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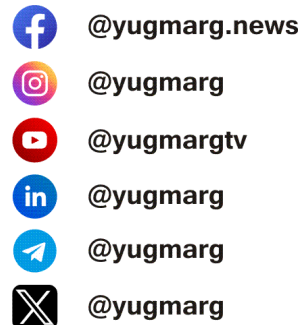
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PM Modi, Elon Musk discuss collaboration in technology and innovation sectors



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NEW DELHI, APRIL 18**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi held a telephonic conversation with Tesla CEO Elon Musk on Friday and discussed the immense potential for collaboration in the technology and innovation sectors.

PM Modi expressed India's commitment to advancing India's partnership with the US in these domains. PM Modi said that they held talks on various issues, including the topics they covered during their meeting in the US in February this year.

In a post on X, PM Modi stated, "Spoke to @elonmusk and talked about various issues, including the topics we covered

during our meeting in Washington DC earlier this year. We discussed the immense potential for collaboration in the areas of technology and innovation. India remains committed to advancing our partnerships with the US in these domains."

Earlier in February, Elon Musk called on PM Modi at Blair House in Washington, DC. During the meeting, PM Modi and Musk discussed strengthening collaboration between entities of India and the US in innovation, space exploration, artificial intelligence, and sustainable development.

PM Modi and Elon Musk also spoke about opportunities to deepen cooperation in emerging technologies, entrepreneurship and good governance. Musk, who

PM to inaugurate Vizhinjam International Seaport on May 2

Thiruvananthapuram : Prime Minister Narendra Modi will on May 2 inaugurate Vizhinjam International Seaport, a strategic maritime project near Thiruvananthapuram in Kerala. Making the announcement, Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan said Vizhinjam is India's first semi-automated trans-shipment port. "Vizhinjam International Seaport, India's first semi-automated transshipment port, will be dedicated to the nation by Hon'ble PM @narendramodi on May 2. With 265 ships and 5.48 lakh TEUs handled since commercial launch, @PortVizhinjam marks Kerala's rise on the global maritime trade map," Vijayan said in a post on X.

heads the US Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE), was accompanied by three of his children.

In a statement, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) said, "Prime Minister and Mr. Musk discussed strengthening collaboration between Indian and US entities in innovation, space exploration, artificial intelligence, and sustainable development.

Chhattisgarh: 22 Naxals surrender in Sukma



**AGENCY
SUKMA, APRIL 18**

Twenty-two Naxals, including nine women, surrendered in Chhattisgarh's Sukma on Friday in the presence of Superintendent of Police (SP) Kiran Gangaram Chavan.

Following the surrender, speaking to the media, Sukma SP Kiran Gangaram Chavan said that the surrendered Naxalites would receive all benefits under the government's surrender policy.

"The surrendered Naxalites hail from Maad (Chhattisgarh) and Nuapada (Odisha) divisions. The Naxalites will be given all the benefits provided by the government. "There are Naxalites of different ranks who have surrendered. Some Naxalites have a bounty of Rs5 lakhs, while others have a bounty of Rs8 lakhs," Sukma SP said. Earlier this week, twenty-six Maoists, three of them carrying cash rewards, surrendered before enior police and Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) officials in Dantewada.

The surrender took place at the District Reserve Guard (DRG) headquarters as part

of the ongoing 'Lon Varratu' (Come Home) campaign, which aims to reintegrate former extremists into mainstream society.

The surrender was facilitated by the joint efforts of the district police, CRPF, and the state's special rehabilitation policy. As part of the state government's new rehabilitation policy, each surrendered Maoist will receive Rs 50,000 in immediate assistance and access to a range of benefits, including skill development training and agricultural land.

Earlier, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai credited his government's efforts to work on rehabilitation policies, which resulted in the surrender of about 1,314 Naxalites. He said that Naxalism was "breathing its last" in the state. Speaking at the 'Vichaar for Viksit Chhattisgarh' conclave to ANI, Chief Minister Sai said that the state government has provided nearly 15,000 accommodations under the PM Awas Yojana for those who have surrendered to join the mainstream. He said that the government was also working on providing "skill development" training to the surrendered Naxalites so that they could become employable.

ED attaches Rs 121.80 crore assets in money laundering case of Neomax



**AGENCY
NEW DELHI, APRIL 18**

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has attached movable and immovable properties in various places across Tamil Nadu valued at Rs 121.80 crore in the case of Neomax Properties Private Ltd and its group companies.

These properties were attached on April 9 under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002, in the case against Neomax Properties Private Ltd and its group companies—Garlando Properties Private Ltd., Transco Properties Private Ltd., Tridas Properties Private Ltd., Glowmax Properties Private Ltd and its directors and shareholders, namely Kamalakannan,

Balasubramanian, Veerasakthi, Charles and others.

ED's Chennai zonal office is attached to movable and immovable properties in various locations across Tamil Nadu. The market value of the attached properties is around Rs 600 crore. This attachment follows the Provisional Attachment of properties valued at Rs 117 crore on December 15, 2023, by the ED, which has been confirmed by the PMLA Adjudicating Authority.

The market value of those properties was confirmed to be Rs 207 crore. ED initiated an investigation on the basis of the FIR registered by the Economic Offences Wing (EOW), Madurai, against Neomax Properties Pvt Ltd and its Group companies.

Pb likely to extend Amritpal's detention under NSA by a year

**BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, APRIL 18**

The Punjab government is learnt to have decided to extend the detention of radical preacher and Khadoor Sahib MP Amritpal Singh under the National Security Act by a year, sources said on Friday.

Singh (32), currently lodged in a prison in Assam's Dibrugarh, was detained under the National Security Act (NSA) after his arrest on April 23, 2023.

Earlier, the state government did not extend the detention of Singh's nine associates, who have been brought back to Punjab from the Dibrugarh jail.

Arrested in connection with the



2023 Ajnala police station attack, these nine aides were brought back to Punjab in batches after their detention under the NSA ended.

They have been identified as Basant Singh, Bhagwant Singh alias Pradhan Mantri Bajek, Gurmeet Singh Gill alias Gurmeet Bukkanwala, Sarabjeet Singh Kalsi alias Daljeet Singh Kalsi, Gurinderpal Singh Aujla alias Guri Aujla, Harjeet Singh alias Chacha, Kulwant Singh Dhalwal alias Kulwant Singh, Varinder Johal and Pappalpreet Singh.

Amritpal Singh, chief of the outfit 'Waris Punjab De', successfully contested the 2024 Lok Sabha polls as an Independent nominee from Khadoor Sahib in Tarn Taran district.

The radical preacher, who styled

himself after slain Khalistani militant Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale, was arrested from Rode village in Moga district on April 23, 2023, following over a month-long manhunt.

The Khalistani sympathiser escaped the police net in Jalandhar district on March 18, 2023, by switching vehicles and changing his appearance.

Punjab Police launched the crackdown after the February 23, 2023, Ajnala incident in which Amritpal and his supporters, some of them brandishing swords and guns, allegedly broke through the barricades barged into the police station on the outskirts of Amritsar, and clashed with the cops for the release of his aides.

FBI arrests Indian national wanted for multiple terror attacks in Punjab

**UNI
WASHINGTON/NEW DELHI, APR 18**

The US Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) announced that it has arrested Harpreet Singh, wanted in India for multiple terror attacks in Punjab. He has links with Pakistan's ISI and Khalistani terror group Babbar Khalsa International (BKI). The FBI in a social media post said: "Today, Harpreet Singh, an alleged terrorist responsible for terror attacks in Punjab, India, was arrested by the FBI & ERO in Sacramento."

"Linked to two international terrorist groups, he entered the U.S. illegally and used burner phones to evade capture."



'Jaat' movie sparks row, FIR against Sunny Deol, Randeep Hooda in Punjab



**BUREAU
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A case has been registered against Bollywood actors Sunny Deol, Randeep Hooda and Vineet Kumar Singh for hurting religious sentiments with a scene in their newly-released film 'Jaat'.

The First Information Report (FIR) was filed by the Jalandhar police on Wednesday under Section 299 (deliberate and malicious acts intended to outrage religious feelings) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS). It was also registered against the film's director, Gopichand Malineni, and its producers.

One of the scenes in the

film, which was released on April 10, has "deeply hurt the religious sentiments of the entire Christian community", the complainant said. He alleged that disrespect was shown towards Jesus Christ. The scene in 'Jaat' reportedly shows Mr Hooda's character standing under a crucifix inside a church, right above the holy pulpit, as people are praying. It reportedly includes scenes of intimidation and unruly behaviour. "The director, writer and producer deliberately released this film during the holy month of Good Friday and Easter so that the Christians get angry and riots break out in the entire country."

Haryana : Over 10 Lakh challans issued for traffic rule violation in first quarter

**BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, APRIL 18**

Haryana Police has intensified its road safety campaign and issued a total of 10,13,422 challans for traffic rule violations in the first quarter of 2025 (January 1 to March 31). This initiative by the police is a commendable step toward encouraging traffic rule compliance and reducing road accidents across the state.

According to data received from Police Headquarters, out of the total challans issued, 5,63,485 were through CCTV cameras, 4,49,931 via e-challan machines, and only 6 challans were issued manually. This



clearly indicates that Haryana Police is steadily moving toward making the challan system fully technology-driven.

The highest number of challans

CM given sole authority to approve re-employment of retiring govt staff

CHANDIGARH: Giving re-employment to any govt employee in Haryana will henceforth be the sole prerogative of the chief minister and will not require any approval from the state cabinet. The state govt has authorised the chief minister to make decisions on behalf of the council of ministers about granting re-employment to retiring officers in the state. The chief secretary's office Thursday issued a letter in the form of formal instructions in this regard.

were issued for riding without a helmet, totaling 2,82,020. This was followed by speeding cases at

1,97,661, absence of pollution control certificate at 1,32,267, lack of third-party insurance at 1,12,055,

wrong parking at 1,26,012, and driving in the wrong direction at 1,09,673.

In 2025, Haryana Police also took strict action against the use of modified silencers that produce firecracker-like noises on Bullet motorcycles. From January to March 2025, 2,049 such vehicles were challaned. The modified silencers installed in these vehicles were seized and destroyed. These vehicles create loud noises that cause public inconvenience, and the sudden loud sounds pose a risk to nearby drivers, potentially leading to road accidents. Similarly, strict action was also taken against the use of black film on vehicle windows.

Škoda Auto India follows successful launch of Kylaq with the all-new Škoda Kodiaq at the top of the range AMRITSAR-After the successful launch of the Škoda Kodiaq range, Škoda Auto India is now announcing a new car at the other end of the spectrum - with the launch of the all-new generation of its luxury 4x4 SUV, the Kodiaq. Its second generation in India and internationally, the brand-new Kodiaq arrives in India with its signature blend of luxury, refinement, off-road ability, on-road dynamics and seven-seat versatility. Petr Janeba, Brand Director, Škoda Auto India shares, "In March, we recorded our biggest ever monthly sales in India, driven by the Kylaq launch, and supported by the Kushaq and Slavia. This is one of many new records we aim to set this year. In line with our product offensive strategy, the launch of the all-new Kodiaq showcases the other end of our product spectrum with Škoda's luxury and technology prowess.

Manohar Lal inspects land of Central Govt in Nilokheri talks to farmers

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: Union Power, Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal inspected the vacant land of the Central Government in Nilokheri on Friday. During the inspection, Manohar Lal instructed the officials to prepare a report of the documents related to this land and send it to his office. After this further action will be taken. He said that the land of the Central Government's government press in Nilokheri is vacant



at this time, a press used to run on this land many years ago which is now closed. This land belongs to the Housing and Urban Department of the Central

Government, he said that a review was done earlier related to this land and today he himself has come to inspect this land, he will put a proposal related to this land

“Think Big, Embrace the Journey”: Sanjay Mishra Inspires Budding Creatives at LPU's Xpressions 2025

JSSODHI
JALANDHAR: Over 4,000 students from 40+ universities across India gathered at Lovely Professional University (LPU) for Xpressions 2025, the annual media fest organized by the School of Liberal and Creative Arts

(Journalism). Bollywood actor Sanjay Mishra inaugurated the grand event, urging young minds to “think big” and embrace both the good and bad in life's journey. More than 400 students participated in competitions like Media Quiz, Photography, Short

Films, RJ & Anchor Hunt, and Ad-Mad Show. Mishra engaged the audience with heartfelt stories from his journey from Bihar to Bollywood, encouraging students to pursue creativity fearlessly. LPU Pro-Chancellor Col. Dr. Rashmi Mittal emphasized the

educational importance of such events, stating they promote critical thinking, collaboration, and ethical storytelling. Xpressions 2025 proved to be a vibrant showcase of media talent and a vital platform for experiential learning.

Paryavaran Sanrakshan Samiti deliberates on importance of water in life: S.D. Arora

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: Today, a meeting was held in Sector-13 by Paryavaran Sanrakshan Samiti, Registered, Karnal. The committee members said that nowadays there are a lot of problems with water. When we wake up early in the morning, there is no water in many places. Even if it comes, the water pressure is very low and water does not reach the first floor as well. Due to which, people living on the first and second floors face a lot of shortage of water. They cannot get ready after bathing on time and also get late in cooking food. Children also get late in

going to school. Chairman S.D. Arora said that why is water necessary for life? Because 1. Water is used for drinking. 2. Water is used for cooking food. 3. Water is used for bathing. 4. Water is used for cleaning. 5. Water is used for washing clothes. 6. Water is used for irrigation. 7. Water is used for making houses and roads etc. 8. Water is used for making electricity. 9. Water is used for extinguishing fire. The Committee Chairman has said that water is very necessary for living and it is our responsibility to save it. So do not waste water for washing vehicles by installing pipes for drinking water.

Classified

I Amar Jeet Singh son of Mahendra Singh Kumar resident of Ward-3 Tehsil Indri (Karnal) inform that both Amarjeet Singh and Amar Jeet Singh are my names. In future I should be known as Amar Jeet Singh.

100046

I Sukhbeer kaur W/O Dilbag Singh R/O Village Budhanpur Viran tehsil and district karnal, declare that I have changed my name from Sukhbeer kaur to Sukhbir kaur. In future, I should be known and identified by the name of Sukhbir kaur.

100046

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Ajay Kumar (Old Name, which is to be changed) S/o Nagar Mal Goyal R/o Barwala Distt. Hisar (Haryana)-125121 declare that I am a permanent resident of Barwala Distt. Hisar. That my old name is Ajay Kumar and I want to change my name to Ajay Kumar Goyal (New Name). That neither any court case is any court nor is any bank loan is pending against my old name. That I will be solely responsible myself for any illegal activity, if any, is carried out by me after changing my name.

72783

I, Parveen Kumar Aggarwal S/o Sh. Shanker Lal Aggarwal Rio House No. Z4 05436, St. No.2, Nai Abadi, Abohar, Tehsil-Abohar (District-Fazilka) do hereby solemnly affirm and de-clare as under:-That I am known by the following names:- (a) Parveen Kumar Aggarwal S/o Sh. Shanker Lal Aggarwal (b) Parveen Kumar Aggarwal S/o Sh. Shanker Lal. That in Aadhar Card and Pan Card my name is recorded as Parveen Kumar Aggarwal S/o Sh. Shanker Lal Aggarwal and in my passport my name is re-corded as Parveen Kumar Aggarwal S/o Sh. Shanker Lal. That Shanker Lal Aggarwal and Shanker Lal one and the same person i.e. my father.

451256

I Jung Singh S/o Nand Ram R/o Vpo Jand Mangoli Sub Tehsil Ghanour Rajpura Distt Patiala Declare That My Son Baljit Singh His Out Of My Control. So I Diwoned Him From All My Movable And Immovable Properties. Anybody Dealing With Him On Thier Own Riks.

50008

I, Gurjit Singh S/o Maghar Singh R/o Vill: Chak Kalan Teh-Ludhiana Distt. Ludhiana declare that my son Jaswinder Singh alias Babbu is out of my control. So I disown with him from my moveable/immovable property. If any body dealing with him at his/her own risk.

63372

I, Nitish S/o Shashi Pal R/o St.No.1 W.No.8 New Punjabi Bagh Tibba Road Ludhiana, declare that my father's name, Sis Pal S/o Hakam Rai, was mistakenly recorded in the revenue records. While according to the ID proof, my father's correct name is Shashi Pal S/o Chetan Das S/o Hakam Rai. My father's name should be corrected as Shashi Pal S/o Chetan Das S/o Hakam Rai instead of Sis Pal S/o Hakam Rai in the revenue records.

63372

I, Asha W/o Bal Krishan R/o H.No. 8200/3A St.No. 15 W.No. 27 New Maya Nagar Durga Puri Haiwobal Kalan (Ludhiana) declare that in my son Puranjay Sharma School record my name wrongly entered Asha Sharma. But my correct name is Asha. So amended my name from Asha Sharma to Asha in my son school record.

63372

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Sukhpal Singh holder of Indian Passport No. B8717742 issued at Vancouver on 08/03/2024 permanent resident of Village Urna, PO Bharthala, Tehsil Samrala, Khanna, Ludhiana Pin 141114 Punjab, India and presently residing at 3476-Sidegrove Court, Abbotsford, BC Canada V2T 6S9 do hereby change my name from Sukhpal Singh to Sukhpal Singh Bhatti with immediate effect.

63372

I, Harjinder W/o Jaspal Singh R/o H.No. 120 Vill: Khizarabad Teh-Kharar Distt. SAS Nagar (Mohali) declare that in my son Karanbir Singh 10th Class my name wrongly entered Harjinder Kaur. But my correct name is Harjinder. So amended my name from Harjinder Kaur to Harjinder in my son 10th Class.

I, Hitherto Known As Babli Makol W/O Jiwan Kumar R/O H. No. 4706, Mohal Lal Street, Muktsar, Distt. Sri Muktsar Sahib, Punjab- 152026, Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Babli Rani. It Is Certified That I Have Complied With Other Legal Requirements In This Connection.

63372

I, Hitherto Known As Simmi Thakur W/O Prince, R/O Vill Dugri Rajputtan, P.O. Tanda Ram Sahai, Teh Mukerian, Distt Hoshiarpur, Punjab- 144214, Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Simmi Bawa. It Is Certified That I Have Complied With Other Legal Requirements In This Connection.

63372

I, Hitherto Known As Angrej Singh S/O Nachhattar Singh, R/O Vill Rania, Tehsil Nihal Singh Wala, Distt Moga, Punjab- 142055, Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Gurmej Singh. It Is Certified That I Have Complied With Other Legal Requirements In This Connection.

63372

I, Kuldeep Kumar S/O Garib Das, R/ H. No. 395, Ward No. 17, Sunder Nagar, Hoshiarpur, Distt Hoshiarpur, Punjab-146001, Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Kuldeep Kumar. It Is Certified That I Have Complied With Other Legal Requirements In This Connection.

63372

I Gurpreet Kaur W/o Baldev Singh R/o Vpo: Sarian Jattan, Tehsil: Sultapur Lodhi, Distt: Kapurthala declare that Baldev Singh Dhillon and Baldev Singh both names are my husband one and same person. Everybody Known my Husband that both names. please note.

63372

I, Kulwinder Singh Bassi S/o Mohan Singh Bassi R/o Village Rangra, Tehsil Nakodar, District Jalandhar Have Changed The Name Of My Minor Daughter Balpreet Kaur To Balpreet Kaur Bassi. All Concerned Please Note.

777886

I, Lakhvir Kaur W/o Kulwinder Singh Bassi R/o Village Rangra, Tehsil Nakodar, District Jalandhar Have Changed My Name From Lakhvir Kaur To Lakhvir Kaur Bassi. All Concerned Please Note.

777886

PUBLIC NOTICE
Court of Tehsildar-cum-Sub Registrar, Jind
Subject: Ved Prakash son Late Sri Ramchand, Resident of D-58B, Sector 1, Preeti Awasika, Delhi 85 – Versus – General Public
Through this public notice, it is hereby informed to all concerned and the general public that my father, Late Sri Amar Chand, passed away on 14/01/2020, and my mother, Late Smt. Sushil Kumar, passed away on 08/04/1976. My brother, Satish Kumar, Son Late Sri Amar Chand, also passed away on 20/08/2020 & I property – House No. 425/1, Area 130 square yards, located in Vid Nagar, Jind (Tehsil & District Jind), is registered in the name of Satish Kumar and Late Smt. Sushil Kumar since 14/02/2009 in the office of Sub Registrar, Jind. Satish Kumar was unmarried. Other than his brother Satish Kumar Son Late Sri Amar Chand, Satish Kumar has no other legal heirs/consent. Therefore, through this public notice, it is informed to all concerned and the general public that if anyone has any doubt or objection regarding the aforementioned deceased person's legal heirs/consent, they may present their objection either in person or through their legal representative within 30 days from the publication of this notice, on any working day of this office. This notice is issued under my signature and the official seal of the court on 17/04/2025.
Reference No.: 218/HC
Date: 17/04/2025
Sub-Registrar, Jind

PUBLIC NOTICE
Court of Tehsildar-cum-Sub Registrar, Jind
Subject: Ved Prakash son Late Sri Ramchand, Resident of House No. 417B, Old Colony, District Jind – Versus – General Public
Through this public notice, it is hereby informed to all concerned and the general public that my father, Late Sri Ramchand, passed away on 15/09/1999. My mother, Sushila Devi, also passed away on 03/04/2003. My late father owned a plot of 400 square yards located in Adarsh Colony, Nawana Road, District Jind and the same is at my father's name. My late father's legal heirs are: Late Sri Prakash – Son Chand Prakash – Son Vijay Kumar – Son Dharam Singh (Legal Heirs of Late Sri Ramchand). Late Sri Ramchand has no other legal heirs. Apart from the above, there are no other legal heirs of the deceased. Therefore, through this public notice, all concerned and the general public are hereby informed that if anyone has any objection or doubt regarding the above-mentioned legal heirs/consent of the deceased, they may present their objection in person or through their legal representative within 30 days from the publication of this notice, on any working day of this office. This notice is issued under my signature and the official seal of the court on 17/04/2025.
Date: 17-04-2025
Sub-Registrar, Jind

PUBLIC NOTICE
BEFORE SH. NAVEEN, D.A.NCS, ASST. ESTATE OFFICER, U.T., CHANDIGARH.
Subject: Late Smt. Madan Ali Nareesh Kumar (deceased) in respect of RESIDENTIAL Site No.1212, Sector 42-B, Chandigarh (MT 1212/42) to the extent of 50% share on the basis of Intestate Deed of Late Smt. Madan Ali Nareesh Kumar. It is notified for the information of general public and all concerned that as per record of this office Smt. Madan Ali Nareesh Kumar is the owner/lessee of RESIDENTIAL Site No.1212, Sector 42-B, Chandigarh to the extent of 50% Share. It has been informed by Pooja Mehta Through GPA/SPA Nareesh Kumar Madan Alias Nareesh Kumar, Nareesh Kumar Madan Alias Nareesh Kumar that Smt. Madan Ali Nareesh Kumar expired on 07/09/2024 and they have also intimated the following legal heirs of the deceased owner/ lessee:- (1) Pooja Mehta (Daughter) (2) Nareesh Kumar Madan Alias Nareesh Kumar (Husband). Now, Pooja Mehta Through GPA/SPA Nareesh Kumar Madan Alias Nareesh Kumar, Nareesh Kumar Madan Alias Nareesh Kumar have applied for the Transfer of Ownership in respect of RESIDENTIAL Site No.1212, Sector 42-B, Chandigarh to the extent of 50% Share held by Late Smt. Madan Ali Nareesh Kumar in their favour, on the basis of Intestate Deed. If anybody has any information about any other legal heirs of the deceased other than mentioned above, the same may be intimated to the Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh, immediately. If anybody has any objection upon the mutation of the said share in the said property, in favour of the above named applicants, he/she/they may furnish the same in writing supported with affidavit duly attested by Magistrate/Notary in the office of the undersigned within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which the said share in the said property will be mutated accordingly in the name of above said beneficiaries, and no further claim whatsoever shall be entertained at any later stage.
SH. NAVEEN, D.A.NCS, ASSISTANT ESTATE OFFICER, EXERCISING THE POWERS OF ESTATE OFFICER, U.T., CHANDIGARH

COURT NOTICE
(U/o 5 Rule 20 CPC)
IN THE COURT OF Sh. Mohinder Pal Singh Libra Civil Judge (Junior Division)-20, Jalandhar
SACHIN BHANOT
Vs.
SATISH KUMAR
Suit for grant of decree for specific performance of agreement to sell.
Suit for grant of decree of Permanent Injunction as prayed for
Suit for grant of decree of Mandatory injunction
CNR No. PBJL02-003937-2024
Next Date: 07-05-2025
PUBLICATION ISSUED TO:
SATISH KUMAR
Father:- LATE VAISAKHI RAM
S/O SH. RAM CHAND R/O HNO 3295, SECTOR 27-D, CHANDIGARH
In above titled case, the defendant(s)/ respondent(s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant(s)/ respondent(s) should appear in person or through counsel on 07-05-2025 at 10.00 a.m.
For details login to
https://www.highcourtcchd.gov.in/?trs=district_notice&district=Jalandhar
Civil Judge (Junior Division)-20 Jalandhar
Dated, this day of 09-04-2025

I, Kulwinder Singh Bassi S/o Mohan Singh Bassi R/o Village Rangra, Tehsil Nakodar, District Jalandhar Have Changed The Name Of My Minor Daughter Prabhjot Kaur To Prabhjot Kaur Bassi. All Concerned Please Note.

777886

I, Kulwinder Singh S/o Mohan Singh Bassi R/o Village Rangra, Tehsil Nakodar, District Jalandhar Have Changed My Name From Kulwinder Singh To Kulwinder Singh Bassi. All Concerned Please Note.

777886

I RAVINDRA NATH father of No. 14853233A Sep Ajay Kumar Kharwar Unit 250 Coy ASC (SUP) Type 'G' C/o 56 APO My name wrongly entered as RAVINDRA KHARWAR in my son service record. My Correct name is RAVINDRA NATH

778934

I, Bimla W/o Mul Chand R/o Agroha (54), Hisar, Haryana- 125047 Have Changed My Name From Bimla To Vimla. Concerned Please Note.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
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LOST & FOUND
I Vishvakarma S/o Sh. Svaran Singh R/o Village Mandheri, Tehsil Shahabad, PS. Shahabad, District Kurukshetra have declared that my sale deed no. 1210 dated 19/07/2006 document of Smt. Raj Kumari have been lost in Shahabad on 16/06/2020. Whose DDR no. is 132320712501079.

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LOST & FOUND
I, Sandeep Kumar son of Jai Kishan, r/o Ward 8, Safidon, Distt. Jind declare that my original Sale Deed No.696 dated 27.09.1984 has been lost somewhere in Safidon on 14.04.2025. DDR No.132300512500842 is lodged in PS.Safidon.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE COURT OF SH. KARANDEEP SINGH, PCS, COLLECTOR-CUM-SUB DIVISIONAL MAGISTRATE, JAGRAON, Case No.02/2025
Subject: Appeal Partition Jarnail Singh & others vs Karam Singh & other, Village Walpur Kalan. Whereas, the Court of undersigned is satisfied that respondents could not be served via normal means of communication. That through this newspaper notice the following mentioned respondents are directed to appear in the court of undersigned on Dated-23.04.2025 (in person or through counsel). Otherwise Ex-parte proceedings shall be made and case will be decided on the basis of merit.
Respondents:-
1. Karam Singh, 2. Kesar Singh both Sons of Nath Singh, 3. Gurdev Kaur w/o Karam Singh s/o Nath Singh, 4. Mahinder Kaur w/o Ran: Saroop s/o Joginder Singh, 5. Baljinder Kaur w/o Daljit Singh s/o Jangir Singh, 6. Jaswinder Singh, 7. Satwinder Singh, 8. Bhupinder Kaur w/o Iqbal Singh s/o Niranjan Singh, 9. Sukhwinder Kaur, 10. Sarabjeet Kaur both D/o Major Singh s/o Nath Singh, 11. Karamjeet Kaur D/o Nath Singh s/o Bhagat Singh, 12. Jagjit Kaur w/o Balwant Singh s/o Nath Singh, 13. Sanjeev s/o Sat Prakash s/o Choudhary Ram, 14. Daljit Kaur D/o Babu Singh s/o Nath Singh, 15. Namrata Arora w/o Kamal Kant Arora s/o Inder Raj Arora, 16. Kuldeep Singh s/o Major Singh s/o Nath Singh All R/O Village Walpur Kalan Tehsil, Jagraon, Distt. Ludhiana.
No:681/PB Dated: 16/04/25
Collector-cum-Sub Divisional Magistrate, Jagraon.

I Sharanjit Kaur Wife of Kanwarjit Singh Village Akbarpura Tehsil Patti District Tarn Taran Have Changed my name Sharanjit Kaur to Surname as Kaur and my Givenname is Sharanjit pl note it.

50008

I, Balwinder Singh Soni Chohan alias Balwinder Singh S/o Jagroop Singh R/o village Ganga Distt Bathinda have changed my name from Balwinder Singh Soni Chohan to Balwinder Singh.

50008

I, Pawan s/o Raja Ram R/o House No. 124/3, Ward No. 18 Sargodha Colony Jind Road Kaithal, District Kaithal (Haryana), have change the name of my minor son from Yuvi Goyal to Yash Goyal. Concerned please note.

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I Sathia Rani W/o Roshan Lal R/o Vill. Alipur PO Kukar Pind, Jalandhar have changed my name from Sathia Rani To Satya Devi . All concerned please note.

900026

I, Salwant Singh son of Jagir Singh resident of VPO - Gilwali, Tehsil & Dist - Amritsar, Punjab -143022 has changed the name of my mother from SWINDER KAUR to SAWINDER KAUR in Army Record vide Affidavit at Amritsar

72737

I, Salwant Singh son of Jagir Singh resident of VPO - Gilwali, Tehsil & Dist - Amritsar, Punjab -143022 has changed the name of my son from SUBHAMDEEP SINGH to SHUBHAMDEEP SINGH in Army Record vide Affidavit at Amritsar

72737

I, Garib Singh son of Late Bhalla Singh resident of Vill - Rajatal, Post - Rajatal, Tehsil - Amritsar, Dist - Amritsar, Punjab has changed the name of my mother from BANS KAUR to HARBANS KAUR in Army Record vide Affidavit at Amritsar.

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I Devinder Singh alias Gurazeez Insan s/o kashmir Singh r/o 179a, shah satnam ji dham , nejia khera (sirsa) have changed my name from Devinder Singh alias Gurazeez Insan to Gurazeez Randhawa

98708

I, Urmila (Aadhar No.6720 6237 9249) W/o Sh. Rajbir R/o H.No.D2/59 Village Gadhauli, PO. Fatehpur, Tehsil Jagadhri, Distt. Yamua Nagar declare That I am holder of LIC policy No 176387770. In my said LIC policy my name is written Nirmla but in my all documents is written Urmila. Nirmla and Urmila is one and the same person.

100060

I, Krishan S/o Satpal R/o Hno. 1146 , Amiya Patti , Vpo Pai Distt. Kaithal (haryana) Have Changed My Name From Krishan To Krishan Kumar. Concerned Please Note.

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I, Shaveena W/o Harsh Bhonsle R/o Vpo. Jamalpur Teh-Phagwara Distt. Kapurthala have changed my name to Shaveena Bhonsle after marriage.

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I Ritu D/O Chanchal Ram, Village Hiala, Nawanshahr Distt SBS Nagar, Have Changed My Name Ritu To Ritu Kaur (Ritu Kaur Nee Ritu) Please Note It.

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I Parminder Singh S/O Ranjit Singh Vill Salar Teh Amargarh Dist Malerkotla Have Changed My Name To Parminder Singh Bering.

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I Kamalvir Kaur W/O Inderpal Singh Bering Vill Salar Teh Amargarh Distt Malerkotla Have Changed My Name To Kamalvir Kaur Sandhu.

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I, Harsimran Singh S/o Parmjeet Singh R/o H.No. 232 W.No. 7 Muhalla Banda Patti Sunam Distt. Sangrur have changed my name to Harsimran Singh Virk.

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I, William S/o Sohan Lal R/o Chuheki Po. Chuheki Distt. Jalandhar have changed my name to William Sidhu.

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I, Harmesho W/o Shiam Lal R/o H.No. B-3/239 Bakkar Khana Road Bhuchran Mohalla Nawanshahr Distt. SBS Nagar have changed my name from Harmesho to Harmesh Kaur.

63372

I, Sukhdev Singh Sidhu S/o Suba Singh R/o W.No. 08 Mallanwala Teh-Zira Distt. Ferozepur have changed my name to Sukhdev Singh.

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I, Karamjit Singh Mankoo S/O Mohinder Singh R/O Krishna Nagar, Amlah Road Khanna (Ludhiana) Have Changed My Name To Karamjit Singh.

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I, Mohinder Singh Bring S/o Chand Singh R/o Vill-Narike, Tehsil & Distt. Malerkotla have changed my name to Mohinder Singh.

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I, Sakattar Singh S/O Harbans Singh R/O Village Sarangwal Po. Sandhanwal Tehsil Shahkot (Jalandhar) Have Changed My Name To Sakater Singh.

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I, Sarabjit Singh S/o Sukhdev Singh R/o Vpo Talwandi Kalan, Jagraon (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Sarabjit Singh Taur.

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I, Daljeet Singh S/o Gurcharan Singh R/o Vpo. Dholan Teh-Phillaur Distt. Jalandhar have changed my name to Daljit Singh.

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I Arshpreet Kaur D/O Gurdarwish Singh Khatkar R/O Village Manguwali, Tehsil Banga, Distt S.B.S.Nagar Punjab India-144512 Have Changed My Name From Arshpreet Kaur To Arshpreet Kaur Khatkar.

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I, Gurpreet Kaur W/o Jasbir Singh R/o VPO Lubangarh, Tehsil Samrala (Ludhiana) declare that my name be read as given name Gurpreet and surname Kaur.

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I, Krishan Dev S/o Suram Singh R/o H.No.186, Jassaran Road, Sector 19-B , Mandi Gobindgarh (Fatehgarh Sahib) have changed my name to Krishan Dev Patial.

63372

I Seema Rani W/o Surmukh Singh Sidhu R/o H: No 109 Ward No:11 Brahman Majra, Sirhind Distt Fatehgarh Sahib have changed my name to Seema Sidhu.

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I Deepa W/o Lovepreet Singh Grewal R/o Village Khanjarwal Distt Ludhiana have changed my name to Deepa Kaur Grewa.

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I, Teja Singh Chibber S/o Gurdev Singh R/o H.No. 1706/28 St.No. 10-C Chimni Road New Shimlupuri Ludhiana have changed my name to Teja Singh.

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I, Renu Bala Dhunna R/o 177/137 Vill: Dugri Near Gurudwara Damdma Sahib Dugri Ludhiana have changed my name to Renu Bala.

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I Raghvir Singh S/O Dilbag Singh R/O VPO. Mazari District Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar Have changed my Name From Raghvir Singh to Singh Raghvir.

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I Raghvir Singh S/O Dilbag Singh R/O VPO. Mazari District Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar Have changed Name My minor son from Fateh Singh to Singh Fateh.

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I Raghvir Singh S/O Dilbag Singh R/O VPO. Mazari District Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar Have changed Name My minor daughter from Harkeerat Kaur to Kaur Harkeerat.

63372

I Sukhdeep Kaur W/O Raghvir Singh R/O VPO. Mazari District Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar Have changed my Name From Sukhdeep Kaur to Kaur Sukhdeep.

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I Raju S/O Yograj R/O Vill Kharal Khurd, P.O Jaura, Teh. Dasuya, Hoshiarpur, Punjab, Pin-144203, Has Changed My Name To Raju Khosla.

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NEWS BRIEF

Pakistan must vacate its illegal occupation of PoK: Gill

VERMA
GURDASPUR: Paramjit Singh Gill, National Vice President of the Himalaya Parivar Organization and senior leader from Gurdaspur Lok Sabha constituency, strongly condemned the recent statement made by Pakistan Army Chief General Asim Munir. Gill asserted that Pakistan must vacate Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) and end its illegal occupation immediately. He stated that the part of Kashmir under Pakistani control is an integral part of India and will be brought back under Indian authority at all costs. He emphasized that Pakistan has unlawfully occupied that region, and every possible effort will be made to liberate it. Supporting the recent statement by Indian Ministry of External Affairs spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal, Gill reiterated that Pakistan must vacate PoK, and provocative statements by the Pakistani Army Chief will not be tolerated under any circumstances.

No leniency for those involved in drug trade : Sond



SUMER GARG
SANGRUR: Under the ongoing state-wide campaign 'Yudh Nashiya Virudh' launched by the Punjab Government, Cabinet Minister for Rural Development & Panchayats, Industries & Commerce, Investment Promotion, Labour, Tourism and Cultural Affairs, Tarunpreet Singh Sond held a high level review meeting with senior police and administrative officials at the District Administrative Complex here last late evening. During the meeting, the Minister issued clear directions to authorities to thoroughly investigate the current business activities of individuals previously involved in drug-related operations. He emphasized that if anyone is found to still be linked to the illegal drug trade in any form, strict legal action must be taken without exception. The Minister directed the Drug Controller to ensure that any violations of government-issued guidelines by individuals or establishments are met with appropriate legal action. While expressing concern over the misuse of CCTV installations in pharmacies, he pointed out that although installation of cameras is mandatory, many pharmacists either fail to comply or install them in misleading locations.

Arora advocates public park at Pakhowal road for senior citizens' well-being

SHARMA
LUDHIANA: Rajya Sabha MP Sanjeev Arora has written to the Municipal Commissioner of Ludhiana, urging the development of a public park in SKS Nagar, Phase 2, along Pakhowal Road. In his letter, Arora drew attention to a representation he received from the Welfare Society Senior Citizens' Forum, Ludhiana, requesting that a green space be developed for the benefit of local residents. The suggested site is a triangular plot of approximately 1100 square yards, located opposite Alti Apartments and currently used as a weekly vegetable market. According to the information received, the plot belongs to the Irrigation Department. Arora requested the Municipal Commissioner to instruct the relevant officials to survey the site and explore the feasibility of converting it into a public park. He emphasized that the initiative would provide residents—particularly senior citizens and children—with a much-needed space for recreation, relaxation, and community engagement. Arora concluded his letter by requesting swift action, stating that the transformation of the area into a green zone would be a valuable step toward enhancing the neighborhood's livability and well-being.

We all should protect human rights: Madhu

ARVIND PATHAK, SULTANPUR LODHI: Human rights are the birthright of every person. These rights are not tied to any caste, religion, language or country, but are equally available to all of us as human beings. Human rights give us the power to live a dignified, free and equal life. These words were expressed by Mrs. Madhu Sharma District Secretary Human Rights Council India Anti-Corruption Cell, while addressing the public today through an important message on the importance of human rights. Mrs. Sharma also clarified that the Universal Declaration of Human Rights is a historic document aimed at protecting human dignity across the world. According to her rights like the right to life, equality, freedom, education and employment are not only our needs, but also the foundation of our existence. It is the responsibility of all of us to be aware of these rights, respect them and raise our voice against their violation anywhere in the society. He said that "When we protect human rights, we build a just, safe and harmonious society." Madhu Sharma said that we will protect human rights, promote equality and work together against corruption.

BJP Punjab delegation led by Jai Inder Kaur submits memorandum to Governor over sand mafia violence, illegal mining in Ludhiana

HS NAGPAL
CHANDIGARH, APR 18

A delegation of BJP Punjab led by Smt. Jai Inder Kaur, President, BJP Punjab Mahila Morcha, met the Hon'ble Governor of Punjab today and submitted a detailed memorandum on the alarming situation of illegal sand mining and brutal violence against villagers in Sahnewal constituency, District Ludhiana.

The delegation was joined by the elected Panchayats of villages Gaunsgarh, Gadhapur, Khwajke, Mangat, Boothgarh, Rawat, Hawas, and Mangli, who narrated the continuing atrocities being committed by the sand mafia under the protection of the local administration and the state government. The delegation also included BJP Punjab



Spokesperson Pritpal Singh Baliawal, Senior BJP leader Vineet Joshi and Geja Ram Valmiki, who echoed the villagers' grievances and strongly condemned the failure of the state machinery to act. The memorandum highlighted the destruction of rural roads due to overloaded mining trucks, harassment of villagers, false FIRs registered

against peaceful protestors, and the horrifying incident on 17 April 2025 when mining mafia goons attacked unarmed villagers in broad daylight. Among those seriously injured was Simranjit Kaur Gill, an advocate at Punjab & Haryana High Court, who was beaten, dragged by her hair, and attacked with a kirpan, sustaining severe in-

juries requiring 15 stitches and possible fracture. Several other villagers including Amandeep Singh and Balraj Singh also suffered grave injuries in the attack. Despite clear video and live footage, no FIR has been registered against the assailants, as the police and administration appear to be shielding the culprits.

Chandigarh University hosts North India's largest startup summit, unveils major push for innovation



BUREAU
MOHALI, APR 18

North India's entrepreneurial landscape witnessed a powerful transformation as Chandigarh University kickstarted the 'North India Incubators & Capital Summit (NIICS) 2025', a two-day flagship event bringing together more than 100 incubators, 250+ top start-ups, 20+ venture capitalists, 40 corporations, policymakers, and academic leaders from eight North Indian

states to ignite a regional startup revolution. Organized by the Technology Business Incubator (TBI) of Chandigarh University in collaboration with T-Hub, the summit drew participation from Delhi, Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, and Jammu & Kashmir. The event was supported by ISBA, TIE Chandigarh, MeitY Startup Hub, and DPIIT. Themed "Eight States, One Vision", the summit featured five thematic pavilions focused on AI, Health & Wellness, Green Tech & Sustainability, Business & Finance, and Consumer Tech, along with two additional pavilions showcasing innovative products and services. In a major development, Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha) and CU Chancellor Satnam Singh Sandhu launched the Centre for Universal Business and Entrepreneurship, a plug-and-play hub to support next-gen startups across North India.

Chandigarh Sector-15 sees strong turnout for PM Vishwakarma registration drive



SHASHI PAL JAIN
CHANDIGARH, APR 18

The Department of Industries, UT Chandigarh, with support of Municipal Corporation Councillor Sh. Saurabh Joshi, organized a registration camp under the PM Vishwakarma Scheme at the Community Centre, Sector 15, today. The initiative aimed to boost the scheme's outreach and encourage greater community participation across the Union Territory. Hundreds of artisans from traditional trades—including garland makers, metalsmiths, cobblers, potters, and hammer and toolkit makers—registered during the camp, reflecting strong community involvement in the scheme's objectives. Sh. Paviter Singh, Director, Department of Industries, UT Chandigarh, graced the occasion as Chief Guest.

He, along with Area Councillor Sh. Saurabh Joshi, interacted with the artisans, offering guidance and encouragement to support their skill development and registration. Emphasizing the importance of grassroots mobilization, Sh. Saurabh Joshi thanked the Chandigarh Mazdoor Sena for their pivotal role in mobilizing beneficiaries for the camp. He extended special thanks to Kali Ram, Madan Mandal, Charan Singh, Gianwati, Darshan Singh, Tara Devi, and other members of the Sena for their

efforts. He also expressed his gratitude to Yash Pal Jindal, Charanjit Singh, Vinay Sachdeva, Daulat Sharma, Suresh Katoch, Srinivas, and Raja for their contributions in making the event a grand success. Joshi highlighted that strong community participation is key to the successful implementation of the PM Vishwakarma Scheme in Chandigarh. Officials from the Department of Industries were present to spread awareness about the scheme, assist with the registration process, and address queries from participants. The Department reaffirmed its commitment to empowering artisans and skilled workers through training.

Act of sacrilege at Gurdwara Sahib in village Nurpur Jatta, police launch immediate investigation

DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIAUR, APR 18

A shocking and deeply disturbing incident of sacrilege was reported this morning at the historic Gurdwara Sahib in village Nurpur Jatta, located in the Garhshankar area. The incident has triggered widespread outrage among the local community. Responding swiftly, the police administration reached the site and initiated legal proceedings.



Superintendent of Police Dr. Naresh Kumar informed that around 9:00 AM today, he received a call from the former Sarpanch of the village reporting the act of sacrilege. A police team was immediately dispatched to the location to secure the site and begin a thorough investigation. Dr. Kumar stated that multiple special teams have

been formed to probe the matter from all angles, and every effort is being made to identify and apprehend the culprit at the earliest. He assured the public that the offender will be brought to justice without delay. Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) Garhshankar Jaspreet Singh also visited the scene and urged the community to maintain peace and trust in the law. He emphasized that any attempt to disrespect a religious place will not be tolerated.

Lehragaga police arrests 4 persons with large quantity of drugs



GURMAIL SINGH SANGATPURA
LEHRAGAGA, APR 18

Under the campaign "Yudh Nashiyan Virudh" under the directions of Hon'ble SSP Sangrur, DSP Lehra Deepinderpal Singh Jeji and SHO Lehra Police Station Inspector Ranbir Singh's leadership, the Lehra Police Station arrested various persons from different places and recovered a large quantity of drugs.

Singh, in-charge of City Lehra, along with a police party, arrested Harvinder Puri alias Binder, son of Baldev Puri, resident of Bhutal Kalan, Lehra police station, and Sera Singh, son of Ajaib Singh, resident of Ward No. 10, Lehra police station, and recovered 70 narcotic pills, 6 vials of narcotic liquid and registered a case under Section 22/61/85 of the NDPS Act at Lehra police station. Similarly, at Police Station Lehra, Female SI Jatinder Kaur along with her colleagues arrested Mithu Singh son of Teja Singh resident of Bhai Ki Pishar, Police Station Lehra, District Sangrur and recovered 14.70 grams of Chit-ta/Heroin.

Cases have been registered against them under various sections and remand has been obtained from the Hon'ble Court. Giving this information, Inspector Ranbir Singh, SHO of Lehra police station, said that ASI Gurdev

Deputation of Lion club meets SP



SUMER GARG
SANGRUR, APR 18

A deputation of Lion club, under the leadership of Sanjeev Menon, Region Chairman, Lion Club F321, met SP(D), Mr. Davinder Attri at his office here today.

The deputationists while felicitating Mr. Attri, apprised him about the projects being undertaken by the Lion club region. They assured him of their special contribution to anti drugs campaign and blood donation camps. Menon said "Mr. Davinder Attri himself has been encouraging social workers, during the posting in Patiala against drugs, he also made a big effort to awaken the younger generation in Nabha. He is an honest officer, devotional to his duty and due to his best work in the past, he was honored by DGP Sahib". Besides other Karan Goyal, Kulwinder Singh Namdhari, Mukesh Nagpal Transport were present on the occasion.

Guru Kashi University Archer Rishabh Yadav clinches gold at World Archery Cup

ANANTDEEP KAUR
BATHINDA, APR 18

In a remarkable display of skill and composure, Rishabh Yadav, an archer from Guru Kashi University, alongside his teammate Surekha Venam, secured a gold medal in the mixed compound event at the World Archery Cup currently underway in Urbandale, Florida, USA. The Indian duo triumphed in a nail-biting final, edging past the Chinese Taipei team with a score of 153-151.



Expressing pride over the achievement, Chancellor S. Gurlabh Singh Sidhu and Vice Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) Rameshwar Singh extended their heartfelt congratulations to the players, coaches, and the entire university fraternity. "The future of Indian sports shines bright with athletes like Rishabh," they remarked. Sharing details of the final, Dr. Raj Kumar

Sharma, Director Sports, stated, "Rishabh and Surekha faced tough competition from Huang I-Jau and Chen Chih-Lun of Chinese Taipei. Although the Indian pair had a shaky start, they held their nerve and delivered two flawless shots in the final moments to clinch victory." He further added that the Indian team's journey to the final was equally impressive, having defeated formidable opponents from Spain, Denmark, and Slovenia on their way to the top of the podium.

CU Punjab Commemorates Ambedkar Jayanti with spl Lecture and Civil Services Guidance Session

BATHINDA: The Central University of Punjab, Bathinda (CU Punjab), commemorated the 134th birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Dr. B.R. Ambedkar by organizing a special programme under the joint aegis of the Dr. Ambedkar Centre of Excellence (DACE), Dr. Ambedkar Chair on Human Rights and Environmental Values, and the SC/ST Cell of the University. The programme, held under the patronage of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Raghavendra Prasad Tiwari, featured a special lecture on the theme "Dr. Ambedkar and His Nationalist Thinking".

Shanan power project Punjab's ownership: Harbhajan Singh ETO

CHANDIGARH, APR 18

Trashing the statement made by Himachal Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri regarding Shanan Power Project, Punjab Power Minister S. Harbhajan Singh ETO on Friday categorically said that Shanan Power Project is the property of the Punjab State thus Himachal Pradesh Government has no right on this.

Chief Minister and Cooperation Minister Mr. Agnihotri that in 1966, the state of Punjab was reorganized, after that Government of India issued a notification on May 1, 1967 regarding the ownership of the assets and liabilities of the reorganized states. As per section 67(4) of the Punjab Reorganization Act 1966, the Government of India allotted the assets and liabilities of Hydro Power House Joginder Nagar to the Punjab State Electricity Board, which is now providing services in the state of Punjab as PSPCL, he added.

The Power Minister said that the Act enacted by the Parliament becomes a law, which is a document that can be implemented without any changes.

National insurance company Chandigarh celebrates Dr. Ambedkar birth anniversary



SHASHI PAL JAIN
CHANDIGARH, APR 18

The 134th birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar, the creator of the Indian Constitution, was celebrated with great joy and enthusiasm under the guidance of Mr. K.G. Sharma, Deputy General Manager, at the National Insurance Company Limited, Regional Office, Chandigarh.

On this occasion, Regional Manager Mr. Mohinder Singh, Regional Manager Mr. Rajesh Kumar Jain, Mr. Ramji Lal, Mrs. Vijay Kumari, Mr. Rakesh Grover, and National family staff members congratulated each other and distributed sweets and refreshments.

Subsequently, a stall serving chilled water, fruit juices, was set up at Dr. Ambedkar Bhavan, Sector 37, Chandigarh. In this event, Mr. Madan Lal (President, Regional Committee Chandigarh, AIGIS-STEWA) shared his thoughts, and Mrs. Suman, Manager, along with Mr. Sameer Dhawan, Chief Business Manager from Business Office 2, Sector 26 Chandigarh, Mr. Rahul Dhaniya, Mr. Shishu Pal and Mr. Ankush extended their support. Both programs were successfully completed."

NEWS BRIEF

BKU Punjab condemns Sandhwan's obstruction

SURINDER DAMDAMI KOTKUPRA: In response to the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Speaker Kulnar Singh Sandhwan obstructing the inauguration ceremonies being held in the villages of the constituency under the 'Punjab Education Revolution' and opposing Speaker Sandhwan, the



state president of the Bhartiya Kisan Union Punjab, Farman Singh Sandhu, has termed the above incidents as regrettable and unfortunate. He said that there is a standard and etiquette for opposing the ruling party or the question and answer session, but it is not wise or auspicious to jeopardize the law and order situation by ignoring all standards and etiquette. He said that in order to make the future of the children and youth of Punjab bright, crores of rupees are being spent by the 'AAP' government for the purpose of providing quality education, then instead of opposing it, the people of Punjab should support it unconditionally.

One arrested with 100 narcotic pills



RAKESH JINDAL NABHA: The Punjab government has issued strict guidelines to the Punjab Police to eradicate drugs. If any drug smuggler is caught selling drugs, strict action should be taken against him, under which the Nabha Police arrested a youth with 100 narcotic pills. On this occasion, SHO Kotwali Prince Preet Singh, while talking to the journalists, said that under the directions of Honorable SSP Patiala Sardar Nanak Singh IPS and under the able guidance of Gurbans Singh Bains, Captain of Police Investigation Patiala and Mrs. Mandeep Kaur, DSP Nabha and Inspector Prince Preet Singh Bhatti, Chief Officer, Police Station Kotwali Nabha, ASI I. Manmohan Singh, Police Station Kotwali Nabha, while taking action against the bad and evil elements, on 16/04/2025, during a police party, the accused Hameet Mattu alias Hemant Mattu alias Lucky, son of Hemraj, resident of house number 53, Sant Nagar, Nabha, was arrested with the help of fellow employees.

To enhance efficiency within police force, CP Ludhiana transfers 69 cops from inspectors & lower ranks

SACHIN MOUDGILL LUDHIANA: In a move to improve efficiency within the Police Force, Ludhiana Police Commissioner Swapan Sharma on Friday transferred 69 police personnel ranging from inspectors to lower ranks, who were either stationed at the same place for over three years or found to be underperforming. Sharma termed this reshuffle effective immediately, aligning with the Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann's commitment to maintaining high standards of policing and accountability. He stated that these transfers aim to rejuvenate the workforce, enhance public engagement, and address operational complacency. He emphasized that the aim is to deliver proactive and people-friendly policing.

Dhami strongly condemns desecration of Sri Guru Granth Sahib at Narpur Jattan village

CHARMIJT SINGH ARORA AMRITSAR: Strongly condemning the incident of sacrilege of Sri Guru Granth Sahib in Narpur Jattan village near Garhshankar in Hoshiarpur district, the Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (SGPC) President Advocate Harjinder Singh Dhami stated that such incidents are happening due to the failure of the Punjab government, which has emboldened anti-social elements. Advocate Dhami said that Sri Guru Granth Sahib guides us in life, and it is the responsibility of both the Gurdwara management committees and the sangat (congregation) to uphold the sanctity and decorum of the Guru's house and remain alert in the service. He stated that due to the negligence of some Gurdwara committees, such painful incidents occur, hurting the sentiments of the entire Sikh community. The SGPC President emphasized that today, multiple Gurdwaras exist in every neighbourhood of villages and towns, but little attention is given to their management and upkeep. He said there should ideally be only one Gurdwara Sahib in each village, with the whole Sangat jointly participating in its management. If this happens, the entire village can ensure better administration and proper safeguarding. He called for collective efforts in this direction. Appealing to the community to adopt a vigilant approach towards safeguarding Gurdwaras, he urged that committees be formed with service-minded Gursikhs in every village to prevent such painful incidents.

125 lakh metric tonnes of wheat is likely to arrive in Punjab's markets: Kataruchak

GAURAV GOEL RUPNAGAR, APR 18

Punjab's Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Minister Lal Chand Kataruchak on Friday reviewed the ongoing wheat procurement arrangements at the grain market of Rupnagar. He said that this time there has been a bumper crop of wheat in Punjab and about 125 lakh metric tonnes of wheat is likely to arrive during this season. Food and Supplies Minister Mr. Kataruchak further said that till now 13 lakh 16 thousand metric tons of wheat have arrived in the markets. Out of this, about 11 lakh metric tons have been purchased. He said that Rs. 703 crore has been paid in the accounts of the farmers. He said that as per the instructions of Chief Minister Mr. Bhagwant Singh Mann, while the payment is being made within 24 hours of the



purchase, there is no slacking in lifting either. He said that so far no issue has come to light during his visit to the markets. According to the Food and Supplies Minister, if the weather continues to cooperate like this, then the quality of the wheat grain this time

will remain good. He said that all the agencies and agents have been asked to make complete arrangements of tarpaulins and crates to protect the grain coming to the markets from the weather. Apart from this, there is no shortage of gunny bags. He clarified that farmers

will not be allowed to face any kind of problem in the markets and as per the orders of Chief Minister Mr. Bhagwant Singh Mann, he is personally visiting the markets and reviewing the ongoing procurement. He said that strict instructions have been issued to all the officers involved in the

procurement arrangements so that there is no laxity in the markets and no farmer or arhti has to face any problem. On this occasion, Mr. Kataruchak while interacting with the labour community said that the real gods of the earth are the labourers who work so hard to raise their families.

He also thanked the labourers for their cooperation in the marketing of crops. He said that the Punjab government has always stood by them and the state government has increased their wages twice in just 1 year, he said that first it was increased from Rs. 1.80 to Rs. 2.21 and keeping in mind the rising inflation and the demand of arhtis, the Chief Minister of Punjab Mr. Bhagwant Singh Mann took a bold decision and increased the rate by 43 paise to Rs 2.64. He said that this increase will benefit the labour community by about

Police arrests two operatives of Landa Harike and Satta Naushehra gang

KULJEET SINGH HONEY TARN TARAN, APR 18



Amidst the ongoing drive to make Punjab a safe and secure state as per the directions of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, Anti-Gangster Task Force (AGTF) Punjab in a joint operation with Tarn Taran Police has arrested two key associates of Terrorist Lakhbir Singh alias Landa Harike and Gangster Satnam Singh alias Satta Naushehra Gang after a brief exchange of fire took place near village Jawanda in Tarn Taran, said Director General of Police (DGP) Punjab Gaurav Yadav here on Friday.

Those arrested have been identified as Mehakpreet Singh alias Mehak, a resident of village Sekhwan in Batala and Yuvraj Singh alias Jaggu, a resident of Muradpura in Tarn Taran. Police teams have also recovered two sophisticated pistols including one 9MM Glock and one .30 calibre PX30 along with live cartridges and empty bullet shells from their possession. DGP Gaurav Yadav said that preliminary investigations have revealed that both were being directed by foreign handlers to carry out targeted killings in Punjab. "With the these two operatives, Punjab

Police has averted targeted killings and other sensational crimes in the state," he said. Sharing more details, Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) AGTF Promod Ban revealed that the arrested accused persons— Mehakpreet and Yuvraj— were also involved in the firing at Sarpanch's house in Tarn Taran. According to the information, two bike borne youth had opened fire outside the residence of Sarpanch of Naushehra Pannuan village on the intervening night of March 26 and 27, 2025. The ADGP said that the teams of the AGTF under the supervision of AIG Sandeep Goel and teams of Tarn Taran Police under the supervision of SSP Abhimanyu Rana, were pursuing the culprits involved in the case of firing outside Sarpanch's house, and based human and intel-inputs located both the accused persons roaming in the area of Naushehra Pannuan.

DC issues notice to five commission agents on detecting embezzlement in their scales, cancels licence of one firm

NARESH GOYAL MANSNA, APR 18

Following detection of embezzlement in their scales meant for weighing wheat in grain markets, action has been initiated against five firms of commission agents (CAs) of the district. According to sources, it was brought to the notice of deputy commissioner(DC) Mansna Kulwant Singh that a few firms of the commission agents in the grain markets were making embezzlement in weighing the wheat of the farmers and were thus duping them. Following this complaint, DC ordered the concerned officials of mandi board's local office to check the scales of commission agents. Acting upon this, mandi supervisor Amandeep Singh found that five firms of CAs in purchase centre of village Nangal Kalan, 5 kilometre from here, were unscrupulously engaged in this practice. Sources revealed that all these firms of CAs



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have been issued "show cause notices" whereas the licence of a commission agent M/s Jagan Nath Surinder Kumar has been cancelled as it was detected that scale of the aforesaid firm was found erratic.

Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University hosts seminar on millets



AJAY MALHOTRA FATEHGARH SAHIB, APR 18

The Department of Agriculture at Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University, Fatehgarh Sahib, organized a One-Day National Seminar on "Millets: Nature's Functional Superfood in collaboration with Kheti Virasat Mission (KVM). The seminar aimed to promote awareness about the nutritional, environmental and economic benefits of millets, often referred to as "smart foods" due to their climate resilience and health benefits. The event was presided over by the Vice-Chancellor of the university,

Prof. Prit Pal Singh, who emphasized the importance of reviving traditional crops like millets in the context of climate change and food security. Dean Academic Affairs, Prof. Sukhwinder Singh Billing addressed the gathering, highlighting need of the sustainable agriculture in Punjab. The keynote address was delivered by Dr. Ruchika Bhardwaj, Millet Breeder from the Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics, PAU Ludhiana, who shared in-depth insights into recent advancements in millet breeding and the role of millets in ensuring nutritional security.

MLA Labh Singh Ugoke's book "Tun Ikk Diva Ban" released by Chief Minister



BALWINDER AZAD BARNALA, APR 18

The debut poetry collection "Tun Ikk Diva Ban" by Labh Singh Ugoke, MLA from Bhadaur constituency, was released today by Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann. On this occasion, the Chief Minister congratulated MLA Labh Singh Ugoke for his literary effort and praised him for taking time out of his busy life as a legislator to compose poetry. Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann remarked that the po-

etry collection "Tun Ikk Diva Ban" touches on the harsh realities of life, burning issues of Punjab, and the struggles of ordinary people who emerge as shining examples through perseverance. He said that the book would serve as a message of inspiration for society. In today's era of mobile technology, when people are increasingly moving away from books, the Chief Minister said that such a literary effort by an MLA—who is constantly engaged in public service and personal commit-

ments—is a commendable gesture that sets a positive example for society. MLA Labh Singh Ugoke expressed his heartfelt thanks to Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann for taking time out of his busy schedule to release the book. Present at the event were Rajbir Singh, Sukhveer Singh (both OSDs to the Chief Minister), Advocate Gurpreet Singh Dhillon, Hardeep Singh Dhurkot (Harry), Gurtej Singh, Sandeep Singh Saran, and Boota Singh Jassar, among others.

Priyanka and Neha top BCA semester five at Doaba College

NAWANSHAHR (CHET RAM RATTAN): The December 2024 semester results for all trades of Punjab Technical University have been announced, and the BCA students of Doaba Group of Colleges, Chhokran (Rahon), have delivered an impressive performance. College Director Dr. Rajeshwar Singh informed that in BCA Semester-5, Priyanka Devi and Neha secured the top position with an SGPA of 8.48. Harpreet Kaur secured the second position with 8.43 SGPA, while Manisha bagged the third place with 8.39 SGPA. The students demonstrated outstanding academic excellence across subjects, with a significant improvement in the overall pass percentage compared to the previous year. Trustees Navpreet Singh Sangha and Gurpreet Singh Bath, along with Dr. Khushneet Kaur Bath, Principal, and faculty members, congratulated all successful students. They appreciated their hard work and dedication, encouraging them to strive for even greater achievements in the future. On this occasion, faculty members Irwinder Kaur, Sarabjit Kaur, Raj Kahlon, Sunita Devi, and others were also present.



We will shut down all work: Arun Gill warns amid ongoing wage crisis in Jagraon

SUKH NAHAR JAGRAON, APR 18

For several years now, the contractual employees working under the contractor-based system of the Nagar Council Jagraon have been caught in the ongoing tussle between competing contractors. The situation in the city is deteriorating-garbage is not being properly managed, and residents are facing severe difficulties. In the latest scenarios, around 100 employees including clerical staff, pump operators, beldars (laborers), gardeners, security guards, electricians, fire brigade personnel, and sewer men are all being affected by these internal disputes. On one hand, one of the contractors has reported-



ly fulfilled all the required terms and conditions, but due to administrative delays, no official certificate has been issued by the concerned officer. When Union President Arun Gill contacted Superintending Engineer Rajeev Kumar and Junior Engineer Nikhil over the phone regarding this issue, they informed him that the required certificate has not been issued by the Executive Officer, which has become the root of the delay. "As a result, the futures

of employees' children are at risk since the new academic session requires books, notebooks, and admission fees-expenses which the unpaid employees are unable to afford. Some employees even stated that their children are being forced to stay at home due to the financial crisis," he added. In response to this crisis, a meeting was held between Arun Gill and the EO as well as the Chief Sanitary Inspector of Nagar Council Jagraon.

Three youths arrested and 10 grams of heroin recovered



KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA RAMPURA PHUL, APR 18

As per the orders of Senior Superintendent of Police Bathinda Madam Amneet Kondal, the police of Boota Singh Police Station City Rampura under the leadership of Deputy Superintendent of Police Phul Pradeep Singh, have arrested three persons and recovered 10 grams of heroin from them. Assistant Superintendent of

Police Vijay Kumar with the help of other employees stopped and checked three youths on suspicion. Who gave their names as Hardeep Singh, Charanjit Singh and Jobanjit Singh of village Rampura and during checking, 10 grams of heroin was recovered from these youths. On which a case was registered against the accused under the (NDPS) Act and the accused was presented in the honorable court.

AAP govt will hunt down Punjab's enemies anywhere in World: Aman Arora

CHANDIGARH, APR 18

The AAP Government's fight against gangsterism achieved a major breakthrough with the arrest of notorious terrorist Happy Passia, who had been orchestrating attacks on the state's peace from the United States. Passia, known for his involvement in multiple grenade blasts in Punjab, had evaded authorities under previous regimes. However, under the leadership of the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) government, his movements were closely monitored by Punjab Police and intelligence agencies, culminating in his arrest abroad. Lauding the Punjab Police and intelligence agencies for this major breakthrough, AAP Punjab President Aman Arora stated, "This is a mo-



ment of pride and relief for Punjab. A notorious terrorist who was operating from overseas, spreading fear and chaos, has been apprehended due to the dedicated efforts of our law enforcement and intelligence teams. This arrest is a testament to the Punjab government's unwavering commitment to maintaining peace and security in the state." Arora strongly criticized opposition

leaders, particularly Congress Leader of Opposition (LoP) Partap Bajwa, for undermining the credibility of Punjab Police. He said, "Leaders like Bajwa, who claim Punjab Police is inefficient or suggest its disbandment, owe an explanation to the people of Punjab. It was this very Punjab Police, with its intelligence capabilities and coordination with international agencies, that managed to track and capture a terrorist sitting across seven seas." Highlighting the achievements of Punjab Police in combating terrorism, Arora reminded the public of their pivotal role during Punjab's dark days of militancy. "The Punjab Police has proven time and again its mettle in safeguarding the state.

Sond hits ground zero to inspect ponds cleaning drive



BIKRAMJEET SAHOTA FATEHGARH SAHIB, APR 18

In a landmark move under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, the Punjab Government has launched a large-scale initiative to clean nearly 15,000 village ponds across the state, an effort not undertaken in the past two to three decades. This was announced by Punjab's Minister for Rural Development and Panchayats, Tarun-

preet Singh Sond, during his inspection of pond-cleaning projects in villages including Charanathal Kalan, Khare, and Dera Meer Miran in the Sirhind block; Ralli in the Bassi Pathana block; and Isherhel and Chunni Kalan in the Khara block of Fatehgarh Sahib district. The Minister highlighted that successive past governments had neglected village ponds for over 15-25 years. Many of them had become severely silted, leading to stagnant water, foul smells.

Two dead, 4 injured as car overturns



PATHANKOT (SHARANJEET): Two people were killed and four injured in an accident that occurred due to a car losing its balance near National Highway Madhopur. Giving information about this, Delhi resident Vikas Chandra said that he and six other people were going from Delhi to Srinagar for some work, when suddenly the car lost control near Madhopur and this accident occurred. Meanwhile, the SSF team reached the spot. Constable Lakhbir Singh of the SSF team said that they received information on the phone that a car accident had taken place in Madhopur. They immediately reached the spot, called an ambulance and took the injured to the hospital. Two people died in the accident while four others were injured. The deceased have been identified as Sushil Kumar and Naresh Kumar, residents of Delhi, while Delhi residents Satish Kumar, Vikas Chander, Kewal and Arun are undergoing treatment at a private hospital. The same investigating officer ASI Dalbir Singh said that the police are investigating the incident site and action will be taken accordingly.

NEWS BRIEF

14 children of Sham Athletic Academy selected in Indian Army



AVINASH CHAUHAN
AMB: 14 children of Amb's Sham Athletic Academy have been selected in the Indian Army. The academy's director and coach Sham Ka Thakur said that 12 children have been selected in the Indian Army and two children in the Territorial Army. Himachal Youth Congress State General Secretary Raghav Thakur honored the selected children and wished them all the best.

Trilok Jamwal demands immediate relief for homeowners affected by tunnel blasting in railway project

AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY
BILASPUR: Bhartiya Janta Party (BJP) Sadar MLA Trilok Jamwal has voiced serious concern over the damage being caused to residential houses due to tunnel construction in the Bhanupalli-Bilaspur-Beri railway line project. Highlighting the visible cracks

appearing in homes across affected areas, Jamwal called for swift and effective intervention by the district administration and executing companies. Emphasizing that this strategically important railway line is vital for the state's development, Jamwal stressed that progress should not come at the cost of local livelihoods and shelter. "When people have built their homes with lifelong savings and are extending full support to national development, their interests must be protected with equal priority," he said. Jamwal condemned the recurring incidents of structural damage, stating that many houses have suffered substantial cracks, triggering public outrage. "The pain of losing a home built with hard-earned money is unimaginable," he added. He urged the authorities to provide adequate compensation to the affected families without delay and insisted that future construction be undertaken with enhanced safety measures to prevent further loss.

Victory for forest dwellers as govt rolls back order

AGENCY
SHIMLA, APRIL 18

In a major win for forest-dependent communities and small farmers in Himachal Pradesh, the state government has agreed to withdraw a controversial directive issued by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (PCCF) that had caused confusion in the implementation of the Forest Rights Act (FRA), 2006.

The withdrawal came after a strong protest led by the Communist Party of India (Marxist), which staged a three-hour dharna at the Forest Department headquarters in Talland, Shimla. Over 200 CPI(M) workers participated in the demonstration, denouncing the Forest Department's April 17 suspension letter as an overreach and contrary to



the FRA spirit. Senior leaders including Rakesh Singha, Dr Kuldeep Tanwar, Vijendra Mehra, and Jagat Ram spearheaded the protest. Following talks that continued for more than four hours with the PCCF and other forest officials, the Forest Department agreed to revoke the letter with immediate effect. "This is a victory for the farmers and forest dwellers of Himachal Pradesh," said CPI(M) leader Vijendra Mehra. "The order was against the spirit of the FRA, and its withdrawal clears the path for more just and

democratic implementation of the Act."

The CPI(M) criticized the Forest Department for continuing to operate with a colonial mindset, enjoying unaccountable power despite decades of democratic governance. The party asserted that bureaucratic overreach has repeatedly obstructed FRA implementation, especially to the detriment of small and marginal farmers.

With the order now withdrawn, activists hope district-level committees can proceed confidently with recognizing rightful claims under FRA and halt the evictions that had sparked concern across the state.

"This is not just a withdrawal of a letter, it's a step forward for justice and people's rights in the hills," said Dr Tanwar.

Alert of heavy rainfall and hailstorm in Himachal Pradesh

BUREAU
SHIMLA: A spokesperson of the Himachal Pradesh State Disaster Management Authority informed here today that some districts of the State will experience adverse weather conditions on

18th and 19th April, 2025. Chamba, Kangra and Kullu districts are expected to experience isolated heavy rainfall from night of 18th April till midnight of 19th April, 2025 and Mandi district on 19th April, 2025.

He further informed that Chamba, Kangra, Kullu, Solan, Sirmour, Mandi and Shimla districts are expected to experience isolated hailstorm from night of 18th April till midnight of 19th April, 2025.

CCBs and DIPHLs to enhance Healthcare Services across state

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, APR 18

To strengthen the healthcare infrastructure and improve access to quality and affordable healthcare to the people of the State, the Government has allocated Rs. 193.75 crore for the establishment of two Critical Care Blocks (CCBs) and five District Integrated Public Health Laboratories (DIPHLs) across the State.

In a recent cabinet meeting, the government approved the setting up of a 50-bedded Critical Care Block (CCB) at Primary Health Centre Swahan (Regional Hospital Bilaspur) and another 50-bedded CCB at Civil Hospital Rohru, Shimla district. These facilities will be equipped with advanced medical infrastructure including Emergency Services, Intensive Care Units (ICUs), High Dependency Units (HDUs), Isolation Beds, Dialysis Units, Labour Rooms,



Operation Theatres and Point-of-Care Laboratories. Each CCB will be integrated with the existing district hospital and will function as a regular facility under normal conditions. However, during health emergencies or outbreaks such as COVID-19, they can be physically isolated to ensure strict infection control. Each block will be constructed at a cost of Rs. 16.63 crore and equipment cost of Rs. 27.12 crore. In addition, the cabinet has also approved the establishment of District Integrated Public Health Laboratories (DIPHLs) at Pt.

Jawahar Lal Nehru Government Medical College Chamba and District Hospital Hamirpur attached with Dr. Radha Krishnan Government Medical College Hamirpur. These DIPHLs are aimed at improving diagnostic capabilities, enabling rapid testing and supporting effective outbreak management. Each laboratory will be fully equipped with Clinical Pathology, Haematology, Cytology, Biochemistry, and Microbiology facilities under one roof to enhance efficiency and avoid resource duplication.

CM releases book of 90 year old social worker Hari Singh Rana

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, APR 18

During his recent visit to Pangri for the state-level Himachal Day celebrations, Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu met with 90-year-old veteran social worker Hari Singh Rana, who presented his newly authored book "Mere Achhe Din" for release. Wearing the traditional white cap of the region, Rana was warmly welcomed by the Chief Minister, who invited him to sit beside him and enquired about his well-being. The Chief Minister released the book and extended his heartfelt best wishes to Shri Rana for his continued dedication to social service. On the occasion, Hari Singh Rana also submitted a memorandum outlining key



developmental demands of the Pangri region. The Chief Minister assured him of appropriate action and reiterated the government's strong commitment to the progress of remote and tribal areas. A former Pradhan of Killar Gram Panchayat (1979-1984), Shri Rana fondly recalled his earlier interactions with the late Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, including a visit to

Delhi and her memorable trip to Pangri in 1984. Expressing deep satisfaction with the meeting, Shri Rana lauded the government's efforts toward inclusive and equitable development. On the occasion Vidhansabha Speaker Kuldeep Singh Pathania, MLA Sunder Singh Thakur and Chairman of APMC Chamba Lalit Thakur were also present on the occasion.

14-day Jute product entrepreneur training program concludes



AVINASH CHAUHAN
AMB, APR 18

The 14-day Jute Product Entrepreneur Training Program was concluded at Punjab National Bank Rural Self-Employment Training Institute Unna Office. On this occasion, 35 participants gave written and oral examination and this examination was taken by Ramesh Rajput and Gurmeet Kaur. On this occasion, the Director of Punjab National Bank, Parul Virdi, who was specially present, requested the participants to set up their business in future as well and the program director and faculty member Akash Bhardwaj told that unemployed women and men between the ages of 18 and 45 are being provided free training by Punjab National Bank and in this series, a 31-day fashion designing and women tailor training program is being started from 21 April 2025, in which to participate, the participant can go to the Near RTO Office Rampur and get themselves registered and can contact for online registration.

Two Himachal cops sacked for drug links

AGENCY

SHIMLA: The Himachal Pradesh government has sacked two police constables, Sandeep Kumar and Jugal Kishore, for their involvement in drug trafficking, police said. This is perhaps the first time in the state's history that such strict action has been taken against police personnel accused of drug smuggling, according to Shimla Superintendent of Police Sanjeev Gandhi. The termination orders were issued following directions from the Chief Minister's Office. Both constables, who were posted in the Shimla Police, were initially transferred to the Kainthi police station after their alleged involvement came to light. Formal notices were subsequently served, giving the accused an opportunity to respond. Their replies were reviewed and found unsatisfactory by the Chief Minister's Office, which then directed their dismissal from service. Investigations revealed that the two constables had links with the Shah Syndicate, a notorious drug trafficking gang operating in the region. The move is being widely viewed as a strong message from the government against drug smuggling and a reflection of its zero-tolerance policy towards criminal activities involving government employees. It also signals a shift in administrative focus towards internal accountability and discipline. In a broader crackdown, the police said that 24 government employees in the Shimla district have been arrested in the smuggling of chitta, a synthetic drug. Those arrested include officials from departments such as health, education, forest, and revenue — among them doctors, teachers, tehsil welfare officers, forest guards, and patwaris.

String of burglaries sparks panic among shopkeepers in Kutlehar's Kotla Kalan Area

KISHORI LAL BAINS

UNA: A recent surge in thefts in Kotla Kalan and nearby areas of the Kutlehar constituency, located near the district headquarters, has left local shopkeepers anxious and angry. In the past week alone, locks of nearly half a dozen shops were found broken, with cash stolen by unidentified miscreants operating under the cover of darkness. According to reports, the thieves have been targeting shops along the highway, repeatedly challenging the local police by breaching security undeterred. The pattern of these thefts—occurring almost every other night—has raised serious questions about the effectiveness of police patrolling in the region. The affected establishments include a grocery store, sweet shop, chemist, beauty parlour, and a hardware shop, all located in Kotla Kalan and its surrounding areas. Shockingly, the police are yet to make any arrests. Footage from CCTV cameras in the vicinity shows the thieves roaming the streets in black clothing, using the dark of night to their advantage. In what appears to be a calculated move to avoid detection, the burglars approach the shops on foot and swiftly escape after committing the crimes. Residents and shopkeepers alike have claimed they saw suspicious youths dressed in black early in the morning. They allege that the police have failed to respond adequately and have not taken concrete action to nab the culprits.



Tibetans protest on streets against China, make serious allegations

SANAJY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, APR 18

Apprehensions have grown over the funeral of the Tibetan Buddhist leader who died in custody in Vietnam after fleeing Chinese-occupied Tibet. The suspicious death of Tibetan leader Tulku Hungkar Dorje in Chi Minh city, following his unjust arrest by Vietnamese authorities, has reached a critical juncture, with sources indicating that the body of Tulku Hungkar Dorje may be cremated soon. Tibetan groups have called on the Vietnamese government to halt the funeral until an independent investigation is conducted and for international governments to intervene to demand justice for this highly respected Buddhist leader. In this episode, Tibetans staged a



street protest against China in McLeodganj, Dharamshala. The Tibetans said that both the Vietnamese government and the Chinese Communist regime should be held directly responsible for ensuring the preservation of the remains of Tulku Hungkar. Any attempt to cremate his body before a thorough and independent investigation has been conducted is tantamount to

participating in this criminal conspiracy, and is tantamount to complicity in the death of Tulku Hungkar Rinpoche. If this is done, it must be met with strong international condemnation and consequences. Tibetans and Tibet supporters urgently urge the international community to demand the immediate preservation of Tulku Hungkar Dorje's remains and unequivocally condemn any action towards an immediate cremation, he said. Tibet groups are also deeply concerned for the well-being of the monks in Golog, Tibet, where eyewitness accounts detail an immediate and intense crackdown on their monastery—surveillance has been heightened, movement is heavily restricted, and monks and laypeople face constant intimidation.

Deputy CM Mukesh Agnihotri to visit Kutlehar today; MLA Vivek Sharma to accompany

JOGINDER DEV ARYA
BANGANA, APR 18

Himachal Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri will be on a day-long visit to the Kutlehar Assembly constituency today. The visit is being seen as significant in terms of development reviews, public interaction, and reinforcing the region's cultural and religious heritage.

According to information received, the Deputy CM will arrive at the historic Banode Mahadev Temple in Chatada village at 3 PM to review the temple's ongoing renovation work. The ancient temple holds immense religious and cultural significance in the region and has long been a focal point of faith for local devotees. The Deputy CM's visit is expected to give fresh



impetus to the temple's development and boost religious tourism in the area. Plans are also in place to improve basic facilities in the temple complex to enhance the experience of visiting pilgrims. Alongside the temple visit, the Deputy CM will assess the progress of various developmental projects in the area. He will interact with officials to evaluate current infrastructure initiatives and discuss future planning—focusing particularly on



roads, drinking water, healthcare, education, and other civic amenities. Local residents are hopeful that this visit will accelerate several pending projects and draw attention to long-standing demands. The Deputy CM will also engage directly with the public to hear grievances and suggestions under the state government's public outreach initiative. Officials will be instructed on the spot to take action based on the feedback received.

State-Level Haroli Utsav 2025 to begin on April 27; preparations in full swing

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA, APR 18

After a gap of seven years, the vibrant land of Haroli is set to come alive with colours of culture and celebration as the State-Level Haroli Utsav 2025 is scheduled from April 27 to 29 at the Kangar ground in Haroli. Thanks to the relentless efforts of Deputy Chief Minister and local MLA Mukesh Agnihotri, the festival is being revived with grandeur and community spirit. The three-day cultural extravaganza will be inaugurated by Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla on April 27 with a grand procession marking the opening. The closing ceremony on April 29 will be graced by Chief



Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu, while the Speaker of the Himachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly, Kuldeep Singh Pathania, will be the chief guest on April 28.

Deputy Commissioner Jatinder Lal informed that preparations are underway on a war footing, with coordination among various

departments and local institutions to ensure a grand celebration. The festival will host a range of events, including sports competitions, exhibitions, business stalls, health camps, and displays by the agriculture and animal husbandry departments. Stalls by women self-help groups will also be featured prominently.

Each evening will witness grand cultural performances, showcasing local, state-level, and national artists. The diverse array of folk songs, theatre, dance, and musical performances will be the highlight of the festival, adding vibrancy to the celebrations.

Baba Balak Nath devotees to hold grand 'Chowki' at Roti Wale Mandir on April 20

RAJNEESH SHARMA
HAMIRPUR, APR 18

For the first time, a grand devotional 'Chowki' will be organized at the sacred Roti Wale Mandir (also known as Bohad), the revered meditation site of Baba Balak Nath Ji, in Shahtalai. The event is being hosted by the Siddh Yogi Baba Paunahaari Sewak Sangh, Ludhiana. The spiritual program will feature satsang by Bhagat Sanjeev Kumar, son and disciple of Bhagat Tarsem Lal Ji, Lal of Ghumar Mandi Mandir, Ludhiana. Announcing the event, the founder of the organization, Gaurav Sayal, stated that the Sangh visits the holy site every year during April with devotees in buses to seek blessings of Baba Ji. This



year, under the divine inspiration of Guru Maharaj Bhagat Sanjeev Kumar Ji and in fulfillment of the long-standing wish of their Guru's mentor, Bhagat Tarsem Lal Ji, the Chowki will be held at Roti Wale Mandir with full administrative permission and within the prescribed guidelines. Sayal assured that all necessary arrangements for food, accommodation, and hospitality have been made for

attendees. The event is expected to attract a large number of devotees and spiritual seekers. Those present at the announcement included Satinder Verma Bobby, Gagan Nagpal, Gaurav Sharma, Manoj Jaswal, Jainender Sharma, Vijay, Manoj Kadwal, Jugal Kishore, Narinder Anand, Sanjeev, Parul, Gintash, Davinder, Gulshan, and Vishal among others.

Marathon and Yoga competition held at JNB Pekhubela under Fire Service Week



KISHORI LAL BAINS

UNA: As part of Fire Service Week celebrations, a marathon and yoga competition was organised at Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Pekhubela, in Una. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from students across various classes. The program was inaugurated with the marathon flag-off by school principal Raj Singh, in the presence of Fire Officer Ashok Rana, Yoga Instructor Sanjeev Kumar, Fire Officer Suresh Kumar, Jaypal Sharma, and other dignitaries. In the boys' marathon, Keshav Jaswal bagged the first position, followed by Sanjeev Kumar in second and Abhishek in third. Among the girls, Komal secured the first place, with Suman and Prakriti finishing second and third respectively. The yoga session, led by instructor Sanjeev Kumar, focused on various physical and mental well-being postures. In the yoga competition, Muskan stood first, followed by Alia in second, Aradhya third, Ekam fourth, Anmol fifth, and Sonakshi sixth.

NEWS BRIEF

Crime Branch-2 team arrest supplier of illegal weapons

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR: Giving information, police spokesperson Chamkaur Singh said that Superintendent of Police Rajiv Deswal instructed the district police to take strict action against people possessing illegal weapons. Working on the instructions the team of Crime Branch - 2 arrested a supplier of illegal weapons from whom a country-made musket has also been recovered. The same team has also arrested the accused of robbery while taking action. Both the accused were produced in the court and sent to judicial custody. In charge Rajkumar told that on April 2, his team arrested a youth with a country-made pistol. During interrogation, he told that he had brought this illegal weapon from Vivek alias Bunty, a resident of village Dhakdehi in Saharanpur district in Uttar Pradesh. Accused Vivek has been taken on production demand from Kaithal jail. The in charge told that a case has already been registered against the accused under the section of attempt to murder and in this case he was lodged in Kaithal jail.

Even after 35 years, neither shelter nor washroom build at bus stand of village Kachhwa



MEGHRAJ LUTHRA
KACHHWA: Even after thirty-five years, neither a queue shelter nor a washroom was provided at the bus stand of Kachhwa, the biggest village in the Karnal Assembly. Hundreds of people, including a large number of women, have to go to Karnal daily from this village with a population of about twenty thousand. Due to the lack of a queue shelter, women have to face a lot of problem. In winter, summer, storm, rain, they have to wait for buses by sitting on the roadside or on the platform built around the peepal tree. They have to endure the cold in winter and the heat waves in summer by standing. Men can wait by sitting in shops, but girl students and women have to face a lot of trouble.

Temperature soars to 44.2°C in Churu, administration takes measures

AGENCY
CHURU, APR 18

Rajasthan's Churu is grappling with intense heatwave conditions as temperatures crossed 40 degrees Celsius, with the India Meteorological Department (IMD) recording 44.2°C yesterday.

District Magistrate Abhishek Surana stated, "We have set up rest shelters for commuters and are sprinkling water on roads. Special wards in hospitals are being established to treat heat-related illnesses, and efforts are underway to increase green cover in the city."

Churu is recognised for its extreme temperatures, both in summer and winter. During the summer months, temperatures can soar to as high as 50 degrees Celsius, while in winter, they may drop below zero.

According to the



Meteorological Department, yesterday's recorded maximum temperature was 44.2 degrees Celsius, with a minimum of 26.4 degrees Celsius, indicating a potential increase today.

As a result of the rising temperatures, many residents are

taking measures to avoid outdoor activities during the afternoon hours and are seeking relief through the use of towels and cold beverages.

The roads are becoming increasingly hot, akin to the operations of a blacksmith's forge,

and the impact of the heat is apparent not only on the local population but also on wildlife. Furthermore, mirages are beginning to appear along the roads.

Rajasthan is grappling with intense heat as temperatures soar across its cities. According to the weather report, Barmer recorded a scorching 45.0°C, closely followed by Bikaner at 45.1°C and Jaisalmer at 44.8°C, making these locations among the hottest spots.

Chittorgarh sizzled at 44.2°C, while Ajmer and Bhilwara both hit 42.3°C. Jaipur, the state capital, saw the mercury rise to 42.2°C, and Alwar was not far behind at 41.8°C. Dust storm and strong surface winds warnings have been issued for West Rajasthan, along with a heatwave warning for East Rajasthan today. Additionally, a dust storm and strong surface winds warning was issued for West Rajasthan on April 19.

Jhaneri is new chief of local market committee



SUMER GARG
BHAWANIGARH, APR 18

The Punjab government led by Chief Minister, Bhagwant Singh Mann has appointed young leader Mr. Jagsir Singh Jhaneri as the chairman of the market committee, Bhawanigarh. Mr Jhaneri in the presence of Punjab assembly speaker, Kultar Singh Sandhwa, Cabinet minister, Barinder Kumar Goyal; MP Gurmeet Singh hayer and MLA, Narinder Kaur Bharaj took over the charge of his seat. On the occasion, while all the present

senior leaders while congratulating the newly appointed chairman also said that he would fulfill the new responsibility in the best way. The speaker, while congratulating the Chairman said that for the development of agriculture is considered as the back bone and for its progress market committee would have a major contribution in the development of Punjab. He said that he hopes that Chairman Jagsir Singh would work for the welfare of all sections related to agriculture and the government would also help if he needs it.

Citizens unite to support social workers Mahinderpal Lumba and Bham, call to cancel false case

JAGRAJ SINGH SANGHA
MOGA, APR 18

Recently, the president of the Anti-Drug Committee, Sukhdeep Singh Bham, and social worker and YouTube channel owner Mahendra Pal Lumba were named in a case registered by the Moga Police under the POSCO and NDPS Acts. In protest against this, today, hundreds of people, including the family of village residents Mahendra Pal Lumba, ordinary citizens, social workers, journalists, and representatives of various political parties, held a massive protest rally in the local grain market against the Moga Police. While various speakers lashed out at the Punjab government and the Moga police, in their addresses, Amitoj Mann Lakha Sidhana and former Sarpanch Harbhajan Singh Bahona and Beant Kaur and Nihal Singh



Bhullar Talwandi Bhangeria said that if the police had to file a false case against them, then they would have filed a valid case. The administration is facing a big problem by filing false cases. The administration has all the resources, they should go to the people and ask them. They lashed out at the MLAs and ministers of the government and said that not a single MLA from these 92nd MLAs raises serious issues of Punjab in the Vidhan Sabha but is busy filing false cases

against the people. They appealed to the people to come together or else they will face injustice alone. On this occasion, Mahinderpal's mother said in her address that I am proud of my son, we will fight against injustice firmly. On this occasion, his family and engineer Jaskirat Singh Ludhiana, Balbir Singh Pandhi, senior Akali leader Nihal Singh Bhullar, Talwandi Bhangarian, Kuldeep Singh Malli Chughra, former MLA Vijay Kumar.

YS School Barnala updates parents on curriculum aligned with NEP



KARANPREET KARAN
BARNALA: YS School Barnala organized a special session for the scholars of Grade 9 and their parents to make them aware of the curriculum and new guidelines introduced under the New Education Policy (NEP). During this session, detailed information was shared regarding the syllabus of various subjects, as per CBSE norms. Parents and scholars were also informed that the NEP now allows scholars of Grade 9 to choose their subjects based on their interests and strengths, giving them the freedom to study disciplines like Science, Commerce, or Arts. It was noteworthy that YS School Barnala had already been following a similar approach for years- encouraging scholars to pursue learning aligned with their aptitude and interest. The session aimed to strengthen the partnership between the school and parents to support the growth and bright future of the scholars. The programme proved to be a great success in promoting academic excellence and overall development among the scholars. Parents too appreciated the initiative by the school as it gives them the clarity about their child's education.

Apprenticeship fair organized in Government ITI



KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA: Prime Minister National Apprenticeship Fair was organized at Government Industrial Training Institute Barnala. This fair was organized under the direction of Technical Education and Industrial Training Department Punjab Chandigarh at Government Industrial Training Institute Barnala in which about 209 trainees participated. This fair was organized under the leadership of the Principal of the institute, Harpal Singh Ji in which famous industries of the area like Trident Home Textile Barnala, Lotus Home Textile Barnala, Trident Yam Sanghera Barnala, PRTC Barnala, Standard Corporation Limited HandiYa Barnala, Saffron Sun Security Solutions Private Limited Barnala etc. along with Government ITI Girls, Punjab ITC Barnala, Satyam ITC Bhadaur participated along with their trainees. In this fair, the trainees were given information about apprenticeship and the National Apprenticeship Portal.

Foundation day of Surya Mandir to be celebrated on May 1



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, APR 18

Foundation day of Surya Mandir will be celebrated with great enthusiasm by Chhath Parv Seva Samiti Mandal. It will be organized on May 1 and 2. Haryana Assembly Speaker Harvinder Kalyan, Karnal MLA Jagmohan Anand, Mayor Renu Bala Gupta and Assandh MLA Yogendra Rana have been invited as chief guests. Surya Mandir Pradhan Suresh Yadav and other officials reached the residence of MLA Jagmohan Anand and Mayor Renu Bala Gupta and invited them for program. Pradhan Suresh Yadav informed that Maa Bhagwati Jagran will be organized on May 1. Holy flame will be lit at 9 pm. Navgrah Puja will be performed on May 2 in morning. After this, flag hoisting will be done. Prasad will be distributed by organizing a Bhandara in afternoon. This will be 23rd foundation day celebration of Surya Mandir. Social, religious, political and educational personalities have been invited in programs.

Kalayat ITI signs MoU with district administration for on job training

RANVIR PARASHAR
KAITHAL, APR 18

DC Preeti has taken an initiative in the district the district administration has signed an MoU with the Government ITI Kalayat at Pinjupura for on-job training of students of refrigeration and Air Conditioning Mechanic trade in view of providing skill training. Under which, 15 students of ITI were engaged in repairing ACs and water coolers of various departments located in the District Secretariat under the leadership of the related trade instructor Randeep Singh since April 9. So far, about 20 ACs and water coolers were serviced and repaired. There is great enthusiasm among the students due to this initiative. Through this, the students are getting the



experience of working at a real workplace which will help them prepare to work in the industry.

It is worth mentioning that DC Preeti had made a surprise visit to the Government ITI Kalayat located in Pinjupura on March 25 and had instructed that a plan should be made to enhance the skills of the children. After this, during discussions with the Principal of the institute, Bhupendra Pal Singh, an agreement was reached

between the District Administration Kaithal and Government ITI Kalayat to sign an MoU for on-job training for the maintenance of all ACs and water coolers of the DC Office and IT Society of the Mini Secretariat to groom and tested the talent and skills of the students and the OJT MoU was signed between CTM Kaithal Gurvinder Singh and Principal Bhupendra Pal Singh on April 8, 2025 after approval from DC Preeti.

Under Haryana Uday outreach program cyclothon yatra organised

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, APR 18

In a series of Haryana Uday Outreach programs to make Haryana drug-free a cyclothon yatra is being taken out with the tagline entered Kutana in the morning of Assandh Malka in the morning. On reaching the yatra here, Assandh MLA Yogendra Rana gave a grand welcome. During this time, all the residents also welcomed the Cyclothon Yatra with administrative officials. MLA Yogendra Rana welcomed the yatra and said that he warmly welcomed the cyclothon yatra on reaching village Kutana on behalf of the entire Assandh region. He congratulated all the people involved in this and said that the common man was getting a very important message of this journey because in



today's time, drug has become a serious problem for the state. Giving a message to the common man, he said that the future of youth was being affected due to drug addiction. He told that all of them should take steps towards drug -free society. If a person around them was suffering from drug addiction, then they should not ignore him but should help in bringing him on the right path. Together we can unite against drug addiction and free our society from this drug problem. Apart from

this, he pledged to the common man present there and said that no person would get intoxicated. Drug addiction was a hindrance in our development. Drug addiction affected a person's health and family. It was necessary to fight against drug addiction. A drug -free society is healthy and positive, everyone should cooperate for drug addiction in society. He described this journey as a de -addiction campaign in the state which is moving towards building a healthy and drug - free society.

Miri Piri Khalsa Collegiate Senior Secondary School's 11th grade annual result remains outstanding

BALWINDER AZAD
BARNALA DEHATI, APR 18

The annual result of the 11th grade at the renowned institution of the region, Miri Piri Khalsa Collegiate Senior Secondary School, has been outstanding. This institution, which is functioning under the management of the Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee, is guided by the capable leadership of Engineer Sukhwinder Singh, Secretary of Education, Directorate of Education.While the institution imparts academic education to students, it also continually makes efforts for the overall personality development of the students. Recently, the annual results for 11th grade were announced by Miri Piri Khalsa Collegiate Senior Secondary School, Bhadaur. Prof. Sukhveer Kaur, in-charge of 11th Arts, shared that just like every year, this year too the results were excellent. In 11th Arts, Jashandeep Kaur secured the first position with 81% marks, Harmeet Singh came second with 80%, and Arshad Khan



bagged the third position with 76%. Prof. Shalu Zindal and Prof. Gurmeet Kaur shared that in 11th Commerce, two students, Sukhjot Singh and Bishan Singh, secured the first position with 80% marks, Rajdeep Kaur stood second with 76%, and the third position was jointly secured by Varinder Singh and Kohinoor Singh with 73.8%. The college Principal, Malwinder Singh, congratulated the students and their parents and motivated them to work even harder in 12th grade. The position-holding students were honored, and the entire staff was present on the occasion.

Global Punjabi Association becomes voice of Punjabis Worldwide: Paramjit Singh Gill

VERMA
GURDASPUR, APR 18

A significant meeting of the Global Punjabi Association was held under the leadership of renowned social worker S. Kulwant Singh Dhaliwal. The meeting was attended by respected former Vice-Chancellor I.F. S. Dhillon, prominent dignitaries, community leaders, and members of the association from India and abroad. On this occasion, Paramjit Singh Gill, National Vice President of the Himalaya Parivar, was also present and actively participated in the discussions. He expressed deep concern over the growing challenges in Punjab and emphasized the urgent need for intervention to secure



the state's future. Sharing information about the meeting, Mr. Paramjit Singh Gill stated that the primary focus was the serious issues currently facing Punjab — including the widespread drug menace, rising gang activities, and the deteriorating political environment, all of which are causing severe and long-term damage to the state's socio-

economic structure. He further informed that all members unanimously requested Kulwant Singh Dhaliwal to bring these critical issues to the attention of the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and to seek special attention and policy-level focus from the central government for Punjab's revival and stability.

Football matches held at Punjab Public School



BALWINDER AZAD
BARNALA: Football matches for senior and junior boys were organized at Punjab Public School, Mana Pindi, keeping in mind the importance of sports. These matches were led by Gurveer Singh (P.T.I.) and Gurjeet Singh (D.P.E.). In the junior boys' category, Bhagat Singh House secured first place, Tagore House took second place, and Ashoka House came in third. In the senior boys' category, Tagore House won first place, Ashoka House secured second place, and Shivaji House claimed third place. Watching the students play inspired other students to take interest in sports as well. On this occasion, the school's Principal, Simran Kaur, stated that sports are an essential part of life.

NEWS BRIEFS

Manipal Hospital, Gurugram Welcome Dr. Jatin Yadav to Strengthen Cardiothoracic Vascular Surgery Department

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA REWARI : Manipal Hospital, a leading healthcare provider in Gurugram welcomes Dr. Jatin Yadav, a highly skilled and experienced cardiothoracic vascular surgeon, to its team of medical experts as the Head of Department and consultant. Dr. Yadav's expertise lies in managing critically ill patients for surgery, including extensive experience in off-pump CABG, valve repair/replacement, aortic surgery and minimally invasive cardiac surgeries, which further strengthens the hospital's commitment to providing advanced and comprehensive healthcare services. Dr. Jatin Yadav is a highly proficient cardiac surgeon with extensive experience of more than 7 years in both public and private healthcare settings. He conducts thorough pre-operative assessments to understand patient needs and potential risks, administers minimally invasive techniques meticulously. He has been a member of Indian association of Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgeons of India (IACSTS) and Society of Minimally Invasive Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgeons of India (SMICT-SI). His vast experience, combined with his dedication to providing high-quality cardiac surgeries, makes him an invaluable asset to the surgical team at Manipal Hospital, Gurugram.

Action should be taken against those who torture farmers: Lalit Butana

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL: National Convenor of All India Congress Kisan Cell and member of State Congress Committee and former member of Haryana Staff Selection Commission, Lalit Butana said that immediate action should be taken against those who torture farmers. Administrative officers should take immediate cognizance and take action against any commission agent or other person who harasses farmers by cancelling their license. Every day, irregularities are being found in the weighing of wheat of farmers in grain markets. Due to which the farmers are looking upset and frustrated. Administrative officers should make regular visits to the markets regarding wheat purchase. If even after this, the commission agents and other people who weigh more do not stop in any way, then strict action should be taken against such people. BJP leaders should honestly go to the markets and listen to the problems of the farmers and work on the ground to get them solved. At the time of weighing in the market, ensure that the farmers' heaps are weighed properly, only then will the farmers' faces glow with happiness.



Dental check-up camp organised in KS Convent School

HANS RAJ KURUKSHETRA, APR 18

Dental check-up of students was done in KS Convent School under the World Oral Health Month. Team of senior dentists of LNJP Hospital examined the teeth of students. During this, a painting competition was organized for students of class 3rd to 5th, the purpose of which was to make students aware about oral health. Along with this, awareness was also created about oral hygiene and cleaning of teeth every morning and evening. Ananya, Pari, Jaskirat, Yakshit, Yashraj, Harnoor, Daksh and Kirti were declared winners in the competition and prizes were distributed by the dentists. School Principal Radha Gupta, Education Consultant Chetna Saluja and teacher Seema Sharma welcomed the team of dentists. Senior dentist Dr. Vineesh Madan, dentist Dr. Jagriti, Dr. Mamta, dental hygienist



Dr. Shatabdi explained to the children that teeth are one of the important organs of our body. If our teeth are not in good condition, it also affects our health. Senior dentist Dr. Vineesh Madan said that we should take advice from a dentist to improve dietary habits and any necessary treatment and get treatment done when the time comes. Therefore, it is very important for us to clean our teeth. The doctor's team also distributed free toothpaste and toothbrushes to all the

children. School President Gurinder Singh Ghai and Principal Radha Gupta advised all the children to be careful about cleaning their teeth and said that we should keep getting check ups done from time to time. On this occasion school teachers Suman, Ruchika, Seema, Manvinder, Bharti, Sulekha, Leena, Avni, Nisha, Sonali, Renu, Chanchal, Neha Sharma, Pooja, Neha Rani, Anju, Richa and Meenashi also got themselves checked up.

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA AMBALA, APRIL 18

The birthday of Vasu Ranjan Shandilya, a young advocate of the Supreme Court and Punjab and Haryana High Court and Chairman of the Council of Lawyers, was celebrated in a unique and inspiring way this year. He celebrated his birthday with children living in slums and gave them sweets and cut cake. On this special occasion, he took a pledge that he will continue to provide free legal aid to the poor, suffering and helpless people. Thousands of people, advocates and social workers from across the country wished Vasu Ranjan Shandilya on his birthday. Senior lawyers of the Supreme Court, Punjab and Haryana High Court, Delhi High Court, and various High Courts of the country sent him congratulatory messages. Vasu Ranjan Shandilya paid tribute to his grandfather late Dr. Ram Murthy ji on this occasion and said that I will continue to work to deliver justice to the last citizen. Whatever I am, I am because of my parents and teachers. Born in Ambala city, Vasu Ranjan Shandilya's father Veeresh Shandilya has been working for the last 30 years to strengthen the



unity and integrity of the country. His mother Pankaj Shandilya always boosted his morale and inspired him to move forward. Vasu Shandilya's grandfather was a doctor by profession and he did M.A. in Hindi, English, Political Science and Sanskrit from Punjab University. Vasu Ranjan Shandilya believes that whatever achievements he has in his life, his family and teachers have a special contribution to them. After getting a law degree from Maharishi Markandeshwar University, he took admission in LLM in Punjab University. Shandilya, who started his legal career from District Court Chandigarh, made a strong identity in Punjab and Haryana High Court in a few years. He specializes in criminal and civil matters. He has been made the youngest co-opted member of Punjab, Haryana and Chandigarh Bar Council.

Action taken against illegal colonies

MAINPAL KASHYAP INDR, APRIL 18

District Town Planner Satish Kumar said that demolition action was taken against illegal colonies in villages Ramba and Sangoha of Assandh and Indri yesterday. He said that 3 DPCs, sewer network and all kutcha roads were demolished in an illegal colony located on about 15 acres on Ritak Road Assandh. Demolition action has been taken by the department for the fourth time in this illegal colony. During this action, the District Town Planner and office team, Duty Magistrate Secretary Municipal Corporation Assandh and Police Force of Police Station Assandh were present. He informed that apart from this, all the kutcha roads and boundary walls were demolished in an illegal colony situated in about 1.5 acres in village Ramba and boundary walls, manholes, sewer network and all kutcha roads were demolished in an illegal colony situated in about 10 acres on Sangoha Road from Ramba Chowk.



During this, the team of the District Town Planner and the office, Duty Magistrate Naib Tehsildar and Police Force of Police Station Sadar Karnal were present on the spot. The District Town Planner appealed to the people that no person should do any construction in the illegal colony otherwise demolition action will be taken by the office. He said that no laxity will be shown against illegal colonies and illegal constructions and demolition action will continue and cases will be registered against the culprits.

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District level Yoga Olympiad competition successfully organised

SANJAY SHARNA KAITHAL, APRIL 18

District level Yoga Olympiad was organised in accordance with the guidelines issued by National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT), SCERT Haryana Gurugram's Population Education Cell and District Education and Training Institute Kaithal under the guidance of District Education Officer and DIET Principal Shri Ram Diya Gagat at DIET Kaithal. 88 winning participants from 6 blocks of Kaithal district participated in this competition. The jury was Shamsher Singh Government Senior Secondary School Khedi Ghulam Ali, Vinod Kumar Arohi Model Senior Secondary School Gayong, Sanju Arya Ayush Department, Kaithal, Deepak Kaushik Government Secondary School Jambha. In the competition at middle level (class 6 to 8) among girls, Tamanna



from Government Secondary School Uralana stood first, Khushi from Government Girls Senior Secondary School Fatehpur stood second, Neha from Government Secondary School Uralana stood third and Priyanka from Government High School Chandlana stood fourth. Among class 6 to 8 boys, Rakesh stood first, Ranveer from Government Secondary School Dilon Wali stood second, Akash stood third and Karna from Government Secondary School Uralana stood fourth. Among

class 9 to 10 girls, Anu from Government High School Jajpur stood first, Neha second, Anshu third and Deepika fourth. Among class 9 to 10 boys, Vikas from Government Senior Secondary School Faral stood first, Rahul from Government Senior Secondary School Padla stood second, Radhe third and Harshit from Government Senior Secondary School Faral stood fourth. District Resource Unit Incharge from DIET Kaithal, Dr. Raj Kumar said that the first, second, third and fourth winning participants at district level will participate in state level competition. Staff members of winning teams were added to WhatsApp groups for updates of state level competition. D.R. Refreshments were organized by the Yoga Yoga Training Institute for the participants, staff and parents.

Workers are the backbone of the party: Rampal Majra

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, APRIL 18

To strengthen the organisation of the Indian National Lok Dal party, a meeting of party workers was held at Chaudhary Farm House in RK Puram on Friday. In the meeting, state president Rampal Majra honoured the newly appointed office bearers by garlanding them. Addressing the workers, the state president said that workers are the backbone of the party, without workers we cannot reach our destination. Respecting workers has been INLD's priority, today the public has started remembering the policies of late Tau Devi Lal and the thinking of Chaudhary late Chaudhary Om Prakash Chautala because the work that was done during the rule of INLD in the state, Congress and BJP could not find that work in the interest of the public.

Today every section is unhappy under the rule of BJP, Congress is busy saving Rahul Gandhi and Sonia Gandhi. Congress party never demonstrated for the protection of the interests of farmers, labourers, nor did it react to the increase in the price of diesel and petrol. The state president said that the Congress party has the same attitude inside the Vidhan Sabha as well, which shows that the Congress party is in cahoots with the BJP. That day is not far when the next government will be of INLD. In order to strengthen the organisation, panels were prepared for various cells and the post of Vidhan Sabha president. A panel of three people for each Vidhan Sabha will be prepared and sent to the high command. District president Surjeet Shamgarh, while chairing the meeting, said that we will go from village to village and house to house to spread the poli-

cies of Jagat Tau Devi Lal and Chaudhary Om Prakash Chautala so that the deteriorating situation of Haryana can be saved and INLD can come to power.

On this occasion, District President Surjit Shamgarh, National General Secretary Surjit Sandhu, State Vice President Yashveer Rana, State General Secretary Ramkumar Aibla, State Spokesperson Krishna Kuttail, Farmers Cell State President Phool Singh Manjoorra, National Secretary Dhamveer Padha, State Executive Member Manoj Kamboj, Jai Pal Punia, State President of Business Cell Madan Mohan Chaudhary, Raghubir Kalyan, Manindra Rana, Umesh Rindal, Kavita Dhankhar, Om Prakash Kamboj, Mehar Singh Jundla, Naresh Rangrutikhera, Balwan Valmiki, Mukesh Grover, Bharat Madhan, Sonia Chauhan, Kuldeep Sandhu, Sumer Mann, Ankit Narwal, Milan Mann, Hrithik Chaudhary, Chapnu Narwal, Lala Narwal, Naresh Jagda, Kanwar Butana, Lalit Nadana, Hari Singh Sandhu, Sardar Sukhchain, Deepak Pandit and others were present.



Editorial

Relieved

India's Opposition parties have welcomed the judicial interventions that took place during the Supreme Court's hearing of the petitions challenging the Waqf (Amendment) Act on Thursday, with the Congress describing them as "a win for the Constitution". The Opposition's mood can be gauged from the set of interim reliefs that the apex court provided on the matter. The court has given the Centre a week's time to submit its response to the petitions challenging the Waqf (Amendment) Act after it was assured that any court-declared waqf property, either by 'waqf by user' or 'waqf by deed', will not be denotified till the next hearing. No new appointments are to be made to the Central Waqf Council and to the State Boards either. The government will not be able to take back disputed properties that are being scrutinised by district collectors in the course of the legal proceedings. That the court was sceptical about certain provisions of the amended law, chiefly the induction of non-Muslims into the Central Waqf Council and State Boards, the denotification of properties declared as waqf, and the unchecked powers given to the district collector to identify the validity of such properties, had been apparent even during the hearing on Wednesday. On that day, Justice K.V. Viswanathan had even asked the solicitor-general to explain the rationale of having non-Muslims in the Waqf Council and boards while pointing out that Hindu charitable endowment acts do not provide space for non-Hindus in their boards. Thursday's proceedings did not really bring any relief to the government; there was thus a sense of continuity as far as the hearings were concerned over the two days.

The legal proceedings will continue and a new date has been set for the next hearing. But the Supreme Court's interim directives on Thursday could have an immediate beneficial effect. They would provide a sense of calm to constituencies battling a sense of besiegement and restrain them from committing rash acts. Bengal's Murshidabad, incidentally, had witnessed riots after a protest against the contentious Waqf Act. The immediate political outcomes from the court's observations have unfolded along expected lines. The Opposition is on the offensive: it would like to attribute the court's reasoning to infirmities in the amended legislation. The Centre is on the defensive. It remains to be seen whether there is a change in respective positions in the days to come.

Kuwait backs India for UN Security Council seat

Kuwait's Permanent Representative to the United Nations and Co-Chair of the Intergovernmental Negotiations (IGN), Tareq Albanai, has expressed support for India's membership in the United Nations Security Council. He called India a "main player on the world stage" and stressed that India would be a contender if the expansion of the council takes place.

While addressing a press briefing on the status of the UN General Assembly Intergovernmental Negotiation on Security Council Reform on Thursday, he recalled his visit to India with his co-chair, Alex Marschik. Kuwait and Austria co-chair the Intergovernmental Negotiations on Security Council reform.

On being asked what needs to be ensured that reform of UNSC takes place, Albanai responded, "I had the pleasure last year, as I did this with my distinguished co-chair, Axel Marchik, to actually visit India and have a conversation there at the highest level. And the goal of this reformed council must be representative and obviously, India is a main player on the world stage today. But, it is a membership of 193 countries, right?"

"And the consideration is representative for everybody and the whole membership of the United Nations. So, surely, if the decision is made that the expansion of the council goes to anywhere from 21 to 27 members, then surely India will be a con-



tender in that and will be subject to the decision of the wider membership," he added.

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ther highlighted that France would reiterate the need for a UNSC reform that would give India a permanent seat at the high table. In a post on X, French Embassy in India stated, "Today, France assumes the monthly presidency of @UN Security Council. It will steer key discussions on global peace and security with a focus on humanitarian impacts. To reflect today's world, France reiterates the need for a #UNSC reform that also gives India a permanent seat." Notably, India has long sought a permanent seat in the Security Council to better represent the interests of

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the developing world. The nation's quest has gained momentum with support from the international community.

The United Nations Security Council (UNSC) is composed of 15 member states, including five permanent members with veto power and ten non-permanent members elected for two-year terms. The five permanent members of the UNSC include China, the United Kingdom, France, Russia, and the United States. The non-permanent members of the United Nations Security Council are elected for 2-year terms by the UNGA.

Literature & Health

US attacks on Yemen kill 38, injure 102

The US military's attack on Ras Isa port in Yemen's Hodeidah governorate killed at least 38, while about 102 have also been injured, according to Hodeidah's health office, Al Jazeera reported.

The Israeli military said it "identified that a missile was launched from Yemen towards Israeli territory" and that it has intercepted that missile.

Meanwhile Mark Carney, Canada's Prime Minister and the leader of the Liberal Party, called for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza and for Israel to end its weeks-long blockade and allow humanitarian aid to enter the besieged enclave.

"We need to work with our international partners [to exert] maximum pressure, maximum encouragement for an immediate ceasefire [in Gaza]," he said, speaking as the leaders of Canada's four major parties squared off in their final debate ahead of the country's general election later this month.

Posting on X, Carney also called for the "the release of all hostages" and "more humanitarian aid for civilians in Gaza", as



well as a "lasting two-state solution". A family of 13 has been reported killed in an Israeli attack on a Khan Younis home earlier in the day, as per Al Jazeera after medical sources said at least 32 people were killed in Israeli strikes across Gaza on Thursday. Al Jazeera reported that another family was "wiped out" in an earlier Israeli attack on tent shelters in southern Khan Younis amid continuing and "deliberate" strikes on civilian and humanitarian aid infrastructure.

India slams Bangladesh's comments on West Bengal situation

Official Spokesperson for the Ministry of External Affairs, Randhir Jaiswal, on Friday slammed Bangladesh for its comments on recent incidents in West Bengal.

Jaiswal said that the rhetoric was a disingenuous attempt at drawing parallels between Bangladesh and India, where the perpetrators of criminal acts roam free.

"We reject the remarks made by the Bangladesh side with regard to the incidents in West Bengal. This is a barely disguised and disingenuous attempt to draw a parallel with India's concerns over the ongoing persecution of minorities in Bangladesh, where the criminal perpetrators of such acts continue to roam



free," Jaiswal said. "Instead of making unwarranted comments and indulging in virtue signalling, Bangladesh would do better to focus on protecting the rights of its own minorities," MEA stated in a post on X.

Earlier, Bangladesh's interim government vehemently denied any involvement in the communal violence that recently erupted in Murshidabad, Bangladesh-based Daily Ob-

server stated on Thursday.

In a statement on Thursday, Shafiqul Alam, the press secretary to Chief Adviser Muhammad Yunus, expressed condemnation over the attacks on Muslims, which resulted in significant loss of life and property, urging the Indian government and West Bengal authorities to take necessary steps to ensure the safety and protection of the minority Muslim population.

POEM

The Astronomer

I only said, "When in the evening the round full moon gets entangled among the beaches of that Dadam tree, couldn't somebody catch it?"

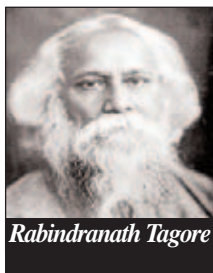
But dada laughed at me and said, "Baby, you are the silliest child I have ever known. The moon is ever so far from us, how could anybody catch it?"

I said, "Dada, how foolish you are! When mother looks out of

her window and smiles down at us playing, would you call her far away?" Still dada

said, "You are a stupid child! But, baby where could you find a net big enough to catch the moon with?" I said, "Surely you could catch it with your hands." But dada laughed and said, "You are the silliest child I have known. If it came nearer, you would see how big the moon is."

Rabindranath Tagore



About 91% of Central Govt's investment in FY25 focused on five key sectors

Nearly 91 per cent of the central government investments, worth Rs 6.8 lakh crore, were focused towards the five key sectors of the economy in the year 2024-25, shows a re-search report by Bank of Baroda.

The five key sectors, as per the report, were renewable electricity, road transport, refineries, conventional electricity, and shipping.

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In terms of geographic distribution, Chhattisgarh to get the highest share of investments at Rs 1.4 lakh crore, followed by Odisha with Rs 0.8 lakh crore.

Under the refinery sector, government-owned companies have announced plans to invest Rs 1 lakh crore to produce 600 MW of power.

For conventional electricity, the government is planning to invest approximately Rs 99,376 crore, including a major project worth Rs 80,000 crore in Bihar. Odisha and Chhattisgarh will also receive smaller projects in this sector.

In the shipping sector, Gujarat emerges as the biggest beneficiary with projects worth Rs 58,750 crore out of the total Rs 62,120 crore. Other states set to benefit include Assam, Karnataka, Kerala, and Tamil Nadu.

The report underscored the government's focus on infrastructure development and clean energy, with large-scale investments in sectors and states poised to drive long-term growth.

NEWS BRIEF

Karnal CIA In-Charge and Head Constable suspended for taking bribe in murder case

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL: In Karnal, a major action was taken against a CIA in-charge inspector and head constable on charges of taking bribe. Karnal SP Gangaram Punia has suspended both of them and has also registered an FIR against them. After the case was registered both were said to be absconding. It is said that both (CIA in charge Inspector Mandeep Kumar and Head Constable Fishi) were taking a bribe of Rs 37 lakh in connection with a woman's murder case. The accused in this case were being saved. This huge amount of bribe was also sent to a middleman.

Grand welcome to Free Haryana

Cyclothon Yatra held MAINPAL KASHYAP INDRI: On the call of Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini, Cyclothon Yatra 2.0, which is going on across the state with the resolve to make Haryana drug free, reached Indri on Friday with the tagline Hum Sabka Sanha Sapna Nasha Mukht Ho Haryana Apna. The Cyclothon Yatra was warmly welcomed by garlanding the people participating in the Cyclothon Yatra.

Cyclothon Yatra flagged off, leaves for Yamunanagar

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, APR 18

Local MLA Jagmohan Anand has said that collective efforts will have to be made to end the evil of drug abuse in society. Chief Minister Naib Saini is also moving forward on the steps taken by former Chief Minister Manohar Lal during his tenure to make people aware about drug abuse. Jagmohan was addressing the people as the chief guest before flagging off the Cyclothon Yatra for Yamunanagar at Maharaja Agrasen Chowk here today. He wished the participants of the Yatra. SI Dr. Ashok administered the oath of Drug Free Haryana. The MLA said that it is the need of the hour to eliminate the evil of drug abuse from the society. But this task cannot be accomplished by relying only on government. We will have to fight against drug abuse with collective responsibility.

On this occasion, he felicitated two youths Chander of Narukhedi



village and Raman of Padhana village who themselves gave up drug addiction and inspired others to do the same. Nilokhedi MLA Bhagwandas Kabirpanthi said that Cyclothon Yatra was started by Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini from Hisar a few days ago. Passing through several districts, the Yatra

reached Karnal on Thursday. After a night halt, it will enter Yamunanagar district via Shamgarh and Indri today. He said that the Yatra has yielded meaningful results. Many youths have joined the mainstream of society by bidding adieu to drugs. He is confident that in future also, drug addicted youths will give up drug

addiction and cooperate in making Haryana drug free. 122 participants are participating in the Cyclothon Yatra. Today, before flagging off the Yatra at Maharaja Agrasen Chowk, a cultural program was presented by the artists of the Information, Public Relations and Language Department to make people aware about the evils of drug abuse. Deputy Commissioner Uttam Singh, SP Ganga Ram Poonia, Mayor Renu Bala Gupta, SDM Anubhav Mehta, CEO District Council Gaurav Kumar, City Magistrate Monica, DSP Naib Singh, BJP District President Praveen Lathar, District Vice President Rajbir Sharma, Councilors Rajesh Agghi and Joginder Sharma, BJP workers Madan Gurjar, Ramesh Gill, Pankaj Kamboj including DEO Sudesh Thukral, Deputy Civil Surgeon Dr. Simmi, GM Roadways Kuldeep Singh, DSO Sudha Bhasin, Red Cross Society Secretary Kulbir Malik and officers and employees of various departments were present.

Gurudwara Management Committee organises program on occasion of Guru Teg Bahadur Prakash Parv



DALBIR MALIK KURUKSHETRA, APR 18

Chief Minister Naib Singh Saini said that Shri Guru Teg Bahadur Ji Maharaj sacrificed his entire clan for the protection of religion and society. This sacrifice and renunciation needed to be kept in mind always. The citizens of this society needed to adopt the ideals, teachings and words of Shri Guru Teg Bahadur Ji in their lives. Chief Minister Naib Singh Saini was speaking on Friday at a program organized by the Gurudwara Management Committee in village Beed Mathana on the occasion of Shri Guru Teg

Bahadur Maharaj Ji's Prakash Parv at Shri Gurudwara Singh Sabha. Earlier, Chief Minister Naib Singh Saini, former Minister of State Subhash Sudha inaugurated Shri Guru Teg Bahadur Dwar on behalf of Shri Gurudwara Management Committee Beed Mathana at the entrance of village. After this, Chief Minister Naib Singh Saini bowed to Shri Guru Granth Sahib Ji and prayed for the prosperity of the people of the state. On this Prakash Parv, the head of Gurudwara Singh Sabha Management Committee Harpal Singh, Gulzar Singh presented saropa and souvenir to Chief Minister Naib Singh Saini.

Members of Bharat Vikas Parishad Ladwa visit Ramlala

VIJAY KAUSHIK LADWA: Members of Bharat Vikas Parishad Ladwa reached Ayodhya and had darshan of Ramlala, the symbol of faith of Hindus. On this occasion, Arvind Singhal said that Ram Mandir was a symbol of faith of 100 crore Hindus which has been built after hundreds of years of struggle and a long legal battle. Sumit Bansal said that a grand temple of Lord Rama has been built very beautifully in Ayodhya, the beauty of which was worth seeing. The idols of all the gods and goddesses have been carved on stone with such beautiful carvings. There was a very good arrangement of security and cleanliness in the temple. Everyone must have darshan of Ramlala once. On this occasion, Amrit Pal Garg, Arvind Singhal, Sumit Bansal, Naveen Garg, Sangeeta Garg, Anju Singhal, Pooja Garg, Divya Bansal, Anirudh, Riddhi, Sanchi, Kritika, Yatharth, Bhavya, Shiven were present.



PSEB hosts state workshop to promote moral values and Punjabi language

VERMA GURDASPUR: A collaborative effort to strengthen moral values and the Punjabi language in Punjab schools took place at a state-level workshop organized by the Punjab School Education Board. Jagat Punjabi Sabha Canada's Punjab representatives including state president Mukesh Verma, Sr vice president Parminder Singh Saini and vice President Sarwan Singh Dhandal joined educators and government officials, including Chairman Shri Amarpal Singh (IAS), to brainstorm effective methods for teaching moral values in Punjabi. This initiative follows the Punjab unit's advocacy for moral education as part of the state's anti-drug campaign. Participants agreed on the importance of instilling moral values to elevate Punjab's education system. Stressing the importance of safeguarding children from social evils, Mukesh Verma the state President Jagat Punjabi Sabha, stated that teaching moral education in schools in an effective and interesting way is vital for promoting values such as truthfulness, honesty, positive thinking, and respect for elders.



One Nation, One election will curb black money: Dr Ashok

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL: Nowadays the issue of one country one election is gaining momentum in India. It means that Lok Sabha and Vidhan Sabha elections should be conducted simultaneously across the country at one time. The people of the country have started seeing the benefits of one country one election. In this regard, Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chauhan is arriving for a seminar with the people of the intellectual society in the auditorium of Kalpana Chawla Medical College, Karnal on 22 April. BJP District Media Incharge Dr. Ashok Kumar appealed to the people of the enlightened society to participate in this program as much as possible and while giving information about the benefits of one country one election to the people of the country, he said that this will not only save the treasury but will also curb black money. He said that often development work gets hindered during elections because the code of conduct is implemented in the states at the time of elections and it remains in force till the results are declared. In such a situation, it causes delay in development projects. This will not happen in one country-one election. Dr. Ashok said that at the time of elections, various government employees including the force are put on duty across the country.



Kids Planet School shines at World Heritage Day event; student Lavish wins prize

HANS RAJ KURUKSHETRA: Seven talented students of Kids Planet Prem Public School, Sector-3 brought laurels to the school by participating in the competition organized by Kurukshetra Panorama and Science Center on the occasion of World Heritage Day. The purpose of this occasion was to make children aware of the importance and conservation of global cultural and historical heritage. In the competition, students Mannat, Vihani, Lavish, Navya, Sambhav, Jeena, Prabhgun participated in painting and thought presentation activities. Lavish, a student of class seven, made the school proud by earning a consolation prize for his excellent presentation. The students were provided special guidance and training for this program by teacher Megha Bathla and drawing teacher Mandeep Kaur, whose hard work was clearly visible in the success of the children. Congratulating the children, Managing Director of the school Mr. Parminder Singh Bath said, "By participating in such programs, students not only develop their creative abilities but also develop respect and understanding towards our cultural heritage."



Only women can change political direction and condition of country and state : Amardeep



MANMOHAN SHARMA HANSI: With the resolve to promote women's leadership and to give full rights to half the population, an important meeting of "Shakti Abhiyan" was organized today in Hisar on the initiative of Congress leader Rahul Gandhi. Convener of the meeting, senior Congress leader Gayatri Devi welcomed the senior leaders who reached the program by giving them a bouquet of flowers. In her address, Gayatri Devi said that according to the statement of Baba Saheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar, "Be educated, struggle and stay organized" and talked about the slogan of move forward. In the meeting, National Coordinator of Shakti Abhiyan of Indian Youth Congress, Amardeep Singh said that in today's context, only women can change the political direction and condition of the country and the state. In the coming times, women will have to fight for their rights themselves.

Bawre Mandal sent bus to Shri Khatu Shyamji for devotees



RADHE SHYAM SHARMA MORINDA: From Morinda city, on behalf of Bawre Mandal, a bus for devotees was sent free to visit Shri Khatu Shyam Ji and Salasar Bala Ji Temple. On this occasion, Morinda MC Sodhi, Rajpreet Singh Raji, Sangat Singh Bhamia, Fateh Tat Wale and Divisional President Dinesh Jindal flagged off the bus. On this occasion, Sachin Puri, Goldie Puri, Ramit Gupta, Sita Ram Dania, Vicky Dania said that the devotees who could not go to Khatu Shyam ji till date from Morinda have been sent to Khatu Shyamji free through this bus. In which complete arrangements have been made for their stay, food and other eatables free of any charge.

Cyclothon 2.0 to reach Yamunanagar today, MLA and Mayor to welcome riders



RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR: Under the state-wide anti-drug initiative "Cyclothon 2.0", a bicycle rally carrying the message of a drug-free Haryana will reach Yamunanagar on April 19. The participants will be welcomed by Yamunanagar MLA Ghanshyam Dass Arora and Municipal Corporation Mayor Suman Bahmani at the PWD Rest House. The rally, which started from Hisar, is being held in response to the call given by Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini to make the state drug-free. Jagadhri SDM Sonu Ram chaired a meeting with representatives of industrial units and voluntary organizations, urging them to complete all necessary arrangements for the smooth reception of the cyclists. The Cyclothon will enter Yamunanagar district at Damla at 8:30 AM and reach the PWD Rest House at 9 AM. From there, it will pass through several key locations including Sant Nirankari Bhavan in Model Town (9:50 AM), Ambience Resort Parking (10:20 AM), Santa Yog Ashram (10:45 AM), Government School Panjeto (11:30 AM).

Cyclothon 2.0 with resolve to make state drug free reaches Ladwa: Sunny Kalra



VIJAY KAUSHIK LADWA: The Cyclothon 2.0 Yatra, being taken out with the pledge of making Haryana drug-free, was given a rousing welcome at Ladwa Indri Chowk on Friday while going from Karnal to Yamunanagar. Cyclothon 2.0 was given a grand welcome at Ladwa Indri Chowk by Sunny Kalra, BJP State Executive Member Yuva Morcha and senior BJP leader Pradeep Sehgal, BJP District Vice President Ombir Lalar, Satprakash Sharma, Anil Gupta, Som Prakash Sharma, Joginder Singh Dhundha, Narendra Sharma, Ward 11 Councillor Sanjeev Kumar Sanju Cable Wale, Vijay Wadhawan and other BJP workers. Drug addiction has become a serious problem for the state. The future of the youth was being affected due to drug addiction. We all should move towards a drug-free society. If someone around them was struggling with drug addiction, they should not ignore him, but helped him to get on the right path.

Admissions open at Sant Baba Hazara Singh Sr Sec School, Chaura Khurd: Gulab Singh, Hardeep Kaur

VERMA GURDASPUR: Sant Baba Hazara Singh Senior Secondary School, Chaura Khurd, a reputed name in the field of education, has opened admissions for the new academic session. The school operates under the CBSE pattern and provides excellent facilities for the holistic development of students. Sharing the information, school administrators Gulab Singh Nagra, Hardeep Kaur, and Principal Sushmana Munshi jointly stated that the school's main highlights include smart classes, modern and well-equipped classrooms, and a team of qualified and experienced teachers. Alongside academics, the school also focuses on the moral, physical, and mental development of the students. They mentioned that to make learning more engaging and effective, the school offers a well-stocked library with unique and valuable books, and modern laboratories for Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Math, Computer Science, Geography, and Physical Education. Additionally, the school places great emphasis on sports, and its students have represented the school at the national level, showcasing its achievements. A large open playground is also available for the students. They also shared that the school provides religious education and traditional martial arts (Gatka) training, keeping students connected to their cultural roots. Training in Gurmat Saangeet and Classical Music (such as Harmonium and Tabla) is also offered.



Shaheed Udham Singh Govt College organises Cyclothon 2.0 program to spread awareness against drugs abuse



MAINPAL KASHYAP INDRI: Shaheed Udham Singh Government College, Matak Majri, Karnal organized Cyclothon 2.0 program under the campaign "Ek Cycle Yatra - Nasha Mukti Ke Naam" with great enthusiasm and zeal on Friday. The Principal of the college, Dr. Mahendra Singh Bagi said that this campaign was an important step towards developing positive energy and a sense of social responsibility among the youth. The aim of this program was to motivate the youth to stay away from drug addiction and spread anti-drug awareness in the society. This cyclothon saw the participation of various social organizations, sports department and local citizens along with the students of the college. The program started at 5:30 am from N.D.R.I. Chowk, Karnal from where the participants were seen spreading the message of public awareness through a cycle rally and passed through various parts of Karnal city. During the event, people were motivated to adopt a drug-free lifestyle through various slogans, posters, and awareness songs. Mr Bagi requested all the citizens to participate in this initiative and made this campaign of de-addiction a success.

Cyclothon 2.0 Yatra receives grand welcome on reaching village Lathi Dhanora



VIJAY KAUSHIK LADWA: SDM Ladwa Pankaj Setia said that drug addiction was a social evil. We needed to fight against drug addiction together. This campaign of the government against drug addiction was commendable. We all should unite and join the campaign. He said that drug addiction was harmful for the body, wealth and society and that it was very important to bring awareness in the society about these issues. The Cyclothon 2.0 Yatra, which is being carried out with the pledge of making Haryana drug-free, reached Lathi Dhanora village of Ladwa assembly constituency on Friday. While going from Karnal to Yamunanagar, where SDM Pankaj Setia, DSP Randhir Singh, Naib Tehsil Balker Singh, BDPO Randhir Singh and village sarpanch Balindra Singh and the residents of the area, along with the administrative officials welcomed the Cyclothon Yatra by garlanding it and showering flowers and pledged to run a campaign against drugs. He said that active participation of the society along with the government was necessary to make Haryana drug free.

Sukhwinder Gill takes charge as Chairman of Market Committee



DEEPAK KUMAR MACHHIWARA: The announcement of the Chairman of Machhiwara Market Committee had already announced hence on Friday formally, Aam Aadmi Party's Sukhwinder Singh Gill became the Chairman. During the ceremony organized on this occasion, Punjab Cabinet Minister Taranpreet Singh Sond and Samrala area MLA Jagtar Singh Dyalpura were especially present. During the coronation of Sukhwinder Singh Gill, Cabinet Minister Sond said to journalists that Aam Aadmi Party was the only party which has been giving high positions to the hardworking workers of common households. He was happy that today the party has given Gill due respect by making him the Chairman. On giving a package to the historic city of Machhiwara, he said that very soon Machhiwara would be given a special package to promote the beauty of the historic city. For which talks have been held with MLA Dyalpura. MLA Dyalpura and Council President Mohit Kundra congratulated Sukhwinder Gill and thanked the party high command.

Remedium Lifecare Announces Rs. 49.19 Cr Rights Issue for Expansion

Chandigarh India April 8, 2025: Remedium Lifecare Limited (BSE: 539561), a fast-growing manufacturer of pharmaceutical intermediates and specialty chemicals, is pleased to announce that it has received approval from the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) for its proposed rights issue. The approval paves the way for the company to raise growth capital from its existing shareholders, further strengthening its financial foundation and supporting its strategic initiatives, including manufacturing expansion, product development, and global market penetration. Record date of this right issue is 15 April 2025. "This approval from the BSE marks a significant milestone in our journey. We remain committed to enhancing shareholder value while scaling up our operations responsibly and sustainably," said Adarsh Murjal , Whole Time Director, Remedium Lifecare Ltd. The rights issue comes at a time when Remedium Lifecare is gaining strong traction in international markets. In February 2025, the company secured a multi-year export contract worth ₹182.7 crore with a leading UK-based pharmaceutical distributor. The company is well- positioned to capitalize on rising global demand in key therapeutic segments such as anti- infectives, cardiovascular, CNS.

JSW MG Motor India Rolls Out 'Midnight Carnival' for Hector

UDHIANA : JSW MG Motor India has unveiled an exhilarating new campaign for its flagship SUV, the much-loved MG Hector - 'Midnight Carnival'. This exclusive campaign invites customers to visit showrooms open until midnight every weekend for a limited time. As part of this offer period, 20 lucky MG Hector buyers will win a dream trip to London*, along with exclusive benefits worth up to INR 4 lacs. During the offer program, JSW MG Motor India is also bringing a host of value-driven offers designed to enhance the excitement of car-buying. New Hector buyers can avail an extended warranty of 2 years / 1 lakh km, in addition to the standard 3-year warranty, along with 2 extra years of Roadside Assistance, ensuring up to 5 years of worry-free ownership. The campaign also offers 50% RTO cost benefits and access to MG Accessories for currently registered Hector vehicles*. Such initiatives are reaffirming MG Motor India's commitment to its growing community of SUV enthusiasts.

Amazon India expands Smartchoice program to tablets, simplifying purchase decisions

Ludhiana: Amazon India today announced the expansion of its Smartchoice program to tablets, following strong success in the laptop category. The program simplifies device selection through expert-curated recommendations based on specific customer needs and usage preferences. Tablets represent a high-growth category for Amazon India, with 28% year-over-year growth in 2024. "The Smartchoice program, designed by working backward from customer needs, has significantly elevated the purchasing experience, earning exceptional feedback for its clarity and precision," said Zeha Khan, Director, Consumer Electronics, Amazon India. "Customer insights reveal that buyers often feel overwhelmed by the variety of options available across consumer electronics and technical specifications. This program addresses this challenge by transforming how customers shop for laptops and tablets. Instead of comparing complex specifications, customers can now select devices based on their intended use.

Evaluating Road Safety Practices: A Report by ParaSafe

GURUGRAM : ParaSafe, a subsidiary of Paracat, is dedicated to redefining mobility by prioritizing safety across all modes of travel. Committed to revolutionizing road safety tools and embedding road awareness as a standard practice, ParaSafe has undertaken extensive research and published white papers to raise awareness and offer actionable insights for improving safety. Road safety remains one of India's most urgent public health and infrastructure challenges. In 2022, road accidents tragically claimed 1.68 lakh lives. Despite significant advancements in vehicle technology and infrastructure, the root causes—ignorance (65%) and weak enforcement of laws (52%)—persist. ParaSafe's report sheds light on these critical issues, with a particular focus on the state of road safety awareness and practices in Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities. Rajesh Poddar, CEO of ParaSafe, reflected on the findings: "Road safety isn't just about following rules; it's about saving lives. As an industry leader, it is our responsibility to promote accountability across all stakeholders—government, industry,

HDPC Bank Pariwartin covers 298 border villages under rural development initiatives

SHIMLA : HDPC Bank, India's largest private sector bank, under its CSR arm Pariwartin, has covered 298 border villages across the country under its rural development initiatives. These clusters of villages are located in border areas of Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, J&K, Ladakh, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Uttar Pradesh, and Uttarakhand. The Bank plans to extend its reach to 150 additional border villages in the years to come. These initiatives are aligned with national development goals outlined in the Centre's Border Area Development Programme and Vibrant Villages Programme. Border area villages along the northern and northeastern Himalayan regions and the western desert stretches often grapple with unique challenges including difficult terrain, restricted access to essential services and economic vulnerabilities due to their remote locations. Pariwartin has impacted the lives of approximately five lakh individuals in these areas through targeted need-based interventions.

AESL Launches Aakash Invictus – The Ultimate Game-Changer JEE Preparation Program for Aspiring Engineers

RCHOTAK : Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL), the national leader in test preparation services, proudly announces the launch of Aakash Invictus, a groundbreaking and first-of-its-kind Advanced program for JEE preparation designed for the best and brightest engineering aspirants. This elite, high-intensity, personalized AI driven and result-oriented initiative is engineered to enable students preparing specifically for IITs or reputed Universities abroad. Aakash Invictus brings together around 500 best JEE Faculty, offering unparalleled mentorship backed by a track record of success in guiding over one lakh students to IITs. The curriculum is cutting-edge and meticulously designed for ambitious students aiming for top IIT ranks. The program features integrated physical learning and exclusive study resources, ensuring precision-focused, AI-enabled, and adaptive preparation for JEE Advanced.

"Uttarakhand govt fully committed to development of universities": CM Dharam Singh



AGENCY PAURI GARHWAL: : Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhama on Friday participated in the student union inauguration ceremony organized at Hemvati Nandan Bahuguna Garhwal Central University Campus, Srinagar in Pauri Garhwal district and said that the state government is fully committed to the development of universities. Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhama said that the state government is fully committed to the

development of universities. "The state government is taking Uttarakhand forward on the path of progress through various innovative action plans," CM Dhama said. He said that Uttarakhand is the first state in the country to implement the UCC law, it is a matter of pride for all the people of the state. In the last three and a half years, the state government has given government jobs to more than 22 thousand youth. "The unemployment rate

of the state has come down by 4.4 percent. He said that the state of Uttarakhand has secured first place in the country in the list of Sustainable Development Goals released by NITI Aayog," he added. CM Dhama described the decision to implement the anti-copying law as historic and said that this would give hardworking and talented students their rights. The Chief Minister said that the government is currently working on important projects like

Model College, Women's Hostel, IT Lab, Examination Bhawan, Astro Park and Science City. "Apart from this, a favorable environment has also been created for startups in the state," CM Dhama said. Cabinet Minister Dr Dhan Singh Rawat said that the state government is giving top priority to the field of education. He called upon the university administration and students to work together towards improving the quality of education.

He said that the government is ready to help the students in every possible way and is constantly making efforts to make the institutions of higher education world class. MLA Vinod Kandari praised the ceremony and said that he wished the students all the best for their new responsibilities. He inspired the students to play an active role in social and national development along with education. He assured all possible cooperation in the development of the university.

Škoda Auto India follows successful launch of Kylaq with all-new Škoda Kodiaq at the top of the range

Chandigarh / Ludhiana, 17 April 2025 – After the successful launch of the Škoda Kylaq range, Škoda Auto India is now announcing a new car at the other end of the spectrum - with the launch of the all-new generation of its luxury 4x4 SUV, the Kodiaq. Into its second generation in

India and internationally, the brand-new Kodiaq arrives in India with its signature blend of luxury, refinement, off-road ability, on-road dynamics and seven-seat versatility. Petr Janeba, Brand Director, Škoda Auto India shares, "In March, we recorded our biggest ever monthly sales in India, driven by the Kylaq launch, and supported by the Kushaq and Slavia. This is one of many new records we aim

to set this year. In line with our product offensive strategy, the launch of the all-new Kodiaq showcases the other end of our product spectrum with Škoda's luxury and technology prowess. The Kodiaq has now grown to be an important legacy name for us like the Octavia and Superb. The Kodiaq offers the ultimate luxury and handling for city roads and also packs in versatile all-terrain capabilities." Škoda Auto's premier 4x4 is powered by a 2.0 TSI engine making 150kW and 320Nm of torque. This power and torque is distributed to both axes through a seven-speed dual clutch DSG automatic. It is based on the MQB37 Evo platform and is available in the Sportline and Selection L&K variants with both offering seven seats. Assembled in India at the brand's facility in Chhatrapati Sambhaji Nagar, the Kodiaq has been rated to provide fuel efficiency of 14.86 km/l by ARAI. The all-new generation of the Kodiaq is 59mm longer than its previous generation.

Stroke emergency: The critical role of Early detection and advanced treatment

Amritsar/Jalandhar:—Stroke, also known as paralysis or hemiplegia, is a leading health concern in India, affecting approximately 1.8 million people each year. It ranks as the second most common cause of death among individuals over the age of 60. Alarmingly, the number of younger individuals experiencing strokes is on the rise, with one-third of all stroke patients now under the age of 45. Despite the availability of advanced treatments, many patients suffer long-term disability or become bedridden due to a lack of awareness and delayed access to appropriate care. A stroke, particularly an ischemic stroke, occurs when a blood vessel in the brain becomes suddenly blocked, cutting off oxygen and nutrients to brain cells. This disruption can lead to rapid and irreversible brain damage, which may result in fatal outcomes. Several risk factors increase the likelihood of stroke, especially among individuals with a history of high blood pressure, diabetes, high cholesterol, obesity, and those who smoke. People with heart conditions or a history of heart attacks are also at greater risk. In younger patients, stroke may be triggered by conditions such as heart valve disorders, inflammation of blood vessels (vasculitis), blood clotting abnormalities, or certain inherited disorders. Dr Vivek Agarwal, Consultant Neurointerventional and Interventional Radiology, Fortis Hospital, Mohali emphasizes the importance of recognizing stroke symptoms and seeking urgent medical attention. "Early recognition is critical, and the BEFAST method (sudden loss of balance, vision disturbances, facial drooping, arm weakness, and speech difficulties) can help identify symptoms. If any of these symptoms appear, it is vital to reach a stroke-ready hospital immediately."

Dr Anunaya Chaubey Leads Design Thinking Workshops in Ludhiana

Ludhiana : Dr Anunaya Chaubey, Provost, Anant National University, was on a two-day visit to Ludhiana on 16-17 April 2025 to create awareness amongst students and educators about design thinking and design as a discipline. Dr Chaubey highlighted Anant National University's pioneering approach to design education, sustainability and innovation through impactful workshops and interactive sessions. During the visit, Dr Chaubey led a series of hands-on workshops at prominent schools, including St Paul Mittal School and Satya Bharti School at Sherpur Kalsan and Rauni. These sessions aimed at introducing students to the fundamentals of design, cultivating creative and critical thinking and inculcating a solution-oriented mindset to create job creators rather than job seekers. The sessions also highlighted how design is a mega discipline that combines humanities, commerce and science and prepares students to become solutionaries – revolutionary thinkers with a solution-oriented mindset. These workshops organised by the Centre of Design Education for Schools (CODE) at Anant National University are in line with the objectives of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, which advocates inculcating design pedagogy in schools to foster critical thinking and innovation. One of the key focuses of Dr Chaubey's visit was to highlight Anant National University's unique offerings in design education. Anant's interdisciplinary curriculum, practical and multidisciplinary pedagogical approaches, strong industry-academia connections and focus on community immersion prepare students to become adept problem solvers. By combining theoretical expertise with hands-on engagement, Anant National University ensures its graduates are equipped to tackle the complex challenges of today's world. Dr Chaubey's visit to Ludhiana left a profound and lasting impression on students and educators, sparking meaningful discussions around design education, Design Thinking and sustainable problem-solving. Through his engagements, Dr Chaubey solidified Anant National University's role as a leader in offering world-class design education.

Dabur Glucose launches 'Energize India' Campaign to Promote Young Athletes



Panchkula: Dabur Glucose, the leading instant energy drink from the House of Dabur, today announced the launch of a mega Campaign 'Energize India' to promote young sporting talent and drive awareness about the importance of energy and stamina among young athletes in major sports academies across India. As part of the campaign, Dabur Glucose today conducted a special awareness session on energy and stamina management at the Government Girls Senior Secondary School, Sector 15, Panchkula, featuring renowned doctor and expert in the field. The session was graced by Renu Mathur, Children's Counsellor, along with Principal Meena Gahlawat and Sports Incharge Komal Kaushik, whose support was instrumental in the success of the initiative. Dabur also felicitated the top athletes of the academy, recognizing their exceptional talent and dedication. "We are delighted to launch our 'Energize India' campaign to promote the importance of energy and stamina among young athletes and provide them with the necessary energy to excel in their respective sports. As a brand, Dabur Glucose is a perfect fit for athletes, sports enthusiasts, and people who lead an active lifestyle.

Honda Motorcycle and Scooter India conducts Road Safety Awareness Campaign in Yol Cantt

Yol Cantt: In line with its nationwide effort to promote safer riding habits, Honda Motorcycle and Scooter India (HMSI) conducted an interactive road safety awareness campaign at Army Public School/Yol Cantt., Himachal



Pradesh. The initiative drew active participation from over 1500 students and staff members, aimed at making road safety education more accessible, practical and relatable to young road users. Engaging with the youth helps create a ripple effect, influencing family members and communities to also adopt safer riding practices. The campaign was designed to build

awareness among young individuals about everyday traffic situations through immersive and engaging learning formats. Activities such as danger prediction training, quizzes, games, helmet awareness activities and more, encouraged the participants to think critically about their responsibility on the road, understand the key road safety principles and apply them in real-life situations. The team at Army Public School provided active support to enable smooth coordination, ensuring meaningful engagement of the participants for all the sessions. The energy and enthusiasm of the students and staff members strengthened the impact of this initiative, helping spread awareness within the broader community. HMSI continues to expand its road safety efforts across India by connecting directly with young audiences in schools and colleges.

UP CM Yogi Adityanath to Inaugurate Satkarmic Mission's Grand Ashram on the Banks of the Ganga

New Delhi : In a major development poised to reshape the spiritual and wellness landscape of North India, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath is set to inaugurate the Satkarmic Mission's Mega Spiritual Ashram at Shukarteerath—a revered pilgrimage site on the banks of the holy Ganga in Shukartaal. Spread across 25 acres, this flagship initiative is being hailed as one of the most dynamic spiritual projects of recent times, integrating faith, wellness, social responsibility, and modern accessibility. Leading the vision behind this project is Baba Inder Preet Singh, spiritual head of The Satkarmic Mission, known for his profound connection with youth and his guidance on discipline, emotional healing, and spiritual clarity. Supporting him in expanding the Mission's modern spiritual outreach are Harmeet Singh, who has gained recognition for promoting happiness within families and workplaces, and Aman Bandvi, whose "Fateh" sessions on purpose leadership and conscious capitalism have inspired both rural communities and urban changemakers. Together, this leadership trio represents a powerful blend of traditional wisdom and contemporary relevance.

Tata AIA Launches Shubh Flexi Income Plan for Smart Protection & Growth

UDHIANA: Life is full of dreams—purchasing a home, funding your child's education, planning for unforgettable vacations, or enjoying a worry-free retirement. Achieving these goals requires not only financial protection but also a plan that adapts as your needs evolve. Tata AIA Life Insurance Co. Ltd. (Tata AIA), one of India's leading life insurers, has introduced the Tata AIA Shubh Flexi Income Plan, an innovative life insurance savings solution offering a flexible approach to financial security and wealth creation. Commenting on the launch, Sujiet Kothare, Executive Vice President, Head – Products, Business Mid Office and Digital Marketing, Tata AIA Life says, "At Tata AIA Life, we believe that financial security should not come at the cost of flexibility. Consumers today are looking for solutions that grow with them, providing both peace of mind and opportunities for wealth creation.

SBI Card and Tata Digital Partner to Launch Tata Neu SBI Card

UDHIANA / AMRITSAR: SBI Card in partnership with Tata Digital announced the launch of Tata Neu SBI Card. This one-of-its-kind lifestyle co-branded credit card has been designed to provide a premium and highly rewarding shopping experience for discerning customers across segments. This co-branded card has been launched in two variants, Tata Neu Infinity SBI Card and Tata Neu Plus SBI Card. Customers earn rewards on all spends, whether online or in-store and across domestic and international merchant outlets in the form of NeuCoins that are redeemable on the Tata Neu app. With this launch, Tata Neu SBI Card customers can now enjoy a range of benefits for an enhanced shopping experience. Cardholders can enjoy up to 10% rewards on spends with Tata Neu Infinity SBI Card and up to 7% rewards on spends with Tata Neu Plus SBI Card in the form of NeuCoins. These are credited monthly to the cardholder's NeuPass account within the Tata Neu app. These NeuCoins can be redeemed across a wide range of products and services, including grocery, travel bookings, jewelry, fashion, electronics and pharmacy services both online and instore, addressing varied lifestyle needs of customers. Speaking on the launch Ms. Salila Pande, MD & CEO, SBI Card said, "In today's era, with evolving preferences, lifestyle needs of customers have become more diverse. We are delighted to partner with Tata Digital to enhance the lifestyle experiences of our customers. Our partnership is a testament to our commitment to offer customer centric products that deliver the best-in-class value. The Tata Neu SBI Card is designed to offer holistic experience that adds value in each transaction, elevating the shopping experience with a blend of unparalleled benefits and seamless convenience.



Shri Dhanwantry Ayurvedic College and Hospital Announces 'Samvaya 2025' to mark Golden Jubilee Celebrations

Chandigarh, Shri Dhanwantry Ayurvedic College and Hospital, Sector 46, Chandigarh is all set to host 'Samvaya 2025' from April 20 to April 22, a landmark three-day event commemorating its Golden Jubilee Year. This celebration will feature a series of high-impact academic, cultural and healthcare-centric programs bringing together leaders in Ayurveda, science and governance. While addressing a press conference at College's premises, Dr Nareish Mittal, General Secretary, Shri Dhanwantry Educational Society informed that the inaugural day will be graced by His Excellency Gulab Chand Kataria, Hon'ble Governor of Punjab and UT Administrator as he will lay the foundation stone of a 250-bedded Ayurvedic Super Specialty Hospital followed by the launch of the Centre of Excellence for Ayurvedic management and care of Chronic spine Disorder and dedication of key healthcare initiatives like the NICU, Free Delivery Program, Free Anti-Rabies Vaccination Centre and a Geriatric Care Program for senior citizens. Dr Koushtubh Upadhyaya, Advisor (Ayurveda), Ministry of Ayush will preside as Guest of Honour on the occasion. Later in the day, a Convocation Ceremony will be held in the presence of Sh Satnam Singh Sandhu, MP, Rajya Sabha & Chancellor, Chandigarh University. Senior academic dignitaries including Vaidya K.S. Dhiman (VC, Shri Krishna Ayush University, Kurukshetra) and Dr. Sanjeev Sood (VC, Guru Ravidas Ayurved University, Hoshiarpur) will also attend. As many as 135 students will be conferred the degrees. The day will conclude with an Alumni Meet which will be addressed by Dr. Sanjeev Goyal (Registrar, Board of Ayurvedic, Unani System of Medicine, Punjab). The day two will have the scientific sessions highlighting Integrative Diagnostics, Pharmacognosy & natural products, Diet Nutrition and public health and other related subjects will be inaugurated by Shri Ajay Chagti, (IAS) Health Secretary, Chandigarh while the Guests of honor include Prof. Dulal Panda (Director, NIPER), Prof. Ashwani Pareek (Director, NABI), Dr. N. Srikanth (Deputy Director, CCRAS) and Dr. Vandana Siroha (Director, RAV).



88-year-old man with multiple heart blockages treated via Laser Coronary Angiography at Fortis Mohali

Chandigarh: A team of doctors at Fortis Hospital Mohali led by Dr RK Jaswal, Head of Department and Director of Cardiology and Director – Cathlabs has recently treated an 88-year-old diabetic man, who had been suffering from prolonged coronary artery disease and was experiencing severe chest pain. The patient was immediately rushed for Laser Coronary Angioplasty, also known as Excimer Laser Coronary Angioplasty (ELCA), which revealed heavy calcium deposits in the stent deployed more than 30 years ago in his



New Delhi. The stent blockage with heavy calcium deposit and clot formation inside the stent were causing severe chest pain and discomfort in him. However, the symptoms were severe and recurrent despite optimal medical management. Since the patient was in critical condition, none of the hospitals in Patiala admitted him and took the risk of performing any high risk cardiac intervention. His family members immediately rushed him to the Fortis Hospital, Mohali for the advanced treatment options. Considering the patient's age, critical condition, Dr Jaswal conducted Laser Coronary Angioplasty, wherein high-intensity laser light was used to remove blockages in his blocked coronary arteries, without wasting any further time. This procedure is the latest and most advanced technology for patients suffering from multiple heart blockages in previously deployed stent.

AU Small Finance Bank introduces Concierge Services for AU ivy and AU Eternity Customers

CHANDIGARH: AU Small Finance Bank (AU SFB), India's largest small finance bank, has announced the launch of an exclusive Concierge Service for its premium banking programs – AU ivy and AU Eternity. These bespoke banking programs aim to provide best in class curated services that go beyond banking for the AU SFB's affluent clients. The Concierge Services offer a range of assistance, catering to diverse needs and preferences. From arranging travel plans to exotic destinations and scheduling appointments to handling everyday tasks, AU SFB services aim to provide seamless convenience and lifestyle offerings at fingertips. It is designed to assist AU premium clients with swift and effective assistance, redefining the customer experience. With this offering, AU SFB reinforces its commitment to delivering differentiated value and personalized service that goes beyond traditional banking. AU ivy and AU Eternity Redefine Banking with Bespoke Privileges for UHNI Clients: Ø Global Travel & Luxury Stays – Exclusive partnerships for seamless domestic and international travel, including luxury hotels and villas. Ø Overseas Education Support – Comprehensive assistance for students, from research and planning to pre- and post-departure support, in collaboration with trusted partners. Ø Dining Privileges – Access to premium dining offers and bespoke culinary experiences through preferred partners. Ø Airport Services – Complimentary domestic cab transfers, premium lounge access, and personalized meet & greet services for a hassle-free travel experience. Ø Golf Benefits – Entry to premier golf courses via trusted service providers.

Aukera Lab Grown Diamond Jewellery opens new store in Gurugram

Gurugram : Aukera, one of India's leading lab-grown diamond jewellery brands, has launched a new store in Gurugram. With this milestone, Aukera now has ten operational stores across Bengaluru, Hyderabad, and the National Capital Region (NCR), reflecting the brand's steady rise and growing influence in the lab-grown diamond jewellery market. Strategically located at the premium retail landmark, Good Earth Mall, Sector 50, Gurugram, the store spans 1,500 sq. ft. and reflects the brand's ethos of elegance, sophistication and contemporary with a minimalist decor allowing the jewellery to take centre stage. The store offers a well curated collection of solitaire engagement rings, bridal sets, necklaces, earrings, as well as the brand's signature line "Echoes of Choice" and its recently launched Akshaya Trinitiy special Infinity Diamond collection featuring a 'no dosham' diamond for prosperity and good luck. Speaking at the launch, Lisa Mukhedkar, Founder and CEO of Aukera, said, "Expanding in North region is a key strategic priority for our brand. NCR is a vibrant community of trendsetters and home to a style forward audience that appreciates both tradition and innovation. We are proud to showcase our craftsmanship, unique designs, and high-quality lab-grown diamonds in this region through curated product lines that blend style, sophistication, and quality. With ambitious expansion plans, we aim to rapidly grow our network of stores in Delhi NCR, carving out a niche for ourselves in this dynamic market."



Akshay Kumar urges viewers not to miss “first 10 minutes” of Kesari Chapter 2

As Kesari Chapter 2 is set to showcase the 'untold story of Jallianwala Bagh tragedy' in the theatres, the lead actor Akshay Kumar has urged his fans to not miss the initial 10 minutes of the film. He requested the audience to arrive early in theatres.

At a special screening of the film in Mumbai, the actor emphasised the importance of the opening moments of his film Kesari Chapter 2 and asked his fan to not miss "first 10 minutes of Kesari 2" which is centred around the tragedy of Jallianwala Bagh.

While talking to the paparazzi at the screening,

Kajol, Saqib Saleem, Tiger Shroff, Ramesh Taurani, Anjali Anand, Manish Malhotra, Raj & Dk, King, Dino Morea, Maheep Kapoor, Bhavna Panday, and Urmila Matokdar were some of the stars who attended the Kesari 2 special screening in Mumbai.

Akshay Kumar, is playing the legendary advocate C Sankaran Nair in the film, which is set to be released today.

It is directed by Karan Singh Tyagi and produced by Karan Johar. Ananya Panday and R Madhavan are also a part of the film.

Kesari Chapter 2 will release today in theatres across India.

The excitement around the much-awaited Punjabi film Shaunki Sardar is reaching fever pitch, thanks to its two recently released songs that are already dominating the charts!

Released under the banner of Zee Music Company, the powerful track "Sher Te Shikar" has captivated audiences with its intense portrayal of brotherhood between Babbu Maan and Guru Randhawa. With over 5.2 million views on YouTube, the song is a passionate ode to the valour and unbreakable bond of Sardars from Punjab, and it has quickly become a fan favourite.

Directed by Dheeraj Kedarnath Rattan and produced by Ishaan Kapoor, Shah Jandiali, and Dharmendra Batauli, Shaunki Sardar stars Babbu Maan, Guru Randhawa, Hash-nheen Chauhan, and Guggu Gill in pivotal roles. The film promises a powerful mix of action, emotion, and romance, wrapped in the vibrant spirit of Punjab. Shaunki Sardar is all set to hit theatres on May 16, 2025, and if the songs are any indication, this film is gearing up to be a blockbuster.

This weekend, Zee Punjabi is all set to take audiences on a fun-filled cinematic ride with three back-to-back Punjabi blockbuster films airing at 4 PM from Friday to Sunday. Starting Friday at 4 PM, viewers will witness the rib-tickling chaos of Golak Bugni Bank Te Batua, starring Harish Verma and Simi Chahal. Set against the backdrop of demonetization, the film hilariously explores how two young lovers navigate the trials of love, tradition, and sudden economic change — all with a blend of laughter and emotion.

On Saturday at 4 PM, tune in for the comedy caper Ji Wife Ji. With an ensemble cast including Roshan Prince, Karamjit Anmol, Nisha Bano, Sakshi Maggu, and Lucky Dhaliwal, this film takes a satirical look at marital dynamics and the power struggle between husbands and their dominating wives. Packed with laugh-out-loud moments, the film resonates with everyone who's ever said "happy wife, happy life" with a nervous chuckle.

Finally, Sunday at 4 PM, don't miss Fuffad Ji, a delightful family entertainer starring Gurnam Bhullar, Binnu Dhillon, Jasmin Bajwa, and Sidhika Sharma. This film brings the traditional Punjabi "fuffad" (father's sister's husband) into the limelight, exploring his role and ego clashes in a modern joint family setup — with plenty of love, comedy, and culture. So, grab your popcorn and gather the family because your weekend just got sorted with non-stop entertainment. Don't forget to tune in to your favourite channel — Zee Punjabi!



A Rajkumar, An Aam Kumari and One Unexpected Love Story 'The Royals' Arrives May 9 on Netflix

CHANDIGARH: By royal decree, issued under the crumbling chandeliers of the royal throne of Morpur, let it be known... The Royals will premiere on May 9, only on Netflix. Once upon a time, in the vibrant city of Morpur, there lived a royal family with no riches of their own. Then comes a lady in shining armour who represents a world apart. Fixing the royal life becomes her only task. But managing Morpur Palace's pauper Prince seems tougher than said. When Rajkumar's polished world collides with Aam Kumari's grit, sparks fly, egos clash, and romance blooms for this unlikely match.

Sarovar Hotels strengthens NCR presence with the launch of Iris Sarovar Portico in Gurgaon

GURGAON : In a significant move to expand its footprint in the National Capital Region, Sarovar Hotels, one of India's leading hotel management companies, today announced the launch of Iris Sarovar Portico, Gurgaon. Developed in collaboration with Trehan Iris, the hotel is strategically located within the bustling Iris Broadway complex in Sector 85, Gurgaon, offering seamless access to the city's commercial, business, and retail zones. With this opening, Sarovar Hotels now operates 15 properties across Delhi-NCR, further cementing its leadership in the region's mid-scale hospitality segment. The hotel features 79 tastefully designed rooms and suites, combining comfort, functionality, and contemporary aesthetics to meet the evolving needs of both business and leisure travellers. Iris Sarovar Portico also delivers thoughtfully curated culinary and event experiences. The all-day dining restaurant, Flavours, offers an enticing spread of Indian, international, and regional cuisines, while the rooftop venue, Terrace Grill, provides panoramic views of the city along with gourmet food and signature cocktails. The hotel's additional highlights include a rooftop swimming pool, a modern fitness centre, and versatile banqueting and conference facilities that can accommodate up to 120 guests – ideal for corporate events.

Genelia Deshmukh posts adorable birthday wish for Siddharth

Urmila Sharma reveals the reason for starting her acting career at 40!

Sharma, aka Awadeshia, expressed, "I got married at the age of seventeen and became a mother early. Acting was always a dream, although I did not know how the industry worked. I had no experience, and no background. But somewhere, the fire to do something for myself was always there. Life kept flowing in the rhythm of responsibilities, but in my early 40s, I gathered every ounce of courage I had and took the bold step of moving to Mumbai in 2006, all by myself, to try my luck in acting. It was not an easy decision; leaving my children behind was the most painful thing I have ever done. But my husband stood by me like a rock, even when others around tried to demotivate me, saying it's too late now, acting is not a practical dream." I had no clue where to begin, but I made a simple portfolio that was all I had and started giving auditions. Slowly, small opportunities came my way. My first project was a Bhojpuri album song, and I still remember the nervous excitement I felt on that set. Soon, I started getting roles in Bengali serials in Bengal, and that gave me the confidence to keep going. Each role, each day in Mumbai, has been a stepping stone towards this moment where I finally feel seen and valued for my art." Reflecting on her journey, she adds, "The pain of staying away from my kids still weighs on me, but I knew I had to do this for myself and for them, to show them that it's never too late to dream. Today, when I step onto the sets of Happy Ki Ultan Paltan, I feel like all those lonely years, tears, rejections, and sleepless nights were worth it. I am proud of the woman I have become."

Actors Ali Fazal and Sonali Bendre have started the filming for their upcoming web series, directed by Paatal Lok director Prosit Roy in Delhi. The show is supposedly based on the Ranga-Billa murder case, which is one of the most shocking and high-profile crimes in Delhi's history.

The upcoming series aims to capture the details of the crime and its impact on the people of Delhi at the time.

The makers have not officially confirmed the storyline yet.

As per the press note, the case, which dates back to 1978, involved the brutal kidnapping and murder of siblings Geeta and Sanjay Chopra.

The case shook the entire nation and led to widespread public outrage. It also played a significant role in the development of stricter laws related to kidnapping and child safety.

“The team has been researching the case in detail for months now. The show, which has commenced shoot in the capital will focus on the events as they unfolded following

the murder case. It's being treated with sensitivity and aims to show how deeply the case affected Delhi. The shoot is currently on in various parts of the city."

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Hai Junoon – Dream, Dare, Dominate – A Story of Music, Rivalry, and the Unbreakable Spirit of Youth

CHANDIGARH : JioHotstar presents Hai Junoon—Dream, Dare, Dominate, a high-energy, coming-of-age musical drama set in the heart of Mumbai's iconic Andersons College. A tale of ambition, competition, and self-discovery, the series dives into the world of music and dance, where raw passion meets elite talent. Against the backdrop of one of India's most prestigious college music clubs, the story unfolds as students push the limits of their creativity to prove that success is not just about talent—it's about the fire within.

Directed by Abhishek Sharma, Hai Junoon—Dream, Dare, Dominate brings together a stellar ensemble cast, led by Jacqueline Fernandez as Pearl and Neil Nitin Mukesh as Gagan, alongside Sumeeth Mudgalkar, Siddharth Nigam, Yukti Thareja, Aryan Katoch, Priyank Sharma, Kunwar Amar, Mohan Pandey, Elisha Mayor, Sanchit Kundra, Sanatana Roach, Devangshi Sen, Anusha Mani,

Har Sach Ke Peeche Ek Aur Jhooth Hai – Kull premieres exclusively on JioHotstar, unraveling a dark tale of betrayal, murder, and family secrets

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adds Playing Gagan Ahuja was both challenging and exciting. Gagan is an intense and disciplined musical legend who holds the SuperSonics' legacy close to his heart. His journey in "Hai Junoon— Dream, Dare, Dominate" reflects the struggles of an artist's life, where passion and dreams are often misinterpreted as arrogance and self-obsession. In reality, it's a journey of self-discovery and finding one's true purpose. As someone with a musical legacy, music holds a special place in my heart. The energy and talent of the cast made this project truly unforgettable. I hope the audience will share our excitement and enthusiasm for the show."

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