,* articulated his vision for the conference: "The Conference arks a pivotal moment in our pursuit of knowledge and collaboration in the fight against gastrointestinal cancers. This conference is not merely a gathering; it's a commitment to bridging the gaps in our understanding and treatment approaches. Together, we can create a multidisciplinary network that will enhance patient care." A significant highlight of the inaugural day was the release of a book, *'Millets : Orphan Crop in Pearl Shell: Health Benefits Revisited authored by Prof. Rakesh* *Kapoor* by the dignitaries. Highlighting the nutritional value and health benefits of millets, Prof. Kapoor reiterated, "Incorporating millets into our diets can play a vital role in prevention and management. This publication is an essential resource for both healthcare professionals and the public in advocating for healthier lifestyles."

Detailing about the other proceedings, *Dr Divya Khosla, Organising Secretary* stated, "The day witnessed engaging session focusing on "Diagnostic Approaches" to Esophageal, GE junction, and Gastric Cancers.

District Planning Committee Chairman asks JDA to launch Urban Estate Phase-3 project

PARAMJIT SINGH
JALANDHAR, NOV 9



Chairman District Planning Committee has directed the Jalandhar Development Authority (JDA) to initiate the Urban Estate Phase-3 project to meet the city's growing demand for new housing. During a meeting with JDA Estate Officer Alka Kalia and other officials, the Chairman emphasized that the proposed development will address housing needs for a significant portion of the population.

Highlighting the increasing requirement for parking facilities, the Chairman also instructed JDA to identify a suitable site for a multistorey parking structure.

He stressed the importance of addressing parking challenges within the city and urged the JDA to expedite the planning and implementation of a comprehensive parking project. Additionally, the Chairman reviewed the progress of ongoing JDA projects and emphasized the need for timely execution to further strengthen basic infrastructurein the city. He advised the officials to maintain a strict timeline for all development initiatives, ensuring that projects align with the city's infrastructure goals.

Two-day workshop on child psychology organized by placement cell of Miri Piri Khalsa College

BARNALA DEHATI (BALWINDER AZAD): Miri Piri Khalsa College Bhadour is running successfully under the management of Shromani Guruduara Management Committee Sri Amritsar Sahib. A two-day workshop on the subject of Child Psychology was organized by the placement cell of the college. In this, a special lecture was given by Professor Saroj Bala of the English Department of the college. Professor Saroj Bala, while giving information about child psychology to the students, told about the working of the mind and various aspects. He gave information about differences in development and growth, mind and brain etc. Explained through examples about the role of three parts of mind conscious, semi conscious and subconscious in formation of human personality.



PHDCCI organized round table discussion on stubble management solutions

CHANDIGARH, NOV 9



Punjab State Chapter, PHDCCI organized Round Table Discussion on Stubble Management Solutions in collaboration with Stubble Management Forum, Punjab at PHD House, Chandigarh.

The agenda behind organizing the discussion was to ponder upon suggestions and solutions to Stubble Burning, a major concern for Punjab, for the protection of environment, conserving soil nutrients and long term benefits to the field of agriculture.On this occasion, K. S. Pannu (Retd.) IAS, Former Secretary, Agriculture, Government of Punjab discussed the significant impact of global warming on the environment and water resources. He noted that over 200,000 machines had been distributed to farmers to encourage sustainable stubble management; however, consistent usage of these machines has not been observed. Furthermore, he introduced his hypothesis of "ownership holding" and "operational holding" as critical factors in addressing the issue of stubble burning. Concluding his remarks, he advocated for conducting studies to understand the socio-economic reasons behind stubble burning, promoting water conservation technologies in Punjab, and implementing carbon credit offsets as a practical solution.

The discussion further centered on transforming Punjab into a climate-smart state, emphasizing that farmers are likely to adopt alternative stubble management practices only if incentivized rather than penalized. Attendees also highlighted the need for government policies focused on incentives to encourage sustainable practices. Ms. Bharti Sood, Regional Director, PHDCCI initiated the discussion by highlighting the longstanding challenge of stubble burning, emphasizing the urgent need for innovative solutions to address this issue. She further underscored the importance of effectively raising awareness about the recycling of stubble, ensuring that information is communicated accurately and comprehensively.

CAO Mansa suggests farmers to use fertilisers as per PAU recommendations while cultivating wheat crop

NARESH GOYAL
MANSA, NOV 9



Chief Agriculture Officer (CAO) Mansa Dr Harvinder Singh Sidhu has asked the farmers to make use of fertilisers only as recommended by Punjab Agriculture University (PAU) and not adopt arbitrary attitude on this matter.

He stated that by November 15 next, supply of DAP and other alternatives will be received and accordingly farmers would be given the fertilisers. Dr Sidhu disclosed that in addition to DAP, triple super phosphate (46 percent) fertiliser is also equally good for harvesting wheat as it contains 46 percent phosphorus contents. Mansa CAO, however, advised farmers to use mixture of DAP and organic fertilisers for better yield of wheat. He also urged farming community to use just one bag of DAP or TSP fertiliser per acre for wheat harvesting. "if farmers are to use TSP (46 percent) fertiliser while cultivating wheat, they must add 20 kilograms Urea along with this as this mixture will give them required contents of Nitrogen & Phosphorus" said Dr Sidhu adding that if the farmers are using single super phosphate, they should use 155 kgs quantity of 16 percent single super phosphate per acre while cultivating wheat. CAO,however, asked farmers to contact the CAO office, located on Barnala road for getting any kind of clarification in this regard.

Grand celebrations mark U'khand foundation day at Punjab Raj Bhavan under "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat" Initiative



CHANDIGARH, NOV 9

The Punjab Raj Bhavan today came alive with vibrant celebrations commemorating Uttarakhand Foundation Day, paying homage to the rich heritage, cultural legacy, and contributions of the state to India's unity and diversity.

Organized as part of the "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat" initiative, the event highlighted Raj Bhavan's ongoing commitment to fostering national integration by honoring the foundation days of various Indian states.In his address, the Governor paid heartfelt tribute to Uttarakhand's iconic personalities, including Shri Sunderlal Bahuguna, environmentalist and leader of the Chipko movement; General Bipin Rawat, India's first Chief of Defense Staff; and freedom fighter Shri Dev Suman. The Governor reflected on the spiritual depth of Uttarakhand, home to sacred sites like Badrinath and Kedarnath, and renowned as "Devbhoomi" (Land of Gods).

Hoarding of fertilizer will invite strict action: DC

ASHISHPURI
KAPURTHALA,NOV 9



Deputy Commissioner Amit Kumar Panchal on Saturday stated that fertiliser is available in sufficient quantity across the district and hoarding of fertilizers by any dealer will not be tolerated at all.

The Deputy Commissioner mentioned that fertilizer is being provided to the farmers through cooperative societies and dealers and if any dealer is found to have committed hoarding , strict action will be taken against him under the Fertilizer control order 1985. Panchal added that the district level and sub-division level teams of the Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department are continuously checking the stocks of fertilizer sellers, so that the farmers do not face any kind of problem. Panchal also instructed that if any fertilizer seller overcharges or does any tagging, strict action will be taken against him under the Fertilizer Control Order 1985. Meanwhile, different teams of the Agriculture Department inspected the fertilizer sellers across the district today. Chief Agriculture Officer Dr. Balbir Chand led the teams to examine the dealers at Phagwara. Apart from that Agriculture Officer Dr. Gurpreet Singh and Dr.Jaspal Singh Dhanju, ADO led by the teams to inspect the dealers in sultanpur Lodhi sub division.

Students must define their life goals during studies: ETO

KULJIT SINGH
JANDIALA GURU, NOV 9



Every student must set a goal in life during studies and work tirelessly to achieve that goal only then students can succeed in their life.

These words were expressed by Cabinet Minister Sardar Harbhajan Singh ETO today after visiting Government Senior Secondary School Mallia under Jandiala Constituency. During his visit, Sardar ETO also visited the classes and interacted with the children and reviewed their studies.

He said that today's children are our future and going forward some of these children have to become politicians, doctors, engineers and big officials. He said that it is a matter of great pride that a large number of students have managed to get more than 90 percent marks. He said that you are the future of the country and the country has high hopes on you. He said that the rest of the students should also take inspiration from them and do their studies so that they can come to Aval and brighten the name of themselves, their parents and the school. On this occasion, Cabinet Minister Sardar ETO also interacted with the school teachers and learned about their difficulties. He said that only teachers can give proper direction and knowledge to children and we are trying our best not to let teachers face any kind of difficulty. He said that since the beginning, the main objective of our government has been to make health and good education a priority and we are making continuous efforts in this work. He said that Aam Aadmi Clinics have been opened to provide good health to the residents of the state where people are treated free of charge and Schools of Eminence have been established to provide good education where school students have more basic facilities than private schools.

ED seizes property worth crores of rupees of GBP Group, GBP investors hope to get their money back

ZIRAKPUR (VICKY BHABAT): The Enforcement Department today seized two projects of the absconding builder GBP Group of Zirakpur and took possession of them. The value of the GBP land that has been seized by the ED is said to be crores of rupees. It is worth mentioning that a few years ago, all the directors of GBP Group had absconded with hundreds of crores of rupees of investors. Due to which GBP investors were facing pressure from various government offices including the courts. The action taken by the ED today has given hope that they will get justice. According to the information received, ED officials today took possession of GBP's Ethan-1 and Ethan-2 projects.



The team has installed boards at the spot. With which now the claim of any other person on these two projects has ended. It is also worth mentioning here that GBP Group was constructing many projects in the area but due to some undisclosed reason, the builders of GBP Group were unable to complete any of their projects. Due to which they finally had to abscond. Although some people say that the builders of GBP Group are currently present in Dubai, even after many years, this has not been confirmed by anyone. On the other hand, the attachment and taking possession of properties worth crores of rupees of GBP Group by ED has spread a wave of happiness on the faces of hundreds of investors who invested in this group.

People of Barnala constituency can't give them: Meet Hayer



BALWINDER AZAD
BARNALA DEHATI, NOV 9

New members have joined the Aam Aadmi Party's family caravan for the Barnala by-election at Dhanaula and Handiaya in a daily increase. Member of Parliament Gurmeet Singh Meet Hare welcomed the new colleagues. MLA from Bhador S Labh Singh Ugoke was also present on this occasion.

At Dhanaula, Avtar Singh Kahlon, a two-time president and three-time councilor of the truck union, was joined by a large gathering of colleagues at his residence.

Meet Hayer and Labh Singh Ugoke welcomed the new colleagues and said that all of them will be given due respect in the party.

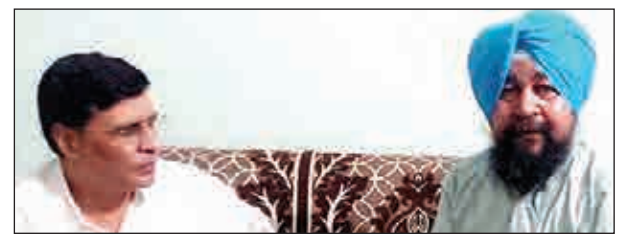
Meet Hare said that they cannot give the people of Barnala constituency who have always supported them. Now our candidate Harinder Singh Dhaliwal is very excited to win in the by-election as well.

Bhartiya Vikas Parishad conducts 'Bharat Ko Jano' quiz competition



JAGRAON (SUKH NAHAR): Bhartiya Vikas Parishad conducted "Bharat Ko Jano" quiz competition at the premises of masters world in order to add to knowledge of students. The association president Sukhdev Garg, General Secretary Shashi Bhushan Jain and cashier Rajesh Loomba giving detailed information about the competition, said that 835 students from 15 schools participated in the competition conducted at three levels. "Today's competition was conducted among 29 students who crossed the earlier stages in two groups- junior and senior. The winners of the quiz shall participate in state level competition to be conducted in Jalandhar on 17th November and the state level competition shall be followed by regional and national levels," they added. at this occasion, Kulbhushan Gupta, Jawahar Lal Verma, Adv Baldev Krishan Goyal, Sumanpreet Kaur, Palak Sehgal, Kirandeep Dhaliwal, Manjeet Benipal, Sonam Sharma, Paramjeet Kaur and others were present.

BJP candidate is getting full support of people in area: Subhash Sharma



HOSHIARPUR (DALJEET AJNOHA): BJP candidate from Chabbewal assembly constituency Sohan Singh Thandal will win the by-election with a major margin. These words were expressed by BJP national leader Subhash Sharma during a special meeting with senior journalist Daljeet Ajnoha after campaigning in the area. On this occasion, he attended the meeting of senior BJP leaders in Mandal Kot Fatuhi.

He said that people are very upset with the policies of Aam Aadmi Party and they are ready to teach you a lesson in these elections and they will show the mirror to Aam Aadmi Party in these elections and he also said that the way the people of Haryana have given victory to BJP by showing the mirror of their works to other parties, in the same way, the mirror of 2027 will be cleared in Punjab through these elections. He said that senior BJP leaders will campaign in the area and their teams have been formed which are going door to door in the villages and motivating people to vote in favour of BJP candidate Sohan Singh Thandal.

CAO checks record of fertilizer dealers



LONGOWAL (SUMER GARG): On the instructions of Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur, Sandeep Rishi; Chief Agriculture Officer(CAO), Dr. Harbans Singh Chahal along with the officials of the agriculture department conducted a surprise check of fertilizer dealers here today. The CAO instructed the fertilizer dealers to distribute DAP fertilizer to the farmers properly and also asked them to make the farmers aware from time to time about the advisory issued by the Punjab Agricultural University (PAU) regarding the use of alternative fertilizers to DAP fertilizer.

The CAO said that joint teams of agriculture and cooperative departments are regularly conducting surprise raids in all sub-divisions of the district to check the records of fertilizers available with the fertilizer dealers and if any irregularity or flaw is found, a strict action against fertilizer Dealers legal action will be taken as per rules.

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'Lady Superstar' gives rare glimpse of her journey, life in Netflix's 'Nayanthara Beyond the Fairy Tale'

The makers of 'Nayanthara: Beyond the Fairytale' have unveiled the trailer of the documentary film.

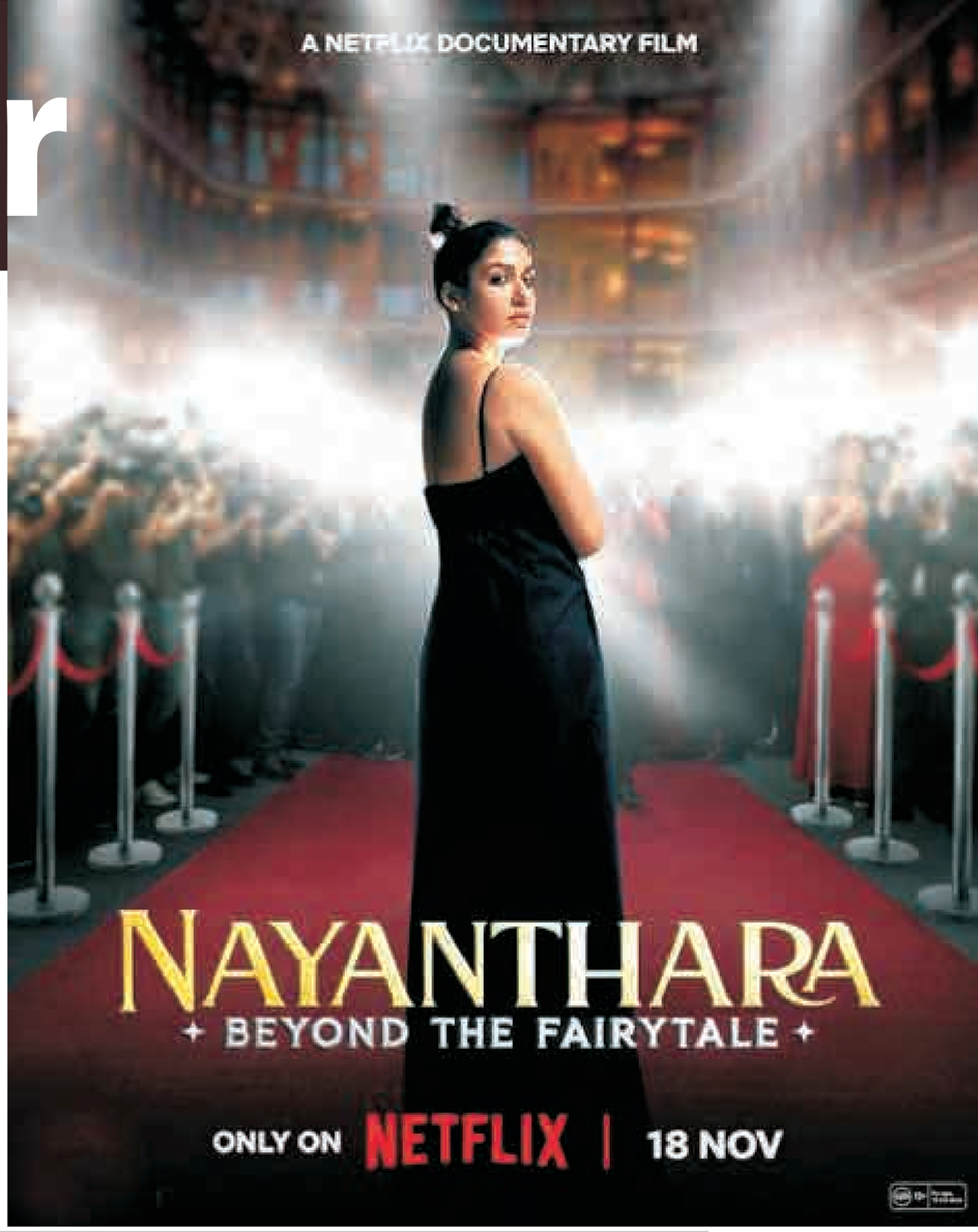
On Saturday, Netflix dropped the trailer of Nayanthara's doc film. It provides a glimpse of Nayanthara's life, from her humble beginnings to her rise to stardom. it includes stories from friends and colleagues such as Rana Daggubati, Taapsee Pannu, and Nagarjuna Akkineni, as well as her family and husband, filmmaker Vignesh Shivan. The trailer shows controversies around the star and how she faced them and became successful. In the trailer, Nagarjuna shared that she initially faced a troubled relationship. The audience also gets a glimpse of Nayanthara's career growth and her extravagant wedding with filmmaker Vignesh Shivan, which was attended by Shah Rukh Khan and Mani Ratnam.

View this post on Instagram A post shared by Netflix India (@netflix_in) Earlier, the documentary was announced as Nayanthara's wedding film. Later, it became a docu-film about her illustrious career and personal life. Sharing the release date, Netflix on Instagram wrote, "In every universe, she's the brightest star. Watch the lady superstar and her stellar journey on Nayanthara.

View this post on Instagram A post shared by Netflix India (@netflix_in) Earlier the teaser for Nayanthara: Beyond The Fairytale was unveiled at Tudum: A Netflix Global Fan Event . The little over one-minute teaser showcases the preparations for Nayanthara and Vignesh Shivan's grand wedding. Nayanthara and Vignesh Shivan married in Chennai on June 9, 2022. It was an intimate wedding with only their close friends and select guests, including Shah Rukh Khan, AR Rahman, Suriya, and Rajinikanth, in attendance.

The couple welcomed their sons via surrogacy in 2022. The news was shared by Vignesh on his Instagram handle where he shared pictures of his twin newborns named Uyir and Ulagam. In the images, the duo was seen kissing the feet of their babies.

Nayanthara made her Bollywood debut in Jawan alongside Shah Rukh Khan last year and has also appeared in Tamil films such as Iraivan and Annapoorani: The Goddess of Food. 'Nayanthara: Beyond the Fairy Tale' premieres on Netflix on November 18.



Dikshant's 'Mehfooz' explores the strength of love when miles come between

Chandigarh: Get ready to dive into a soulful journey through the bittersweet emotions of love and separation with 'Mehfooz', the latest track by Mumbai-based singer-songwriter Dikshant. Following the overwhelming success of his chart-topping hit 'Aankhon Se Batana', Dikshant invites listeners to experience a world where love endures, even when separated by distance. Through 'Mehfooz', he captures the complex ache and strength that love can hold, making it a song for anyone who has ever felt the longing for someone far away.



With his signature soothing vocals and evocative lyricism, Dikshant paints a raw, emotional landscape, conveying the journey of love, loss, and the yearning to keep someone 'Mehfooz', or safe, in one's heart. The track speaks to the strength of true love, reminding listeners that real connection withstands the tests of time and distance. With its delicate balance of emotion and melody, 'Mehfooz' is a must-listen for anyone who has ever felt the ache of missing a loved one.

Expressing his thoughts on the song, Dikshant shared, "I am truly grateful and overwhelmed by the love and support that has come my way - it's surreal.

Budding Artists Sarab-Gunn to Light Up Zee Punjabi's 'Music Te Masti' this Sunday at 8 PM



Zee Punjabi's popular musical show Music Te Masti is thrilled to present an enchanting evening with the rising stars Sarab and Gunn this Sunday at 8 PM. Known for their soulful renditions and powerful vocals, Sarab and Gunn will deliver a lineup of beloved Punjabi songs, promising an unforgettable experience for music lovers across the region. This special episode will showcase Sarab-Gunn performing some of their most beloved tracks, including hits "Ambarsariya," "Dil Diya Gallan," "Ikk Kudi," "Ishq Di Baajiya," "Ki Samjhaiye," "Mai Suneya," "Mann Bharrya," and "Soch." Each track showcases their vocal versatility, blending deep emotion with musical finesse, making them two of the most promising talents in Punjabi music today. Tune in to Zee Punjabi's Music Te Masti this Sunday at 8 PM to experience the captivating performances of Sarab and Gunn. Join us in celebrating their talent and the magic of Punjabi music in an evening filled with soul-stirring melodies!

Arjun Kapoor shares BTS pics from 'Singham Again', calls his journey as Danger Lanka " amazing"

Arjun Kapoor, who has been enjoying the success of his villainous role as Danger Lanka in Singham Again, recently treated his fans with a behind-the-scenes (BTS) look from the film. The actor took to Instagram on Friday to share pictures of his preparation for the character and expressed his gratitude for the trust placed in him.

Along with the pictures, the actor added a message along with the photos as he wrote about his experience playing Danger Lanka in Rohit Shetty's action-packed film.

"The perfect role, at the right time, with a director who believes in you – sometimes, that's all it takes. Grateful beyond words for the trust he's shown in me when not many were willing to, and for creating a character so close to his vision that the audiences have loved. This journey of becoming Danger Lanka has been nothing short of amazing. Thank you, @itsrohitshetty sir and team.



Geetanjali Mishra: My best birthday gift this year is my Mother returning home from Hospital

Chandigarh : This Diwali was a rollercoaster of emotions for actress Geetanjali Mishra, who portrays Rajesh on &TV's Happu Ki Ultan Paltan. Instead of celebrating the festive season as usual, Geetanjali found herself by her mother's side in the hospital, praying for her recovery after her mother was unexpectedly admitted. Diwali, a time typically filled with light and joy, felt subdued without her mother's presence at home. With her birthday approaching, Geetanjali's sole focus was on her mother's health. She expressed her emotions on social media, sharing her love and hope for her mother's speedy recovery. Little did she know, a beautiful and unforgettable moment awaited her that would turn her birthday into a celebration far more meaningful than she could have ever imagined. Reflecting on her experience, Geetanjali, aka Rajesh from Happu Ki Ultan Paltan, shared, "This Diwali was an emotional journey. While everyone else was celebrating with lights and laughter, I was by my mother's side in the hospital, praying for her well-being. Diwali has always been about warmth, family, and togetherness, but without her, our home felt empty despite the festive glow. Every day spent with her reminded me of how fragile life is and how easily we take our loved ones for granted. As my birthday approached, my only wish was to have my mother home, healthy and smiling. Then, just a day before my birthday, I received the most wonderful news: my mother was well enough to be discharged. I'll never forget the moment she walked back into our home. Her presence at home revived all the warmth and love we had been missing, and it felt as if Diwali had truly come alive again, filling every corner of our home and hearts."

Geetanjali added, "My mother's recovery was like a divine blessing, a gift from the universe that I will cherish forever. Her return made my birthday an unforgettable celebration, reminding me of what truly matters in life. This year, I'm grateful for the greatest gift—my mother's health and her presence. I will hold this memory close, as a reminder to treasure every moment with our loved ones, for they are the true blessings in life."

Watch Geetanjali Mishra as Rajesh in Happu Ki Ultan Paltan at 10:30 pm, airing every Monday to Friday on &TV!

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