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NEWS BRIEFS

Baramulla Police registers first-ever e-FIR via WhatsApp

BARAMULLA : In a significant step towards digital policing, Police Station Pattan in Baramulla district of Jammu and Kashmir has registered its first electronic First Information Report (e-FIR) following a complaint lodged via WhatsApp on February 28, Baramulla Police said. The complaint was filed by a resident of Bemina, Srinagar (name withheld), a government employee in the Horticulture Department. The complaint is against Shakeel-Ur-Rehman, who is also a government employee in the same department. The complainant has accused him of sexual harassment, attempted rape, and criminal intimidation.

Pastor booked for sexual harassment in Kapurthala

KAPURTHALA: A sexual harassment case has been registered against the pastor of a church in a village in Punjab's Jalandhar district, police said on Sunday. In the complaint, a woman alleged that she and her parents have been visiting the church since October 2017. The pastor took her mobile number and started sending messages. She claimed that she was afraid of him and could not reveal it to her parents.

Religious conversion intolerable: Jagdeep Dhankhar

THIRUVANANTHAPURM: Drawing attention towards religious conversions, Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar on Sunday said "while helping someone, do not pull them towards conversion, this is intolerable." The Vice President said this while delivering the 4th P. Parameswaran Memorial Lecture on "Democracy, Demography, Development and the future of Bharat," organised by Bharatheeya Vicharakendram. "The challenge is coming in various forms: one is through allurements, temptations, reaching out to the needy.

Low turnout in Haryana Local Body elections



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Low turnout was recorded in elections for 33 municipal bodies in Haryana on Sunday. As per reports around 42 per cent voting was registered for civic body polls. Fatehabad has topped the list with 84.6 per cent voting whereas Sonipat registered lowest polling (26.4 per cent) . Kurukshetra witnessed 45 percent and 77 per cent voters used their right in kaithal. 81 per cent voting was seen in Mahendergarh, 41 in Gurugram, 51 in Sirsa and 39 in Ambala. Among the early voters was Union Minister Manohar Lal Khattar, who cast his vote in Karnal.

After casting his vote, he said, "Local governance is a crucial pillar of democracy. Whether in Lok Sabha or Vidhan Sabha elections, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has consistently achieved significant success. In the past two municipal elections in Karnal, the BJP has performed exceptionally well, securing a substantial share of votes..."

In Rohtak's booth number 179, several elderly voters were seen trooping in to cast their votes, showing notable enthusiasm.

The elections was held in 33 municipal bodies -- eight municipal corporations, 21 municipalities and four municipal councils. Polling took place for the mayoral positions and ward councillors in seven key municipal corporations -- Gurugram, Manesar, Faridabad, Hisar, Rohtak, Karnal and Yamunanagar. The polls were also conducted in Ambala and Sonepat .

Triple engine government is going to be formed : Vij

CHANDIGARH: Haryana's Energy, Transport and Labour Minister Sh. Anil Vij said all voters should take part in the biggest festival of democracy. He appealed to the voters of the state to come out of their homes and cast their vote. He said a triple engine government is going to be formed in Haryana and the BJP will be victorious in Ambala Cantonment in the urban local body elections. Sh. Vij was answering questions of mediapersons today. He cast his vote along with his family at booth number 110 in Shastri Colony of Ambala Cantonment today. He said, "A triple engine government is going to be formed in Haryana. People know that a BJP government is at the Centre and the state and if the BJP comes to power in the Municipal Corporation, then development will take place at a fast pace."

Union Minister Manohar Lal casts vote in Karnal

KARNAL: Union Minister Manohar Lal Khattar cast his vote in the ongoing Haryana local body elections in Karnal on Sunday.
Speaking to reporters, Khattar urged voters to come forward and vote.
"It is the right of every citizen, and they must exercise their franchise. I appeal to all voters to come forward and vote. I have never missed casting my vote," he said after casting his vote.
The voting started at 8 am and will continue till 6 pm.
The elections are being held for the general election of mayors and members of all wards of seven Municipal Corporations, presidents and members of all wards of four Municipal Councils and 21 Municipal Committees. The State Election Commission of Haryana has announced general elections for seven Municipal Corporations, four Municipal Councils, and 21 Municipal Committees. By-elections for vacant seats in various urban local bodies will also be conducted simultaneously.

Body of eighth missing worker recovered in Mana avalanche

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The body of the eighth worker missing in the Mana (Chamoli) avalanche incident was recovered by the Army on Sunday afternoon during the ongoing search operation, officials said. Earlier in the day, three more bodies were found as rescue teams continued searching for the last missing worker.

"All 54 persons have now been rescued or recovered. This marks the culmination of the Mana Village Rescue Operation," said Lt Col Manish Shrivastava, PRO (Defence), Dehradun.

According to officials, the search operation resumed on Sunday morning to locate four missing workers believed to be trapped under the snow after an avalanche hit a Border Roads Organisation (BRO) project site in Uttarakhand's Chamoli district on February 28.

With this, the death toll has risen to eight. Four workers had died on Saturday.

The bodies of the BRO workers retrieved from the avalanche site were airlifted today and brought to the Joshimath military hospital, officials said. A total of 54 workers were buried when the avalanche struck on the morning of February 28. Army, ITBP, Air Force, NDRF, and SDRF personnel conducted rescue operations over the past two days.The SDRF team continued searching the site using victim-locating and thermal imaging cameras. Earlier today, a Drone-Based Intelligent Buried Object Detection System was brought to Joshimath and deployed at the avalanche site in Mana to assist in the search operation. Meanwhile, the Public Relations Officer at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) Rishikesh, Sandeep Singh, said, "The patient airlifted here today is Pawan Kumar, who has sustained a pelvic injury and is undergoing further treatment.

Punjab Police apprehend smuggler-cum-gangster with pistols and drugs

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In an intelligence-based operation, Counter Punjab Police remains resolute in its commitment to dismantling organised crime networks and maintaining peace across Punjab.

Ferozepur apprehends smuggler-cum-gangster Hardeep Singh, alias Deepa, of village Ghall Khurd, Ferozepur, and recovers a 3-sophisticated weapons arsenal and narcotics.

DGP Yadav said that the police recovered 3 pistols (one Glock pistol, one Beretta). 30 MM pistol, one pump action gun), 141 assorted cartridges (9MM, .30 caliber, 12 bore), 45 grams heroin, and a Swift car from him. He said that the preliminary investigation reveals weapons were sourced from across the border for terror and criminal activities in the state. DGP said that the FIR has been registered at PS State Special Operation Cell, Fazilka, and further investigation is underway to unravel the whole network.

No place for gangsters, smugglers in Pb: CM Mann

DALJIT AJNOHA
JAHAN KHELA, MARCH 2:



Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann on Sunday unequivocally said that gangsters, smugglers, criminals and other anti-social elements have no place on the sacred land of Punjab and they will soon be wiped out from the state.

Addressing the gathering during the passing out parade of 2490 cops here today, the Chief Minister said that this pious land has produced saints, seers, martyrs, legendary players and generals. However, he said that unfortunately under the patronization of the earlier governments the smugglers, gangsters and other criminals have made this state their abode. But, Bhagwant Singh Mann said that the state government has now started a crusade to weed out these anti-national elements adding that they will be behind the bars soon.

The Chief Minister said that the state is at a historic juncture as the Punjab government has launched a decisive war against drugs in the state. He said that the state government has adopted a zero tolerance policy against drugs and Punjab will be made completely drug free with the active support and cooperation of the general public. Bhagwant Singh Mann said that the supply line of the drugs is being snapped, drug peddlers are being put behind the bars and the properties of the drug smugglers are being confiscated/ razed adding he expressed that the new cops will become an integral part in the war against the drugs. The Chief Minister said that being a border state a number of forces inimical to state have been chalking out nefarious designs to disturb hard earned peace of state but the Punjab Police has always foiled such attempts. He said that to further overcome major challenges faced by the state it is imperative that the Police force is updated as per advanced requirements in the field of investigation, science and technology. Bhagwant Singh Mann expressed hope that the Punjab Police will uphold the glorious legacy of serving the people with utmost professional commitment.

Wisdom from The Art of Living is essential for a meaningful life: Delhi CM Smt. Rekha

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NEW DELHI, MAR 2





A historic event unfolded in the heart of the nation's capital as Gurudev Sri Sri Ravi Shankar unveiled the sacred and rare relics of the Original Somnath Jyotirlingam for the first time in Delhi, that have been found after 1000 years. Lakhs of devotees gathered to witness this momentous occasion, a rare and divine revelation that connects India's present to its ancient spiritual roots.

The dignitaries who were present at the Maha Satsang titled Anandam, an evening of soulful music, devotion and precious wisdom along with a historic unraveling of the holy stones, included Hon. Chief Minister of New Delhi, Smt. Rekha Gupta; Shri Vijendra Gupta, Hon. Speaker of Vidhan Sabha; Kamaljeet Sehrawat, Member of Parliament from West Delhi and Hon. Member of Legislative Assembly, Shri Tilak Ram Gupta.

Hghlighting the global impact of The Art of Living's efforts under the leadership of Gurudev, Hon. Chief Minister of New Delhi, Smt. Rekha Gupta shared, "Through you, millions of people are witnessing how The Art of Living is bringing the essence of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam' (One World Family) to life across the world. If we want to live a meaningful social life, it is essential to have the wisdom of The Art of Living in our lives."

Recalling Gurudev's leadership in environmental conservation, Smt. Rekha Gupta shared, "I still remember, Gurudev, how thousands of Art of Living volunteers, under your guidance, took up the massive task of cleaning the Yamuna ghats, removing thousands of truckloads of waste."

"Now, we will take this task forward, create a beautiful riverfront and organize a grand Maha Aarti with your presence. I will personally come to invite you," she added.

She acknowledged the extensive work undertaken by Gurudev for the welfare of the society, stating, "You have not only transformed people's lives but your contribution to significant efforts like planting millions of trees, cleaning rivers, and water conservation is truly unparalleled."

Gurudev in his address, shared, "It is heartening to see the Chief Minister speak about the Yamuna cleaning initiative already." He mentioned that The Art of Living's'Meri Delhi, Meri Yamuna' campaign for the Yamuna cleanup began way back in 2010.

In a historic moment that marks the revival and celebration of the spiritual and cultural ethos of this land, Gurudev unveiled the sacred relics, found after 1000 years, that belonged to the original Somnath Jyotirlingam. No ordinary Lingam, it levitated 2 ft above the ground. A geological analysis of the relics in 2007 found the stones had unusual magnetic properties, with a stronger magnetic field at the center.



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NEWS BRIEF

Afforestation on 2100 hectare area to be carried out in 2025-26 period

CHANDIGARH: The Punjab Government led by the Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann is deeply committed to increase the area under the forest cover in the State so as to ensure a cleaner and greener environment.

With a view to achieve the abovesaid objective, the Forests and Wildlife Preservation Department under the guidance of Minister Lal Chand Kataruchak, is undertaking great efforts. Under the Punjab State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (PUNCAMPA) scheme, the Annual Plan of Operations (APO) for the year 2025-26 has been submitted to National Authority, New Delhi for final approval after its approval by the Steering Committee of State Authority. The afforestation on 2100 hectares is proposed to be carried out during the year 2025-26. During the period 2024-25, Plantation in 1932 hectare area was done.

It is noteworthy that under the provisions of Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016 and Compensatory Afforestation Fund Rules, 2018 made by the Union Government, the Annual Plan of Operation of State Authority (CAMPA) each year is prepared and got approved from the Steering Committee and finally approved by the National Authority, New Delhi. The afforestation in only forest area is carried out as per the approved APO.

Uttarakhand CM Dhami participates in Uttarayani-Makarain Mahotsav in Ghaziabad

GHAZIABAD Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami on Sunday participated in the 'Uttarayani-Makarain Mahotsav,' which was organised by the Mountain Migrant Jan-Kalyan Samiti in Uttar Pradesh's Ghaziabad. The Chief Minister extended a warm welcome to the public at the Uttaraini-Makarain Mahotsav and said that this festival is a confluence of Uttarakhand's culture, costumes, food and belongingness.

CM Dhami said the work done by the organisers to preserve our rich heritage and promote it is commendable.

He said that such festivals, along with promoting our cultural heritage, folk art, and folk music, also work to tie the Uttarakhandi migrants in a thread of love.

Traditional handicrafts, organic products and Uttarakhandi cuisine were displayed in the festival.

The Chief Minister appealed to everyone to participate in the development of their ancestral village, the mountains located in Uttarakhand and said that by investing in their ancestral land, self-employment and small industries have to be promoted to take their birthplace forward.

Gujarat: PM Modi offers prayers at Somnath Jyotirlinga Mandir

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GIR SOMNATH : Prime Minister Narendra Modi offered prayers at Shri Somnath Jyotirlinga Mandir here in Gujarat on Sunday.

He also paid obeisance to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's idol inside the premises of the temple.

The Prime Minister also offered a special 'puja' at the temple.

PM Modi arrived in Gujarat on Saturday for a three-day visit, beginning with his arrival at the Jamnagar Airport.

Prime Minister Modi will visit Sasangir in Gujarat's Junagadh district on Monday, on the occasion of World Wildlife Day.

Earlier in the day, PM Modi extended his wishes to the people on the start of the holy month of Ramzan on Sunday.



In a post on X, PM Modi said, "As the blessed month of Ramzan begins, may it bring peace and harmony in our society. This sacred month epitomises reflection, gratitude and devotion, also reminding us of the values of compassion, kindness and service. Ramzan Mubarak!"

Earlier on Saturday, Prime Minister Modi met former Australian Prime Minister Tony Abbott, who is currently visiting India.

PM Modi also spoke about how Abbott, during a visit to the Dilli Haat venue in the national capital, enjoyed millets.Sharing a picture with Abbott on X, PM Modi stated, "Delighted to meet my good friend and former Australian PM Tony Abbott. He has always been a friend of India's. We have all seen him enjoy millets during his current visit."

One killed, two firefighters injured in gas cylinder explosion in Delhi's Motia Khan



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NEW DELHI : One person was killed, and two firefighters were injured after a domestic gas cylinder exploded, triggering a fire at a house in Delhi's Motia Khan area, officials said.

According to the police, the fire broke out around 3.01 pm at house number 10554 in Gai Wali Gali, Motia Khan. Upon receiving the information, four fire tenders reached the spot and started an operation. Firefighters managed to bring the blaze under control, but a charred body was found on the fourth floor of the building.

The victim's identity was not clear, officials said. During the operation, Station Officer Ravinder Singh and Fire Officer Ved sustained injuries due to the LPG cylinder explosion inside the premises. They were immediately given medical attention. Officials confirmed that the fire has been completely doused, and an investigation is underway to ascertain the exact cause of the incident.

Classified

I Kulwinder Pal Singh, son of Vir Singh, a resident of House No 186, Sher Shah Suri Road, Paradise Enclave, Post - Chheharta, District - Amritsar, Punjab – 143105 has changed the name of my daughter from Sonia Sandhu to Sandeep Kaur vide Affidavit at Amritsar.

72737

I, Davinder Singh Sandhu son of Bikram Singh resident of House No 460, Sandhu Avenue, Chheharta, Amritsar, Punjab - 143105 has changed the name of my mother from Harbhan Kaur to Harbhajan Kaur in Army Record vide Affidavit at Amritsar

72737

I, Davinder Singh Sandhu son of Bikram Singh resident of House No 460, Sandhu Avenue, Chheharta, Amritsar, Punjab - 143105 has changed the name of my Daughter from Jupnoor Kaur Sandhu to Japnoor Kaur Sandhu in Army Record vide Affidavit at Amritsar

72737

I , Vandna Sharma W/o Vinod Sharma R/o 212/2 , Gali No. 5 , Ward No. 19 , Balaji Colony , Kaithal Distt. Kaithal (haryana) Have Changed My Name From Vandna Sharma To Vandana. Concerned Please Note.

84451

I , Kiran W/o Jai Deep Mandhan R/o House No 7 , Gali No 12, Karnal Road, Defence Colony, Kaithal (haryana) Have Changed My Name From Kiran To Kiran Ravish. Concerned Please Note.

84451

I Devayani W/o Omana Kuttan,r/o H No-wg-414,niwan Suraj Ganj, Shaheed Udham Singh Nagar, Jalandhar Have Changed My Name From Devayani To Mallika

900026

I, S ANURADHA is legally wife of Service No. 15307002Y Rank HAV Name AVS BHASKARA RAO Madras Engr Gp, Bangalore. Presently R/O 3-40, Sekuru, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh, Pin 522213. I have changed my Name from S ANURADHA to ALLURI ANURADHA vide affidavit dated 01.03.2025 before Notary Public Bathinda

100078

I, R. SOMIYA is legally Daughter of Service No. 15300984N Rank HAV Name R RAMALINGAM Madras Engr Gp, Bangalore. Presently R/O 1/117, Ellaikkal Street, Vizhunthakkal, Vilundakkal, Annangudi, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, PIN 632202. I have changed my Name from R. SOMIYA to KHANISHKA R vide affidavit dated 01.03.2025 before Notary Public Bathinda

100078

I, A S SHARDHA AIYAPPA is legally wife of Service No. 1367080K Rank NAIK Name AIYAPPA A S Madras Engr Gp, Bangalore. Presently R/O No 9, Vasanta Nagar, Matoor Village, Ponnampet Post, Kodagu District, Karnataka State, Pin 571216. I have changed my Name and DOB from A S SHARDHA AIYAPPA and 08 Jun 1973 to SHARADA AIYAPPA and DOB 20 May 1970 vide affidavit dated 01.03.2025 before Notary Public Bathinda

100078

I, Reena W/O Prabhjit R/o V. P.O. Sargundi, Teh Phillaur, Distt. Jalandhar 144409. Have changed my name Reena Reena . All my concerned Please Note.

524473

I, Rakesh Datta S/o Sh. Shiv Kumar Datta # E.E 169/7 Mohalla Inder Prasth, Jalandhar City (Pb.)-144001 have Changed my name Rakesh Dutta to Rakesh Datta. Correct name is Rakesh Datta.

524473

I No 15427289X Rank Hav name gajendra Kumar pandey unit 174 military hospital C/o 56 Apo declare my mother gyana devi date of birth wrongly entered in my army record.her date of birth 05-03-1960 enter in my army record instead of date of birth 05-05-1955 vide affidavit dated 28-02-2025 before notary public at bathinda

50008

I No 15427289X Rank Hav name gajendra Kumar pandey unit 174 military hospital C/o 56 Apo declare that my father name shrish nivas pandey wrongly entered in my army record instead of shreesh Nivas pandey vide affidavit dated 28-02-2025 before notary public at bathinda

50008

I, Mulkh Raj S/o Sh. Waisakhi Ram Rio H.No. F18/835, Majitha Road, Gali No.7, Kabir Nagar, Tung Bala, Amritsar Punjab declare that I have change my name to Mulakh Raj.

72737

I, Rajni W/o Sh. Vijay Kumar R/o H. no-2156, Kaith Majri, Ambala City, Distt Ambala have changed my name from Rajni Rani to Rajni.

78645

I Hitherto known as Priya D/O Jatinder Kumar R/O Flat 11A Darnley Road,Strood Rochester Kent ME2 2EU, U.K England have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Priya Bungar.

461257

I, Usha Rani w/o Ashok Kumar r/o # 73, HUDA, Sector-1, Part-1, Shahabad Markanda, District Kurukshetra have changed my name from Usha Rani Jain to Usha Rani. In future I should be known as Usha Rani.

52724

I Amritpal Singh S/o Mohinder Singh R/o Village Raillon,Po Nandpur Kalaur,Teh Bassi Pathana,Distt Fatehgarh Sahib Have Changed My Name To Amritpal (Singh) As A Surname

666554

I, Swaran Singh S/o Saudagar Singh R/o village Bohla Khalsa, Tehsil Nilokheri, District Karnal, declare that I have changed my name from Swarn Singh to Swaran Singh. In future, I should be known and known as Swaran Singh.

100070

I, Inderjeet Singh S/O Gurmail Singh R/O H No 18, Satjot Nagar, Ludhiana Have Changed My Minor Son Name From Rajdeep Singh Simmak to Rajdeep Singh.

63372

I Gurwinder Singh S/O Santokh Singj Village Bathal Po Bharowal Tehsil Garhshankar Distt Hoshiarpur Have Changed My Name To Gurwinder Singh Bath.

63372

I, Pardeep Kumar Khanna S/o Ram Kumar Khanna R/o H.No. B-14/170 Mohalla Laroyia Nawanshahr (SBS Nagar) have changed my name from Pardeep Kumar Khanna to Pardeep Khanna.

63372

I, Ranjit Kaur W/o Arvinder Singh R/o Vill: Behloor Kalan (SBS Nagar) have changed my minor son name from Satvir Singh to Singh Satvir.

63372

I, hitherto known as Gurdeep Kumar S/o Santokh Singh R/o Vpo. Urapar Teh-Nawanshahr Distt. SBS Nagar, Punjab-144422 have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Kumar Gurdeep.

63372

I, Manjit Singh R/o Vill: Kishanpur Po. Gharam (Patiala) have changed my minor son name from Rohit Akku to Ramanjit Singh.

63372

I, Manjit Singh R/o Vill: Kishanpur Po. Gharam (Patiala) have changed my minor son name from Deepak Akku to Diljit Singh.

63372

I Sukhwinder Kaur W/O Simarjeet Singh Near Middle School Bilga Sanehwal (Ludhiana) Have Changed My Name To Sukhwinder Kaur Garcha.

63372

I, Harpal Singh S/O Dev Raj R/O Village Dilawarpur Tehsil Nawanshahr Distt Sbs Nagar I Have Changed My Name From Harpal Singh To Singh Harpal. Singh As Surname.

63372

I, Karmjit Singh S/o Bhajan Singh R/o Vpo. Madheke (Moga) have changed my name to Karamjit Singh.

63372

I Manpreet Kaur W/o Ashwani Kumar R/o Vpo Lodhipur Distt Sbs.Nagar I Have Chainged My Name Manpreet Kaur To Manpreet Kaur Kumar.

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I Manpreet Kaur W/o Ashwani Kumar R/o Vpo Lodhipur Distt Sbs.Nagar Have Chainged My Minor Daughter Name Ishmeet Kaur To Ishmeet Kaur Kumar.

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I Manpreet Kaur W/o Ashwani Kumar R/o Vpo Lodhipur Distt Sbs.Nagar Have Chainged My Minor Daughter Name Prabhjot Kaur To Prabhjot Kaur Kumar.

63372

I Manpreet Kaur W/o Ashwani Kumar R/o Vpo Lodhipur Distt Sbs.Nagar Have Chainged My Minor Daughter Name Manroop Kaur To Manroop Kaur Kumar.

63372

I Akhtri W/o Mohammad Shabbir R/o Mohalla Handa Satreet, Malerkotla Tehsil & District Malerkotla Have Changed My Name Akhtri to Akhtari.

63372

I, Jatinder Kumar S/o Om Parkash R/o Vill: Bahrowal Teh-Banga (SBS Nagar) Pb, have changed my name from Jatinder Kumar to Kumar Jatinder. I have used Kumar as my surname.

63372

I Surjit Singh Varwal S/o Gurjit Singh R/o Chak Tare Wala (Moga) have Changed My Name To Surjit Singh.

63372

I Hitherto Known As Mohit S/O Inderjit Residing Off Village Nahal P.O Kot Badal Khan Tehsil Phillaur District Jalandhar (Punjab) 144039, Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Mohit Bhutta.

63372

I Harpreet Singh S/o Bhagwant Singh R/o Vpo Talwandi Kalan Tehsil Jagraon Distt Ludhiana Have Changed my Name From Harpreet Singh Kainth to Harpreet Singh.

63372

I, Nandan Kumari W/o Satnam Singh R/o Vpo. Sargundi Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) have changed my name to Nirmala Rani.

63372

I, Manjit Ram S/o Sadhu Ram R/o Vpo. Khaira Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) have changed my minor daughter name from Khushi to Khushi Bains.

63372

I Mehak Joshi D/O Balbir Singh, R/o Ward no 02, Near Baba maduana, Mahilpur, Tehsil Garhshankar, Distt: Hoshiarpur, Punjab, declare that my given name is "Mehak" and in which "Joshi" is my surname.

63372

I, Amanpreet Kaur W/o Sukhraj Singh Johal R/o Vill. Phalpota Teh Phillaur Distt. Jalandhar have changed my name to Amanpreet Kaur Johal.

63372

I Satpal Singh S/o Lachhman Dass R/O H No 582, W.No.18, Ramdaspuri Mohalla, Near Balmiki Mandir Khanna, Distt. Ludhiana have changed my name Satpal singh to Satpal.

63372

I, Gurbinder Singh Khokhar S/o Harbans Singh R/o Siryewala, Dist. Bathinda Punjab 151206 having change my name Gurbinder Singh S/o Harbans Singh.

63372

I, Parvinder Kaur Khokhar W/o Gurbinder Singh R/o Siryewala, Dist. Bathinda Punjab 151206 having change my name Parvinder Kaur Khokhar W/o Gurbinder Singh.

63372

I, Samanpreet Singh Khokhar S/o Gurbinder Singh R/o Siryewala, Dist. Bathinda Punjab 151206 having change my name Samanpreet Singh S/o Gurbinder Singh.

63372

I, Harminder Singh Shergill S/o Amar Singh R/o Vpo. Dialgarh Jejian Teh-Sunam (Sangrur) have changed my name from Harminder Singh Shergill to Harminder Singh.

63372

I, Parminder Kaur Shergill W/o Harminder Singh R/o Vpo. Dialgarh Jejian Teh-Sunam (Sangrur) have changed my name from Parminder Kaur Shergill to Parminder Kaur.

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I, Sukhchain S/O Bakshi R/O Patti Haweli, Malsian, Jalandhar, Punjab 144701 Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Sukhchain Singh.

63372

I, Bala Devi W/O Prakash Chand R/O Nada, Naya Gaon, Po, S.A.S Nagar (Mohali), Punjab 160103 Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Saroj Bala.

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I, Prakash Chand S/O Sucha Singh R/O Nada, S.A.S, Nagar (Mohali), Punjab 160103 Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Parkash Singh.

63372

I Gurinder Singh S/O Gurcharan Singh Vill Balaspur P/O Barian Kalan Tehsil Garhshankar Distt Hoshiarpur I Have Changed My Name To Singh Gurinder.

63372

I Jaswinder Singh S/O Teja Singh Vpo Bharta Ganeshpur Tehsil Garhshankar Distt Hoshiarpur I Have Changed My Name To Singh Jaswinder.

63372

I, Sukhwinder Singh Chandi S/o Piara Singh R/o H.No.118, Tower Enclave, Phase-2, Wadala, Jalandhar,144003, Punjab changed my name to Sukhwinder Singh.

63372

I Reena W/O Amit Bansal House No. B5/430 Ward No.13, Haiti Road Kotkapura Have Changed My Name After Marriage Reena Bansal.

63372

I, Jasmeet Kaur Bhatti W/O Jaspreet Singh Gill R/O Vpo. Chuhar Chak, Distt. Moga (Pb) I Have Changed My Name To Jasmeet Kaur.

63372

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, SHIV SHANKER SEEPAL is Father of ARMY No. 15170544N, Rank Hav. (OPR), Name - SUKHDEEP KUMAR SEEPAL AND Resident of (Address) : 6, Village - Sipu, Pithoragarh, Marchha, Uttarakhand 262545, Hereby Declare That I have Changed My Name From SHIV SHANKER SEEPAL to SHANKAR RAM SEEPAL And Also Date of Birth From 01-07-1956 to 28-03-1954 due to Wrongly entered In the Service Record of My Son. Vide Affidavit Attested by Notary, (Govt. of India) Kindly correct it.

900026

I Sanam Devi Seepal is Mother of ARMY No. 15170544N, Rank. Hav. (OPR), Name - Sukhdeep Kumar Seepal AND Resident of (Address) - 19, Vill - SEEPU, GALATI, PITHORAGARH, FULTARI, UTTARAKHAND - 262576, Hereby declare That I have Changed My Name from SANAM DEVI SEEPAL to SANAM DEVI And Also Date of Birth From 01-07-1960 top 21-10-1963 due to Wrongly entered in the Service Record of My Son, Vide Affidavit Attested by Notary (Govt. of India) Kindly correct it.

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I, RAMJAGAN BABU DAMMU S/o D Yerraiah, R/o vill. - Chagantiparipalem, post office & Tehsil - Muppalla, Distt. Guntur, State - Andhra Pradesh, PIN - 522408, Hereby declare that in School Record (PM SHRI KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA NANGAL BHUR, Class 7th B) My daughter Name Wrongly entered As D VINUTHNA Instead of Right Name as DAMMU VINUT??? & Another daughter Name Wrongly entered as D VISHLESHIKHA Instead of Risht Name AS DAMMU VISHLESHIKHA (Class - 6B,Same School) AND My Name Also Wrongly entered As D RAMJAGAN BABU Instead of Right Name AS RAMJAGAN BABU DAMMU. Kindly Correct it in My Above Mentioned Two Daughters School Record.

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I. Chandan Devi W/O Subodh Singh, R/O Guru Ramdas Nagar, Bhamian Khurd, Ludhiana-141015 declare That my daughter namely Shital Kumari are out of my control. So I disinherited her from my moveable and immoveable property. I shall not be responsible if anybody dealing with them.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ਮੈਂ, ਰਜੇਸ਼ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਅਸ਼ੋਕ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਵਾਸੀ ਵਾਰਡ ਨੰਬਰ 16, ਮਕਾਨ ਨੰਬਰ 318, ਗਲੀ ਲਛਮਣ ਦਾਸ ਕੋਛੜ ਅੰਦਰੂਣ ਮੈਗਜੀਨੀ ਗੇਟ ਫਿਰੋਜ਼ਪੁਰ ਸ਼ਹਿਰ ਤਹਿ ਅਤੇ ਜਿਲਾ ਫਿਰੋਜ਼ਪੁਰ ਹਲਫਨ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੀ ਸ਼ਾਦੀ ਸ਼੍ਰੀਮਤੀ ਸਰਬਜੀਤ ਕੌਰ ਪੁੱਤਰੀ ਪ੍ਰੀਤਮ ਸਿੰਘ ਨਾਲ ਹੋਈ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਸਾਡਾ ਵਿਆਹੁਤਾ ਜੀਵਨ ਬਹੁਤ ਵਧੀਆ ਗੁਜਰ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ ਇਹ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਸਾਲਾ ਜਸ਼ਦੀਪ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਪ੍ਰੀਤਮ ਸਿੰਘ ਅਤੇ ਮੇਰਾ ਸੋਹਰਾ ਪ੍ਰੀਤਮ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸ਼ੇਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਦਾ ਅਕਸਰ ਹੀ ਕੋਈ ਨਾ ਕੋਈ ਝਗੜਾ ਹੋ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਜਿਸ ਕਰਕੇ ਮੈਨੂੰ ਅਤੇ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਨੂੰ ਬੇਵਜਾ ਦੀ ਪਰੇਸ਼ਾਨੀ ਦਾ ਸਾਹਮਣਾ ਕਰਨਾ ਪੈਂਦਾ ਹੈ। ਲਿਹਾਜਾ ਮੈਂ ਆਪਣੇ ਸਾਲੇ ਜਸ਼ਦੀਪ ਸਿੰਘ ਅਤੇ ਮੇਰੇ ਸੋਹਰੇ ਨਾਲੋਂ ਰਿਸ਼ਤਾ ਤੋੜ ਲਿਆ ਹੈ। ਇਹ ਦੋਵੇਂ ਆਪਣੇ ਕੀਤੇ ਚੰਗੇ ਮਾੜੇ ਕੰਮ ਦੇ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਦੀ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰੀ ਇਹਨਾਂ ਦੀ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ। ਅੱਜ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਅਦ ਇਹਨਾਂ ਦਾ ਸਾਡੇ ਨਾਲ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਤਲਕ ਵਾਸਤਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ।

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I, ARMY NO. JC-313151W, RANK: SUB, NAME: LAXMI KANT PATHAK S/O Ganga Kant Pathak, laxmipur, Village, Post kaithiniyan, Kaithinia, PO: Kaithinia, DISTT: Madhubani, Bihar 847403, declare that my name in aadhar card (244576725126) is LAXMI KANT PATHAK, And in SSLC MARKSHEET and in INTERMEDIATE MARKSHEET is LK PATHAK. Both names pertain to one and the same person. Vide Affidavit Attested by Notary Public (GOVT OF INDIA) Kindly Correct it.

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I, JC-702046N Sub (Clk SD) Dalavi Manojkumar Baburao of 167 Military Hospital, Pathankot declare that my Mother's name on my service record is wrongly metioned as Mandakini Baburao Dalavi but correct name of my Mother is Manda Baburao Dalavi pertains to one & same person vide Affidavit No. IN-PB11996574211783X Dated 01.03.2025 by Notary Public District Court Pathankot. Please correct it.

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I hitherto known as NEERAJ GUPTA Wife of RAKESH MAHAJAN Residing at House No. S/11 224, Mohalla Dhakki, Mahajan Niwas Dhaki, Pathankot, Punjab-145001 have changed my name and shall hereafterbe known as NEERJA MAHAJAN.

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RECRUITMENT NOTICE

Nursery Kabaddi Coach (Male / Female)Govt. Model Sanskriti Sr. Sec. School, Babain (Kurukshetra)Qualification : NIS Diploma, NIS Certificate Course or Senior International Medalist in Kabaddi or M. P. Ed / D. P. Ed. / B. P. Ed. / Senior National / All India Inter – University Player or Junior International Medalist in Kabaddi with 12th. Can Apply Upto: 07/03/2025Type (Mode) – Offline (Part Time, Morning – Evening)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ਦੀ ਹੀਰਕੇ ਬਹੁਮੰਤਵੀ ਐਗਰੀ ਸਰਵਿਸ ਸੁਸਾਇਟੀ

ਦੀ ਹੀਰਕੇ ਬਹੁਮੰਤਵੀ ਸਹਿਕਾਰੀ ਖੇਤੀਬਾੜੀ ਸੇਵਾ ਸਭਾ ਲਿਮ, ਹੀਰਕੇ ਵਿੱਚ ਰੈਗੂਲਰ ਤੌਰ ਤੇ ਡੀ.ਸੀ.ਰੇਟਾ ਤੇ ਸੇਵਾਦਾਰ-ਕਮ-ਚੌਕੀਦਾਰ ਭਰਤੀ ਕਰਨ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਬੇਨਤੀ ਪੱਤਰਾਂ ਦੀ ਮੰਗ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਦੀ ਹੈ।

1. ਉਮੀਦਵਾਰ ਦੀ ਉਮਰ 18 ਤੋਂ 37 ਸਾਲ ਹੋਵੇ।
2. ਉਮੀਦਵਾਰ ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਲਿਖਣ, ਪੜ੍ਹਨ ਅਤੇ ਬੋਲਣ ਜਾਣਦਾ ਹੋਵੇ।
3. ਉਮੀਦਵਾਰ ਸਭਾ ਦੇ ਦਾਇਰਾ ਕਾਰੋਬਾਰ ਦਾ ਨਿਵਾਸੀ ਹੋਵੇ (ਪਿੰਡ ਹੀਰਕੇ, ਆਲੀਕੇ)। ਪੇਂਡੂ ਪਿਛੋਕੜ ਦਾ ਹੋਵੇ।
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Parminder Singh Bhangu given grand welcome after becoming chairman of Market Committee Barnala



BARNALA DEHATI (BALWINDER AZAD): The Punjab government has appointed Aam Aadmi Party leaders as the chairmen of the market committees of the state. Similarly, Parminder Singh Bhangu, who is associated with the Aam Aadmi Party and is close to Lok Sabha member Gurmeet Singh Meet Hayer, has been appointed as the chairman of the market committee in Barnala. He is being given a grand welcome at various places in Barnala on his appointment. Similarly, there is a wave of religious joy among the rice millers, farmers and laborers of Barnala regarding this appointment. The leaders gathered on this occasion said that Parminder Singh Bhangu is a very hard-working person, and considering his loyalty to the party, the Punjab government has appointed him as the chairman of the market committee of Barnala.

NEWS BRIEF

National Science Day celebrated at PPS, Nabha



RAKESH JINDAL
NABHS: The Punjab Public School, Nabha, celebrated National Science Day with great enthusiasm, centred around the theme "Empowering Indian Youth for Global Leadership in Science and Innovation for Viksit Bharat." The event featured engaging exhibitions and presentations by students. The celebrations commenced at 9:30 am with the arrival of the Chief Guest, Dr Satish Jain, MD; DM; FRCP, Director of the Indian Epilepsy Centre Advisory (Cabinet Rank), Health Care, Family Welfare, and Human Services, Government of Sikkim. He inaugurated the event at the Innovation and Research Centre alongside students from Indo-British School and Government Model School, Nabha. The exhibitions showcased impressive projects in Physics, Chemistry, and Biology, featuring models on Futuristic Cities, Piezoelectric Energy Discs, and Human Anatomy. Following the exhibitions, a presentation session was held in the School Auditorium.

Lions Club holds leadership institute seminar at Shanti Vidya Mandir School



ABHISHEK NANDA
FEROZEPUR: MJAF Lion Dr Rohit Garg, Region Chairperson of Region 2 of Lions International District 321-AF, organized the Club Lions Leadership Institute Seminar at Shanti Vidya Mandir School. PMJAF Lion Ravinder Sagar District Governor, PMJAF Lion Kishore Kumar Verma, PMJAF Lion Preet Kanwal, Lion SP Sondhi Bator Faculty Teachers were present on this occasion. In this event, 24 Lion members took training and were given certificates. In this training session, special topics like protocol, Lion history, Lion membership, team building and Lion portal were discussed. Lion Ajay Goyal, Vice District Governor 2, Lion Naresh Goyal, Lion Ashok Mittal, Lion Chetan Pal Josan, Lion Charanjit Punj Zone Chairperson, Lion Gurcharan Singh Zone Chairperson were present on this occasion.

VB arrests ASI, Senior constable taking Rs 50000 bribe

RAKESH JINDAL
PATIALA: The Punjab Vigilance Bureau (VB) during its drive against corruption in the state, on Sunday, apprehended Assistant Sub Inspector (ASI) Jagga Singh (No. 636/Bnl) and Senior Constable Gurpreet Singh (No. 288/Bnl), both posted at Police Station Mehal Kalan, in Barnala district red handed while accepting a bribe of Rs 50,000. Disclosing this here today an official spokesperson of the Bureau said the aforementioned police personnel have been arrested based on a complaint lodged by a woman of Barnala city. He further added that the complainant has approached the VB and informed that a police case had been registered at Mehal Kalan Police Station in which her brother was later nominated and subsequently arrested. She alleged that the said accused ASI and Senior Constable had demanded bribe from her to release a mobile phone, a watch, a gold chain and Rs 10,000 cash belonging to her brother. The spokesperson informed that after verification of this complaint the VB team laid a trap during which both the accused police officials have been arrested while accepting a bribe of Rs. 50,000 from the complainant in the presence of two official witnesses. In this regard a case has been registered against both the accused at VB Police Station Patiala Range.

Punjab govt should take action against pastor of church, Baljinder Singh: Arvind Gautam

TILAK RAJ
MOHALI: Shiv Sena Punjab Youth State Chairman Arvind Gautam, issuing a press note, said that a 21-year-old woman from Kapurthala has made serious allegations of physical abuse



against the pastor of a church in Jalandhar. The victim has also alleged that when she was a minor, Pastor Baljinder Singh had sexually abused her day after day. The victims had submitted the evidence to SSP Kapurthala along with a written complaint on February 20, on which no police action has been taken so far. Gautam said that Pastor Baljinder Singh has sexually abuse the victim. Despite the evidence of sexual abuse of the victim, why has the police not taken action against the pastor so far while pastor Baljinder Singh has also been accused of this in the past. Gautam said that the Punjab is the land of Gurus, Pirs,Fakirs and Saints and such behavior will not be tolerated with any daughter or sister in Punjab. He said that Shiv Sena Punjab stands with the victim girl with full force and to take legal action against Pastor Baljinder Singh, he will soon talk to Shiv Sena Punjab National President Sanjeev Ghanoli and Shiv Sena National Chairman Rajiv Tandon about this and talk to senior police officers and support the victim woman in taking legal action against Pastor Baljinder Singh.

Dr. Balbir Singh lays foundation stone of Rs 1.7 crore road at village Lachkani

RAWEL BHINDER
PATIALA,MAR 2



Punjab Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr. Balbir Singh today laid the foundation stone for the link road from Patiala-Bhadson Road to Village Lachkani, to be constructed at a cost of Rs 1.7 crore. Addressing the gathering, Dr. Balbir Singh said that the 3.05 km-long road will benefit residents of villages Jassowal, Seuna, Lang, Rogana, Chalela, Amampura, and Phagganmajra, along with commuters traveling from Bhadson Road to Sirhind Road.

The Health Minister said that during previous governments, newly built roads would deteriorate within months, causing long-term inconvenience to residents. However, under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, the contractor constructing this road will also be responsible for its maintenance for the next five years, which will provide great relief to the people.

Earlier, Dr. Balbir Singh, during a visit to the Patiala-Nabha road stretch with district administration officials, directed Forest Range Officer Vidya Sagari to plant around 15,000 traditional saplings such as mango, jamun, amla, ber, jand, lasura, dhak, tahli, and others along the road. He instructed that small parks be developed at village locations along the road, where residents could enjoy morning and evening walks. Additionally, any bushes along the route, which could serve as hideouts for illegal activities, will be cleared to make way for green spaces.

Dr. Balbir Singh announced the development of 200 bighas of barren land at Village Hiana Kalan into a tourist destination and wetland. Part of this land will serve as a wetland, while around 250 acres of land will be irrigated using drip irrigation systems, reducing groundwater consumption. A 1-kilowatt solar power plant will be installed to support the drip irrigation system. During the visit, the Minister also directed officials to develop the Ghamrouda village pond into a tourist spot with water utilization for irrigation purposes. Inspecting the Environment Park at Rohati Khas village, Dr. Balbir Singh instructed officials to plant more traditional saplings in the park. On this occasion, Deputy Commissioner Dr. Preeti Yadav, ADC (RD) Anuprita Johal, SDM Dr. Ismat Vijay Singh, Punjab Mandi Board Executive Engineer Amritpal Singh, SDO Satnam Singh, Jai Shankar Sharma, Harpal Singh Virk, Jaswinder Singh, Amandeep Bhullar.

Under Sampark initiative special meeting held with Model Town Market Associations to enhance police-public relationships



PARAMJIT SINGH
JALANDHAR, MAR 2

In a significant initiative aimed at fostering better communication and addressing ongoing concerns, under Sampark initiative a special meeting was held in the market area of Model Town, Jalandhar.

The meeting brought together key representatives from various market associations, shop owners, and community leaders to discuss and resolve challenges faced by market vendors, business owners, and shopkeepers. The primary focus was on improving the overall safety and well-being of both the market vendors and their customers. The meeting was led by Sukhwinder Singh, PPS, ADCP HQs, and Sirivennela,IPS ASP Model Town, who engaged with the market stakeholders. The goal was to address concerns directly and work towards creating safer, more efficient, and vibrant commercial spaces. Safety and Security Concerns – Market associations raised issues related to theft, shoplifting, and occasional violent incidents in the area. Police assured to increased patrolling and surveillance to enhance the safety of businesses and customers.

Traffic Management and Parking– The congested market area has been grappling with improper parking and traffic issues, which often disrupt smooth operations and create unsafe conditions. The police assured that solutions would be explored in collaboration with local authorities to alleviate these problems.

Gurdaspur police gets big success under war against drugs



GURDASPUR (VERMA): Gurdaspur Police is continuously taking action against drug smugglers under the "War on Drugs" (Yudh Nashiyan Virudh) campaign announced by Bhagwant Singh Mann, Chief Minister of Punjab. Today, Gurdaspur Police has got a big success under the War on Drugs campaign. Gurdaspur Police has arrested a drug smuggler with 532 grams of heroin and a Swift car.

Giving information in this regard during the press conference, District Police Gurdaspur SP (D) Mr. Balwinder Singh Randhawa said that as per the instructions of the Punjab Government and the direction of Director General of Police, Punjab Mr. Gaurav Yadav, IPS, the District Police has been arrested a drug smuggler at Kalanaur along with 532 grams of heroin and a Swift car. He said that the accused has been identified as Charanjit Singh alias Channa, son of Phuman Singh, resident of Rahimabad, police station Kotli Surat Malli in police district Batala. He said that the accused has been arrested and a case has been registered against him at police station Kalanaur under section 21-C-61-85 of the NDPS Act.

Jalandhar commissionerate police arrest two notorious gangsters linked to USA-Based Sonu Khatri Gang

BUNNY SODHI
JALANDHAR, MAR 2



In a significant breakthrough in the fight against organized crime, the Jalandhar Commissionerate Police, under the leadership of Commissioner of Police Dhanpreet Kaur, successfully apprehended two habitual criminals associated with the Sonu Khatri Gang (operating from the USA).

This arrest is a major blow to the criminal network, with the authorities recovering sophisticated firearms and preventing potential murders. Divulging details CP Jalandhar said on March 2, 2025, CIA police team was stationed near Suchi Pind road in Jalandhar as part of their routine patrolling. The team received a tip-off about the two individuals of Sonu Khatri Gang who were reportedly heading to Suchi Pind village on a motorcycle with the intention of committing a crime.

The suspects were known for their involvement in robberies, fights, and snatching incidents. Acting swiftly on the information, the police team reached Suchi Pind Jalandhar and established Nakka bandi during that the police party spotted two individuals riding a motorcycle without numberplate and when the police attempted to stop the suspects, they opened fire on the police team. In the ensuing exchange of gunfire, the suspects lost control of their motorcycle and fell. Despite this, they continued to shoot at the police officers, leading again crossfire. In this exchange, both suspects were injured by bullets in their right legs. The police team then managed to apprehend the criminals which were identified as Sukhwinder Kumar alias Sukh s/o Chaman Lal r/o village Garh Padhana PS Mukandpur, S.B.S Nagar and Harpreet Singh alias Mamu alias Preet s/o Jaswinder Singh r/o village Kang Jagir, Jalandhar.She said that police recovered two sophisticated pistols, seven live rounds, and six used cartridges from their possession.

Bar Association election in Barnala: Pankaj Bansal President, Talwinder Singh Masoun VP and Karanvir Singh Mann Secretary



BARNALA (KARANPREET KARAN): Pankaj Bansal has won the election of President in the election of Bar Association Barnala. This time, three candidates were in the fray for the presidency of Bar Association Barnala.

In this triangular contest, Advocate Pankaj Bansal has won the election of President by getting 260 votes, while his opponent Advocate Iqbal Singh Gill has got 138 votes and Advocate Naveen has got 180 votes. Similarly, Talwinder Singh Masoun has won the election of Vice President of Bar Association Barnala by getting 295 votes, while his opponent candidate Advocate Junta Singh Bhullar has got 200 votes.

Advocate Karanvir Singh Mann has won the election for the Secretary of Bar Association Barnala by securing 313 votes, while Advocate Sandeep has secured 180 votes in his competition. Yadav Sharma has won the post of Joint Secretary by securing 259 votes, while Advocate Sarabjit Kaur, who contested the election in the same competition, has secured 235 votes.

For first time, Mooc programme to be made in Punjabi



BUREAU
PATIALA, MAR 2

EMRC Patiala has achieved a historic milestone by securing approval for the first-ever MOOC (Massive Open Online Course) in the Punjabi language. The MOOC proposal of Dr. Jasbir Singh, Head of the Department of History at Panjab University, Chandigarh, has been approved by CEC. Titled Understanding Punjab (1901-47), the MOOC will be developed at EMRC Patiala. It is a four-credit course comprising 40 modules and will be offered through the SWAYAM portal. Daljit Ami, Director of EMRC, described this as a significant achievement in the history of EMRC Patiala and a major step toward creating digital educational content in Punjabi. He shared that having studied at Panjab University himself and now working at EMRC, located at Punjabi University, Patiala, he sees this as a great collaborative effort.

He emphasized that creating high-quality content in Punjabi will greatly benefit students pursuing higher education in the language.Daljit Ami further shared that while EMRC has previously developed MOOCs in English and Hindi, this approval marks an important diversification of its work.

Alpha gaming league: E-sports battle hosted by Alpha School



LK BANSAL
MOHALI , MAR 2

Alpha School of Rayat Bahra Group organised the Alpha Gaming League, an adrenaline-charged e-sports tournament that drew immense participation from students across the region.

With over 40 teams competing, the event saw a remarkable turnout, including players from various universities, making it a hub for emerging gaming talent.

This initiative was made possible under the leadership of RBU Chancellor Gurvinder Bahra. whose progressive vision continues to drive innovation and create dynamic learning environments.

The event also received strategic direction and industry-driven insights from Sahil Kapoor Senior Vice President and Sakshi Mehta, Director – Industry Academia, Alpha School, who has been instrumental in fostering collaborations that bridge academic learning with real-world industry trends.

With the Alpha Gaming League, Alpha School of Rayat Bahra Group reinforces its dedication to integrating emerging fields into student experiences, ensuring they remain ahead in an ever-evolving digital landscape.

Gillco international school, Mohali holds annual show

SHASHI PAL JAIN
KHARAR, MAR 2



Gillco International School, Mohali hosted a Spectacular Foundational Stage Annual Show- THE FABLE FEST with the enchanting theme, 'Where stories come alive' along with the Kindergarten GraduationCeremony.This momentous occasion marks the culmination of another successful academic year and the graduation of our young learners.

The Programme commenced with the lightening of the lamp of knowledge by the Trustee of the school, MsParamjit Kaur Gill and the Principal, Dr. Kritika Kaushal. The little stars of the Foundational Wing mesmerized the audience with series of colourful costumes, melodious music, lively dances and beautiful props. The students took the audience on a whimsical adventure through the fairy land to the sea of courage and then to the cloud kingdom.

Each act carried the message that reflected the values of life like hope, kindness friendship,togetherness etc.The students showcased their talents through a series of cultural performances, including songs, dances, and skits. The main highlight of the day was the vibrant Bhangra performance by the graduating students, which left everyone tap their feet. The Headmistress, MsGursimran Khosla proposed the vote of thanks to each and everyone for gracing the momentous occasion. The Principal, Dr. Kritika Kaushal said 'We are incredibly proud of our students' achievements and growth over the past year. Our Annual and Graduation Day celebration is a testament to their hard work and dedication.'She congratulated the students and staff of on their achievements and encouraged them to strive for excellence in all aspects of life.

"Special-Kujh Khas": Debut song by Satwinder Singh Dharak comforts troubled hearts

TILAK RAJ
MOHALI, MAR 2



The debut song 'Special' (Kujh Khas) by renowned Punjabi journalist and singer Satwinder Singh Dharak was released during the grand event here at PVR-Mohali Walk.

The visually captivating music video, which has been produced by Saaz Cine Productions and Angad Sachdeva, featuring singer and lyricist Satwinder Singh Dharak, showcased lead actress Ms. Natalya, complemented by stellar performances from Satwant Kaur, Naginder Gakhar and producer Angad Sachdeva himself. Since the teaser's release, there has been great anticipation for this inspirational and devotional song. During the launch ceremony, producer S. Angad Singh Sachdeva shared his vision behind producing the spiritual track, saying that "In today's commercially-driven entertainment industry, few are willing to invest in devotional content. However, such music serves a vital purpose, particularly for our youth who often navigate through challenging times and seek spiritual solace."

He said that the release of "Special-Kujh Khas" song represents their commitment to creating meaningful content that resonates with audiences beyond mere entertainment value, offering spiritual guidance and inspiration to listeners across generations.Mr. Mahinderpal Singh, MD, Parchar Advertising Private Limited also mentioned that Satwinder Singh Dharak's song truly brings comfort to troubled hearts. The song attempts to reassure deeply distressed individuals with the message: "Don't worry, Baba Nanak has something special planned for you."Singer Satwinder Singh Dharak said that he will be creating compositions dedicated to Punjab, Punjabi and Punjabiyat, showcasing the rich cultural heritage of Punjab.

Various prominent personalities attend wedding of journalist Manjinder Singh's son

BANGA (BUREAU): Jaideep Singh, son of senior journalist and chief spokesperson of the All India Human Rights Council, Manjinder Singh, and Sardarni Gurpreet Kaur, tied the knot with Amanpreet Kaur, daughter of Harjinder Singh and Kulwinder Kaur (NRI), residents of Phagwara.

The wedding was solemnized with complete Gurmaryada rituals at Phagwara.A reception party was held the next day in Nawanshahr, graced by several prominent political and social figures, bureaucrats, journalist colleagues, and relatives who extended their blessings to the newly married couple.



The distinguished guests included Kuljit Singh Sarhal, Halqa Incharge AAP Banga; Dr. Sukhwinder Kumar Sukhi, MLA Banga and Chairman of Punjab State Container and Warehouse Corporation; Chaudhary Tarlochan Singh Sundh former MLA Banga; Mrs. Gur Iqbal Kaur Babli, former MLA Nawanshahr; Hardev Singh Asi, DPRO Nawanshahr; Paramjit Singh, former Divisional Commissioner Excise; Mohinder Singh, SHO Mukandpur; Kulwinder Singh Dhahan, President of Guru Nanak Mission Trust Dhahan; Jagjit Singh Sodhi; Jasbir Singh Noorpur, District President of Punjab Chandigarh Journalists Union; Parveen Banga, BSP leader; Dr. Bakshish Singh, among others.

First of four bridges at Sidhwan Canal on its way after fabrication



LUDHIANA (SHARMA): The first prefabricated bridge of the four bridges over the Sidhwan Canal is en route from Kotkapura to Ludhiana. Another shipment for the second bridge is expected to arrive by Tuesday or Wednesday. The steel structures for both bridges will be assembled at their respective sites along the canal, bringing the long-pending bridge project closer to completion. Providing this update on Saturday, Rajya Sabha MP Sanjeev Arora, stated that the bridges are being manufactured by New Life Infra (Kotkapura, Punjab) and Durga Engineering (Yamuna Nagar, Haryana).

About a week ago, Arora dispatched his team along with NHAI personnel to inspect the manufacturing facilities and ensure steady progress. The installation of each bridge is expected to take at least one month. This project was initiated due to Arora's persistent efforts with NHAI. After multiple appeals, NHAI approved the proposal, acknowledging the urgent need to ease traffic congestion. Ludhiana residents had long demanded these bridges, recognizing them as a crucial solution to the city's increasing traffic woes. Arora expressed confidence that once completed, the bridges would significantly improve traffic flow in South City, where rapid commercial growth—including hotels, restaurants.

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Students of TPD Malwa College made aware about news education system



RAMPURA PHUL (KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA): Students of TPD Malwa College (Neighborhood Campus) Rampura Phul were made aware about the new education system of the Government of India. On this occasion, Principal Dr. Addressing the students from the Punjabi University under the leadership of Baljinder Singh, he told about the importance of the new education system in the life of the students and also encouraged the children to be aware about studies. On this occasion Prof. Kulveer Singh, Prof. Mandeep Gaur, Prof. Sukhdeep Singh, Prof. Rajini, Prof. Harjinder Pal Kaur, Prof. Harvinder Singh and Professor Pradeep Sharma were present.

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Webinar on agriculture and rural prosperity



KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA: A webinar on "Budget on Agriculture and Rural Prosperity" was held to discuss the implementation of the announcements of the Union Budget 2025-26, which was also broadcast at SBI R Setti Khudi Kalan. In this webinar, it was informed that a new initiative has been taken by the government to provide cheap and easy loans to farmers, under which the loan limit under the revised interest subvention scheme has been increased from Rs 3 lakh to Rs 5 lakh. On this occasion, the speakers said that special attention has been paid to the food provider of India in the Union Budget 2025-26. The inaugural address in this webinar was given by Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi. On this occasion, it was told that the Economic Survey 2024 also stated that there are 7.75 crore Kisan Credit Card (KCC) accounts as on 31.3.2024.

Atharva Awards of excellence to be held on June 1

GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH: The Atharva Awards of Excellence will be held on June 1. This prestigious award event will recognize outstanding UG, PG, and Ph.D research scholars from across India, providing a national platform



to showcase their ground-breaking contributions. Sunil Rane, executive President of Atharva Group of Institutes, who envisioned the award said that the initiative aims to motivate, inspire, and reward the brightest minds in engineering. The award event will honour outstanding contributions in the field of research, technology and innovation. "We seek to highlight the brain, capabilities, efficiency, brilliance, and intellectual strength of India's young researchers.

Aggarwal Marwari Sewa Sangh launches bus trip to Salasar Dham



KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL: Aggarwal Marwadi Sewa Sangh Rampura Phul launched the first religious bus trip late on Friday evening to visit Baba Khatu Shyamji Maharaj Sri Salasar Dham and Agroha Dham. The bus journey was flagged off by Sangh's Subhash Mangala and Harbans Singla. The members of the Sangh said that after visiting the said shrines, the bus will return to Rampura on March 2 (Sunday). He said that the Sangh will continue to organize religious bus trips in the future as well. On this occasion, President of New Market Association Vivek Garg, Director of Gaurav Diagnostic Center Rampura Dr. Gaurav Garg, Tarsem Dhingra, Sunil Mangala, Sanjay Mangala, Binder Kumar, Amit Mangala etc. were also present.

Rotary club Rupnagar organises vocational excellence award function



BAHADURJEET SINGH
RUPNAGAR: In an impressive function organized at Rotary Vocational Training Centre, Rotary Club Rupnagar organized their 12th Vocational Excellence Award Ceremony. Shri Himanshu Jain Deputy Commissioner & Ms. Chandrajyoti Singh, ADC (Rural development) Rupnagar were Chief Guest & Guest of Honur of this event respectively. Program started with traditional lamp lighting followed by the floral welcome of the distinguished guests. Club President Rotarian Kulwant Singh extended a warm welcome to the guests in his address. Chairman of this project Dr BPS Parmar put light on the Rotary International & Rotary Club Rupnagar's activities & projects in a presentation & moderated the program.
Six individuals & one organization were honored with the award & citation this year. It is pertinent to mention that as per Rotary International activity program, January is celebrated as Vocational Service Month in which Rotary Club Rupnagar honor the personalities & organizations by organizing a special function. Club invite nominations from various institutes, Government offices & other organizations and a committee select the awardees on the parameters laid down so far. Imressively written citations for thye awardees were read out by Past President Prof Prabjit Singh, Director Youth Servive Roitarian Gagan Saini .

Punjab registers 12.10% growth in tax collection: Cheema

GAURAV GOEL
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Punjab Finance, Excise and Taxation Minister Advocate Harpal Singh Cheema on Sunday proudly announced that since coming to power in March 2022, the AAP-led Punjab Government has implemented transformative changes with unwavering honesty and transparency, resulting in a consistent increase in its tax revenue year after year. He highlighted that this fiscal year's net collection from GST, Excise, VAT, CST, and PSDT upto February reflected a growth rate of 12.10 percent compared to the same period of FY 2023-24, with an impressive 28.01 percent growth in net GST collection during February 2025.

Revealing this in a press communique issued here, Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema said that this fiscal year has seen a continuation of the previous years' trend, with a notable 13.39 percent growth rate in net GST, 14.43 percent in Excise, 5.10 percent in VAT, 17.03 percent in CST, and 13.65 percent in PSDT upto February compared to the same period in FY 2023-24. He said that the total net collection from these taxes upto February this fiscal year is Rs 38272.66 crore as compared to Rs 34141.36 crore during last fiscal year registering an increase of Rs 4131.30 crore. Highlighting the substantial growth in GST revenue for the last month, Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema said that the net GST collection during February 2025 reflected a notable increase of Rs 506.26 crore. The net GST collection for February 2025 amounted to Rs 2,313.69 crore, compared to Rs 1,807.43 crore in February 2024. Additionally, he also mentioned the commendable rise in Excise revenue, with February's collection reaching Rs 686.47 crore, an increase of Rs 30.47 crore from the Rs 656 crore collected in February last year. Pointing out the initiatives taken to improve its own tax revenue, the Finance Minister said that the Excise and Taxation department has been achieving its goals through a two-pronged approach of broadening the GST base by running drives to bring unregistered businesses under GST and enhancing compliance among registered taxpayers besides extending every help to the honest taxpayers. He said that the department has launched the Bill Liyao Inaam Pao Scheme and sought the active involvement of school and college students to spread awareness among the younger generation. Lambasting the previous Akali-BJP and Congress-led state governments for their inability to boost the state's tax revenue, Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema said they lacked effective fiscal management and political will to tighten the noose around tax evaders. In contrast, Finance Minister Cheema reiterated the AAP-led Punjab Government's unwavering commitment to honesty, transparency.

CM hands over cheques of financial assistance worth Rs 1 crore each to family of five cops

DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR, MAR 2



Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann on Sunday handed over cheques of financial assistance worth Rs 1 crore (each) to the family members of five cops who were martyred during the line of duty.

The Chief Minister, on the sidelines of passing out parade here at today, handed over cheques worth Rs 1 crore (each) to the distressed family of martyr ASI (LR) Balwinder Singh, ASI (LR) Naseeb Chand, ASI (LR) Anil Kumar, Head Constable Manjinder Singh and Constable Inderjit Singh who had attained martyrdom while discharging their duties. Bhagwant Singh Mann said that this humble initiative of the state government is in recognition of the immense contribution of this son of soil towards maintaining law and order in the state. Reiterating the firm commitment of the state government to help the families of the soldiers who sacrifice their life at the altar of the motherland, he said that it is the bounden duty of the Punjab government.

The Chief Minister said that this initiative is in recognition of the immense contribution of the brave hearts who have sacrificed their lives for the sake of the country. He said that financial assistance to families of these heroes is in consonance with the commitment of the state government to ensure the well being of the soldiers and their families adding he expressed hope that this healing touch of the state will go a long way in helping the aggrieved family on one hand and securing their future on the other. Likewise, Bhagwant Singh Mann envisioned that it will also encourage the youth to join the Armed forces and Punjab Police to serve their motherland.

Harbhajan Singh conducts comprehensive review of ongoing projects

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Punjab Public Works & Power Minister Harbhajan Singh ETO conducted a thorough review of the works being executed by the Public Works Department (PWD), emphasizing the need for maintaining quality standards and ensuring transparency in the tendering process.

PWD Minister ETO, in the review attended by all Chief Engineers and Joint Secretary PWD Amarbir Sidhu, stressed that no carelessness on quality aspects would be tolerated and directed officials to conduct regular quality checks on ongoing projects without fear,bias or favoritism. He repeatedly stressed on the importance of complete transparency in the tendering process, adhering strictly to the prescribed procedure as per the Transparency Act.

The Minister advised Chief Engineers to amend the Standard Bidding Document as necessary, considering the changing conditions & requirements of works. He also took a serious view of delays occurring in the execution of works due to land acquisition, utility shifting, forest and other statutory clearances, directing officers to have periodic reviews of projects and address issues promptly.

PWD Minister expressed displeasure over the gap in project follow-up by Department offices and directed the officials to bridge this gap to ensure timely completion of projects. He encouraged officials to address issues through his office, if required, to ensure seamless project execution.PWD Minister Harbhajan Singh ETO reiterated Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann led Punjab government's commitment to accelerating infrastructure development and enhancing transparency in the Public Works Department.

DLCs formed to conduct psychometric tests by March 31 : Bains

GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, MAR 2



In an innovative move aimed at empowering the young women with valuable insights for future career planning and personal development, Punjab Government has introduced Psychometric tests for girl students to discover their strength and aptitude. The psychometric tests will be conducted on class 10th girl students studying in government schools.

Divulging the details about the project, Punjab School Education Minister S. Harjot Singh Bains informed that the State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) has allocated over Rs. 6.56 crore to all districts for conducting psychometric tests for 10th-grade girls in government schools. This program will benefit as many as 93,819 students, with all girls to be covered by March 31st, 2025. To ensure smooth implementation, district-level committees have been formed under the leadership of District Education Officers (Secondary) across Punjab. These committees will oversee the testing process and monitor all operations within their respective districts.

The primary objective of this initiative is to analyse students' mental abilities, interests, and personality traits to guide them towards making informed career choices. S. Harjot Singh Bains said that majority of students face the confusion after their 10th board exams regarding their future career paths. This decision significantly impacts their choice of stream in 11th grade. While private schools often provide career counselling, government school students lack this support, leading them to rely on their peers' choices.

Punjab workers can avail Rs. 2k to Rs. 70k under stipend scheme for their children's education: Sond

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Under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, the Punjab government has taken important steps for the welfare of workers in the state.

Labour Minister Tarunpreet Singh Sond said that under the stipend scheme of the Punjab Labour Welfare Board, benefits ranging from Rs. 2,000 to Rs. 70,000 can be availed for the education of laborers' children. Along with this, the condition of two years of service of the worker to avail the stipend scheme has been abolished.

It is worth mentioning that the Punjab Labour Welfare Board stipend scheme is given for the education of the children of workers. Earlier, mandated two-year service condition for workers to qualify for the stipend scheme has been officially abolished after the initiative of Labour Minister Tarunpreet Singh Sond. Labour Minister Tarunpreet Singh Sond stated that workers will now be able to avail the stipend benefit from the date of their contribution to the fund, rather than having to wait for two years of service.

He said that the stipend scheme has an important contribution in the education of the children of the workers of Punjab.

He said that the benefit of the stipend scheme can be obtained from the first class to higher education. Under the Punjab Labour Welfare Board stipend scheme, girl students from the first to the fifth class are given Rs. 3000 and boys are given Rs. 2000 per year.

Sippy Bhakar strong contender for ticket from Maur constituency



RAMPURA PHUL (KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA): Senior youth leader of Aam Aadmi Party from Maur in Bathinda district may be a contender for the ticket in the 2027 assembly elections due to his good political standing in the constituency. Because of Sippy Bhakar.

There is a firm grip up to the booth level. This young man, who entered the Congress party in politics since 2009, has been a participant in the sorrows and joys of the people of Maur constituency. In the year 2012, the Congress party fielded Mangat Rai Bansal in the election field by giving a ticket from Halka Maur, then due to the hard work of Sippy Bhakar, the party got good votes. But he lost the election by a narrow margin of votes. But Sippy continued to meditate on the sufferings of the constituents. Then in 2017, the Congress party sent the former minister Harminder Singh Jassi a ticket to the constituency again, and thanks to Sippy Bhakar, the Congress party got a large number of votes. Due to Sippi's good grip at the ground level, the candidates won in the block committee and sarpanchi elections. In the 2019 Lok Sabha elections, the Congress party made Amarinder Singh Raja Waring a candidate from the Lok Sabha constituency Bathinda, and due to the hard work of this young man, the Congress party got a big lead of 5600 votes from the constituency.

Advocate Romy Bansal becomes president of Bar Association Phul

KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL, MAR 2



Polls of Bar Association Phul concluded peacefully. In this, senior advocate Romy Bansal won the election with 17 votes. In this regard, RO Advocate Gaurav Garg said that 100 votes were polled out of a total of 101 votes.

He said that Advocate Romi Bansal, Advocate Dinesh Garg, Advocate Ritesh Singla, Advocate Harchand Singh were in the fray for the post of President, while Advocate Balkaran Singh Sandhu for Secretary, Advocate Pushpa Punian for Vice President and Cashier Advocate Amandeep Talwar have already won the contest without election. In today's election, Advocate Romy Bansal got 42 votes, Advocate Ritesh Singla got 25 votes, Advocate Dinesh Garg got 17 votes, Advocate Harchand Singh got 16 votes. Advocate Romy Bansal won the presidential election by votes. Thus, Advocate Mandeep Singh got 52 votes and Advocate Yadwinder Singh 48 votes for Joint Secretary and Mandeep Singh won the election with 4 votes. The election was conducted under the supervision of Returning Officers Gaurav Garg, Amandeep Dhillon, Pavitra Sappal.

Unauthorised structures built by drug smugglers razed in Phillaur





JS SODHI
JALANDHAR, MAR 2

Amidst the ongoing decisive action against drug traffickers and illegal encroachments, Jalandhar Rural Police, in coordination with local authorities, have demolished unauthorized structures built on the encroached panchayat land in Khanpur and Mandi villages of Phillaur. The structures, unlawfully occupied by two individuals with a history of narcotics smuggling, were removed following due legal procedure. Divulging details to the media, Senior Superintendent of Police Jalandhar Rural Harkamal Preet Singh Khakh stated that the demolition drive was carried out following the request of the Block Development and Panchayat Officer (BDPO) Phillaur, who sought police assistance for the removal of illegal encroachments. The action was directed against Jasvir Singh alias Sheera, son of Dalveer alias Bur, resident of Khanpur, and Bholi, wife of Rampal alias Rama, resident of Mandi, both of whom had illegally occupied village panchayat land. As per official records, Bholi is a notorious drug smuggler and has been facing multiple cases under the NDPS act, including a 1.190 kg smack recovery in 2005, a 2 kg poppy husk seizure in 2015.

Kewal Singh Dhillon congratulates Karanvir Mann for winning election of Bar Association Secretary



KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA, MAR 2

Advocate Karanvir Singh Mann has won the election of Secretary and Advocate Yadav Sharma has won the election of Joint Secretary in the election of office bearers of Bar Association Barnala. Both the office bearers were congratulated on this achievement by BJP State Core Committee Member Kewal Singh Dhillon, former MLA. On this occasion, Kewal Singh Dhillon also honored Karanvir Singh Mann with a Siropao. Kewal Singh Dhillon said that Karanvir Singh Mann's father Jagga Singh Mann is one of his old colleagues. Therefore, the happiness of Jagga Singh's family is his happiness. This victory of Advocate Karanvir Singh Mann has increased the pride of him and the entire family. He also encouraged both the office bearers to work hard for the Bar Association and the entire legal community with honesty and hard work while holding their positions. On this occasion, BJP District President Yadwinder Singh Shanti, Makhan Singh Dhanaula, Bibi Paramjit Kaur Cheema, Kuldeep Singh Dhaliwal, Jeevan Kumar Dhanaula, Prem Pritam Jindal, Buta Singh Amala Singh Wala, Ashwini Ashu Handiya, Rajinder Uppal,.

Dr. Rohit Modi to share heart disease prevention tips at 10th Virsa Sambhal heritage fair

BARNALA: The 10th Virsa Sambhal Heritage Fair is set to take place on April 6 at the 22-acre Dussehra Ground in Barnala, bringing together culture, tradition, and health awareness. Dr. Rohit Modi, MD of Harvard Heart Center, Bathinda, will grace the event as the chief guest and share vital information on heart disease prevention with the audience.Dr. Modi praised the initiative, stating that such heritage fairs infuse new enthusiasm among the youth and help reconnect them with Punjab's rich traditions.



The event will feature renowned folk singer Ranjit Bawa, who will captivate the audience with his cultural performances. Additionally, Bhangra, Giddha, a turban-tying competition, Rassa-Kasri, wrestling matches, drama, and vibrant Punjabi programs will add to the festive spirit.According to Amandeep Singh Rathod, patron of the fair, these activities aim to revive Punjab's fading cultural heritage and traditional attire while steering the youth away from drug abuse. The event is being organized with great enthusiasm, ensuring a grand celebration of Punjab's rich history.During a press meet, Amanjit Singh Rathore, Dr. Kulwinder Singh, journalist Gurdeep Singh, and journalist Sukhwant Singh honored Dr. Rohit Modi and presented him with an official invitation to the fair.

Desh Bhagat hospital organises mega free health check-up camp



AJAY MALHOTRA
FATEHGARH SAHIB, MAR 2

Desh Bhagat Hospital organized a mega free health checkup camp in the hospital.

The camp was inaugurated by DBU Chancellor Dr. Zora Singh and Pro-Chancellor Dr. Tajinder Kaur.The camp offered specialized consultations in medicine, ophthalmology, dermatology, and ENT. Specialist consultations were provided by a team of experts, including Dr. BL Bhardwaj, Dr. JP S Sodhi, Dr. BS Sohal, and Dr. Sumeet Pal Saini.During the camp, free medicines were distributed to the patients, and free Hb & Blood Sugar (Glucometer) tests, eye testing, ECG, and USG were provided to patients. Free spectacles were also distributed to needy patients.According to Dr. Jyoti Dhami, Medical Superintendent of the hospital, more than 250 patients visited the camp and availed the facilities. She added that special facilities were made for the patients. The camp was organized under the expert supervision of Dr. BL Bharadwaj, Pro-Vice Chancellor (Medical), Dr. Kulbushan, Director Desh Bhagat Ayurvedic College & Hospital, and Dr. Jyoti H Dhami, Medical Superintendent Desh Bhagat Hospital.

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Tearful tribute to Brahmalin Vedantacharya 1008 Swami Sri Sri Sugrivananda Maharaj Ji

AVINASH CHAUHAN

AMB: Today my heart is heavy, my mind is sad. I was deeply shocked to hear the news of the demise of *Vedantacharya 1008 Swami Sri Sri Sugrivanand Maharaj Ji. This is an irreparable loss not only for me but for the entire Sanatan Dharma and society. I still remember that auspicious occasion when I had the good fortune of meeting Gurudev for the first time. The glow of his radiant face and his affectionate blessings—that moment became the invaluable treasure of my life. After this, whenever I met Gurudev ji, the simplicity and ease with which he explained the values of religion, service and life, not only became a beacon of guidance for me, but also proved to be a source of inspiration giving a new direction to my thoughts and actions. The compassion and depth in his words reached directly to the heart.

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Former Revenue Employees' Forum backs Patwari and Kanungo strike: Hansraj Chandel

SHANTI GAUTAM

BADDI: The Former Revenue Employees' Forum has extended its support to the ongoing strike by patwaris and kanungos in Himachal Pradesh. Hansraj Chandel, a retired patwari, social worker, and president of the forum, stated that if the government does not accept the demands of the striking employees, the forum will intensify its support under its banner.

In a press statement, Chandel emphasized that patwaris and kanungos across the state are protesting in harsh winter conditions for their rightful demands. He criticized the State Cadre system, arguing that it should not be imposed on previously appointed patwaris and kanungos. He assured that the Nalagarh Tehsil's Former Revenue Employees' Forum will stand with the Himachal Pradesh United Patwari and Kanungo Federation to ensure their demands are met.

Chandel warned that if the government continues to ignore the demands, public services related to revenue matters will suffer, causing inconvenience to citizens. Several retired revenue officials, including former Naib Tehsildars Dalip Rana and Basant Ram, retired Kanungo Sangat Singh Chandel, Ram Naresh, Somnath, Krishna Lal, and Ramnath, have also expressed their support for the strike.

Financial Literacy Camp organized by Kangra Central Cooperative Bank

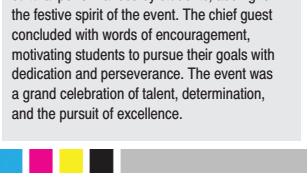
BANGANA: A financial literacy camp was organized at Harinagar village under the NABARD-funded Financial Literacy, Digital Transactions, and Public Safety Schemes initiative. The event, held by the Kangra Central Cooperative Bank, Thanakala branch, was attended by self-help group women, local residents, and bank officials. Branch Manager Ashwani Kumar provided detailed information about various welfare schemes launched by the state and central governments. He urged those without bank accounts to open one immediately to avail the benefits of government schemes. Key Government Insurance Schemes Explained Ashwani Kumar elaborated on the following schemes: Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY): Available for individuals aged 18 to 50 years, this scheme offers ₹2 lakh insurance coverage for an annual premium of Rs. 436. Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY): Open to individuals aged 18 to 70 years, providing accidental insurance for just Rs.20 per year. He emphasized that a bank account is mandatory to access these schemes and other welfare initiatives. The camp was attended by officials from Kangra Bank, women's group leaders, panchayat members, and local villagers, who actively participated in the discussions.

Deaths due to drug overdose, government failed: Sanjay

SANAJY AGGARWAL

DHARAMSHALA: Himachal Pradesh Bharatiya Janata Party's state spokesperson Sanjay Sharma said that the drug business is at its peak in the state. People are losing their lives due to drug addiction. Drug dealers are completely out of control. Drug mafias are creating havoc in the entire state. The current situation is very worrying and shameful. In the last one week, three cases of tragic death due to drug overdose have come to light in the state. This has officially come in the news, the real number is even bigger, many such cases do not even come to light. The mind is filled with sorrow thinking that people are losing their lives due to drug addiction. We will not let this happen with the youth of Devbhoomi. We need to fight a decisive battle against drug addiction. Sukhu government has failed on every front. The sad situation is that the government is sitting idle in this entire episode. The big drug dealers and mafias are still away from the reach of the police. Sanjay Sharma said that the government should attack the drug trade strongly. The Bharatiya Janata Party is committed to fully support the government in the fight against drugs. Drugs should be eliminated from the state and the empire of the drug mafia should be destroyed. For this, the opposition is standing strongly with the government. We cannot let the youth of our state get trapped in the web of drugs. The BJP is committed to eradicating drugs. A proposal for an effective fight against drugs has also been passed in the BJP State Working Committee held in Una on 19 July 2024. Sanjay Sharma said that ever since the Sukh government, which has changed the system, has come, the terror of drugs has gone out of control in the state. The reason behind this is the political protection being given to the drug mafia.

Swami Vivekanand Government Excellence College Hosts grand Annual prize distribution ceremony



AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY

BILASPUR: Swami Vivekanand Government Excellence College Ghumarwin held its prestigious annual prize distribution ceremony with great enthusiasm and grandeur. Urban Planning, Housing, and Technical Education Minister Rajesh Dharmani graced the occasion as the chief guest, while Principal Dr. Rakesh Rana presided over the event.

The ceremony commenced with the traditional lighting of the lamp, followed by the presentation of the annual report by Dr. Rakesh Rana, highlighting the remarkable achievements of students in academics, sports, and cultural activities. Minister Rajesh Dharmani honored the meritorious students, applauding their dedication and hard work. He emphasized the importance of information technology, AI tools, and self-discipline in shaping a successful future, urging students to embrace innovation and online mentoring for career growth.

A special moment of the event was the presence of 93-year-old Captain Anant Ram, a three-time Olympian from Jhanduta, who inspired students with his message on health, discipline, and the dangers of addiction. He expressed his wish to establish a free gymnastics academy for young aspirants, receiving immense appreciation from the audience. The program featured vibrant cultural performances by students, adding to the festive spirit of the event. The chief guest concluded with words of encouragement, motivating students to pursue their goals with dedication and perseverance. The event was a grand celebration of talent, determination, and the pursuit of excellence.

Huge crowd gather for first-ever grand international cultural parade in Mandi

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MANDI : Artists from various countries participated in the grand international cultural parade during the week-long International Mahashivratri Fair in Himachal Pradesh's Mandi.

In this cultural parade, groups from five countries, along with 20 teams from different parts of India, presented glimpses of their rich culture.

The foreign artists were from countries including Ukraine, Thailand, Sri Lanka, Malaysia, and Kazakhstan.

Artists from Jammu & Kashmir, Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan, and Uttar Pradesh, as well as from Himachal Pradesh's Chamba Pangi-Bharmour, Shimla, Lahaul-Spiti, Kullu, and Sirmaur, also participated.

Mandi district's Mandavya Kala Manch, Sangeet Sadan, Amar Yuvak Mandal, and Sankalp Yuvak Mandal artists were also part of the cultural



parade.

The cultural groups from abroad shared their experiences, saying that participating in the Shivratri festival in India was a new and enjoyable experience for them.

Speaking to new agency, an artist from Thailand said, "We come from Thailand, and I have performed in the festival. I am really excited as it's a big festival, and I love India, everyone, and the culture."

Similarly, another Malaysian artist said, "We represent Malaysia. We presented three kinds of dances. Shivratri means Lord Shiva's night. This is my first time joining this festival. I think this is a very unique festival because many cultures from around the world are present, so I think it's a very special event."

A local artist expressed his pleasure after performing alongside international performers, saying, "Actually, the administration has truly conducted the fair on an international level."

"We performed with international artists. So when we were performing, we felt like we were in some other place," he added.

The audience also enjoyed various kinds of performances.

"Today, I liked this cultural parade. This is a great concept from the government and administration," said one attendee.

A district administration official said, "Not only foreign groups participated, but performers from other states also took part."

"This is the first time Mandi district has had the opportunity to provide such a cultural exchange, and there was a lot of enthusiasm among the people of Mandi," he added.

He thanked the artists and audience of Mandi for showing enthusiasm during the festival.

HP emerges as a leading exporter of high-quality Rainbow Trout Eyed Ova

DINESH AGARWAL

SHIMLA: Himachal Pradesh has emerged as a leading exporter of high-quality rainbow trout eyed ova, supplying to States such as Uttarakhand, Sikkim, and Arunachal Pradesh. Under various schemes, progressive trout hatchery farmers have successfully provided 9.05 lakh rainbow trout eyed ova to Uttarakhand alone.

This year, the Department of Fisheries has produced 12.60 lakh rainbow trout eyed ova and 1.74 lakh brown trout eyed ova from its eight government run farms, located at Patlikuhal and Hamni in Kullu district, at Barot in Mandi Thalla, Holi and Bhandal in Chamba district. With breeding still in progress, total eyed ova production is expected to surpass 20 lakh, a significant increase from last year's 15.79 lakh in the government sector.



AICC in-charge for Himachal Pradesh and Rajya Sabha MP Rajni Patil, called on Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu at his official residence, Oak Over, today. The two leaders had a discussion on various party-related matters.

Himalaya foundation organizes Job fair in Amb subdivision

ARYA BANGANA

BANGANA: Himalaya Jan Kalyan Samiti, in collaboration with the Small Industries Association, organized the seventh job fair in Adarsh Nagar, Amb Subdivision. The event saw participation from unemployed youth across a dozen panchayats in the region. The job fair was inaugurated by Dr. Vineet Singh Thakur, Coordinator of Mission Rozgar, District Una, who cut the ribbon. The event was also attended by Chairman of Small Industries Association, Vichitra Singh Patial, Himalaya NGO President, Dr. Ranish Rana, and members of the Amb Press Club.



Employment Opportunities in Industries More than 50 young aspirants applied for jobs in various companies and industries. Addressing the attendees, Dr. Ranish Rana highlighted the vast employment potential in the industrial hubs of Baddi, Barotiwala, Nalagarh, Amb, and Gagret. He emphasized that skilled youth will always find employment opportunities and thanked private and government ITI institutions for equipping candidates with industry-relevant training.

Metro Horn Society's important shocking revelations about chitta

SANAJY AGGARWAL

DHARAMSHALA : Chitta, which is wreaking havoc in the hilly state of Himachal Pradesh, reached in the name of Panni-Thanni in the decade of 1990 to 2000. Chitta smugglers had cleverly started trapping the rich people in tourist places and the surrounding areas in their net.

At present, synthetic drugs have entered many rural areas and homes in Himachal. In which the society, government, administration and police department are becoming completely silent spectators. Now large-scale action is needed to eradicate chitta, opium, bhookki, charas, injection and other synthetic drugs from the root.



Metro Horn Society Dharamkot Bhagsunag Dharamshala District Kangra has made many important shocking revelations in its survey. Earlier, Metro Horn Society Dharamshala had alerted in the year 2024 itself about the large-scale ill effects of synthetic drugs at the rural level. During this period, important data of the survey conducted at the rural level was presented to the government, administration and police department. Despite this, no action was seen on a large scale regarding the chiro and synthetic drugs that had reached the rural level. President of Metro Horn Society Dharamshala, Narendra Singh Baran told that during the year 1995 to 2000, drug smugglers of Punjab region had started targeting Himachal.

Metro Horn organization had conducted a survey at the panchayat level in all the 15 blocks of Kangra district regarding awareness about drugs, its side effects and reach in the rural environment.

Himachal lawyers to boycott courts on March 3 and 4 against Advocate Amendment Bill



AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY

BILASPUR : Lawyers across Himachal Pradesh will boycott court proceedings on March 3 and 4 in protest against the Advocate Amendment Bill introduced by the central government. This decision was taken during a statewide meeting of bar association representatives held at the Bilaspur District Court Bar Association Hall.

The meeting saw the participation of representatives from 38 out of 51 bar councils in the state, while others joined virtually due to adverse weather conditions. During the discussion, the Himachal Pradesh Bar Association Coordination Committee was formed, with L.R. Nadda appointed as its president.

Concerns Over the Advocate Amendment Bill Addressing the gathering, L.R. Nadda emphasized that lawyers across the country are opposing the amendments to the Advocates Act, 1961, as they infringe upon their independence. The proposed bill, he argued, would:

Baddi police cracks down on drug trafficking, illegal mining



ANWAR HUSSIAN

BADDI: In a major success against drug trafficking, the Special Cell-X of Baddi Police arrested Satanam Singh alias Sodi after recovering 8.580 grams of heroin and ₹10,730 in cash from his residence in Nalagarh. The accused, 41-year-old Satanam Singh, son of late Deep Singh, resides at House No. 72, Ward No. 6, Nalagarh, District Solan, Himachal Pradesh. He is scheduled to be presented in court today.

Additional Superintendent of Police, Baddi, Ashok Verma, lauded the efforts of the police team and reiterated the force's commitment to combating drug-related crimes and ensuring public safety. The police urged citizens to report any information on illegal drug activities to help eradicate the menace from society.

Strict Action Against Illegal Mining Continues Baddi Police has intensified its crackdown on illegal mining. On March 1, 2025, the police received information about unauthorized mining on government land near Effy Company. Acting swiftly, a team from Baddi Police Station raided the site and seized an unregistered JCB machine and a tipper (HP12P-7714) engaged in illegal gravel extraction at night. The operators failed to produce any valid documents, permits, or authorization.

"Trade union remembers Veerbhadra Singh's valuable guidance"

KISHORI LAL BAINS

UNA : National INTUC Secretary Comrade Jagat Ram Sharma, in a written press note, recalled the invaluable advice given by late Virbhadra Singh to the trade unions. Sharing his experiences, he mentioned his first meeting with the former Chief Minister at the Secretariat alongside late Comrade Pandit, then General Secretary of AITUC.

During that meeting, an issue regarding the transfer of an employee was raised, and Virbhadra Singh immediately revoked the transfer, emphasizing that government employees should be ready to serve in any part of Himachal Pradesh. He had also drawn a parallel with soldiers, paramilitary personnel, and central government



employees who work far from home, sometimes even abroad.

Jagat Ram Sharma highlighted that INTUC and other trade unions have been consistently fighting for job creation in public sector and government departments, pushing for vacant government positions to be filled at both central and state levels.

However, he lamented the weakening state of central trade unions and the emergence of NGO-backed organizations that fail to fulfill government responsibilities. He pointed out the rise of contractual hiring, outsourcing, and part-time employment, which were previously unheard of in government jobs.

Addressing the mass casual leave protest by Patwaris and Kanungos, Sharma said it was causing immense inconvenience to the public. Essential services like KYC verification, agricultural certificates, land mutation, loans, registry work, domicile certificates, and income certificates heavily depend on Patwaris, and their absence disrupts people's daily lives. He stated that while such protests have occurred in the past, they failed to garner public support. He advised trade unions to ensure that government employees accept transfers as a part of their duty, warning that those unwilling to relocate should reconsider joining government service, given the long queue of unemployed youth.

Sharma further suggested that 80% of the revenue department's workforce be integrated into the state cadre, with district-level postings in the final five years before retirement. He also asserted that INTUC would not tolerate fresh recruitment unless the existing staff is fully utilized.

Himachal govt won't take funds from temples, says Deputy CM Agnihotri

AGENCY

MANDI: Himachal Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri has said that the state government would not take any money from temples for any of its schemes. Addressing journalists in Mandi on Sunday (March 2, 2025), Agnihotri said the Language and Culture Department, which oversaw temple affairs, was under his jurisdiction and he firmly assured that temple funds would not be used for government activities.

Agnihotri arrived in Mandi as the chief guest for the Madhya Jaleb procession at the Shivratri festival and will also attend cultural programmes in the evening.

Accuses BJP of spreading misinformation

Mukesh Agnihotri further explained that in the past, temple funds had been used for the Chief Minister's Relief Fund and disaster relief in special circumstances. However, apart from these, the money would not be utilised elsewhere.

He said temples and trusts could voluntarily help the needy as per legal provisions, but they made their own decisions in such cases. He accused the BJP of spreading false propaganda, saying that such misinformation would not benefit them.

Says Jai Ram Thakur Even Opposed their participation in Kumbh Snan

The Deputy CM alleged that ever since the Congress government came to power in the state, opposition leader Jai Ram Thakur and other BJP leaders have been



continuously spreading negative propaganda.

Mukesh Agnihotri pointed out that BJP leaders even objected to their participation in the Kumbh Snan. "Jai Ram Thakur will not gain anything from such objections. We are as religious as they are," Agnihotri stated.

Agnihotri highlighted that 36 temples in the state were under government control, but only four or five of them had strong financial standing.

"Most other temples are not in a position to contribute funds. Entire temple deposits amount to around Rs 500 crore, but that sum is insignificant compared to the state's Rs 55,000 crore budget. Instead of taking money, the government provides financial assistance to temples," he said.

Deputy CM flags off road safety rally, Mandi DC among participants

Earlier in the day, Agnihotri flagged off a bike rally organised to raise awareness about road safety. The event was held in collaboration with the transport department and district administration as part of the International Mahashivratri Festival.

The rally started from Seri Manch and passed through Mangwai, Chakker, Ner Chowk and ended at Dadour.

The rally saw participation from 100 bikers and 25 cars. Mandi Deputy Commissioner Apoorv Devgan too rode a bike. The participants adhered to all safety norms and maintained designated speed limits.

Following the rally, Deputy CM Agnihotri urged people to drive responsibly, emphasising, "Drive with awareness, not excitement."

He stressed the importance of abiding by traffic rules, avoiding intoxicated driving, maintaining vehicle fitness, wearing seat belts and helmets, avoiding mobile phone use while driving, using low beams at night and ensuring road safety at all times.

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Youth arrested with 14 bottles of liquor, case registered

PEHOWA (YAGYA DUTT SHASHTRI): Police station in-charge Inspector Rajesh Kumar said that due to the election of the Nagar Palika Chairman, as per the government's order, there is a ban on selling liquor in the city. Due to the elections, the police administration has increased vigilance in the city. Meanwhile, the patrolling police team got information that a person is selling liquor in Narayangarh locality.

On the basis of the information, the police went to the locality and checked, then a bike rider was found roaming. He also had a bag with him. On the basis of suspicion, the police did checking. During the checking, 5 bottles of contract liquor English and 9 bottles of contract liquor Desi were recovered from his bag. The youth has been identified as Gursevak Singh resident of Narayangarh locality. The police has started action by registering a case against the accused. ASI Salindra Kumar is investigating the matter.

NEWS BRIEF

Successful CASO operation by Moga police



JAGRAJ SINGH SANGHA
MOGA: After the Punjab government announced to eliminate drugs from the state within 3 months, today Moga Police conducted cordon and search operations (CASO) in Basti Sadhanwali, MP Basti Moga, village Rauke Kalan, village Chuhar Chak and village Daulewala under the "War Against Drugs" campaign in the district. On this occasion, Additional Director General (Internal Security) of Punjab Police Shri Shive Kumar Verma specially reached.
This operation was planned and successfully carried out under the leadership of senior police officers. During this operation, 2 SPs, 6 DSPs, 13 SHOs and hundreds of other ranks of police personnel were deployed in different teams. These teams were taking action simultaneously at different places in the district. Speaking to reporters on this occasion, Additional Director General (Internal Security) Shri Shive Kumar Verma said that this campaign reflects the commitment of Moga Police towards the safety and well-being of the people. Moga Police will continue such campaigns so that law and order can be maintained and the society can be protected from drugs and criminals. He said that during this operation, 5 cases have been registered and 6 alleged accused have been arrested. 45 grams of heroin, 10 kg of dode, 150 grams of gold, 500 grams of silver and Rs 6500 in cash drug money have been recovered from them. He said that under other achievements made during today's operation, 68 persons were stopped and investigated. Many vehicles were checked.

Kalash Yatra taken out before Shrimad Bhagwat Katha in Shri Krishna Gopal Gaushala



KAMAL SHARMA
TARAORI: Kalash Yatra was taken out before Shrimad Bhagwat Katha in Baba Haridas Shri Krishna Gopal Gaushala, Bohla Khalsa. This grand Kalash Yatra started from Mohri Jagir, Bohli and Bohla Khalsa and reached Baba Haridas Shri Krishna Gopal Gaushala while chanting bhajans and mantras. Before the grand Kalash Yatra, worship was done at Dada Nagar Kheda. On this occasion, Baba Haridas Shri Krishna Gopal Gaushala Chairman and former Sarpanch, senior BJP leader Chaudhary Karm Singh Jamba and Pradhan Lala Sundar Lal Gupta said that Shrimad Bhagwat Geeta Katha will be organized in Baba Haridas Shri Krishna Gopal Gaushala from March 3 to March 9. In which thousands of devotees from nearby areas will reach. On this occasion, the narrator will be Pujya Devi Roshni Shastri ji. The Kalash Yatra was led by the entire committee along with Bohli Sarpanch representative Pankaj Gurjar and Bohla Khalsa Sarpanch Nawab Gurjar.
The Kalash Yatra was very captivating. All the cow devotees were seen dancing to the bhajans. The committee of Baba Haridas Shri Krishna Gopal Gaushala appealed to the cow devotees in the vicinity to participate in the Shrimad Bhagwat Katha in large numbers and earn the virtues.

8th edition of playwrite sports literary fest concludes successfully at CII Chandigarh



CHANDIGARH: The 8th edition of the prestigious Playwrite Sports Literary Fest unfolded at the CII complex in Chandigarh, offering an intellectually stimulating and historically rich discourse on Indian sports. The inaugural session, titled "Sansarpur's Legacy and Beyond," was graced by Colonel Balbir Singh, the legendary Indian hockey player, in conversation with award-winning journalist Prabhjot Singh. The discussion illuminated the geographical marvel of Sansarpur, a small village that has astonishingly produced 14 Indian Olympians, all with ancestral homes within a mere 100-yard radius. Colonel Balbir Singh, drawing from his vast experience, reminisced about his tenure in the Indian Army and shared captivating anecdotes from the 1952 Helsinki Olympics. He provided invaluable insights into the evolution of hockey, contrasting the gameplay, challenges, and opportunities from his era to contemporary times.
The second session, "Net Flicks: India's Smashing Affair with the Shuttle," delved into the meteoric rise of Indian badminton and its growing dominance on the global stage. This discussion featured distinguished cricket journalist Mr. Vijay Lokapally, his son and budding sports writer Mr. Akshay Lokapally, and ten-time national badminton champion Ms. Manjusha Kanwar.

Markets in Kashmir abuzz as Ramadan begins

SRINAGAR, MAR 2 (UNI)



As the holy month of Ramadan begins, markets across the Kashmir Valley, particularly in Srinagar, are bustling with activity. Shops and roadside carts are brimming with a variety of dates, sweets, and fruits, attracting crowds of fasting people.

Dates hold a special place in Ramadan traditions, cherished not only for their taste but also for their spiritual and health benefits. The practice of breaking fasts with dates is considered blessed.

On the first day of Ramadan, which began on Sunday, date shops and carts saw a surge in customers.

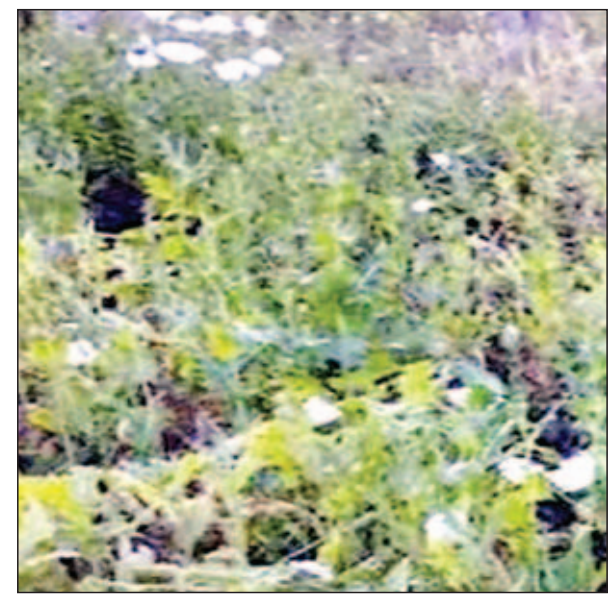
A local trader from Srinagar, involved in the date trade for years, shared that dates mainly arrive from Medina, Persia, and the Middle East. These regions supply a wide variety of dates to global markets.

"There are countless types of dates, but Medjool is the highest quality and most valuable," said the trader. Medjool dates, a large and sweet variety is imported from Syria and Morocco,

While in the past, Kashmir would get only a few varieties of dates, the demand has grown for other varieties also. "Earlier, the customers would ask the shopkeeper what they should eat," said a trader. "But now, they know the names and qualities of different varieties and come pre-planned for what they have to buy". He said dates like Mabroom and Sukkari that are imported from Saudi Arabia are in demand, in addition to the usual varieties like Ajwa and Kalmi dates. This time around the dates from Tunisia, Iraq, and Algeria are also available in the market besides Saudi Arabia and Iran. Another trader, Owais Fariq, noted a significant price increase this year, with Qalmi and Safari dates now priced at Rs 2850 per 5 kg, up from Rs 2200 previously. "People in Kashmir particularly love these varieties," he added. Bashir Ahmed, a cart vendor from Budgam, said he switches to selling dates during Ramadan due to high demand. "I usually sell other fruits, but in Ramadan, dates bring good earnings," he said, highlighting the popularity of Ajwa dates, sold at Rs 1200 per kg.

Manipur: 42 arms deposited, SF destroys 15 acres of poppy cultivation

IMPHAL, MAR 2 (UNI)



A total of 42 different types of weapons, various ammunitions/munitions, and other miscellaneous items were voluntarily surrendered by the public to Imphal West, Churachandpur, Imphal East, Bishnupur, and Tamenglong District police during the last 24 hours.

Police said on Sunday that the arms included 303 Rifle, DBBL, SBBL, Grenade, . 32 Pistol (Country made) , Pompi gun, walkie talkie, INSAS Rifle Magazine, 7.62 mm Ghatak Rifle.

Search operations and area domination were conducted by security forces in the fringe and vulnerable areas and one 5.56 mm INSAS LMG with one Magazine loaded with 20 rounds of 5.56 mm Ammunition, one AK-56 Rifle and others were recovered from Sairemkhul area under Lamshang-PS, Imphal West District.

Security Forces (SF) and Forest Division, Tengnoupal, in the presence of SDM, Tengnoupal, conducted illegal poppy destruction at the Hill Ranges of Khudei Laipham and destroyed 15 acres under Tengnoupal-PS, Tengnoupal District.

Security forces dismantled two illegal bunkers at Manipur hills under Kangpokpi District.

Another three illegal bunkers were dismantled at the Manipur hill range in the adjoining areas of Kangpokpi and Imphal East Districts.

Work on Kabaddi Ground starts in the stadium of village Dangarh



BALWINDER AZAD
BARNALA DEHATI, MAR 2

Under the campaign launched by the Punjab government to connect the youth of the village with sports, the work of building a Kabaddi ground for the youth of the village has been started at the village stadium. Which is being done under the leadership of the village Sarpanch Inderjit Singh Sher Gill and the entire panchayat. With the grant of twenty-five (25) lakhs given by MP Meet Hayer for the village stadium, the Kabaddi ground and other works are being done in the stadium. Sarpanch Inderjit Singh said that the Punjab government is making efforts to connect the youth with sports and a lot of efforts are being made to keep them away from drugs and all this is one of the works being done by the Chief Minister Sardar Bhagwant Singh Mann government. On this occasion, Panchayat and Sarpanch Inderjit Singh Sher Gill expressed special gratitude to MP Sangrur Meet Hayer and District Incharge Harinder Dhaliwal.

Panchayat members Sukhwinder Singh Lucky, Sukhdev Singh, Nazir Khan, Lakhwinder Singh, Nachhattar Singh Ruby and other Aam Aadmi Party leaders were also present.

"Badnaam"Movie special screening liked by everyone



TILAK RAJ
MOHALI, MAR 2

A Thrilling Rollercoaster with Heart: Jay Randhawa and Jasmin Bhasin Starrer 'Badnaam' Set a special screening at Elante Mall chandigarh.

The much-awaited Punjabi film, Badnaam is a complete package of entertainment with Action,Suspence,Drama and music.Its is produced by Gaurav Bhatia, Dixit Sahni,Jassi Lohka,Jag Boparai and Mohit Sharma under the banners Desi Junction and Jab Studios starring the dynamic action star Jay Randhawa and the enchanting Jasmin Bhasin, is all set to dazzle audiences with its unique blend of gripping action, heartfelt emotions, and tender romance. Badnaam is an electrifying cinematic experience that promises to keep viewers on the edge of their seats. Directed by a visionary filmmaker Maneesh Bhatt, the film seamlessly weaves together high-octane action sequences with a poignant narrative that explores the profound bond between a father and his son.

At its core, Badnaam is a tale of love, redemption, and the unbreakable ties that bind us. Moreover, its first of its kind film to have a brilliant star cast including Bollywood's versatile and renowned artist Mukesh Rishi and the colorful actor Vrajesh Hirjee added to the list of the cast.

Four girls get married during marriage ceremony



KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL, MAR 2

The 125th Kanya Vivah Mandap was organized at the local Sheetla Bhawan on the occasion of Mahashivratri by Sheetla Bhajan Mandali Rampura Phul with the support of Sheetla Sangameshwar Kawad Sangh, Sheetla Mahila Kirtan Mandali and Dani Sajjan.

On this occasion, four girls from economically weak families got married and were given household goods. In this program conducted under the chairmanship of Om Prakash Garg (USA), Municipal Council Rampura Phul President Kiranjit Kaur Brar participated as the chief guest. Gurpreet Singh Gora, Chairman of Jewelers Association Rampura Phul, attended as a special guest. Mandal Gurgadi Rahish Garg, President Pawan Mittal and Chairman Naresh Nony said that the marriage of girls was started by the Mandal since 1995 and this tradition continues continuously.

He said that every year on the occasion of Mahashivratri, with the support of donors, this congregation marries girls from economically weak families and gives them household goods. So far 125 girls have been married by the group.

War on drugs: Barnala police launches major search operation; 4 cases registered, 5 accused arrested



BARNALA (KARANPREET KARAN): Under the guidelines issued by Chief Minister Punjab S. Bhagwant Singh Mann and Director General of Police, Punjab Chandigarh, under the special operation 'War on Drugs' launched against drug smugglers and anti-social elements, under the leadership of Mohammad Sarfaraz Alam, IPS. Senior Captain of Police, suspicious places and suspicious persons were checked at various places in Barnala.

To make this campaign successful, under the supervision of various gazetted officers, CIA Staff Barnala and various teams of all police stations were formed in which 2 SPs and 05 DSPs were deployed along with about 250 police personnel. During this, suspicious houses were searched at various drug hotspots like Sensi Basti Back Side Bus Stand, Barnala, Sensi Basti Back Side Rambagh Road, Barnala etc. Apart from this, suspicious vehicles coming and going on various routes within the district Barnala were checked by setting up blockades.

Preparations finished for Sang's arrival at grain market in Qadian: Sandhu



VERMA
BATALA, MAR 2

Sri Guru Nanak Sewa Society, led by Joginder Singh Sandhu and Mangal Singh, has completed preparations to receive the Sang from Khandiala Sainia, Hoshiarpur, at Qadian Grain Market in Qadian on March 1st. The event will feature a stage for Baba Ji and a langar service. Volunteers are welcome to participate in serving langar. The welcoming committee includes prominent local figures like Sarpanch Malkit Singh and others.On this occasion, apart from others, Mangal Singh Chairman, Sarpanch Malkit Singh Vice Chairman, Joginder Singh Sandhu Stage Secretary, Malkit Singh President, Sukhdev Singh Lali Vice President, Ranjit Singh Baljit Singh, Dilbagh Singh, Dalbir Singh Balbir Singh Jatinder Singh etc. were present.

Mahilpur police recover 45 grams of narcotics, 55 pills during special blockade at various places



DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR, MAR 2

As per the directions of Punjab government, a special drive has been launched to control miscreants and drug smugglers. On the directions of SSP Sandeep Kumar Malik IPS, Major Singh SP/PBI and Jaspreet Singh DSP Garhshankar, teams formed under the leadership of Inspector Rajinder Singh in charge of Police Station Mahilpur, in which SI Ramandeep Kaur along with police party had set up a special blockade at Kalewal Fattu T-point. During this, on seeing the police party, a youth took out a heavy black waxy envelope from his right pocket and threw it on the roadside. He was caught by the police party and his name and address were asked. He told his name as Suchha Singh alias Suchha son of Pal Singh resident of Meghowal. The black wax envelope thrown on the road was searched, from which 45 grams of narcotic substance was recovered. Police have registered a case against the said youth under section 22-61-85 NDPS Act Mahilpur. Similarly, when ASI Gurnek Singh of police station Mahilpur reached Cho Bridge of Tuto Mazara GT Road with his police party, a person was coming on foot from the other side of the road towards Mahilpur. Seeing the police party, he turned towards the road. He took out a white envelope from the left pocket of his jacket and threw it. On the basis of suspicion, the said person was caught and when his name and address were asked, he told his name as Lovepreet Kumar son of Subhash Chandra resident of Bora.

Dept of Psychiatry, PGIMER holds continuing rehabilitation programme on "Neuropsychology: Assessment and Intervention"



CHANDIGARH : The event, which drew delegates from across the country, was aimed at advancing the understanding of neuropsychological assessments and interventions in mental health and rehabilitation. The programme was inaugurated by the organizing chairperson, Prof. D. Basu, Head of the Department of Psychiatry, who delivered the welcome address. The event also featured Prof. R.K. Ratho, Dean of Academics, as the chief guest, and Dr. Roopesh B.N., Additional Professor in the Department of Clinical Psychology at NIMHANS, as the guest of honor. The inauguration ceremony featured and acknowledged organizing secretaries, Dr. Devender Kumar and Dr. Krishan Kumar, alongside other core organizing team members, Dr. Lalit Kumar and Dr. Renjith Pillai, for their contribution to the success of the event. The CRE attracted a diverse audience of mental health professionals, rehabilitation specialists, and junior and senior residents in psychiatry, reflecting the growing interest in neuropsychology within the mental health community.

Eye check-up and operation camp organized by Rotary Club in memory of Late Sundar Singh and Late Manas Kaur

RAKESH JINDAL
NABHA, MAR 2



Rotary Club Nabha organized an eye check-up and operation camp at Rotary Bhawan Patiala Gate in the warm memory of Late S. Sunder Singh and Late Sardarni Manas Kaur Ji.

The chief guest of this camp was the Cabinet Minister of Health Department Dr. Balbir Singh and the MLA Gurdev Singh Dev Mann as special guests. They jointly said that the Rotary Club Nabha always does social welfare work, which is a very good initiative. On this occasion, President Charan Singh, Project Chairman Daljit Singh Sandhu, General Secretary J.P. Gupta, Ved Prakash Dalla, Assistant Chairman Jeevan Prakash Bansal and all the members welcomed the chief guest and honored him with a token of appreciation. In the camp, about 425 patients were checked by Dr. Vikas Mittal and Dr. Amanjot Kaur from LJ Eye Institute, Patiala and about 70 patients will undergo eye operations. On this occasion, Advocate Bharat Bhushan Nitin Jain, Ravnish Goyal, Gurtej Singh Kol, Raj Kumar Jetwani, Vinayak Malhotra, Advocate Rohit Jindal, Dhanje Walia, Sanjay Bansal, Rajesh Agarwal, Ashok Kinger, Darshan Buttar, Darshan Arora, Karamjit Mehram, Gurdeep Birdi, Advocate Sikander Pratap Singh, Satyavir Jindal, O.P. Banga, Harpreet Singh Dhindsa besides Tejinder Singh Khaira, Jasvir Singh Chinda, Bhupinder Singh Kalrmajri etc. members were present.

Rajya Sabha member Satnam Singh Sandhu visits Nature Park

JAGRAJ SINGH SANGHA
MOGA, MARCH 2



Rajya Sabha member Satnam Singh inspected Nature Park Moga today. Former councillor Dr. Shamsher Singh Johal, general secretary of Nature Park and Guru Nanak Basketball Academy and other officials welcomed MP Satnam Singh Sandhu by giving him a bouquet of flowers.

On this occasion, Dr. Shamsher Singh Matta Johal handed over a demand letter to Rajya Sabha member Satnam Singh for a wooden basketball ground during his visit to the ground of Guru Nanak Basketball Moga, which MP Satnam Singh assured to get fulfilled soon from the Railway Minister. He said that the government is always concerned about Punjab, whether it is drug addiction or farmers' issues. He praised Dr. Shamsher Singh Matta Johal's basketball academy and offered all possible help. Dr. Shamsher Singh Johal said that BJP district president Dr. Seemant Garg and former MLA Dr. Harjot Kamal Johal have already contributed a lot in completing this project. He thanked MP Satnam Singh Sandhu for listening carefully to the problems of the Nature Park.

NEWS BRIEFS

Gau sevaks caught a truck carrying cows for slaughter

PEHOWA (YAGYADUTT SHASTRI): In Sadar Pehowa police station, Krishna Kumar resident Cheeka, Kaithal told that he was the district president of Gau Putra Sena. On the midnight of 1/2 March 2025, he received information that a vehicle was carrying a large number of cows for slaughter and if checked immediately the vehicle could be caught along with the driver. The vehicle was said to be going to Jaipur from Punjab. Based on the information, he started surveillance on the Cheeka Pehowa road, during which he also called Rahul resident Dhand district Kaithal to the spot. He told that after about half an hour, a canter whose number was given by the informer was seen coming. He stopped the vehicle near village Ishawk. The driver of the canter got down and started running away from the spot .

India's rich tradition and culture will become identity of 'Viksit Bharat': CM

BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, MAR 2

Chief Minister Sh. Nayab Singh Saini said India is showing the path of peace to the whole world today. Be it international diplomacy, environmental protection or resolve to fight a global pandemic, India has always worked for the welfare of humanity. He said this tradition and culture of India will be the identity of 'Viksit Bharat'.



The Chief Minister was addressing the inauguration ceremony of the newly constructed Vishwa Shanti Kendra by Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti Sanstha located at Sector 39, Gurugram on Sunday. The Vishwa Shanti Kendra was inaugurated by former President of India Sh. Ram Nath Kovind.

The Chief Minister, while addressing the inauguration ceremony, said the great culture and tradition of India has always given the message of peace, tolerance and harmony. This is the country where in every era and every age, great souls like Lord Shri Ram and Yogiraj Shri Krishna to Lord Mahavir, Mahatma Buddha and Guru Nanak were born and preached truth, non-violence, love, unity, peace, goodwill, kindness, compassion, charity and humanity to the entire humanity. They established high human ideals to create an environment of peace and tranquility among mankind. The Chief Minister said all these great men showed the right path of life to the mankind with their sacred teachings. Their teachings stood the test of time and were relevant even today.

The Chief Minister said under the leadership of Prime Minister Sh. Narendra Modi, the government is moving forward in the direction of creating a harmonious society by uniting every section of society with the policy of 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas and Sabka Prayas'. Similarly, the efforts of this institution today will also definitely give the message that peace is not just an ideal, but a way of life. During this, the Chief Minister also called upon the people present to promote peace, harmony and brotherhood in the society and to make non-violence the basic mantra of their life. Organiser Jain Acharya Dr. Lokesh Muni and other dignitaries were present on this occasion.

DC visits various polling stations in district

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR, MARCH 2



Deputy Commissioner Parth Gupta today visited various polling stations in the district on the day of civic elections-2025 voting and took stock of the election process and took stock of all the arrangements and arrangements related to the voters. 348 polling booths have been set up for the Municipal Corporation Jagadhri-Yamunanagar elections and 14 polling booths for the Radaur Municipal Council elections. The Deputy Commissioner said that the election process is being conducted peacefully and enthusiasm is being seen among the voters. As per the guidelines of the Election Commission, necessary steps have been taken to ensure smooth conduct of the voting process.

The Deputy Commissioner took stock of the voting process at various booths of Municipal Corporation Yamunanagar-Jagadhri and Municipal Council Radaur and interacted with the voters. He encouraged the voters to participate in the voting process and said that they must exercise their franchise by participating in the voting process. In conversation with the Deputy Commissioner, the voters said that all necessary steps have been taken by the district administration for the convenience of the voters. The administration is cooperating with them at every step in conducting the elections in a peaceful manner.

This has further increased their confidence in the voting process. On this occasion, SDM and Returning Officer of Jagadhri Sonu Ram, SDM and Returning Officer of Radaur Narendra Kumar, DIPR Dr. Manoj Kumar, BDPO Shyam Lal, Naib Tehsildar Election Gulshan and other officers were present.

Police registered a case of fraud of Rs 10 lakh sending abroad

YAGYADUTT SHASTRI

PEHOWA: Gurmeet Singh resident of Tibba Farm Pehowa lodged a complaint with Superintendent of Police Kurukshetra and complained that his sister's son Parampreet Singh village Hansala had come to Pehowa to meet him in July 2024. He talked to Vicky Sharma resident of Delhi who now lives in Dubai about going to America. Vicky Sharma had said that it would cost Rs 20 lakh to send him to America. He deposited Rs 10 lakh with Subhash Sharma commission agent resident of Pehowa who was his partner and the balance Rs 10 lakh would be paid after reaching America. On August 12, 2024, the complainant's sister and Balbir Singh resident of Jhivrehadi and his wife reached the commission agent shop where the commission agent said that he has talked to Vicky. They paid Rs 10 lakh to the commission agent. The commission agent directed the accountant to write on behalf of Parampreet Singh on the letter pad of his commission shop that when he reached abroad in USA by August 31, 2024, the commission agent will pay Rs 10 lakh to Vicky Sharma.

Punjabi Seva Sadan distributes ration

RANVIR PARASHAR
KAITHAL, MARCH 2

Like every month, ration was distributed to the needy families in Punjabi Seva Sadan premises today. Program was presided over by Punjabi Seva Sadan's Pradhan Pradarshan Paruthi. Chief patron of organization Indrajit Sardana, patron Tulsi Das Sachdeva, Pradhan Pradarshan Paruthi, Senior Citizen Welfare Society's head Narendra Nijhawan and senior member Vinod Khanduja contributed money to ration service. Pradhan Pradarshan Paruthi informed that like every month, today ration was distributed to the economically weak families by organization, which is given on first Sunday of every month. Paruthi informed that while the organization is providing ration to the poor, it is also doing social service by providing all kinds of courses free of cost in computer institute recognized by Government of India in Sadan premises. Pradhan Paruthi informed that any young man or woman who wants to do computer course can contact Punjabi Seva Sadan and get information. All courses are provided free of cost in computer centre. Computer centre is recognized by Government of India. Paruthi said that due to lack of interest of the trainees and society towards solar training, the work on it has been stopped for the time being. He further said that in view of the problem of heat in the summer season, work of installing some new ACs in the big hall has been started. Preparations are also being made to start the work of false ceiling.



Govt trying to implement provisions of 3 withdrawn agril laws: BKU

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, MARCH 2:



A monthly Kisan Panchayat was organised under the aegis of the Bharatiya Kisan Union (BKU) at the local Deenbandhu Sir Chhotu Ram Kisan Bhawan in which hundreds of farmers participated including BKU state president Ratan Man and officials from all the 4 blocks of the district. The Kisan Panchayat was chaired by Surendra Singh Ghuman and conducted by District General Secretary Surendra Bainiwal. The policy of the upcoming movement was made in the Kisan Panchayat. State President Ratan Man said that the BJP government is trying to implement the provisions of the three agricultural laws withdrawn in a new form. The agricultural marketing market policy is against the interests of farmers, commission agents and all the concerned sections. He warned that if the government does not withdraw this policy, then after protesting on March 11, a memorandum of their demands will be submitted to the Deputy Commissioners of the state under the banner of the United Kisan Morcha. Farmer leader Mann demanded from the state government that Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini should cancel the agricultural marketing market policy on the lines of the Punjab government and send it back to the central government.

He said that a strong movement will be carried out from village to state level. The responsibility of which will be of the BJP government. Mann said that the central government has prepared a draft of the new agricultural market policy. This will have a direct impact on the grain markets of every state and the existence of the markets will end. Whereas the expansion of the markets is the need of the hour. The government is bringing this policy for industrial houses. He said that the central government is working for industrial houses. He said that the BJP government can waive off the loan of about 12 lakh crore rupees of industrial houses, but is breaking the back of the middle and poor people by imposing heavy taxes in various ways.

Every common citizen is troubled by the rising prices of diesel and petrol. He has also appealed to the farmers to bring their children to the agriculture sector to save their land. He said that the BJP government is anti-employee, farmer and labourer. On this occasion, State Organization Secretary Sham Singh Maan, Spokesperson Surendra Sagwan, Chairman Saheb Singh Bajwa, Nising 4 Block Pradhan Joginder Bastali, Indri Block Pradhan Dilawar Dabkauli.

Action continues on illegal mining, two vehicles seized



RAHUL KOHLI

YAMUNANAGAR : As per instructions of Director General of Mining and Geology Department K.M. Pandurang and Deputy Commissioner Parth Gupta, Mining Department, Yamunanagar is continuously taking action on illegal mining and transportation. Mining Officer conducted a surprise inspection of the check posts along with Sub Divisional Officer (Civil), Vyaspur Jaspal Singh Gill. Mining Inspector Rohit Singh caught two vehicles in connection with illegal mineral transportation and seized them as per rules. SI Vijay Kumar and team from Enforcement Bureau, Yamunanagar were also present with him. Apart from this, the Mining Department is taking reports from the check posts every day and sending them to all the concerned Sub Divisional Officers (Civil) and they are also inspecting the check posts daily with their team. Mining Officer Vinay Sharma told that as per the instructions of Director General and Deputy Commissioner, illegal mining and transportation of illegal minerals will be completely curbed in district Yamunanagar. Our teams are continuously making efforts in this direction and we have been successful in curbing illegal mining to a great extent.

Green Park organization votes together

RAHUL KOHLI

YAMUNA NAGAR: Members of Park Colony Welfare Association and Green Park Welfare Society unitedly cast their votes at polling booths set up at Lal Dwara Mandir. Three families of the colony could not cast their votes because their names were not in voter list. All members of organization gathered at Mehta Chowk behind Rampura Colony Government School and from here reached the park in unity and from here reached polling booths set up at Lal Dwara Mandir with members of Park organization. Head of organization Devendra Mehta said that organization always tries to ensure maximum voting. Voters are appealed to cast their votes in maximum numbers through Tiranga Yatras. He said that purpose of gathering and going to vote even today was that other people should also take inspiration from this and cast their votes. During this time, colony resident SP Saini, retired sub-divisional officer from public health department, Vikas Narang and Alka and their family members could not cast their vote because their name was not in voter list. These people told that on 27 January they had shifted their vote to booth number 130 of ward number 9. The vote was shifted online but name was not in list due to which they could not cast their vote and they were disappointed after going to the polling booth.



Swachh Bharat Mission Vice Chairman inspects Needam Tower dedicated to birds

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, MARCH 2



Even today, birds flying in the sky are considered a symbol of freedom and their wings are called the flight of dreams. The beauty of the earth is also more due to birds, but today the lack of forests, polluted water in ponds, canals, an atmosphere of insecurity and pollution and excessive use of toxic chemicals on crops have become a threat to birds. With aim of protection and maintenance of birds, a unique home has been built for thousands of birds by Shri Atma Manohar Jain Sthanak located on Indri Road in Karnal. It has been named Pakshi Needam which has two towers. More than 3000 birds can live in it. It has been built with nspiration of Jain saint Shri Piyush Muni ji. Arrangements for food and water have also been made for the birds under this multi-storey bird sanctuary of 6 floors height. Safa Bharat Mission Haryana's Executive Vice Chairman Subhash Chandra arrived to inspect this bird sanctuary today where he took complete information about it from Jain Muni Piyush Ji Maharaj. He called it a great example of humanity. He said that its construction is in accordance with the teachings of Lord Mahavir. Due to lack of trees and use of poisonous chemicals, birds no longer feel safe on trees. In this bird sanctuary, even sick and newborn birds will be able to live comfortably. Arrangements for food and water have been made for them. This tower is no less than a paradise for birds. Subhash Chandra urged people to dedicate themselves with goodwill towards birds. Jain Muni Piyush Ji Maharaj said that two towers have been constructed at the bird sanctuary in which thousands of birds can live safely together. According to Jainism, all living beings have the right to live freely and lead their lives. Our effort is to ensure that no living being suffers because of us. In this connection, a hospital with all facilities for helpless and destitute animals will soon be built in the premises of Shri Atma Manohar Jain Sthanak, where any kind of injured animals will not only get treatment but will also get shelter. There will be an experienced veterinarian in this hospital who will treat injured animals. The Jain saint also appealed to all the people to be kind to animals and not to hurt them.

Enter the examination hall with positive thinking of I Can: Banerjee

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

KARNALParents should not impose their ambitions on children. They should be given the freedom to choose a career according to their ability. They should take a lot of sleep during the exam days. They should go to the exam by removing stress. Only then can they get better marks. This was said by educationist Mihir Banerjee while giving information about the measures to remove stress during exams in Karnal. He was giving a special talk today. He said that during the exam, children should drink more fluids instead of eating heavy food. Children should pay special attention to stress management before the exam. One should never pile up books before the exam. One should take the help of short notes. He said that the gap between exams should be used properly. He said that one should get adequate sleep a day before the exam day. If the mind is tired, the student will get the lowest marks. He said that in India only the talent of children is evaluated on the basis of marks. Parents put pressure on the child to score high marks. He said that the children who get success in UPSC, Judiciary, State Administrative Services are average in marks. He said that those who select in companies like Microsoft and Google look at the efficiency of the child instead of marks. He said that children are going into depression. The number of people committing suicide is increasing.

DR Jain Neurocare and Multispeciality Hospital organises a free medical camp

HANS RAJ
KURUKSHETRA, MAR 2



D R Jain Neurocare and Multispeciality Hospital Kurukshetra organized 1983 rd free medical camp at the community centre of village Tigri Khalsa on Sunday under the leadership of Dr Sanjay Sharma. In the camp 144 patients were provided consultation, checkup, blood sugar, plus rate, hemoglobin and free medicines. Dr Rajesh Kumar of the hospital said that the liver was an important organ of the body which helped in digesting food, removing toxins and storing energy. In recent years, the problem of liver diseases has been increasing rapidly due to unhealthy eating habits, irregular lifestyle and increasing addiction.

He also explained general symptoms of liver diseases: Pain or swelling in the upper right part of the abdomen, loss of appetite and constant feeling of weakness, jaundice, nausea and vomiting, dark urine and light stool, itching and swelling in the body, uncontrolled weight loss or gain are the symptoms of liver disease. Consumption of more fried, fatty and junk food, Alcohol and drug abuse: excessive drinking of alcohol can cause liver cirrhosis, Hepatitis infection: Liver can be affected by hepatitis A, B, C, D and E viruses, Obesity and diabetes: Excess weight and blood sugar imbalance can damage the liver. Excessive consumption of medicines: uncontrolled use of some painkillers and antibiotics. Genetic reasons: Family history of liver disease, Treatment of liver diseases is done by taking a balanced and nutritious diet (green vegetables, fruit juices, fiber-rich food), Proper medicines and vaccination for hepatitis B and C, Regular exercise and yoga, Eat a balanced diet and avoid high-fat food, Complete distance from alcohol, smoking and other addictions Make sure to take special care of cleanliness and avoid contaminated water and food. "Liver is a very important organ for the overall health of our body. Through proper diet, healthy lifestyle and regular medical checkup, we can avoid liver diseases and live a healthy life." Says Dr Rajesh Kumar. On this occasion, Sarpanch Paramjeet greeted and welcomed Dr. Himanshu Jain brain and spine neuro surgeon, Dr. Rajesh Kumar MBBS, MD Medicine, Dr. Sanjay Sharma BAMS and Expertise Medical Campus, Dr. Preeti.

Veeresh Shandilya remembers Sardool Sikander on fourth death anniversary

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
AMBALA, MAR 2

National President of Anti Terrorist Front India and Brahmin Mahapanchayat, Viresh Shandilya remembered the king of melodies and the artist of Punjabi singing who marked his foot prints on international map of Punjabi culture. Janaab Sardool Sikander, on his fourth death anniversary and paid tribute to him by visiting his grave and consoled Sardool Sikander's wife Amar Noori and sons Sarang Sikander and Alaap Sikander. On this occasion, High Court Advocate Vasu Ranjan Shandilya, Surender Pal KK, Manish Paashi, Goldie Pahwa, Neetu, along with a large number of Viresh Shandilya supporters paid tribute to Sardool Sikander.

Viresh Shandilya said that Sardool Sikander's singing gave Punjab a place in the world and gave direction and opportunity to the youth of Punjab. Anti Terrorist Front India chief Viresh Shandilya said that today Sardool Sikander's absence was felt in Punjab which can be compensated by his sons Sarang Sikandar and Alaap Sikandar. Millions of Sardool Sikander's fans wanted this and Sardool Sikander's wife Amar Noori thought of making every emerging new singer a Sardool and Punjabi singer and actress Amar Noori has started a campaign with Sardool's team to end the gun culture and drug culture in Punjabi singing.



He further said that he would take Sardool Sikander's team and his thinking to Haryana, Delhi and Himachal and along with Amar Noori will launch a campaign to end drug abuse in the country through songs. Sardool Sikander's sons Sarang Sikander and Alaap Sikander will soon organize a show in Ambala whose aim will be to keep the youth away from drug abuse and today's young generation has gone astray and will connect them with their values through Punjabi singing.

On this occasion, Veeresh Shandilya presented a shawl to his adopted sister Amar Noori and her two sons Sarang and Alaap and said that he always stood with the family.

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Nothing is more beautiful than the loveliness of the woods before sunrise.

George Washington Carver

Editorial

Modern magpie

Thou shalt not steal, proclaims the Eighth Commandment. But the government of the United Kingdom seems to have a new take on it: thou shalt not have to steal. Con-sequently, British artists are up in arms against a proposed law, which would allow daylight robbery of their works by permitting Artificial In-tel-ligence companies to use material that is available online for data mining without respecting copyright. The proposal does plan to give artists or creators a so-called 'rights reservation' or the ability to opt-out. But this would require writers and artists to notify thousands of different AI service providers — repeatedly, over a lifetime, since new companies can pop up anytime — that they do not want their content used in that way. Since this is practically impossible to achieve, precious works by artists would be there for AI's grubby hands.

Historically, the contours of theft have been unambiguous: the transgression pertains to a person taking another's property unlawfully. This is seen as wrongful and suitable punishments are meted out for it. However, AI is changing, as with many things, the concept of thievery too: the replication and the distribution of content across the globe with minimal trace diffuses the concept of original, rightful ownership. AI leaves no proverbial 'fingerprint' because it does not merely copy; it can generate new content using the data that it takes from the internet. This makes it challenging to prove claims of plagiarism and leaves the onus of proving theft on the owner of the content rather than placing the burden of guilt on the 'thief'. AI crime is thus difficult to detect even without such permissive laws as the one being mulled in the UK.

AI's defenders — they are many — would argue that what the technology does cannot really be called thieving. AI systems, they say, are doing the same thing humans do when they absorb knowledge or influences to create something similar — no less than Shakespeare has been accused of seeking 'inspiration' from the works of others. Indeed, drawing a line between influence and imitation is not always easy. But the principle that original material cannot be ripped off and that creative people have rights over their work is widely understood and accepted. In fact, the UK was one of the first countries in the world to establish such rights. It has the oldest copyright law in the world — the Statute of Anne — that was passed in 1710.

The beauty of that law is its simplicity — one cannot use another person's creations without taking permission or paying remuneration. This approach would work perfectly for AI too.

World peace centre to make world stress free



Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti founder Acharya Lokesh Muni said that the World Peace Centre is being inaugurated to resolve the conflict whenever it arises in the world in time and make world stress-free and non-violence free. He said that World Peace Centre will have peace ambassadors around the world, whose responsibility will be to provide service for the peace in the world if conflict erupts in any part of the world.

Acharya Lokesh Muni said that the centre will be dedicated to resolving the issues that the world faces due to religious intolerance. He welcomed all the dharmacharyas and philanthropists who were present there for the inauguration of the centre.

On the inauguration of India's first World Peace Centre, he said, "There is a vision behind this. There is a theme that if conflict arises anywhere in the world, it should be resolved in time. We are seeing that wars are going on in many parts of our world right now and it has been going on for years and the economy of the whole world is being affected, innocent children have been killed. women are getting widowed. After all, even after the war, they come to the negotiating table, so why not come to the table earlier. World Peace Centre will have peace ambassadors and peace soldiers all over the world, whose responsibility will be to provide service for the peace in the world if conflict arises in any part of the world whether in the name of race, religion or community, region."

"And this was anekant darshan of Lord Mahavir, that we respect the views of others like our ideas. We respect the existence of others like our existence. This centre will be dedicated to the resolution of the issues that the world is facing because of religious intolerance. Along with this, the message of India's culture of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam' and 'Sarve Bhavantu Sukhinah, Sarve Santu Niramaya' will be spread from here.... Today, it is going to be inaugurated to make our world stress-free, non-violence free. I am delighted that world-renowned top dharmacharyas and people's representatives are attending. Philanthropists from India and around the world are present on this occasion. I welcome them all," he added.

India's first World Peace Centre will be inaugurated by former President Ram Nath Kovind, along with spiritual leaders Sri Sri Ravi Shankar, Swami Ramdev, Morari Bapu, and Avdheshanand Giri Maharaj, in the presence of Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Saini and Delhi Minister Rekha Gupta today. Established by Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti founder Acharya Lokesh Muni, the World Peace Centre is a unique initiative dedicated to promoting peace and addressing national interest issues.

On Virat Sant Sammelan and Amrit Manthan set to be held there today, Acharya Lokesh Muni said, "I am standing here, this is sector 39.

The houses in front of me are from Sector 40 and sector 31 is on the left side of where I am standing. This confluence of Mahakumbh and Sangam, which was organized in Prayagraj. Today it is going to be a spiritual kumbh on the soil of Haryana and this is the land of Haryana from which the message of Gita came out and today the message of world peace will come out again from the land of Haryana and all Dharmacharyas are inside it and I welcome them all."

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Karachi traffic accidents have claimed 150 lives in two months



Rising road accidents have claimed 150 lives in the last two months in Karachi and mishap deaths have jumped 74.4 per cent as compared to last year, Geo News reported.

A road accident on Friday night in Karachi's Baldia added to the growing death toll of road mishaps in the city, as a dumper truck driving the wrong way on the Hub River road ran over a rickshaw, taking the total death toll of the year to 150.

In this accident, a man was killed, and four others, including his son, were injured. Apparently, the victim had travelled from Quetta's Pishin to Karachi for his son's wedding preparations. Eyewitnesses reported that the truck driver fled the scene after the accident. They said another rickshaw was also hit by the heavy vehicle.

The report by Geo News added, "This incident brings the total number of road fatalities in Karachi to 150 in just the first two months of 2025. Of these, 47 deaths were caused by heavy vehicles. Comparing the figures to last year, Karachi has witnessed a 74.4% increase in road fatalities, with 86 deaths recorded in January and February 2024, police data showed. During the same period this year, 69 people lost their lives in January and 40 in February, with victims ranging in age from 2 to 75 years old. In response to the alarming surge in road accidents, the Sindh Transport Department launched a crackdown against traffic law violations across multiple cities. During these operations, 1,856 vehicles were fined, and 88 drivers were arrested. Authorities inspected 4,106 vehicles, resulting in 195 being seized. Additionally, fines totalling over Rs3.1 million were imposed."

Talking about the further inspections, the report revealed that 49 vehicles lacked fitness certificates, while 26 drivers were operating without a valid driving license. Moreover, 98 vehicles were found to be in extremely poor condition.

Oldest holocaust survivor, Rose Girone, dies at 113



Rose Girone, believed to be the oldest Holocaust Survivor, has died at the age of 113, the New York Times reported, citing her daughter and fellow survivor, Reha Bennicasa.

Rose, who breathed her last at a nursing home in North Bellmore, New York, was born as Raubvogel on January 13, 1912, in Janow, Poland, to Klara Aschkenase and Jacob Raubvogel. The family later settled in Hamburg, Germany, and started a costume business.

She married Julius Mannheim in 1938 in an arranged marriage. The couple moved to Breslau (now Wroclaw, Poland) that year, not long before Mr. Mannheim and his father were arrested and sent to Buchenwald (concentration camp) in Germany.

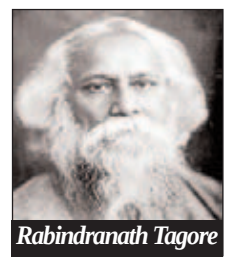
Girone fled Nazi Germany in 1939 with her husband and baby only to be forced into a Jewish ghetto in Shanghai. According to the report, "she would often say, "Aren't we lucky?"

Rose Girone was eight months pregnant and living in Breslau, Germany, in 1938 when her husband was sent to the Buchenwald concentration camp, according to the NYT. She secured passage to Shanghai, only to be forced to live in a bathroom in a Jewish ghetto for seven years.

POEM

Distant Time

I know not from what distant time thou art ever coming nearer to meet me. Thy sun and stars can never keep thee hidden from me for aye. In many a morning and eve thy footsteps have been heard and thy messenger has come within my heart and called me in secret.


Rabindranath Tagore

By Rabindranath Tagore

New study suggests effects of PTSD on body vary by culture



According to the World Health Organisation, around 3.9 per cent of the global population has had post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) at some point in their lives. That figure is greater in the United States, at over 6 per cent.

Individuals can develop PTSD after experiencing or witnessing a traumatic event, which can endure for months or years. However, much remains unknown about this mental health problem. Anthropologists, social scientists, and veterans from Arizona State University and the Naval Postgraduate School are the first to study the link between cortisol and testosterone levels and PTSD in a non-industrialized community

This new study sheds more light on the PTSD puzzle.

Previous studies about PTSD and hormones have focused only on people living in Western or European industrialized societies. They included people who suffered from different types of trauma like car crashes, assault and multiple deployments, according to Ben Trumble, a research scientist at the Institute of Human Origins and associate professor at the School of Human Evolution and Social Change.

The studies showed the majority of people diagnosed with PTSD had very little change in their cortisol levels throughout the day. Instead, the results showed "blunted" levels of cortisol and not the normal rise and fall patterns.

"In healthy men, hormones like testosterone and cortisol follow a pattern throughout the day," Trumble said. "Hormone levels are the highest just after waking up, and then decline rapidly. Levels are low throughout the day, and rise again at night."

The big question Trumble and colleagues wanted to answer was, would they see this same pattern in a non-industrialized population with people who suffered from the same type of trauma?

"Our study is the first to examine associations between hormones (cortisol and testosterone) among the Turkana," Trumble said. "Turkana pastoralists experience a high degree of combat exposure, and 28% of men have symptoms of PTSD. Because nearly everyone gets exposed to combat, we can see if there are biological differences in hormones for those with PTSD and those without PTSD. So, in this case we can compare apples to apples and not apples to oranges."

"We did not find any difference in cortisol for Turkana warriors with a provisional PTSD diagnosis versus those without PTSD," said Michael Baumgarten, an Institute of Human Origins-affiliated graduate student and Army Ranger veteran. "Both groups of warriors had nearly identical cortisol patterns. Interestingly, Turkana men with PTSD had lower testosterone when they woke up compared to those without PTSD."

"A more applied takeaway is to look at the results of this study and either retain or increase the level of skepticism one has of narratives that claim to have a crystal-clear picture of how human physiology responds to the stresses of combat -- especially if they are trying to sell you something," he said.

Being a livestock farmer, or pastoralist, in Kenya near South Sudan can be dangerous and deadly.

The Turkana are mobile pastoralists and engage in cattle raiding, said Matthew Zefferman, an assistant professor at the Naval Postgraduate School and U.S. Air Force veteran.

Zefferman spent half a year in the field with the Turkana during his postdoctoral fellowship at ASU.

"The Turkana in our study area, who raid other pastoralists, typically do so across the disputed border with South Sudan," he said. "They travel by foot, often over 60 miles and engage in small and large raids. They are also raided by members of other pastoral groups. These raids can result in firefights and the death of family members, and the loss of animals. About half of adult male deaths in the study area is due to raiding."

Turkana warriors experience similar trauma from combat exposure during cattle raids.

They also share similar cultural backgrounds and are the same gender. This differs from previous studies conducted where trauma and cultural background are different.

"It is interesting to see how the physiological response to trauma exposure can differ based on cultural environment," said Sarah Mathew, a research scientist at the Institute of Human Origins and associate professor at the School of Human Evolution and Social Change.

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Citizens must take pledge to preserve wildlife: Rao Narbir Singh

CHANDIGARH: Haryana Environment, Forest and Wildlife Minister Sh. Rao Narbir Singh has said that wildlife conservation is necessary to save the Earth. Today, due to polluted environment and changing nature, the existence of many species of animals and plants is in danger. This year, World Wildlife Day is being celebrated with the theme of 'Wildlife Conservation Finance: Investing in People and Planet'.

In a message issued here today on the eve of World Wildlife Day, Sh. Rao Narbir Singh called upon the people to take a pledge to preserve wildlife. He said the Forest and Wildlife Department is taking many unique initiatives for wildlife conservation in Haryana. A vulture breeding and conservation centre has been opened in Pinjore, falling in the Shivalik mountain range.

Elections to Municipal Corporations, Municipal Councils and Municipalities conducted peacefully in Haryana: State Election Commissioner

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Haryana State Election Commissioner Sh. Dhanpat Singh said elections to various Municipal Corporations, Municipal Councils and Municipalities of the state were conducted peacefully. Counting of votes will start at 8 am on March 12 and results will also be declared on the same day.

The State Election Commissioner said that extensive arrangements were made by the Commission to conduct the urban local body elections in a peaceful, fair and transparent manner. General, police and expenditure observers were appointed in the electoral process. Along with this, duty magistrates, supervisors, presiding officers, polling officers were appointed in all the concerned bodies. Adequate police force was deployed for security and additional police force was deployed at sensitive and highly sensitive polling stations. A control room was also set up in the Nirvachan Sadan to monitor the proper electoral process.

He informed that voting was held for the posts of Mayor and Ward Members in Municipal Corporations Manesar, Gurugram, Faridabad, Hisar, Rohtak, Karnal and Yamunanagar. Along with this, voting was held for the by-election for the post of Mayor in Municipal Corporations Ambala and Sonipat.

He said voting was also held for the posts of Pradhan (President) and Ward Members in Municipal Councils Ambala Sadar, Pataudi-Jatauli Mandi, Thanesar and Sirsa and for the by-election for the post of Pradhan (President) in Municipal Council Sohna.

In the voting held in the state today, general elections were held in 07 Municipal Corporations in 19 districts of the state (except Panchkula, Rohtak and Rewari), by-election for Mayor in 02 Municipal Corporations (Ambala and Sonipat); Voting was also held for general elections in 04 Municipal Councils (Ambala Sadar, Sirsa, Thanesar and Pataudi-Jatauli Mandi) and by-election for the post of President/Pradhan in Sohna, District Gurugram Municipal Council and general elections in 21 municipalities and by-election for the post of Pradhan in 02 municipalities - Assandh, District Karnal and Ismailabad, District Kurukshetra and by-election for the post of Ward Member in Ward No. 14 of Municipal Corporation Safidon and Ward No. 15 of Tarawadi. There were a total of 5106134 voters in all these institutions. In the by-election for the Mayor, less enthusiasm was seen among the voters in Ambala Municipal Corporation and Sonipat Municipal Corporation. Similarly, the voting percentage was very low in two metropolitan cities adjacent to Delhi.

The Unemployment is at its peak in BJP-ruled Hry: Kumari Selja

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
SIRSA, MAR 2

The General Secretary of the All India Congress Committee, former Union Minister, and Member of Parliament from Sirsa Kumari Selja said that unemployment has reached its peak in the BJP-ruled northern Indian state of Haryana. Around 40% of the positions in government departments are vacant, and the recruitment under the guise of HKRN (Haryana Kaushal Rojgar Nigam) is playing with the future of the state's youth. Haryana has reached the ninth position in the country in terms of employment qualifications. The government cannot escape its responsibility in this matter; it had promised employment to the youth, and it should fulfill that promise, as unemployment is the root cause of rising crime in the state and is fueling the drug trade.



In a statement released to the media, Kumari Selja said that the BJP government shows rosy pictures to every citizen to come to power, misleading the youth under the pretext of providing employment. This is why the queue of unemployed people is growing instead of shrinking in the state. Haryana has the highest unemployment rate. There are 1.82 lakh vacant posts in government departments. According to the CMIE report, Haryana has the highest unemployment rate of 37% in the country, while the government has reduced the number of posts by 13,462 in the new job allocation. Now, out of 4.58 lakh posts, only 4.45 lakh posts remain. While the BJP is unable to provide jobs to the youth, it is dreaming of making India a "Vishwaguru" (world leader). It is showing the youth dreams of better days, becoming a world leader, entering the "Amrit Kaal," and self-reliance. These slogans have turned out to be misleading. Unemployment is at its peak in India, and Haryana is witnessing the highest rate of unemployment. Nearly all offices and departments have a large number of vacant posts, and there is no clarity on when and how the recruitments will take place.

Kumari Selja said that the BJP, which has been in power for a decade, has shown a sluggish approach to creating and providing employment. Faced with increasing unemployment and a bleak future, unemployed youth are migrating abroad. Employment opportunities in BJP-ruled Haryana are in a dire state. A large number of youth in Haryana who are seeking employment have been forced to migrate. Due to unemployment, youth are facing several challenges. There is a shortage of employment opportunities in the state, and there is a lack of appointments in government jobs, while the demand for skilled workers is not being met.

Kumari Selja said that those who are hired under the HKRN are, in a way, being mentally and economically exploited by the government. The concept of equal work for equal pay has been completely sidelined. Employees working under HKRN are performing the same tasks as other government employees, but they are paid half or even less. Instead of such temporary recruitments, the government should fill the 1.82 lakh vacant positions with permanent appointments, but the government is not doing that. Kumari Selja said that the "Global Talent Mobility India's Decade report, titled 2025, reveals that the employment qualification rate has increased by 3.56%, reaching 54.81%. According to this report, Haryana has slipped to the ninth position.

Two writers from Chandigarh Prem Vij and Dr. Vinod Sharma honoured with national award Sahitya Bhushan Samman

BUREAU



CHANDIGARH: With the aim of enriching Hindi literature, BPA Foundation and India Netbooks honour writers every year. These awards are given for all genres. This year, two well-known writers from Chandigarh Prem Vij and Dr. Vinod Sharma has been honoured with national level award Sahitya Bhushan Samman in view of their services towards Hindi literature. These awards were given at Hotel Crown Plaza-13B, Mayur Vihar Phase-1, Delhi. In the seventh BPA Foundation and India Netbooks Sahityakaar Samman ceremony, Girish Pankaj was honoured with Vedvyas, Divik Ramesh with Mahakavi Kalidas and Santosh Srivastava with Vageshwari Samman. The chief guest of the ceremony was Chitra Mudgal. In honour of regional languages, CP Deval was given the special Shikhar Samman for Rajasthani, UG Brahma for Bodo language, along with 25 Sahitya Vibhushan Samman, 30 Sahitya Bhushan Samman, 45 Sahitya Ratna Samman. BPA Foundation President Sanjeev Kumar said that the purpose of the awards is to recognise the outstanding contribution and achievements of those litterateurs who have made significant progress in various fields of literature and have given incomparable services. On this occasion, Manorama, Kamini Mishra, Pramod Mishra, Piyush Shukla, Mamta Kalia, Prem Janamejaya, Ranavijay Rao, Mukesh Bhardwaj, Madhu Kant etc. were also present.

Municipal elections ended peacefully amid tight security

DALBIR MALIK
KURUKSHETRA, MAR 2

District Election Officer and Deputy Commissioner Neha Singh said that the Municipal Corporation election in Kurukshetra ended peacefully amid tight security and arrangements on Sunday. Enthusiasm was seen among the voters for the Municipal Corporation election. Deputy Commissioner Neha Singh said that 108 booths were set up in 32 wards for the post of Chairperson in Thanesar Municipal Council, while 101 booths were set up for the councilors. Women, youth and Divyangjans exercised their right to vote in large numbers.



There was enthusiasm among voters, especially young voters, in the Municipal Corporation Election 2025 on Sunday. Since morning, the elderly, youth, Divyangjans and women have voted with full cooperation with the administration. Voting was held peacefully in 101 booth areas for 30 councilor posts. The district administration was continuously running a voter awareness campaign along with the announcement of elections. In this campaign, the Department of Information, Public Relations, Language and Culture, various social and business institutions, social organizations as well as the media also made a commendable contribution to make people aware about voting.

She said that according to the data shown on the Election Commission's voter turnout app, till 7 pm, 49.4 per cent voters cast their votes in Thanesar and 64.9 per cent in Ismailabad. The district administration had made complete security arrangements for peaceful voting. In the Kurukshetra Municipal Corporation elections, the administration had set up 101 booths for a total of 137677 voters in 30 wards of Thanesar Municipal Council and 13 booths for 10539 voters in Ismailabad. Tight security and law and order arrangements were made at these booths. Police and other forces were deployed by the administration. The administration had set up a control room to know the number of votes being cast at all the booths every moment. From there information was being sent to the Haryana Election Office every moment. Administrative officers were also keeping an eye on the activities of every booth through webcasting in this control room.

The general observer and police supervisor kept an eye on every moment's activity. District Election Officer and Deputy Commissioner Neha Singh said that the general observer of the civic elections, IAS Pradeep Kumar, and the police observer IPS Bharti Dabas inspected the specially made booths and assessed the arrangements made at the booths.

Mother-Daughter duo makes courtesy call on haryana chief minister, invites him to UN event



PANCHKULA: On March 7, the United Nations will recognize Harsh Sharma, the mother of 37-year-old Tejaswini Sharma, who has overcome a 90% disability to become a Bhajan singer. Harsh Sharma and Tejaswini visited Haryana Chief Minister, Naib Singh Saini, at his residence in Chandigarh for a courtesy call, where they invited him to attend the event at the United Nations. The Chief Minister graciously accepted the invitation and extended his blessings to Tejaswini, wishing her continued success in the future.

Harsh Sharma's years of dedicated effort have played a crucial role in shaping Tejaswini into a talented Bhajan singer, despite her disability. Living in Panchkula, Haryana, Harsh not only nurtured Tejaswini but also supported her in achieving her dream of becoming a Bhajan singer.

As a result, the United Nations is honouring Harsh Sharma as an inspiring example of women empowerment, a reflection of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision. Tejaswini, who has also received the President's Award for her artistic talent, will perform Bhajans at the Indian Embassy in the United Nations. During their meeting with Haryana Chief Minister Naib Singh Saini, Harsh Sharma expressed gratitude for the Haryana government's ongoing efforts to uplift daughters of the state and promote their achievements. She emphasized that the respectful approach of both the Central and Haryana governments towards women is encouraging daughters to step forward and contribute to the nation's glory.



Ashok Khurana voted with family at SBS model school of Ward No. 12 Karnal.

Talents from different cities of Haryana will be honoured with Nari Shakti Seva Samman

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KURUKSHETRA: On 8 March, International Women's Day, Nari Shakti Samman ceremony will be organised in the courtyard of Shiv Mandir located in Sector 3 and along with this a voluntary blood donation camp will be organised. Program coordinator Dr. Ashok Kumar Verma, President's Police Medal awardee, National Gold Medal winner, Century Diamond Blood Donor and Environment Guard, said that in the program, Nari Shakti Seva Samman dedicated to the nation from different areas of the state will be honoured, among whom Professor Sushila Chauhan, Rajkumari Panwar, Jyoti Rohilla, Dr. Neetu Bala, Anjali Sharma, Kanchan Bala, Dr. Kanta Verma, Pinky Sheoran, Sushma Chaudhary, Rajwant Kaur, Monica Bhatia, Aarti, Rajni Bala, Naveen and Surekha etc. will be specially present. Apart from these, Suraj Kamal Seth and Dr. MM Singh, who are always ready to serve the society throughout their life, will be honoured with lifelong service awards. A voluntary blood donation camp will be organised in this programme itself in which any healthy person can donate blood.



Geeta Modern Sr Sec School setting new records of education: Tripathi

KAMAL SHARMA
TARAORI, MARCH 2

A programme was organised on the occasion of the 42nd foundation day celebration of Geeta Modern Senior Secondary School Taraori. On this occasion, the students decorated the entire school with colourful strings, balloons and rangoli. Havan was organised in the school on the occasion of foundation day. School manager Balkrishna Tripathi and Principal Ragini Rai participated in the havan along with the entire teachers. Balkrishna Tripathi and Principal Ragini Rai celebrated the foundation day by cutting the cake along with the teachers. The students expressed their feelings by writing beautiful poems about their school. The children celebrated the school foundation day through songs, dances, quizzes, dramas and many other activities. On this occasion, food was also arranged for all the students and staff. Principal Balkrishna Tripathi told about the journey of 42 years of the school and its successes and how the school has reached the pinnacle of progress today after facing struggles. He told about all those participants who played an important role in taking the school to the pinnacle of progress.



The school's Principal Ragini Rai wished all the teachers, staff, parents and children of the school on the school foundation day and said that in this school not only education but also discipline, duty and loyalty are taught to the children. We pray to God that Geeta Modern Senior Secondary School continues to set new records in the field of education. On this occasion Pragya Tripathi, Dimple Tripathi, Shivani Tripathi, Director Suresh Chand, Professor Karmjit Kaur, Kiran Gupta, Rajveer, Neeraj and the entire school staff were present.

Advocate Kundra elected President of District Bar Association

CHET RAM RATAN
NAWANSHAHR, MAR 2



Advocate Sukhdeep Singh Kundra has been elected President of the District Bar Association, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, Nawanshahr, defeating his rival Shamsher Singh Jhikka by a margin of 46 votes. The election, held under the supervision of Returning Officer Major Jarnail Singh, took place at the New Court Complex, Nawanshahr. Out of the 360 votes cast, Kundra secured 177 votes, while Jhikka received 131 votes. Following the victory, supporters celebrated the win by playing drums in the court premises. In other positions, Advocate Vineet Kumar Chopra won the Vice President post with 175 votes, Advocate Rajinder Singh was elected Secretary with 173 votes, Advocate Israna Khan won as Treasurer, and Advocate Tribhuvan Sharma secured 191 votes to become Joint Secretary. Other candidates in the fray included Advocate Rajdeep Jagotra, Gagandeep Singh Dosanjh, Prabhu Jyot Singh, and Inderpreet Singh, who faced defeat.

The election saw the presence of several legal professionals, including Advocate R. Sareen, Ajit Singh Siyan, Karanjit Singh Kahlo, Advocate Anup Sareen, Advocate Anil Kataria, Harmesh Suman, Lakhwinder Singh Kahlo, Advocate Parmjeet Singh Bakshi, Advocate Navdeep Singh Lath, Advocate Suresh Kataria, Advocate Himanshu Sareen, Advocate Roop Bhatia, Advocate Gurpreet Singh Bedi, Advocate M.P. Nayar, Advocate Harshvardhan Gautam, Advocate Prashotam Lal Sharma, Ajay Singh, Advocate Harsimran Kaur, Sapna Jaggi, Suman Lattan, Rency Advocate, Kamlesh Bali, Advocate Munshi Harjinder Singh Numberdar, Balkar Singh Panch Basiala, Jasveer Singh Lali Panch, and Naresh Kumar Jejon.

Farmers can report crop damage on Kshatipurti portal within next 3 days: Agriculture Minister

CHANDIGARH: Haryana Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Minister Sh. Shyam Singh Rana has said that farmers who are not registered under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana should register their loss due to hailstorm on the Haryana Kshatipurti Portal within next 72 hours (three days), so that officials of the Agriculture Department can reach the spot and assess the crop damage correctly.

Sh. Rana assured the farmers that they should not worry as their crop damage will be compensated.

He said for the convenience of farmers in the state, the facility of reporting crop damage is available through Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana and Haryana Kshatipurti Portal.

Farmers who have registered themselves under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana should contact their concerned Agriculture Officer and register the report of their crop damage. At the same time, those farmers who have not been registered under the yojana should register their crop damage report on the Haryana Kshatipurti Portal within the next three days. After this, the Agriculture Department officials will reach the spot and assess the crop loss. He said for this, registration on the 'Meri Fasal Mera Byora' portal is mandatory. Such farmers should get themselves registered on this portal as soon as possible.

The Agriculture Minister said both portals are currently open. Hence, all affected farmers are requested to register their crop loss report within the stipulated time limit and take advantage of the government schemes.

Media council of Journalists holds national executive meeting in Jaipur

SHANTI GAUTAM
BBN, MARCH 2



The National Executive Meeting of the Media Council of Journalists was held on Sunday at the Pink City Press Club Auditorium in Jaipur. The event was attended by prominent office-bearers, including National President Sanjay Rathi, National Coordinator Lalit Sharma, National General Secretary Pradeep Sharma, National Treasurer Ghanshyam Baghi, National Spokesperson & Media Incharge Manoj, and National Vice President Shanti Swaroop, along with representatives from various states.

During the meeting, key issues related to the welfare of journalists and the growth of the organization were discussed. It was also decided that the National Convention of the Media Council of Journalists would be held in Haryana in June. As part of the expansion, the Rajasthan State Unit of the organization was formed, with Neeraj Gupta (Kota) appointed as State President. Other key appointments included Yogesh Joshi (Kota) as State Organization Secretary and Sandeep Goyal as State General Secretary. Gupta's appointment was met with applause, and the commitment to safeguarding journalists' rights was reaffirmed.

Additionally, a Journalist Welfare Fund was established to provide support to media professionals in need. Addressing the gathering, National President Sanjay Rathi emphasized that the organization would function beyond personal interests and conflicts, striving to become a pillar of strength for journalists. National Coordinator Lalit Sharma highlighted that the Media Council of Journalists was envisioned as a guiding light to dispel challenges faced by journalists.

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NASA's SPHEREx Telescope Launching Aboard SpaceX Falcon 9 to Explore Cosmic Evolution

NASA's latest infrared space telescope, SPHEREx (Spectro-Photometer for the History of the Universe, Epoch of Reionization and Ices Explorer), is set for launch on 28th February. The mission, valued at $488 million, will take off from Vandenberg Space Force Base in California aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket. Designed to scan the entire sky in infrared light, it will collect data from over 450 million galaxies and 100 million stars in the Milky Way. The telescope's observations will focus on regions of the universe that are typically too distant or faint for conventional telescopes. According to NASA, the primary aim of SPHEREx is to enhance understanding of cosmic inflation, the rapid expansion of the universe that occurred within the first second following the Big Bang. By mapping the large-scale structure of the cosmos, the telescope will provide insight into how galaxies formed and evolved. Scientists also anticipate that its data will help track the presence and distribution of icy molecules in interstellar space, shedding light on the origins of water and essential organic compounds required for life.

NEWS BRIEF

Tata Motors registered total sales of 79,344 units in February 2025

Chandigarh/ Ludhiana: Tata Motors Limited sales in the domestic & international market for February 2025 stood at 79,344 vehicles, compared to 86,406units during February 2024. Domestic sale of MH&ICV in February 2025, including trucks and buses, stood at 15,940 units, compared to 16,227 units in February 2024.Total sales for MH&ICV Domestic & International Business in February 2025, including trucks and buses, stood at 16,693 units compared to 16,663 units in February 2024.Includes sales of Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles Limited and Tata Passenger Electric Mobility Limited,both subsidiaries of Tata Motors Limited.

Toyota Kirloskar Motor Drives 13% Growth in February 2025

Chandigarh/ Ludhiana:Toyota Kirloskar Motor (TKM) has announced sales of 28,414 unitsin the month of February 2025 signifying an increase of 13% as compared to the same period last year thusreinforcing a strong market acceptance and customer trust. Building on its momentum, the growth in sales represents a significant increase compared to the 25,220 units sold in February 2024, further solidifying Commenting on the strong performance,Varinder Wadhwa, Vice President, Sales-Service-Used Car Business said, "We thank our customers for their unwavering confidence in the Toyota brand. MPVs and SUVs continue to be the primary growth drivers, contributing 68% to overall sales. The strong demand for models such as the Innova Crysta, Innova Hycross, Urban Cruiser Hyryder, Hilux, Fortuner, Legender, and Rumion reflects the growing preference for reliable and quality products. In the domestic market, TKM sold 26,414 units, while exports stood at 2000 units.

Samsung Announces Unbeatable Loyalty Bonus on Galaxy S25 Ultra

Chandigarh: Samsung, India's largest consumer electronics brand, today announced unbeatable loyalty bonus on its latest flagship smartphone, Galaxy S25 Ultra. Galaxy S25 Ultra will now be available with an upgrade bonus of INR 12000. Additionally, consumers upgrading from Galaxy S23 Ultra and S24 Ultra will get INR 15000 upgrade bonus. Users not interested in the upgrade bonus can get INR 11000 instant cashback on HDFC bank cards. Consumers seeking enhanced affordability can take advantage of no-cost EMI starting INR 3612 and an upgrade bonus of INR 9000.
On the made in India, Galaxy S25 Ultra, AI agents with multimodal capabilities are integrated within the One UI 7 platform to perform complex tasks seamlessly across apps and enable natural user interactions through speech, text, videos and images. Now Brief provides tailored suggestions to guide through the day and Now Bar offers a new hub for ongoing activities. From enhanced productivity with Writing Assist to limitless creativity unleashed by Drawing Assist, the expanded capabilities of Galaxy AI continue to empower users in every aspect of their daily lives.

Hinduja College advancing towards becoming deemed university

CHANDIGARH: Marking 75 years of illustrious journey in education, the Hinduja Group reaffirmed its commitment to shaping India's future through its flagship institution, Hinduja College of Commerce, which started as a humble primary school for children of refugees. Today with over 6000 students, Hinduja College is now advancing towards becoming a deemed university. The Group through Hinduja Foundation nurtures over 7,00,000 students across India through initiatives like Road to School and Road to Livelihood. With ambitious plans to empower 1 million students by 2030, the Hinduja Foundation continues to champion education as a catalyst for change and is a key contributor to India's vision of a Viksit Bharat by 2047.The celebration witnessed the presence of Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar, as Chief Guest who felicitated outstanding students.

Tata Tea Premium Introduces Tata Tea Premium Care – Delicious Tea with goodness of Natural Ingredients

Amritsar/Mohali : Tata Consumer Products Limited (TCPL) continues to innovate in the premiumization and wellness category, adapting to the evolving needs of today's consumers. Strengthening its commitment to quality and well-being, Tata Tea Premium, Desh Ki Chai introduces Tata Tea Premium Care—an expertly crafted blend with the natural goodness of Tulsi, Ginger, Brahmi, Elaichi, and Mulethi. Through its commitment to consumer-centric innovations, TCPL is redefining everyday beverages, transforming them into purposeful experiences that resonate with the preferences of modern consumers.
Tata Tea Premium Care is a perfect blend of taste and wellness, crafted for India's love for strong chai with the added goodness of natural ingredients. Designed for consumers who seek a strong cup of tea, it seamlessly combines kadak chai with the benefits of natural ingredients. With trust and reliability at its core, this special blend is tailored for today's lifestyle.

Blockbuster Alert: Powerhouse Ranveer Singh the first-ever 'Brand Superstar' for Škoda Auto India

Jalndhar-Soon after introducing its first-ever sub-4-metre SUV, the Kylaq, Škoda Auto India has achieved another milestone – announcing Powerhouse Ranveer Singh as its first-ever 'Brand Superstar'. The association is marked with signature, Škoda styled, people-driven campaigns, fuelled by Ranveer Singh for Škoda Auto India's fans and customers. Petr Janeba, Brand Director, Škoda Auto India, speaking on the association shares, "When the Kylaq was premiered, I promised that, 'Picture abhi baaki hai'. As we celebrate 25 years in India, we have committed to driving into a new era here, which goes beyond launching world-class products. It revolves around revamping every aspect of the business, including the way we engage with our customers and fans. Around the world, and more so in India, cars and movies generate emotions that are unparalleled, and bring people together. And so for the first time in our history in India, I am proud to announce Ranveer Singh as the first-ever 'Brand Superstar' for Škoda Auto India. Being a powerhouse of talent and energy, on and off-screen, Ranveer's persona strongly reflects our passion and ethos.

Chandigarh Bodybuilding & Physique sports association organizes Mr. Chandigarh Championship



SHASHI PAL JAIN

CHANDIGARH: The 13th Edition of Mr. & Miss. Chandigarh was held at SD College , Sector 32, Chandigarh. The event was organised by Chandigarh Bodybuilding and Physique Sports Association (CBPSA) under the aegis of Indian Body Builders Federation(IBBF). Over 100 bodybuilders from the region competed in three segments - Senior Bodybuilding, Sports Physique and Athletic Physique. Avtar Singh bagged the coveted title of Mr. Chandigarh. In Men's Sports Physique, Ashish Dogra was the winner, and in Men's Athletic Physique, Arshinder Singh was adjudged the winner . Cash prizes and gifts were distributed to the winners. Narinder Singh Shergill, Chairman Milkfed Punjab was the chief guest. Kalvinder Singh, President, CBPSA and Pradeep Singh, General Secretary, CBPSA provided the much needed guidance and leadership for the successful organisation of the event.

Ms. Rabecca , a woman bodybuilder who was a special invitee, guest posed at the event.

Suraj Bhan Nain, Secretary General of North Zone Body Builders Association (NZBA), was the Chief Judge of the Mr. Chandigarh Championship. He said, "We organised the Mr. Chandigarh Championship to provide a platform to bodybuilders from the region and beyond to showcase their well chiseled and muscular bodies, attained through a lot of hardwork and dedication."

Traditional Food Habits and Changing Lifestyles: The Main Causes of Increasing Weight



LUDHIANA(SHARMA): Obesity has emerged as a serious health concern in Punjab, similar to cancer. The state ranks among the top in the country for obesity prevalence. According to studies, nearly 40% of adults in Punjab are obese, with 36% of adults in Ludhiana being affected by the condition. The primary reasons behind this rising trend are traditional dietary habits and evolving lifestyles. The local diet is rich in dairy products like milk, butter, and ghee, which, although highly nutritious, are also high in fat and calories, contributing to excessive weight gain. This, in turn, is leading to an increase in heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, fatty liver, and infertility.

To mark World Obesity Day, MASSH Prolife Hospital organized a press conference at Hotel Hyatt Regency, Ludhiana, to discuss obesity and weight management. During the event, Dr. Harpreet Singh Jolly provided insights into various aspects of weight management.

Dr. Jolly highlighted that Ludhiana is facing a severe obesity crisis, with 36% of its adult population affected, and women being more prone to obesity than men. Obesity is relatively lower in the 18-34 age group but significantly higher among individuals aged 35-54. This issue is not just about physical appearance but also a major contributor to chronic illnesses like heart disease and diabetes. However, with proper knowledge, timely treatment, and discipline, obesity can be controlled.

He further explained that urbanization and lifestyle changes have led to a decrease in physical activity, worsening the obesity problem. The growing preference for processed foods high in refined carbohydrates and low in nutrition is another key factor. Additionally, economic progress and shifting dietary habits have increased the consumption of high-calorie foods. This trend is particularly evident in affluent families, where heavier, calorie-dense meals are becoming more common.

Innovative and Effective Obesity Management Techniques

The event also introduced several new and effective weight-loss techniques. GLP-1 agonists (such as semaglutide) have shown promising results in obesity treatment, although their effects may reduce once the medication is discontinued. Additionally, non-surgical techniques like intragastric balloons and endoscopic plication have proven effective in weight reduction.

However, bariatric surgery remains the most effective and long-term solution for obesity. This includes procedures like sleeve gastrectomy, Roux-en-Y gastric bypass, and mini gastric bypass (MGB/OAGB). Studies show that bariatric surgery not only helps with significant weight loss but also alleviates severe conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, and sleep apnea.

Following the press conference, an interactive Q&A session was held where attendees got their queries answered by Dr. Jolly himself. Common myths about obesity were debunked, and special sessions were conducted to address patients' concerns.

Patient Testimonial: Life Transformed Through Bariatric Surgery

One of the attendees, Gurmeet Singh (55 years old), shared his inspiring journey. Weighing 140 kg with a BMI of 48, he suffered from high blood pressure, diabetes, venous insufficiency, and depression. For eight years, he relied on a BiPAP machine to sleep and struggled with a poor quality of life.

CA Parmod Vats sworn as new chairman of Chandigarh branch of ICAI



Chandigarh, CA Parmod Vats has sworn as the new Chairman of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), Chandigarh branch. This branch represent the interests of the over 3,400 members and 4,500 CA students in the Chandigarh and Tricity region and drive the Chapter towards further growth and excellence. CA Vats amassed the maximum preferential votes in the election held last month.
CA Vats is a seasoned professional with extensive experience over nearly decades. He has previously served as Treasurer in 2013-14, Secretary in 2015-16 and 2023-24 and Vice Chairman in 2024-25. In addition to CA Vats appointment, the Chapter's executive body has been expanded, with the following individuals taking up key leadership roles: CA Sahil Garg as Vice Chairman, CA Rachit Goyal as Secretary, and CA Prateek Puri as Treasurer. The Chapter also welcomes CA Shubham Monga as NICASA Chairman, CA Sahil Mittal as Chairman of the Direct Tax Committee, CA Amanjot Singh as Chairman of the Indirect Tax Committee, CA Ashisha Mittal as Chairperson of the Women Empowerment Committee and CA Sanjeev Kumar Vats as Chairman of the IT Committee and Newsletter. According to Vats, the new team aims to foster collaboration, address emerging challenges in the profession, and empower members with the resources and opportunities needed for their success.

Tandon expressed concern on BCCI's points system and demands for Northern NCA in Chandigarh

Chandigarh: UT Cricket Association's President Sanjay Tandon attended the Special General Meeting held in Mumbai on Saturday wherein he extended his congratulations to the newly elected Joint Secretary, Rohan Desai.
During the meeting, Tandon raised concerns regarding the current points system in the BCCI's Ranji Domestic matches. He pointed out that despite the Chandigarh team winning four out of their seven games were eliminated before the knockout stage while Saurashtra and Tamil Nadu who won fewer games in the same pool were advanced to the next round. Tandon emphasized the need for a fairer points system to ensure that teams with better performances are duly rewarded.
Additionally, Tandon advocated for the establishment of a National Cricket Academy (NCA) in the northern region, which would significantly benefit aspiring cricketers from the area. He also reiterated his demand for full affiliation of the UTCA, following the completion of its five years, highlighting the significant progress and contribution of the association to the growth of cricket in Chandigarh.
Tandon's suggestions were met with positive responses and the BCCI will consider these matters to improve the cricketing landscape in Chandigarh.



CM should take cognizance of uproar caused by 10th Board Examination: Kulbhushan

CHANDIGARH: As soon as the 10th class Haryana Board examination started, every school and student is showing disappointment towards the board) As soon as the 10th class students got the Mathematics paper in their hands, they were shocked to see that the Mathematics paper, which is a difficult exam for the students in itself, was out of the syllabus and the question paper was also prepared in such a way that the answers were beyond their understanding.
Kulbhushan Sharma, President, Federation of Private Schools, Haryana & National Independent Schools Alliance said that it is the responsibility of the board to give the students the type of question paper in which the children are prepared or to provide sample papers and question bank to the schools before the start of the board session so that the board examination will be conducted in this manner. Sharma said that the 10th examination forms the basis of the child's future and he decides the path of his future. The job of the Board is not just to take fees and conduct exams but also to prepare the children for the exam so that they can appear for the exam without fear and stress. He said that if every school is complaining that the exam was not fair, then it points towards the failure of the Board. He demanded from the Honorable Chief Minister and the Honorable Education Minister that being the guardian of the students of the state, you should immediately call the Board officials and provide relief to the students by announcing grace marks. You are also afraid about the upcoming exam, seek an explanation from the Board on that and take necessary steps to improve the Board so that such a situation does not arise in future because the future of the children of the state should be paramount. The Board should not be allowed to tamper with their future at any cost.



Tecno AI Glasses, Tecno AI Glasses Pro Unveiled Ahead of MWC 2025

Tecno AI Glasses and Tecno AI Glasses Pro were unveiled by the company ahead of the upcoming Mobile World Congress (MWC 2025). The firm is scheduled to launch new products at the annual trade show event, including new smartphones. The new wearables are claimed to be as light as sunglasses and offer support for AI-powered features, such as object recognition and summarisation of text. The Pro model is also equipped with an augmented reality (AR) display that offers support for real-time navigation.
The new wearables (via GSMArena) feature a frame that is built using light composite materials and an aluminium alloy, according to the company. Tecno says that these AI glasses will be produced in Aviator Style and Eyebrow Frame options and weigh as much as a pair of sunglasses. While they appear to resemble a pair of spectacles, they offer support or several AI features.
While both the Tecno AI Glasses and Tecno AI Glasses Pro offer support for various software features that require the use of a built-in camera, the Pro variant is equipped with an AR display. This feature allows users to see a live view of navigation instructions.

Chitkara University Partners with Capgemini to Launch Code Experience Center (CEC) to Empower Students and Enhance Employment Opportunities



Chandigarh: Chitkara University, a leading educational institution in India, is proud to announce the launch of the Code Experience Center (CEC) powered by Capgemini on its campus. This collaboration marks a significant step in providing students with valuable skills in the IT sector, empowering them with the knowledge and expertise required for successful careers in the technology industry. Chitkara University has built a strong and enduring partnership with Capgemini. Every year, talented students gain direct access to job opportunities through the campus placements offered by Capgemini. Additionally, the Code Experience Center (CEC) at Chitkara University will further boost job prospects by offering state-of-the-art training programs designed to equip students with the high-demand skills needed in the IT industry. The Code Experience Center was inaugurated on February 28, 2025, in a ceremony attended by several prominent dignitaries, including Dr. Madhu Chitkara, Pro Chancellor, Chitkara University; Vishal Gupta, Executive Vice President & COO, Apps Business - Financial Services, Capgemini; Gautam Nehra, Executive Vice President & COO, Banking & Capital Markets - Financial Services, Capgemini; Puneet Kumra, Vice President & Head, Early Careers Program - India, Capgemini; Amit Khurana, Senior Director, Communication and Advertising, India, Capgemini; Suman Bhattacharya, Director - University Relations & Hiring, India, Capgemini; Vaibhav Deshpande, Program Manager Campus Hiring, India, Capgemini, Dr. Cavita Taragi, Pro Vice Chancellor (Industry Partnerships), Chitkara University, Dr Kuldeep Sharama, Director (Industry Alliance), Chitkara University, Ms Roma Singh, Director Career Advancement Services, Chitkara University.

India Travel Mart receives overwhelming success in Chandigarh

CHANDIGARH: India Travel Mart (ITM) Chandigarh, India's leading travel & tourism exhibition concluded on a high note. The three-day travel exhibition attracted excellent response from travel trade across Chandigarh, Punjab, Himachal, Uttarakhand, J&K etc with 1000+ covering Travel Agents, Tour Operators, Wedding Planners, MICE Planners, Golf, General Visitors.



A large number of travel eager from the nearby places the Panchkula, Mohali, Zirakpur, Shimla, Kalka, Solan, Amala, Ludhiana, Jalandhar, Patiala, Amritsar, Haryana and other nearby places visited the exhibition.
Visitors had the unique chance to explore a diverse range of international and domestic destinations, enabling them to secure the best deals and packages for their upcoming summer vacations. The exhibition provided a valuable platform for both exhibitors and visitors to engage in meaningful discussions, fostering connections and collaborations within the travel industry.
The Best Stall Award was presented to Punjab Tourism, the Best Display Award went to Rajasthan Tourism, and the Best Information Award was given to India Tourism.
The presentation of Travel Promotion, mementos and certificates added a ceremonial touch to the event, acknowledging the dedication and efforts of all participants.
India Travel Mart (ITM) continues to be the preferred B2B platform for industry growth, facilitating new business networks and offering a strategic avenue for future planning with the implementation of innovative ideas.

Master Capital Services Limited Expands Footprints with New Branch in Bathinda

Bathinda: Master Capital Services Ltd., a leading broking and investment platform, has announced the expansion of a new branch in Bathinda, Punjab. This is another step in the company's commitment to expanding its presence and providing financial solutions to a growing client base. With this latest expansion, Master Capital Services Ltd. now operates through 54 branches around the country.



Commenting on the expansion, Mr. Puneet Singhania, Director Master Trust Group, said, "We are thrilled to expand our presence to Bathinda, a city with huge potential for development in the financial sector. Our objective is to provide investors with appropriate financial advice, allowing them to make informed decisions in a rapidly changing market. With a dedicated and experienced team in place, we are convinced that this new branch will improve our ability to serve clients effectively while also strengthening our commitment to financial excellence."
Punjab has seen an increase in financial market activity, with general investors participating more frequently. Recognizing this potential, Master Capital Services intends to deliver comprehensive financial solutions in Bathinda, bolstering its reputation as a reliable partner in investment consulting, wealth management, and portfolio planning. The new branch will also help to create local jobs, creating over 15 new possibilities in the community.
The company's decision to expand into Bathinda is consistent with its strategic aim of making financial services more accessible and reliable across regions. The company's vast network helps cement its role in raising financial awareness and economic success.

Two booked with 298.67 Grams of Charas

BILASPUR(AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY)– In a crackdown on drug trafficking, the the Bilaspur police has seized 298.67 grams from a car at a naka established near Baloh Toll Plaza on the four-lane highway. During the vehicle check, the contraband was recovered from two individuals traveling in a private car bearing a Punjab number. The accused have been identified as 24-year-old Rhythm Bisht, a resident of Sector 66, Mohali, Punjab, and 25-year-old Sergio Lampayev Namburate Junior, a foreign national from Mozambique, currently residing at Housefeed Complex, Sector 79, Mohali, Punjab. Both individuals were immediately taken into custody.
A case has been registered at Police Station Ghumarwin under the NDPS Act, and further investigation is underway.
The police have intensified their vigilance on drug trafficking routes to curb the increasing influx of narcotics in the region.

Buniyad Preschool and Daycare hosts kids fun day

MOHALI(L K BANSAL): Buniyad Preschool and Daycare located in Sector 115, Kharar Landrah Road, here celebrated Kids Fun Day today. The event involved a grand carnival of fun-filled activities, engaging not only the little ones but also their enthusiastic parents.
The highlight of the day was a mesmerizing art and craft session conducted by Ms Rakhi Singh, a renowned personality in this field. Children unleashed their creativity with colors and crafts, leaving the audience spellbound.



Adding to the delight, a tattoo-making corner allowed kids to flaunt their favorite designs, while music and dance performances kept the energy soaring high. The day was packed with thrilling games, bringing cheers and giggles to every corner of the school. However, the event-stealer was the much-loved Baby Photo Contest, where adorable toddlers took CenterStage, capturing hearts. Parents expressed their overwhelming appreciation for the seamless arrangements and engaging activities, praising Buniyad Preschool for its commitment to early childhood education. Known as a premier institution in the region, the school lays a strong foundation through hands-on experiential learning, fostering creativity and curiosity among young minds. With its child-friendly campus, modern infrastructure, learning labs, and reading corners, and highly secured campus, Buniyad Preschool continues to set new benchmarks in early education. The Kids Fun Day reaffirms the school's dedication to providing a joyful and enriching learning experience for children.

Narayan Seva Sansthan organizes free limbs and calipers measurement camp

CHANDIGARH(R N KHERA)Udaipur based Narayan Seva Sansthan (NSS) organized a free screening and limb/caliper measurement camp at the Community Center, Sector 49 C on Sunday. The camp was inaugurated by Sanjay Tandon, a noted politician and social worker and Shipra Bansal, Chairperson, Child Rights Protection Commission, UT in the presence of local councilor Rajendra Sharma and Vandana Agarwal, Director, NSS. Sanjay Tandon praised the Sansthan's initiatives stating that those who serve society with pure intentions are immortal. He highlighted the work of NSS in empowering the disabled and fostering human cooperation, calling it an inspiration for society. He also announced a Rs. 1 lakh grant to NSS and assured continued support in the future.



Shipra Bansal lauded the Sansthan's work in empowering differently-abled children over the past 40 years, emphasizing the importance of ongoing efforts to build a healthy society through collaboration with NGOs.
During the camp, attendees heard success stories from beneficiaries whose lives were transformed by the Sansthan's work. The chief guests and other dignitaries were briefed about the measurement and fitting process by medical professionals and technical teams.
Vandana Agarwal in her welcome address, shared the wide-ranging services provided by NSS, including daily meals for over 5,000 people, free education for underprivileged children and training programs in computer skills, mobile repairs, and sewing. Additionally, ten wheelchairs were distributed to those in need during the camp.
447 patients attended the camp, representing all age groups and coming from Chandigarh, Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, and Uttar Pradesh. Of these, 70 patients were referred for free surgery by NSS. The limbs measured at the camp will be distributed in two months at the same venue.

Rohi Maroon, Love Gill, and Pankaj Thakur Bring Magic to "Saade Toh Sohna" – A Musical Masterpiece



The highly anticipated single "Saade Toh Sohna" was officially unveiled during an exclusive press conference held today in Mohali. The track features a captivating performance by Rohi Maroon, with a soulful female lead by Love Gill and a charming male lead by Pankaj Thakur. The song is produced by a dynamic team consisting of Abhishek Soni, Kartik Khanna, and Shanky Singh.
"Saade Toh Sohna" promises to be a heartfelt musical journey, blending stunning vocals and mesmerizing melodies that are bound to capture the hearts of audiences everywhere. The track is a celebration of love and longing, bringing together both traditional and contemporary elements to create an unforgettable musical experience.
Rohi Maroon, who lent her voice to the track, expressed her excitement: "I am beyond thrilled to be a part of 'Saade Toh Sohna.' It was an absolute pleasure to collaborate with such a talented team. Love Gill and Pankaj Thakur brought incredible energy to the project, and I believe our combined efforts have resulted in something truly special.

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NEWS BRIEF

Anil Kumble feels "angle, quality, variety" make South Africa's bowling attack complete

New Delhi: Former India spinner and head coach Anil Kumble believes the variety offered by South Africa's pace trio, featuring Marco Jansen, Kagiso Rabada, and Lungi Ngidi, makes them a dominant force even in the non-friendly bowling conditions evident in the ongoing Champions Trophy.

On Saturday, the unbeaten South African side sunk England to stay at the top of Group B and storm into the semi-finals. The Proteas kicked off their campaign with an emphatic 107-run victory over Afghanistan.

Rain washed away their second fixture, but they went on to cap off their group stage campaign with a 7-wicket triumph over the Three Lions.

South Africa forced England to bundle out on 179 and Afghanistan on 208, the two lowest totals in the ongoing edition of the Champions Trophy. "I think one good thing about South Africa is that all three of their fast bowlers that played today - of course, Mulder is the one who bowls the middle periods - but if you look at the three tall fast bowlers, all of them are really tall. And all of them are different," Kumble said on ESPNcricinfo's Match Day show.

Rabada, Ngidi and Jansen have combined to take 11 scalps in two matches, making them one of the most prolific pace attacks across the tournament. "Their angles are very different. Rabada is very classical, whereas Ngidi is pretty awkward to face with his action, and Marco Jansen comes at such height. So, all three are very different. So that's the nature you want in a one-day. That's the variation," he said.

England's ODI struggles continue as Archer shines amid Champions Trophy disaster

New Delhi: England's Champions Trophy campaign has been nothing short of a disaster. However, head coach Brendon McCullum believes there were a few positives to take away from the disappointment, as per ESPNcricinfo.

The brightest of them was Jofra Archer's performance and fitness. The fast bowler completed his full quota of overs in England's first two matches and bowled nine of the 29.1 overs in the third game against South Africa. He consistently clocked good pace, took wickets in each game, and was England's standout bowler, even as South Africa cruised to victory.

"He's been out of competitive cricket for a couple of years," McCullum said, as quoted from ESPNcricinfo.

"I think it's taken just a little bit of time to get that rhythm of gameplay back, but I think he's been really good. He's bowled high pace, he's played a lot of cricket, he's been able to get significant workload under his belt throughout this time and we've seen moments of how great Jofra is, even tonight, a couple of wickets he took the other night against Afghanistan, three with the new ball," he added.

"We know how great a player Jofra is at the very top of his game, and to have him back and to have him fit and excited about playing is a real win for English cricket," he said.

Vivian Richards urges West Indies to learn from Afghanistan's fighting spirit

New Delhi : West Indies cricket legend Vivian Richards has urged his national team to take inspiration from Afghanistan's rise in world cricket, highlighting their passion, energy, and determination.

His comments come as West Indies cricket continues to struggle, having missed out on both the 2023 ODI World Cup and now the Champions Trophy. Once a dominant force in the sport, the team has faced setbacks due to inconsistency. On the other hand, Afghanistan has been on the rise, putting up one surprising performance after the other, having beaten Pakistan, New Zealand, and Australia within the last 2 years. Continuing its recent trend, it again shocked England in the ongoing Champions Trophy defeating them by 8 runs, ending the team's campaign in the tournament. Speaking about Afghanistan's qualification for the Champions Trophy while West Indies missed out, Richards, who is also the International Masters League (IML) Governing Council member, praised the Afghan team for their relentless spirit and rapid growth in international cricket.

"I'm just hoping that my West Indies team can take a leaf out of these guys' book," Richards said in a media interaction by IML.

"There is a passion and energy that the Afghanis would have brought to the game in itself.



Spinners deliver 44-run win to keep India unbeaten

AGENCY

DUBAI: Team India's clinical display with the ball and the inclusion of Varun Chakravarthy pays off as they have secured a win over New Zealand by 44 runs. The Indian side delivered a spin New Zealand looked like they would come in guns blazing and take up some early runs to gain the advantage. India began their wicket-taking spree with the dismissal of Rachin Ravindra, and Will Young's wickets feel soon after. Axar Patel took the crucial wicket of Kane Williamson, courtesy of wicketkeeper-batter KL Rahul precise stumping. The Blackcaps has started to gain some momentum due to Williamson, but the Men in Blue did not let him score big.

New Zealand's middle-order failed to score runs as they were dominated by the Indian bowling attack. Varun Chakravarthy's clinical spell allowed India to stay afloat in the competition. Skipper Mitchell Santner tried to go big after he struck two huge sixes made a notable contribution before he was dismissed by Chakravarthy.

Telangana, Delhi secure victories on Day 2 of 15th Hockey India Senior Women National Championship 2025



AGENCY

PANCHKULA : The second day of 15th Hockey India Senior Women National Championship, held at the Tau Devi Lal Hockey Stadium, Panchkula saw Telangana Hockey and Delhi Hockey claim victories in Division B while Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Hockey won their Division C match.

In Pool A of Division B, Telangana Hockey started their campaign on a high with a 3-1 win over Assam Hockey to open the day's events. Assam Hockey struck the first blow with an impressive field goal by Captain Munmuni Das (14'); however, Telangana Hockey were prompt with their reply as they registered three quick goals in the second quarter itself from Prativa Kindo (23'), Sumi Mundari (26') and Pooja Rathod (28') to win the match.

In the second Division B match of the day, Delhi Hockey built on their win from yesterday as they edged out Hockey Himachal 1-0 in Pool B. Neha (14') successfully converted a penalty corner in the first quarter to score the match's only goal. Delhi Hockey's resilient defending over the next three quarters ensured they claimed all the points and continued their winning streak.

Shafali Verma reflects on her match-winning knock, DC's dominant show



AGENCY

BENGALURU : Young batter Shafali Verma reflected on her match-winning knock against the Royal Challengers Bengaluru on Saturday and said she backed herself to stay longer on the crease and was confident of things getting easier for her.

The Delhi Capitals Women Team stormed into the playoffs of the Women's Premier League (WPL) 2025 with a dominant nine-wicket win over the home side, Royal Challengers Bengaluru, at M Chinnaswamy Stadium on Saturday, as per a Delhi Capitals press release.

Debutant N Charani and Shikha Pandey scalped two wickets each to restrict the home side to 147/5 in 20 overs. Delhi Capitals then chased down the target in just 15.3 overs, riding on fifties from Shafali Verma and Jess Jonassen.

This was the Delhi Capitals' second consecutive win on back-to-back nights, making them the first team to qualify for the playoffs in the tournament.

Player of the Match Shafali Verma, who scored an unbeaten 80 off 43 balls, said, "As a batter, you have to start from zero every time, even if you're playing on consecutive days. Our bowlers did a great job in the first innings, and our planning has been going well. We've been executing our plans perfectly."

"Early on during the chase, they were getting a lot of assistance, but once we settled in, we were able to play our shots confidently. I backed myself to stay at the crease. I knew that if I spent some time in the middle, my eyesight would adjust, and things would get easier. Once Jess and I settled in, the runs started flowing," she added, as quoted by Delhi Capitals press release

Vidarbha clinch third Ranji Trophy title



NAGPUR: Vidarbha exorcised the ghosts of their 2023-24 heartbreak in the most emphatic way, clinching their third Ranji Trophy title with a commanding performance against Kerala.

They fought hard to secure the crucial first-innings lead and then batted for nearly five sessions in the second innings to grind down their opponents. The victory was made even sweeter as it unfolded in front of 3,000 home fans at the VCA Stadium in Nagpur, where captain Akshay Wadkar proudly lifted the trophy, as per ESPNcricinfo.

The final day started with a glimmer of hope for Kerala. When Nair fell after adding just three runs to his overnight 132, and Harsh Dubey was trapped LBW by Eden Apple Tom, it seemed another twist was in store.

The belief grew stronger when Wadkar was bowled by a delivery that stayed low, and Aditya Sarwate celebrated wildly after dismissing him. Sarwate, who had shared many key moments with Wadkar, now had three wickets and Kerala's prayers behind him.

However, Akshay Karnewar, a spinner who hadn't played a major role with the ball, stepped up with a crucial 30-run knock. He batted for a long time, taking precious minutes out of the game. By the time Darshan Nalkande smashed a half-century, Kerala's hopes had faded. At 2:20 PM, the stumps were drawn with tea approaching, and Vidarbha were officially crowned champions.

Vidarbha had been relentless throughout the season, reaching the semi-finals with the joint-most wins alongside Mumbai. Their title win was a team effort, led by Nair, scoring his fourth century of the season, and 21-year-old Malewar, contributing a vital half-century.

Their success wasn't just about individual brilliance--it was about a collective effort.

ELECTION NOTICE

THE CHANDIGARH PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA SECRETARIAT EMPLOYEES COOP HB 1ST SOCIETY LTD. SECTOR 49-D, CHANDIGARH

It is to inform all the respected members that the election programme of The Chandigarh Punjab Vidhan Sabha Secretariat Employees Coop HB 1st Society Ltd. Sec 49-D, Chandigarh is as under-

No.	Particulars	Date	Time & Venue etc.
1	Publication of Notice	03-03-2025	
2	Filing of Nomination Papers	20-03-2025	10.00 AM to 11.00 AM
3	Scrutiny of Nomination Papers	20-03-2025	11.00 AM to 11.30 AM
4	Display of list of validly nominated candidates	20-03-2025	11.30 AM TO 12.00 NOON
5	Objection, if any	20-03-2025	12.00 PM to 12.30 PM
6	Withdrawal of Candidature	20-03-2025	12.30 PM to 01.00 PM
7	Display of list of Candidates after Withdrawal	20-03-2025	01.00 PM to 01.30 PM
8	Allotment of Symbols (if necessary)	20-03-2025	01.30 PM to 02.00 PM
9	Venue for Sr. No. 1. to 8	Central Park in Society campus	
10	Declaration of result after nomination (where no polling is to be held)	21-03-2025	If the number of contesting candidates is less than or equal to the number of seats then the result will be declared within one hours.
11	Date & Time for Polling (if necessary)	21-03-2025	03:00 PM TO 05:00 PM
12	Counting of vates and declaration of result after polling	21-03-2025	Where polling is conducted, the counting & declaration of result will be made within one hours (depends upon the number of members)
13	Venue for Sr. No. 11 & 12	Central Park in Society campus	

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POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Vastu Housing Finance Corporation Limited under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred to him under section 13 (12) read with Rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice calling upon the borrowers mentioned herein below to repay the amount mentioned in therespective notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on me under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 9 of the said rules on the date mentioned below.

The borrower and guarantor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Vastu Housing Finance Corporation Limited Branch for an amount metioned as below and interest thereon, costs etc.

S N	Name of Borrower, Co-Borrower and LAN No.	Date & Amount of Demand Notice	Description of Property	Date & Type of Possession
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1) ਸ੍ਰੀਮਤੀ ਪਰਮਿੰਦਰ ਕੌਰ (ਪਤਨੀ)

2) ਸ੍ਰੀ ਖੁਸ਼ਪਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਸਿੱਧੂ (ਪੁੱਤਰ) ਜਿਸਨੇ ਆਪਣੀ ਮਾਤਾ ਸ੍ਰੀਮਤੀ ਪਰਮਿੰਦਰ ਕੌਰ ਨੂੰ ਵਸੀਕਾ ਨੂੰ 462 ਮਿਤੀ 27.01.2025 ਰਾਹੀਂ ਆਪਣਾ ਮੁਖਤਿਆਰ ਆਮ ਮੁਕੱਰਰ ਕੀਤਾ ਹੈ।

ਮ੍ਰਿਤਕ ਅਲਾਟੀ ਦੇ ਉਕਤ ਵਾਰਸਾਂ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਉਕਤ ਸਾਈਟ ਦੀ ਮਲਕੀਅਤ ਆਪਣੇ ਨਾਮ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਵਿਖੇ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕੀਤੇ ਹਨ। ਉਕਤ ਸਾਈਟ ਦੀ ਮਲਕੀਅਤ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਕਰਨ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਕੇਸ ਮਿਲਖ ਅਫਸਰ, ਬੀ.ਡੀ.ਏ/ਪੁੱਡਾ, ਬਠਿੰਡਾ ਦੇ ਦਫਤਰ ਵਿਖੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ ਅਧੀਨ ਹੈ। ਕਿਉਂਜੋ ਹੁਣ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਪਰਗਟ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਬਲਵਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਦੀ ਮੌਤ ਹੋ ਚੁੱਕੀ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਪਲਾਟ ਨੂੰ 743 ਫੇਜ 3. ਪਾਰਟ 2. ਬਠਿੰਡਾ ਨੂੰ ਉਕਤ ਵਾਰਸਾਂ ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਕਰਨ ਤੋਂ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਆਮ ਅਤੇ ਖਾਸ ਨੂੰ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਵਾਰਸਾ ਸਰਟੀਫਿਕੇਟ ਬਾਰੇ ਕਿਸੇ ਨੂੰ ਕੋਈ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਹੋਵੇ ਤਾਂ ਅਸਾਲਤਨ ਜਾਂ ਵਕਾਲਤਨ ਇਸ ਵਿਗਿਆਪਨ ਦੀ ਮਿਤੀ ਤੋਂ 15 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ ਅੰਦਰ ਆਪਣਾ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਮਿਲਖ ਅਫਸਰ, ਬੀ.ਡੀ.ਏ./ਪੁੱਡਾ, ਬਠਿੰਡਾ ਪਾਸ ਲਿਖਤੀ ਰੂਪ ਵਿੱਚ ਦੇ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ। ਨਿਸ਼ਚਿਤ ਮਿਤੀ ਅਤੇ ਸਮੇਂ ਤੇ ਬਾਅਦ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਹੋਣ ਵਾਲੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਤੇ ਕੋਈ ਵਿਚਾਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇਗਾ ਸ਼ਰਤਾਂ/ਨਿਯਮਾਂ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਉਕਤ ਮਕਾਨ ਦੀ ਮਾਲਕੀ ਉਕਤ ਵਾਰਸ ਦੇ ਨਾਂ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਕਰ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ।

ਮਿਲਖ ਅਫਸਰ, ਬੀ.ਡੀ.ਏ ਬਠਿੰਡਾ।

Mrunal Thakur turns 'Pookie' again, leaves fans in splits with her "gravity test"





Mrunal Thakur never misses an opportunity to entertain her fans with her quirky videos.

On Saturday, the actress took to her Instagram to share a goofy video, calling herself 'Pookie Thakur.'

The clip posted on her social media shows Mrunal attempting funny stunts. In the first part of the video, Mrunal strikes a superhero pose on a moving walkway, likely at an airport. In the second part, she is seen jumping off a table during her makeup session. Though she doesn't fall, she lands awkwardly and tries to cover it up with a nervous yet adorable smile.

Along with the video, Mrunal added a hilarious caption that read, "I'm not clumsy; I'm just testing gravity! REGULARLY, you know. Love, Pookie Thakur."

Soon after she dropped the video, fans chimed in the comments section.

One user wrote, "This is just sooo cute," while another added, "You are just too funny, Mrunal."

Meanwhile, on the work front, Mrunal Thakur will next be seen in Dacoit, which also stars Adivi Sesh. The film was initially announced with Shruti Haasan as the lead actress.

In a statement, Mrunal revealed that her role in Dacoit allows her to explore new aspects of her acting career.

"The story of Dacoit is true in its essence, a great mix of rustic storytelling elevated by the stylized vision of both Adivi Sesh and Shaneil Deo. The character I'm set to portray will allow me to explore shades of an on-screen role that I haven't delved into before as an actor. This combination of genre and script is what makes Dacoit truly a treat for audiences. I can't wait to immerse myself in the world envisioned by Shaneil," she said. The film, produced by Supriya Yarlagadda and co-produced by Suniel Narang, is being shot simultaneously in Hindi and Telugu. Shaneil Deo is directing the project.

Vir Das takes dig at Mumbai's air pollution

Stand-up comedian and actor Vir Das, who has never shied away from talking about social issues, recently took a dig at Mumbai's worsening air pollution while humorously comparing breathing in the city to "smoking a cigarette."

Das took to his Instagram account to share a post that read, "I'll smoke a cigarette socially, maybe fifteen days a year. The remaining days, I'm a breathing Mumbaikar. Same taste. Today Mumbai was a Marlboro Light."

However, this is not the first time the stand-up comedian has raised concerns about the city's Air Quality Index.

Just last month, Das shared a long note about how pollution is becoming a major issue for everyone and pointed out that if strict action is not taken soon, future generations will suffer.

"Unless something drastic is done, the legacy of each government is going to be the pollution they let us live in. This point will probably be taken up when we realise the long-term effects it had on the generation just born, and those in old age too. Right now, it feels like new pollution, doesn't it? And if we think it's unrealistic, they'd let us live like that for a decade," read his Instagram post.

"Some drastic policy decisions need to happen. Goes without saying that the decisions will make us hugely unhappy in the interim. We will moan like we did when we got new airports and new bridges, but it will eventually be worth it. I'm just saying it's 7:30 a.m., and the AQI is 170. At this time, there are kids going to school and old people on walks. Air isn't political, air doesn't care about your income status, air isn't religious, air isn't patriotic, air doesn't vote. If there's one thing worth fixing, it's the air," he added.

Alexandra Daddario responds to critics who call her "bad actress"



Actress Alexandra Daddario, who received a nomination for the Primetime Emmy Award for Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Limited or Anthology Series or Movie for the satirical series 'The White Lotus', responded to the critics who questioned her acting skills. "That I'm a bad actress. I'm not a bad actress," she said adding, "I've just done some projects that don't showcase me in the way that I should be showcased. Okay? Director and the writing is everything, and sometime's I'm lit poorly, but I'm not a bad actress. I got an Emmy nomination. How do you think I did that?," reported Deadline.

Following her Emmy-nominated portrayal of newlywed journalist Rachel Patton in the show's inaugural season, which was set in Hawaii in 2021, Daddario shared that The White Lotus creator Mike White had plans for Rachel and husband Shane (Jake Lacy) to return for a cameo in a future season, as per the outlet.

"Shane and I would be on a boat, talking about other people, annoying everyone around us," she explained.

"Mike's brain is always working. That's the whole thing with his commentary on the world around him: He's always observing," according to Deadline.

In 2022, Daddario shared that "my agent hasn't reached out yet" about a Season 2 appearance; perhaps the characters will make a return for the current third season, set in Thailand.

Daddario is currently starring as Rowan Fielding on Mayfair Witches, reported Deadline.

'Sonchiriya' clocks 6 years: Bhumi Pednekar calls it one of her "most beloved films"



As the 2019 action-drama 'Sonchiriya' turned six on Saturday, actress Bhumi Pednekar took a moment to reflect on the film, calling it "one of her most beloved" projects.

The film also starred the late actor Sushant Singh Rajput and was praised for its raw storytelling and powerful performances.

On Saturday, Bhumi took to her Instagram account to share a series of behind-the-scenes pictures from the sets of Sonchiriya, including two with Sushant.

Along with the pictures, she wrote, "6 years to a film that is one of my most beloved for many, many reasons. #Sonchiriya." Sonchiriya was a slow-burning thriller based on the life of the dacoits of the Chambal district. It had an ensemble cast featuring Bhumi, Sushant, Manoj Bajpayee, and Ranveer Shorey, among others. Its dialogues were entirely in the Bundeli dialect.

Although the film did not perform well at the box office, it received critical acclaim for its storytelling, cinematography, and strong performances.

Earlier this week, the actress also celebrated 10 years of her rom-com 'Dum Laga Ke Haisha', which starred actor Ayushmann Khurrana in the lead role.

Meanwhile, on the work front, Bhumi is currently seen in 'Mere Husband Ki Biwi', which also stars actors Arjun Kapoor and Rakul Preet Singh.

The film also features Dino Morea, Harsh Gujral, Shakti Kapoor, and others. Mudassar Aziz, who previously helmed projects like Khel Khel Mein and Pati Patni Aur Woh, has directed Mere Husband Ki Biwi.

Presented by Vashu Bhagnani and Puja Films and produced by Vashu Bhagnani, Jackky Bhagnani, and Deepshikha Deshmukh, Mere Husband Ki Biwi was released in theatres on February 21.

Vidya Balan alerts fans to fake AI-generated video



Actress Vidya Balan has taken a firm stand against the misuse of artificial intelligence after discovering that a deepfake video featuring her is circulating online.

The 'Kahaani' actress took to Instagram to alert her followers about the manipulated content and clarify that she has no connection with it. Sharing the deepfake video along with a statement, Vidya wrote, "There are multiple videos currently circulating on social media and WhatsApp, which appear to feature me. However, I want to clarify that the videos are AI-generated and inauthentic." She emphasised that she had no involvement in creating or distributing the video and does not endorse its content in any manner. Vidya further urged her fans to be cautious and verify information before sharing such content. "Any claims made in the videos should not be attributed to me, as it does not reflect my views or work. I urge everyone to verify information before sharing and be cautious of misleading AI-generated content," she wrote. Deepfake technology, which enables the creation of highly realistic yet fabricated videos, has increasingly targeted celebrities. Several Indian film personalities, including Rashmika Mandanna, Alia Bhatt, Deepika Padukone, Katrina Kaif, Aamir Khan, and Ranveer Singh, among others, have previously been victims of similar manipulations.

What happens when curiosity turns into obsession? Find out in Pati Patni Aur Padosan– streaming now exclusively on Hungama OTT

CHANDIGARH: Hungama OTT, one of India's leading digital entertainment platforms, launched its original suspense crime-thriller, Pati Patni Aur Padosan on February 20, 2025. Streaming exclusively on Hungama OTT, the series promises an intense blend of mystery, crime, and psychological drama, with unexpected twists and turns that will keep viewers guessing until the very end. Directed by Raaj Shetty, it is brought to life by the talents of Yukti Kapoor, Muohit Joushi, and Charu Mehra.



Set against the backdrop of a small town, Pati Patni Aur Padosan follows Pratibha (Yukti Kapoor), a curious middle-class housewife, whose life takes a dangerous turn when she grows obsessed with her mysterious new neighbour, Sagarika (Charu Mehra), who seems to be on the run. As Pratibha unravels Sagarika's dark past, she must protect her husband (Muohit Joushi) from the lurking danger before he falls prey to her deadly intentions. With a suspense-filled narrative that spans six episodes, the crime-thriller explores themes of deception, obsession, and the complexities of human nature.

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