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## 942 personnel awarded with Gallantry and Service Medals

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NEW DELHI, JAN 25

The government on Saturday announced Gallantry and Service Medals for 942 personnel of Police, Fire, Home Guard and Civil Defence (HG&CD), and Correctional Services.

The awards include 95 Medals for Gallantry (GM), 101 President's Medals for Distinguished Service (PSM), and 746 Medal for Meritorious Service (MSM), a Home Ministry statement said.

Out of 95 awardees for Medals for Gallantry, five personnel—Head Constable Ravi Sharma of SSB, Selection Grade Fireman Satish Kumar Raina, CRPF Constable Sunil Kumar Pandey, BSF Head Constable Girjesh Kumar Uddey, and DSP Himayun Muzzammil of J&K Police—have been awarded posthumously.

Medals for Gallantry (GM) are awarded on the grounds of Rare Conspicuous acts of Gallantry and Conspicuous Act of gallantry, respectively, in saving life and property or in preventing crime or arresting criminals, the risk incurred being estimated with due regard to the obligations and duties of the officer concerned. Among the majority of the 95 Gallantry Awards, 28 personnel from Left Wing Extremism-affected areas, 28 personnel from the Jammu & Kashmir region, three personnel from the Northeast, and 36 personnel from other regions are being awarded for their gallant action. Out of 101 President's Medal for Distinguished Service (PSM), 85 have been awarded to Police Service, five to Fire Service, seven to Civil Defence & Home Guard Service, and four to Correctional Service. The President's Medal for Distinguished Service (PSM) is awarded for a special distinguished record in service, and the Medal for Meritorious Service (MSM) is awarded for valuable service characterised by resource and devotion to duty.



### R-Day Parade: India to display military might, cultural heritage

NEW DELHI: India is set to showcase its military prowess and rich cultural heritage and display a symbolic confluence of 'virasat' and 'vikas' on Kartavya Path here to mark the 76th Republic Day on January 26 when the nation will also commemorate the platinum jubilee of the enactment of the Constitution. Indonesian President Prabowo Subianto will be the chief guest on the occasion and the ceremonial parade will also see participation of a marching contingent and a band contingent from Indonesia. He will be the fourth Indonesian president to attend India's Republic Day celebrations. Sukarno, the first president of Indonesia, was the chief guest at India's first Republic Day celebrations in 1950.

### Tight security arrangements in Punjab, Hry

CHANDIGARH: Security has been stepped up across Punjab, Haryana and the Union Territory of Chandigarh in view of Sunday's Republic-Day celebrations. Security arrangements have been strengthened at vulnerable places and key installations, bus stands, railway stations and government buildings at the district headquarters, officials said. Security has also been strengthened in and around the venues where the Republic-Day celebrations will be held, including where top dignitaries will unfurl the tricolour.

### Hry CM Saini celebrates birthday with sanitation workers



CHANDIGARH: Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini on Saturday turned 55 and celebrated his birthday with the 'safai karamcharis' at his official residence here. The chief minister and his wife Suman Saini had tea and snacks with a group of sanitation workers who had come to greet the CM on his birthday.

"We had come to wish the chief minister on his birthday. He had tea and snacks with us," said Akash, a 'safai karamchari' from Panchkula.

### Vande Bharat train completes trial run in J&K

SRINAGAR: Years of hard work and dedication, and some engineering marvels later, the dream of Kashmir's rail connectivity finally came true as a specially-designed Vande Bharat Express train arrived here on Saturday, completing its trial run.

The train, on its maiden trial run, arrived at the Srinagar station in the Nowgam area on the city outskirts from Katra in Jammu.

It had reached Jammu on Friday.

### National Health Fiscal Index highlights eight years of mismanagement under SAD-Congress rule: AAP

BUREAU  
CHANDIGARH, JAN 25

Responding to Shiromani Akali Dal's (SAD) claims regarding the Fiscal Health Index 2025, Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) MP Malvinder Singh Kang said that the dismal ranking of Punjab is a direct outcome of the eight years of fiscal mismanagement under SAD and Congress governments.

The report, which evaluates data from 2014-15 to 2022-23, highlights Punjab's consistent poor performance during SAD's tenure from 2014 to 2017 and Congress's rule from 2017 to 2022. "For many consecutive years, Punjab ranked 18th, reflecting emergency-like conditions in fiscal governance," said Kang.

He further highlighted how the Bhagwant Manned government, formed in 2022, is now actively addressing the systemic issues inherited from previous regimes. Under the AAP government revenue generation strategies have been revamped to reduce dependency on debt and the substantial increase in revenue is also registered during the AAP government in Punjab.

Kang said that expenditure on social services like health and education has been prioritised to ensure equitable development. He added that efforts are underway to clear backlogs of stalled

infrastructure projects neglected under previous regimes. Kang cornered the previous Akali Dal government and Congress government for this position of Punjab on the Health Fiscal Index and said that since day one the Mann government has been working to improve this system.

"The SAD and Congress governments looted Punjab's coffers, leaving the state in financial ruin. Now, the Mann government is working tirelessly to reverse this damage, with the aim of uplifting Punjab from this fiscal crisis," said Kang.

Under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann, Punjab is steadily making its way into the Performer category in the Fiscal Health Index, marking a significant shift from the dismal rankings during the previous SAD and Congress regimes. AAP MP Malvinder Singh Kang emphasized that the state is now progressing on the right path, with targeted reforms in revenue mobilization, debt management, and increased focus on health, education, and infrastructure. Kang highlighted that the Mann government is committed to steering Punjab toward fiscal stability and ensuring transparent, people-focused governance that prioritizes long-term growth and development.

# Greeting to all fellow citizens on

## the completion of 75 years of coming into effect of our Constitution

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# 76<sup>th</sup> REPUBLIC DAY



Government of India



“ Republic Day greetings to all my family members in the country. The Constitution of our nation has been instrumental in fortifying Bharat's democracy. This country is committed to moving forward with a firm resolution by overcoming obstacles, hurdles and challenges. ”

Jai Hind!

- Narendra Modi

Live telecast of Republic Day celebration from Kartavya Path from 9:00 AM on Doordarshan Network

PARAMJIT SINGH JALANDHAR : In a major action the Jalandhar Commissionerate Police led by Commissioner of Police Mr Swapan Sharma has seized 30 cases of illegal liquor by arresting two key accused in separate cases.

Mahakumbh : Over 10.8 million devotees take holy dip so far



ANENCY PRAYAGRAJ : The Mahakumbh-2025 in Prayagraj has seen an unprecedented influx of devotees, with a massive 10.80 crore plus taking the sacred plunge at the revered Ganga-Yamuna-Saraswati confluence, as of Friday.

US Supreme court clears decks for 26/11 plotter Tahawwur Rana's extradition to India

AGENCY WASHINGTON : Pakistani origin businessman Tahawwur Hussain Rana, who was convicted for his role in the 26/11 attacks on Mumbai that resulted in the death of 164 people, could now be extradited to India.



The second superseding indictment charged him in three counts. The jury convicted him on Count 11 (conspiracy to provide material support to terrorism in Denmark).

months in prison. On June 10, 2020, a Magistrate Judge in the Central District of California (where Rana was serving his sentence) signed a provisional arrest warrant with a view to extraditing him to India to face charges there.

forgery, and to commit a terrorist act. Rana has remained in custody throughout the extradition process. Rana opposed extradition but on May 16, 2023, the extradition magistrate judge rejected Rana's arguments and certified that he is extraditable.

Central District of California for a writ of habeas corpus. On August 15, 2024, the Ninth Circuit Court affirmed the judgment of the habeas court. The court rejected each of Rana's arguments. "Court concludes that Rana is extraditable for the offenses for which extradition has been requested and on which the United States is proceeding and hereby certifies this finding to the United States Secretary of State as required under Title 18, United States Code, section 3184.

NEWS BRIEF

"Utkarsh Small Finance Bank Limited Commemorates 8th Anniversary by Launching 15 Banking Outlets Nationwide"

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL: Utkarsh Small Finance Bank Limited proudly celebrates its 8th anniversary, a milestone that showcases its progress and unwavering commitment to financial inclusion.

96 units of blood collected at camp organized by PGIMER & Thalassemic Trust

CHANDIGARH: Thalassemic Charitable Trust organized its 310th blood donation camp on 25.01.25 in collaboration with Department of Transfusion Medicine PGIMER, Chandigarh to celebrate 76th Republic Day and birthday of Shri Subhash Chandra Bose falling on 23rd January.



camp were given thalassemia awareness lecture and round of thalassemia ward by Shri Rajinder Kalra. Dr. Viney Sood, Finance Secretary of the Trust celebrated his 25th blood donation in this camp. Prof.(Dr) R R Sharma HoD, Department of Transfusion Medicine PGIMER

India, Indonesia decide to boost defence and trade ties

AGENCY NEW DELHI: India and Indonesia on Saturday agreed to give a new momentum to the overall bilateral ties and especially concurred on working jointly in the areas of defence manufacturing and supply chains, as Prime Minister Narendra Modi hosted Indonesian President Prabowo Subianto for wide-ranging talks.

order in the region. "We agree that the freedom of navigation should be ensured in line with international law," Modi said amid growing global concerns over China's increasing military muscle-flexing in the Indo-Pacific region.

the prime minister said, adding that India and Indonesia have agreed to work jointly on defence manufacturing and supply chains. An agreement signed between India and Indonesia on Saturday in the maritime security sphere will further strengthen cooperation in crime prevention, search and rescue and capacity building,

Modisaid. He said both sides talked on the need to diversify the trade basket and market access to boost the overall economic ties. "We decided to strengthen cooperation in areas like FinTech, artificial intelligence, internet of things and digital public infrastructure," the prime minister noted.

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I, Aditya Singh S/O Pravash Kumar Singh, R/o vill-Bulandpur, Narpur, Jalandhar, Punjab-144012. Declare that Name of Mine has been wrongly written as Aditya Singh in my 10th Class Certificate. The actual name of Mine is Aditya Singh, which may be amended accordingly. 524473

I, Abhishek S/O Hem Raj, R/o Beh Bidhia, Datarpur, Hoshiarpur, Punjab- 144222. Declare that Name of My Mother has been wrongly written as Anjana in my 10th Class Certificate. The actual name of My Mother is Anjana Kumari, which may be amended accordingly. 524473

I hitherto known as SUNNY S/O SUKHWANT SINGH R/O VILLAGE ALGON KALAN, PO ALGON KHURD, TEHSIL PATTI, DISTT TARN TARAN-143419, PUNJAB, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as SUNNY SINGH. 72737

I, Danial Masih S/o Younus Masih R/o H.No.172, Salempur Road, Verka Milk Plant, Basant Kunj Colony, Jalandhar declare that I have changed my name from Danial Masih to Daniel Masih. 63372

I, Sukhwinder Singh S/O Tarsem Singh Vpo Kular Tehsil Shahkot Distt. Jalandhar Have Changed My Name To Singh Sukhwinder. 63372

Homeopathic Dispensary inaugurated at RSS Office

VERMA GURDASPUR: A homeopathic dispensary was inaugurated at the RSS office near Ramleela Ground. The event marked a significant step towards providing accessible healthcare services to the local community.



five days for just a nominal charge of ₹20. This initiative is aimed at making homeopathic treatment more accessible to people from all walks of life. During the inauguration, a group of prominent members were present to support the event.

I Nirmal Singh S/o Late Joginder Singh R/o 2307 A Block No 31, Chandigarh Housing Board, Sector 62, Chandigarh declare that my son Amardeep Singh is out of my control. I disown him from all my moveable & immovable properties. Any one dealing with him will be himself responsible for that. I will not be responsible for his actions/dealing. The deponent will not revoke this disown affidavit under any circumstances. 100071

I, Joginder Kaur W/o Malkit Singh R/o VPO. Kotli Khas, Tehsil Mukerian, District Hoshiarpur declare that my name Harjinder Kaur W/o Malkit Singh S/o Bishan Singh is wrongly entered in the revenue record. Whereas my correct name is Joginder Kaur W/o Malkit Singh. S/o Bishan Singh. 989753

I, Pavitar Singh S/o Hardev Singh R/o Vill: Suro Padda Teh-Baba Bakala Sahib (Amritsar) have changed my name from Pavitar Singh to Pavitar and my surname is Singh. 63372

I, Inderjeet Singh S/o Gurcharn Singh R/o H.No.83 Bool Vill: Bool Po. Ghawaddi (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Inderjit Singh. 63372

I, Kishan Kumar Sha S/O Mohan Sha, R/O House No 2396/1 Small Flat Maloya Chandigarh- 160025, Changed My Name To Kishan Kumar. 63372

Telangana Govt. signs MoU with JSW UAV Ltd. for 800 Cr. Manufacturing Unit



CHANDIGARH : The Government of Telangana has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with JSW UAV Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of JSW Defence, to establish a state-of-the-art manufacturing facility to make Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) in the state.

manufacturing across sectors, ranging from semiconductor, defence, private space to FMCG. My government's efforts to position Telangana as a preferred option for the world for its China Plus One strategy has started bearing results. Parth Jindal of JSW Group said, "This MoU underscores our unwavering commitment to playing a key role in indigenizing defense technology in India. We are deeply grateful to the Government of Telangana, led by the Honorable Chief Minister Shri Revanth Reddy, for its guidance and support through industry-friendly policies that make initiatives like this possible."

I, Hardeep Singh S/o Maghar Singh R/o Datewas Distt. Mansa, State that I had dispossessed my daughter Avneet Kaur from my property because she was not in my control. Now my daughter is in my control and obeys everything I say. Therefore, I withdraw my dispossession. From today onwards, my daughter Avneet Kaur will be legally entitled to my movable and immovable property. Related notes. 63372

I hitherto known as RAJDIP KAUR W/O GURMIT SINGH R/O VILLAGE KOTLA SHARAF, PO SARUPWALI, TEHSIL BATALA, DISTT GURDASPUR, PUNJAB, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as RAJBIRKAUR. 72737

I, Megha W/O Ajay Kumar Balu R/O House No 1606, Ward No 05, Grain Market, Mohalla Rehmanpura, Nakodar, Distt Jalandhar, Punjab (144040) India.I Have Changed My Name From Megha To Megha Balu. 63372

I, Nisha W/o Jasvir Singh R/o Vpo Isewal, Jagraon (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Nisha Rani. 63372

I, Lovepreet Kaur W/o Jaskaran Singh R/o Vill: Grupar Po. Aur (SBS Nagar) my given name is Lovepreet and surname is Kaur. 63372

It is for general information that I, Balvir Ram S/o Piara Ram residing at Vill: Happpawal Po. & Teh-Banga, Distt. SBS Nagar, 144505, Punjab, India, declare that name of my wife has been wrongly written as Kuljeet Kaur in my Passport No. A8055803. The actual name of my wife is Surinder Kaur, which may be amended accordingly. It is certified that I have complied with other legal requirements in this connection. 63372

I, Manpreet Singh S/o Vijay Kumar R/o Vill: Khuiya Malkana Teh-Dabwali (Sirsa) have changed my name from Manpreet to Manpreet Singh. 63372

I, Gagandeep S/O Charan Dass R/O Vpo Kamam Sub Tehsil, Aur Distt Sbs Nagar -144513 Pb Have Changed My Name From Gagandeep To Gagandeep Ganger. 63372

I, Nisha W/o Jasvir Singh R/o Vpo Isewal, Jagraon (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Nisha Rani. 63372

I, Okash S/o Jagdish Pal R/O Vpo. Haripur Khalsa Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) have changed my name to Okash Kumar given name Okash and surname is Kumar. 63372

I, Jatinder Chumber holder of Indian Passport No. N3106914, permanent R/o Vpo. Bilga Patti Bhalai Teh-Phillaur Distt. Jalandhar Pin-144036, Pb, India, at present residing at Jeeb AL-Shuyoukh in Kuwait declare that my given name is Jatinder and my surname is Chumber. 63372

I Manta Rani w/o Naresh kumar r/o vpo Baba Ladana distt. kaithal has lost registry no. 4129/1 dt. 26.09.2012 in kaithal, on 15.12.2024, which was in my possession, and the same has been reported by me to the police line, Kaithal. If any body found please return to Manta Rani w/o Naresh kumar r/o vpo Baba Ladana distt. kaithal. Mob. 9416569836. 100039

I, Gagandeep S/O Charan Dass R/O Vpo Kamam Sub Tehsil, Aur Distt Sbs Nagar -144513 Pb Have Changed My Name From Gagandeep To Gagandeep Ganger. 63372

I, Nisha W/o Jasvir Singh R/o Vpo Isewal, Jagraon (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Nisha Rani. 63372

I, Okash S/o Jagdish Pal R/O Vpo. Haripur Khalsa Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) have changed my name to Okash Kumar given name Okash and surname is Kumar. 63372

ਮੇਰਾ ਕੁਨੈਕਸ਼ਨ ਮਾਮ/ਬਾਸ ਨੂੰ ਸੁਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਟਿਊਬਵੈਲ ਕੁਨੈਕਸ਼ਨ ਖਾਣਾ ਨੇ. ਏ.ਪੀ. 02/29 ਮਨਜ਼ੂਰ ਲੋਡ 15 ਬੀ.ਐਚ.ਪੀ. ਜੋ ਕਿ ਰਾਜ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਮੋਨਦ ਸਿੰਘ ਪਿੰਡ ਬੱਸੀਆਂ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਲੁਧਿਆਣਾ ਵਿਖੇ ਚੱਲ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ। ਰੁਝਾ ਇਹ ਮੋਨਦ ਕੁਨੈਕਸ਼ਨ ਵਰਿਚਕੁਪੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਅਵਤਾਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਪਿੰਡ ਬੁਰਜੀ ਹਰੀ ਸਿੰਘ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਲੁਧਿਆਣਾ ਨੇ ਆਪਣੇ ਨਾਮ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਕਰਵਾਉਣਾ ਹੈ। ਜਿਸ ਦੀ ਅਗਨੀ ਉਪ ਮੰਡਲ ਅਵਸਰ ਬੱਸੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਦਿੱਤੇ ਹੈ। ਜੇਕਰ ਕਿਸੇ ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਨਾਮ ਬਦਲੀ ਤੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ ਆਪਣਾ ਲਿਖਤੀ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਉਪ ਮੰਡਲ ਅਵਸਰ ਪੀ.ਐਸ.ਪੀ.ਐ.ਓ. ਬੱਸੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ 15 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ ਦੇ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ। ਸਹਾਇਕ ਕਾਰਜਕਾਰੀ ਵਿਜੀਨੀਅਰ, ਪੰਜਾਬ ਰਾਜ ਪਾਵਰ ਕਾਰਪੋਰੇਸ਼ਨ ਲਿਮਿਟਿਡ, ਉਪ ਮੰਡਲ, ਬੱਸੀਆਂ। 100039

I, Maninder Singh S/o Randhir Singh R/o Vill: Bourhai Iftkhar Kalan, Teh-Ahmedgarh (Malerkotla) have changed my name from Maninder Singh Cheema to Maninder Singh. 63372

I, Nisha W/o Jasvir Singh R/o Vpo Isewal, Jagraon (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Nisha Rani. 63372

I, Neelam W/O Balbir Singh R/O H.No.2A/6/3,Shaheed Baba Deep Singh Nagar, Reru, Jalandhar, Punjab, India have changed my name from Neelam to Neelam Rani After Marriage. 63372

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# HAPPY 76<sup>th</sup> REPUBLIC DAY



“ The Constitution is not just a document; it is the foundation upon which our nation stands, ensuring justice, equality, and freedom for all. On this Republic Day, let us pledge to safeguard its vision and uphold the values that guide us toward a brighter, united future. ”

**Bhagwant Singh Mann**  
Chief Minister, Punjab

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GURDASPUR (VERMA): A program was organized in Village Madinpur under the leadership of former MLA Joginder Pal. On this occasion, members of the BJP and Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) bid farewell to their respective parties and officially joined the Congress party. Former MLA Joginder Pal honored the new members by draping them with a shawl. While addressing the gathering, Joginder Pal stated that those who have joined the Congress would be given respect and honor within the party. He also criticized the AAP government, mentioning that despite the party's promises in its election manifesto—such as providing Rs 1,000 to women—the promise had not been fulfilled even after three years. He further stated that the AAP government has been giving "lollipops" to the people for the last three years without delivering on its commitments. He expressed his disappointment, claiming that AAP had failed on all fronts in Punjab. Among the prominent people who joined the Congress on this occasion were Ravinder Kumar, Bachan Lal (former Sarpanch), Nirmal Singh, Bittu, Rooprani, Gulshan Singh, and Savita Saini, along with several other party workers.



NEWS BRIEF

Ahmadiyya Muslim community of India celebrates Republic Day

VERMA GURDASPUR: On the occasion of Republic Day, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of India extends its warmest greetings to all citizens. January 26th marks a significant milestone in India's journey, commemorating the adoption of its constitution in 1950 and the establishment of India as the world's largest democracy. India's unique strength lies in its vibrant tapestry of diverse religions, ethnicities, cultures, and languages. Despite this diversity, a spirit of unity and mutual affection prevails among its people. The Worldwide Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, has emphasized the importance of patriotism in Islam. In a 2012 address in Germany, he stated, "The Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) himself taught that the 'Love for one's nation is a part of faith.' True devotion to God and Islam necessitates love for one's country. Guided by these principles, every Ahmadi in India dedicates themselves to the nation's progress and prosperity. They uphold the laws of the land and are committed to serving their country in every possible way."

2-day training of trainers programme held



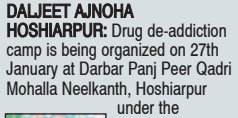
ABHISHEK NANDA FERROZEPUR: A two-day training of trainers program was organized with the aim of sharing ideas related to the educational field including the changing level of education and the new education policy. More than 80 representatives from five districts participated in this program organized at Das & Brown World School. This training session was organized by CBSE COE Chandigarh in collaboration with the Institute of Secretarial Training and Management, in which retired Director of Department of Personal Training, Government of India, Moly Sainwal and Deputy Director of ISTM Shailesh Kumar Soni participated specially, who discussed important training terminology and methods with the participants. They also gave information about useful policies to take teaching and learning practices to the next level. On the second day, innovation and implementation were discussed openly. Managing Director of Chandigarh Baptist School Arun Masih John gave information about the new education policy 2020 and its benefits and said that implementing the new education system is the need of the hour. Das & Brown World School's Principal Dr. Rajesh Chandel thanked everyone for visiting the school.

Total of 269 cases of NDPS Act registered at Sakhbir Agri Energy Plot, Seda Singh Wala



JS GILL As per the instructions of Shri Gaurav Yadav IPS, DGP Punjab, and as per the directions of Shri Ashwani Kapoor, Deputy Inspector General of Police, Faridkot Range, Faridkot, a special campaign against drugs is being run by Faridkot Police under the leadership of Dr. Prayaga Jain IPS, Senior Captain of Police, Faridkot. Under this campaign, Faridkot Police has taken action against drug smugglers in the last 5 months and 142 people have been arrested in 108 cases. Under this series, today, under the supervision of Dr. Prayaga Jain IPS Senior Captain of Police, Faridkot, a total of 269 cases of NDPS Act have been disposed of at Sale Limited Power Plot Seda Singh Wala by the members of the District Level Drug Disposal Committee.

Drug de-addiction camp to be organized on 27th Jan at Darbar Panj Peer Qadri Mohalla Neelkanth



DALJEET AJNOHA HOSHIARPUR: Drug de-addiction camp is being organized on 27th January at Darbar Panj Peer Qadri Mohalla Neelkanth, Hoshiarpur under the leadership of Sai Rajiv Ji with the support of group congregations. Giving information regarding this, Rajiv Sai Ji said that on this occasion, the camp will be organized from 10 am to 2 pm, after which Bhandara distribution will be done to the congregations and in the evening from 5 pm to 9 pm, Qawwali will be held in which prominent Qawwals will participate. On this occasion, group congregations of the Darbar were present. Rajiv Sai Ji said that during this camp, former Union Minister Vijay Sampla, former MP Avinash Rai Khanna, former Cabinet Minister Tikshan Sood and Dr. Jaitinder Kumar will be specially present.

MHA announces names of Punjab police officials for PMDS, MMS awards

SHASHI PAL JAIN CHANDIGARH, JAN 25

Recognising the outstanding services of the Punjab Police, the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India (GOI), on the eve of 76th Republic Day announced the names of the Punjab Police officers/officials, to be awarded with President's Medal for Distinguished Service (PMDS) and Medal for Meritorious Service (MMS). Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) Intelligence RK Jaiswal and ADGP Anti Narcotics Task Force (ANTF) Nilabh Kishore to be conferred with President's Medal for Distinguished Service. Similarly, an IPS Officer Inspector General of Police (IGP) Ludhiana Range Dhanpreet Kaur and a PPS officer AIG Financial Intelligence Unit Tejinderjit Singh are among 15 officers/officials who have been selected for the Medal for Meritorious Service. The remaining officials include Inspector Inderdeep Singh, Inspector Amrik Singh, Inspector Jagroop Singh, Inspector Balwinder



Singh, SI Balbir Chand, SI Iqbal Singh, SI Satish Kumar, SI Balvir Chand, SI Lakhvir Singh, SI Dimple Kumar, SI Harvinder Kumar, ASI Sukhbir Singh and ASI Harpal Singh. Director General of Police (DGP) Punjab Gaurav Yadav, while congratulating the awardees, expressed gratitude to the Central Government and State Government for recognizing the services of these officers and boosting the morale of the entire Punjab Police force. He said that such recognition plays a significant role in encouraging the Police force to work with more dedication and devotion, which is pivotal in a border state having manifold security challenges.

Four Punjab police officials, one homeguard to be awarded chief minister's Rakshak Padak Award



CHANDIGARH: On the recommendations of the Punjab Government, the Governor of Punjab on Saturday announced the names of the Punjab Police officers/officials, to be awarded the Chief Minister's Rakshak Padak award and Chief Minister's Medal for Outstanding Devotion to Duty on the occasion of Republic Day-2025. The Governor of Punjab announced the names of four officials of Police Post Jajion in Hoshiarpur including ASI Manna Singh, ASI Rajinder Singh, Lady Senior Constable Kulwinder Kaur and Punjab Homeguard Gurddeep Singh for Chief Minister's Rakshak Padak award. The Police party had saved a life of a Deepak Kumar after his Innova car overturned and swept away, when the latter attempted to cross the Jajion Khad river in Hoshiarpur district on August 11, 2024. Likewise, Senior Constable Gurpreet Singh from CID Unit Ludhiana to also be conferred with the Chief Minister's Rakshak Padak award as the latter saved a man's life by pulling him out of the Sirhind Canal after he attempted to commit suicide following a verbal dispute with his newlywed wife on August 29, 2024.

Punjab police nabs associate of the Lawrance Bishnoi and Goldy Brar Gang

GAURAV GOEL CHANDIGARH, JAN 25

In a major breakthrough amidst the ongoing drive against organised crime launched on the directions of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, Anti-Gangster Task Force Punjab (AGTF) Punjab in a joint operation with SAS Nagar Police has apprehended an associate of Lawrance Bishnoi and Goldy Brar gang in connection with the firing incident at IELTS/Immigration Centre in Dera Bassi. Police teams have also recovered one .32 calibre pistol along with five cartridges from his possession. DGP Gaurav Yadav said that the arrested accused, along with another member of Lawrance Bishnoi and Goldy Brar gang identified as Manjeet alias Guri—currently lodged in Tihar Jail, were the masterminds behind the



firing incident at an IELTS/Immigration Centre in Dera Bassi. As per the information, on September 19, 2024, two motorcycle borne youth, in a broad day light, had opened fire outside the IELTS/Immigration Centre in Dera Bassi to demand extortion from the owner. The DGP said that the all the other accused persons involved in the incident including Jagdeep Jagga, Mohit Kumar alias Banti, Anmol, Gurkirat Singh Bedi, Nishant Kumar alias Nikku Rana have been arrested, whereas, Mehfuji alias Vishal Khan had been absconding. Sharing operational details, Additional Director General of Police (ADGP)

AGTF Promod Ban said that an information based on human intelligence was received about possible hideouts and locations of accused Vishal Khan. Acting swiftly, special teams of AGTF under the supervision of AIG Gurmeet Chauhan in coordination with SSP SAS Nagar Deepak Pareek were formed, said the ADGP, while adding that the teams zeroed in on the possible hideouts/locations and successfully arrested him from Punjab-Haryana border near Barwala and also recovered a pistol from his possession. AIG AGTF Gurmeet Chauhan said that the arrested accused has a previous criminal history and, ever since 2023, he has been working on the directions of foreign-based terrorist Goldy Brar. Arrested accused has also collected a weapons consignment from the notorious gangster Joginder alias Joga of Haryana, who had provided weapons and logistical assistance to accused involved in the Sidhu Moosewala murder case and later, was also arrested, he added.

Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University observes Traffic Awareness Week



FATEHGARH SAHIB (AJAY MALHOTRA): The NSS unit of Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University and Nehru Yuva Kendra, Fatehgarh Sahib, in collaboration with Punjab Police, organized a Traffic Awareness Drive as part of Traffic Awareness Week. The initiative aimed to educate citizens on road safety rules, traffic provisions, and the recent amendments to traffic laws. The event featured an enlightening session by Inspector Inderpreet Singh, Traffic In-charge of Fatehgarh Sahib, who addressed the volunteers of MyBharat. He emphasized critical traffic rules, explained recent legal amendments, and shared practical tips for ensuring road safety. Inspector Inderpreet Singh also guided volunteers to interact with drivers not wearing helmets or safety belts, educating them about potential risks and encouraging safe driving habits. Pankaj Yadav, District Youth Officer, highlighted the importance of wearing helmets and adhering to traffic norms. He stressed the need for collective efforts to cultivate a culture of safety among the youth and the community.

Harpal Singh Cheema lays foundation stone of high level bridge to be built at cost of Rs 2.42 crore

GURMAIL SINGH SANGATPURA LEHRAGAGA JAN 25

Punjab Cabinet Minister Harpal Singh Cheema today laid the foundation stone of the high level bridge to be built on the Sirhind Chowk of the Jakhepal Road from Cheema, a short distance from here.

He said that this bridge, which will be built in about six months, will provide great relief to the people of the surrounding villages. Cabinet Minister Harpal Singh Cheema said that the length of this bridge will be 44 meters and it is being made 8.5 meters wide so that vehicles can pass easily from both sides. He said that anti-crash railings will also be installed on both sides of the bridge so that no vehicle or pedestrian can fall into the Chowk at any time. The Cab-



net Minister said that the officers of the Public Works Department have been instructed to continuously monitor the construction work of this bridge and ensure that the construction work of this bridge is completed before the upcoming rainy season so that the people do not have to face any kind of problem during the rainy season. Addressing the people and the Sarpanches of nearby villages on this occasion, Cabinet Minister

Harpal Singh Cheema said that the problems faced by the residents of every village, town and city of the assembly constituency Dirba are being solved in a phased manner and in the coming time also many pro-people projects will be completed and dedicated to the people. On this occasion, the Cabinet Minister's OSD Tapinder Singh Sohi and dignitaries of many other villages were also present.

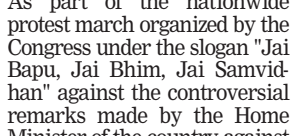
District-Level Yuva Utsav celebrated at Desh Bhagat University, Mandi Gobindgarh



FATEHGARH SAHIB (AJAY MALHOTRA): The District-Level Yuva Utsav was successfully organized with the collaboration of DBU at Desh Bhagat University in Sri Hargobind Sahib Auditorium, under the aegis of Nehru Yuva Kendra, Fatehgarh Sahib, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from various colleges and schools, including Chhuni College, SGGSWU, PIMTTS, Desh Bhagat University, and other educational institutions across the district. Dr. Zora Singh, Chancellor of Desh Bhagat University, graced the event as the Chief Guest, along with Dr. Tajinder Kaur, Pro-Chancellor of the university. The program was conducted under the guidance of Mr. Pankaj Yadav, District Youth Officer from Nehru Yuva Kendra, in collaboration with Dr. Arshdeep Singh, Director of Student Welfare and Dr. Surjeet Patheja, Director Media and Performing Arts, Desh Bhagat University.

Congress protests against Amit Shah's Ambedkar remarks

GURMAIL SINGH SANGATPURA LEHRAGAGA JAN 25



As part of the nationwide protest march organized by the Congress under the slogan "Jai Babu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan" against the controversial remarks made by the Home Minister of the country against Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar, the architect of the country's constitution, in Parliament, a massive protest march was held in the city under the leadership of All India Congress Committee National Secretary and Spokesman Alok Sharma, Punjab Congress in-charge Ravinder Dalvi and National Coordinator of the Kisan Congress Cell Rahulinder Singh Sidhu (Bhat). Addressing the gathering in the protest march, Alok Sharma, Ravinder Dalvi, Rahul Sidhu and District President Surinderpal Singh Sibia, Jasvir Kaur Vice President (Women)

Punjab said that BJP is the biggest threat to the country and the Constitution, from the day BJP came to power at the Center, the Constitution of the country is being tampered with by BJP, which Congress will not tolerate. Congress under the leadership of Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge and Rahul Gandhi will not hesitate to make any sacrifice or struggle to save the Constitution of the country. Tampering with the Constitution means ending the rights of the people of the country. BJP wants to change the Constitution and crush the constitutional institutions, but

Congress will continue the struggle from Parliament to the streets to save the Constitution, they demanded that Prime Minister Modi immediately dismiss Home Minister Amit Shah from the government for making controversial comments. He said about Rahul Gandhi's sound and capable leadership that Rahul Gandhi did the work of uniting the country by taking out the "Bharat Jodo Yatra" the other day, but on the other hand, parties like BJP, RSS, Bajrang Dal and Vishwa Hindu Parishad want to remain in power by making the people of the country fight in the name of religion and caste.

Major setback for Congress on Jalandhar as 8 members of Bhogpur Nagar Panchayat join 'AAP'

PARAMJIT SINGH JALANDHA, JAN 25



The Congress party faced a significant blow in Jalandhar. On Saturday, eight elected Congress members of Bhogpur Nagar Panchayat joined the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP). Their joining has given a substantial boost to AAP in the region. Aam Aadmi Party Punjab State President Aman Arora formally inducted all

the leaders into the party and welcomed them. AAP MLA Raman Arora was also present on the occasion. Welcoming all the members into the party, Aman Arora stated that they have decided to join AAP, inspired by the party's policies and the achievements of the Punjab government over the past three years. Together, we will work to ensure the development of Punjab.

Meeting to review death rate caused during pregnancy organised by Mansa's civil surgeon



NARESH GOYAL MANSAL, JAN 25

With a view to mitigate death rate during pregnancy a meeting by civil surgeon Mansa was convened in which cases of maternal death review (MDR) were reviewed. Presiding over the meeting, civil surgeon disclosed that since April 2024 till now, as many as nine deaths occurred during pregnancy and of these cases of three deaths have already been considered.

He asked to make sure that registration of pregnant woman is done during first three months of pregnancy. At least four ANC check ups be conducted out of which one must be done by a gynaecologist. Record of high risk pregnancy (HRP) cases should be maintained and updated from time to time. All the necessary tests and their reports must be made available in the record and such cases should be brought to the notice of gynaecologist and SMO.

Republic Day celebrated at Punjab Public School



BALWINDER AZAD BARNALA DEHATI, JAN 25

Republic Day was celebrated by the children and teachers of the school under the leadership of Principal Mrs. Simran Kaur at Punjab Public School Mana Pindi. In the morning assembly, Madam Navroop Kaur explained to the children in detail about 26th January and why 26th January is celebrated as Republic Day. This entire program was organized by the children of third and seventh classes. After this, a colorful program

was also presented by the children of pre-primary. During the program, the children presented group mourning, word singing, patriotic songs and poems, quiz, today's thought, and salute to the flag. The children also presented a speech giving a message related to our fundamental rights. On this occasion, Mrs. Navroop Kaur shed light on the history of Republic Day. She explained in detail about Republic Day and why this day is celebrated. She also told about the contribution of Dr. BR Ambedkar in writing the Constitution.

Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University Celebrates Republic Day

AJAY MALHOTRA FATEHGARH SAHIB, JAN 25

The University School of Law at Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University, Fatehgarh Sahib, commemorated Republic Day by hosting an educational Quiz Competition.

Prof. (Dr.) Amrita Kaushal, Head and Dean, expressed that the purpose of the event was to encourage a better understanding of India's Constitution and its evolution into a sovereign, socialist, secular, and democratic republic. Students participated with enthusiasm, competing in rounds that covered topics such as Constitutional law, landmark judgments, historical events, and general knowledge about India's legal and political system. The participants were well-prepared, and



the competition offered the audience an opportunity to gain meaningful insights into India's legal heritage. The event was organized under the supervision of Dr. Navneet Kaur and Mr. Amritpal Singh. Dr. Navneet Kaur remarked that the competition reflected the University's dedication to cultivating informed citizens and promoting civic responsibility among students through such events. Prof. (Dr.) Pritpal Singh, Vice Chancellor, commended the organizers and participants, noting that Re-

public Day celebrations are incomplete without acknowledging the significance of the Constitution. He viewed the quiz competition as an ideal platform for students to engage in discussions about India's rich legal and cultural history. Prof. (Dr.) Sukhwinder Singh Billing, Dean Academic Affairs, highlighted that the initiative demonstrated the University School of Law's commitment to combining academic rigor with national pride.

DC Mansa Kulwant Singh gets best election practice award



MANSAL (KULWINDER KARWAL): Deputy Commissioner Mansa S. Kulwant Singh IAS, today received Best Election practice award in a state level celebrations of 15th National Voters Day held in Ludhiana. Additional Chief Electoral Officer Harish Nayar hands over this award to Deputy Commissioner Mansa S. Kulwant Singh. During the state-level function, S. Kulwant Singh was felicitated for his exemplary services as Deputy Commissioner Cum Election officer Moga during the Lok Sabha Elections 2024.

**ABHISHEK NANDA**  
**FEROZEPUR:** India is the number one democratic country in the country and every citizen here has the right to vote. Therefore, for the strengthening of democracy, every voter should exercise his right to vote without any fear, greed or intimidation. This was expressed by SDM cum Assistant Commissioner Gurmeet Singh, who attended as the chief guest on the occasion of Voters Day celebrated at



District Administrative Complex Ferozepur. SDM Gurmeet Singh said that the day of establishment of the Election Commission in 1950 is celebrated as National Voters Day. And the tradition of celebrating this day started in the year 2011 and today we are celebrating the

15th National Voters Day. He said that the main purpose of celebrating Voters Day is to make maximum voters aware about the use of their right to vote and our responsibility towards democracy. During this, students of various schools gave a message about the right to vote and Voters Day through poetry, speeches and songs and also a special message on Voters Day was shared by Election Commission of India Rajiv Kumar through video.

# On 76th Republic Day message of Governor Gulab Chand Kataria

**Dear Punjabis,**  
Today on momentous occasion of 76th January, I extend my heartfelt best wishes to you all with regard to the 76th Republic Day. This day is of immense pride and happiness for us all as it was on this day that the constitution came into force and India became a Sovereign, Democratic Republic.

The Republic Day reminds us of those lofty ideals which are the bedrock of a society founded on the principles of Justice, Freedom, Equality and Fraternity. The day reminiscent of the sacrifices made by the great freedom fighters who staked their lives to ensure that we breathe in the air of independence and thus gave a new impetus to our Nation.

The Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi, Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Dr. Rajendra Prasad and scores of Indians played a stellar role in getting our country freed from the foreign rule. I bow to all these in reverence.

Shaheed - e - Azam Bhagat Singh, Chandrashekar Azad, Kartar Singh Sarabha, Madan Lal Dhillon, Lala Lajpat Rai, 'Gadri Babe' and many other freedom fighters were martyred in the independence movement. Bowing in absolute deference to these martyrs, I salute their hallowed memory.

Today, on this occasion, I also remember all the Members of the Constituent Assembly. Our country would forever be indebted to Baba Saheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar who headed the constituent assembly and rendered yeoman's service in giving final shape to the constitution.

**My dear people of Punjab,**  
The theme of this year's Republic Day is centered on 'Swamin Bharat: Virasat aur Vikas' (Golden India: Legacy and Development) which showcases the year by year progress of rich cultural heritage of India.

**Dear State Residents,**  
India is the progenitor of democracy and its biggest strength is its rock solid democratic structure. It is not just a political system but the very soul of India and a part of its cultural heritage. Today, India is the largest democracy in the world where every citizen gets the chance of exercising the rights & duties thus sanctifying the sentiment of 'Unity in Diversity' of this great Nation.

The democratic system is the very foundation which would cause the dream of 'Viksit Bharat 2047' to come to fruition. I am fortunate that I have got the opportunity to illustrate the development, progress and the achievements of Punjab. The people inhabiting

the State of Punjab, a land of Guru Sahiban, Patriots and self sacrificing revolutionaries, has always presented a perfect example of brotherhood and mutual co-existence.

The history of Punjab is incomplete without the mention of the sacrifice of the Sikh Guru Sahiban especially the entire family of Tenth Guru Sahib Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji and the spectacular contribution made by the Punjabis in country independence movement.

Punjab is that state which was in the forefront of realizing the slogan of 'Jai Jawan Jai Kisan' given by Lal Bahadur Shastri Ji, in the difficult times. The farming community of Punjab specially, not only enormously increased their agricultural production but also made significant contributions in ensuring self sufficiency in food security thus steering the country out of the food crisis. Even in the most trying circumstances, the farmers of Punjab by the dint of their hard work and dedication made the Nation surplus in food sector which is a clear testimony of their toil and efficiency.

**My dear Punjab residents,**  
The role of Punjab assumes special importance in conceiving the vision of 'Viksit Bharat 2047'. Punjab is not only the leading player in the agriculture and food security sphere but its contribution is also unparalleled in the industrial, cultural & social advancement.

Today, on this occasion, first and foremost, I extend special heartfelt congratulations to the Punjab Government which has followed the constitutional values and ideals illustrated by Baba Saheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar Ji and ensured free, impartial & transparent Panchayat as well as the Local Body elections which are sure to accelerate the rural and urban development.

Punjab, which has been the foundation of the food security of the Nation since long, has not only maintained its position but also absorbed the new age concepts of Water Conservation, Organic Farming and Crop Diversification thus enriching the agricultural sector in an immense measure and making it a profitable venture.

Due to the efforts of the State Government, 72 percent of canal water is being used for the irrigation purpose which till a few years ago was mere 21 percent. Apart from this, the process to commence construction work of 150 KM long 'Malwa Canal' which would irrigate approximately 2 Lakh Acre land of the State.

The Punjab Government also made it a point to lift Wheat & Paddy during the



procurement seasons in a hassle free manner besides crediting the payments to farmers without delay. Besides, the State Government is paying Rs. 401 per quintal to the sugarcane farmers of the State which is the highest in the country.

In the education sector too, the achievements of Punjab have been remarkable. The Punjab Government has ushered in 'Punjab Shiksha Kranti' under which 118 senior secondary schools would be transformed into 'Schools of Eminence'. The enrolment rate in respect of the Pre-Primary classes in the Government schools has registered an expansion of 17 percent. Besides, the teachers and the Principals are also being sent abroad for training in new techniques of pedagogy apart from skill enhancement.

It is a matter of great pride that in order to ensure the safety of girl students of the state, the Punjab Government in a step of historic proportions, has begun transport services for the girl students studying in 118 Schools of Eminence besides those of senior secondary schools.

Apart from this, the implementation of the National Education Policy 2020 would help the higher education institutes of Punjab mould themselves in accordance with the needs of changing times and becoming the frontline centres of education of the country. The policy would not just bring about an improved qualitative change in the academic sphere but also prepare the State to contribute significantly in achieving the 'Viksit Bharat 2047'.

The State Government is making continuous efforts to further streamline the health services mechanism and has undertaken multiple steps to ensure this. A total of 881 Aam Aadmi Clinics have been established in the state

besides dedicating 325 hi-tech ambulances to the people. In Mohali, 'Punjab Institute of Liver and Biliary Sciences' has been set up which is country's second and Punjab's first institute to provide ultra modern treatment in the field of liver & biliary sciences.

In order to provide administrative services at the doorsteps of the people, the Government is ensuring that citizen centric services are given to the common people right at their homes. Of these, 43 services are such which are deeply connected with the daily works of the 99 percent of people.

The Punjab Government is also making herculean efforts to provide employment to the youth on merit and in a transparent way and until now, over 50,000 youth of the State have been given jobs in Government sector with services of 12,710 Teachers regularized. In the previous financial year, 1,11,810 youth were given employment through 1332 placement camps, job fairs and self-employment camps.

The Punjab Government is ensuring free power to 90 percent of the households since 2022 which are getting zero bills. Besides, farmers of the state are also getting the free power facility which is proving to be of huge relief to the poor and middle class households too.

Apart from this, giving fillip to the renewable energy in the state, the Punjab Government has set up solar power plants of 3.3 MW capacity on the rooftop of 604 government buildings. Apart from this, 20,000 solar pumps for agricultural purposes would be installed too and 3191 LED based solar street lights have been installed in 166 villages also.

**Dear Citizens,**  
In industrial field too, the Punjab Government has made giant strides owing to which the State is well on course to become a world renowned centre in the spheres of Textiles, Machinery and Startups.

With a view to ease the transition towards industrial development, a single window portal named 'Punjab Business First Portal' has been made available which comes in handy to provide services such as 140 regulatory permissions, 36 financial ones and many more.

Also, a colour coded stamp paper has been issued in respect of the acceptance of CLU (Green Stamp Paper) which is necessary for making regulatory clearances faster and easier.

The villages, which comprise the backbone of Punjab, have been ensured water supply via pipelines with a view to achieve the 100 percent water to rural households whereas,

Punjab has become the 5th State in the country to get the 'Har Ghar Jal' status.

Apart from this, all the villages in the state have achieved the Open Defecation Free (ODF) status under the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin).

Under MGNREGA, during the FY 2024-25, Rs. 797 Crore were spent on giving human employment worth Rs. 1.73 Crore.

As per the AMRTI-1.0 scheme of the Government of India, works worth Rs. 10120 Crore stand completed out of Rs. 2765 Crore and works worth Rs. 1740 Crore have been awarded and are in progress.

The Punjab Government has rolled out anti corruption helpline number in order to ensure transparency and fix accountability. The main aim of the initiative is to take strong action against corruption and providing an easier medium to the public for lodging their complaints against corruption.

'Sadak Surakshya Force' has been constituted by the Punjab Government to increase safety and security on the roads. The initiative involves saving the precious lives of the victims of road accidents. Also, 'Farishtey' scheme has been launched in which the people taking injured persons to the hospital would be given a financial assistance worth Rs. 2000 and a commendation letter.

To put a stop to the crime in Punjab and from security point of view, 'Anti Gangster Task Force' has been formed which has arrested many gangsters and criminal elements as well as their gangs. In order to empower the police force, every year 1800 constable and 300 sub inspectors would be recruited over a period of four years and furthermore, advertisement has been issued for recruitment of 10000 new policemen.

The State Government is honouring the sacrifices made by the armed forces, paramilitary forces, police and agnivers by giving the financial assistance of Rs. 1 crore to the families of martyred soldiers.

The State Government has implemented a new sports policy for re-establishing the pristine glory of state in sports. The athletes from Punjab won historic 20 medals in the Asian Games. The eight players of Punjab in the Olympic Bronze winning Indian hockey squad were rewarded with the prize money of Rs. 1 Crore each. The Olympic participants were given Rs. 15 Lakh each with Rs. 15 Lakh per player for the preparations.

Along with this, the Punjab Government has appointed 11 prominent players of the State

as Punjab Civil Services (PCS) and Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) officers in a historic step towards honouring their immense contribution and boosting the morale of sporting talent of the state.

I am also elated to know that the Captain of Indian Hockey team Mr. Harmanpreet Singh from Punjab has been felicitated with the 'Khel Ratna' award and hockey players Jarnanpreet Singh from Amritsar and Sukhit Singh have been conferred 'Arjuna Award'. The ex athlete Mr. Sucha Singh from Jalandhar has been awarded 'Lifetime Achievement Arjuna Award'. I offer my sincere congratulations to all these players. The Third season of 'Kheda Watan Punjab Diyan' are being organized in order to boost the sports.

I would also like to appreciate another important initiative undertaken by the Punjab Government. The starting of 'National e-Vidhan Application' project is a significant step which is a proof of the wholehearted commitment of the State to make the legislative works, digital & transparent. Under this project, the proceedings of the house have been made paperless and the proceedings are also shown live.

**My dear Punjab residents,**  
Today when the State of Punjab is on course towards development and progress, there are some challenges before us too but if we face this in a united manner then such implications can be overcome. The drugs are our biggest challenge which has become a curse for the state. Drugs are not only weakening our youth physically and psychologically but also expose their families and our society to a grave risk. If we stand united against this menace then only Punjab can be made a healthy, robust, progressive and drug free State. For this, 1500 village level defence committees have been formed in the 6 border districts of Punjab with a view to halt the drugs and weapon smuggling from the international border with Pakistan. These committees are proving to be of great help in putting a stop to the weapons and drugs being sent through drones. Apart from this, the Punjab Government has established a state of the art 'Sahaya Sewa Koi' (SSU) in the Mohali based headquarters of the Anti Narcotics Task Force (ANTF) in an important initiative towards effectively tackling the drug scourge in the state. This unit possesses modern technique and the paraphernalia which would be effective in keeping vigil on drug smugglers and supply chains.

Although, Punjab is in the frontline ranks

and is serving the country well but despite that the pollution and the paddy straw management is a big challenge for us. During this Kharif season, a considerable reduction of 70 percent has been registered in the paddy straw burning incidents whereas 58 Compressed Biogas (CBG) projects have been accorded approval in the state for tackling the paddy straw burning problem. Out of these, 7 projects are operational.

The inadequate management of water pollution, air pollution and industrial waste are posing grave implications for the environmental stability in the state. Here, I would like to make a special mention of the Buddha Nala which was a clean and life giving stream of water once but is now a victim of pollution and apathy.

The resolution of these issues occupies primary importance not only from environmental point of view but is also significant when considered from the aspect of the health of the people and the future of the coming generations. As the Administrator of the UT Chandigarh, I am glad to inform that Chandigarh has a world class infrastructure pertaining to sports. Our efforts are focused in the direction of developing Chandigarh as a sports powerhouse of the country within one year and organize more & more National and International level tournaments in Chandigarh.

Punjab is surely going to be a lighthouse in the journey towards 'Viksit Bharat 2047' given its hardworking people, rich cultural legacy and fierce determination. I am fully confident that Punjab would play a frontline role in the journey and would present a new philosophy of development, progress and unity to the entire Nation.

The Republic Day is not only a day of joy but also a day of fulfilling our duties and responsibilities. We have to work towards building an empowered and prosperous India while complying with the traditions enshrined in our constitution.

In the end, I salute the soldiers of our country who are safeguarding our frontiers in the trying circumstances. Once again, I extend my best wishes to you all on Republic Day and pray for your prosperous future.

Let's take a pledge on this Republic Day that we would leave no stone unturned in undertaking every effort to take Punjab and our country to the pinnacle of development.

*Thank You,  
Jai Hind!*

# ACCOMPLISHMENTS, ACTIONS AND ASPIRATIONS FOR RANGLA PUNJAB

With the dawn of January 26, 1950 India became a Sovereign, Socialist, Democratic and Secular Republic as the Constitution, drafted by our forefathers led by Bharat Ratna Baba Saheb Dr BR Ambedkar, came into effect on this auspicious day. It was really a moment of glory for all of us as we got the power to exercise our franchise thereby fulfilling the cherished aspirations of our forefathers of having the 'Government of the people, for the people and by the people'. With every passing day during the past over 75 years the ethos of democratic republic has been strengthened in the country as the countrymen had displayed unflinching faith in democratic norms and had given a clear verdict in favour of 'ballo' without any fear. Likewise, Indians especially the Punjabis have thwarted any attempt aimed at endangering the hard earned sovereignty of the country. Apart from safeguarding the country during wars in 1947, 1962, 1965, 1971 and then Kargil war our brave patriots have made supreme sacrifices to protect the dignity and sovereignty of the nation. It is a matter of immense pride and satisfaction for all of us that Punjabis have inherited an indomitable spirit of self sacrifice and patriotism from our Great Sikh gurus who have taught us to fight against oppression, tyranny and injustice. A dream envisaged by our great forefathers of an Independent and sovereign Indian Republic was fulfilled due to enormous sacrifices made by the countrymen during their fight against the mighty British Raj. But none could ever forget the unparalleled sacrifices made by the Punjabis at the altar of the Indian National freedom struggle. It would not be overemphasized to recall the stellar role by thousands of unsung heroes across the country, especially the sons of the soil who not only played a vanguard role in the national freedom struggle but their courageous deeds also inspired millions of others to join the 'war for independence'. Despite being merely two percent of the country's population, 80% of the martyrs executed or exiled during the freedom struggle were Punjabis. Besides being the land of watershed movements of Indian freedom struggle like Kukka, Ghadar, Kisan, Pagri Sambhal and others, Punjab produced sons of the soil like Lala Lajpat Rai, Diwan Singh Kalepani and others who laid their lives for emancipating the country from the clutches of British Imperialism. The heroic deeds of Shaheed Bhagat Singh, Shaheed Rajguru, Shaheed Sukhdev, Shaheed Udham Singh and Kartar Singh Sarabha gave new vigor to the national freedom struggle by inspiring the generations to rise against British imperialism. Likewise, the brutal killing of innocent people in the Jallianwala Bagh Massacre proved to be a last nail in the coffin of the barbaric British rule. Even after independence the Punjabis have been at centre stage in ensuring prosperity and overall development of the country besides safeguarding the borders of the nation from the external aggressions.

Even during the period of crisis, we the brave Punjabis have never let our high spirits go down rather strengthened the ethos of

democracy by reposing full faith in the constitution of the nation. Despite our limited natural resources the farmers of the state have put their sweat and toil to make the country self-reliant in food production, that too at the cost of overexploitation of the only available natural resources of the state. The brave soldiers from the state have upheld the glorious traditions of defending their motherland by making countless sacrifices during the battles of 1947, 1962, 1965, 1971 and Kargil War besides in several other operations to save our country from internal insurgency to maintain peace, law and order.

Due to strenuous efforts of the state government, Punjab is on the threshold of witnessing revolutionary changes in the Education, Employment and Health sectors in the current year. Education, Health and Employment sectors are three important pillars of our society but unfortunately these areas had hitherto remained ignored during the tenure of successive state governments. However, now after assuming charge of office, my government is laying major thrust on development of these areas of immense public importance.

During the current year the state government will rejuvenate these sectors to ensure their maximum benefit to the people. Top priority is being accorded on these sectors to ensure that more and more people take mileage from it. No stone will be left unturned for this noble cause as these sectors are directly connected with the welfare of people and the current year will witness major changes in these three areas. My government is working closely with the people and in unison with the ideals of Shaheed Bhagat Singh and Baba Saheb Dr BR Ambedkar, to ensure the well being of all. It is unfortunate that the dreams of our freedom fighters and great national heroes like Shaheed-e-Azam Bhagat Singh and Baba Saheb Dr BR Ambedkar remain unfulfilled. People had high hopes from the many governments that assumed power in the state through the decades after independence, but most served to dash these hopes because of corruption, poverty, unemployment and many other ills that are still deeply embedded in the state. So from day one from assuming the charge of office, the Aam Aadmi Party Government has been making strenuous efforts to fulfil the aspirations of our great freedom fighters. Due to the concerted efforts of our government, Punjab has today emerged as a front runner state in the country and an unprecedented era of progress, prosperity and peace is being witnessed in the state. A new revolution has been embarked in the state with the sole aim of providing clean, efficient, responsive and transparent governance to the people and we are making every effort to restore the glory of Punjab.

My government has taken several people and development oriented initiatives so that the dreams of the founding fathers of this country are realized and people can enjoy the fruits of freedom. Health, education, power, water and infrastructure are the top five priorities of the Aam Aadmi Party government



**Bhagwant Singh Mann**  
Chief Minister, Punjab

and we are consistently making efforts to put the state on a high growth trajectory.

**SADAK SURAKSHYA FORCE**  
The state government has launched the first of its kind initiative in the country, a dedicated Sadak Surakshya Force to ensure enhanced security and to save precious lives on the State and National Highways. Specially trained, freshly recruited 1597 personnel are acting as the backbone to this force, who have been provided with the latest, fully equipped 144 vehicles and since its launch last year this force has saved 48% of lives in road accidents besides returning the valuables and money of people who get injured during road accidents. The force has been deployed all along 4200 km of the Highways, prone to traffic accidents adding that in addition to patrolling in the assigned areas, they act as a deterrent for traffic violations and more.

**HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE**  
The state government is leaving no stone unturned for upgrading Health infrastructure and most recently 58 hi-tech ambulances were dedicated to the people of the state thereby ensuring that they are available to people in hour of distress. With this addition in the fleet of ambulances, a total number of 325 ambulances have been pressed into the service of people across the state to ensure that they get health services in time. These Ultra Modern Ambulances have been mandated to reach the needy patients within 15 minutes in Urban Areas and 20 minutes in Rural Areas.

Due to concerted efforts of the state government, the Punjab Institute of Liver and Biliary Sciences, has been set up at Mohali. This state of the art institute is the second in the country and the first in Punjab to have such a plethora of modern machines, surpassing even private hospitals. Apart from it the state government is establishing 45 maternity and child care centers in the state, with 37 already dedicated to the people.

**AAM AADMI CLINICS**  
In order to impart quality healthcare services to people, the state government has

set up 881 Aam Aadmi clinics across Punjab which have revolutionized the health care sector in the state. So far more than 2.5 crore people have taken the benefits of these clinics in the state and more than 95% of patients visiting these clinics daily. Ever since inception these clinics have witnessed a huge footfall indicating that every third person of the state has taken benefit from these clinics.

**FREE POWER**  
The state government had launched the guarantee to provide free power to the people in 2022 and since then 90% of the households in the state are getting free power and have got zero power bills. This has reduced a big burden on the pocket of the common man by saving a minimum Rs 35,000 annually for poor households. It is also a matter of immense pride and satisfaction that along with domestic consumers, the food growers of the country are also getting free and uninterrupted power in the state.

**SIKHYA KRANTI**  
Punjab Government has started "Punjab Sikhya Kranti" to improve infrastructure in all Government schools along with which the state Government is committed to make 118 Government Senior Secondary Schools as Schools of Eminence, equipped with smart classrooms, fully equipped labs and playgrounds for scientific learning. Due to all out efforts of the state government, the enrolment in government schools has been increased by around 17% in Pre-primary classes. To upscale the expertise of the teachers special program has been embarked under which teachers and Principals are being sent abroad for training so that they are well versed with modern teaching practices to prepare the students for future competitions in the international arena.

**CANAL WATER**  
At the time when I had assumed the charge of office only 21% canal water was being used in the state for irrigation purposes. However, it is a matter of great pride and satisfaction that today 72% of the canal water is being used for irrigation purposes. This has ensured availability of canal water to farmers at the tail ends, who were deprived of this for decades.

**MALWA CANAL**  
For the first time in the post-independence era my government has started the work for construction of Malwa canal in the state and it is on record that none of the previous governments of the state had paid heed towards this necessity of the farmers of the state. Around 150 kilometre long this new canal will usher a new era of unprecedented progress and prosperity in the state especially in Malwa region. The state government will spend around Rs 2300 crore on this prestigious project that will cater to irrigational needs of nearly two lakh acres of fertile land of the state.

**SARKAR TUHADE DWAR**  
In a major citizen centric initiative, the state Government has launched a new scheme namely 'Door-Step Delivery of Services under 'Bhagwant Mann Sarkar Tuhaad Dwar' to provide services to the citizens

at their door-step on demand. Under the scheme, 43 citizen services have been identified which constitute more than 99% of the daily administrative works of people.

Another scheme namely AAP ki Sarkar AAP De Dwar, under which camps are being held all over the State to provide services to the citizens in their village has been launched and lakhs of citizens visit the camps to take the benefit of the availability of services at their places of residence.

**INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT**  
The state Government is committed to providing a boost to the investment and industrial infrastructure in the State. With its earnest efforts, my Government has roped in investment of more than Rs 85,000 Crores with the proposed employment of about 3.50 lakh by leading companies like Tata Steel, Sanatan Textiles and others, who are making a beeline to invest in the state. The state Government has also introduced Green stamp paper in the registration of sale deeds to ensure faster and smooth issuance of regulatory clearances to industry projects.

**JOBS AND EMPLOYMENT**  
During the last financial year, my Government has given job/self employment facilities to 1,11,810 candidates through 1,332 placement camps/job fairs/self-employment camps. Continuing the endeavour of providing government jobs on merit to deserving candidates, my Government has ensured fairness in recruitment while also ensuring efficiency. Till now more than 50,000 govt jobs have been given so far to youth of the state which implies that on an average the state government has given 51 government jobs to the youth daily in the last around three years of its tenure.

**ZERO TOLERANCE AGAINST CORRUPTION**  
As vowed while assuming charge of office, the Aam Aadmi Party Government in the state has continued drive to eradicate corruption at an increasing pace. The state government has introduced an anti corruption helpline number 9501200200 on which any person can lodge their complaint if anyone seeks bribe from them. In order to ensure transparent governance, my Government has adopted a Zero Tolerance Policy towards corruption and trap cases were registered by Punjab Vigilance Bureau against Gazetted Officers, Non-Gazetted Officers and private persons who were caught red handed while accepting illegal gratification.

**FARISHTHEY SCHEME**  
The state Government has notified the FARISHTHEY scheme, in order to save the life of accident victims and encourage the general public for their hassle-free participation towards helping the accidental victims. The state Government will offer a financial reward of Rs. 2000 to commend their noble deeds. Apart from financial reward, a certificate will be issued to such persons and they have been provided immunity from legal complications and police inquiries.

**LAW AND ORDER**  
Despite being a border state, Punjab has

emerged as an Oasis of peace and progress in the country and Punjab Police has started various initiatives in the form of operation CASO in this regard. Launching of Anti Gangster Task Force (AGTF) and PGD Portal have also acted as a pivotal to check the crime in the state. AGTF has spearheaded dedicated operations against gangsters and criminals in the state and other parts of the country, leading to the arrest of several wanted gangsters and criminals and busting various gangster modules along with recovery of huge cache of arms and ammunition.

In order to enhance the manpower in the Police department for enhancing its efficiency, the state government has already decided to recruit 1800 Constables and 300 Sub Inspectors every year in Punjab Police to overcome the scarcity of cops. For these 2100 posts every year around 2.50 lakh candidates are expected to apply for these posts so all the aspirants will get involved in academics as well as in improving their physique for clearing the tests. The state government has also decided to recruit 10,000 new cops in Punjab Police for which notification has already been issued.

**ELIMINATION OF CONTRACTUAL SYSTEM**  
It is a matter of immense pride and satisfaction that by eliminating the word contractual prefixed before the posts of employees the state government has regularized services of 12710 teachers by overcoming all the legal and administrative hiccups. With the regularizing of services these teachers will get an annual increment of 5% in their salaries coupled with other benefits including holidays. This will ensure that these teachers become an active partner in socio-economic development of the state.

**RS 1 CRORE TO MARTYRS**  
Recognizing the immense contribution of jawans of Armed Forces, Paramilitary forces, Police and even Agnivers in safeguarding unity and integrity of the country, the state government gives financial assistance worth Rs 1 crore to the family in case the jawans attain martyrdom in line of duty. This financial assistance is given as a mark of respect for the supreme sacrifice made by the hero for the country. This humble initiative of the state government is in recognition of the immense contribution of this son of soil towards preserving the unity, integrity and sovereignty of the country.

**DSR TECHNIQUE**  
In order to save the precious underground water in the state and to enhance the yield of farmers, the state government has encouraged the farmers to adopt Direct Seeding of Rice (DSR) technique. Punjab Government has been offering Rs.1500 per acre as a financial assistance to motivate farmers to choose the DSR method over traditional paddy transplanting. This has yielded results as there has been a significant 44% increase in the area dedicated to DSR compared to last year and the acreage sown using the water-conserving DSR technique has risen to over 2.48 lakh acres from 1.72

lakh acres during the Kharif season of 2023.

**PROCUREMENT OF CROPS**  
The state government has set a new benchmark in hassle free and smooth procurement and lifting of the farmer's produce as soon as it arrives in the mandis. The of farmers is lifted from the grain markets in a smooth, timely and hassle free manner to ensure that food growers do not face any sort of problem while selling their produce. In another initiative instead of only eight hour power supply in the past the farmers are now being given regular and uninterrupted power supply during the entire day.

**SPORTS POLICY**  
The Aam Aadmi Government had notified the State's new Sports Policy in 2023 to restore Punjab's glory in the field of sports and under the new Sports Policy for the first time, a whopping amount has been given to sportspeople from the state, selected to represent the country in the Asian and Olympics Games. For the first time, players from Punjab bagged 20 medals in the Asian Games, which is the highest medal tally since Asian Games started in 1951 and they were given a cash reward of Rs. 29.25 crore without delay. The players from the state have now performed extremely well in the Paris Olympics which is the result of this new innovative Sports policy and it is a matter of immense pride that 10 players in the Bronze medal winner Indian Hockey squad were from Punjab.

But this is not enough. I am convinced that abiding success in any field lies only through the involvement of the people. We solicit your active support and cooperation for fulfilling the dreams of our great forefathers. This cannot be realized merely by paying lip service to freedom fighters, as has been the practice with those who had the power to shape our destiny for long periods since 1947. Punjabis deserve all appreciation for their hard work, commitment and zeal to demonstrate peace, communal harmony and amity in the state and this inherent strength testifies our true character and spirit. This is the hour of introspection for all of us. Our great heroes, martyrs and national leaders had a vision of an India which would be a role model for the entire world as a country in which poverty, illiteracy, inequality and exploitation will have no place. They wanted an India in which the commonest of the common Indian would walk as a proud citizen, where every youth will have gainful employment and will devote his creative energies for building a society on the foundation provided by the teaching of our great Gurus, saints and seers. We have still miles to travel before we get even close to this dream. But this is a good time to dedicate ourselves to the fulfillment of this dream. On this momentous occasion, let us dedicate ourselves to carve out a 'Rangla Punjab' and to fulfil the vision of our freedom fighters and national heroes. I call upon all Punjabis to play an active role in the journey to once again make Punjab prosperous and a front runner state of the country.

*Jai Hind !*

**NEWS BRIEF**

**Voting is the right of every citizen: SDM**



**KULWINDER KARWAL SARDULGARH:** National Voter's Day was celebrated at various polling booths of Assembly Constituency 97-Sardulgarh under the leadership of SDM Sardulgarh Mr Nitish Kumar Jain. Meanwhile, BLOs were present at their respective booths and the youth were registered as voters and were given the voter oath. SDM Mr Nitish Kumar Jain said that voting is the right of every citizen. He said that every eligible youth should be registered as a voter so that no voter is deprived of the right to vote. He also said that it is our duty to make people aware about the importance of the right to vote so that voters vote more and more.

**IIT Ropar hosts PIWOT satellite conference**



**BAHADURJEET SINGH RUPNAGAR:** The office of International relations and Alumni affairs at Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Ropar hosted the PanIT World of Technology (PIWOT) Satellite Conference, bringing together distinguished experts from academia, industry, and defense. The conference centered on pivotal themes such as Artificial Intelligence, skilling for Industry 5.0, and defense technology. The key highlights of the event were the panel discussions with experts, signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Wheels Global Foundation and visits to IITs Technology Business Incubator Foundation (TBIIF), Central research Facilities and Dr Ranbir Singh Tinkers' Lab. The event began with a traditional Lamp Lighting Ceremony, followed by a welcome address from Prof. Rajeev Ahuja, Director of IIT Ropar. Eminent speakers, including Mr Harpreet Singh Nibber, Head of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), and Dr Rajnikant S. Shah, Chairman of the Health Council, delivered impactful speeches, highlighting the importance of Engineers and doctors to come together with industry to innovate and make lives in rural areas even better.

**MCM student participates in Viksit Bharat young leaders dialogue**



**CHANDIGARH:** Bringing laurels to her alma mater, Shobhna Kalra, a student of MA Sociology at Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh, participated in the Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue 2025 held at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, on the occasion of National Youth Day. She participated in the dialogue as a representative from the state of Punjab. The dialogue was a four level championship, consisting of Quiz (Level 1) wherein 30 lakh people participated, Essay Writing Competition (Level 2) wherein 2 lakh people competed, and State Championship (Level 3) that included PPT on the theme Vikas Bhi Virasat Bhi, and leadership assessment / personal interview. Ms. Kalra scored the highest in the leadership assessment, and was selected to be a part of the Punjab contingent of young leaders that got the opportunity to participate in the Level 4 National Dialogue at the Bharat Mandapam.

**Youth dies of drug overdose in village Dayalpur**



**VICKY BHABAT ZIRAKPUR:** A youth died of drug overdose in village Dayalpur near Zirakpur. The deceased is said to be around 30 years old and had returned from abroad a few days ago. According to the residents of the village, he had left his house three days ago with two youths from the village. According to information received from the spot, Gurjit Singh son of Raunak Singh, around 30 years old, had left his house with his friends the night before yesterday, saying that he would return for a while. When he did not return home for a long time, the family searched for him a lot but could not find him. Some people from the village said that the youths with whom he had gone were seen entering the house from the back door, but the house was locked from outside. When his father entered the house, he saw that he was lying dead on the bed. People said that he had been working in Dubai with his wife for the last few months and after Dubai he wanted to go to work in another country and had stayed in the village for a few days. The villagers are in panic due to the deaths due to drug overdose in the village of Dayalpur and to end this scourge of drugs, the youth of the village had also formed a committee against drugs, which split into two about two months ago and the drug trade started again in the village.

# Mohali Admin marks 15th National Voters' Day by honoring services of best performers

SHASHI PAL JAIN  
MOHALI, JAN 25

Mohali Administration today marked 15th National Voters' Day at Shiwalik Public School, Phase 6. Earlier, a cycle rally was flagged off by SDM Daman-deep Kaur from School of Eminence, Phase 3B1, Mohali to Shiwalik Public School to create an awareness among the youth to become voters.

Addressing the gathering of youth and others at the Auditorium of the School, the Deputy Commissioner-cum-District Electoral Officer, Aashika Jain while apprising the audience of the importance of vote, exhorted them to become a voter, if they have attained an age of 18 on January 1, 2025. She said that our country is known as the world's biggest democracy



and the day we are celebrating today, is known as the installation day of the Election Commission of India, that came into existence a day before the Republic Day, in 1950. Today, we have enrolled about 99.1 crore Indians as voters and soon we will surpass the figure of 100 crore voters, that would also be a proud moment for the biggest democracy of the globe, she added. Calling for assuming responsibility as a voter, she

said that a vote decides the future of a democratic country. The more the votes will be polled, the more our contribution will assert our right to choose the right and wrong. She said that the National Voters' day that was started to celebrate from 2011, was aimed at making awareness among the voters, especially youth, to be the part of democracy by enrolling as a voter and then exercising their right to choose a

## Harbhajan Singh with family enjoys retreat ceremony at Hussainiwalla Border Ferozpur

**FEROZEPUR (ABHISHEK NANDA):** Punjab Cabinet Minister (Public Works and Power) S. Harbhajan Singh along with his family reached Ferozpur and enjoyed the retreat ceremony at Hussainiwalla Border. His wife Suhinder Kaur and daughter were present with him. He said that he felt very happy to see this retreat ceremony today and got to see a very good atmosphere here. Meanwhile, Cabinet Minister S. Harbhajan Singh also met the soldiers present there. He said that he is proud of the country's protectors who are working day and night for the security of the country. He said that when the countrymen are resting in their homes, these soldiers of our country are performing their duty even at night in cold and heat, remaining alert for the security of the country. He said that we are proud of the soldiers of our country.



## Dr Balbir Singh orders inquiry into power outage at Rajindra Hospital

RAWEL BHINDER  
PATIALA, JAN 25

Punjab's Medical Education, Research, and Health Minister, Dr. Balbir Singh, has ordered a thorough inquiry into the sudden power outage in the operation theatre of Government Rajindra Hospital, Patiala.

Dr. Balbir Singh visited the hospital's 66 KV power substation today to assess the situation firsthand. Following the inspection, he convened an emergency meeting with senior officials from the PSPCL, PWD Electrical Wing, and other engineers to review the circumstances in detail. The Minister emphasized that negligence would not be tolerated, and a detailed audit of the hospital's power supply arrangements is underway. He instructed officials to ensure the prompt upgrading of UPS systems, generator sets, and power lines. He also directed that the Ring Main Unit (RMU) on



the Pasiana feeder line be installed within a week to enhance reliability.

Dr. Balbir Singh stated that arrangements are being made to guarantee uninterrupted power supply in the future.

Backup systems will be configured to include a 30-minute UPS, generator activation within 1 to 2 minutes, and line switching within 10 minutes. He assured that Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann has provided clear instructions that there will be no shortage of funds to improve health services across

the state. The Minister also highlighted the Punjab government's efforts to upgrade Rajindra Hospital into a world-class facility. Plans are underway to develop the hospital as a postgraduate training institute modeled on PGI Chandigarh.

He further pointed out that in July last year, an additional 11 KV power line was commissioned at a cost of ₹25 lakh to ensure uninterrupted electricity supply. A third 11 KV feeder from Shakti Vihar has also been commissioned to strengthen the power infrastructure.

## Kapurthala police bust gang involved in robberies



**KAPURTHALA (ASHISHPURI):** The CIA staff of Kapurthala and the Bhulath police team have claimed to uncover the main link of an inter-district gang involved in robberies at gunpoint in various districts. The arrested accused was found with a .32 bore pistol, 5 live rounds, a Swift car, a toy gun, and an Oppo mobile phone. SP-D Sarabjeet Rai confirmed the arrest and stated that efforts are ongoing to apprehend the remaining four members of the gang. He also mentioned that the accused has been presented before the court and police remand for two days has been obtained.

SP Sarabjeet Rai, while speaking to the media, said that on January 15, an I-20 car was robbed at gunpoint in the Subhanpur police station area. An FIR was registered at Subhanpur police station, and an investigation began. During the investigation, the Bhulath Division DSP team and the CIA staff incharge inspector Jarnail Singh conducted a joint operation and arrested one accused, Karanveer Singh alias Mota, son of Gurdarshan Singh, a resident of village Pakhopur, Tarn Taran.

## FM Cheema lays foundation stone of indoor hall

SUMER GARG  
DIRBA, JAN 25

Cabinet minister to the GoP, Harpal Singh Cheema today inaugurated the construction work of the multi-purpose indoor sports hall at Dirba. The minister said that under the leadership of Chief Minister, Bhagwant Singh Mann, the Punjab government is regularly promoting sports culture in the state on a large scale and in this direction sports hall to be built at a cost of Rs 7.20 crore.

He added that the stadium would provide a platform to the talented players of Dirba to nurture their skills for sports events at the national and international level.

The minister laid the foundation stone in the presence of Mrs. Ranjit Kaur, wife of the legendary boxer Padma Shri Kaur Singh and Mrs. Paramjit Kaur wife of the late renowned



Kabaddi player Late Gurmail Singh. Cabinet minister said that the long-pending demand of the sports lovers is going to be fulfilled soon and talented players of Dirba region will hone their sports skills in 11 different sports including Kabaddi and Boxing as well as Volleyball, Basketball, Badminton, Table Tennis, Judo, Gymnastics, Wrestling and will bring laurel to the state. He said that Padama Shri Kaur Singh and Gurmail Singh achieved immense success in their respective sports fields, this indoor sports hall

would be dedicated to them as a befitting memorial. While speaking on the occasion, Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur Sandeep Rishi said that this indoor sports hall will prove to be a boon for the players. He said that under the leadership of Cabinet Minister, Harpal Singh Cheema, Dirba is touching heights in terms of development. He further said that this effort to immortalize the memory of the personalities who have established their unique identity in the field of sports is commendable.

## Jagraon city to celebrate R-Day with show: SDM Karandeep Singh



**JAGRAON (SUKH NAHAR):** Jagraon city is all set to celebrate 76th Republic Day with great pomp in the presence of a huge number of prominent persons from the city. SDM Jagraon Karandeep Singh took overview of the republic day celebrations a day prior to the big occasion.

He ensured that proper arrangements are accomplished on time in order to conduct the entire program smoothly. SDM urged all the civilians to participate in the republic day celebration to make the occasion more memorable.

He also appealed everybody to maintain decorum during the celebration while warning the bad elements against creating any troubles. He said that anybody found trying to disrupt law and order shall be strictly dealt with. Singh also mentioned that such celebrations are crucial to let the coming generations know about the hard earned democracy of our nation and its value.

## Two motorcyclists snatch gold chain in broad daylight



SHASHI PAL JAIN  
KHARAR, JAN 25

How much the robbers have become emboldened is evident from the fact that in broad daylight, they snatched a gold chain from a mother and daughter sunbathing in front of a house in Guru Nanak Colony Street No. 2 and fled.

Somnath, a resident of the place, said that at around 1:30 pm, a motorcyclist stopped

there, the driver of which was wearing a helmet and the person sitting behind was wearing a black jacket with a cap. The motorcyclist kept the motorcyclist running and the other asked for the address of a house.

In the meantime, he snatched a 3 tola gold chain from a woman's neck and fled. Their recording was recorded in the CCTV camera. He has informed the police in this regard.

## The Unirise World School celebrates Republic Day with great enthusiasm



SUKH NAHAR  
JAGRAON, JAN 25

Commemorating the spirit of patriotism, the Unirise World School, celebrated the 76th Republic Day with great pomp and show this year too. The school was decorated with rangoli and balloons.

The Chairman of the school, Mr. Rakesh Aggarwal ji, proudly unfurled the tricolour. All present there saluted the national flag and the National Anthem "Jana Gana Mana" was sung with great pride and respect. The students then showcased their talent through a series of cultur-

al programs, including patriotic songs, dances, and skits. The performances were a testament to the students' creativity and dedication to the nation. The Director Dr. Pallavi Aggarwal and the Managing director Mr. Shifu Aggarwal shared quotes from famous Indian leaders, highlighting their vision for a united and prosperous India. The Principal, Mrs. Neha Rattan delivered an inspiring speech on the importance of Republic Day and the values enshrined in the Indian Constitution. In the end, the students and the staff of the school took a pledge to protect the honour.

## All Himachal Lawyers Cricket League 2025: A grand success at PCA Mohali International Stadium

SHASHI PAL JAIN  
MOHALI, JAN 25

The Lawyers Sports and Cultural Society, HP High Court, proudly organized the All Himachal Lawyers Cricket League 2025 at the prestigious PCA Mohali International Stadium. This historic event marked the first time the tournament was hosted at such a renowned venue, creating unforgettable memories for participants and spectators alike.

The tournament began with a curtain-raiser match featuring the High Court Judges, played in the esteemed presence of Hon'ble Mr. Justice Suryakant, Judge, Supreme Court of India, which set the tone for the exciting matches that followed.

Adding to the event's grandeur, Sh. Rajiv Shukla, Vice President of the BCCI, inaugurated the trophy, further elevating the significance of this milestone. The Man of the Match and Man of the Series



awards were presented by President IN Mehta, Vice President D.S. Kainthla, and Mr. K.G. Sharma, DGM, National Insurance Company Limited, whose presence added prestige to the occasion. Additionally, Mr. Sameer Dhawan, Chief Business Manager, NIC, apprised the participants of various insurance products and policies, further enriching the event. The successful organization of this event was made possible under the leadership of President IN Mehta and Vice President D.S.

Kainthla, along with the tireless efforts of Naresh Verma, Devender Sharma, Vinay Mehta, Govind Korla, and Yashveer Singh Rathore, whose dedication ensured the tournament's seamless execution.

The Lawyers Sports and Cultural Society, HP High Court, extends heartfelt gratitude to all the participants, sponsors, and supporters for their invaluable contributions, which made this event an extraordinary and memorable occasion.

## R-Day celebrated at Sanmati Vimal Jain School



SUKH NAHAR  
JAGRAON, JAN 25

Republic Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm at Sanmati Vimal Jain Senior Secondary Public School, Jagraon, under the guidance of school Director Shashi Jain and Principal Supriya Khurana. On this occasion, the Tricolor flag was hoisted at the compus. Following this,

students presented cultural dances performances and sang patriotic songs.

A patriotic poetry recitation competition was organized as well. The Principal informed the children about India's history and encouraged them to always celebrate this memorable day with full enthusiasm.

In the competition, Ekam from Pre-Nursery secured the

first position, Bhavya from L.K.G. and Humaira from L.K.G. won second, and Purvi Maurya and Lovepreet Singh from L.K.G. secured third place.

Continuing this tradition, Himanshi from U.K.G. won first place, Khushi took second, and Agam-Veer earned third place. The winning students were honored with prizes.

## Irving's Park Smart School celebrates 76th Republic Day with vibrance and patriotism



**MORINDA (RADHE SHYAM SHARMA):** The staff and students of Irving's Park Smart School came together to celebrate the 76th Republic Day of India with great enthusiasm, vibrance, and patriotism. The event highlighted the unity, cultural richness, and democratic spirit of the nation.

The program commenced with the ceremonial flag hoisting by the esteemed Principal, Mrs. Anuradha Dhiman. As the Tricolour unfurled against the morning sky, the atmosphere resonated with pride and devotion, followed by a synchronized march past by the students. They saluted the National Flag with energy and patriotic fervor, showcasing their discipline and dedication. Following the march past, a cultural extravaganza unfolded, centered on the theme of this year's Republic Day: "Swarnim Bharat: Virasat aur Vikas" (Golden India: Heritage and Development). Students delivered captivating dance performances, melodious patriotic songs, and stirring speeches that emphasized India's rich heritage and its journey toward development.

## Daljeet Ajnoha honored by Nikiyan Karumbalan Publications



**HOSHARPUR (DALJEET AJNOHA):** Daljeet Ajnoha has made great strides in the field of journalism for the past three decades. These views were expressed by Harbhajan Singh Kahlon and Chanchal Singh Bains, Patrons of Sur Sangam Educational Trust in Karumbalan Bhavan, Mahilpur while addressing the felicitation ceremony. He further said that Daljeet Ajnoha has earned a name in the country and the world by doing exclusive work in languages like Punjabi, Hindi and English. In view of his international level achievements in the field of print and electronic media, Cedarbrook University of America has conferred an honorary degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

Shiromani Punjabi children's literature writer Baljinder Mann, highlighting his achievements, said that he is a journalist and writer with an investigative spirit, who has published all over the world through special meetings with high-ranking officials and leaders from a common man. Newspapers are published and broadcast on magazines and channels. Keeping in view the research work done by him on international subjects, the university authorities selected him from Punjab for this honor. Born in village Ajnoha in Mahilpur area, Daljeet Ajnoha, where the entire journalism and writing world is proud, the entire region also feels proud.

**YAGYA DUTT SHASTRI PEHOWA:** National Voting Day was celebrated on the sixth day of NSS camp at Shaheed Balbir Singh Government Sanskrit Senior Secondary School under the joint aegis of Election Commission of India, New Delhi and Education Department as per the orders of DC Kurukshetra. In which all the volunteers took oath to exercise their voting rights



without any temptation. While addressing the volunteers, Principal Bhimsen said that the Election Commission of India was set up on 25 January. This day was celebrated

as National Voting Day. The purpose of celebrating this day was to make every eligible citizen to register as a voter in the voter list. Awareness has to be spread among the general public to include them as volunteers. Political Science Professor Dr. Joginder Singh Saini administered the oath to the volunteers that they were citizens of India they will exercise their right to vote in democracy.

**CHANDIGARH**  
SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2025

**NEWS BRIEF**

**e-KYC needed for workers at Lok Mitra Kendra: Labour Officer**

**BALKRISHAN PRASHAR CHAMBA:** The e-KYC of registered workers was being done in the Chamba District Office by courtesy of Himachal Pradesh Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board. Giving this information here yesterday, District Labour Welfare Officer Shweta Kumari said that e-KYC of all the registered workers would be done by March 31, in which the Aadhaar cards of the workers would be verified. She urged all the registered workers to go to their nearest Lok Mitra Kendra and ensure that they get their Aadhaar card number linked with their mobile number so that the workers remain eligible to avail the benefits of various welfare schemes being implemented by Himachal Pradesh Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board in future.

**Lecture on Indian Constitution organized in Govt College, Chammu Kal**

**YAGYA DUTT SHASTRI PEHOWA:** A detailed lecture on the Indian Constitution was organized in Government College Chammu Kala on Saturday under the joint aegis of the Department of Political Science and National Service Scheme (NSS). The students of the college participated in it with great enthusiasm. Rajat Kumar, the head of the Department of Political Science, was the keynote speaker in this program. College Principal Dr. Geeta Sukhija inspired the students to follow the Constitution. Commerce Department Head Dr. Savita Kumari also inspired the students to follow the ideals of the Constitution. On this occasion, the Preamble was also recited by the students. Along with this, on the occasion of Voter's Day, the students also took the oath to vote.

## Vande Bharat train accomplishes successful trial run on Kashmir route

**AGENCY SRINAGAR, JAN 25**

The long-cherished dream of a train to Kashmir is finally nearing reality with the successful trial run of the first Vande Bharat train conducted from Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Railway Station in Katra to central Kashmir on Saturday.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi is expected to inaugurate the service next month, after which the much-anticipated train to Kashmir will officially begin operations.

According to officials, the train departed from Katra at 8 am and reached Srinagar by 11 am, crossing two of India's engineering



marvels en route. These include the Anji Khad Bridge, the country's first cable-stayed rail bridge, and the Chenab Bridge at Sangaldan, which holds the record as the world's highest railway bridge. "The trial run of the

Vande Bharat train was successfully conducted from Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Railway Station, Katra, to Budgam today," said Chief Area Manager Kashmir Northern Railways Saqib Yousuf. The Katra to Srinagar Vande Bharat Express is

equipped with cutting-edge features designed to ensure smooth operations even during harsh winter conditions. These include heating systems throughout the train, such as heaters in lavatories and vacuum systems to maintain passenger comfort, and self-regulating heating cables to keep water flowing in the plumbing. The driver's windshield is equipped with heating elements to prevent fogging and freezing, while bio-toilets have heating systems to prevent water from freezing. The air brake system also features heating to maintain optimal performance in sub-zero temperatures.

For enhanced safety, the train is equipped with anti-spall layers to protect the driver during extreme weather. Passengers can enjoy a host of modern amenities, including fully air-conditioned coaches, automatic plug doors, mobile charging sockets, and overhead luggage racks, offering a comfortable and convenient travel experience.

Despite these advancements, the train service will not directly connect Srinagar and Delhi for the time being. Passengers traveling to Kashmir will need to de-board at Katra, where the train will be sanitized before continuing to Srinagar.

## 'Our Constitution-Our Self-respect' program organized in auditorium of Mini Secretariat



**RANVIR PRASHAR KAITHAL, JAN 25**

Additional Deputy Commissioner Babu Lal Karwa said that the principles of the country and the methods of running it were contained in the Constitution itself. It is the Constitution that makes us feel like a free citizen of a free country and protects the rights of all the citizens of the country. In the Constitution, every citizen of the country has been given equal opportunity to move forward. We have the freedom to adopt any religion, have the freedom to take up any employment. We all have equal right to vote. We got all

these rights through the Constitution. All citizens should be aware not only of their rights but also of their duties. ADC Babu Lal Karwa was speaking during the district level program of Our Constitution-Our Self-respect in the auditorium of the Mini Secretariat on Saturday. He said that the Constitution was adopted on November 26, 1949. After this the Constitution came into force on January 26, 1950. He said that to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Indian Constitution and the establishment of the Republic of India, a campaign named Our Constitution-Our Swabhiman was being run.

## Distt level National Voter's Day function celebrated in Govt College Una

**KISHORI LAL BAINS UNA, JAN 25**

The 15th district level National Voter's Day function was celebrated with great enthusiasm at Government College, Una. District Election Officer and Deputy Commissioner Una Jain Lal participated in the ceremony as the chief guest. This time the theme of National Voter's Day was 'There is nothing like vote, we will definitely vote'. The objective of which was to register the names of voters of 18 years of age and above in the voter list and to promote maximum participation of all voters in the elections. During this time the message of the Chief Election Commissioner of India was also aired.

On this occasion, Deputy Commissioner Una said in his address that the purpose



of celebrating National Voters' Day was to raise awareness about the importance of voting in democracy and promote active participation in the election process. It was celebrated every year with a special theme to encourage new young voters and increase the percentage of nominations. The Deputy Commissioner urged the younger generation to participate in the voting for a lifetime from the age of 18 years and inspired other people also for this. Our youth are the future leaders

of our democracy. He congratulated the young voters who got Voter Photo Identity Card and said that after getting this right, their duties have also increased. Apart from this, the Deputy Commissioner also administered oath to all the people present in the program to exercise their franchise.

In the ceremony, booth level officers of all the assembly constituencies of Una district who did excellent work were honored. Eighth booths from Gagret area.

## Pollution from rice mills in Taraori causes health hazards

**KAMAL SHARMA TARAORI, JAN 25**

The discharge of foul-smelling wastewater and toxic smoke from rice mills in Taraori has become a growing concern for residents and commuters alike. Areas near the new police station, ITI students, and those traveling along Nadana Road near Shekhanpur are bearing the brunt of this pollution. Despite repeated complaints, no relief has been provided. The polluted water is being released into roadside drains and minor canals, leading to environmental degradation and health hazards.

According to social activists, including Harinchand Saini, Dilraj, Rahul, and Sunil, many rice mills in the area are violating pollution control standards by neglecting to install



proper equipment. This negligence is causing fertile lands to turn barren, while nearby residents and animals suffer from the foul smell, respiratory issues, and other health problems. The activists demand strict action against the mills for non-compliance and immediate steps to address the issue.

Villagers like Diler Singh Mally and Sukhvinder Singh from rural areas reported that the ash and smoke from the mills settle on homes, clothes, and food, making it difficult to

maintain hygiene. Residents face difficulties drying clothes and keeping food safe from contamination. Some have even experienced eye problems due to ash exposure, increasing fears of permanent damage.

The pollution from rice mills is not limited to air; untreated wastewater is being discharged onto roads and into canals, creating a stench and deteriorating the quality of life for those in the vicinity. Accusations have also been leveled against the Pollution Control Board for

failing to act despite complaints.

Residents of Taraori, Nilokheri, Nissing, and surrounding villages are suffering from the negative impacts of ash and smoke emitted by the mills. The ash contaminates drinking water, food, and clothing. Many complain of eye irritation and other health issues caused by exposure to pollutants.

Two-wheeler riders on GT Road near Taraori face challenges navigating through the smoke and ash emitted by the mills. This has prompted locals to lodge complaints with authorities, seeking a resolution to the problem. When contacted, Regional Pollution Control Officer Shailendra Arora assured that the matter would be investigated and necessary action taken to resolve the issue.

## On birthday of CM Naib Singh Saini, BJP leaders serve in cowshed



**VIJAY KAUSHIK**

**LADWA:** On the birthday of Chief Minister Naib Singh Saini, a religious program was organized by the Bharatiya Janata Party at Ladwa Shri Krishna Gashala. Apart from this program, BJP leaders also did sevadan in the Gashala. On Saturday, on the premises of Shri Krishna Gashala Society, on the birthday of Chief Minister Naib Singh Saini, a Havan Yagna was organized by Block President Ladwa Shiv Gupta as well as District BJP. In this Havan Yagna, Chief Minister's Office In-charge Kailash Saini, Haryana Livestock and Dairy Development Corporation chairman Dharamvir Mirzapur, Haryana Saraswati Heritage Development Board vice president Dhuman Singh Kirmach, Municipal Chairman Sakshi Khurana, Bharatiya Janata Party district president Sushil Rana, BJP senior leader Dr Ganesh Dutt, Deep Saini, Ladwa Mandal president Shiv Gupta, BJP youth leader Ankush Goyal, Gudha Mandal president Narendra Dabkheda, Sunny Kalra, Poonam Saini, Monika Bansal, Parth Sharma, Rahul Sharma Jogi Majra, Pradeep Sehgal, Arvind Singhal, Narendra Singhal, Vinod Bohli along with representatives of all other religious, social organizations were present.

## Program on R-Day celebration held at Green Valley Public School, Uralana Kalan village

**RAJIV KUMAR PANIPAT, JAN 25**

A program was organized on the occasion of Republic Day on Saturday at Green Valley Public School in Uralana Kalan village of Panipat district. CRPF Assistant Commandant Vrishali was the chief guest in the program. The program started by remembering the martyrs and saluting the Tricolor. The students of the school displayed their art by presenting patriotic songs in the memory of the martyrs. Last year on Republic Day, books for examinations were distributed to all the students of classes VI to IX in the school, which were used by the children for their studies. It was to inspire to bring good results. A competition was organized to evaluate the performance of the students in which the students performed



excellently. On Republic Day, the second volume competitive exam book was distributed to the students of class IV to IX. Chief guest Assistant Commandant Vrishali Naresh distributed prizes to the students. While doing this, he made them aware to have self-confidence.

School patron Dr Praveen Kumar explained to the students the importance of discipline and self-discipline and said that only through

discipline they can achieve their goals. If you have will power, then no power in the world can stop you from achieving it. Nothing can stop you from growing. Therefore, you have to recognize the hidden power within you while being self-disciplined. School principal Arun Jain, while giving information about the importance of books given for competitive exams, said that the school itself prepared students for these exams.

## Group of 63 devotees leave for darshan of Shri Khatu Sham ji

**RAKESH JINDAL NABHA, JAN 25**

A procession of 63 members led by Director Lalit Gupta and Project Chairman Kuldeep Bhatia from Sri Khatu Shyam Mandir Bus Stand Nabha. Departed for Balaji's darshan, bus flagging ceremony pioneer in blood donation field and blood donor stent awardee Harsh Blood Donor Society President Bhuvesh Bansal Bhashi and Chairman Gypsy Bansal performed the ceremony of coconut breaking, Deepak Jindal Dipu Bhathe Wale, Sanjeev Jindal Sanju Oil Wale, Sumit Singla Pushi Samaj Sevaks jointly performed, while speaking President Bhashi said that it is very good for the Gupta Jagran family to participate in religious activities. It is a step, this also gives guidance to other people of the society. Shri



Khatu Sham ji will also keep grace on the entire team of the Gupta Jagran family, who bring all the Sangat special darshan and the journey of all the devotees in a safe and peaceful way. Together with them, social workers Deepu and Pushi jointly said that The Nabha city is known as the bronze by the beginning, we always continue to serve as a preaching of religion as well

as our duty where our duty where we As we apply alint, Lalit Gupta and Praveen All the guests were honored by Bansal Samaj Sevaks, water service for devotees was done by Sanjeev Jindal Sanju and Mohit Kumar Samaj Sevaks, on that occasion Mohit Kumar Samaj Sevaks, singers Renu Rakesh Rajpal, Rohit Bhatia, Chintu Bhatia, Sharma Pandit etc. were present.

## R-Day will be celebrated with joy and tradition in Ladwa grain market: Naman

**VIJAY KAUSHIK LADWA, JAN 25**

Tehsildar Naman said that like every year, this year also Republic Day celebrations will be celebrated with joy and tradition. This celebration will be organized in Anaj Mandi Ladwa. He said that on the occasion of Republic Day, programs will be organized and the national flag will be hoisted. The important aspect was that in the Republic Day program of Ladwa, Sub Divisional Officer Civil Ladwa Pankaj Setia will hoist the flag and take the salute of the parade. In this Republic Day celebration, PT show and cultural programs will be organized. There will be programs and all the preparations for this function



have been completed. He said that strong security arrangements have been made for this function and colourful cultural program will be presented by school students. The police administration has made elaborate security arrangements at the venue and sentinels have been deployed to blow the bugle

and flag bearers for hoisting the flag. Arrangements have been made. He said that the officers of the concerned departments will also ensure to discharge their duties with honesty. Cultural program will be presented on the occasion of Republic Day.

He said that yogasana and PT show programs will also be organized in this event. Cleanliness arrangements, decoration of pandal, rangoli, welcome gate around the event venue, drinking water arrangements, electricity arrangements and security arrangements will be made for this event. Arrangements have been made. Contingents have been arranged by the police for the parade, in which, a contingent of police personnel has been arranged.

## ZP emphasizes development of untouched tourist places

**BALKRISHAN PRASHAR CHAMBA, JAN 25**

To make the aspirational Chamba district a tourism hub, a detailed discussion about developing various untouched tourist places of the district from the tourism point of view was discussed in a meeting of zila parishad held here yesterday.

The meeting was presided over by zila parishad chairperson Dr Neelam Kumari in which the zila parishad members laid a great emphasis on providing basic facilities at these scenic places. Apart from this, issues related to health, clean drinking water supply, roads, education and other matters were also included in the



meeting. In the meeting, the chairperson Dr Neelam Kumari directed the officers of all departments to complete various works of public interest within the timeframe by establishing mutual coordination. A meeting would also be held again with those departmental officers due to whose absence important topics could not be discussed in the meeting so that the problems faced by the people

could be resolved, the chairperson said. She directed the departments concerned to take appropriate action and resolve the issues quickly if satisfactory answers were not received on some issues. All the zila parishad members and departmental officers present in the meeting also observed two minutes' silence on the sudden demise of former Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh last month.

## Barnala Municipal Council provides night shelter facility for homeless people



**KULDEEP SOOD**

**BARNALA:** As per the instructions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court and the High Court, the local Municipal Council has constructed a night shelter in the building of the Barnala Municipal Council for the homeless people to stay at night. According to the information received from the in-charge of the shelter, Gobind Pal Bansal, separate rooms have been arranged for needy persons and women. He said that keeping in mind the winter season, men and women coming to this building will have all kinds of facilities for which no rent or fee will be charged. When contacted, Vishal Bansal, Executive Officer of the Municipal Council, told that the practice of providing rain shelters for homeless people to stay at night was going on by the Municipal Council for a long time. The AAP government has made various changes in these rain shelters and provided all kinds of facilities for the people to stay.

**Editorial**

**Rise from rubble**

Asked about Gaza hours after he was sworn in as president of the United States of America, Donald Trump compared the Palestinian enclave devastated by Israel's brutal war to a giant demolition site. The real estate magnate-turned-politician was not wrong — except that the tonnes of rubble that span the coastal enclave also likely cover tens of thousands of bodies, of people believed to be buried under the debris. Six days into the first phase of a fragile ceasefire between Israel and Hamas, much of the focus of the international community is understandably on whether the truce will hold. Israel and Hamas are expected to exchange the next round of prisoners and hostages as part of the deal. But even if the ceasefire does last, and Israel's military does eventually withdraw from Gaza, the challenge of rebuilding the Palestinian territory as a society exceeds anything that other nations or regions have faced in modern history.

Over 15 months of Israel's war, which many independent rights groups and United Nations experts have described as genocidal, every single university in Gaza was bombed to the ground. Most schools were destroyed or damaged by missiles. More than 47,000 Palestinians were killed, a disproportionate number of them children. Thousands of other children are now orphans. While Israel claims its war was about targeting Hamas, it has in reality decimated a generation of young Palestinians and their dreams of a future. Every Gaza hospital has been bombed, and most homes have been destroyed or damaged. Rebuilding this infrastructure, with many of Gaza's brightest young minds no longer alive, would take decades even in the most optimistic of scenarios. Worse, with Israel maintaining its control of Gaza's borders, as it has from before the war, that task is dependent on the whims of an occupying force.

Gaza's rebuilding depends on political and administrative acumen. But there is no clarity on who will govern Gaza. The US and its Western allies have made it clear that Hamas will not be allowed to lead the territory. They, and key regional players such as Qatar, want the Palestinian Authority led by President Mahmoud Abbas and his Fatah to be in charge of Gaza. But Israel has said the PA's rule in Gaza would not be acceptable to it. Meanwhile, the PA, which governs the West Bank, is also suffering from a crisis of credibility among Palestinians, many of whom view it as an extension of Israeli occupation. Against this backdrop, the international community will need to do the heavy lifting for the reconstruction of Gaza.

**Trump 2.0 shifts towards balanced trade policies**

As Donald Trump begins his second term as the President of the United States, his administration appears poised to take a more balanced approach to trade policies, according to a report by YES Securities.

The report highlighted a departure in Trump policies from the aggressive tariff-centric strategies that defined Trump's first term, signaling a shift towards a mix of trade negotiations and strategic tariff use.

It said "Vibes from Trump 2.0 regime inauguration suggest a shift from the aggressive tariff policies of his first term towards a more balanced approach that includes trade negotiations". During his first term, President Trump frequently employed tariffs as a primary tool to address trade imbalances and protect U.S. national interests. While these measures disrupted global trade and strained relations with several countries, they also created an environment for potential negotiations. This period saw heightened tensions as nations grappled with U.S. policies aimed at safeguarding its economy.

The report suggested that Trump's second term will feature a more calculated approach. While tariffs are expected to remain part of his policy toolkit, their application will likely be more restrained and strategic. The



principle of "Small Yard, High Fence" is expected to guide these measures, focusing on sectors critical to economic and national security while minimizing unnecessary disruptions.

The report also added that the global trade landscape has also evolved since Trump's first term. Several nations are now better prepared to engage with the U.S. on trade matters. Many countries have expressed willingness to lower import duties or increase imports

from the U.S. to foster stronger economic ties. It said "The world is now better prepared to engage with the U.S. on trade matters, with several nations signaling openness to reducing import duties or increasing imports from US to foster better relations". This readiness could enable the Trump administration to transition from blanket tariff impositions to more nuanced trade agreements that balance U.S. interests with global cooperation. The report noted

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that Trump's rhetoric on tariffs has reignited global concerns about trade policies. However, the vibes from the inauguration of his second term indicate an openness to diplomacy and collaboration. By adopting a targeted and strategic approach, the Trump 2.0 administration could aim for greater precision in addressing critical concerns while ensuring minimal disruption to the global economy.

**Literature & Health**

**Odisha tops Fiscal Health Index by NITI Aayog**

Odisha has emerged as the top performer in the country for fiscal health in the Financial Year 2022-23, according to the recently released Fiscal Health Index (FHI) by NITI Aayog.

The state secured the highest overall FHI score of 67.8, ranking No. 1 in the nation for the first time.

The FHI report, which evaluates the fiscal health of Indian states based on key parameters, highlights Odisha's strong performance in several areas, particularly in Debt Index and Debt Sustainability.

It said "Odisha excels in fiscal health with the highest overall index score of 67.8. It tops the Debt Index (99.0) and Debt Sustainability (64.0) rankings with better than average scores under Quality of Expenditure and Revenue Mobilization".

The state achieved an outstanding score of 99.0 in Debt Index, indicating its effective debt management, and 64.0 in Debt Sustainability, which reflects its ability to maintain manageable debt levels. Odisha's fiscal discipline has been key to maintaining low fiscal deficits, a good debt profile,

and an above-average Capital Outlay/GSDP ratio.

In addition to its strong debt management, Odisha has performed better than average in two other crucial sub-indices: Quality of Expenditure and Revenue Mobilization.

The state has shown significant progress in mobilizing non-tax revenue, especially through mining-linked premiums.

On average, Odisha's own non-tax revenue accounted for 21 per cent of its total revenue, placing it alongside states like Jharkhand, Goa, and Chhattisgarh in effectively leveraging non-tax sources.

The state's ability to prioritize both social and economic services, especially in sectors like health and education, has been another factor contributing to its success.

Odisha's revenue expenditure on health and education grew at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 33.8 per cent during 2020-2022, outpacing the growth in these areas by major states, which stood at a CAGR of 22.6 per cent.

**Higher fat in muscles leads to increased risk of heart disease: Study**

People with pockets of fat hidden inside their muscles are at a higher risk of dying or being hospitalized from a heart attack or heart failure, regardless of their body mass index, according to new research.

This is the first study to comprehensively investigate the effects of fatty muscles on heart disease. The new finding adds evidence that existing measures, such as body mass index or waist circumference, are not adequate to evaluate the risk of heart disease accurately for all people.

The new study was led by Professor Viviany Taqueti, Director of the Cardiac Stress Laboratory at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Faculty at Harvard Medical School,



Boston, USA. She said: "Obesity is now one of the biggest global threats to cardiovascular health, yet body mass index — our main metric for defining obesity and thresholds for intervention — remains a controversial and flawed marker of cardiovascular prognosis. This is especially true in women, where high

body mass index may reflect more 'benign' types of fat.

"Intermuscular fat can be found in most muscles in the body, but the amount of fat can vary widely between different people. In our research, we analyse muscle and different types of fat to understand how body composition can influence the small blood vessels or 'microcirculation' of the heart, as well as future risk of heart failure, heart attack and death."

The new research included 669 people who were being evaluated at the Brigham and Women's Hospital for chest pain and/or shortness of breath and found to have no evidence of obstructive coronary artery disease.

**POEM**

**Happy Republic Day**

From struggle and sacrifice, we grew, A land of hope, so proud and true, In the shadow of a long, dark fight, A nation rose to claim its right, On 15 August 1947, the sun did rise, A new dawn broke in Indian skies, The tricolor waved, a symbol of our sovereignty, With liberty, equality, and unity Dr. Ambedkar drafted Constitution, bold and just Built on equality, truth, and trust January 26 is proud and fateful day, In 1950, we found our way With heads held high, we celebrate, The birth of laws that guide our fate, To honor those who paved the way So we say, Happy Republic day!

Sohan Singh Barnala  
GHS Pakhoke (Barnala, Punjab)

**Foreign investors continue selling in Indian stocks**

Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) have been consistently selling their holdings in the Indian stock markets.

According to data from the National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL), FPIs sold equities worth Rs 19,759 crore during the week from January 20 to January 24.

The data further revealed that in January alone, FPIs have pulled out Rs 64,156 crore from Indian markets.

This persistent selling is largely attributed to the return of Donald Trump to the political stage in the United States, which has boosted investor confidence in the US economy. The positive sentiment surrounding Trump's leadership and his efforts to improve the average American's life have made the US a



more attractive destination for investors.

The shift of funds back to the US is also supported by rising interest rates on US treasury bonds and a strengthening US dollar.

These factors have created an appealing environment for global in-

vestors, prompting them to withdraw from emerging markets like India.

This large-scale outflow of funds has had a significant impact on the Indian rupee, which has weakened against the dollar. The depreciation of the rupee has fur-

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ther fuelled FPI outflows, creating a cycle of persistent selling in Indian markets. Higher valuations in Indian markets, coupled with slowing earnings growth, have also deterred foreign investors.

Akshay Chinchalkar, Head of Research, Axis Securities told ANI

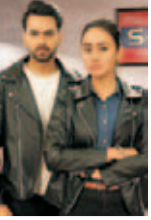
"On a ytd basis, foreigners have withdrawn close to \$7B. Higher valuations within the region despite slowing earnings, Trump getting a second term and his efforts to improve the life of the average American, US treasury bonds offering attractive interest rates and a rising dollar are the most important reasons why money is flowing back into the US at the expense of the Indian investor".

The consistent selling by FPIs not only impacts the Indian stock market but also raises concerns about the broader economic outlook. As global factors continue to influence investor behavior, market participants in India are keeping a close watch on developments in the US and other major economies.

However, the data for the last month, December, highlighted that net investment by FPIs in Indian equities stood positive, with a net investment of Rs 15,446 crore.

The year 2024 marked a positive ending, but the net buying value in Indian equities by FPIs drastically reduced, declining to Rs 427 crore. The country experienced a drastic drop in Foreign Portfolio Investment (FPI) inflows in 2024, with net investments falling by 99 per cent compared to the previous year. One of the primary reasons for this decline was the dominance of the US economy in the global markets. The FPI outflows highlight the challenges faced by emerging markets in attracting foreign capital amidst global uncertainties.

"Unity & Truth Define Our Nation," Say Sehajveer's Lead Actors on Republic Day  
As India celebrates its 76th Republic Day, actors Jasmeet Kaur and Ramandeep Singh Sur, who play the lead roles of Sehaj and Kabir in Zee Punjabi's popular show Sehajveer, expressed their pride and gratitude towards the nation and its values. Jasmeet Kaur shared, "Republic Day is a reminder of the sacrifices made by our great leaders and the values of justice, liberty, and equality enshrined in our Constitution. As an artist, I feel privileged to contribute to society by telling stories that inspire and bring positive change." Ramandeep Singh Sur echoed the sentiment, adding, "This day is a celebration of our unity in diversity. It reminds us of our responsibilities as citizens to uphold the integrity of our country. Through our show, we aim to highlight values of truth, perseverance, and social harmony—principles that define our nation." The actors urged fans to celebrate Republic Day with a sense of responsibility and patriotism, emphasizing the importance of being informed and active citizens.



NEWS BRIEF

**Davangere Sugar Company Limited Reports Stellar Earnings for 9MFY25, PAT Jumps 40% YoY**

CHANDIGARH: Davangere Sugar Company Limited (BSE: 543267, NSE: DAVANGERE), a company expanding its product portfolio beyond Sugar into Sustainable Power and Ethanol Solutions, in its board meeting held on January 18th, 2025, has approved the unaudited Financial Results of the Company for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December 2024. The total income for the December quarter rose to ₹7,358.37 lakhs from ₹3,977.63 lakhs (Q2FY25), driven primarily by a sharp increase in revenue from operations, which grew from ₹3,932.93 lakhs to ₹7,317.75 lakhs. Consequently, profit before tax surged from ₹178.91 lakhs (Q2FY25) to ₹746.04 lakhs (Q3FY25), reflecting robust operational performance. This indicates a strong quarter-on-quarter improvement in business performance.

**Wrap Yourself in Warmth This Winter with Hindware Italian Collection Towel Warmers**

CHANDIGARH: Elevate your daily routine with the luxury of a warm, dry towel. Hindware's Italian Collection Towel Warmers are designed to transform your bathroom into a personal oasis. The towel warmers are available in two variants: wall-mounted and floor-standing. Crafted from durable, lightweight aluminum alloy with an oxidized silver finish, they offer both style and durability. These warmers are shockproof, easy to clean, and feature a quick 5-minute heat-up time. They maintain a safe temperature range of 45-55 degrees Celsius with an automatic cut-off for added safety. Hindware's Italian Collection towel warmers are highly energy-efficient and designed for 24/7 use. This winter, pamper yourself with this essential and make chilly days warmer and cozier. Hindware Italian Collection wall-mounted and floor-standing Towel Warmers are priced at ₹9,990 and ₹19,990 respectively and are available across India.

**Dorf-Ketal chemicals India limited files Drhp with Sebi**

GURUGRAM : Dorf-Ketal Chemicals India Limited, an R&D and innovation-focused global manufacturer and supplier of specialty chemicals across the hydrocarbons and industrial supply chains, including the oil and gas, refining and petrochemicals industries, and customers with diverse applications across industrial segments, has filed its Draft Red Herring Prospectus (DRHP) with market regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI). The IPO comprises of a fresh issue of equity shares of face value of ₹5 each aggregating up to ₹1500 Crores and an offer for sale of equity shares of face value of ₹5 each aggregating up to ₹3500 Crores. The total issue comprises of equity shares of face value of ₹5 each aggregating up to ₹5000 Crores. The offer for sale comprises of equity shares of face value of ₹5 each aggregating up to ₹3500 Crores by Menon Family Holdings Trust (Promoter Selling Shareholder) Established in 1992, Dorf-Ketal Chemicals India Limited is one of the major producers in the development, commercialization and application of specialty chemicals in India. The company offers products across two categories - specialty chemicals for hydrocarbons and industrial specialty chemicals. The specialty chemicals for hydrocarbons category includes oil field, refinery chemicals and petrochemicals.

**Samsung India Launches Galaxy S25 Series, Pre-order Now for Exciting Offers**

CHANDIGARH: Samsung, India's largest consumer electronics brand, today announced that customers can pre-order its latest Galaxy S25 Ultra, Galaxy S25+ and Galaxy S25 smartphones that set a new standard as a true AI companion with Samsung's most natural and context-aware mobile experiences ever created. "Samsung unveiled the era of mobile AI with the launch of Galaxy AI last year. We are now opening the next chapter of Galaxy AI with Galaxy S25 series, your true AI companion. Galaxy S25 series brings you the most context-aware, personalized AI yet, so that you can receive tailored, actionable insights with personal privacy assured. I am happy to share that the new Galaxy S25 series will be manufactured at our Noida factory," said JB Park, President and CEO, Samsung Southwest Asia.

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**Ostwal's nine-wkt haul puts Maharashtra in command against Chandigarh**

CHANDIGARH: Maharashtra seized control in their C.K. Nayudu Trophy clash against Chandigarh at the Deccan Gymkhana Cricket Ground, Pune on Saturday as left-arm spinner Vicky Ostwal delivered a phenomenal performance by claiming 9 wickets for 59 runs. Chandigarh while opting to bat first struggled since beginning and finally managed to score 223 runs in 80 overs. Skipper Akshit Rana was the standout performer with a knock of 87 off 174 balls. He was well supported by Irvaj Ranauta who scored 45. The duo's 126-run seventh-wicket stand provided some resistance after a top-order collapse. In reply hosts 39/0 before the stumps were drawn.

# Role of extracurricular activities in a student's life

Beyond the classroom the world awaits! Extracurricular activities, often overlooked in the pursuit of academic excellence, play a pivotal role in shaping well-rounded individuals. These activities, ranging from sports and clubs to community service and arts, offer a multitude of benefits that extend far beyond the classroom. In the grand tapestry of a student's life, extracurricular activities add vibrant threads of passion, purpose, and personal growth. These activities can also spark passions and uncover hidden talents.



India, a nation rich in diverse talents and cultural heritage, has produced numerous individuals who have excelled in various fields beyond academics, inspiring generations to come. For instance, cricket legends like MS Dhoni and Virat Kohli, while excelling in academics, actively participated in sports during their school days. Their involvement in cricket not only honed their skills but also shaped their personalities, making them the renowned cricketers they are today. The renowned

musician A.R. Rahman, with his mesmerizing compositions and soulful melodies, has taken Indian music to new heights. We need more of Lata Mangeshkar, Rameshbabu Pragnanandhaa, Kelucharan Mohapatra, Amrita Sher-Gil - individuals who have the ability to contribute meaningfully to the society.

In today's competitive world, academic prowess alone is no longer sufficient to distinguish oneself. The pursuit of extracurricular activities has become increasingly vital, fostering holistic development and preparing individuals for a multifaceted future. In recent years, schools have placed increasing emphasis on

extracurricular activities. Beyond the traditional focus on academic excellence, educators recognize the multifaceted benefits of these out-of-classroom experiences. By prioritizing extracurricular activities, schools are investing in the future of their students. These experiences not only enrich the school years but also lay the foundation for lifelong success.

Extracurricular activities offer a multitude of benefits for students. They provide opportunities for personal growth, skill development, and social connections. By participating in clubs, sports, or arts programs, students can explore their passions, discover hidden talents, and develop essential skills like teamwork, leadership, and time management. These activities also contribute to their overall well-being by reducing stress, boosting self-esteem, and fostering a sense of belonging. Additionally, extracurricular involvement can enhance academic performance by improving focus,

concentration, and motivation. Ultimately, these experiences prepare students for future success by equipping them with the skills, knowledge, and confidence needed to thrive in college and beyond.

The adage "Children are our future" is a timeless truth. They are the blank canvases upon which the future of our world is painted. Every child, with their unique potential and boundless curiosity, carries the promise of innovation, compassion, and progress. Extracurricular activities are the key to unlocking a student's full potential. It's time to recognize the transformative power of extracurricular activities. As we empower students to explore their passions, we invest in a brighter future, one filled with creativity, compassion, and countless possibilities. Let's encourage children to dive in, explore, and excel. Let us encourage our future gems to embrace the diverse world of extracurricular activities, where dreams take flight and futures are forged.

BY: -Trisha Singh

## "Rishte Naate" Premiere Captivates Audiences with Its Heartfelt Storytelling



The much-anticipated Punjabi film Rishte Naate had a grand premiere, attended by the film's stellar cast and renowned Punjabi singer Gurkirpal Suri Ji. Fans and media gathered in large numbers to witness this spectacular event, celebrating a film that beautifully captures the essence of love, family, and togetherness. The premiere saw the presence of lead actors Ragbir Singh and Love Gill, along with veteran stars Malket Rauni, Parminder Gill, Gurpreet Mand, and Sunita Dhir. The red carpet was buzzing with excitement as the stars interacted with fans, sharing their joy and gratitude for the overwhelming response the film has received ahead of its release. Director Naseeb Randhawa and producers Kashmir Singh Sohal and Kuljit Singh Khalsa extended their gratitude to the audience for their unwavering support. "This film is for every family. We hope it touches hearts and brings people closer," they shared. With its powerful narrative and emotional depth, Rishte Naate promises to be a must-watch. The film is now playing in cinemas worldwide.

## Indian National Theatre, Chandigarh to Host "Dhrupad Concert" on February 1

CHANDIGARH: The Indian National Theatre, Chandigarh, is organizing a special Dhrupad concert in memory of its former patron, Mrs. Kanita Sarup Krishnan. This event will be held on Saturday, February 1, 2025, at 11:30 AM at the Mahatma Gandhi State Institute of Public Administration, Sector 26, Chandigarh. The event will showcase a unique blend of Indian classical music and international art.

Sharing details about the event, Vinita Gupta, Honorary Secretary of the Indian National Theatre, Chandigarh, said that the performance will feature Iginio Giovanni Brunori on the saxophone and Virginia Nicoli on the flute and vocals. Both artists have trained in the Dhrupad tradition of the Dagar gharana under the Gundecha Brothers and have also studied Flute and Khayal music under Pandit Rajendra Prasanna. She added that "Samvaad" means "harmony" or "speaking together," reflecting the duo's musical practice and their deep personal connection.



Their performance combines the timeless depth of Indian ragas with a modern perspective and intricate nuances of sound. Accompanying them on the pakhawaj will be the talented young percussionist Roman Das, whose unique style adds life to the performance. Known for his versatile artistry, Roman Das masterfully blends traditional and contemporary music. Anil Nehru, President of the Indian National Theatre, stated that the program promises to be a memorable experience for lovers of classical music. The duo of Iginio and Virginia will present a sublime fusion of melody, rhythm, and raga, bridging the gap between tradition and modernity. This event will be special not only for music enthusiasts but also for anyone interested in experiencing the confluence of cultural and international musical traditions.

## COLORS welcomes viewers to a family drama where two opposites fight one storm in 'Ram Bhavan'

CHANDIGARH: Every house has its stories, but in a unique role reversal, COLORS open the doors to a mansion bursting with power struggles in its new show, 'Ram Bhavan'. The upcoming family drama pulls back the curtains on an explosive feud of pride, wit, and egos within the walls of this tumultuous abode. Welcome to Ram Bhavan, where Om, the rebellious self-styled 'hisab ka bada pakka', struts around with a prideful swagger, but years for a life built on his knack for jugaad. Isha, unlike Om, is patient and grounded, determined to work her way up the status ladder with a resilience forged from a fall from riches. With nothing in common, Om and Isha find themselves with a shared enemy - Gayatri, Om's manipulative bhabhi and Isha's ruthless boss.

Starring Mishkat Varma as Om, Khushi Rajendra as Isha, and Samiksha Jaiswal as Gayatri, 'Ram Bhavan' premieres on 29th January and thereafter airs every night at 8.30 pm only on COLORS. Set against a crumbling mansion in Prayagraj, 'Ram Bhavan' is where the walls have ears and the windows see all, witnessing a tale of power, pride, and patience. Gayatri, the tyrant of the house, holds the monetary strings and, with them, the fate of her sasural. Her reign of terror is challenged by Om, the jugaadu brother-in-law, who fights to reclaim his family's dignity and secure a government job as a symbol of his worth, enduring the scathing humiliation doled out by his bhabhi. Meanwhile, Isha, the rooted princess, stands as a picture of patience against her brutal boss Gayatri's unwarranted wrath. After having fallen from riches to bankruptcy, Isha proves her professional potential despite facing relentless oppression by Gayatri. Provoked by Gayatri's constant belittling, Om and Isha unite in an unlikely alliance, threatening to blow the roof off their oppressor's empire. Will Om and Isha manage to knock down Gayatri's dominance or will they be forced to take shelter in her absolute power? Essaying the role of Om, Mishkat Varma says, "Om is a character brimming with pride and an unshakable sense of justice. Born into a family that once had it all, he's now caught in the struggle to reclaim their lost respect, all while battling Gayatri's power trip.



## Don't Miss this "Miss Call" which is Out Now Under U&I Music Label

The wait is finally over! U&I Films is back to create waves in the music industry with their latest release, "Miss Call", featuring the sensational singer Gursewak Dhillon. Known for delivering unforgettable hits like "Kalli Jotta" and "Jee Ve



Sohnैया Jee," U&I Films is once again ready to take the Punjabi music scene by storm. "Miss Call" is a perfect blend of soulful lyrics, groovy beats, and stunning visuals. The track, penned by talented lyricist Vikky Bhullar and brought to life with music by Honey Dhillon, is a guaranteed earworm. Directed by the creative genius Sukh Sanghera, the music video adds a visual spectacle to this already mesmerising song. This project is powered by the dynamic producers Sunny Raj and Sarla Rani, who are thrilled to release the song exclusively under the U&I Music label. Sunny Raj expresses his excitement and says, "I'm incredibly excited about the release of 'Miss Call.' This track is packed with energy and soul, and I'm confident it will connect with listeners everywhere. We've put our heart into this project, and I can't wait for everyone to experience it."

Sarla Rani says, "Miss Call" is more than just a song—it's a celebration of music, creativity, and passion. I'm thrilled to see this project come to life and can't wait for the audience to vibe with it. We're proud to deliver something truly unforgettable."

## Sector 7 SOCIAL Celebrates 4 Years with Flat 50%

CHANDIGARH: Sector 7 SOCIAL is all set to celebrate its 4th anniversary in signature SOCIAL style. On this



special occasion, guests can enjoy a flat 50% off on the entire savor.

menu, offering the perfect chance to indulge in their favorite dishes, handcrafted cocktails, and the lively SOCIAL vibe - all at half the price for one day only, 30th January. Guests are invited to raise a toast to 4 years of unforgettable memories, signature cocktails, and the energetic SOCIAL vibe that has brought people together. From crowd favorites like Fully Loaded Nachos, Death Wings, and the delicious Butter Chicken Biryani to iconic drinks such as the Longest Long Island Iced Tea (LLIIT) and the refreshing Sanskari Mojito, there's something for everyone to

## Nicktoons Motu and Patlu Join the Border Security Force to Celebrate Republic Day at the Attari-Wagah Border

AMRITSAR: Republic Day is a time to celebrate the values of equality and liberty in the Constitution of India that make our nation so special. Nick India celebrated the day this year by partnering with the Border Security Force (BSF) at the iconic Attari-Wagah Border. True to their tradition of engaging children in meaningful ways, Nick India brought kids from FTE School of Round Table India and their favourite Nicktoons, Motu and Patlu, to experience a day filled with pride and joy alongside our brave jawans. The day started with the beloved Motu and Patlu, known for their humour and playful charm cheering with the crowd. Euphoria filled the air with infectious energy. The National Flag was hoisted after the ceremony followed by the kids from FTE School of Round Table India, and Motu Patlu standing proudly alongside the BSF jawans as the tricolour waved against the backdrop of the border - a true symbol of the Republic Day spirit of togetherness and respect for those who serve the nation.



TR Anpreet Singh Sahni, Chairman Area 18, Round Table India and TR Mitin Mehra, Chairman, Amritsar Round Table said, "It was a wonderful experience for our children from the FTE School of Round Table India to celebrate Republic Day at the Attari-Wagah Border with Nick India.

## Tamil Nadu tightens grip against UT boys as Chandigarh struggles at 113/5 while chasing 403

CHANDIGARH: Hosts Tamil Nadu strengthened their hold on the Ranji Trophy clash against Chandigarh on Day 3 at the Salem Cricket Ground on Saturday. Chasing a target of 403 runs in their second innings, UT boys are struggling at 113/5 and still need 290 more runs to win.

Tamil Nadu resumed their overnight score from 272/2. Jagjit Singh Sandhu put the hosts on the back foot early in the session by dismissing Ajith Ram (7) and Baba Indrajit (3), reducing Tamil Nadu to 46/4. However, a crucial 152-run partnership between Vijay Shankar and Narayan Jagadeesan steered the innings. Vishu Kashyap dismissed Jagadeesan (89) to break the stand. Vijay Shankar then forged another significant 107-run partnership with Andre Siddarth and took the team past 300. Tamil Nadu declared their innings at 305/5. Vijay Shankar remained unbeaten on 150 while Siddarth contributed 36 not out. Sandhu (3/43) was the most successful bowler. In reply, the visitors struggled against Tamil Nadu's disciplined bowling attack. Skipper Manan Vohra played a fighting knock of unbeaten 47. Tushar Joshi was dismissed for a duck for the second time in the match while Kunal Mahajan (7) fell cheaply too. Shivam Bhamini who had scored a century in the first innings could only manage 16 this time and left side reeling at 43/3. Ankit Kaushik and Manan Vohra tried to bring some respite with a 64-run partnership but Ankit departed after scoring 37 to reduce the team at 107/4.

# Rotary Utsav organised by Rotary, Mohali provides platform to talented individuals

Mohali (Dappar): Rotary Utsav 2025, organized by the Rotary Club, Sector 70 Mohali, has kicked-off at DIPLAST, The Treehouse Farm, Dappar, in the Chandigarh Capital region's Mohali district, with an exciting Talent Hunt competition. Individuals showcased their skills in singing, dancing, mimicry, poetry, and more. It was a great opportunity for participants to gain exposure and get noticed by entertainment industry experts. Special guests at the event included Jaiveer Juneja, the latest sensation on Disney+ Hotstar's series 'Power of Paanch', and Producer Paramjeet Singh from Mumbai. The 'judging panel' featured Daljeet Singh Munak, a renowned film producer who has produced Bollywood, Hollywood & even Hollywood films and Arshpreet Ahluwalia, a celebrated Bollywood fashion designer. Exciting cash prizes were given to winners. Another key event at Rotary Utsav is the Rotary Start-up Conclave on January 26th, 2025, which will feature keynote speakers such as industry leaders, entrepreneurs, and innovators, inspiring



budding talents and empowering them to achieve their goals. During Rotary Utsav 2025 there will be cultural activities and a food festival. The idea is to not only celebrate community, food, and entertainment but also support several vital social initiatives. These include educational

scholarships for underprivileged children, healthcare programs, women empowerment, and upgrading the Rotary Vocational Training Center. Jaiveer Juneja who is playing the character of Ranveer Deol in the web series 'Power of Paanch' on Disney+ Hotstar

interacted with the media along with other celebrity guests. Jaiveer Juneja who is also coming in a film as main lead said, "Such platforms played a pivotal role in identifying talent for the entertainment industry of India as well as north-mainly in Punjabi films. Punjabi films have come a long way and have carved out a niche for themselves." Paramjeet Singh who is a well-known personality in the film industry from Mumbai said, "The stage given to talented artists helped them gain in confidence and added to their portfolio." Daljeet Singh Munak who has produced international films like 'The Last King of India' and 'Anatomy of the Warrior' with Oscar nominated actor Steve Nijjer complimented Rotary for holding the talent hunt initiative. "Such activities give a push to creative talent," he said. Arshpreet Ahluwalia a fashion designer who has designed for celebrities like Lakhwinder Wadali, Jassie Gill, Wamiqa Gabbi, Shamita Shetty, Aparshakti Khurana, Ammy Virk, Ranjit Bawa & many

more said that the event was the need of the hour and that the entertainment industry provides multiple job opportunities and costume designing is one of the most important aspects of films. A major highlight of the event, in addition to these major events, will be a vibrant Shopping Carnival, offering a diverse range of unique items—from handicrafts and jewelry to homemade pickles. The event will also showcase an art exhibition and photography displays, adding a creative flair to the festival. For families, there are plenty of kids' activities, and for those interested in learning, there will be entrepreneurship workshops and agricultural showcases. Notably the event has received support from DIPLAST, Innovation Mission, Punjab, Mastertrust, Tynor, Torque, Chandigarh Vidya Jyoti Eduversity, Homekrafted, Punjab Angels Network, LPU, UJI, EKM, Marvel, DCA, Intellect Juris Law Offices, CBL, Novacom, Harrison's, JAL, Emerald.

**PREETI SAINI SADHAURA:** Dr. Ritu Soni, President of Arohan Welfare Society said that the organisation has been running since 2013 but this daycare concept has been started since 2018 in which we focus on the health of disabled women and girls, they are given



different types of occupational therapy and they are given

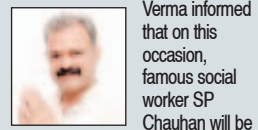
physiotherapy, acupressure therapy and massage therapy. Attention is also paid to the confidence level of disabled girls and women so that they can also say their point in the society and celebrate all the festivals with great enthusiasm. Divyang girls and women played patriotic

music on the occasion of Republic Day and also danced on patriotic songs. Rekha Thakral, the coordinator of Arohan Welfare Society, said that these disabled children can also sing, dance and do all the work like normal children, they only need to be encouraged.

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**Patriotic song programme to be held on R-Day**

**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL:** Chahat Karaoke Academy is organising a patriotic song and music program in Sector 8 Atal Park from 9 am to 12 noon on the occasion of Republic Day on 26 January, in which songs will be performed by Haryana and other artists. Flag hoisting will also be done on this occasion for Republic Day. Program organiser Vinod



Verma informed that on this occasion, famous social worker SP Chauhan will be the chief guest and PK Chemicals Managing Director Ajay Kumar, outgoing councillor Mukesh Arora, Rajesh Singla, former councillor and BJP district media in-charge Dr. Ashok Kumar will be the special guest. Social worker Dr. Ashok Kumar Verma, All Haryana Narcotics Department Incharge Ram Bhajan Verma, Kiran Chadha, Sevi Chaudhary, Chand Kashyap, Sumit Miglani, Shrivand Bathia, Neeru Chaudhary, Narendra Verma, Harnam Singh, Sanjeev Kumar, Avtar Singh, L N Kumar, K P Aggarwal and Rajesh Bindal will be present in the programme.

## Kejriwal blocking central development schemes: Arvind Sharma

**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA CHANDIGARH, JAN 25**

Cooperation, Prisons, Heritage, and Tourism Minister Dr. Arvind Sharma has accused Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal of obstructing the benefits of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's development schemes from reaching the public. Speaking at a legal dialogue program organized by BJP's Legal Cell at Karkardooma Court in East Delhi, Dr. Sharma urged BJP workers to expose Kejriwal's deceptive tactics and misleading propaganda.

Dr. Sharma stated that the people of India have placed their trust in PM Modi by electing his government for a third consecutive term, which has become synonymous with a guarantee of development. He expressed confidence that in the upcoming Delhi



Assembly elections, voters will reject the false promises and propaganda of the AAP government.

The minister criticized the AAP for shelving public welfare schemes initiated by the central government, especially those that would require Kejriwal to acknowledge PM Modi's

efforts. He urged BbJP workers to educate the public on the benefits of a double-engine government, highlighting how Haryana has thrived under BJP's governance for three consecutive terms due to fulfilled promises and effective welfare initiatives. Dr. Sharma also pointed

out the failure of AAP's governance in Punjab, where none of their election promises have been delivered, leaving the public disillusioned. He assured Delhi's legal professionals that if the BJP comes to power, their interests will be prioritized, including the introduction of an Advocate Protection Bill, residential societies for advocates, and mediclaim policies for NCR-based lawyers. Calling for a resounding victory for BJP candidate Om Prakash Sharma in East Delhi, Dr. Sharma urged voters to reject Kejriwal's hollow assurances and support BJP's vision for development. The event saw the participation of BJP Legal Cell President Anil Soni, Delhi Convenor Neeraj, Co-Convenor KK Tyagi, DK Singh, and several other legal professionals and party workers.

**PARDEEP MEHTA NILOKHERI, JAN 25**

Nilokheri, MLA Bhagwan Das Kabirpanthi, who was present as the chief guest at the prize distribution ceremony organised on the eve of Republic Day at Sanatan Dharma Maruti Nandan Vidya Mandir, described the performance given by the school children as a wonderful program and said that he is definitely overwhelmed by the programme filled with patriotism. Kabirpanthi said in his address that we have got



this opportunity to see India's independence and Republic Day due to the martyrdom of innumerable patriotic youth. On this occasion, the General Secretary of the School Management Committee, Shiv Nath Kapoor, in his address said that Republic Day is a day of pride for all of

us because the Constitution that we got on this day gives us the right to choose a government for the benefit of the people, elected by the people, due to which India is considered the largest democratic country in the democratic system of the world. Shiv Nath Kapoor said in his address that celebrating Republic Day is not just a formality, because where we have rights under the Constitution, the Constitution also makes us aware of our duties that the country's interest should be paramount for every Indian.

**Voting oath administered to students on National Voter's Day at DAV College, Pehowa**



**YAGYA DUTTA SHASTRI PEHOWA:** On the occasion of National Voters' Day at DAV College, Pehwa, the oath of voting was administered to vote in collaboration with the students and other students and teachers of the Department of Political Sciences, Legal Literacy Cell, Association of Political Science. On this occasion, Assistant Professor of Political Science Department Prof. Nitasha told the students about the importance of voting and said that everyone should vote in elections to establish a true democracy because this was the foundation of a true democracy was strengthened. College Principal Dr. Surendra Sharma, while expressing his views on the importance of voting, said that the freedom fighters had fought a long struggle to establish a true democracy. Therefore, they all should cooperate in making it stronger and this cooperation can be done only by ensuring their participation in voting. Dr. Deepika, Convenor of Legal Literacy Cell, guided the children and inspired them to vote and expressed her views on their role in democracy.

## R-Day inspires us to contribute to the progress of country: Tripathi



**KAMAL SHARMA TARAORI, JAN 25**

Various competitions were organised on the occasion of Republic Day in Geeta Modern Senior Secondary School Taraori. The school children participated in it with great enthusiasm. Children from nursery to UKG participated in tri-color flag activity, students from first to third class

participated in tri-colour delicious food activity, children from fourth to fifth class impressed everyone by making beautiful slogans, posters and paintings. Students from class VI to class IX made beautiful tri-color branches and presented them to their principal, manager and teachers. On the occasion of Republic Day, children presented poems full of

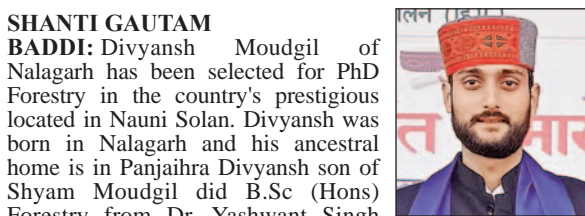
courage and enthusiasm in sweet voices. School manager Balkrishna Tripathi and principal Ragini Rai praised the children a lot after seeing the things made by their hands and honored the students who got first, second and third place in the competition by giving them prizes.

**SMS Memorian School reverberates with patriotic songs: Dr. Vibha**



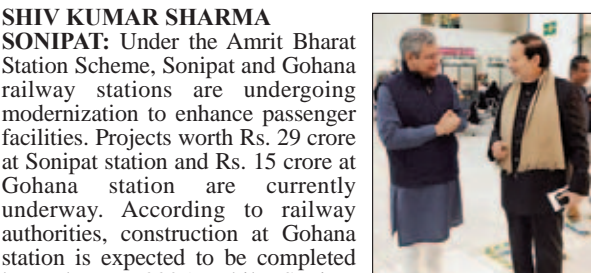
**KAMAL SHARMA TARAORI:** S.M.S. Programmes were organised on the occasion of Republic Day in Memorial Public School Tarawadi. Various cultural programmes were also organised on this occasion. The entire atmosphere of the school resonated with patriotic songs. The school manager Gusharan Singh Grewal, while addressing the students, said that we celebrate this day by respecting our duties and responsibilities. We should take our country forward by following our constitution. While the activities like poem presentation, flag making, drawing etc. by the children in the school fascinated everyone, the speech presentation by the students of class 8 increased the spirit of patriotism in everyone's heart. The school's principal Dr. Vibha Kaushik wished everyone a Happy Republic Day. She said that the festival of Republic Day takes us to the heights of patriotism. On 26 January 1950, on this holy land, we adopted our constitution, which tied crores of countrymen in the thread of unity, equality and brotherhood.

**Divyansh Moudgil of Nalagarh selected for Ph.D in Forestry**



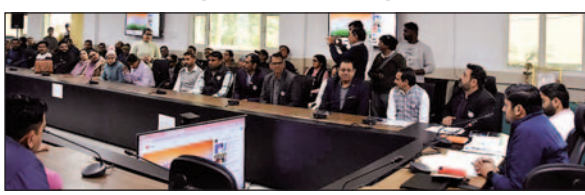
**SHANTI GAUTAM BADDI:** Divyansh Moudgil of Nalagarh has been selected for PhD Forestry in the country's prestigious located in Nauni Solan. Divyansh was born in Nalagarh and his ancestral home is in Panjaira Divyansh son of Shyam Moudgil did B.Sc (Hons) Forestry from Dr. Yashwant Singh Parmar Horticulture and Forestry University Nauni, Neri Hamirpur, Solan and M.Sc. (Forestry) in Wildlife. He studied science and tree improvement in top marks. Now Divyansh has been selected for PhD (Forestry) Forest Biology and Tree Improvement by Dr. Yashwant Singh Parmar of Industrial and Scientific Research. Forestry University located in Nauni, Solan. Divyansh's father Shyam Moudgil told that his son had a special interest in studies from the very beginning and studies for four to five hours every day and has always stayed away from social media. Due to his hard work, Divyansh achieved this. On the first day of the new session he will pursue his PhD in the next phase of his life to move ahead. On the other hand, NUJIndia state president Dr. Rakesh Rana, Shanti Swaroop, Dr. Sandeep Kumar Sachdeva, Anil Malik, Vice President of Himalaya Jan Kalyan Samiti Dimple, Sushma Thakur expressed happiness over Divyansh's selection for PhD (Forestry). They expressed it and wished him a bright future.

**Sonipat and Gohana railway stations to be equipped with airport-like facilities by 2025**



**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA SONIPAT:** Under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, Sonipat and Gohana railway stations are undergoing modernization to enhance passenger facilities. Projects worth Rs. 29 crore at Sonipat station and Rs. 15 crore at Gohana station are currently underway. According to railway authorities, construction at Gohana station is expected to be completed by February 2025, while Sonipat station will be ready by March 31, 2025. Haryana Cabinet Minister Dr. Arvind Sharma recently met with Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnav to discuss the modernization efforts. Dr. Sharma assured that both stations will soon offer airport-like amenities. Dr. Sharma stated that the construction is in its final stages, with 70-80% of work already completed. The new building at Sonipat station will span 200 meters in length and 45 feet in width, with a capacity to accommodate 450 passengers at once. Modern facilities like waiting lounges, commercial centers, coach guidance systems, accessible features for the disabled, upgraded platforms, foot overbridges, and lifts will make the travel experience more convenient. The Haryana government, under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chief Minister Nayab Saini, is committed to ensuring top-notch amenities for every citizen, said Dr. Sharma.

**Strengthening democracy through voting: ADC**



**RANVIR PARASHAR KAITHAL:** On National Voters' Day, Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Deepak Babu Lal Karwa emphasized the critical role of voting in strengthening democratic values. Addressing a gathering at the auditorium of the Mini Secretariat, he urged all eligible citizens, especially those aged 18 and above, to register to vote and actively participate in elections, calling it a proud and empowering responsibility. ADC Karwa highlighted that the Election Commission of India was established on January 25, 1950, and this day serves as a reminder to raise awareness about the importance of voting, particularly among the youth. He stressed the need for every citizen to cast their vote without fear, influence, or greed, reinforcing the sanctity of free and fair elections. Praising the inclusivity of India's Constitution, Karwa noted that it grants equal voting rights to all, regardless of gender, class, or community. He underscored the significance of every vote, which can determine victory or defeat in an election, and urged everyone to take pride in their democratic right to elect representatives.

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### Uttarakhand CM Pushkar Singh Dhami monitor preparations ahead of 38th National Games in Dehradun



Dehradun: Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami reviewed the arrangements for the 38th National Games, scheduled to be held in Uttarakhand from January 28, 2025, according to an official release. On Saturday, the Chief Minister inspected the Maharana Pratap Stadium in Dehradun to assess the preparations for the inauguration of the National Games. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the event in Dehradun. While reviewing the preparations for the National Games, the Chief Minister directed the officials to make all the arrangements better for the convenience of the players and visitors. Special attention should be paid to cleanliness. On the occasion of the inauguration of the National Games, LED arrangements should be ensured at the district and block level, so that people can watch the live telecast easily. He said that this is a golden opportunity for Uttarakhand to create a different image at the national level, the statement mentioned. The statement citing the Chief Minister added that Uttarakhand has a good opportunity to promote sports in the state. This will increase the inclination of the youth towards sports and with the development of sports infrastructure, many sports competitions will be organized in the state in future. The state government will also give an amount equal to the prize money to the players playing on behalf of Uttarakhand on winning medals in the 38th National Games. The Chief Minister said that public participation should also be ensured to make the National Games to be held in the state grand. On the occasion of the inauguration of the National Games, Deepotsav and other programs should be organized across the state with public participation. The Chief Minister has given instructions to keep the necessary arrangements smooth around all the sports venues of the state in view of the National Games. He said that proper arrangements for transportation, accommodation, health facilities and other basic necessities should be ensured for the players and visitors. The National Games in Uttarakhand are being organized on the theme of Green Games. In view of the arrival of Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the occasion of the inauguration of the National Games, the Chief Minister has also given instructions to the police and administration to make all the arrangements better. He said that on the occasion of the inauguration of the National Games, people should not face unnecessary problems, and information about the route plan should be conveyed to the people by the police. Proper parking arrangements should be ensured.

# Padma Awards 2025: Paris Paralympics gold medallist Harvinder Singh to be honoured with Padma Shri



**AGENCY**  
**NEW DELHI:** On the eve of the Republic Day, India's para-archer Harvinder Singh is among the recipients of the Padma Awards 2025. The Paris Paralympics gold medallist is being awarded with Padma Shri. The Padma awards, among the country's highest civilian honours, are conferred in three categories - and Padma Shri, Padma Bhushan and Padma Vibhushan. The awards are given in various disciplines, such as art, social work, public affairs, science and engineering, trade and industry, medicine, and literature among others. The Padma Shri award is the fourth-highest civilian award of the Republic of India after the Bharat Ratna, Padma Vibhushan, and the Padma Bhushan. Harvinder has tasted success in the past year with his consistent performances. He got his hands on India's first-ever gold medal in para-archery at the Paris 2024 Paralympics. It was a one-sided affair in the men's individual recurve open event. Harvinder ousted Poland's Lukasz Cizek with a straight-set win, 6-0, in the

gold medal match. His triumph in Paris marked a medal in two successive Paralympics, having won a bronze medal in the recurve para-archery at the Tokyo Paralympics 2020. His triumph in Tokyo was India's first medal in archery in the Paralympics. Harvinder had the opportunity to add another medal to his tally but landed short in the decisive clash. Harvinder and Pooja fell short in the bronze medal tie against Slovenia's Ziva Lavrinc and Dejan Fabic in the mixed team recurve open at the Paris Paralympics. Despite starting brightly, they eventually succumbed to a 4-6 defeat in the bronze medal match.

### NEWS BRIEF

#### Three Indians named in 2024's ICC Women's T20I Team of the Year

**D**ubai: Opener Smriti Mandhana, wicketkeeper-batter Richa Ghosh, and all-rounder Deepthi Sharma are the three players from the Indian side who have been selected in the ICC Women's T20I Team of the Year 2024 on Saturday for their exceptional performances throughout the last calendar year. Here is the list of three Indian players who have been named in the XI at the ICC Awards. Smriti Mandhana: Smriti Mandhana kicked off the year with a stellar 54 against Australia at DY Patil Stadium, a performance that propelled the left-handed batter to a year of outstanding T20I performances. In a testament to her consistency, Mandhana closed out the year in similar fashion, making three half-centuries on the trot against West Indies at home, only emphasising her reliability in the format. Her outstanding performances propelled her to the second spot in the ICC Women's T20I Batting Rankings. Richa Ghosh: The Indian wicketkeeper-batter stands out for her ability to score runs in an extremely aggressive manner, consistently leading the charge with her attacking style of play. Ghosh was in explosive form whenever she had the chance to bat, smashing a blistering 64 off 29 balls at an incredible strike rate of 220.68 against UAE in Dambulla.

#### JSW Soorma Hockey Club, Odisha Warriors all set for historic Women's Hockey India League final

**R**anchi: After two weeks of gripping and thrilling hockey action, Odisha Warriors and JSW Soorma Hockey Club are all set to lock horns in a historic clash at the first-ever Women's Hockey India League 2025 final on Sunday at the Marang Gomke Jaipal Singh Munda Stadium in Ranchi. Table-toppers Soorma flourished in the league stage with 13 points from six games, while the Warriors were just two points behind. With 15 goals scored, Soorma leads the scoring charts. However, the Warriors' formidable defense, having conceded only five goals this season, will be tough to break. In their first encounter, Soorma triumphed 2-1 with goals from Hina Bano and Sonam. The Warriors bounced back in the second meeting, securing a 2-0 shootout win after a closely contested goalless draw. Odisha Warriors are on a four-game winning streak and will be confident heading into the final. Having won all three of their penalty shootouts this season, Australian goalkeeper Jocelyn Bartram is in top form and will be crucial if the match goes to a shootout. Star drag-flicker Yibbi Jansen is also one to watch, having converted five penalty corners and being the joint-leading goalscorer of the league.

## All six franchisee teams confirmed for Shaheed Chandershekar Azad Memorial T20 Tournament



**CHANDIGARH:** The much-awaited Shaheed Chandershekar Azad Memorial T20 Tournament under the supervision of UTCA's president Sanjay Tandon which is scheduled to start from February 7 has confirmed their six franchisees. A meeting to finalize all aspects of the tournament was held under the supervision of Dr. Rupesh Singh, the Tournament Executive Chairman, at the Sector 16 Cricket Stadium. The discussion was aimed at ironing out the final details and ensuring that the event runs smoothly from the start. The confirmed teams include HIIMS Hawks (owned by Acharya Manish), Talanoa Tigers (owned by Barkiran Singh), Punjab Panthers (owned by Paransh Gilhortra), Wild Wood Warriors (owned by Sukhdev Singh), City Challengers (owned by Sanjeev Vohra) and Manohar Mavericks (owned by Taran Inder Singh Bunny). The franchise system for the league follows a first-come, first-served policy, ensuring that the teams are formed in a fair and transparent manner. The franchisee owners will soon appoint their celebrity ambassadors. The CPL will feature a total of 33 matches, including two semifinals and one grand final, all to be played at the Tau Devi Lal Stadium in Panchkula. The league will not only offer thrilling cricket action but will also provide a platform for budding cricketers to showcase their talent and potentially make a name for themselves in the local and national cricket scene. League will be telecast live on Fancode.

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| Sr. No. | Name of Original Allottee/ Transferee         | Name of Applicant / Transferee      | Flat No. | Category / Floor | Remarks           |
|---------|---|-------------------------------------|----------|------------------|-------------------|
| 1       | Shri Naveen Sabharwal S/O Shri O.P. Sabharwal | Smt. Sneha Lata W/o Shri Vikas Arya | 438      | Cat C 2nd Floor  | On Transfer Basis |

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| क्र0 | योजना का नाम                                    | अधिकतम आर्थिक सहायता | योजना का व्यौरा  |
|------|---|----------------------|--|
| 1    | उच्च शिक्षा (Higher Study) के लिए आर्थिक सहायता | 02 लाख रूपी तक       | इस योजना के तहत गरीब परिवारों की लड़कियां जिनके पिता जीवित नहीं है या 60 प्रतिशत तक अंग है, परिवार की वार्षिक आय 60000 रूपी से कम है तथा अन्य किसी |
| 2    | UPSC की तैयारी के लिए आर्थिक सहायता             | 01 लाख रूपी तक       | योजना से लाभ नहीं लिया हो, उन लड़कियों को उच्च शिक्षा, UPSC, NEET व ARMY आदि की तैयारी के लिए आर्थिक सहायता प्रदान की जा रही है।                   |
| 3    | NEET की तैयारी के लिए आर्थिक सहायता             | 01 लाख तक            |  |
| 4    | लड़की की शादी के लिए आर्थिक सहायता              | 01 लाख रूपी तक       |  |
| 5    | ARMY की तैयारी के लिए आर्थिक सहायता             | 25000 रूपी तक        | यह योजना गरीब परिवारों की लड़कियों एच लड़कों जिनके पिता जीवित नहीं है या 60 प्रतिशत तक अंग है, परिवार की वार्षिक आय 60000 रूपी से कम है।           |
| 6    | बीमारी पर हुए खर्च पर आर्थिक सहायता             | 50000 रूपी तक        | इस योजना के तहत गरीब परिवारों जिनकी वार्षिक आय 60000 रूपी से कम है को आर्थिक सहायता प्रदान की जाएगी।   |
| 7    | Self Defence का प्रशिक्षण                       | निशुल्क              | प्रत्येक कॉलेज में लड़कियों एच महिलाओं को Self Defence का प्रशिक्षण निशुल्क दिया जा रहा है।  |
| 8    | 07 दिवसीय योग शिविर                             | निशुल्क              | प्रत्येक पंचायत में 07 दिवसीय निशुल्क योग शिविरों का आयोजन किया जा रहा है।   |

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Sr. Divisional Commercial Manager, Northern Railway, Ambala Cantt, for and on behalf of the President of India, invites bid through E-Auction for which detail is as under-

| S N | Category & Details   | Area (Sq. ft.)  | E-Catalogue No. | Date & Time for E-auction |
|-----|--|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| 1   | Contract for commercial advertisement in Out Of Home area of Chandigarh Railway station.   | 89.16 sqm       | UMB-Adv-03-25   | 31.01.2025 at 15:00 Hrs   |
| 2   | Contract for commercial advertisement in Out Of Home area of Sirhind Railway Station.  | 2160 sq. ft.    | UMB-Adv-03-25   | 31.01.2025 at 15:00 Hrs   |
| 3   | Contract for commercial advertisement in Out Of Home area of Gidarbaha Railway Station.  | 1500 sq. ft.    | UMB-Adv-03-25   | 31.01.2025 at 15:00 Hrs   |
| 4   | Contract for commercial advertisement in Out Of Home area of Dhuri Railway Station.  | 1872 sq. ft.    | UMB-Adv-03-25   | 31.01.2025 at 15:00 Hrs   |
| 5   | Contract for commercial advertisement in Out Of Home area of Saharanpur Railway Station.   | 1440 sq. ft.    | UMB-Adv-03-25   | 31.01.2025 at 15:00 Hrs   |
| 6   | Contract for commercial advertisement in Out Of Home area of Fatehgarh Sahib Railway Station.  | 4188 sq. ft.    | UMB-Adv-03-25   | 31.01.2025 at 15:00 Hrs   |
| 7   | Contract for commercial advertisement in Out Of Home area of Bhatinda Railway Station.   | 2109.41 sq. ft. | UMB-Adv-03-25   | 31.01.2025 at 15:00 Hrs   |
| 8   | Contract for commercial advertisement in station premises at Ambala railway station through Digital Media.   | 91.12 sq. ft.   | UMB-Adv-03-25   | 31.01.2025 at 15:00 Hrs   |
| 9   | Contract for commercial advertisement in station premises at Ambala Cantt railway station through Non-Digital Media.   | 6109 sq. ft.    | UMB-Adv-03-25   | 31.01.2025 at 15:00 Hrs   |
| 10  | Contract for commercial advertisement in station premises at Saharanpur railway station through Non-Digital Media.   | 1440 sq. ft.    | UMB-Adv-03-25   | 31.01.2025 at 15:00 Hrs   |
| 11  | Contract for commercial advertisement in Out Of Home area of Shimla railway station through Hoardings/Unipoles   | 1028 sq. ft.    | UMB-Mix-03-2025 | 06.02.2025 at 12:00 Hrs   |
| 12  | Contract for commercial advertisement in Out Of Home area of Bhatinda station through Hoardings/Unipoles   | 2528 sq. ft.    | UMB-Mix-03-2025 | 06.02.2025 at 12:00 Hrs   |
| 13  | Contract for commercial advertisement in Out Of Home area of Ambala city station through Hoardings/Unipoles  | 1600 sq. ft.    | UMB-Mix-03-2025 | 06.02.2025 at 12:00 Hrs   |
| 14  | Setting up and Operation of Rail Coach Restaurant at KALKA Railway Station (Ambala Division).  | -               | UMB-Mix-03-2025 | 06.02.2025 at 12:00 Hrs   |
| 15  | Supply, operation and maintenance of Battery Operated Cars (BOC) for carrying passengers on payment basis with advertisement on the body of BOC at Ambala Cantt and Saharanpur stations. | -               | UMB-Mix-03-2025 | 06.02.2025 at 12:00 Hrs   |

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Whereas, Vastu Housing Finance Corporation Ltd through its head office Mumbai, Notice issued to the following borrowers / guarantors / mortgagors have defaulted in the repayment of principal and payment of interest of credit facilities obtained by them from the VHFCL and said facilities have turned to be Non Performing Assets. The notices were issued to them under section 13(2) of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 on their last known addresses however the same have returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of public notice about the same.

| Name of Borrower, Co-borrower and Loan A/c No.  | Date and Amount of Demand Notice Under Sec. 13(2)                                | Description of Mortgaged property   |
|---|--|---|
| RAMAN KUMAR (Applicant), Raj Bala (Co Borrower), Ramesh Kumar (Co Borrower)<br>LP000000163044               | 12-Dec-24/ Rs.3150876/- as on 9-Dec-24 with further interest and charges thereon | Khwat No. 1,1/2, 2, Khasra No. 15/2/2(2-15) 78/15(8-0) 16(8-0) 25(8-0)8(4-4)7(7-11)79/10/2(6-16)11(8-0)9(2-1-16). Waka Moja Bhattu Khurd Tehsil and distt Fatehabad-125050, Admeasuring 1331 Sq. Yard. North-Road, South -Agriland, East -Street, West- Chirangi la)  |
| Chandrabhan Chandrabhan (Applicant), Archana Devi (Co Borrower), Pawan Kumar (Guarantor)<br>HL0000000169038 | 12-Dec-24/ Rs.785207/- as on 9-Dec-24 with further interest and charges thereon  | Khasra No. 32/18, 19/1, 22/1, 20/1, 21/1, 23, 34, /3/1, Khata No. 34/36 Jambardi Year 2017-18 Vakis Village Tajpur Hadast No. 182 Tehsil and District Ludhiana, Punjab 141004, measuring 53 Sq. Yds. North-Vacant Plot Harwindra 23 Feet, South - Street 20 Feet 23 Feet, East-20 Feet Wide 21 feet, West-Vacant Plot Harwindra 21 feet |
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Place : Haryana , Punjab

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DRAW TIME: 06:00 PM ONWARDS DRAW DATE: 25/01/2025  
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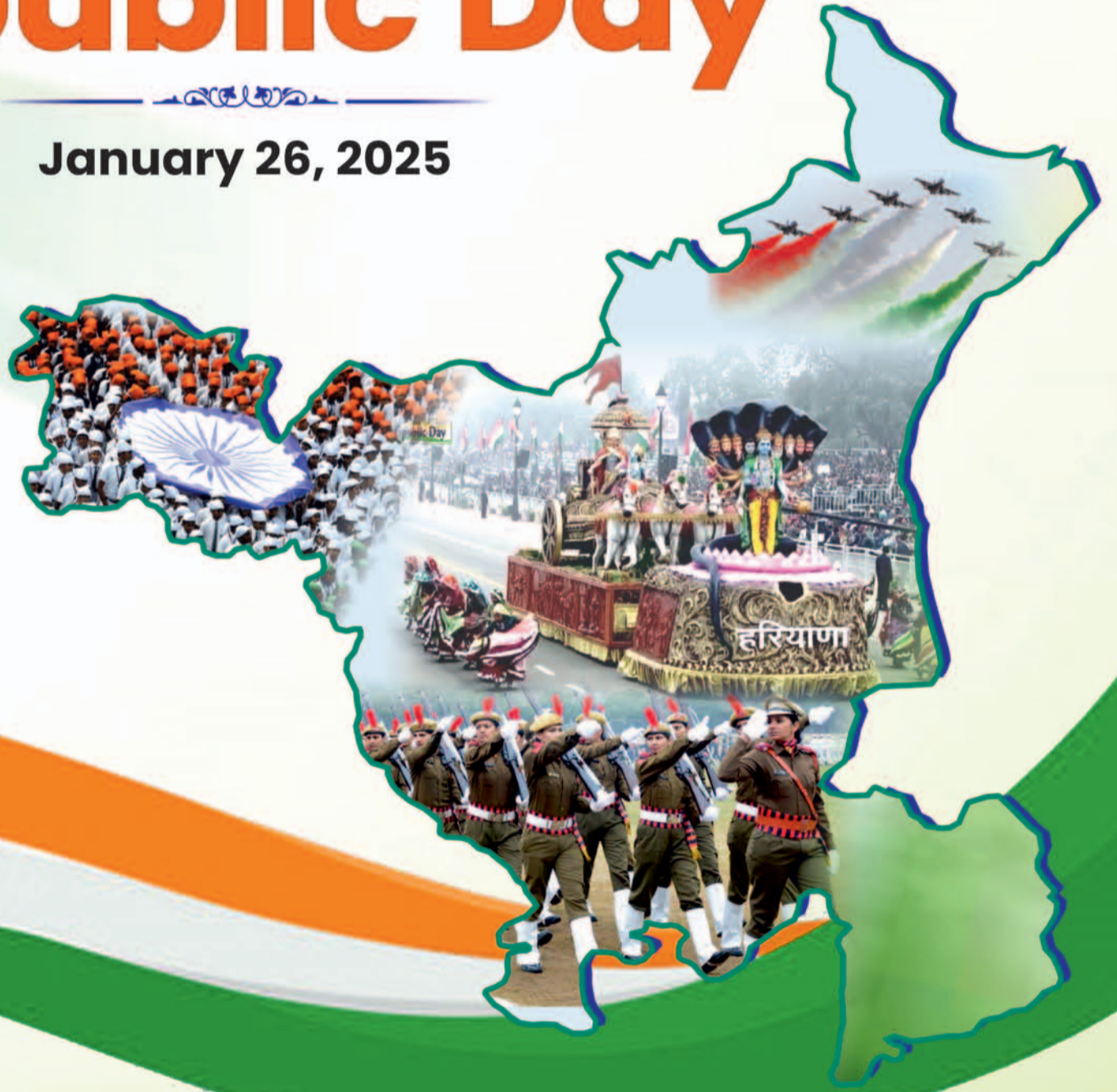
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# Greetings to all on the occasion of Republic Day

January 26, 2025



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## Himachal Day celebrated in Delhi with enthusiasm

AGENCY  
NEW DELHI, JAN 25

The 55th anniversary of Himachal Pradesh's statehood, a grand event was organized at the residence of Union Minister and Hamirpur MP Anurag Singh Thakur in Delhi. More than a thousand Himachalis gathered to celebrate "Himachal Rajatva Diwas" with fervor. The event was graced by BJP National President Jagat Prakash Nadda as the chief guest and Delhi BJP President Virendra Sachdeva as the guest of honor. Several dignitaries, including MPs, MLAs, and prominent leaders, also attended.

### Himachal's Contribution to India's Growth

Speaking on the occasion, Jagat Prakash Nadda highlighted the significant role Himachal Pradesh has played in India's development. He praised the state's residents for their honesty, fairness, and law-abiding nature, calling these traits a source of pride and strength. He also took a strong stance against the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) and Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal, accusing them of mismanaging Delhi over the past decade and setting records in corruption. "Kejriwal, who once gained power on the promise of eradicating corruption, has broken all records of dishonesty. Delhi deserves better than a leader who is out on bail and whose party members are in jail for corruption," he said. He urged the people of Delhi to vote decisively for the BJP in the upcoming February 5 elections to secure a strong majority.

### Anurag Thakur: Himachalis Are Resilient and United

Addressing the gathering, Anurag Singh Thakur emphasized the resilience and global recognition Himachalis have achieved through hard work. He called the statehood day a moment to remember Himachal's rich culture, traditions, and glorious history while resolving to elevate it further. Thakur also lauded Nadda for bringing honor to the state by leading the world's largest political party. Criticizing the AAP government, he noted, "Kejriwal's desperation and frustration clearly show he is losing the elections. Delhi is suffering from polluted air, water, and mountains of garbage. This time, Delhi will rid itself of the AAP government."

The event concluded with renewed calls for unity and progress for Himachal Pradesh, while the BJP leaders expressed confidence in securing a resounding victory in Delhi.

## Parvesh Verma submerges Kejriwal's cut-out in Yamuna over cleanliness issue



**NEW DELHI:** BJP candidate from the New Delhi assembly constituency Parvesh Verma on Saturday submerged the cut-out of Aam Aadmi Party chief Arvind Kejriwal in the Yamuna river as a mark of his protest over the cleanliness of the Yamuna.

Parvesh Verma expressed strong criticism of Kejriwal over the Yamuna river cleaning issue as the cut-out of Kejriwal read, "I have failed, don't vote for me." Speaking with the media, Verma said, "We can clean all the water of Yamuna Maaiya. Cleaning it is not rocket science. All the silt should be removed by machines, sewerage treatment plants should be built, water treatment plants should be built... Just like our Prime Minister Modi ji built the Sabarmati Riverfront, Yamuna Riverfront can be built in the same way." Continuing his verbal tirade, Verma said, "11 years is a very long time. Arvind Kejriwal repeatedly said that he will clean the Yamuna, if I am not able to clean it then the people of Delhi should not vote for me... Arvind Kejriwal can never become CM again. All the ministers released on bail from Tihar are still accused, they can go to jail again tomorrow. So I want to tell the people of Delhi that please vote for a good government, the Bharatiya Janata Party, so that both the governments work together."

Responding to this AAP's national spokesperson Priyanka Kakkar called Parvesh Verma a "clown" and described his act as "stupid."

"Just like a clown in a circus performs different stunts to attract attention, similarly BJP's clown Praveesh Verma is doing stupid things to get into the media. He has earned a lot of money through corruption. He thinks that he can buy votes by distributing money. BJP has dealt with him by pitting him against Kejriwal ji. Now he is not even fit to contest the councillor election," Kakkar wrote on X.

## Voting an important right, which we got from Constitution: Kalyan

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA  
GHARAUNDA/KARNAL, JAN 25

Speaker of Haryana Assembly Harvinder Kalyan said that the Indian Constitution is the highest constitution in the world. It is because of the Constitution of the country that we got the right to vote, which is an important right. In the democratic system, voters use their votes to choose their desired public representative, these public representatives form the government and develop the state according to the expectations of the common people. Therefore, voters should be aware of their voting rights. Harvinder Kalyan was speaking as the chief guest in a district level program organized in Gharaunda on the occasion of National Voters Day on Saturday. Harvinder Kalyan earlier inaugurated the newly constructed auditorium built at a cost of about Rs 3 crore in the ground of Government Sanskriti

Model Senior Secondary School Gharaunda and congratulated the people. During his last tenure, Harvinder Kalyan had got the Chief Minister to announce the construction of this auditorium, this auditorium is equipped with modern facilities, it has 7 rooms, an auditorium, two store rooms and a big hall in which chairs have been installed for about 400 people to sit.

On this occasion, Kalyan gave the message of keeping the environment clean by planting trees in this courtyard. After this, Assembly Speaker Harvinder Kalyan congratulated the National Voters



Day, administered the oath for voting and honored the officers and employees who did excellent work in the general elections process of Lok Sabha

and Assembly by giving them awards. On the other hand, certificates of appreciation were distributed to the students who secured top positions in essay, Rangoli, poster making, speech and quiz competitions. On this occasion, school children presented colourful cultural programmes and made the audience aware of the prevention of social evils.

Haryana Assembly Speaker Harvinder Kalyan said that the Indian Constitution is a great Constitution, Bharat Ratna Baba Saheb Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar has made an important contribution in its creation. It was not possible for Baba Saheb Dr. Ambedkar and the members of the Constituent Assembly to read and ponder over the constitutions of other countries, but Baba Saheb Dr. Ambedkar read those

constitutions and pondered over each and every suggestion. After this, a great Constitution was created and the countrymen got their Constitution on 26 January 1950. It is only because of the Constitution that we got the right to equality. He said that while the Constitution has given us rights, it has also made us aware of our duties. He said that we should not only be aware of our rights but should also have knowledge of our duties. The true tribute to the constitution makers will be that we follow the path shown by them. In the district level programme organised on the occasion of National Voters Day, Haryana Assembly Speaker Harvinder Kalyan administered the voter's oath that we, the citizens of India, having full faith in democracy, take this oath that we will maintain the dignity of the democratic traditions of our country and keeping the dignity of free, fair and peaceful elections intact, fearlessly, without being influenced by religion.

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NEWS BRIEFS

## Techno School Summit will be organised on Artificial Intelligence

**SANJAY SHARMA KAITHAL:** A Techno School Summit is being organised on the subject of Artificial Intelligence under the joint aegis of NIIIM University Kaithal and Private School Welfare Association, in which principals and management members of CBSE schools will specially participate. Sumit Bhatt, CEO and Founder Reddcat AI, Neha Malhotra and Mr. Raghav will participate as keynote speakers in the program. The programme will be presided over by University Vice Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) Shamim Ahmed. It will start at 2:00 pm at Hotel Grace located at Vishwakarma Chowk in Kaithal, this information was given by University Public Relations Officer Dr. Manoj Kumar.

## Work done for every section in first 100 days of government: Krishan Lal

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, JAN 25

Haryana's Development and Panchayat Minister Sh. Krishan Lal Panwar said the state government is going to complete its 100 days in Haryana on January 27. He said Chief Minister Sh. Nayab Singh Saini has done the work of giving gifts to every section in these 100 days. Development work is being done in every Assembly without discrimination.

He said after the formation of the government, the Chief Minister first gave government jobs without 'kharchi-parchi' to more than 24,000 youths. Sh. Nayab Singh Saini gave jobs to the youth first and then took oath as the Chief Minister. So far, Rs 948 crore has been released for farmers as compensation for the loss of Kharif crop due to lack of rain. Along with youth and farmers, the government worked tirelessly for women, employees, businessmen and labour-



ers. Sh. Panwar said in these 100 days, the government has fulfilled the dream of 15,000 eligible people by giving them plots. Not only this, the government is leaving no stone unturned in making women self-reliant. Drone Didi and Bima Sakhi Yojana are examples of this. Sh. Nayab Singh Saini was the Chief Minister for the first time

from March 2024 to October 2024. During this time, the Chief Minister did many commendable works in the interest of the state due to which the people of Haryana again formed the BJP government with a majority in the Assembly and on October 17, he was again crowned as the CM. The government and the Chief Minister are ready to give the report card of these 100

days. Sh. Krishan Lal Panwar said Prime Minister Sh. Narendra Modi has given the title of 3V to Sh. Nayab Singh Saini. The Prime Minister said Sh. Saini is a 'vinamra, viveksheel and vidvaan' personality, who has gained political popularity as Chief Minister in such a short time.

The minister said free dialysis facility has been made available in medical colleges and government hospitals of the state. This benefited kidney patients. The patients got rid of expensive dialysis facilities in private hospitals. Along with this, the recruitment process of doctors is going on to meet the shortage of doctors in the government hospitals of the state. Soon, more than 750 doctors are to be recruited in government hospitals. Apart from this, many revolutionary steps have been taken in the health sector, he added.

## Youth Parliament was organized in PM Shri Govt Senior Secondary School Sarawan

PREETI SAINI SADHAURA, JAN 25

Youth Parliament was organized in PM Shri Government Senior Secondary School Sarawan in which children from class 9th to 12th played role of Speaker, Prime Minister, Members of Parliament, this gave children information about law making and governance activities of country, 11th class student Radha played role of Speaker and Kanchan played role of PM. All children performed their roles very well. Principal Akshay Kumar and Political Sciences Amarjeet from DIET praised children and encouraged them. Principal Akshay Kumar gave credit of organizing this successful program to school's



Political Science' Reena Saini and Harinder Pal. School's Hindi lecturer Pawan Pundir thanked Political Science's Amarjeet from DIET Yamunanagar.

## Pledge to vote to make Indian democracy fully participatory: Dr. Rampal Saini

CHAMAN LAL KARNAL, JAN 25

In program of National Voter's Day jointly organized by NSS Cell and NCC Cadets in DAV PG College, Principal Dr. Rampal Saini said that aware voter is basis of democracy who votes with his conscience. He said that to make democracy fully participatory, all should take a pledge to vote, this way participation of all citizens works to strengthen democracy. He administered oath to students and staff members to maintain dignity of democratic traditions and keep dignity of free, fair and peaceful election intact, fearlessly, without being influenced by religion, class, caste, community, language or any other temptation, to use their right to vote in all elections.



Principal said that India is the largest democratic country in the world and this democracy is the pride and self-respect of us Indians, he said that the voter has been considered important in the democratic system. The vote cast by him gives direction to the country.

## R-Day celebrated in Karnal International School

CHAMAN LAL KARNAL, JANUARY 25

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm and patriotism on the premises of Karnal International School. The event began with the hoisting of the national tricolour. Students from various classes showcased their talents, which included thought-provoking poems, motivational speeches, melodious songs and captivating dance performances. The performances not only showcased the creativity of the students but also highlighted the significance of Republic Day. The Chairman of the school, Col Arun Dutta Ji, spoke to the students about the significance of Republic Day and its values.



He motivated the students to become responsible citizens, serve the country and uphold its values. Encouraging the students for their performances, Col Dutta said, "You are the future of our great nation, India. It is your duty to protect its

integrity, promote its culture and strive for its progress." The function concluded with the National Anthem which filled the hearts of all present with a sense of pride, unity and responsibility towards the nation. This event reflected the patriotism and commitment of Karnal International School towards national integration.

## Hawan organised at Kurukshetra BJP office on CM Saini's birthday

DALBIR MALIK KURUKSHETRA, JANUARY 25

A religious hawan was organised at Kurukshetra BJP office today on the occasion of Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Saini's birthday. In this hawan, in the presence of District President Sushil Rana, BJP workers and local leaders took blessings for the long life and prosperity of the Chief Minister. District Media Incharge Shailesh Vats said that the hawan was an effort to increase brotherhood and unity among BJP workers. District President Rana, in his address on the occasion, praised the Chief Minister's policies and his leadership, which are proving to be inspirational for the development of the state.

He said, "The leadership of the Chief Minister has been extremely important for Haryana, and under his leadership the state has touched new heights of development. This hawan has been organized for his long and healthy life. During the hawan, the workers prayed for the long life of the Chief Minister and pledged dedication and hard work



for the progress of the state. On this occasion, senior leaders of Kurukshetra BJP, workers and local people were also present, who together completed the hawan. BJP workers gave a message of unity on this occasion and pledged to carry forward the development work in the state by supporting the policies of Chief Minister Nayab Saini. The workers also said that under the guidelines of the Chief Minister, Haryana will soon emerge as a

strong and prosperous state. The enthusiasm and faith of the BJP workers was clearly seen on this occasion, who are taking a pledge to ensure the winning stance of the BJP in the upcoming elections. On this occasion, District General Secretary Jaswinder Saini, District Media Head Shailesh Vats, Renu Khugar, Gulshan Saini, Anu Malyan were present in large numbers. Workers and officials were present.

## Jindal Stainless Hisar Organizes 2025 Annual Community Lunch



**HISAR:** Jindal Stainless Hisar organized a community lunch for over 20,000 people, including employees of Jindal Stainless and their families. This tradition, which has been ongoing for more than three decades, was initiated by the company's founder, the late Mr. O.P. Jindal, who emphasized the importance of unity, brotherhood, and strengthening relationships within the Jindal Stainless family. Mrs. Savitri Jindal, the esteemed matriarch, graced the occasion with her presence, adding to the charm of the event. The purpose of the community lunch is not only to celebrate the company's success but also to provide an opportunity for employees and their families to come together. Unit Head and Senior Vice President, Mr. Vijay Bindlish, stated on this occasion: "This annual community lunch is a testament to our unity. We are proud to maintain this tradition. It is not just a celebration but also a symbol of the commitment to dedication, collaboration, and collective efforts at Jindal Stainless Hisar." The event was attended by senior officials, employees, and their families, promoting a sense of unity within the Jindal Stainless family.

## Arohan Welfare Society celebrates R-Day with divyang children

**RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR:** Arohan Welfare Society which is being run from Hindu Girls College Jagadhri today celebrated Republic Day with Divyang children! Dr. Ritu Soni, President of Arohan Welfare Society said that the organisation has been running since 2013 but this day-care concept has been started since 2018 in which we pay attention to the health of disabled women and girls, they are given different types of occupational therapy and they are given physiotherapy, acupuncture therapy and massage therapy! Attention is also paid to the confidence level of disabled girls and women so that they can also say their point in the society and celebrate all the festivals with great enthusiasm! Disabled girls and women played patriotic music and danced on patriotic songs on the occasion of Republic Day! Rekha Thakral, Coordinator of Arohan Welfare Society said that these Divyangs can also sing, dance and do all the work like normal children, they only need to be encouraged!



## PM's 118th 'Mann Ki Baat' programme held at Sarni Chowk Shakti Kendra

RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR, JAN 25

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's 118th 'Mann Ki Baat' programme was organised at Rajat Arora's residence at both number 135 of Sarni Chowk Shakti Kendra. On this occasion, mainly former Chairperson in Haryana Government Malik Rozi Anand, State Co-Chief of BJP Small Industries Cell Sumeet Gupta, newly elected Mandal President of Yamunanagar Mandal Aman Sagar and many dignitaries of the area and prominent BJP officials were present. In the programme, former Chairperson of Haryana Government, Mrs. Malik Rozi Anand said, "Prime Minister Narendra Modi's 'Mann Ki Baat' programme connects every citizen of the country. This is not just a dialogue but a campaign for nation building. In this time's



Mann Ki Baat, the Prime Minister talked about the preparations for the 75th Republic Day and explained the importance of the Constitution of India, which strengthens our democratic process." In his address, BJP Small Industries Cell State Co-Chief Sumit Gupta said, "The Prime Minister has inspired the countrymen through 'Mann Ki Baat' and emphasized on promoting indigenous products, small businesses and self-reliant India.

This time he discussed the innovations in India's space sector and the success of Mission Chandrayaan-3. Apart from this, he also highlighted the importance of the Maha Kumbh Mela held in Prayagraj and paid tribute to Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose."

After the programme, the newly elected Mandal President Aman Sagar was honoured with a garland. The workers of Shakti Kendra and local citizens expressed confi-

dence in taking the organisation to new heights under his leadership. The newly elected Yamunanagar Mandal President Aman Sagar said in his address, "I am proud and grateful to be entrusted with the responsibility of Yamunanagar Mandal President. I am committed to strengthening the organisation at the grassroots level, taking the party's message to every person and empowering the workers at the booth level. I am confident that with collective efforts we will take the organisation to new heights and make every worker feel proud."

All the booth workers of Shakti Kendra and local citizens participated enthusiastically in the programme. Describing the 'Mann Ki Baat' programme as inspirational, it was described as a dialogue that will bring positive change in the society.

## Rotary Club Riviera to donate pick toilets to 4 schools



**RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR:** Rotary Club Riviera Yamuna Nagar is going to donate pick toilets to four schools. In the same sequence, today the club team went to Mukand Lal National Senior Secondary School Yamuna Nagar and donated them. The special thing in this is that pick toilets are being made especially for girls. Meanwhile, the club's head Sanjeev Sethi said that the club members are distributing ten thousand sanitary pads to the girl students in various schools. Jai Kumar Chauhan, Kishan Vij, Surendra Madan, Ravindra Agarwal, Amit Gupta, Ritu Gupta, Ritu Sethi, Satbir Chauhan were present on this occasion.

## Every voter should cast his vote for progress of country: Sonu Bhatt

DALBIR MALIK KURUKSHETRA, JANUARY 25

Additional Deputy Commissioner Sonu Bhatt said that for the progress of country, every voter should cast his vote impartially and freely. Every voter should also keep in mind whether his name is included in voter list or not. According to rules of the Election Commission, only a person whose name is included in voter list has right to cast his vote. Everyone should get their name registered in voter list. He was speaking as chief guest in district level program organized by District Election Office on 5th National Voter's Day in auditorium of Mini Secretariat on Saturday. Earlier, ADC Sonu Bhatt, Election Tehsildar Sarla Kau-



shik formally inaugurated the program by lighting the lamp. During this, Election Commissioner of India

Rajiv Kumar gave his message about the establishment of Election Commission through online system. ADC said that in India, world's largest democracy, any person has the right

to cast his vote as per his convenience. Any person can easily transfer his vote from one place to another. A voter should not be limited to making an identity card. He should also get his name included in voter list in time. Not exercising vote causes loss to country. It is duty of a good citizen and responsible person to contribute to progress of country by exercising his vote. ADC also administered oath to all officers and students present in auditorium to maintain democracy of country and to vote impartially. He honoured students, officers and employees who did excellent work in SVEEP activities by giving them letters of appreciation. Tehsildar Sarla Kaushik welcomed guests and expressed gratitude to visitors.

## Mega Medical Camp held in Thamber to celebrate CM Nayab Saini's birthday

JAIBEER RANA THAMBER BARARA, JANUARY 25

Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Saini's birthday was celebrated with enthusiasm in the Barara Subdivision, where BJP workers organized a series of events. These included a hawan and yajna ceremony at the Bala Sundari Temple in Mullana, where prayers were offered for the CM's long life. As part of the celebrations, a mega medical camp was held in Thamber village under the leadership of Sarpanch and Sarpanch Association President Rohtash Rana, along with Barara BJP Mandal President Dimple Rana.

A cake-cutting ceremony marked the occasion, with greetings extended to CM Nay-

ab Saini. Sarpanch Rohtash Rana emphasized the positive impact of the BJP-led double-engine government on develop-



provided free sugar and blood pressure check-ups, medical consultations, and medicines. Barara BJP Mandal Presi-

dent Dimple Rana highlighted the government's transparent job policies, which have signifi-

cantly curbed unemployment by ensuring jobs without corruption or favoritism. Additionally, Ayushman Bharat cards were issued to senior citizens above 70 years of age during the camp. The medical camp, led by Dr. Birbal Singh, SMO of the Community Health Center, was supported by a dedicated healthcare team, including Dr. Amit from the Ayush Department. Patients received consultations and treatment throughout the day. Dignitaries present at the event included Sarpanch Rohtash Rana, Barara Mandal President Dimple Rana, Pramod Rana, Birbal Rana, Bhupendra Sanju, Yogesh Gupta, Ranjore, and Navdeep Sharma, among others.

**SANAJY AGGARWAL**  
**DHARAMSHALA:** Sikyong, the political leader of the Central Tibetan Administration (CTA) and President of the Tibetan Government in Exile, Penpa Tsering has extended warm congratulations to Donald J. Trump on his swearing in as the 47th President of the United States of America and to the



Marco Rubio on his appointment as the US Secretary of State. In his congratulatory message to President Trump, Sikyong praised his leadership in

addressing global challenges and defending democratic values. He expressed hope that under the guidance of President Trump, the United States will continue to serve as a beacon of freedom and democracy on the world stage. Sikyong acknowledged the long-term support the Tibetan cause has received from successive US administrations.

## NEWS BRIEF

**Voter's Day celebrated by Electoral Literacy Club in school**



**AVINASH CHAUHAN**  
**AMB:** Voter's Day was celebrated by the Electoral Literacy Club in Government Senior Secondary School Diyada, in which the students of the ELC Club of the school expressed their views on the importance of Voter's Day and took an oath. Along with this, the nodal officer of the school ELC Club, Aman Sharma, while addressing the students, told that on 25 January 1950, the Election Commission of our country was formed, that is why this day is celebrated as Voter's Day since 2011. School Principal Sushil Thakur explained to the students that we should use our vote wisely without any greed. He also made the students aware of the power of the vote and political rights. VLO Jagdeep, spokesperson Subir Mohammad and Amit Kumar also participated in this voter awareness program.

**Horrible road accident near Daultapur Chowk, driver narrowly escapes**



**AVINASH CHAUHAN**  
**AMB:** The driver of a car had a narrow escape in a road accident that took place in Chalet of subdivision Gagret on Saturday morning. According to the information, the car was coming from Gondpur Banehda towards Daultapur Chowk. Suddenly a stray animal came in front of the car, due to which the driver lost balance. The car went out of control and collided with a tanker parked on the roadside. Due to the collision, the bonnet and roof of the car were completely shattered, but the airbags in the car opened on time, due to which the driver's life was saved. Locals heard the loud explosion and immediately rushed to the spot and pulled the driver out. The driver suffered only minor injuries, thus a major accident was averted.

# Govt strengthening dairy, natural farming, agriculture, horticulture, fisheries sectors: CM Sukhu

## Recruitment for 25 thousand jobs to start soon

**DINESH AGARWAL**  
**SHIMLA, JAN 25**

Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu conveyed his Statehood Day wishes to the people of Himachal Pradesh during the 55th celebration held at Baijnath in Kangra district today. He remembered the immense contributions of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and first Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh Dr. Y.S. Parmar in achieving statehood status. The Chief Minister unfurled the National Flag and took salute from the contingents of police, home guards, IRB Bassi, IRB Sakoh, SSB Sapri, District Police Kangra, Traffic Police, NCC cadets, Scouts and Guides and Police band in a commendable march past led by Parade Commander IPS (Probationer)



Ravinandan.

The Chief Minister announced the upgradation of Chadiyar Sub-Tehsil to a Tehsil, opening of a new Public Works Department sub-division in Chadiyar and the establishment of a digital library. He also announced plans for the development of Tatvani's hot water springs and Kheer Ganga Ghat as tourist destinations with detailed planning.

Additionally, a bridge over the Binwa River at Sansali-Bhatwari will be constructed on Paprola-Baijnath bypass road. The Chief Minister assured sufficient funds for the beautification of Indira Gandhi Stadium Baijnath and announced a Primary Health Center in Sansal. He further announced the opening of a Rajiv Gandhi Day-Boarding School in Mahalpat village of Baijnath Gram Panchayat and

M.A. courses in Political Science and Sociology at Baijnath Government College. Police Chowki Multhan's eight panchayats, including Baragran, Kothikohar, Dharan, Multhan, Luwai, Poling, Sward, and Bara Bhagal, will now be brought under the jurisdiction of the Police Station Bari, benefiting 7,500 people across 35 villages.

He announced the development of grazing lands for shepherds and protection of their rights under the Forest Rights Act. The government will resolve issues arising from developmental changes in traditional routes, promote eco-friendly sheep and goat rearing, and strengthen the Wool Federation and Wool Board, he added.

Sh. Sukhu stated "Although the current government has been in

power for only two years, the situation is such that loans are being taken to repay the principal and interest of previous debts. In the last two financial years, the government has taken a loan of Rs. 30,080 crore, out of which Rs. 18,854 crore, approximately 63 percent of the total, has been used to repay the principal and interest on loans taken by the previous government."

He said that during the BJP's tenure in 2021-22, the state received a revenue deficit grant of Rs. 10,249 crore, which reduced to Rs. 6,258 crore in 2023-24 and is expected to drop further to Rs. 3,257 crore in the next financial year. Despite financial constraints, he emphasized the government's focus on resource generation rather than dependency on loans.

## PM Modi congratulates residents of Himachal Pradesh on Statehood Day

**AGENCY**  
**NEW DELHI, JAN 25**

Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday congratulated residents of Himachal Pradesh on the occasion of the Statehood day.

Taking to social media X, the PM in a post wrote that Himachal was a holy land and preserved its natural beauty and magnificent heritage. "Many congratulations to all the residents of Himachal Pradesh on the occasion of Statehood Day. I wish that our holy land, which preserves its natural beauty and magnificent heritage, progresses rapidly on the path of progress," the post read.

On January 24, the Raj Bhavan of Himachal Pradesh marked the foundation day of four states: Uttar Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, and Mizoram.

Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla, who presided over the event, praised the initiative of celebrating state



foundation days as part of the "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat" campaign.

During his interaction with the media, he compared these celebrations to a mini Kumbh and highlighted their cultural and national significance.

He said, "While we are witnessing the grand Maha Kumbh, these celebrations of state foundation days under 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' are also like a mini-Kumbh. They are no less significant than any major gathering. People from various states come together here, meet, and learn about each other. I would like to extend my gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi for initiating this tradition."

## CM Sukhu lays foundation and inaugurate project worth Rs. 70.26 crore for Baijnath

**DINESH AGARWAL**  
**SHIMLA, JAN 25**

On the concluding day of his winter sojourn and after the Statehood Day celebrations, Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu laid foundation stones and inaugurated development projects worth Rs. 70.26 crore for Baijnath.

He laid the foundation stone for Rs. 44 crore drinking water project for Baijnath-Paprola town. Additionally, he initiated Rs. 9.23 crore 33/11 KV electricity substation in Bir and Rs. 2.91 crore road construction project from Kumarada to Madhonagar Nain Bhankehd.

The Chief Minister inaugurated Rs. 9 crore



paragliding training center at the world-famous paragliding site in Bir and dedicated two parking facilities near Kyori (Bir) and the paragliding landing site, built at a cost of Rs. 5.12 crore, to the public.

Baijnath MLA Kishori Lal expressed gratitude to the

Chief Minister for these projects and stated that these projects were made without any prior requests, reflecting the CM's dedication to the welfare of the region. He also said that hosting the Statehood Day celebration in Baijnath was a moment of pride for the constituency.

## CM inaugurates Bir Paragliding Centre-cum-Hotel complex

**DINESH AGARWAL**  
**SHIMLA, JAN 25**

Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu today inaugurated the Bir Paragliding Centre-cum-Hotel complex in Kangra district which has been constructed by HP Tourism Development board under Swadesh Darshan Scheme of Tourism Department to promote adventure tourism in the state. The total cost of construction of the complex is approximately 9 crore. The building is situated in the heart of Bir. The entire building has office room, lecture halls, conference rooms, dormitories, single bed rooms, one dining hall and a modern kit and a modern kitchen the



facility which can accommodate many tourist and trainees at the same time. The complex also has lift facility. Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister said that adventure sports and tourism have become increasingly popular, offering

a unique blend of excitement, challenge, and cultural immersion. This niche market combines physical activity, exploration, and travel, catering to thrill-seekers and nature enthusiasts.

He said that the Bir Paragliding Centre-cum-

hotel complex will be jointly run by Himachal Pradesh Tourism Development Corporation and ABV Institute of Mountaineering & Allied Sports, Manali. Some part of the building will be kept by ABV Institute of Mountaineering & Allied Sports, Manali to run Paragliding Courses and rest of the complex will have hotel facilities for tourist and locals visiting Bir. The Chief Minister said the complex has vast potentials to earn revenue for the state as its going to be one of its kinds in India, which will not only host tourist visiting Kangra district but will also provide training to individuals opting to learn paragliding and flying.

## Himachal Pradesh's Sukh Ashray Yojana empowers orphan children, Rajesh Dharmani flags off educational tour



**AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY**

**BILASPUR:** In a groundbreaking initiative under Himachal Pradesh's Sukh Ashray Yojana, the state government continues its mission to empower orphan children with education, social security, and opportunities for personal growth. On Saturday, Technical Education Minister Rajesh Dharmani flagged off a group of 19 'Children of the State' from Naya Savera Divyang Shiksha Sansthan Naswal for a day-long educational and cultural tour to Sri Naina Devi Mata Ji temple. Minister Dharmani emphasized the government's commitment to the welfare of orphan children, highlighting the unique law passed to grant the status of 'Children of the State' to nearly 6,000 orphan children. This pioneering legislation ensures their education, health, and overall development, setting a national benchmark for child welfare.

## Bangana Press Club thanks MLA Vivek Sharma for Rs. 1 lakh furniture grant

**JOGENDRA DEV ARYA**  
**BANGANA, JAN 25**

To strengthen and enhance the facilities of the Bangana Press Club, MLA Vivek Sharma has provided financial assistance of ₹1 lakh for furniture. The longstanding demand of the Press Club for a dedicated office and improved infrastructure has finally been addressed.

The club's president, Anil Thakur, and general secretary, Jogendra Dev Arya, along with all members, expressed heartfelt gratitude to MLA Vivek Sharma for this contribution. Anil Thakur remarked that this initiative is a significant step towards empowering the field of journalism, emphasizing that the Press Club serves as a vital platform for dialogue between society and the government. He added that the financial assistance will help create a better working environment for its members.

MLA Vivek Sharma highlighted the critical role journalists play as vigilant custodians of society. He noted that they bridge the gap between the administration and the public by raising essential issues. He assured the Press Club members that their



future needs would also be prioritized.

Jogendra Dev Arya praised the MLA's efforts, pointing out that the decades-old demand for a dedicated office for the Bangana Press Club was fulfilled immediately after Vivek Sharma assumed office, with space allocated in the Sub-Division Building of Bangana. He stated that this financial aid for furniture would make meetings and other activities more convenient for journalists.

Other members of the Press Club, including Bipin Sajjan, Rakesh Rana, Neena Kumari, Rajesh Thakur, G.S. Jasal, Ram Singh, Ajay Sharma, Manoj Kumar, Abhishek Kumar, Jitendra Sharma, and Binod, also thanked the MLA for his support.

## Him Pariwar Portal offering over 300 online services launched

**DINESH AGARWAL**  
**SHIMLA, JAN 25**

During the state-level Statehood Day celebrations held in Baijnath, Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu launched the Him Pariwar Portal. This initiative will provide a centralized platform for accessing documents, government services, and welfare schemes for all families in the state. The portal aims to simplify and enhance transparency in availing government schemes. Through the portal, citizens can access over 300 government services from the comfort of their homes. A video showcasing the Him Pariwar Project was presented, and the Chief Minister released the Him Pariwar booklet. He also distributed Him Pariwar



Cards. The Chief Minister also awarded Kangra Police Station with the National Award 2024 for its exemplary performance.

The station excelled in crime control, grievance redressal, public cooperation, administrative efficiency, use of modern technology, and staff performance. Inspector Sanjeev Kumar, the station in charge, received the award from the Chief Minister. In addition, Nurpur Police

District received the first rank for excellence in law enforcement and administrative efficiency, and the award was presented to SP Ashok Ratan. Kullu District secured second place, with the award handed to SP Sakshi Verma, while Kangra District ranked third, with SP Shalini Agnihotri receiving the honour. In the tribal districts category, Lahaul-Spiti District Police won first prize.

## Grand organisation of MP Sports Mahakumbh 3.0 at Chintpurni

**KISHORI LAL BAINS**  
**CHINTPURNI, JAN 25**

Under the guidance of Union Minister Anurag Singh Thakur, the MP Sports Mahakumbh 3.0 was magnificently organized in the village of Behd Jaswan, Chintpurni constituency. The event aimed to encourage local talent and provide a platform for youth to excel in sports. The event witnessed the presence of Sparsh Sharma, General Secretary of the Himachal Pradesh Union of Journalists, District Una, and Bureau Chief of a private news channel, as the special guest. Upon his arrival at the sports ground, the organizing committee and players



welcomed him with garlands and applause. Addressing the gathering, Sparsh Sharma emphasized that the MP Sports Mahakumbh, initiated through the efforts of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and former Union Minister and MP from Hamirpur, Anurag Thakur, has become a

premier platform for regional players to showcase their talents. He expressed confidence that such events would provide a golden opportunity for youth to refine their skills and achieve greater heights, ultimately bringing laurels to the region, state, and country.

**DINESH AGARWAL**  
**SHIMLA, JAN 25**

Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla graced the 15th National Voters Day State-Level function held here today at the historic Gaiety Theatre. The event, organized by the Himachal Pradesh Election Department, celebrated the theme, "Nothing like voting, I vote for sure," emphasizing the importance of electoral participation. Addressing the gathering, the Governor applauded the Election Commission of India (ECI) for its global recognition in conducting free, fair and transparent elections. He commended the Commission



and its team for strengthening democratic values and setting an example worldwide.

The Governor congratulated first-time voters and urged them to

create awareness about the significance of voting among their peers. He acknowledged the contributions of various stakeholders, including administrative officials, law

enforcement, NGOs and media, in ensuring smooth and inclusive elections.

Shri Shukla highlighted ECI's establishment on January 25, 1950, as a pivotal step in India's democratic journey. He emphasized the responsibility of every voter to uphold democracy by exercising their franchise, calling it the foundation of the nation's future. Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), Nandita Gupta noted that Himachal Pradesh had recorded a total of 56,62,423 registered voters, including 1,33,407 young voters in the 18-19 age group, as per the latest voter roll update. She also shared the achievements

of the Election Department in conducting a successful voter enrollment drive and Lok Sabha elections in 2024, which witnessed a voter turnout of 71.45 per cent.

During the event, the Governor presented Election Photo Identity Cards (EPICs) to new voters and honored senior citizens, specially-abled voters and outstanding officials, including booth-level officers, for their exemplary service. The recipients of the national awards for exceptional performance during the 2024 Lok Sabha elections, including the Deputy Commissioners of Bilaspur and Lahaul-Spiti, were also recognized.

# Millions of congratulations on Republic Day

## Advocate Barinder Goyal: Driving Punjab's development with vision and dedication

Advocate Barinder Goyal, Punjab's Minister for Water Resources, Mining, and Land Quarrying, is a leader whose journey epitomizes patience and commitment to public service. His political career began in 1992 when he contested the Lehragaga assembly seat as a BJP candidate.

After decades of unwavering effort and grassroots work, Goyal was recognized by the Aam Aadmi Party in 2022, earning their ticket from the Lehragaga constituency. Riding on his dedication to serving the public, he won with a decisive majority, marking the beginning of his transformative journey as a legislator.

Within a short time, Goyal's hard work, integrity, and results-driven leadership earned him a cabinet position, overseeing critical departments like Water Resources and

Mining. With these responsibilities, he not only prioritized the development of his constituency but also made significant contributions to Punjab's progress. One of his landmark achievements has been addressing the longstanding issue of water scarcity for farmers. Goyal initiated projects worth crores of rupees, including laying underground pipelines to bring canal water to parched fields.

He spearheaded the reconstruction of dilapidated distribution lines in Lehragaga villages—an issue that had been ignored for three decades. In just three and a half months, Goyal has emerged as a popular leader, thanks to his efficient governance. During the recent Panchayat elections, he adopted a non-partisan approach, earning widespread respect.



Advocate Birinder Goyal  
Water Resources  
Minister of the Punjab,

His initiatives include a ₹45 crore project in Khanauri to rejuvenate canal networks in Dhanuri and Karamgarh, ensuring water access to several villages. Additionally, a ₹17 crore project to revamp Lehragaga's ditch drain, a long-standing source of diseases, is set to begin soon.

Goyal's efforts extend beyond agriculture. He allocated ₹40 crore to repair Patiala Feeder-2, ensuring a steady water supply to six assembly constituencies, including Lehragaga.

Tenders for 30 bridges and multiple underground pipeline projects, such as ₹7 crore in village Ghodenav and ₹1.5 crore in village Rorewala, have also been initiated. To address the issue of drinking water, Goyal secured ₹10 crore for waterworks in villages like Kotra

Lehal, Arakwas, and Gobindpura Papara, with plans underway for additional villages. Urban infrastructure has not been overlooked either, with ₹6 crore sanctioned for roads and internal connectivity in villages such as Bhullan, Dudiya, and Ballar di Phirnia.

What sets Goyal apart is his hands-on approach. Unlike many leaders, he personally lays the foundation stones of development projects, reinforcing his direct involvement and connection with the people.

Advocate Barinder Goyal's tenure so far exemplifies what true public service looks like—focused, inclusive, and transformative. His vision for Lehragaga and Punjab's holistic development is steadily becoming a reality, one project at a time.

### Advocate Barinder Goyal Water Resources Minister, Punjab Govt, Laying the foundation stone of a project to be built at a cost of 2.43 crores at village Bhoolan.



### Water Resources Minister Punjab Barinder Goyal honored with 'Paani De Rakhe' Award



### Goyal family present in the service of the constituency



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Retired Xen. IB



Narinder Goyal  
Retired XEN IB



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MC Lehragaga



Amandeep Goyal  
Social Wprker Lehra

Under the wise leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, the government is committed to providing canal water to every farm in the state. In view of this, the work of providing canal water to the farms by laying underground pipelines at a cost of crores of rupees in various areas of the state has been started in full swing. This was revealed by Water Resources Minister Advocate Barinder Goyal while addressing a large gathering of people after laying the foundation stone of the underground pipeline work to be laid at a cost of Rs 6 crore 88 lakhs to provide canal water to the farms in the village of Ghodenath of the constituency. After this, Minister Barinder Goyal has been honored with the Paniyan Da Rakha Award by the villagers.

By: AAP workers from Lehragaga constituency

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