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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Mauritian PM winds up four-day visit to Uttarakhand

**DEHRADUN:** Mauritius Prime Minister Navinchandra Ramgoolam wound up his four-day visit to Uttarakhand on Monday with Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami meeting him at the Jolly Grant airport here.
In a social media post after meeting Ramgoolam, the chief minister said, "The visit by the Mauritian prime minister is bound to further deepen and strengthen the cultural ties between India and Mauritius."
"The flag of India under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi is flying high all over the world," Dhami added.

### Cloudburst triggers flash floods in Reasi district, no casualties

**JAMMU:** A cloudburst triggered flash floods in Jammu and Kashmir's Reasi district on Monday, causing fear and panic among mountain dwellers.
The incident took place in Maadi village in Poni tehsil of the district, with no loss of life or damage to any property, officials said.
"There was a huge sound like a blast, and within no time our houses were flooded," a tribal villager said.

### Central Zone lift Duleep Trophy after 11 years

**BENGALURU:** Saransh Jain's allround brilliance and Yash Rathod's career-best 194 helped Central Zone defeat South Zone by six wickets on the fifth day of their Duleep Trophy final at the BCCI Centre of Excellence here today.
Central, chasing 65, overcame a few early jitters to wrap up the contest in 20.3 overs. Akshay Wadkar (19 not out) and Rathod (13 not out) steered their side home after a late wobble on a lively morning surface.
Rathod's dominant 194 in the first innings, Rajat Patidar's quickfire 101, and Jain's vital 69 had lifted Central to 511 after being put in to bat. Jain then starred with the ball, claiming 5 for 49 in the first innings and 3 for 130 in the second, finishing with match figures of 8 for 179.

### More than 7 crore ITRs filed so far: Income Tax Department

**NEW DELHI:** The Income Tax Department on Monday said that over 7 crore income tax returns (ITRs) have already been filed for the Assessment Year (AY) 2025-26, as the deadline of September 15 draws to a close. In a post on social media platform X, the Department thanked taxpayers and tax professionals for helping achieve this milestone and urged those who have not yet filed their returns to do so at the earliest.

# SC refuses to stay entire waqf law, stalls certain provisions

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**NEW DELHI, SEPT 15**



The Supreme Court on Monday refused to stay the Waqf law, saying there was a "presumption" of constitutionality in its favour, but stalled the operation of certain provisions, including the one which said only those who are practising Islam for the last five years can create a waqf.

Pronouncing an interim order, a bench comprising Chief Justice B R Gavai and Justice Augustine George Masih said, "We have considered prima facie challenge to each of the sections and found no case was made out to stay the entire statute."

The top court, however, stayed the provision which said that persons practising Islam for the last five years can only create a waqf.

It also stayed the provision which enabled an officer designated by the government to determine the dispute whether the Waqf property has encroached on a government property.

"We have held presumption is always on constitutionality of statute and in rarest it can be done. We have found that the entire Act is challenged, but the basic challenge was sections 3(r), 3C, 14,...," the CJI said.

It directed that as far as possible the Chief Executive Officer of the Waqf Board should be a Muslim, while refusing to stay the amendment allowing the appointment of a non-Muslim as a CEO.

It also said the number of non-Muslims in state waqf boards and central waqf councils cannot exceed three.

The detailed judgement is awaited.

The top court on May 22 had reserved its order on three key issues, including the power to denotify properties declared as "waqf by courts, waqf-by-user or waqf by deed", which cropped up during the hearing of pleas challenging the validity of the Waqf (Amendment) Act, 2025. The top court passed the interim order on several petitions challenging the Constitutional validity of Waqf Act. During the hearing, the Centre had argued in favour of the provision barring non-Muslims from creating Waqfs. It had said that only in the 2013 amendment, non-Muslims were given such rights but in the 1923 law, they were not allowed to create Waqfs, as there were concerns that this could be used as a device to defraud creditors. It had also defended the five-year practice condition to be eligible for the creation of Waqf. A batch of petitions challenging the Act was filed before the apex court, contending that it was discriminatory towards Muslim community and violates their fundamental rights.

### Court sets Oct 7 for final hearing on pleas against SIR

**NEW DELHI:** The Supreme Court on Monday said it was presuming the Election Commission of India being a constitutional authority was following the law during the special intensive revision of electoral roll in poll-bound Bihar and cautioned in case of any illegality, the exercise would be set aside.
A bench of Justices Surya Kant and Joymalya Bagchi fixed October 7 for hearing final arguments on validity of Bihar SIR while refusing to offer any "any piecemeal opinion" on the exercise.
"Our judgement in Bihar SIR will be applicable for Pan-India SIR," the bench said, clarifying it can't stop the poll panel from conducting the similar exercise for revision of electoral roll across the country.

# Delhi BMW Accident: Police arrest 38-year-old lady driver



**AGENCY**
**NEW DELHI, SEPT 15**

Delhi Police on Monday arrested Gaganpreet Kaur, the driver of the BMW car involved in the Dhaula Kuan accident case, which resulted in the death of the motorcycle rider.Kaur, 38, a resident of Gurugram in Haryana, was arrested during the course of the investigation.Earlier, a Delhi Police team on Monday visited the residence of the deceased victim, Navjot Singh, as part of the investigation into the Dhaula Kuan BMW accident and recorded the statement of eyewitness Gulfam, who took the injured to Nulife Hospital.Dr Shakuntala Kumar, Director at Nulife Hospital, GTB Nagar, on Monday, said the deceased in the Dhaula Kuan BMW accident was brought dead to the facility, while his injured wife was stable and later referred to another hospital on her request.

Speaking to ANI, Dr Kumar said, "Around 2 PM yesterday, a medico-legal case related to a road accident involving a car and a motorcycle was brought to our hospital. First aid was offered, and the police were informed. A man aged between 50 and 57 years was brought in dead, and his wife, who sustained injuries but was vitally stable, was also brought in."She said the wife opted for further treatment elsewhere."As per the choice of this lady, who was brought along with this man, after first aid and necessary stabilisation, she was transferred to another hospital for further management on her request," she said.Dr Kumar also confirmed that two additional patients, both car occupants, were treated in the hospital's emergency department."Both were provided immediate medical aid. One female patient, after initial observation and treatment, has been discharged in stable condition.

## Three top Naxals carrying Rs 1.35 crore bounty shot dead in Hazaribagh operation



**HAZARIBAGH :** In a significant blow to Left Wing Extremism, the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) and Jharkhand Police on Monday morning eliminated three top Naxal leaders in an encounter in Hazaribagh district. The trio together carried rewards worth Rs 1.35 crore. Those neutralized in the gun battle have been identified as Sahadev Soren, a Central Committee Member of Naxals carrying a bounty of Rs 1 crore; Raghunath Hembram, a Special Area Committee Member with a reward of Rs 25 lakh; and Virsen Ganjhu, a Zonal Committee Member carrying a reward of Rs 10 lakh.The operation was carried out jointly by the 209 CoBRA battalion of CRPF and Jharkhand Police in the Pantitri forest of Gorhar area, Hazaribagh, following specific intelligence inputsAccording to CRPF officials, the operation began around 4.20 am and led to a fierce exchange of fire in which three ultras were gunned down. Security forces also recovered three AK-47 rifles from the site. Officials termed the operation a "significant blow" to the Maoist network in Jharkhand, noting that the elimination of top leadership will impact the group's organizational structure and operational strength in the region. Security forces have intensified combing operations in the area to ensure no further resistance from Naxal cadres. Officials confirmed that "no casualties or injuries" were reported among the security forces, while a search operation has been launched in the area to track down other Maoist operatives.

# India-US trade talks begin today amid tariff row

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**NEW DELHI, SEPT 15**



Talks over an India-United States bilateral trade agreement - stalled over access to India's price-sensitive agriculture and dairy markets - will resume tomorrow, sources told NDTV Monday afternoon, with American negotiator Brendan Lynch and his team expected in Delhi tonight.

A senior Commerce Ministry official said Tuesday's talks will be a 'precursor' to the sixth round of talks, which had been scheduled for late-August but were pushed back, indefinitely, amid tension after US President Donald Trump's 50 per cent tariff on Indian imports. Mr Lynch is the US' chief trade envoy and will sit across the table from Rajesh Agrawal, India's chief negotiator and Special Secretary in the Department of Commerce. Last week Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal indicated the first set of deals should be finalised by November. He told reporters, "... since March, discussions have been going on... in a very good environment... progress is being made and both sides are satisfied with that progress." Confirmation of resumption of talks was also provided by Donald Trump; praising his "very good friend" Prime Minister Narendra Modi, he said India and the US "are continuing negotiations to address trade barriers... (and) there will be no difficulty in coming to a successful conclusion".

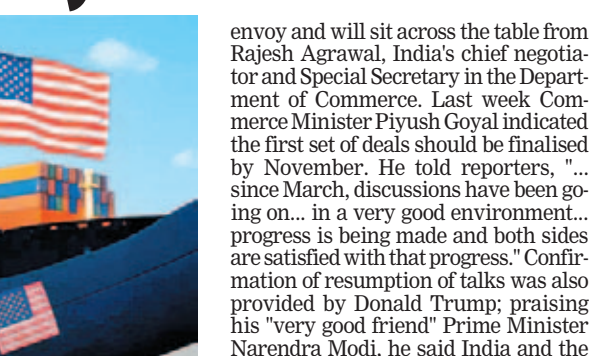
## Rahul Gandhi visits flood-hit Punjab, pays respects at Gurudwara

**AMRITSAR:** Congress leader Rahul Gandhi arrived in Punjab this morning to meet flood-affected communities and assess the devastation across the state's border districts.
Landing at Sri Guru Ramdas Jee International Airport around 9:30 am, Gandhi proceeded to Ghonewal village in Amritsar, where he interacted with residents impacted by recent floods caused by a breached dam, which submerged homes and crops.
Following his village visit, Gandhi paid his respects at Gurudwara Beed Baba Budha Sahib, a significant Sikh shrine.
Accompanied by Punjab Congress chief Amrinder Singh Raja Warring and Leader of



Opposition Pratap Singh Bajwa, Gandhi is scheduled to visit Gurdaspur and Pathankot later today to further evaluate the crisis.

## Bihar police, aspirants clash in Patna during job vacancy protest



**AGENCY**
**PATNA:** Amid the students in Patna demanding protesting against the lack of government jobs, a police official was seen grabbing the national flag and swinging it at the protesters while trying to disperse the crowd amid the ruckus on Monday. Reportedly, the police officials tried to disperse the large crowd of students, who were carrying the national flag in their hands and marching towards the Chief Minister's residence and demanding a notification to be issued on filling the job vacancies before the commencement of the polls. During the effort to disperse the crowd, one police official picked up the national flag and was seen swinging it at the students who were running back during the clash.

Earlier, a delegation of the students met with a state government official, with some protesters also demanding to meet Chief Minister Nitish Kumar or the Chief Secretary. One protester also claimed that no new vacancies have been announced for over 2 years, making it increasingly difficult for students to stay and study in Patna. The students have demanded that the answer key for the Bihar Police Sub-Ordinate Service Commission (BPSSC) and the Central Selection Board of Constable (CSBC) and be given to the students. According to one of the protesters, a delegation of students went to meet an official in the administration and put forward their demands.

# India's August exports jump over 9%, imports fall 7%

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**NEW DELHI, SEPT 15**



India's overall exports, merchandise and services combined, in August 2025 were reported at USD 69.16 billion, marking a 9.34 per cent rise on a yearly basis, data from the Union Commerce Ministry showed on Monday. The total exports in August 2024 were pegged at USD 63.25 billion.Exports of merchandise goods rose from USD 32.89 billion to USD 35.10 billion, and exports of services rose from USD 30.36 billion to USD 34.06 billion during August 2025.India imported goods and services worth USD 79.04 billion, down from USD 84.99 billion in the same month last year.The trade deficit in August narrowed to USD 9.88 billion from USD 21.73 billion same month last year.So far in 2025-26, April-August, India's total exports now stood at around USD 349.35 billion, up 6.18 per cent year-on-year, from USD 329.03 billion in the year ago period.The country's imports too increased year-on-year in April-August, by 2.5 per cent as per data published today.Overall imports, both merchandise and services combined, during April-August increased from USD 381.30 billion to USD 390.78 billion.April-August combined trade deficit, meaning the difference between the exports and the imports -- was at USD 41.42 billion, compared with USD 52.27 billion same period of last fiscal, down 20.8 per cent.India's total exports have touched an all-time high of USD 824.9 billion in the recently-concluded financial year 2024-25. This marks a yearly growth of 6.01 per cent over USD 778.1 billion exports in 2023-24, setting a new annual milestone.The 2024-25 exports exceeded the initial anticipation of USD 800 billion.In 2024-25, services exports continued to drive the growth momentum, reaching a historic high of USD 387.5 billion, up 13.6 per cent from USD 341.1 billion in the previous year.In 2024-25, merchandise exports stood at USD 437.42 billion in 2024-25, with a marginal increase.

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## Congress leaders hold key meeting in Deoghar on "Sangathan Srijan Abhiyan 2025", focus on strengthening organization

INDORA (PARDEEP SHARMA): Under the ongoing Sangathan Srijan Abhiyan 2025 launched by the Congress Party, an important meeting was held today at the Madhupur residence in Deoghar. The meeting was graced by AICC observer and MLA from Indora (Himachal Pradesh), Mr. Malendra Rajan, PCC observer Mr. Ajay Dubey, senior leader Mr. Soren Ram, along with several key office bearers and workers of the Deoghar District Congress Committee. On this occasion, the visiting leaders were given a warm welcome in Madhupur. The primary objective of the meeting was to strengthen the organizational structure, activate workers at the grassroots level, and to prepare a strategic roadmap for the upcoming 2025 elections. The meeting involved in-depth discussions on the current activities of the organization, the progress of the campaign, and the future action plan.



## NEWS BRIEF

### Narayan Seva Sansthan initiates urgent relief efforts for Punjab flood victims

**CHANDIGARH:** In response to the catastrophic floods ravaging Punjab, Narayan Seva Sansthan has swiftly mobilised a comprehensive relief campaign to aid impacted families. Under the leadership of President Prashant Agarwal and Director Vandana Agarwal, the organisation has deployed resources to provide immediate support to those displaced and in distress. Director of the Narayan Seva Sansthan, Palak Agarwal, informed that a truck filled with relief materials was flagged off from the Sansthan's Kaithal service center by Daya Gupta.

## Punjab on track again as flood situation improves: Hardeep Singh Mundian

CHANDIGARH, SEPT 15



Punjab Revenue, Rehabilitation and Disaster Management Minister S. Hardeep Singh Mundian today said that Punjab is firmly back on track as the flood situation continues to improve across the state. While saying that "every cloud has a silver lining", the Cabinet Minister said that the resilience of the people of Punjab, coupled with timely government intervention, is steadily turning the tide in flood-affected areas. Comparing the situation between September 14 and September 15 reports, S. Hardeep Singh Mundian informed that the number of villages affected remained unchanged at 2,472 while the population affected stood constant at 3,89,176. He, however, highlighted a significant shift in the relief scenario, stating that the number of active relief camps reduced from 82 to 66 within 24 hours, signaling that families are constantly returning to their homes. Similarly, the number of inmates declined from 3,699 to 3,449 during this period, which he described as a "ray of hope" as relief, cleanliness and rehabilitation efforts gain momentum. The Revenue Minister further shared that the deployment of National Disaster Response Force (NDRF), SDRF and Army teams has also been rationalized in view of the improving ground situation. While two NDRF teams were stationed in Fazilka and one in Ferozepur till September 14, as of September 15, one team continues its operations in Ferozepur to ensure preparedness.

## Survey conducted to prevent diseases spread during floods

KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL, SEPT 15



As per the instructions of the Punjab Government, Civil Surgeon Bathinda Dr. Tapinderjot, District Health Officer Dr. Usha Goyal and Senior Medical Officer Bhagta Bhai Ka Dr. Seema Gupta Ji, as per the directions of the Health Department, to protect the society from diseases spread during floods in village Dhapali, information about healthy health is being given by going door to door, holding group meetings with the people. On this occasion, Multipurpose Health Supervisor Balvir Singh Sandhu Kalan said that the production of mosquitoes increases during floods. Due to which there is a risk of increasing fevers like malaria, dengue, chikungunya etc.,

# Classified

I, Gauravjeet Singh S/o Darshan Singh House No. 267, Agwar Baje Ka, Ghal Kalan Moga have changed my name to Gauravjeet Singh Brar
90007

I Satish Kumar s/o Lekh Raj, Village Lasara, PO Jaijon Doaba, Tehsil Garhshankar, Distt Hoshiarpur have changed the name of my minor daughter Vanshika to Vanshika Rana.
900017

I, Mahinder Kaur W/O Harmesh Lal Vill.& P.O.Ratainda Teh.Banga Distt. SBS nagar, have changed my name to Mohinder Kaur . Please Note.
900022

I, Satwinder Kaur W/o Balwinder Singh R/o Vill Chak Padla Chhot , P.O. Ladana Baba Distt. Kaithal (Haryana) Have Changed My Name From Satwinder Kaur To Satwinder . Concerned Please Note.
84451

I,Taranjit Singh S/o Bikar Singh,R/o Vill Kane,PO Pandori Phangure,PS Bullowal, Distt. Hoshiarpur have changed my name from Taranjit Singh to Taranjeet Singh. All concerned may note.
900026

### PUBLIC NOTICES

We Nazira W/o Safi Mohammad and Safi Mohammad S/o Samsudin R/o H.No.18 A, Village Bhago Majra Tehsil Kharar Distt. SAS Nagar, Mohali declare that our Son Asif Mohammad and his Wife Rukaiya and Grandson Rehmat Ali are out of our Control. We disown them from our moveable/immoveable properties. If anybody deals with them will do so at their own risk. We shall not be responsible for their acts.
100010

ਮੈਂ ਨਛੱਤਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਅਵਤਾਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਨਿਵਾਸੀ ਪਿੰਡ ਗੁਰੂਸਰ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਗਿੱਦੜਬਾਹਾ ਜ਼ਿਲਾ ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਮੁਕਤਸਰ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੀ ਪੋਤਰੀ ਅਨੂਰੀਤ ਕੌਰ ਪੁੱਤਰੀ ਗੁਰਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਮੇਰੇ ਅਤੇ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹੈ ਮੈਂ ਉਸਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚਲ ਅਤੇ ਅਚਲ ਸੰਪੱਤੀ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਅੱਜ ਤੋਂ ਬਅਦ ਉਸ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ
62647

I, Ravinder Singh son of Kuldeep Singh and Kamaljit Kaur wife of Ravinder Singh resident of Uppalkheri District Malerkotla declare that our daughter-in-law Ramanjit Kaur (wife of late Rana Gurpratap Singh) is out of our control.so we disown her from our total movable and immovable properties. Anybody dealing with her will be self responsible.
63372

I, Shaukat Ali A/O Sadeek R/O Khushal Basti, Malerkotla, Hereby Evict My Son Shehzad, Who Is Beyond My Control And A Victim Of Bad Company, Through An Affidavit. Please Note It.
63372

I Ashok Kumar S/o Sh. Ganga Ram R/o Musa Road, Near Chungli Ghar, Mohar Mohalla, Mansa, District Mansa declare that my son Gurwinder Singh, who are beyond my control, hereby disclaim all movable and immovable property. Whoever transacts with them will be held responsible. There will be no liability on my part or on my part.
63372

I Ramanpreet Singh, S/O Manjit Singh, Village Hargana, Tehsil Khamano, District Fatehgarh Sahib, State that my father's name is written as Manjeet Singh on my passport, which is incorrect. my father' name should be changed to Manjit Singh.
63372

I Meena Rani W/o Sh. Roshan Lal R/o H.No. 130, Gali No. 4, Shanti Enclave, Tehsil Thanesar, District Kurukshetra have changed my name from Meena to Meena Rani. In future I should be known as Meena Rani.
100074

I Rishi Sharma S/o Sh. Om Parkash Sharma R/o House No. 38, Vashist Colony Thanesar, Tehsil Thanesar, District Kurukshetra have changed my name from Rishipal Sharma/Rishipal to Rishi Sharma. In future I should be known as Rishi Sharma.
100074

I, Vinod Dhiman S/o Subhash Chander Dhiman, R/o House No D-94, Mona Paradise, Shivalik City, Sec-127, Kharar, SAS Nagar Mohali, have Changed my name from Vinod to Vinod Dhiman for all purposes.
524479

I, Subhash Chander Dhiman S/o Lakhpat Rai Dhiman, R/o RZ 144, Santosh Park, Mohan Garden, Uttam Nagar, West Delhi, Delhi, have Changed my name from Subhash Chander to Subhash Chander Dhiman for all purposes.
524479

I Satish Kumar S/o Ram Parkash R/o H.no 84 Urban Estate Sector 13 Karnal Haryana Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Satish To Satish Kumar.
524479

### PUBLIC NOTICES

I, Smt Sushmita Devi spouse of 15440151F Rank: Nk (Nur Asst) Name Kundan Kumar R/o 118 North Part, Surya Nagara-A, Badarama, Kalwar Road, Jhotwara, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302012 have changed my name from Smt Sushmita Devi to Sushmita Kumari proposed /adopted New Name vide Affidavit No IN- PB73418876750217X dated 25/09/2025 before Notary Public Judicial Court (Govt of India) Kindly Correct It.
63372

I, JC No-345180Y, N/SUB Balkar Singh Unit 424 Engr SQN, C/o 56 APO., hereby declare That i have changed my daughter's name from shaejneet kaur To Sehajneet Kaur Due to wrongly entered in my Service & School record.Both Name's pertain to one and the same Person Vide Affidavit No. IN-PB 74011355051191X Dated 15.09.2025 Attested By Notary Public (Govt of India) Kindly Correct It.
63372

I Dhrinder Kaur W/O Nater Singh Vill Dholan Majra Teh Morinda District Rupnagar state that my husband name is written as Netar Singh on my passport, which is incorrect my husband name should be changed to Nater Singh.
63372

I, Vijay Kumar S/o Charan Lal Kapoor R/o Nihal Singh Wala Distt. Moga hereby inform that my father's name Charan Lal Kapoor is written on my Passport No. Y6467942 which is correct. While some of my documents have his name written as Gurcharan Lal and some as Gurcharan Das, which is incorrect, he was known by the name Charan Lal Kapoor.
63372

I, Vansh Manhas S/o Kuldip Singh R/o Chuhan Distt. Pathankot declare that in my 10th class documents my father name wrongly entered Kuldeep Singh. But my father correct name is Kuldip Singh.So amended my father name from Kuldeep Singh to Kuldip Singh in my 10th class documents .
63372

I Seema Rani W/o Sh Satish Kumar R/o H.no 84 Urban Estate Sector 13 Karnal Haryana Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Seema To Seema Rani.
524479

I Rajni D/0 Ramesh Kumar Residents, Phagwara, District Kapurthala. On my 10th certificate, my name Rajni and mother's name is Veena.After this day, I have changed my name and keep the Rajni Mehra. While my mother's name is all documents and Veena Rani. Whom the Veena Rani is already Read. Plz all cont. note.
600022

I, Gurmit Kaur Brar W/o No. 15468158F Ex- Dfr Jasvir Singh Brar R/o Mini Chandigarh Colony Teh & Distt. Moga (Pb) Pin-142048 declare that I have changed my name to Gurmit Kaur .
63372

I, Badal Singh Brar S/o Jagjeet Singh R/o Rajgarh (Bathinda) have changed my name to Badal Singh.
63372

I, Jaspreet Kaur D/o Raj Kumar R/o Vpo. Bheen Teh-Nawanshahr Distt. SBS Nagar have changed my name from Jaspreet Kaur to Kaur Jaspreet.
63372

### PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Jaspreet Kaur W/o late. Sukhdev Singh R/o Village Kotbhai, Tehsil Giddarbaha, District Sri Muktsar Sahib, hereby declare that my husband Sukhdev Singh, who was posted as A.S.I. in Punjab Police, passed away on 22-10-2024. After his death, Rajpreet Kaur (daughter) and Lovepreet Singh (son) are the legal heirs. There are no other heirs. If anyone has any objection regarding this, they may contact on mobile number 97797-00685.
63372

### B.ED ADMISSION

Haardik College of Education, Bhawanigarh (Sangrur)
Affiliated to Punjabi University, Patiala
Invites applications for B.Ed admissions under 13 management quota seats for the session 2025-26.
Counselling Schedule: 19-9-2025 at 10:00 AM in college campus.
Contact No: 94782-00287, 9478600287
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Contact No: 8146846070, 9888513048
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### MOTOR CONNECTION

1- I, Leela Singh alias Bhagwan Singh, son of Mukand Singh, son of Kehar Singh, resident of Dharamgarh, District Sangrur, declare on oath that an agricultural electricity connection account number AP07/342-17.5 BHP is connected in my name at village Dharamgarh, the land in which this connection is running, I have sold this connection along with the land to my son Sarabjit Singh son of Leela Singh son of Mukand Singh, resident of Dharamgarh and now if anyone has any objection in this regard, he can present his objection in the office of PSPCL SDO Cheema within 30 days from the publication of this advertisement, otherwise no claim will be made by me or my family in future.
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### LOST & FOUND

The original sale deeds dated 17/01/1990 bearing vasika nos.3716 & 3718 has been lost at G.T. Road, Khanna on 25/08/2025. Its LR No. 629408/2025 dated 15/09/2025 with PSOC City 2 Khanna. If anyone found please inform to Harbhajan Singh Bhatia S/o Baldev Singh R/o H.No.67, G.T. Road, Friends Colony, Khanna (Ludhiana) M.No.94170-36923
63372

I, Preety Sharama D/o Joginder Pal R/o Vill: Kaul Teh-Nabha Distt. Patiala have known by both names Preety Sharama and Preeti Devi one and the same person.
63372

I, Narinder Kaur W/o Gurmeet Singh R/o Vill: Batta Po. Garangan Distt. SAS Nagar Pin-140413, Pb, India, have changed my name from Narinder Kaur to Kaur Narinder.
63372

I, Gurmeet Singh S/o Gurmail Singh R/o Vill: Batta Po. Garangan Distt. SAS Nagar Pin-140413, Pb, India, have changed my minor daughter name from Fatehjot Kaur to Kaur Fatehjot.
63372

I, Gurpreet Kaur Selopal W/O Baljit Singh R/O Shamgarh (Ludhiana) have changed my minor son Gurkirat Singh Selopal to Gurkirat Singh.
63372

I, Gurpreet Kaur Selopal W/O Baljit Singh R/O Shamgarh (Ludhiana) have changed name my minor daughter Gursimran Kaur Selopal to Gursimran Kaur.
63372

I, Abhitej Singh Bhele S/O Kamlesh Kumar R/o H.No 363, Ward No. 6, Block No. 6, Doraha 141421, Ludhiana, Punjab have changed my name from Abhishek to Abhitej Singh Bhele.
63372

I, Jasvir Singh S/O Darshan Singh Vpo Sahauli Distt Ludhiana Have Changed My Name To Singh Jasvir.
63372

I, Raspal Kaur Alias Rachhpal Kaur R/O Village Hambalbas,Teh. Sunam,Distt. Sangrur Confirm That Raspal Kaur Alias Rachhpal Kaur And Rachhpal Kaur Both Are My Names And Belong To One Person.
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I, Kuldeep Singh Thind S/o Gurcharan Singh R/o #104 Namol Road Singhpura Sunam Distt. Sangrur have changed my name to Kuldeep Singh.
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### PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Tirath Kaur W/O Gurmukh Singh, Resident of House No. 377, Ward No. 12, Goniana Mandi, District Bathinda (Punjab), present address: 20634 Walnut Circle, Porter Ranch cA 91326 (USA), hereby inform that I had earlier given my power of attorney to Harinder Singh, son of Gurbachan Singh, resident of Street No. 9-B, Ajit Road, Bathinda.
Now I completely cancel the said power of attorney dated 15/9/2025.
From today's date, Mr. Harinder Singh will not have any right/power under that power of attorney. All concerned departments and persons are informed to take note of this cancellation.
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### PUBLIC NOTICE

Previously Original sale deed bearing Vasika no. 10316 dated 20/02/2009 executed by Surinder Kaur W/o Ranbir Singh and Ranbir Singh S/o Gurdial Singh R/o Distt. Moga in favor of Chanchal Mittal W/o Ajay Kumar and Mamta Garg W/o Rajan Kumar Rs/o Moga and Original Sale Deed bearing vasika no. 3457 dated 21/09/2001 executed by Jaspal Kaur W/o Sohan Singh in favor of Surinder Kaur W/o Ranbir Singh and Ranbir Singh S/o Gurdial Singh Rs/o Distt. Moga duly regd. In the office of Sub Registrar office Moga, Distt. Moga was in regard to property measuring 07 Marlas 1½ Sarsahi situated in the revenue area of Moga Mehla Singh -2, Tehsil and Distt. Moga was taken by Ramandeep Singh S/o Joginder Singh S/o Mit Singh R/o Vishkarma Mohalla, Amritsar Road, Kot Ise khan, Tehsil Dharamkot, Distt. Moga now R/o Dashmesh Nagar, Gali no. 6-H, Amritsar Road Moga, Tehsil and Distt. Moga at the time of purchasing the said property vide sale deed bearing vasika no. 6835 Dated 28/02/2025 and at present owned by said Ramandeep Singh S/o Joginder Singh S/o Mit Singh was lost on Dated 10/09/2025 Vide LR No: 628620/2025 Dated 13/09/2025. Now said Ramandeep Singh S/o Joginder Singh S/o Mit Singh R/o Vishkarma Mohalla, Amritsar Road, Kot Ise khan, Tehsil Dharamkot, Distt. Moga now R/o Dashmesh Nagar, Gali no. 6-H, Amritsar Road Moga, Tehsil and Distt.Moga is going to take Loan/ limit against security of said property from Punjab & Sind Bank Guru Nanak College Branch, Distt. Moga. If any person is effected for the same, then he/she may contact Amit Goyal adv. Chamber no. 95, Judicial Courts Moga within 15 days.
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I, Jaspal Kaur Thind W/o Kuldeep Singh R/o #104 Namol Road Singhpura Sunam Distt. Sangrur have changed my name to Jaspal Kaur.
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I, Harmel Singh W/o Bhajan Singh R/o Tibbi Road Kothe Jagan Singh Wale Sunam Teh-Sunam Distt. Sangrur have changed my name from Harmel Singh to Harmail Singh.
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I, Isher Singh S/o Ujagar Singh S/o Kehar Singh R/o village Rohla, Tehsil Samrala, District Ludhiana have changed my name to Kesar Singh.
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I, Drishti D/o Anil Dhawan R/o W.No. 9 Near Govt. High School Makhu Teh-Zira Distt. Ferozepur have changed my name to Drishti Dhawan.
63372

I, Rupinderjeet Kaur D/o Army No. JC-511709L Rank Sub Name Davinder Singh R/o Khadur Sahib District Tarn Taran have changed my name from Rupinderjeet Kaur to Rupinderjit Kaur.
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I Amandeep Kaur W/o Amandeep Singh R/o Village Khokh, Teh Nabha, Distt Patiala, Punjab-147201 have changed my name Kamalpreet Kaur to Amandeep Kaur.
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I, Sarbjit Singh S/o Sukhdev Singh R/o H.No-651, Aujla Colony, Sunny Enclave-2, W. No-3, Kharar, Po Kharar SAS Nagar Mohali Punjab-140301 I have changed my name from Sarbjit Singh to Sarabjit Singh.
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### NOTICE to Appear/Attend Proceedings of DLM&SFC-LDH

Through this Publication this is for Constructive Notice for respondent M/S M.K.TRADING COMPANY having registered A-BLOCK, AGAR NAGAR, BACKSIDE PETROL PUMP, LUDHIANA, PUNJAB, 141001 to appear in person or through authorized representative before the District Level Micro & Small facilitation Council Ludhiana, District Industries Centre, Ludhiana on Dated 25-09-2025 regarding claim reference petition submitted by claimant M/S HEMKUNT ENGINEERS U/s 18(1) of MSMED Act 2006 bearing reference: MSEFC/DIC/01/24/2916. If respondent still fails or omits to appear as above then arbitration proceedings shall be conducted as per section 23 & 25 of Arbitration and Conciliation Act and award shall also be passed on the basis of evidence before it.

**Member Secretary cum General Manager District Industries Centre Industrial Estate, Ludhiana Ph. No:- 0161-2540695 Email Id: - dicludhiana5@gmail.com, Ludhiana.msefc@gmail.com**

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**Member Secretary cum General Manager District Industries Centre Industrial Estate, Ludhiana Ph. No:- 0161-2540695 Email Id: - dicludhiana5@gmail.com, Ludhiana.msefc@gmail.com**
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I, Kashmir Kaur W/o Lakhwinder Singh R/o Vill-Jhandewal Po Hansron The-Nawanshahr Distt Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, Pin-144421, Punjab, have changed the name of my minor daughter Tania to Tania Kaur.
63372

I, Basanti W/o Late: Nanku Ram R/o Pure Nirmal Khurda Newada Khurd Babaganj Pratapgarh, Uttar Pradesh, have known by both names Basanti & Nimar one and the same person.
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I, Manjeet Kaur W/o Sukhwinder Kumar R/o H.No. 1590 W.No. 10 Payal Teh-Payal Distt. Ludhiana have changed my name to Manjit Kaur.
63372

I, Sukhjinder Singh Chohan S/o Harjinder Singh R/o Vill: Nasirpur Po. Nahal Teh-Shahkot Distt. Jalandhar have changed my name from Sukhjinder Singh Chohan to Sukhjinder Singh.
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I, Reena Devi W/o Biki Sharma R/o Vpo. Bora Teh-Garhshankar Distt. Hoshiarpur have changed my name from Reena Devi to Reena Kumari.
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I, Bicky Sharma S/o Shri Des Raj R/o Vpo. Bora Teh-Garhshankar Distt. Hoshiarpur have changed my name from Bicky Sharma to Biki Sharma.
63372

I Sanjeev, Aadhar Card # 7008-1420-9425 and JC-413952M, Sub LT. S/o Ajay Kumar, R/o BerliKhurd, Po Musepur, Distt. Rewari (Haryana) Hereby declare that both the names i.e., Sanjeev and Sanjeev Singh are mine and I am known by both names. Please note it all.
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I, Khatija W/O Mohd Yasin R/O H. No. 311/16, Muhalla Langarhi, Malerkotla, Have Changed My Name To Khadija W/O Mohd Yasin.
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### PUBLIC NOTICE

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



**SUBJECT:-** Transfer of ownership rights to the extent of (100% share) in respect of House No.2526, Sector-37-C, Chandigarh, on the basis of Registered Sale deed dated 20.02.2020 in favour of Shri Sudesh Kumar Aggarwal S/o Shri Ram Murti Aggarwal. The said sale deed was executed by its owner namely Shri Rajinder Kumar Chopra S/o Sh. Roshan Lal Chopra through her SPA Smt. Umesh Kumari W/o Shri Sudesh Kumar Aggarwal, which registered at Sr. No.11461, Book No. 1 Volume dated 20.02.2020.

It is notified for the information of general public and all concerned that as per record of this office the property known as House No.2526, Sector-37-C, Chandigarh, to the extent of 100% share stands in the name of Shri Rajinder Kumar Chopra. Now Shri Sudesh Kumar Aggarwal S/o Shri Ram Murti Aggarwal, applied for transfer of ownership rights to the extent of 100% share in respect of House No.2526, Sector-37-C, Chandigarh, on the basis of Registered Sale deed dated 20.02.2020. The said sale deed was executed by its owner namely Shri Rajinder Kumar Chopra S/o Sh. Roshan Lal Chopra through her SPA Smt. Umesh Kumari W/o Shri Sudesh Kumar Aggarwal, which registered at Sr. No.11461, Book No. 1 Volume dated 20.02.2020. If anybody has any objection upon the mutation of the said property in favour of above named applicant they may furnish in writing 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 and no further claim whatsoever shall be entertained at any later stage.

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

### PUBLIC NOTICE

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



**SUBJECT:-** Transfer of ownership rights to the extent of 50% share in respect of House No. 1524, Sector 18D, Chandigarh on the basis Regd. Will dated 05.12.2007 executed by Late Smt. Prem Anand.

It is notified for the information of general public and all concerned that as per record of this office the property known as House No.1524, Sector-18D, Chandigarh to the extent of 50% share stands in the name of Smt. Prem Anand. Now, Sh. Rajnesh Anand and Sh. Rajat Anand Both S/o Late Sh. Romesh Kumar Anand have applied transfer of rights to the extent of 50% share in respect of House No. 1524, Sector-18D, Chandigarh on the basis Regd. Will dated 05.12.2007 of Late Smt. Prem Anand and informed the names of all the legal heirs of deceased as under:- (1) Sh. Rajnesh Anand (Son) (2) Sh. Rajat Anand (Son). However, if anybody has any information about any others legal heirs of the deceased owner other than mentioned above, the same may be intimated to the Estate Office U.T., Chandigarh immediately. If anybody has any objection upon the mutation of the said property in favour of above-named applicant they may furnish in writing 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 and no further claim whatsoever shall be entertained at any later stage.

**SH. NAVEEN, DANICS ASSISTANT ESTATE OFFICER, EXERCISING THE POWERS OF THE ESTATE OFFICER, U.T. CHANDIGARH.**
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I, Mohd Yasin S/o Khushi Mohammad R/o W.No. 10, Mohalla Bhumsi, Malerkotla have changed my name to Mohammad Yaseen S/o Khushi Mohammad.
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I, Sarabjeet Singh Aneja S/o Gian Singh R/o H.No 60 Mohalla Kamboj Zira, Tehsil Zira, District Ferozepur, Punjab-142047 Have changed my name from Sarabjeet Singh Aneja to Sarabjeet Singh.
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I, Gian Singh Aneja S/o Karam Chand R/o H.No 60 Mohalla Kamboan Zira, Tehsil Zira, District Ferozepur, Punjab-142047 Have changed my name from Gian Singh Aneja to Gian Singh.
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I, Sativinder Kaur Aneja W/o Gian Singh R/o H.No 60 Mohalla Kamboan Zira, Tehsil Zira, District Ferozepur, Punjab-142047 Have changed my name from Sativinder Kaur Aneja to Satvinder Kaur.
63372

I, Namita Gulati Wife of Bhavya Passi R/o Near Bagla Mukhi Mata Mandir, Krishna Colony, Zira, Tehsil Zira, District Ferozepur, Punjab-142047 have changed my name after Marriage From Namita Gulati to Namita Passi.
63372

I Kuldeep Kaur Gill W/o Teja Singh R/o Vpo Akhara tehsil jagraon Distt Ludhiana have changed my name from Kuldeep Kaur Gill to Kuldeep Kaur.
63372

I Susma Rani W/o Tejinder Mohan R/o H.No 500/18A, St.No 4/3 Shastri Nagar Jagraon Distt Ludhiana have changed my name to Sushma Rani.
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I Pawan Kumar S/o Dev Raj R/o 416,4/4 Shastri Nagar Jagraon Distt Ludhiana have changed my name from Pawan Goyal to Pawan Kumar.
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### PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby informed to the general public that Punjab & Sind Bank, Branch Office Romana Ajit Singh, is considering extending financial assistance to M/s GEM HOSPITAL BATHINDA against property measuring 500 Sq Yards having plot no Z204234 situated at 100 Feet Road Near Dashmesh School in front of Puda Commercial Complex, Bathinda registered in the name of Dr Aman Gupta S/o Mr Subhash Chander Gupta vide Sale Deed Dated 19-01-2022 having Vasika No 2021-22/23/1/11137 and Sale Deed Dated 17-02-2022 having Vasika No 2021-22/23/1/12363 However, the Title Deed Number 5256 Dt.15.02.1971 and 1992 Dt.12.07.1976 related to the said properties are reported missing by the property owner. If any person, institution or authority has any objection, claim or interest in respect of said Properties, they are hereby requested to submit their objections in writing along with supporting documents to the Branch Manager, Punjab & Sind Bank, Romana Ajit Singh Branch, within 15 days from the date of this notice. In the absence of any objections within the stipulated time, the Bank shall proceed with the financing process in favor of M/s GEM HOSPITAL assuming there are no encumbrances or claims on the said property.

Sd/- Branch Manager, Punjab & Sind Bank, Romana Ajit Singh Branch
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### PUBLIC NOTICE

We, Mridula Joshi (Aadhaar No.8194 6191 3059) w/o Sh. S.K. Joshi and D/o late Sh. V.K. Kaushal, R/o H.No.419-A, Sector-6, Panchkula, Haryana and Manjula Sharma (Aadhaar No.4103 6233 6733) w/o Sh. Brij Mohan Sharma and D/o late Sh. V.K. Kaushal, R/o H.No.37, Sector-21, Panchkula, do hereby declare that the memorandum of family settlement dated 05.05.2024 executed at Panchkula is null & void and not binding on any party to it being obtained under coercion. No local authority or any person from general public shall rely on said memorandum of family settlement dated 05.05.2024.

Mridula Joshi & Manjula Sharma
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I Simranpreet Kaur W/O Pardeep Singh R/O Village Bajwa Khurd Tehsil Shahkot (Jalandhar) Have Changed My Name To Simranpreet Kaur Arora.
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I Pardeep Singh S/O Harcharan Singh R/O Village Bajwa Khurd Tehsil Shahkot (Jalandhar) Have Changed My Name To Pardeep Singh Arora.
63372

I Ayushi Garg D/O Rajiv Kumar Garg House No. 1116 Street No.3, Jawahar Nagar Moga , Have Changed my Name to Ayushi.
63372

I, Uttam Singh Panju S/o Kahan Singh R/o Vpo. Poohli Distt. Bathinda have changed my name to Uttam Singh.
63372

I Jaswinder Singh S/o Jagtar Singh R/o Vpo. Patto Jawahar Singh Wala District Moga Have Changed My Name As Jaswinder Singh Brar.
63372

I, Amarjit Kaur W/o Gurmukh Singh R/o Vpo. Manuke Distt. Moga Pb, have changed my name to Amarjeet Kaur.
63372

I, Gurpreet Ram S/o Kewal Ram R/o Rajiana (Moga) have changed my name from to Gurpreet Singh.
63372

I, Monika Rani w/o Vijay Setia R/o Bagha Purana (Moga) have changed my name from to Monika Setia.
63372

I, Rajwinder Kaur W/o Sukhdev Singh R/o Vill. Banera Kalan, Tehsil Nabha, Distt Patiala-147201 have changed my name from Rajwinder Kaur to Rajinder Kaur.
63372

I hitherto known as Sukhwinder Kaur D/o Sampuran Singh W/o Gurdeep Singh R/o Village Manauli, PO Manauli, District SAS Nagar (Mohali), Punjab-140306 have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Kamalpreet Kaur.
63372

I, Balhair Singh S/o Gurmit Ram R/o Vill: Bhukhri Po. Dosanjh Khurd Teh-Banga Distt. SBS Nagar have changed my name from Balhair Singh to Balihar Singh.
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I, Sukhpal Singh Jassal S/o Kuldip Singh R/o Patti Sidhu Vpo. Janer Distt. Moga have changed my name from Sukhpal Singh Jassal to Sukhpal Singh.
63372

I Akash S/o Sh. Rajveer R/o Ward No. 16,Near Delhi Chungi, Tehsil Gharaunda Distt Karnal have changed my Son's birthday certificate is Lavish Rana. In future he known as Lavish Rana.All Concerned please note.
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## Dream of making Kharar constituency number one by local MLA failed



KHARAR (SHASHI PAL JAIN): Expressing serious concern over the poor condition of Kharar constituency, District Congress Committee President Ranjit Singh Jeeti Padiala said that the current MLA had shown dreams of making Kharar constituency number one, but in reality, Kharar constituency has been pushed back a hundred years. He said that only the residents of Kharar know the hell that the residents of Kharar city have gone through during the recent rains. Water entered the streets and settlements even inside the houses, the daily life of the people came to a standstill and the people had to face shortage of electricity and clean water for several days. He said that big promises were made during the elections and there was talk of bringing new standards of development, employment, health and education. But today, neither a new hospital has been built in Kharar city, nor has the condition of schools improved. In the name of employment, the youth are disappointed and the condition of the streets and markets is very delicate. He said that there is anger among the people due to the neglect of Kharar city.

## NEWS BRIEF

### PAU VC launches first English edition of Kheti Sandesh



**LUDHIANA:** Punjab Agricultural University (PAU) today launched the English digital edition of its fortnightly magazine Kheti Sandesh, aimed at providing farmers, agri-entrepreneurs and policymakers with timely advisories, research updates and enterprise opportunities. The magazine was formally released by PAU Vice-Chancellor, Dr Satbir Singh Gosal, who digitally unveiled the edition with a single click, instantly reaching around one million end users.
Speaking on the occasion, Dr Gosal lauded the initiative as "a bridge between science and the farming community," adding that the publication would play a vital role in taking the university's cutting-edge research and extension initiatives directly to the fields. He praised the editorial board comprising Dr Makhan Singh Bhullar, Director of Extension Education; Dr Tejinder Singh Riar.

### MCM celebrates Hindi Diwas with fervour



**CHANDIGARH:** The Postgraduate Department of Hindi at Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, under the aegis of IQAC, marked the celebration of Hindi Diwas with a cultural event and Kavi Sammelan.
The event commenced on a devotional note with the soulful rendition of "Jai Maa Sharada Bhawani" by the students of the Music Department, invoking the blessings of Goddess Saraswati. This was followed by students' engaging poetic recitations and an energetic natti dance performance, setting a lively and artistic tone for the day. The Kavi Sammelan enthralled poetry enthusiasts as eminent poets wove magic with their verses, exploring diverse shades of life. The celebrated poets who shared their creations included Mr. Prem Vij, Dr. Anish Garg, Dr. Vinod Sharma, Dr. Pragya Sharda, Dr. Sangeeta Sharma Kundra, and Mr. Yash Kansal.

### CMA Rakesh Bhalla honoured with "CFO of the Year 2024–25 – excellence in Turnaround" award

BAHADURJEET SINGH



**RUPNAGAR:** CMA Rakesh Bhalla, Chief Financial Officer of SML ISUZU Limited, has been honoured by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) with the prestigious award "CFO of the Year 2024–25 – Excellence in Turnaround". The award recognises the company's outstanding performance from navigating challenges during the COVID-19 pandemic to achieving the best results in 2024–25. The award was presented at the esteemed event "CII Excellence in Financial Leadership – CFO Excellence Awards 2024–25" held in Hyderabad, inaugurated by Shri Bhatti Vikramarka, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister and Finance Minister of Telangana.

### All-India conference to be held in Dhanaula on 18th to build movement in favor of humanity

BALWINDER AZAD

**BARNALA DEHATI:** The local Muslim Welfare Society is organizing a grand all-in-one conference on September 18th at Masjid Fatima, Masjid Market Dhanaula. While giving more information in this regard, eminent social worker Dr. Dilshad Mohammad said that on this occasion, Shahi Imam Punjab Hazrat Maulana Usman Rahmani Ludhianvi, Haji Mohammad Mustakim Ludhiana, S: Paramjit Singh Khalsa Interring Committee Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee Amritsar, Jeevan Kumar Bansal President Gaushala Dhanaula are specially participating. Dr. Dilshad Mohammad said that the increasing gaps due to sectarianism and hatred are a serious issue for the entire humanity, to control which the Muslim Committee Dhanaula is making special efforts along with all religious institutions. He

# Dr Balbir Singh unveils comprehensive plan to combat global threat of drug resistance

GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, SEPT 15



In a significant move to counter the growing threat of Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR), Punjab Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr Balbir Singh on Monday launched the dedicated Punjab State Action Plan for the containment of Antimicrobial Resistance (PUNJAB-SAPCAR). With this, Punjab has become the seventh state in India and a leading state in the region to adopt a dedicated policy aimed at curbing the indiscriminate use of antibiotics, a critical global health challenge.

The comprehensive plan is anchored in the 'One Health' approach, which unites efforts across human health, animal health, agriculture, and environmental sectors to holistically respond to the AMR challenge, aligning the state with national and global health priorities. The key features of Punjab's AMR Action Plan include strengthened surveillance through monitoring and testing of samples from government health facilities via laboratory networks to track resistance patterns. It mandates high standards of cleanliness and hygiene in hospitals, clinics, and among food vendors to reduce public infection risks. A core component is robust interdepartmental coordination between health, veterinary, agriculture, and food safety departments for integrated action. The plan strongly advocates for the rational use of antibiotics by promoting strict, prescription-based use in compliance with clinical guidelines to prevent misuse. It also focuses on expanding grassroots awareness drives at other government health facilities including District Hospitals, Sub-Divisional Hospitals, Primary Health Care centres including Aam Aadmi Clinis, in order to educate citizens on the dangers of self-medication and the critical importance of completing full treatment courses.

Further, it aims to curtail non-therapeutic antibiotic use in livestock and agriculture while encouraging safe alternatives, and strengthens primary healthcare under Universal Health Coverage to ensure equitable access to diagnostics and treatment, thereby reducing unnecessary antibiotic use.

## Bad condition of road built with budget of Rs 77 lakh from Kharar stadium to Randhawa road



SHASHI PAL JAIN
KHARAR, SEPT 15

The President of Jan Hit Vikas Manch Kharar Ranjit Singh Hans and Secretary Birj Mohan Sharma have alleged that the newly constructed road from Kharar Stadium to Randhawa Road is in bad condition and water has accumulated on it after a little rain yesterday.

In a press note issued by them along with pictures, it has been said that this road was recently constructed with a budget of more than Rs 77 lakh and work of this road has been stopped in front of Darpan City Road whereas it should have been built up to Randhawa Road. He said that a day ago, my colleague Karamjit Singh Walia from Khanpur had talked about not locking the interlock tiles on the sides and not strengthening them.

He said that only after a little rain on September 14, water has accumulated in the middle of the road. He demanded that action should be taken against the contractor who built this road because this contractor did not make any proper arrangements for water drainage. He said that the storm water pipeline that was laid here two years ago has not worked properly yet and the pipe that was laid has been laid at a high level along the wall of the houses. They said that there is no storm water drain on the side where the slope of the road has been made, all the work was done in reverse. Due to this, this water is blocked in front of Guru Nanak Dairy on the road.

They have demanded from the president of the Municipal Council and high officials that a high-level inquiry should be conducted in this regard as well and the water drainage arrangements should be made properly here. They have also urged Kharar MLA Anmol Gagan Mann to get it investigated as to why such shoddy work was done by the contractor? Meanwhile, when the concerned JE Manoj Kumar of the Municipal Council was contacted he said that the work from Darpan City to Randhawa Road has to be done by some other contractor.

## Notorious drug peddler arrested with 398 grams of charas in Chandigarh



CHANDIGARH: In a major crackdown on drug trafficking, the Chandigarh Police Operation Cell arrested a habitual offender with 398 grams of charas on Saturday.

The operation, carried out under the guidance of SP (Operations) Ms. Geetanjali Khandelwal, IPS, and supervision of DSP Operations Sh. Vikas Sheokand, was led by Inspector Ranjit Singh. Acting on secret information, the team apprehended Parveen Kumar (44), a resident of Indira Colony, Manimajra, from the IT Park area. A case under the NDPS Act has been registered at Police Station IT Park.

Police revealed that Parveen Kumar is a notorious drug peddler with a long criminal record. In 2016, he was arrested with 1.2 kg of charas and later sentenced to 10 years imprisonment and a fine of Rs 1 lakh.

He was also arrested in Bilaspur, Himachal Pradesh, in 2019 under the NDPS Act, and earlier booked in 2007 in a theft case. Despite his conviction, he had resumed drug peddling in the Tricity while out on bail.

Police said the intensified crackdown ahead of the festive season aims to curb narcotics smuggling and ensure public safety.

## Students showcase technical skills on Engineers Day

SHARANJEET
PATHANKOT, SEP 15



Engineers' Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm and zeal at Aman Bhalla Institute of Engineering and Technology, Village Kotli, Pathankot. It was inaugurated by the president of the organization Raman Bhalla, chairperson Anu Bhalla, trustee Akash Narang, managing director Dr. Pooja Ohri, principal Dr. Rajat Arora and principal Gaurav Saini.

During the exhibition organized on this occasion, models and projects created by students of Applied Science, Computer Science, Electronics and Communication, Civil Engineering, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering of the institution were displayed. An initiative has been taken to bring out the talent of engineering students and take their ideas from the brain to the market. The students got off to a great start by showcasing over 30 live and informative models in the workshop. The highlight of the program was the exhibition of models created by students from various engineering disciplines. The students had models ranging from eco-friendly electrical systems to cutting-edge mechanical designs. The judges of the exhibition were Principal Dr. Neeraj Puni, Principal Dr. Jagdish Singh, Vice-Principal Manu Mehra, Dean Tarun Ohri, Dean Vikram Sumbariya. Chairperson Anu Bhalla praised the participants and encouraged the students. Trustee Akash Narang and Managing Director Dr. Pooja Ohri said that Engineers' Day is dedicated to the invaluable contribution of engineers in the development of the country and is a special occasion to honor and appreciate them. Engineering College Principal Dr. Rajat Arora and Polytechnic College Principal Gaurav Saini appreciated the dedication of the students and encouraged them to push the boundaries of their knowledge.

## PHDCCI's four-day INS & OUT exhibition concludes



CHANDIGARH: The four-day 11th INS & OUT Archibuild Exhibition, organized by the PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI), concluded successfully on Monday.

The exhibition, held in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Architects, the Fire & Security Association of India, the Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME), Chandigarh Electricity Distribution Limited, the Network of People for Construction and Chandigarh Power Distribution Limited attracted nearly 40,000 visitors and featured participation from more than 150 businesses.At the closing ceremony, Rajya Sabha MP Satnam Singh Sandhu graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Awards were presented in multiple categories: La-Espada bagged the Best Innovation Award with Burkan Engineering as runner-up; Polycab Industries won the Best Display Award with Glass Palace as runner-up; while Tostem received the Best Footfall Award, and Viva Lifestyle was named runner-up. Ms. Bharti Sood, Senior Regional Director, PHDCCI, highlighted that over the four days, subject experts conducted seminars on modern construction technologies, fire safety, security, real estate, interiors.

## *DA will carry out procurement process of paddy in smooth and orderly manner: Himanshu Agarwal*



JALANDHAR (PARAMJIT SINGH): Deputy Commissioner Dr. Himanshu Agarwal, while reviewing the procurement arrangements of paddy today, said that the entire procurement process will be carried out by the district administration in a smooth and orderly manner and the farmers will not be allowed to face any problem in selling their produce in the markets.

While presiding over a meeting in this regard at the District Administrative Complex here, the Deputy Commissioner said that keeping in mind the convenience of the farmers, the government procurement of paddy is being started from September 16 this year by the Punjab government. He said that 1082253 metric tonnes of paddy were procured during the procurement season last year. He instructed the concerned departments and procurement agencies that there should be no shortage of any kind in the markets and the procurement process should be carried out in a completely transparent and smooth manner.

Dr. Agarwal said that for the procurement of paddy, drinking water, electricity, lights, cleanliness, toilets and other necessary arrangements have been ensured for the convenience of the farmers in 79 markets in the district.

## Protest outside police station over delayed justice in custodial torture case



SUKH NAHAR
JAGRAON, SEPT 15

Several Social welfare Associations have been staging a vast protest in front of police station for a long time demanding actions against police officials accused of illegally detaining and inhumanely torturing two Scheduled caste families in a decades old case.

On Sunday, members of several farmer and labor organizations staged a protest outside a local police station, accusing the administration of deliberately denying justice.

The demonstration was led by Bharpur Singh Chhajjawal, president of the Mazdoor Sangharsh Committee; Dr. Gurmel Singh Kular and Sohan Singh Sawaddi of the Dashmesh Kisan Mazdoor Union; and Jaspreet Singh Dholan of the Guru Granth Sahib Satkar Committee.

The representatives told the press that despite sitting protesting for over three and a half years and despite multiple inquiries, recommendations from state and central commissions, and evidence proving wrongful detention, the Deputy Commissioner and Senior Superintendent of Police have refused to act.

They alleged that even orders issued by the National Commission for Scheduled Castes are being deliberately ignored by the police and civil authorities.

## Housing societies told to clear govt dues within 21 days: RCS

CHANDIGARH: After observing that a number of cooperative housing and house building societies have not remitted statutory dues to the respective Urban Development Authorities, despite having collected such amounts from their members the Registrar Cooperative Societies Girish Dayalan under the directions of Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Singh Mann has ordered to send notices to all these societies. These dues include, but are not limited to, External Development Charges (EDC), Change of Land Use (CLU) charges, and other statutory payments.

The non-remittance of these dues constitute a serious breach of trust on the part of managing committees and office bearers. Such defaults not only endanger the legal standing of the societies but also put the interests of their members at risk.

## *Chandigarh police nab accused and juvenile in snatching case, recover mobile phone and three motorcycles*



CHANDIGARH: In a swift breakthrough, Chandigarh Police arrested a 19-year-old youth and apprehended a juvenile involved in a snatching incident in Manimajra. The operation led to the recovery of a snatched Oppo mobile phone and three stolen motorcycles.

The case (FIR No. 75, dated 13.09.2025, under relevant sections of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita) was registered on the complaint of Vijay Kumar, a resident of Panchkula, who reported that two motorcyclists snatched his mobile phone near the Modern Housing Complex, Manimajra, on September 12 while he was cycling.

Acting promptly, police teams collected CCTV footage and conducted multiple raids. The investigation resulted in the arrest of Arun (19), resident of Manimajra, on September 15, along with the apprehension of a 15-year-old juvenile who actively participated in the crime.

Police recovered the snatched Oppo mobile phone, the motorcycle (CH01BU9778) used in the offence, and two additional stolen motorcycles (HR92A2402 and PB65AW5383) from the accused.

## Nishkam Sewa Samiti donated amount of Rs 51 thousand for the flood victims



KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA, SEPT 15

Nishkam Sewa Samiti (Regd.) Barnala today handed over a cheque of Rs. 51 thousand for the Chief Minister's Relief Fund for the flood victims to Deputy Commissioner Barnala, Mr. T. Benith. On this occasion, the Chairman of Nishkam Sewa Samiti, Mr. Rajinder Kumar Singla said that at this time it is our duty to come forward to help the flood victims. He said that the social service organizations of Barnala are always ready for welfare work in case of any need. On this occasion, Master Prakash Chand, Manager Gian Chand Singla, SDO Rashpal Singla and Dimple Singla were present with him. It is worth mentioning that the Nishkam Sewa Samiti provides daily two-time bread, morning tea, porridge and services to patients and their relatives in the Civil Hospital.

## Engineering Day celebrated with enthusiasm at Doaba Group of Colleges



CHET RAM RATAN
NAWANSHAHR, SEPT 15

Doaba Group of Colleges, Rahon, celebrated National Engineers' Day on the birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya with great enthusiasm.

The event aimed to inspire students and highlight the vital role of engineering in nation-building and technological progress.

The celebrations began with a floral tribute to Sir Visvesvaraya by faculty members. Guest speakers addressed the gathering, emphasizing the role of engineers in building a sustainable and innovative future. Students from various engineering disciplines showcased their talent through technical presentations, innovative project displays, and model exhibitions.

Director Dr. Rajeshwar Singh encouraged students to stay updated with modern technology and work towards innovative solutions to real-world challenges.

He reiterated the college's commitment to providing quality technical education and fostering creativity among budding engineers.

## Jalandhar admn seeks army help to strengthen eroding dhussi bandh



JALANDHAR : (JS SODHI): The Jalandhar Administration has sought the assistance of the Army to reinforce the eroding Dhussi Bundh near village Mandala Chhanna, where large-scale protective works are underway to avert a potential flood threat.

Deputy Commissioner Dr. Himanshu Aggarwal along with ADC Jasbir Singh, SDM Shubhi Angra, DSP Onkar Singh Brar, has been camping at the site to oversee the strengthening operations, being carried out under the leadership of Rajya Sabha Member Sant Balbir Singh Seechewal. They, along with officials of drainage department and hundreds of volunteers from the Sangat, have been working day and night to secure the vulnerable stretch of the embankment. Dr. Aggarwal informed that the situation remains under close watch, and with the Army's deployment, additional manpower and technical support will bolster the ongoing efforts. "The participation of the Army will accelerate the strengthening process and ensure the bundh is safeguarded before any untoward situation arises," he said. Sant Seechewal lauded the collective spirit of the local community, officials, and now the Army, working shoulder to shoulder in what he described as a "mission to protect lives and livelihoods."

## *15 units of blood collected during blood donation camp*



KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL, SEPT 15

Khatri Sabha Rampura Phul and Nav Bharat Kala Manch jointly organized a blood donation camp at the local Civil Hospital. This camp was dedicated to the sixth birthday of little girl Sazia, daughter of Deepak Gandhi, and the auspicious occasion of Rajnish Karkara and Sonia's wedding anniversary. The camp was inaugurated by Nav Bharat Kala Manch Patron Mahendra Sahi and Khatri Sabha President Paramdeep Singh Bedi by cutting the ribbon. A total of 15 units of blood were collected during this occasion, which was collected by the Medical Blood Bank team of the Civil Hospital. To encourage the blood donors, the blood bank team and blood donors were honored with certificates. Kala Manch President Surinder Dhir said that it has always been an intention of Kala Manch and Khatri Sabha to participate in social work in a more active manner. On this occasion, Sukhmander Kalsi, Pawan Mehita, Baldev Jindal, Labh Chand Singla, Sukhmander Rampura, Rajinder Singh, Lachhman Das Goyal, Gurpreet Singh Sita, Aniket Karkra, Pritam Artist, Sunil Dhir, Manku Mehita, relatives of both the families etc. were present.

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## Vidya Mandir students win medals at National Kickboxing Championship

HOSHIARPUR (DALJEET AJNOHA): The "Children and Cadets National Kickboxing Championship", organized by the Tamil Nadu State Amateur Kickboxing Association, was held in Chennai, Tamil Nadu, from August 27 to August 31, 2025. The championship witnessed outstanding kickboxing performances from across the country, and students of Vidya Mandir Senior Secondary Model School, Hoshiarpur, also showcased their remarkable talent. Tanuj, a student of Class 10, won both a gold and a silver medal in the competition, while Kritika from Class 9 secured a silver medal. Dehal, a student of Class 8, and Krish from Class 5 also brought laurels to the school by winning silver medals in their respective categories. Anurag Sood, the President of Vidya Mandir School, congratulated these promising players and announced that Tanuj, the gold medalist, would be sent to a training camp in Bengaluru and has also been selected for the Asian Championship. Similarly, silver medalists Kritika, Dehal, and Krish will also get the opportunity to attend the training camp in Bengaluru.



## NEWS BRIEF

### Punjab is continuously developing under leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann: Advocate Harsimran Malhotra

**SURINDER DAMDAMI**

**KOTKAPURA:** Punjab is continuously developing under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann. These words were expressed by Advocate Harsimran Malhotra, President of Truck Union Punjab Faridkot, while talking to selected journalists at his office today. He said that Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann is constantly moving among the people, whereas the previous Chief Ministers never came out of their palaces. Despite being ill, he was constantly inquiring about the flood-affected areas from the officials and instructions were being given to the officials for all possible assistance. Crores of rupees are being allocated for continuous development of all the villages of Jaito constituency under the leadership of Jaito MLA Amolak Singh so that the people do not face any problem. The work of Jaito roads was delayed a little due to rains, but now it will start soon and soon the entire villages and city of Jaito constituency will be connected with CCTV cameras. On this occasion, Gobindar Walia, Chairman PADB Bank Jaito was present with him.



### Dr. Rajni Pratap assumes charge as head of Hindi department



**SURJIT SINGH**

**SAMRALA:** Senior professor of the Hindi Department, Dr. Rajni Pratap, today assumed charge as the Head of the Hindi Department at Punjabi University, Patiala. On her arrival at the department, research scholars and students welcomed her with a shower of flowers. Former Head Dr. Neetu Kaushal handed over the responsibility of the department to Dr. Rajni and extended her best wishes.

On this occasion, former Heads of the Department Dr. Ravi Kumar 'Anu' and Dr. Sukhwinder Kaur Bath congratulated Dr. Rajni, stating that all previous heads of the department had upheld the dignity of the position and always carried the department forward in a positive direction.

Former student of the department and journalist Surjit Singh said that the Hindi Department of Punjabi University, Patiala, has been upholding its glorious tradition. He expressed hope that Dr. Rajni Pratap will become the torchbearer of this legacy and establish new milestones of achievement for the department.

### All arrangements in place for smooth paddy procurement: DC

**DALJEET AJNOHA**

**HOSHIARPUR:** Deputy Commissioner Ashika Jain has confirmed that all necessary arrangements have been completed to ensure that the paddy procurement process, beginning on September 16, is carried out in a transparent, smooth, and hassle-free manner. She chaired a meeting today with procurement agencies and concerned officials to review preparations.She informed that, in line with the Punjab Government's directives, the operational timing for combine harvesters has been restricted from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and any operation outside these hours will be strictly prohibited. All combine owners in the district have been instructed to follow these guidelines diligently.



### Administration continues efforts on war footing for health of livestock in flood affected areas: DC



**ARVIND PATHAK**

**SULTANPUR LODHI:** Deputy Commissioner Amit Kumar Panchal said that the administration is taking serious efforts on war footing for the health care of livestock in flood affected areas so that all kinds of facilities can be provided to the people in time for the health care of livestock. On this occasion Kunwar Ompal Singh IDES, CEO, Brigadier S.K. Saul SM President Cantt Board Jalandhar and Dr. R.P. Singh Deputy Director Animal Husbandry, besides a large number of farmers and other personalities were present. The Deputy Commissioner said that under this link today a camp was organized for the health check-up of livestock by the veterinary doctors of the Animal Husbandry Department in collaboration with the Cantonment Board Jalandhar in village Sangra which is surrounded by water from all sides. He said that during the camp, where the health of the animals was checked, 160 bags of cattle feed, mineral mixer and medicines were distributed to the farmers for animal fodder. He said that the Punjab government and the administration have already issued clear instructions to the animal husbandry and other departments that no stone should be left unturned in the health care of the livestock in the flood-affected areas of the district.

# CM objects Centre's decision to deny permission to sikhs to visit sacred places in Pakistan

GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, SEPT 15




Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann on Monday raised strong objections over the decision of Government of India to cancel the Visit of Sikh pilgrims to Pakistan on the occasion of parkash purab of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji.

The Chief Minister bemoaned that It's hard to understand whether BJP's policy is against Pakistan or against its own people adding that it reflects hostile attitude of Modi government towards Punjab.

He said that if a Pakistani actress stars in a Punjabi artist's film, the film is banned by the centre and Punjabis are labelled as traitors. Bhagwant Singh Mann said that it is ultimately The Punjabi artist and our film industry which bears the loss due to the step motherly treatment of the centre.

The Chief Minister said that though the film was shoot much before the unfortunate incident of Pahalgam terrorist attack but banning this movie on this pretext was an injustice. However, he said that the cricket match between India and Pakistan is allowed just because the son of a big sahib desired so.

Bhagwant Singh Mann said that BJP led troll army termed Punjabi actors and producers as traitors whereas now everyone is tight lipped when this match was held in the country. The Chief Minister bemoaned that when the Cricket Board is in the hands of Amit Shah's son, holding a match with Pakistan suddenly becomes a compulsion for the Indian government. He said that Everyone knows what Pakistan does with this money, owing to its anti-India stance, which it earns from such matches adding that in other words, it is the benefit of Pakistan. Bhagwant Singh Mann said that if India can play a cricket match with Pakistan, then why can't pilgrims visit Sri Kartarpur Sahib and Sri Nankana Sahib to pay obeisance ? The Chief Minister further said that it is unfortunate that When disaster strikes Afghanistan, the BJP led national government rushes to send aid to them. However, he said that now when Punjab is facing devastating floods, the BJP-led central government didn't even release the rightful funds owed to Punjab.

Bhagwant Singh Mann said that the BJP continuously hold a grudge against Punjab and its people adding that the centre government has not even released Rs 1600 crore announced by the Prime Minister. The Chief Minister said that until yesterday, Punjab BJP leaders were raising baseless questions on the state government adding he dared Jakhar and Bittu to explain that why the central government is not allowing the jathas to visit Sri Kartarpur Sahib whereas on the other hand cricket match was allowed. He said that Kartarpur Sahib is the holy site where Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji spent the final years of his life, adding that Sri Nankana Sahib is the holy place where the Guru sahib was born. For us, Bhagwant Singh Mann said that these issues are not related to politics or business, but these are issues concerning our emotions as these places are admired by Punjabis as greatest centers of faith and devotion. The Chief Minister said that Punjabis want to have the darshan of their Guru at these places adding that Stopping devotees from visiting these sacred sites is not just an injustice, but also deeply hurts the religious sentiments of millions of Sikhs. Bhagwant Singh Mann questioned that is Amit Shah's son more important to the government than millions of Sikh sangat? He appealed the Prime Minister that Politics can wait, cricket can wait, But devotion cannot wait.

# *Cheema assures early release of sugarcane dues to farmers*



CHANDIGARH, SEPT 15

Punjab Finance Minister Advocate Harpal Singh Cheema on Monday assured the representatives of the sugarcane farmers' associations that the balance of the Punjab Government's share in the price of their sugarcane purchased by private mills would be released at the earliest.

The farmers' organizations expressed their gratitude to the Finance Minister for the meeting and the assurance.

During the meeting with representatives of sugarcane farmers' organizations here at his office, the Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema reaffirmed the state government's commitment to supporting the agricultural community. He acknowledged the financial difficulties faced by sugarcane growers due to any delay in payments and assured them that the government is taking swift action to pay the pending payments. "The Punjab Government, led by Chief Minister Bhagwan Mann, is committed to ensuring that our farmers receive timely payment for their produce," he added.

Prior to the meeting with sugarcane farmers, the Finance Minister held detailed discussions with representatives of various associations, including the Gram Panchayat Jal Supply Pump Operators Association, Punjab Police Corona Warriors, Freedom Fighters Uttradikari Sanstha, and Danga Pirdit Welfare Society. These meetings focused on addressing the demands and issues raised by these organizations. The Finance Minister directed the concerned departments to resolve all legitimate demands and issues on a priority basis. During these meetings, Balwinder Singh Raju, President of the Majha Kisan Sangarsh Committee; Jangvir Singh Chauhan, President of the Doaba Kisan Committee; Gurbaz Singh, President of the Punjab Police Corona Warriors; Beant Singh, President of Gram Panchayat Jal Supply Pump Operators; Chittin Singh Mansa and Major Singh, co-presidents of two wings of the Freedom Fighters Uttradikari Sanstha.

## Balwada bridge in Kahnuwan bet area opened for traffic



VERMA
GURDASPUR, SEPT 15

Under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, the Punjab Government has provided major relief to the residents of the Bet area in the Qadian Assembly Constituency by opening the newly constructed Balwada Bridge for traffic.

The bridge was officially inaugurated by Advocate Jagrup Singh Sekhwan, who cut the ribbon to mark the opening.

Expressing gratitude to Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann and Public Works Minister Harbhajan Singh ETO, Advocate Sekhwan stated that the collapse of the previous bridge had caused serious problems for local residents, which have now been resolved. He added that the new Balwada Bridge has been constructed 6 meters wider and 5 feet higher than the old one. The foundations of the bridge have been dug 50 feet deep to ensure its strength and durability.

He further mentioned that the connecting roads leading to the bridge will also be strengthened and retaining walls will be constructed on the sides for added stability.

Advocate Sekhwan highlighted the efforts of the Punjab Government in strengthening flood prevention infrastructure, noting that the 27-kilometer-long Dhussi Bund road along the Beas River in the Qadian constituency was recently repaired and remained intact even during the latest floods.

## Anti-Narcotic cum special operation cell arrests Nigerian national with 255 grams of cocaine

LK BANSAL
MOHALI, SEPT 15



As a part of the ongoing campaign "War Against Drugs", spearheaded by the Punjab Government and Director General of Police, Punjab, and under the able guidance of Shri Harcharan Singh Bhullar, IPS, Deputy Inspector General (DIG), Ropar Range, the Range Anti-Narcotic cum Special Operation Cell, Ropar Range has achieved a major success by arresting a Nigerian national involved in drug trafficking.

Divulging the details, DIG Harcharan Singh Bhullar said that the accused was found in possession of 255 grams of Cocaine, 10.25 grams of MDMA (Ecstasy) pills which is International Drug and Rs 2,00,000 in Indian currency as drug money.

Giving details of Operation, he further said that on 12-09-2025, acting on a specific intelligence input, Inspector Sukhwinder Singh, Incharge of the Range Anti-Narcotics cum Special Operations Cell, Camp at Mohali, along with his team, was present near Preet Karyana Store, G.T.B. Colony, Kharar, District S.A.S. Nagar.

At around 11:45, a reliable informer tipped off that a Nigerian national named Augustine Okwudili s/o Elodimuo Okwundili R/o Nigeria was actively selling cocaine to his regular customers in GTB Colony. A raid was immediately conducted, and the accused Augustine Okwudili was apprehended with 255 grams of cocaine in his possession. Based on the recovery, an FIR No. 343 dated 13-09-2025 under sections 21/61/85 of the NDPS Act was registered at Police Station City Kharar, District S.A.S. Nagar. During the arrest, police also recovered Rs 2,00,000 in cash, believed to be drug proceeds.

Stating about the investigation and further recovery, he added that the accused was presented before the hon'ble Court, Kharar, on 13-09-2025, and 2 days of police remand was obtained for further investigation.

## Ludhiana govt schools' teachers & staff donate Rs 31.53 lakh for flood relief



CHANDIGARH, SEPT 15

In a heartwarming display of unity and compassion, the teaching and non-teaching staff of Government Senior Secondary Schools in Ludhiana district collectively contributed a substantial amount of Rs. 31,53,000 to the Punjab Chief Minister Flood Relief Fund, bolstering the state's ongoing flood relief works. The collective contribution was formally presented to the Punjab School Education Minister S. Harjot Singh Bains at Nangal today by a delegation led by District Education Officer (Secondary), Ludhiana Ms. Dimple Madan, who handed over the cheques on the behalf of Ludhiana's education community. The delegation comprised Deputy DEO Mr. Amandeep Singh, State Sports Committee Member Mr. Ajit Pal, and Physics Lecturer Mr. Dinesh Modi. S. Harjot Singh Bains lauded the initiative, stated, "This generous contribution from our educators showcases their compassion and commitment to the community. By supporting the state's relief efforts, they're demonstrating their dedication extends beyond the classroom walls and this solidarity will greatly aid in providing relief and rehabilitation to those affected by the floods.

## *AIIMS Bathinda extends medical relief to flood-affected communities in Punjab*

ANIL VERMA
BATHINDA, SEPT 15



In the past week, as part of its ongoing efforts to support flood-hit populations, AIIMS Bathinda organized three medical relief camps in the districts of Fazilka and Ferozepur. By 10th September, more than 620 patients had already benefited from free medical consultations and medicines. On14th September, another 233 patients received care at the Ferozepur camp, which was organized with the generous support of the Border Security Force (BSF).

These camps were held under the dynamic leadership of Prof. (Dr.) Meenu Singh, Executive Director, AIIMS Bathinda, Prof. (Dr.) Rajiv Kumar, Medical Superintendent, AIIMS Bathinda, who was led by Dr. Kawaljit Singh Kaura, Prof. Rakesh Kakkar, Dr. Madhur Verma, and Dr. Soumya Sahoo. A team of doctors from multiple specialties, including Ophthalmology, Gynecology, Dermatology, Pediatrics, General Medicine, and Community and family Medicine, provided services to the affected people.

Alongside treatment and distribution of medicines, the camps also emphasized prevention of post-flood disease outbreaks by spreading awareness about safe water, sanitation, vaccination, and control of vector-borne diseases. Promotive health was also addressed through advice on maternal and child health, nutrition, and mental well-being. The initiative further acted as a platform for health advocacy, linking people to government health programs and strengthening community resilience.

## *Shaheed-e-Azam Bhagat Singh National Marathon postponed : Jai Krishan Singh Rouri*

DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR, S EPT 15



In view of the serious situation created due to floods in Punjab, Deputy Speaker , Punjab Vidhan Sabha, S. Jai Krishan Singh Rouri, has announced the postponement of the Shaheed-e-Azam Bhagat Singh National Marathon which was scheduled to be held on 27th September 2025 at Mahilpur (District Hoshiarpur). Rouri said that this marathon was an important part of the campaign initiated by the Punjab Government to keep the youth away from drugs, connect them with sports, and strengthen the spirit of patriotism among them. Under the vision of Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Singh Mann, this effort was aimed at guiding the youth towards becoming healthy, fit, and prosperous through sports.However, due to the current floods, several districts of Punjab have suffered heavy loss of lives and property. In such circumstances, it is necessary to share the grief of the people and stand shoulder to shoulder with them.S. Rouri clarified that the marathon has only been postponed, not cancelled. As soon as the situation improves, a new date for the marathon will be announced soon. He added that the Punjab Government stands firmly with the people of Punjab in every situation and is fully committed to supporting the families affected by the floods.

## BJP's Gurtej Singh Dhillon announces Major relief projects for Malwa belt including Nabha



NABHA (RAKESH JINDAL): Announcing a big relief gift to the entire Malwa belt including the Nabha constituency, State Executive Member BJP Gurtej Singh Dhillon told during a press conference in Nabha that my only aim is to provide development and facilities to the people, in which I have proposed to the central government to take Rajindra Hospital Patiala to the level of PGI, secondly, to run Shatabdi train from the airport in Patiala to Bathinda via Nabha to Delhi, in which two projects have been completed, a big building with all the facilities at Rajindra Hospital, and the second Shatabdi train, which will run from Bathinda at 6:10 am and reach Nabha at 8:40 am, and after reaching Delhi at 1:25 pm, it will again reach Nabha at 5:38 pm and go to Bathinda, is going to be operational soon, which will provide relief to the entire Malwa belt including the residents of Nabha, whereas earlier these people had to go to Delhi to go to Delhi. He further said that soon other projects will also be brought after getting approval from the BJP government at the center.

## *Partap World School, Pathankot to host U-17 boys cricket tournament under 12th District School Games*



GURDASPUR (VERMA): Partap World School, Pathankot is all set to host the U-17 Boys Cricket Tournament as part of the 12th District School Games from 17th to 23rd September 2025. The week-long sporting event will witness enthusiastic participation from schools across District Pathankot, promising an exciting showcase of young cricketing talent.Today, the draws for U-14, U-17, and U-19 Boys Cricket Tournaments were conducted at Partap World School, Pathankot. The occasion was graced by Sh. Sunny Mahajan, Secretary, Cricket Association Pathankot, as the Chief Guest. He also formally released the match schedule for the U-17 Boys Cricket Tournament, while the schedules for the U-14 and U-19 categories will be announced at a later date. The tournament is being organized under the aegis of the District Education Department, Pathankot, with the aim of encouraging maximum participation, nurturing sportsmanship, and providing a platform for budding cricketers to display their skills. Speaking on the occasion, Sh. Rajesh Kumar, DEO Pathankot, expressed, "Sports play a pivotal role in shaping discipline, confidence, and leadership among students.

## PUNGRAIN Chairman conducts surpise check in Jagraon



SUKH NAHAR
JAGRAON, SEPT 15

Chairman of PUNGRAIN, Dr. Tejpal Singh Gill, on Monday carried out a surprise inspection of PUNGRAIN agency godowns in Jagraon.

Food Supply Officer Ludhiana Lakhvir Singh, Assistant Food Supply Officer Jagraon, and other departmental officials were present during the checking. During the inspection, Dr. Gill warned that no negligence in the maintenance and storage of food grains would be tolerated. He stated clearly that strict action would be taken against any employee or officer found guilty of carelessness.

The Chairman further emphasized that under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, the Punjab Government is committed to ensuring transparent administrative services while providing a corruption-free and fear-free environment for the people of the state.

## Students of DM Group Kararwala perform brilliantly in sports competitions



KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL, SEPT 15

In the district level sports competitions organized by the Punjab Government, the students of DM Group Kararwala performed brilliantly and maintained their dominance in sports. Giving information in this regard, the chairman of the institution, Eng. Avtar Singh Dhillon, said that the girls of the football team have continuously performed brilliantly at the district level for the last three years and have created a record of staying in the first place. Along with this, the girls of the school have also proved their mettle in sports by securing the first place in the district for the third time in a row in the game of chess. It is worth mentioning here that the institution has also led the district in the game of hockey for eleven consecutive times at the state level.

## Balwinder Kumar fauji becomes president of Shiv Mandir Committee Cheema



BARNALA (KULDEEP SOOD): A meeting of the famous Shiv Mandir Committee of village Cheema in Barnala was held under the leadership of former president Yog Kumar. During which flowers were offered to the departed friend and treasurer of Shiv Mandir Committee Pandit Mohinder Pal Sharma, while the present group of leaders appointed Balwinder Kumar Fauji son of late Madan Lal Fauji as the president. Giving information on this occasion, the leaders said that this appointment has been made in view of the upcoming festivals and for the betterment of the temple and the remaining committee will be expanded during the meeting being held on September 20. On this occasion, Manoj Kumar Gupta, Yog Kumar, Buta Ram former president, Manoj Sharma, Ravinder Kumar Tinu, Prem Kumar Kukku Seth, Harpreet Rinka, Inderjit Nissanad and Pandit Lachhman Sharma etc. were also present.

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## CM expresses grief over loss of lives in road accident

**DINESH AGARWAL**
**SHIMLA:** Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu has expressed grief over the road accident at village Ram Nagar in Sub Division Kotkhai of district Shimla on Monday in which five persons lost their lives and one other sustained injuries. The Chief Minister said that the state government stands firmly with the aggrieved families in this hour of grief and added that all possible assistance would be provided to the bereaved families. He wished speedy recovery to the injured. He prayed to the Almighty to give eternal peace to the departed souls and strength to the bereaved family members to bear this irreparable loss.

## NEWS BRIEF

### Flights from Kangra Airport to resume

**SANJAY AGGARWAL**
**DHARAMSHALA:** The number of air flights at Kangra Airport is going to increase. Many flights that were stopped due to bad weather and the ongoing tension between India and Pakistan for some time will now resume, which will provide great relief to the tourists coming here. Aviation companies have released the schedule of these new flights on their booking sites. According to the information, three SpiceJet and two Indigo flights will operate at Gaggal Airport from September 18. SpiceJet is resuming one of its closed flights, which will increase the total number of flights of this airline to three. According to the new schedule, there will be two flights each on Monday and Friday, while there will be three flights each on the rest of the days of the week. Both Indigo flights will continue as before. This increase is happening at a time when heavy rains in Himachal for the last two-three months had badly affected life and tourism. Due to landslides and damage to roads, movement had come to a halt in many parts, causing a sharp

# Punjab-Haryana should act as elder brothers to support Himachal's interests: CM

**DINESH AGARWAL**
**SHIMLA, SEPT 15**



Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu said that Himachal Pradesh had to fight for its rightful share on several issues. He noted that despite the expiry of the lease period of Shanan hydroelectric project situated in Himachal Pradesh, it had not been given back to the state from Punjab and arrears due from BBMB had also been delayed due to obstructions posed by Punjab and Haryana, despite a Supreme Court decision.

"Punjab and Haryana are our elder brothers, and they should extend support generously to their younger brother," the Chief Minister emphasized. He was speaking at the valedictory session of the two-day national cooperative conference late evening on Sunday at Shimla, where he inaugurated the Cyber Security Operations Centre of Himachal Pradesh State Cooperative Bank, besides launching the bank's cooperative anthem and releasing a souvenir. Extending greetings on the successful event, the Chief Minister stated that despite challenging geography and small land holdings, cooperatives in Himachal Pradesh had been playing a crucial role in strengthening the rural economy. He recalled that the cooperative movement in Himachal began in 1904 and received a major boost after full statehood in 1971. Currently, over 5,000 cooperative societies were active in the State, including nearly 2,000 primary agricultural credit societies that provide essential financial services to farmers and rural households. Responding to a request from Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri, he assured that the state government would consider providing relaxations under Section 118 to cooperative societies for purchasing land for business purposes. He also asked the State Cooperative Bank to introduce a one-time settlement policy to help small farmers, orchardists, workers, and traders become debt-free. Sukhu stated that the state government had dissolved the Board of Kangra Central Cooperative Bank due to irregularities during the previous regime and reaffirmed that it would not tolerate misuse of public resources. He further said that the Congress government was bringing major reforms in education, health and the rural economy sectors. He said that Himachal had moved from 21st to 5th position in the country's education rankings in 2025 and was now striving for the top spot. The State had also retained its pride of being fully literate. On health reforms, he said, "Modern equipments are being provided in leading hospitals, with an outlay of Rs 300 crore this year. Robotic surgery has already been introduced in two government health Institutions to offer better treatment to the people of the State."

# High Court rejects plea of advocate in bank fraud case

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Himachal Pradesh High Court today rejected the plea of panel advocate Jai Singh Chauhan, accused by the CBI of conspiring to inflate the credit cash limit of a Bank of India of a borrower Sunil Gupta. The interim plea sought relief based on the Supreme Court's landmark judgment in the K. Narayana Rao case, but the court found the circumstances materially different. Justice Rakesh Kainthla, while hearing Cr. MMO No. 802 of 2025 (Jai Singh Chauhan vs. Central Bureau of Investigation, Delhi), noted that Chauhan, in his capacity as panel advocate of the Bank of India, had prepared a title search report on December 4, 2004. "The report related to property mortgaged by co-accused Bank of India Borrower Sunil Gupta for availing a cash credit facility." According to the CBI's charge sheet filed under Section 173(2) CrPC, Chauhan allegedly conspired with Gupta to fraudulently exaggerate the latter's landholding. "While Gupta actually owned 1-3-2 bighas, Chauhan's report inflated it to 1-9-2 bighas, enabling Gupta to secure an enhanced cash credit limit from the bank." Counsel for Chauhan, Mr. G.R. Palsta, argued that as per the Supreme Court's ruling in CBI, Hyderabad vs. K. Narayana Rao (2012), an advocate cannot be held criminally liable for an opinion rendered in good faith based on documents provided to him. He contended that Chauhan's role was limited to preparing the title report.

# Cabinet okays engagement of 1,602 Bijli Upbhogta Mitras in HPSEBL

**DINESH AGARWAL**
**SHIMLA, SEPT 15**



In a meeting held here on Monday under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu, the State Cabinet approved the engagement of 1,602 Bijli Upbhogta Mitras in Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board Limited to overcome the acute shortage of field staff and ensure quality services to consumers. It was also decided to fill up 1000 posts of T/Mates. The Cabinet also gave its approval to fill 645 posts of Patwaris on trainee basis under the State Cadre. It sanctioned the filling up of 400 posts of Staff Nurses as Job Trainees in various medical colleges across the State. Additionally, the Cabinet approved the engagement of 300 Job Trainees in Gram Panchayats to build a pool of trained manpower for Panchayati Raj Institutions through training, exposure and assistance on a fixed monthly stipend. To further strengthen healthcare services, the Cabinet decided to engage 200 Medical Officers as Job Trainees in the health department across the State. It approved to create and fill up 38 posts of Assistant Professors in Cardiology, Neurology, Urology and Gastroenterology in the medical colleges in the State.

The Cabinet also approved the creation of 25 posts of Steno-Typists in the H.P. Secretariat. Further, it approved filling of requisite posts of different categories for Police Stations at Parwanoo and Dharampur in Solan district to strengthen policing on National Highway. The Cabinet gave its nod for the restructuring of the department of Environment, Science, Technology and Climate Change to streamline its functioning, along-with the creation and filling of five new posts of different categories. It further sanctioned the filling of one post each of Computer Operator and Junior Scale Stenographer.

# Incessant rains devastate state, death toll over 400, Apple economy hit

**AGENCY**
**SHIMLA, SEP 15**



Himachal Pradesh continues to reel under the fury of incessant monsoon rains, with the State Disaster Management Authority (SDMA) confirming that 404 people have lost their lives since June 20.

Of these, 229 deaths were caused by rain-related incidents such as landslides, flash floods, drowning, cloudbursts, and house collapses, while 175 others perished in road accidents, underscoring the vulnerability of the hill state's fragile transport network. The SDMA described the devastation as "unprecedented", estimating total losses at nearly Rs 44,890 crore. More than 462 people have been injured, 41 remain missing, and thousands of livestock have perished, while public infrastructure, roads, power supply lines, water schemes, health facilities, and schools have been crippled across districts. Frequent landslides, collapsing retaining walls, and rising water levels in rivers and dams continue to threaten human settlements. As of yesterday, 373 distribution transformers and 188 water supply schemes were non-functional, cutting off thousands of households. Roads remain blocked across Mandi, Kullu, Shimla, and Kinnaur, even as emergency teams work on a war footing to restore key stretches such as the Kiratpur–Manali four-lane (NH-3) and NH-5 to Kinnaur.

The agriculture and horticulture sectors have been severely hit, with 8,278 hectares of crops and 6,036 hectares of orchards damaged. Apple growers, already reeling from road blockages, are facing market gluts and transportation bottlenecks, dealing a blow to the backbone of Himachal's rural economy. Vegetable supply chains, too, have collapsed in several valleys.

## Awareness campaign highlights govt schemes in Ladoli and Maidi Khas panchayats

**KISHORI LAL BAINS**
**UNA, SEPT 15**



On the second day of the first phase of the special publicity campaign being run by the Department of Information and Public Relations, R.K. Kalamanch, Chintpurni, organized awareness programmes in Ladoli and Maidi Khas panchayats of Amb subdivision on Monday. Through songs, music, and street plays, artists informed villagers about various welfare schemes launched by the state government for the Scheduled Castes, public welfare policies, achievements, and the ongoing anti-drug campaign. During the programme, artists explained that under the Inter-caste Marriage Incentive Scheme, if a man or woman from an upper caste marries someone from the Scheduled Caste category, the state government provides an incentive of Rs. 50,000 to the couple. The scheme aims to eradicate social evils such as untouchability. They also outlined the necessary documents required to avail of the benefit, including caste and domicile certificates, marriage registration certificate, date of birth proof, ration card, Aadhaar card, a wedding photograph, and a no-objection certificate from the district welfare officer. The troupe further informed that under the Follow-up Programme Scheme, eligible beneficiaries belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, and Other Backward Classes are given financial assistance to create livelihood opportunities. Women are provided a subsidy of Rs. 1,800 on each sewing machine to help them earn from home and become self-reliant.

# Women will play roles on Ramlila stage: Ajay Verma

**SANJAY AGGARWAL**
**DHARAMSHALA, SEP 15**



HRTC Vice President Ajay Verma while addressing the press said that like every year, Ramlila 2025 will be organized in a grand manner in Kangra. He said that efforts have been made to make this year's Ramlila more attractive than before and for the first time in the history of Himachal Pradesh, women's characters in Ramlila will be played by women themselves. For this, the girls of Kangra have come forward to play roles in Ramlila. They have rehearsed for this under the guidance of Ramlila Committee and now soon we will be able to see their roles during Ramlila. Vice President Ajay Verma praised all these girls who will set an example for all other girls. Ajay Verma said that this year Ramlila will be organized from 22 September to 3 October.He said that Ramlila will be inaugurated by performing havan and puja on 22 September and Ramlila will have a grand opening on 23 September. He said that this year Ram Vivah will be celebrated in a grand manner in Ramlila. For this tableaus will be taken out and on the last day of Ramlila, Holi of flowers will be a special attraction. He thanked Ramlila Committee Kangra for making him the President of Ramlila Committee. Ajay Verma said that he will soon meet the Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh and present him the amount of Rs. 1.5 lakh collected by Kangra in the disaster relief fund and he will also give Rs. 11 thousand from Ramlila Committee to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund. He said that the road from Chamba to Bharmour has been opened and now the movement of buses is starting between Chamba and Bharmour.

## Governor visits disaster-affected areas in Chamba Sub-Division



**DINESH AGARWAL**
**SHIMLA:** Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla on Moday visited disaster-affected areas in the Chamba sub-division to assess the current situation. He listened to the problems faced by the affected people and instructed the concerned departments to ensure prompt action for their resolution. The Governor inspected the landslide-affected section of the National Highway in Gram Panchayat Kariyan. He reviewed the damaged sections of the National Highway at Kalsuin and Gharwala and also inspected Lothal Ghar. The Governor offered prayers at the historic-religious site, Trilochan Mahadev Temple, near Gharwala and sought the well-being and prosperity of the people of the state. Deputy Commissioner, Chamba, Mukesh Repswal detailed the Governor information regarding the damages caused by the disaster and the steps taken by the district administration for restoration. MLAs Neeraj Nayar, Vipin Parmar, Dr. Janak Raj, D.S. Thakur, BJP District President Dheeraj Naryal, Governor's Secretary C.P. Verma, SP Abhishek Yadav, senior officers from various departments and the National Hydroelectric Power Corporation were present on the occasion.

## Corrupt and negligent NHAI officials will have to go: Advocate Rohit Sharma



**RAJNEESH SHARMA**
**HAMIRPUR:** Support continues to pour in for Dharampur MLA Chandrashekhar, who has been on an indefinite hunger strike at Avahdevi for more than 156 hours. On Sunday evening, Himachal Pradesh State Bar Council Vice-Chairman Advocate Rohit Sharma, along with his team, visited the protest site to enquire about the MLA's well-being. Speaking on the occasion, Advocate Sharma said corrupt NHAI officials would soon have to leave. "These officers neither fear the law nor listen to the government. The voice raised by MLA Chandrashekhar against the high-handedness of NHAI has now become the voice of the entire state and is echoing across northern India," he said. Sharma alleged that several irregularities and lapses have been found in the construction of national highways under NHAI and the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, for which senior officials are responsible.

## Kullu residents submit memorandum to CM, seek urgent action on Matth Landslide threats

**ASHISH SHARMA**
**KULLU, SEPT 15**



Concerned over the frequent landslides and increasing instability in the Matth area opposite the Inner Akhara Bazaar of Kullu, residents have appealed to the Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister through the Deputy Commissioner for immediate corrective measures. In a detailed memorandum submitted on Monday, they have warned that uncontrolled construction, poor drainage and government negligence have combined to create a situation of grave danger for thousands of residents. The memorandum signed on behalf of the affected families highlights 13 specific demands that require immediate intervention. Among these, the residents have urged the Jal Shakti Department to conduct a technical assessment of the sewerage and drainage system in the Matth area, especially on the vulnerable banks, and implement corrective measures without any delay. They have also demanded demolition of dangerous encroachments, imposition of heavy penalty on open drainage in hill and proper channelization of the Matth-Sultanpur road drainage system. Demanding long-term safety measures, the residents sought a ban on new construction in the entire area up to the Matth and Bhekhali temple and that it be declared a "no-construction green zone".

## Union Minister Ajay Tamta reviews Nauni four-lane project, directs swift action on rain damage

**AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY**
**BILASPUR, SEPT 15**



In a significant move to expedite infrastructure development in Himachal Pradesh, Union Minister of State for Road Transport and Highways, Ajay Tamta, visited Nauni Junction on Monday to inspect the ongoing construction of the strategic four-lane road connecting Bilaspur to Shimla. His visit underscored the central government's commitment to boosting regional connectivity and ensuring timely completion of national highway projects. Accompanied by Deputy Commissioner Bilaspur Rahul Kumar, SDM Sadar Dr. Rajdeep Singh, and the Project Director of the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), the minister undertook a thorough on-site assessment of the construction progress at the Nauni Chowk Junction. He engaged with officials to gain first-hand updates on the project timeline, engineering challenges, and the current status of land acquisition. Highlighting the importance of minimizing disruption to local communities, Tamta actively inquired about the concerns of affected residents. He emphasized the need for transparent and swift resolution of land-related issues to maintain the project's momentum without compromising public interest.

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## Biker injured after falling into roadside pit, admitted to PGI ICU

NITIN SINGLA

**BILASPUR:** A deep roadside pit near the Baroli Majra-Pathrala river bridge on Pratap Nagar–Bilaspur road has become a serious hazard for locals and commuters. The five-foot-deep pit, formed after recent rains due to soil erosion, continues to cause accidents, villagers said. Local residents Dinesh Kala and Raman Golu said that though Public Works Department (PWD) staff had earlier assured the pit would be filled soon, no action has been taken till date. Two days ago, a resident of Saharanpur, Uttar Pradesh, fell into the pit while riding his bike and sustained serious injuries. He is currently undergoing treatment in the ICU of PGI Chandigarh. Villagers alleged that daily accidents are taking place because of the unattended pit and demanded immediate repair work to prevent further mishaps.



## NEWS BRIEF

### Devi Lal Jayanti on September 25

RAHUL KOHLI

**YAMUNANAGAR:** INLD state spokesperson Arjun Sudhail said that the honor day rally to be held on Chaudhary Devi Lal Jayanti on September 25 in Rohtak will be the biggest rally in history of the state. In which millions of people from the state as well as other states will pay homage to Tau Devi Lal. He said that the honor day rally was not a program, but the voice of farmers and common people, State Spokesperson Arjun Suhel said that for the last 11 years, the BJP government in Haryana has only worked to spread the poison of caste and divide it in the name of religion and spoil the brotherhood of the state. Today the law and order of the state is completely over, inflation, unemployment and corruption are at the peak. Earlier, there were large scams of liquor, wheat, paddy and registry in the coalition government of BJP and JJP.



### Portal reopened for ITI admissions, applications open till September 30

NIRMAL SAINI

**RADAUR:** As per the directions of the Haryana Department of Skill Development and Industrial Training, the online portal for on-the-spot admissions in Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) for the 2025–26 session has been reopened. Candidates can apply online from September 15 to 30 through the department's website www.admissions.itiharyana.gov.in for admission at Government ITI Nachraun. Principal Satish Kumar informed that admissions will be held in various engineering and non-engineering trades including Electrician, Hindi Stenography, Cosmetology, Turner, Fitter, Plumber, and COPA. To facilitate smooth admissions, a help desk has been set up at the institute where candidates can fill out forms free of charge. For female students, tuition fees will be waived. In addition, eligible candidates will be provided a one-time scholarship of Rs. 2,500 as incentive, a free passport, free bus pass, and a toolkit worth Rs. 1,000.

# Heavy rain triggers red alert in Mumbai, traffic hit due to waterlogging

AGENCY
MUMBAI, SEPT 15

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued a red alert for Mumbai after overnight heavy rainfall caused severe waterlogging in several parts of the city.According to IMD Mumbai, intense to very intense spells of rain accompanied by thunderstorms, lightning, and gusty winds reaching 30-40 kmph are likely to continue in Mumbai and adjoining districts of Thane and Raigad.The downpour disrupted traffic movement in multiple areas. The Mumbai Traffic Police, in the early hours of Monday, announced the closure of traffic at Andheri Subway due to one to one-and-a-half feet of accumulated rainwater."Due to one to one-and-a-half feet of rainwater accumulating at Andheri Subway (Andheri West), traffic there has been closed, and the traffic has been diverted via Gokhale Bridge," the Mumbai Traffic Police posted on X.Meanwhile, citizens of Pune also experienced heavy rainfall on Monday morning."Light to moderate rain/thunderstorm at many/some places with isolated heavy rainfall likely over Konkan & Goa, Madhya Maharashtra & Marathawada on 16th September with hefty falls over Konkan & Goa, Madhya Maharashtra & Marathawada 14th & 15th September," read the forecast issued by the IMD. Authorities have advised citizens to remain cautious in view of the weather conditions. Meanwhile, the monorail service came to a halt in the Wadala area of Mumbai due to technical glitches on Monday morning. No casualties were reported in the incident, and all passengers were evacuated and transferred to another monorail, said Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority.Speaking to ANI, Ward Councillor Rajesh Bhojane has urged the Maharashtra government to resolve the issue, which is happening repeatedly."The train heading to Wadala halted. Passengers were transferred to the train coming from Chembur. The Fire Brigade came later and started their operation. Monorail officials are saying that it was a supply issue. I urge the Govt to resolve this recurring issue," said Rajesh Ananda Bhojane, Ward Councillor of Ward 175, and a member of Republican Party of India (Athawale).



## Rs 30 lakh will be spent on sewerage facility in Shahabad: MLA Kalsana



GOLDY CHUGH
SHAHABAD, SEPT 15

Construction of a street of 600 feet long in Krishna Colony Ward No 6 has been started. It was much awaited demand of the colony residents. MLA Subhash Kalsana was present on the occasion and started the construction work. During the conversation with reporters, Subhash Kalsana said that along with construction in this street, sewerage facility was also being provided and about Rs 30 lakhs would be spent on this construction. Subhash Kalsana said that his aim was to speed up the overall development of the region and this road construction was an important step in the same direction. He said that special care of quality should be taken in the construction work and it will be completed within the stipulated time limit. He said that equally development works will be done in all the wards of Shahabad. Ward councilor Vijay Kalsi thanked Subhash Kalsana for the start of the construction work and said that this street will work to connect this colony with Barara Road. Former municipal head Baldev Raj Chawla, Councilor Vijay Kalsi, Councilor Deepak Anand, Advocate Mandeep Rawa, Ashok Vats, Shyam Rawat were present on the occasion.

## Govt toying with sentiments of farmers in name of crop compensation: Selja

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
EILNABAD, SEPT 15

The General Secretary of the All India Congress Committee and former Union Minister Kumari Selja on Monday visited flood-affected villages in the Ellenabad assembly constituency and heard farmers' problems. Kumari Selja said that the state BJP government is making a mockery of farmers in the name of compensation. A government that claims to be pro-farmer should know the cost of producing crops and the hardships farmers face. The government should pay at least Rs. 60,000-75,000 per acre as compensation for narma and cotton; by announcing only Rs. 15,000 per acre the government is rubbing salt in the farmers' wounds. MP Kumari Selja toured the Ellenabad area on Monday. She first arrived at the residence of Sunil Godara in Ellenabad and met workers. Present on the occasion were Ellenabad MLA Chaudhary Bharat Singh Bainiwal, Congress district president Santosh Bainiwal, Veerbhan Mehta, Sandeep Nehra (Advocate), Rajesh Chadewal, former district president Malkeet Singh Khosa, Malkeet Singh Randhawa, Ram Singh Solanki (Chairman, Ellenabad Municipal Council), Satapal Mehta, Ladooram Poonia, Jagga Singh Barad, Dabwali's Durga Singh (former sarpanch Autu), Bhola Singh Mallekan, and others. While speaking to reporters, the selja said that this area mainly grows narma-cotton and paddy, and the cost of cultivation for narma/cotton crops ranges from Rs. 75,000 to Rs. 90,000. Therefore compensation of at least Rs. 60,000 to Rs. 75,000 per acre should be provided. The government is making a mockery of paddy-growing farmers; whether they will actually receive compensation depends entirely on the government. This stance of the government has worried paddy growers in 12 districts.



## Census based grouping exercise organised for students of class 2



RANVIR PARASHAR

**GUHLA:** As per instructions of Directorate of Education Haryana, a census based grouping exercise was organized for students of class 2 and 3 in government primary schools across state at Government Primary School Taranwali in village Taranwali of Guhla subdivision. This examination will be organized in two phases on 15th and 16th September. As per instructions of District Education Officer Vijay Laxmi ji, examiner Roshan Lal from Government Primary School Kasaur evaluated Hindi subject on first day, 15th September, while Mathematics subject examination will be held on second day, 16th September. Purpose of this evaluation is to assess the actual status of children under Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN) and to decide the necessary corrective steps for them. Cluster head Shri Satish Ladana Chakku told that this is a diagnostic exercise, not a formal examination.

## Garhshankar Tehsil Complex employees contribute to CM flood relief fund



DALJEET AJNOHA

**HOSHIARPUR:** Extending their support to the people affected by the recent floods in Punjab, the employees of Garhshankar Tehsil Complex have donated a collective sum of Rs. 5,100 to the Chief Minister's Flood Relief Fund.The contribution was handed over in view of the widespread damage and loss experienced across the state during the recent spell of floods. The staff members of the Tehsil Complex expressed their solidarity with the victims, stressing the need for every citizen to step forward in times of crisis.Speaking on the occasion, former officer Jang Bahadur Kalia remarked that Punjab has been severely affected by floods in several regions, causing hardship and displacement for many families.

He emphasized that supporting relief efforts is not just a duty but a moral responsibility. "When natural calamities strike, it becomes essential for all of us to stand together and contribute in whatever way we can to help those in need," he said.The employees added that while their contribution is modest, it reflects their collective determination to assist flood-hit families.

## 12 complaints received in Samadhan Camp resolved on the spot

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR, SEPT 15

City magistrate Piyush Gupta said that there should be every effort to solve the problems of every applicant coming to the Samadhan camp on the spot even if a solution of any problem was based on documents or other investigations ensured to resolve soon . Mr Piyush Gupta said that under the guidance of the state government, the Samadhan camp being organized with the objective of resolving the problems of the common people has now been changed. Now these camps were being organized from 10 am on Monday and Thursday. As before, camps will be organized at both district and sub -divisions. He informed that district level Samadhan Camps were being organized in the auditorium of the district secretariat and the sub -divisional level solution camps were being organized at the SDM office located in Vyaspur, Chhacharauli and Radaur. He said that the main objective of Samadhan Camps was to establish direct communication between the public and the administration, so that the problems can be solved in a timely and transparent manner. Through these camps, citizens did not have to visit the offices to resolve their grievances, but they can communicate directly with the authorities at the same place. He said that this initiative under the guidance of the state government was also getting full support and appreciation of the people. This camp has emerged today as a strong example of good governance with timely solutions, dedicated officers and public participation.



## DAV College organizes seminar on tariff terrorism answer is swadeshi

YAGYADUTT SHASTRI
PEHOWA, SEPT 15

Amidst the new challenges emerging in the global trade world, 'Tariff Terrorism' has become an issue in India's current political problems that directly affect the national economy and self -reliance. In this context, students of DAV College, Pehwa's Political Science Department and Association of Political Science organized a thoughtful seminar where there was a thorough discussion on the subject. The basic mantra of discussion was - "Tariffs of terrorism, the same answer: Swadeshi." Department President Dr. Sudeep Kumar, in his initial address, depicted tariff terrorism as an indirect strategy by global powers. He said that foreign tariff policies were disrupting Indian exports, which was affecting millions of employment and economic development. Addressing the students, Dr. Kumar emphasized that the only route to combat this danger was to revive the indigenous movement. "Swadeshi is not only a symbol of economic self -reliance, but also the basis of national unity," he said in clear terms. College enthusiasts played active participation in the seminar. Students divided into various groups expressed concern over India's situation, citing global examples of tariff terrorism-America-China trade war-. A student said, "This terrorism is acting as an economic weapon, which is an attempt to weaken developing countries." At the same time, another student linked Swadeshi with the 'self -sufficient India' campaign and argued that we can be free from this trap only by encouraging local products. During the discussion, the students appreciated government efforts like 'Make in India' and 'self -reliance', but also demanded to increase their pace.



## Public launch ceremony of 'Dariyavan De Vahin' by Lekhak Manch



SURJIT SINGH

**SAMRALA:** The public launch ceremony of 'Dariyavan De Vahin', the debut ghazal collection of Balkar Singh, was held at the local Kindergarten School in the presence of a large gathering of litterateurs, principals, teachers, and literature enthusiasts. The chief guest of the ceremony was the veteran ghazal writer Ustad Gurdial Roshan, while the event was presided over by renowned ghazal writer S. Naseem. President of Lekhak Manch, Rajwinder Samrala, welcomed the guests. The program commenced with Principal Dr. Paraminder Singh Bainipal introducing the ghazal collection and Balkar Singh in detail, and also sharing some of the author's ghazals. The discussion on the collection was initiated by Amarinder Sohal, who praised the themes and encouraged the author to put more effort into the craft and technical aspects of ghazal writing. Participating in the discussion, Dr. Harinderjit Singh Kaler, Megh Singh Jawanda, Deep Dilbar, Gursewak Singh Dhillon, and Ram Ratan congratulated the author and also shared some suggestions. Presiding over the event, S. Naseem shared some of the author's beautiful couplets, appreciating the depth, clarity, and fearlessness of the thoughts expressed in them.

## Young swimmers of YS School Barnala shine at district U-14 matches

KARANPREET KARAN

**BARNALA:** At YS School Barnala, scholars are encouraged to explore their abilities in every sphere of life. The school not only provides strong academic foundations but also inspires children to step into fields like communication, leadership, and sports, helping them grow into confident and dynamic individuals. In the District U-14 Swimming Matches, our young swimmers showcased great spirit and talent. Scholar Riddhima (7A) secured 2nd position in Freestyle 100m, 2nd position in Backstroke 50m and 3rd position in Freestyle 50m. Scholar Aaradhya (6A) achieved remarkable success with 2nd position in Freestyle 100m and 2nd position in Backstroke 50m. This victory highlights the way YS School Barnala creates opportunities for scholars to discover their strengths and shine brightly. The school takes pride in seeing its scholars reach new milestones and continues to provide them with an environment where they can dream big, work hard, and achieve success across different fields.



## JN Kapoor DAV Dental College holds drug de-addiction seminar with Brahma Kumaris & Civil Hospital

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR, SEPT 15

JN Kapoor DAV (Centenary) Dental College, Yamunanagar, in collaboration with Brahma Kumaris' Medical wing & Civil hospital Yamuna Nagar organized a seminar on Drug Deaddiction today. The event aimed to raise awareness among students about the dangers of substance abuse and promote a healthy lifestyle. B.D.S. and M.D.S. students, as well as interns, participated in good numbers, demonstrating their interest in understanding the risks associated with addiction. Dr. I.k. Pandit (Principal) appreciated this initiative as it provided a platform for students to engage with experts and learn strategies for maintaining a substance-free life.

The Brahma Kumaris' medical wing brought their expertise and experience to the seminar, sharing valuable insights on the importance of mental and physical well-being. The guest speaker was Dr. Sachin Parab- Profesional counsellor and hypnotherapist.The event was well-received by the students, who appreciated the opportunity to learn about this critical issue. The college administration, faculty members & Sh. Ajay Mittal President BJP Panchkula were also present during the seminar, emphasizing the institution's commitment to the overall development and well-being of its students.




## Akshara International School players shine: Maken selected for state-level cricket, Ekampreet, Manaya and Palak to compete in CBSE Nationals in judo

YAGYADUTT SHASTRI
PEHOWA, SEPT 15

Students of Akshara International School have brought laurels to the institution with outstanding performances in cricket and judo. At the district-level cricket tournament organized by the School Games Federation of India at Kurukshetra University Sports Stadium, seven players of the school showcased their skills. Among them, Maken Sangwan impressed selectors with his performance and secured a place in the state-level school cricket competition. In judo too, the school team excelled at the CBSE Judo Cluster XVI held in Sonipat from September 4 to 7, bagging four medals. Ekampreet won silver in the under-11, 35 kg category; Manaya clinched silver in the under-11, 40 kg category; and Palak secured silver in the under-19, 70 kg category. Bhavnoor added to the tally with a bronze in the under-11, 35 kg category. Players Kohinoor and Mantaj also delivered commendable performances. These athletes will now participate in the CBSE National competitions to be held at S.M.S. Ishar Singh Ji Maharaj Academy, Sri Ganganagar, Rajasthan. Principal Shobe Mathew said the achievement was the result of the students' discipline, hard work and confidence. "Sports not only build physical capacity but also enhance confidence and leadership qualities. I am proud that our students have reached the national stage," he added. Chairperson Poonam Kahra praised the young athletes, highlighting that sports instill balance, patience and teamwork in life. "It is heartening to see our students consistently making a mark at state and national levels.



## NEWS BRIEFS

### BPEd professor attacked outside Panchkula college, hospitalised

**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA**

**PANCHKULA:** Panic gripped Government College, Sector 1, Panchkula, after BPEd professor Praveen Dhanda was attacked outside the college premises on Monday morning. According to sources, Dhanda was on his way from his residence in Dakoli to the college when a group of around six youths intercepted his vehicle near the Panchkula border and assaulted him with swords and sticks. He sustained serious injuries and was rushed to Chandigarh's Sector-32 hospital, where he is undergoing treatment.

Though the incident occurred outside the campus, it has raised serious questions about the safety of staff and students. Notably, an associate professor from the same college was also attacked last year, adding to the security concerns.

Following the incident, college staff members collectively met the Panchkula DCP, demanding enhanced security arrangements for both faculty and students. Police officials have assured that CCTV footage is being examined to identify the attackers and that arrests will be made soon.

College principal's statement: "The incident occurred outside the college, but it is extremely concerning.

# Small industries play major role in generating employment : Manohar

**BUREAU**
**CHANDIGARH, SEPT 15**

Haryana Chief Minister, Sh Nayab Singh Saini said that small industries have a pivotal role in the success of national initiatives like Make in India and Aatmanirbhar Bharat. MSMEs are contributing significantly to the rapid growth of 21st-century India. The Haryana Government is implementing special schemes and incentive policies for the growth of small industries to ensure entrepreneurs get maximum opportunities and are able to compete strongly in the market.



The Chief Minister was addressing the National Convention of Laghu Udyog Bharati at Samalkha in Panipat district on Monday. He said that the three-day industry discussions at the convention will provide new direction for the growth of MSMEs. Such programs will guide and inspire young entrepreneurs to script the story of Developed India – Developed Haryana.

Sh Nayab Singh Saini said that although Haryana accounts for only 1.3 percent of India's geographical area, it contributes 3.6 percent to the national GDP, as per the advance estimates for 2024–25. The state's Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) has grown at 10.8 percent over the past decade. Thousands of MSMEs operating in unauthorized industrial areas of Faridabad, Panipat, Yamunanagar and Ambala have been granted relief and are now reaping benefits. Plans are underway to establish 10 new Industrial Model Townships (IMTs), out of which land is being acquired to develop three new IMTs on national highways – Ambala, Jind and Faridabad–Palwal. Apart from these, places have also been identified for IMT in Kosli and Naraiangarh.

On this occasion, Union Minister for Energy, Housing and Urban Development, Mr. Manohar Lal said that industries play a vital role in the country's development. With government support, small industries can be given a boost, creating new employment opportunities. The Central and State Governments are encouraging a new industrial culture in India through industry-friendly policies. He added that, after many years, the country has been able to reduce GST into just a few slabs, which is a significant achievement in itself. Highlighting the growing participation of women in various industries, he emphasized the need to ensure their greater involvement in large companies and to make them self-reliant. He further stressed that women must also be encouraged to play a stronger role in small industries.

# MC issues 13 challans for using plastic, Rs 20,500 fine imposed

**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA**
**KARNAL, SEPTEMBER 15**



Municipal Corporation has increased strictness in the city on the use of single use plastic. Due to the strict instructions of Municipal Corporation Commissioner Dr. Vaishali Sharma, the enforcement team of the corporation is continuously raiding the city and taking action to seize and challan single use plastic (SUP) items. In this connection, on Monday, 13 challans were issued to shopkeepers using single use plastic in Sector-7 market of the city and a fine of Rs. 20,500 was imposed. During this, about 14 kg SUP made cutlet material was also seized by the team. Compostable carry bags are available in the city- He told that the Municipal Corporation is continuously running Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities in the city markets to make people aware against the use and sale of single-use plastic. Hotels, Dhabas, restaurants, shopkeepers and street vendors have been informed several times to use compostable cutlery items and carry bags as an alternative. Despite this, if any shopkeeper does not agree, he will definitely be challaned. He clarified that the aim of the Municipal Corporation is to make the city free from single-use plastic.

This is the provision for fine for single-use plastic- She said that a provision has been made to challan and collect fine amount from the person who sells and uses harmful plastic and goods made from it. Under this, a fine of Rs 500 will be imposed for up to 100 grams of plastic, Rs 1500 for 101 grams to 500 grams, Rs 3000 for 501 grams to 1 kg, Rs 10000 for more than 1 kg and up to 5 kg, Rs 20000 for more than 5 kg and up to 10 kg and a fine of Rs 25000 will be imposed if more than 10 kg of plastic is found. The Municipal Commissioner has appealed to all shopkeepers and city residents to take a pledge to abandon single-use plastic and make their earth and environment clean. He said that cloth or jute bags are a better alternative to plastic carry bags, carry cloth bags from home to bring goods from the market, do not ask for polythene carry bags from shopkeepers. He said that citizens should cooperate with the Municipal Corporation to make the city clean and protect the environment. He said that the action of challaning against single-use plastic, spreading dirt and encroachment will continue in the future as well.

# There will be a special intensive revision of voter lists: DC

**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA**



**KARNAL**: District Election Officer and DC Uttam Singh said that the Election Commission of India has decided to conduct a special intensive revision of voter lists across the country. Under this, the voter list of the year 2002 and the voter lists of 2024 will be matched. This process will be completed by the concerned BLO. For this, the qualifying date of January 1, 2026 has been fixed. District Election Officer and DC Uttam were giving instructions to the officials regarding the special intensive revision in the Smart City office on Monday. Earlier, Haryana Chief Electoral Officer A. Srinivas reviewed the voters' list and other points in detail with the Deputy Commissioners and other concerned officials through a VC organized from Chandigarh on Monday and gave necessary guidelines.

District Election Officer and DC Uttam informed the Chief Electoral Officer that there are five assembly constituencies in the district.

# Parth Gupta gives instructions to bring newness in Shri Kapal Mochan- Adi Badri Mela

**NITIN SINGLA**
**VYASPUR/YAMUNANAGAR:** A meeting of the district and police administration and officials of all departments was held in the auditorium of Mini Secretariat Vyaspur regarding the arrangements for the famous religious and historical inter-state Shri Kapal Mochan-Shri Adi Badri Mela 2025 to be held from 1 November to 5 November 2025 at Tirtha Raj Kapal Mochan in Vyaspur, the workplace of Maharishi Ved Vyas. In which Deputy Commissioner and Chief Administrator of Shri Kapal Mochan, Shri Badri Narayan, Shri Mata Mantra Devi, Shri Kedarnath Temple Religious and Worship Places Board Yamunanagar Parth Gupta gave necessary guidelines to the officers associated with the fair management. He informed that the exhibition and cultural program of Shri Kapal Mochan-Shri Adi Badri Mela will be formally inaugurated on 1st November 2025. In the meeting, Deputy Commissioner Parth Gupta gave strict instructions to the officers that the officers should complete all the final arrangements regarding the world famous Shri Kapal Mochan-Shri Adi Badri Mela in time and do their duty with full devotion. He clarified in the meeting that all the officers and employees posted on duty in the fair will remain on their duty till 6th November and no negligence in duty will be tolerated.



Parth Gupta, Deputy Commissioner and Chief Administrator of Shri Kapal Mochan, Shri Badri Narayan, Shri Mata Mantra Devi, Shri Kedarnath Temple Religious and Worship Places Board Yamunanagar said that in Shri Kapal Mochan Mela, lakhs of devotees from different states of the country come here to take bath in the three holy lakes Kapal Mochan Sarovar, Rin Mochan Sarovar and Suraj Kund Sarovar sequentially. He said that all the officers should make efforts to provide maximum facilities to the devotees visiting Kapal Mochan fair. He reviewed in detail the cleanliness system, arrangements for medicines, temporary toilets, arrangements for drinking water.

# BJP meeting in Karnal discusses preparations for Seva Pakhwada

**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA**
**KARNAL, SEPTEMBER 15**



A meeting was held at the BJP district office "Karan Kamal" under the chairmanship of district president Praveen Lathar to review preparations for Seva Pakhwada, being organized to mark the birthday of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Karnal MLA Jagmohan Anand, Seva Pakhwada district convener Yashpal Thakur, former district president Ashok Sukhija, district general secretaries Manav Puri and Subhash Kashyap, the four mandal presidents of Karnal, senior BJP leaders including former senior deputy mayor Krishan Garg, state executive member Ashok Bhandari, and district office in-charge Madan Gurjar were among those present.

Addressing the meeting, MLA Jagmohan Anand said that Seva Pakhwada reminds everyone of their responsibility towards society. He emphasized that the true purpose of politics is not power but service to the people, and urged workers to ensure active public participation in the campaign. District president Praveen Lathar said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi has dedicated his entire life to the service of the nation and inspired everyone with the mantra of Seva hi Sangathan, Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas. He added that celebrating the Prime Minister's birthday as Seva Pakhwada is an opportunity to serve society and honor India's great leaders. District convener Yashpal Thakur outlined the program schedule, stating that from September 17 to October 2, blood donation and health check-up camps will be organized, along with exhibitions on the life of Prime Minister Modi. The second phase will include documentaries and intellectual meets from September 18 to October 2. Special programs will also be held to honor distinguished personalities, sportspersons, teachers, and differently-abled individuals, with distribution of assistive equipment.

# JCI Karnal Gold concludes JCI Week with grand cultural night

**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA**

**KARNAL:** JCI Karnal Gold marked the successful conclusion of its JCI Week with a vibrant Great Day Cultural Night, celebrating the diverse traditions of India. Members of JCI and JCRTt donned traditional attire representing various states and also relished regional delicacies from the same states, adding to the festive spirit.




The evening, filled with cultural performances and camaraderie, also featured the official closing ceremony of JCI Week. Project directors JCI Ayush Gupta and JCI Gaurav Mittal, along with JCI CA Sandeep Arora and JCI Sunil Malik, were felicitated for their contributions. JCI Week coordinator JCI Amit Singla specially appreciated and honoured the entire team for their efforts.

The celebrations concluded with a cake-cutting ceremony, symbolising unity and joy. The JCI Karnal Gold family enjoyed the colourful evening that showcased a blend of brotherhood and rich cultural heritage.

# Accused arrested in case of cheating in digital arrest

**DALBIR MALIK**




**KURUKSHETRA:** Kurukshetra Police has arrested an accused of cheating of lakhs of rupees in the name of digital arrest, who used to do cheating sitting in Dehradun at the behest of his masters sitting in Cambodia. Under the guidance of Superintendent of Police Nitish Agarwal, the Cyber Crime Police Station Kurukshetra team has succeeded in arresting Anikant Bhat resident Deepnagar Dehradun Uttarakhand, accused of cheating of lakhs of rupees in the name of digital arrest. Giving information in the press conference, SP Nitish Agarwal said that in his complaint given in Cyber Crime Police Station Kurukshetra, Bal Krishna resident Sector-2 Kurukshetra told that he is retired from the army. On 24 August 25, he received a call from a girl from an unknown number. The girl introduced herself as a bank employee and said that there is a bill of 1 lakh outstanding on her credit card. When he said that he did not have a credit card, she said that she was talking to her senior department. After that he got calls from different numbers and they told him that someone was doing money laundering of crores of rupees using his Aadhar card. She warned him that if this was not stopped now, he would have to face a lot of problems. He got scared and did as they said. They told him not to tell anyone about this and arrange for Rs 30 lakhs.

# Accused in Ladhwa firing case will be arrested soon: DSP

**VIJAY KAUSHIK**



**LADWA:** The accused in the firing case that took place in Ladhwa on Sunday night will be arrested soon. Several teams of the district police have been deployed to search for the accused. Giving information, Deputy Superintendent of Police Ladhwa Randhir Singh said that on Sunday night the police received information that shots were fired at a liquor shop in Ladhwa. On receiving the information, the police team reached the spot. The crime team of the police reached the spot and investigated. Three accused came on a motorcycle and fled from the spot after firing. On receiving the information, police officers including Superintendent of Police Nitish Agarwal reached the spot. The Superintendent of Police ordered to immediately block the district Kurukshetra and the adjoining districts and search for the accused. The Superintendent of Police ordered several teams including Crime Investigation Branch-1 and Branch-2 to conduct a search operation and arrest the accused soon. SP Nitish Agarwal visited the spot and ordered to arrest the accused soon. The Superintendent of Police said that the police has registered a case and started an investigation. He said that several police teams have been deployed to search for the accused and the accused will be arrested soon. He said that the police teams are investigating from every angle. Help is also being taken from the police of the adjoining district. Along with this, blockade has been done on the main routes and borders of the city.

# Kashyap Samaj's Reena Kashyap gets 'Gaurav Samman'

**MAINPAL KASHYAP**



**INDRI:** When daughters decide, they create history. This saying has been proved true by Haryana's promising daughter Reena Kashyap, who has not only represented big states including Haryana, Punjab, Madhya Pradesh and Kerala in National Games six times, but is now preparing the next generation as a hockey coach. She was awarded 'Gaurav Samman' for these remarkable achievements. This honour was given to her by Kashyap Rajput Welfare Society in the foundation day celebration of the organisation organised in a private palace located in Naval village of Kunjpura. Chief guest Indri MLA Ramkumar Kashyap and state president of the society Nafe Singh Kashyap honored Reena Kashyap by presenting her with a memento and a shawl. Reena Kashyap is currently working as a hockey coach in Sports Chandigarh. She is the first woman hockey coach from Haryana from Kashyap community who has brought laurels to Haryana. Reena, who made her mark with her hard work and discipline in the sports field, is now training the youth with the same passion. On this occasion, MLA Ramkumar Kashyap said, daughters like Reena are an inspiration for the society and the nation. We need to bring forward and encourage such youth who can bring laurels not only to their family but to the entire country. Manisha Kashyap Pharmacist, Ankur Kashyap PhD, Sonbir Kashyap PhD were also honored on the occasion.

# Medical camp organised by Health Department in Old Age Home Ladwa

**VIJAY KAUSHIK**

**LADWA:** SMO of Community Health Centre Ladwa, Dr. Krishna Kant, after examining the elderly under the special camp organized in the old age home, said that many complex diseases can be avoided by taking care of one's diet. Dr. Krishna Kant said that a special camp was organised in Old Age Home Ladwa to check the health of the elderly in the old age home. In the camp, a complete checkup of all the people living in the old age home was done and they were told about keeping themselves healthy to live a good life. Most of the people in the old age home are not able to take care of themselves properly due to being weak and old.



For this, a special camp is organized every month by the Health Department and special care is taken of the elderly. Dr. Krishnakant said that the work of the Health Department is to provide better health services to the general public. But the elderly people who are helpless. They feel very happy when we get an opportunity to serve them. During the health check-up, Dr. Kamal Malhotra, dentist, Community Health Centre, Ladwa, told everyone about the cleanliness of teeth and proper brushing method. He said that we should keep our teeth healthy because a healthy body depends on healthy teeth. If our teeth are healthy, we will be able to eat and chew food properly. This will facilitate digestion of food and our body will remain healthy. 45 elderly people were checked up in the health camp and toothbrushes and toothpastes were distributed to them free of cost. During this program, Health Inspector Jasmer told in detail about malaria, dengue and other weather related diseases and also shared information with everyone on how to prevent them.

# Barwala police seize tipper loaded with illegal sand

**JITENDRA KAUSHIK**
**BARWALA, SEPT 15**



In a major action against illegal mining, Barwala police on Sunday impounded a tipper filled with sand during a naka near the grain market on the Barwala-Panchkula road.

Chowki in-charge Gurpal Singh said the vehicle was stopped for checking, but the driver failed to produce any bill or documents for the sand it was carrying. Taking the matter seriously, police immediately informed the Mining Department, which initiated further action on the spot.

The seized tipper has been kept at the Barwala police post. Police officials stated that a thorough investigation is underway and strict action will be taken against those involved in illegal mining.

## No greater virtuous act than blood donation: Santosh Sarwan

**JAIBEER RANA THAMBER**

**BARARA:** A blood donation camp was organised at Gurudwara Dashmesh Sahib in Singhpura dedicated to the 350th martyrdom anniversary of Shri Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji under the supervision of Gurudwara Managing Committee President Tarsem Singh. Former MLA Santosh Chauhan Sarwan, who arrived as the chief guest, encouraged the blood donors and said that blood donation is a great donation and there can be no greater virtuous act than this. He said that Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji sacrificed his life to protect humanity and donating blood on his martyrdom anniversary is actually like taking his message forward. Activities like blood donation infuse a new energy and unity in the society. He appealed to the youth to stay away from evils like drug addiction and actively participate in such social works. He said that blood donation camps are also being organized on the birthday of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. 20 blood donors donated blood in the camp. The work of collecting blood was done by the team of Civil Hospital Ambala City under the leadership of Dr. Jitendra Pal Singh. Blood donors were also honored by giving certificates. On this occasion, BJP Khand Barara Pradhan Dimple Rana, Harjinder Singh, Makhan Singh Labana, HSGPC member Rajendra Singh Koki, Jaswinder Sohata, Sukhwinder Singh, Rinku Machal, Dalip Adhoya, Ravi Siwan Majra and others were present.

# Prof. Satish Vats appointed Proctor in Shri Krishna Ayush University

**DALBIR MALIK**



**KURUKSHETRA:** Under the orders of Vice Chancellor of Shri Krishna Ayush University, Prof. Vaidya Kartar Singh Dhiman, Head of Anatomy Department, Prof. Satish Kumar Vats has been appointed as the Proctor of the University. Under his new responsibility, Prof. Vats will maintain discipline in the university campus, coordinate in matters related to students and assist in administrative work. The Vice Chancellor congratulated Prof. Satish and expressed confidence that his experience and organisational ability will further strengthen the discipline system of the university. On being appointed as Proctor, Prof. Satish Kumar Vats expressed his gratitude to Vice Chancellor Prof. Vaidya Kartar Singh Dhiman and Registrar Prof. Brijendra Singh Tomar and said that he will fulfill the responsibility entrusted to him by the university administration with full devotion and honesty. All the officials and teachers of the institute sent their best wishes on the appointment of Prof. Satish.

# Bharat Vikas Parishad Haryana North holds first provincial council meeting in Karnal

**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA**
**KARNAL, SEPTEMBER 15**



The first provincial council meeting of Bharat Vikas Parishad (BVP) Haryana North was successfully organized at Shri Krishna Mandir, Sector-14, Karnal, under the coordination of the Karnal branch. Around 250 office-bearers from 43 branches across the state participated in the event.

National organizing secretary Suresh Jain attended as the chief guest, while regional president Dr. Paramjit Pahwa provided guidance. Regional joint general secretary Deepak Rai Anand also graced the occasion. The meeting was presided over by provincial president Kapil Gupta.

The program began with the ceremonial lighting of the lamp, followed by introductions from district coordinators who presented reports on the work being done by their respective branches. Provincial general secretary Atul Goyal showcased activities of different branches through a presentation.

During the proceedings, the Karnal branch women members displayed unity and discipline by wearing identical sarees. While the meeting was in progress, they recited the Hanuman Chalisa eleven times in the temple premises and also fed green fodder to cows at the Krishna Gaushala, setting an example of service and devotion. Addressing the gathering, national organizing secretary Suresh Jain said that working in accordance with the core spirit of the organization is the true duty of every member. He emphasized the need for self-reflection, urging members to think about what they can contribute to the organization. The session concluded with a vote of thanks by branch president Jyoti Chaudhary, who appreciated the efforts of the Karnal branch for the successful organization of the event.

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Ever tried. Ever failed. No matter.
Try Again. Fail again.
Fail better.

Samuel Beckett

## EDITORIAL

## Ripples in Indian IT industry

For India, which is already reeling under the impact of the whimsical American tariff regime, there is some more gloomy news. A new legislation introduced in the United States Congress proposes to impose a 25 per cent tax on American firms using foreign outsourcing services. Once enacted, this could impact Indian software exports significantly. Called the HIRE (Halting International Relocation of Employment) Act, the Bill, introduced by Republican Senator Bernie Moreno, seeks to ban tax deductions for such payments and direct the money collected into a "Domestic Workforce Fund" to support apprenticeships and worker retraining in the US. Essentially, the goal is to encourage job creation within the US by discouraging companies from sending work abroad. Since the Bill introduces a new tax, it must also be presented in the House of Representatives before becoming law. After that, it would need Senate approval and the President's signature. Understandably, the move has sent alarm bells ringing in the USD 238 billion Indian IT sector, which has thrived for more than three decades exporting software services, mostly to America. Once this becomes a law, it will make outsourcing more expensive for American businesses. This will directly affect Indian IT service providers, business process outsourcing firms, contractors, freelancers, and even captive centres.

India's IT majors like Infosys, TCS, Wipro, and HCL Tech earn nearly 60 per cent of their revenues from US clients. Similarly, global capability centres (GCCs) of Fortune 500 firms in finance, retail, healthcare, and technology rely heavily on Indian talent.

A 25 per cent surcharge, combined with the loss of deductibility, would significantly increase the overall cost of offshoring for US firms. At the same time, the US firms may find it hard to manage large-scale operations solely with domestic workers. The legislation, which reflects the rising protectionist rhetoric in Washington, is likely to face a massive backlash from American companies that rely heavily on outsourcing.

The 50 per cent tariffs imposed by the Trump administration apply to goods but not services, while the proposed Bill is seen as a legislative attempt to translate campaign rhetoric into policy. Visa restrictions, tariff threats, and protectionist measures could all impact outsourcing deals and client sentiment. There is a need for Indian IT companies to reduce their dependence on the US market and diversify their client base in Europe and Asia. It would be an uphill task for this Bill to become a law as the Republicans have narrow majorities in Congress, and such controversial Bills would require extensive bipartisan negotiation. It is also possible that the proposed HIRE Act in its current form could be just a bargaining chip from Trump officials in the ongoing trade negotiations with India. Though the Bill is unlikely to be passed in its current form, it certainly is a serious policy signal and a warning sign to Indian IT firms.

# Modi's Governance: Gujarat model to Bharatiya model



Mansukh L Mandaviya

Very few long-serving Prime Ministers of Bharat have served as Chief Ministers in states. Most have been 'national' leaders, with little federal experience. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is one of the few exceptions. When Shri Narendra Modi became Prime Minister in 2014, he brought with him a working philosophy sharpened by a decade of state-level governance in Gujarat. In those years, he closely observed why programmes failed or succeeded at the last mile, and refined an approach that made him the first Prime Minister to place execution, and not merely policy design, at the centre of governance. From electricity to banking, welfare to infrastructure, this philosophy has since redefined how the Indian state serves its citizens.

Execution Shaped by Experience

Shri Narendra Modi's conviction in execution as the central through-line for policy can be seen in his approach to the power sector. In Gujarat, he observed that villages had poles and lines but lacked actual electricity. The solution was the Jyotigram Yojana, which separated feeders so that households had a 24 - hour supply and farms a predictable share.

As Prime Minister, he scaled up this principle through the Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana, providing reliable power to 18,374 villages. By 2023, that supply had become the backbone for the country's MSMEs, which collectively employ over 110 million people and contribute nearly 29% of India's GDP.

**The same principles** resurfaced in banking. On paper, rural families had bank accounts, but in practice, they lay dormant. Jan Dhan changed that. By integrating Aadhaar and mobile phones to individual bank accounts, what was a weak system became the bedrock for direct transfers that went on to reach citizens without middlemen, plugged leakages and saved the exchequer enormous sums. Housing was next. The Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana linked payments to construction milestones, used geo-tagging to monitor them, and insisted on better design. For the first time, beneficiaries received complete and livable houses, reversing the trend of inaugurating unfinished shells of previous governments.

**Federalism as a Force Multiplier**

Gujarat also showed Shri Narendra Modi how progress depended on Centre–state alignment. At the national level, this became a philosophy of cooperative as well as competitive federalism. The Goods and Services Tax, blocked for decades, was passed by brokering a consensus with states. The GST Council institutionalised fiscal negotiation and created a unified national market. Beyond these, he expanded the share of central taxes devolved to states.

This gave them greater fiscal room and autonomy in shaping their priorities. At the same time, he promoted competitive federalism by ranking states on ease of doing business and rewarding reform. These shifts encouraged states to act not only as recipients of funds but as stakeholders in Bharat's growth story. In infrastructure, Gujarat's BISAG mapping experiments were scaled into PM Gati Shakti, where 16 ministries and all states now plan 1,400 projects on a single digital platform, cutting approval times and harmonising execution.

**Welfare as Productivity**

For Shri Narendra Modi, welfare schemes were always productivity investments meant to empower their recipients. Gujarat's enrolment drive, Kanya Kelavani, lifted female literacy from 57.8% in 2001 to 70.7% by 2011. Nationally, this translated into the Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao programme, which has been linked to improvements in the child sex ratio from 918 in 2014 to 934 by 2023. Keeping girls in school delayed marriage, improved their health, and raised long-term productivity, enabling them to enter the paid workforce and thereby participate more effectively in nation-building. Maternal health was treated with the same care. Gujarat's Chiranjeevi Yojana subsidised institutional deliveries, thereby reducing mortality. At the Centre, the Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana added maternity benefits and nutrition, supporting more than three crore women. The guiding idea was consistent: social spending should reduce vulnerability, expand choice, and raise future workforce capacity.

**Investor and Citizen Confidence**

Perhaps, the most subtle impact of the Gujarat Model is a mindset shift. The Vibrant Gujarat summits showed how consistent engagement could alter perceptions, turning a state into a credible investment destination in the eyes of investors and making bureaucrats business-friendly. It is this experience that shaped Make in India, which prioritised predictability via streamlined clearances, land corridors, and infrastructure readiness. Between 2014 and 2024, India attracted ₹83 lakh crore of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), signalling confidence in its execution capacity and long-term reliability. Expectations shifted at the citizen level as well.

Earlier, schemes were judged by announcements. Today, ordinary Indians assume government-backed essentials, electricity, toilets, bank accounts, subsidised gas, will actually reach them. That quiet normalisation of delivery has created a political culture where promises are measured by their execution, not intent. In many ways, this raised expectation is the Gujarat Model's deepest legacy.

**Towards Viksit Bharat 2047**

Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas is not rhetoric. Its imprint is visible in daily realities: electricity no longer a luxury, welfare delivered directly, infrastructure planned with digital coordination, health and education designed for measurable outcomes rather than optics. This is now the Bharatiya Model that has taken governance to the very last mile, touching lives in every corner of the nation. When Bharat will achieve its ambition of becoming a Viksit Bharat by 2047, it will be because one Prime Minister redefined governance itself. By making execution the test of administration, he has turned Bharat's vast machinery from promise into delivery. That imprint, first trialed in Gujarat and then scaled nationally, is Shri Narendra Modi's decisive legacy.

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**(Views are personal)**

## Serbia witnesses ongoing political turmoil



Serbia remains engulfed in a deep political crisis, with anti-government protesters and supporters of President Aleksandar Vucic holding parallel rallies across the Balkan nation, Al Jazeera reported.

Both sides took to the streets on Saturday, more than 10 months into sustained protests against the right-wing populist government, which were sparked by the collapse of a railway station roof in the northern city of Novi Sad that killed 16 people, Al Jazeera noted.The student-led protest movement initially sought justice for the victims and an investigation into corruption allegedly linked to the tragedy. Over time, its demands expanded to include calls for President Vucic's resignation.Vucic, who has dismissed the protesters as "terrorists", has recently used his Serbian Progressive Party to organise counterdemonstrations in an effort to retain his hold on power.

No major incidents were reported on Saturday, though brief scuffles occurred in the capital, Belgrade, where anti-government demonstrators were pushed back by riot police as Vucic joined some of his supporters, Al Jazeera reported.Earlier this week, thousands had gathered in Belgrade to protest against the government. Addressing the crowd, Nikolina Sindjelic, a student arrested during protests in August, claimed she was mistreated in detention."They beat us because they are afraid of us," she said outside the headquarters of a special police unit.

"They have hit us and they will hit us because they know it is all over [for them]."The government's crackdown on the protest movement has intensified in recent weeks, with demonstrators accusing the police of brutality. Over 100 university professors have reportedly been dismissed and replaced with Vucic loyalists.Speaking during a visit to Austria on September 8, European Commissioner for Enlargement Marta Kos commented, "We have a problem in Belgrade.

## US negotiation with TikTok "depends on China": Trump

US President Donald Trump said the future of TikTok in the United States remains uncertain, noting that China will ultimately play a key role in deciding the app's fate as negotiations continue."I may, I may not. We're negotiating TikTok right now. We may let it die, or we may, I don't know. It depends, up to China. It doesn't matter too much. I'd like to do it for the kids. They like it," Trump told reporters in New Jersey before returning to Washington.

"I mean, selfishly speaking, I did very well with TikTok, and I got the youth vote. I got numbers that nobody's ever even come close to in the Republican Party, nobody," he added.As per The New York Times, Trump has until September 17 to enforce or delay a law requiring TikTok to be separated from its Chinese owner, ByteDance, or face a ban in the US.The president has already delayed enforcing the law three times. Congress passed the bipartisan legislation last year to ban TikTok in the country unless it found a non-Chinese owner because of concerns that the social media app's ties to China made it a national security threat to the US, as per The New York Times.

Talks with China have been more complicated. Trump imposed 145 per cent tariffs on Chinese imports in April, essentially halting trade, before lowering that levy to 30 per cent. China put 10 per cent tariffs on American products.Last Saturday, China announced that it was opening an investigation into exports of certain microchips that are made in the US. The day before, the US Commerce Department said it was adding Chinese chip companies to a trade blacklist. The moves are expected to put additional pressure on the talks.The world's two largest economies have been discussing further tariff



reductions and the status of China's restrictions on shipments of rare earth minerals and magnets critical to US manufacturers. The Trump administration is also concerned that China has stopped buying American agricultural products, threatening the livelihood of soybean farmers.Bessent has criticised China's excess industrial capacity, describing its economy as unbalanced, and urged his Chinese counterparts to curb purchases of oil from Russia and Iran.Trump and Chinese President Xi Jinping could meet next month at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum in South Korea. Trump has also suggested that he may visit China at some point at Xi's invitation.

## POEMS

### While everything else was falling apart

In the Union Square subway station nearly
fifteen years ago now, the L train came
clanking by where someone had
fat-Sharpied a black heart on the yellow pillar
you leaned on during a bleak day (brittle and no
notes from anyone you crushed upon).

Above ground, the spring sun was the saddest
one (doing work, but also none). What were you
wearing?

Something hopeful to show the world you
hoped? A tall man was learning from a vendor
how to pronounce churro.

High in the sticky clouds of time, he kept
repeating churro while eating a churro.

How to say this made you want to live? No hand
to hold still here it was: someone giving
someone comfort and someone memorizing
hard how to ask for it again.

BY ADA LIMÓN

# From "karmachari" to "karmayogi": PM Modi's blueprint to future-proof governance



India is attempting something unprecedented in public administration. It is changing not just how officials are trained but why they serve. Mission Karmayogi—the National Program for Civil Services Capacity Building—is the engine of that shift, and it bears the visionary imprint of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. With more than 25 years at the helm of government and over five decades in public life, Modi brings an operator's feel for systems, a reformer's impatience with ossified habits, and a clear North Star - a citizen-first, Viksit Bharat.

What distinguishes Mission Karmayogi is that it is not a cosmetic HR update. It is a values-driven transformative redesign of India's civil services with focus on performance. The program codifies three decisive transitions: the first transition is a change in mindset of government officials from seeing themselves as karmacharis to considering themselves as karmayogis. The second transition is a change in the workplace, from assigning individual responsibility for performance, to diagnosing and removing systemic performance constraints. The third transition is moving the Public HR Management system and the corresponding capacity building apparatus from being rule-based to becoming role-based. That architecture emerged explicitly from Modi's visionary framing of what twenty-first century governance demands.

This is the product of lived leadership. As Chief Minister and then Prime Minister, Modi pushed a whole-of-government culture—breaking silos, insisting ministers' debate across domains, and elevating systems solutions over file-pushing. That ethos showed during the pandemic, when "Team India" across levels of government, industry, civil society, and citizen volunteers moved as a partnership state. The same collaborative muscle is what reforms like GeM and GatiShakti now institutionalise.

He also translated leadership habits into structures. Chintan Shivirs—residential, hierarchy-flattening brainstorming sessions—were seeded in Gujarat and are now part of the Union government's playbook. His insistence on continuous learning is personal. Apart from constantly expanding his own knowledge and skills, he is also known to check on whether PMO officers use the iGOT digital platform. And he is very inclusive in how he treats institutional memory. Soon after taking office, he urged ministers to learn from their assistants and section officers who had "lived" the system for decades. That is what culture change looks like in practice.

On the ground, the reform's backbone is technology used with purpose. The iGOT-Karmayogi platform is a comprehensive, anytime-anywhere learning ecosystem with more than 3,000 self-paced courses that is accessible to all and democratizes learning. It links learning to HR functions like competency mapping, career planning, and mentorship—moving the state from performance policing to enabling potential. It is already powering scale. Hundreds of thousands of officials have been trained on new legal frameworks; lakhs of police, doctors and other personnel across the country are strengthening citizen interaction and undergoing programs on Sevabhaav; and large cohorts are getting certified in emerging technologies like AI and IoT—evidence that the "tech-friendly" preference of the Prime Minister has been translated into institutional muscle.

Just as important is the philosophical core. Mission Karmayogi braids ancient civilisational wisdom with modern statecraft—embedding pledges like Vikas (development), Garv (pride), Kartavya (duty), and Ekta (unity), alongside personal virtues (gunas) such as Svadhyay (self-reflection), Sahakaryata (collaboration), Rajyakarma (Statecraft) and Svadharma (focus on citizens). This is not nostalgia; it is a practical ethic for a high-tech age, ensuring competence is anchored in character.

Citizen-centricity—Jan Bhagidari—is the other pillar. PM Modi has repeatedly emphasises that citizens must sit at the centre of every public decision; that is his mantra for governance. In practice, citizen engagement becomes a two-way compact where people have a stake in policy and delivery, and officials' re-tool to serve the last citizen at the last mile. Mission Karmayogi is the state's instrument to build the mindset and methods for this compact.

Atmanirbharata—self-reliance—complements this. It is not insularity; it is capability and confidence, powered by openness and global competitiveness. That lens runs through the capacity-building push and the widening embrace of platforms like MyGov that make the citizen a co-creator, not a passive recipient. The narrative is unapologetically rooted in India's civilisational ethos— while preparing institutions to thrive in the AI era.

The program's institutional architecture reflects PM Modi's pragmatism: Prime Minister headed Human Resource Council for top-level steering; a Cabinet Secretariat unit for coordination; the Capacity Building Commission (CBC) as custodian and standards-setter; and an SPV, Karmayogi Bharat, to drive the digital backbone and marketplace. By design, it is collaborative, auditable, and outcome-oriented—a governance stack fit for a "work-from-anywhere" state.

Crucially, India is not hoarding what it learns. In the spirit of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam, the country is preparing to share knowledge, experience, and tools it is building as an exemplar in public administration. That matters for the Global South, where states face similar capability constraints amid technological disruption. Mauritius has already been offered support in this direction—an early sign that Mission Karmayogi could seed a community of practice across developing democracies.

Put simply, Mission Karmayogi turns a visionary idea into a system. It takes PM Modi's long arc of governance—his instinct to break silos, his comfort with technology, his respect for institutional memory, and his moral vocabulary—and converts it into a repeatable operating model: role-based HR; continuous, digital learning; citizen partnership; and a civilisationally grounded ethic. That is how you future-proof a state.

If India stays the course, the dividends will be felt not just in faster files and tidier org charts but in trust. Citizens experiencing a government that listens, learns, and delivers. That is the heart of PM Modi's wager. And it is why Mission Karmayogi, more than any single administrative reform of recent decades, deserves to be seen for what it is—a generational investment in the people who serve the people, designed by a leader who has spent his life doing just that.

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## Swadeshi Sankalp Yatra will start from Indri on Sept 17



**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA**
**KARNAL:** Swadeshi Jagran Manch will take out Swadeshi Sankalp Yatra in Karnal district to take the spirit of indigenous and entrepreneurship to the masses. Preparations for this are going on in full swing. It will begin from Indri on September 17. After that, Swadeshi Sankalp Yatra will be taken out at Gharaunda, Karnal Indri Assandh Nising Nilo, Dilkera Taravadi. This information was given by Satish Chawla, the national foster of the parents of the indigenous Swadeshi Jagran Manch, and the state convenor Suresh Puri. He informed that indigenous security and entrepreneurship campaign has been going on across the country for the last three months.

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### Happiness program held in Art of Living Kapisthal Ashram



**RANVIR PARASHAR**
**KAITHAL:** Acharya Ruchi Sharma of Art of Living Kaithal Sansthan told that on 13th September , Happiness Program was held in Art of Living Kapisthal Ashram. Acharya Kanchan Seth Ji taught Sudarshan Kriya to people. Sudarshan Kriya is such a breathing technique that helps in increasing the life force by removing toxic substances from our body. Sudarshan Kriya also purifies our body and gives mental clarity. This program lasted for three days and all participants enjoyed it thoroughly. Participants also told that in this program they were taught art of living so that they can handle challenges coming every day and how they can create their lifestyle by becoming stress free.

# On Hindi Diwas, Anil Vij stresses progress through mother tongue, calls English a 'Borrowed Language'

**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA**
**AMBALA, SEPT 15**



"Who says one cannot progress by learning in the mother tongue? We too can move forward by studying in our own language, Hindi, because the mother tongue brings us love, affection, and blessings."These were the words expressed by Haryana's Energy, Transport, and Labour Minister, Anil Vij, during a program held to mark the occasion of Hindi Diwas.Speaking candidly, Sh. Vij said that sadly, today many feel a sense of inferiority when speaking Hindi. For years, generations were taught Arabic and English, and over time, English has come to be seen as a status symbol in our own country. "But English is not our language; it is a borrowed tongue. Speaking it is wrongly equated with belonging to a higher class of society, while in reality, Hindi is our own language. It instills values, evokes a sense of belonging, and connects us deeply with our culture," he added.The audience listened intently as the Minister questioned, "Is it not strange that in India—the birthplace of Hindi—we feel the need to 'promote' it by celebrating Hindi Diwas? Should this really be necessary in its own homeland? Foreign influences made us believe that English is the superior language, but this is far from the truth."Citing global examples, Sh. Vij pointed out, "In Paris, you cannot put up a shop board in English—French is mandatory. France has advanced through French, China through Chinese, and Germany through German. German scientists and engineers-built submarines and aircrafts, mastering innovation in their own tongue. Japan too, devastated after World War II, rose again not through a foreign language, but through Japanese. The progress of these nations shows that a country's true development lies in its own language."Highlighting the value of the mother tongue, he said, "When we say mother tongue, it carries with it the blessings of a mother. It is easy to understand, easy to express, and deeply rooted in our culture. But unfortunately, colonial rulers undermined this connection. Lord Macaulay, after visiting India, admitted before the British Parliament that he never saw an Indian begging or starving. He acknowledged India's rich culture and wisdom, but also warned that unless that culture was attacked—through education and language—the British could not rule for long. It was then that our education system and language were deliberately weakened. Our traditional gurukul system imparted both knowledge and values, teaching respect for elders and family. Today's education, however, is confined to bookish learning, detached from cultural roots."Sh. Vij lamented how English has dominated Indian minds. "If German doctors can perform surgery after studying in German, and French engineers can build ships after studying in French, why can't we achieve the same in Hindi? Why can't we build world-class ships, planes, or innovations if engineering and medical textbooks are written in Hindi?

## Government procurement of paddy from today, arrangements completed: DC



**ARVIND PATHAK**
**SULTANPUR LODHI, SEPT 15**

The government procurement of paddy by the Punjab government is starting from September 16, for which the District Administration Kapurthala has made adequate arrangements. Deputy Commissioner Mr. Amit Kumar Panchal held a meeting today with the officials of the Food Supply, Mandi Board and procurement agencies to review the procurement arrangements. The Deputy Commissioner asked the officials to personally visit the mandis regularly for smooth procurement so that farmers, arhtiyas and laborers do not have to face any kind of problem. Apart from this officials of the Food and Civil Supplies Department said that adequate arrangements have been made for the procurement. The District Mandi Officer said that 42 mandis are ready for the procurement of paddy in Kapurthala district, the cleaning work of which is going on. He said that arrangements for lights, drinking water etc. have been made in the markets. The Deputy Commissioner appealed to the farmers to bring only dried paddy to the market. It is worth mentioning that 17 percent moisture content has been fixed for procurement. Apart from this, the harvesting time has been fixed from 10 am to 6 pm to protect the crop from moisture during harvesting of paddy.

## NIMA Haryana organizes the first Credit Point CME on September 14at Panipat



**MEGH RAJ LUTHRA**
**KARNAL:** As per the guidelines of Central National Commission of Indian Medicine, for all the registered BAMS doctors of the state to get credit points for their renewal Haryana's first national level CME was organized by NIMA Haryana on September 14 at Arya PG College, in which 600 doctors from Haryana, Punjab, Delhi, Himachal and Uttarakhand participated. In this CME, women doctors also participated on a large scale. Dr. Vishwajeet Singh Phogat, President of NIMA Haryana said that the doctors would be upgraded in their medical system as per the new discoveries and time, which would benefit both them and their patients. Similar CMEs will be organized by NIMA Haryana at different places in Haryana and a proposal has been sent to organize the next CME for 800 doctors in Faridabad. In this CME, Dr. Rajiv Mehta from the Board of Ethics of NCISM gave his views on the importance of NCISM and gave the message to the doctors to work according to the rules. Dr. Sanjeev Goyal, Registrar of Guru Ravidas Ayurvedic University Punjab and Ayurvedic Board Punjab explained about timely registration and being aware about CME. Dr. Dinesh Agarwal, President of Indian Medical Council Haryana and Registrar Dr. Dinesh Sharma delivered their lectures and assured to provide all possible help and cooperation.

## Entire development happening under CM Nayab Saini and MLA Kabirpanthi: Khurana



**ROHIT LAMSAR**
**TARAORI:** BJP worker Rinku Khurana said that today Ganga of development is flowing in Nilokheri assembly constituency under strong leadership of Chief Minister Naib Saini and MLA Bhagwandas Kabirpanthi. Way government's schemes are being implemented on ground, common people are getting its direct benefit. He said that Chief Minister Naib Saini's thinking is that development should not be limited to papers only, but should be visible in every street, every village and every city. MLA Bhagwandas Kabirpanthi also stays among the people of area day and night and listens to their problems and takes initiative for immediate solution. This is reason that today every corner of Nilokheri is writing a new definition of development. Social worker and BJP worker Rinku Khurana, associated with many religious and social organizations of city, was talking to journalists. Rinku Khurana said that impact of policies and schemes of BJP government is that poor, farmers, laborers, women, youth and business class are all benefiting. Whether it is to provide concrete houses to poor under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, to provide gas connections to every house through Ujjwala Yojana, to provide health facilities through Ayushman Bharat Yojana or to ensure timely purchase and payment for crops of farmers, schemes of government are reaching every section.

## YS Public School creates history at district level kick-boxing championship



**KARANPREET KARAN**
**BARNALA:** YS Public School continues to set new benchmarks in sports. At the District Level Kick-Boxing Championship, the school's young champions displayed grit and determination, winning an impressive 10 Gold, 3 Silver, and 1 Bronze medal under the expert guidance of Coach Tejinder Singh. The Gold medal winners are Tejkaram Sharma, Yuvraj Sharma, Ekamveer Singh, Hevanjot Singh, Japagam Singh, Khushpreet Singh, Anureet Kaur, Sehajpreet Kaur, Noor Kaur, and Supreet Kaur. Adding further to the glory, Jaismeen Kaur, Eknoor Kaur and Mehakdeep Singh clinched Silver medals, while Karandeep Singh secured a Bronze medal, highlighting the school's strength in combat sports. Principal Mr. Mohit Jindal congratulated the achievers and commended Coach Tejinder Singh for his dedicated efforts.

## Former MLAs Sikki and Ravinder Dalvi visit flood victims in Munda village of Mand area



**SARBJOT SINGH SANDHA**
**KHADUR SAHIB:** For the past month and a half, the water in the famous river Beas of Punjab due to innumerable rains in neighboring states has flooded the villages under Khadur Sahib constituency, including Kamboh Dhaye Wala, Chamba Kalan, Chamba Haveli, Dhun, Karmuwala, Gharka, Gujjarpura, Munda Pind, Johal Dhaye Wala, Bheil, Mankadeka, Dhunda and Goindwal Sahib. The crops grown by thousands of farmers like their sons have been destroyed under the onslaught of river water. Due to the rapid flow of water, there is no trace of the crops. Now the sand has risen from 2 feet to 7-8 feet in the farmers' land. Due to which even wheat cannot be sown now. The sands all around Due to the construction of the mountain, the entire Mand region is not a part of Punjab but gives the illusion of a desert region of Rajasthan. Our ruling government has not yet taken care of the flood-affected farmers of the Mand region, who are victims of natural disasters. Due to this, the former Sarpanch of the nearby village Munda village and senior Congress leader of Khadoor Sahib constituency Baldev Singh appealed to the former MLA of Khadoor Sahib constituency and senior Congress leader of Punjab Ramanjit Singh Sikki to take care of the flood victims once and for all.

## Inspiring elocution and cultural performances mark NSS program's concluding day at YS College Handiaya



**BALWINDER AZAD**
**BARNALA DEHATI:** YS College, recognized as the most emerging higher education institution of the year 2022, witnessed the vibrant conclusion of its NSS Unit's program with an elocution competition on its last day. The event was filled with enthusiasm, energy, and active participation from students, reflecting the true spirit of youth involvement in social awareness. The competition covered thought-provoking topics such as electoral awareness and the power of a single vote, mental health awareness among students, women empowerment and gender equality, and the importance of discipline and selfless service in youth. These themes not only showcased the depth of knowledge among participants but also highlighted their concern for pressing societal issues. About 30 students participated in the elocution competition, delivering powerful speeches that left a lasting impact on the audience.

## Indira Gandhi PG Women's College celebrates Hindi Day



**SANJAY SHARMA**
**KAITHAL:** Hindi Day on September14 was celebrated with great enthusiasm and dignity in Indira Gandhi (PG) Women's College, Kaithal. The chief guest of the program, Principal Management Committee Mr. Ram Bahadur Khurania inaugurated the program by lighting the lamp. The program started with the announcement of the results of the state level Online essay writing competition organized by the Hindi department of the college which was based on topics such as the importance of Hindi language and cultural heritage and steps taken for the development of Hindi language. In which the first winner participant was honored with a cash prize of Rs500 and the second Rs 300 and third Rs 200 were sent to the participants as prize money. After this, in the program, the girl students presented impressive speeches and poetry recitation on Hindi Diwas. The musical presentation given by the music department made the whole atmosphere emotional.

## Hindi Day celebrated at St Paul Divine School, Taraori



**ROHIT LAMSAR**
**TARAORI:** St Paul Divine School, Tarawadi, echoed with a Hindi-rich atmosphere as the school celebrated Hindi Day with enthusiasm. The programme began with lighting of the lamp before Goddess Saraswati and a Saraswati Vandana. Addressing students and teachers, Principal Preeti Gupta said Hindi is not only the national language but also a symbol of India's cultural heritage and identity. "We must promote the use of Hindi in our daily life and work. True respect for Hindi lies in making it the language of our conduct and behaviour, not limiting it to formal platforms," she said. She added that in today's digital age, enriching and strengthening Hindi as a technological language is the need of the hour. Students actively participated in a series of activities including short plays, poetry recitation, essay writing and debate competitions.

## SDM Jaspal Singh Gill addresses public grievances at Samadhan camp in Vyaspur



**NITIN SINGLA**
**BILASPUR:** Sub-Divisional Magistrate (N.A.) Vyaspur, Jaspal Singh Gill, heard public grievances during a Samadhan camp held at the mini-secretariat in Vyaspur on Monday and directed officials to ensure their prompt redressal. Gill informed that, as per Haryana government's instructions, Samadhan camps are organised every Monday and Thursday from 10 am to 12 noon to resolve issues related to various departments on the spot. Citizens can bring matters pertaining to Family ID, ration cards, social security pensions, police, panchayati raj institutions and other departments to these camps. Immediate issues are resolved at the venue, while others are addressed within a fixed timeframe. During Monday's camp, two complaints related to Family ID, electricity, ration cards and social security pension schemes were received and resolved on the spot.

## DAV NSS units hold lecture on women awareness



**PREETI SAINI**
**SADHORA:** NSS units of DAV College Sadhora, in collaboration with Yamunanagar Police, organized a lecture on women safety, awareness about various types of cyber crimes, and prevention of ill effects of drug abuse. NSS in-charge Dr. Yogesh Singh Mohan said that ASI Neelam Devi shared information related to 112 app with the girls of college. She also provided important information to girls regarding online fraud and cyber security. She told how our daughters should take care of their personal information and security especially while interacting online with others. NSS in-charge Dr. Gurmej Singh said that ASI Paramjit Singh provided awareness to students on harm caused by drug abuse and physical, social, economic and family ruin of youth involved in it.

## Counseling session on suicide symptoms and prevention held at KLM International School



**VERMA**
**GURDASPUR:** KLM International School organized a special counseling session aimed at strengthening students' mental health and character development. The primary objective of this session was to raise awareness among students about the symptoms of suicide and to educate them on effective prevention strategies for this critical social issue. The counselor explained that factors such as depression, loneliness, fear of failure, or family pressure can lead students toward feelings of hopelessness, withdrawal, indifference, and negative thinking. These signs may indicate suicidal tendencies, and recognizing and addressing them in time is essential. School Chairman Mr. Surinder Mahajan, in his address, emphasized that every student is a priceless asset, and ensuring their holistic development and mental well-being is the school's top priority.

## ECE Day celebrated in Moga district



**JAGRAJ SANGHA**
**MOGA:** To strengthen the child development efforts of the Punjab Government, ECE Day was celebrated by the Women and Child Development Department of Moga under the leadership of DPO Karan Brar in all the Anganwadi centers of Moga. The main objective of this day is to ensure the active participation of parents in the education and development of children of 0-6 years. The program manager Madam Preet Kamal Kaur, supervisor, Anganwadi workers, Sarpanch and Panchayat members as well as children and parents participated enthusiastically in the event. The main topics discussed during the event were the importance of child health care and cleanliness, motivating parents to become partners in the learning journey of children, creative activities organized by Anganwadi workers.

## Legal and Defence Counsel meeting held under CJM Dr. Iram Hasan



**SHIV KUMAR SHARMA**
**KARNAL:** A meeting of Legal and Defence Counsel was organised by the District Legal Services Authority on Monday under the guidance of District and Sessions Judge and Chairman of District Legal Services Authority Ajay Kumar Sharda. The meeting was chaired by Chief Judicial Magistrate and Secretary of District Legal Services Authority Dr. Iram Hasan. In the meeting, CJM Dr. Iram Hasan interacted with Legal and Defence Counsel. During this, she gathered information about the services being provided to the prisoners and provided necessary guidance. Giving information, she said that to protect the rights of the prisoners, the Legal Aid Defence Counsel System is established in the District Court, in which the Legal Aid Defence Counsel advocates the prisoners living in the district jail and the cases at the pre-arrest and remand stage absolutely free of cost.

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## LPU Celebrates 24th Foundation Day, Awards 1 Crore to Faculty for Excellence

**J S SODHI**

**JALANDHAR**: Lovely Professional University (LPU) celebrated its 24th Foundation Day with grandeur, organizing a special Staff Appreciation Award Ceremony to honour the commitment and service of its faculty and staff. As a mark of recognition, the university awarded a total cash prize of around ₹1 crore to over 350 faculty members across 23 categories including Teaching, Research, Administrative Services, Residential Support, Skills Development and more—showcasing the diverse contributions that drive LPU's growth. The event witnessed the presence of Dr. Ashok Kumar Mittal, Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha) and Founder Chancellor of LPU, Col. Dr. Rashmi Mittal, Pro-Chancellor, Er. H.R. Singla, Director General, along with senior leadership and staff members. Addressing the gathering, Dr. Ashok Kumar Mittal said, "LPU's success is built upon the shared efforts of its people, who together create an ecosystem that empowers students to excel." He reflected on the university's EduRevolution initiative, stressing that its scope includes faculty as well.

## NEWS BRIEF

### vivo Unveils the All-New Y31 Series

CHANDIGARH: vivo announced the launch of its all-new Y31 Series in India, comprising the vivo Y31 and vivo Y31 Pro. Designed for today's demanding users, the series delivers a rare combination of style, strength, and superior performance. With cutting-edge features, powerful processors, and industry-leading durability, the Y31 Series is crafted to deliver everyday reliability and next-level entertainment. With features including a 6500mAh Battery, 44W Smart FlashCharge, IP68 & IP69 durability3,4, and a 50MP HD imaging system, 4K Video Recording capabilities of the rear camera, and the powerful MediaTek Dimensity 7300 chipset, the Y31 Series redefines everyday smartphone reliability at an accessible price point.

### Dabur & Reckitt Partner with Meesho Mall

CHANDIGARH: Meesho Mall has announced partnerships with FMCG players Dabur, and Reckitt, bringing their trusted personal care brands to consumers across India. With this association, household names such as Durex, Moov, Veet, Dettol, and Dabur are now accessible to Meesho's value-conscious consumers, particularly in Tier-2+ cities.

This collaboration reflects a shared commitment to making quality products affordable and accessible to Indian households. The expanded portfolio will further strengthen Meesho Mall's presence in the personal care category.

Within one month of launch, the platform has witnessed traction in categories such as hair oils, oral care, and personal hygiene, with high traction coming from cities like Roorkee, Jabalpur, Thanjavur, Nashik, and Shillong.

### Mahindra celebrates 11 years of the Iconic NOVO Tractor series

LUDHIANA: Mahindra Tractor, India's No.1 tractor brand, proudly celebrates 11 years of its flagship 'Mahindra NOVO tractor series'. Built tough, the Mahindra NOVO tractor series is a high-performance range engineered for durability, advanced technology, and powerful yet fuel-efficient engines. With high maximum torque and excellent backup torque, it delivers unmatched performance across a wide variety of farming equipment. Available in multiple horsepower options ranging from 49 HP to 74 HP, the Mahindra NOVO tractor series is ideal for diverse farming applications such as ploughing, tilling, sowing, and transportation.

### Samsung Innovation Campus Will Expand Six-Fold

CHANDIGARH: Samsung, India's largest consumer electronics brand, today announced a major expansion of its flagship CSR programme, Samsung Innovation Campus (SIC), reaffirming its commitment to empowering India's youth with future-ready skills while supporting the Government's vision of Digital India and Skill India. The skilling programme, will expand to 10 states this year, up from four in 2024. It will upskill 20,000 students in future-tech skills such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), Internet of Things (IoT), Big Data, and Coding & Programming during 2025, a six-fold increase over last year's 3,500 students. Alongside technical training, the students will also receive instruction in soft skills to enhance workplace readiness, while eligible candidates will be supported with placement assistance in relevant industries.

### Tata Motors Strengthens EV Ecosystem

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: Tata Motors, India's largest commercial vehicle manufacturer, today announced a significant milestone in advancing zero-emission mobility: over 25,000 public charging stations are now installed and accessible to customers of electric small commercial vehicles (SCV). Strategically located across more than 150 cities including Delhi-NCR, Bengaluru, Mumbai, Chennai, and Hyderabad, these chargers span key logistics hubs, empowering last-mile delivery operators with enhanced range confidence, operational efficiency, and improved earnings.

### PhonePe's Indus Appstore is now on 10 crore devices

Chandigarh: Indus Appstore, India's Android app marketplace, announced today that it has hit the 10-crore device mark. The app store's localised feature, allowing users to discover apps in 12 Indian languages along with English, is one of the key factors to its success. 40% of users navigate the app store in a regional language, with Hindi, Marathi, Tamil, and Gujarati being the most popular languages. The app store has a significant presence in states like Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, and Maharashtra, with states like Karnataka and Telangana following close behind as key user hubs. India's young population is a key driver of Indus Appstore's success. Gen-Z, aged 18-27, comprises 33.7% of the user base, and when combined with Gen-Y, aged 27-44, accounts for nearly 93.5 % of users under the age of 45. The core Indus Appstore user is a 28 to 44 year-old male in a Tier 3 location. 70.6 % of users are from Tier 3 regions, demonstrating strong rural and small-city penetration.

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### TVS motor company and alt mobility partner to deploy 3,000 electric three-wheelers in fy 2025–26

MANDI: TVS Motor Company, a global leader in two and three-wheeler manufacturing, today announced the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with ALT Mobility, a leading leasing and asset management company, to enable the leasing and deployment of up to 3,000 TVS electric three-wheelers (Passenger & Cargo) during FY 2025–26.As part of this collaboration, TVS Motor Company will provide vehicles, while ALT Mobility will procure, lease, and finance them through its ecosystem. The models, variants, and specifications will be jointly finalized to best serve customer needs, and the vehicles will be rolled out through TVS Motor's extensive network authorized dealers and ALT's point of sales across India.The vehicles will be deployed under ALT's Drive-to-own leasing model to individual drivers and fleet operators for Cargo and Passenger transportation.

# Haryana, Bali to preserve religious legacy of Maharishi Markandeya



**BUREAU**

**CHANDIGARH:** – Haryana's Heritage and Tourism Minister Dr. Arvind Sharma has said that the cultural and religious heritage of Maharishi Markandeya, whose karmabhoomi was Haryana, and Bali will be jointly preserved. He added that, given the shared vision of Bali's Governor I Wayan Koster and Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini, there is a strong possibility of expediting the proposal to establish a cultural centre in Kurukshetra dedicated to Maharishi Markandeya.Dr. Sharma noted that Bali's lawmakers were pleased to learn about Haryana's Rakhi Garhi and Agroha, which were important centres of the Indus-Saraswati civilization and once played a vital role in global trade routes.On Monday, Dr. Sharma visited the official residence of Ubud Prince and Member of Parliament Tjokorda Gede Asmara Putra, who had invited him for a luncheon. The Ubud Prince said that in Bali, even children recite the Ramayana and Mahabharata and are well-versed with their characters. He gave Dr. Sharma a tour of his palace, showing depictions of the Ramayana and Mahabharata painted on the walls, a common sight across Bali. The Prince also presented a book on Balinese and Indonesian culture to the Haryana minister.During the meeting, Dr. Sharma highlighted the deep cultural and spiritual ties between Haryana.

## MC fails to repair broken culvert

**PRITI SAINI**



**SADHAURA:** The residents of the locality are troubled by the broken culvert due to the sinking of the tyre of a tractor trolley in the street of ward number 8 under the Nagar Palika Sadhaura. The municipality is not paying attention and from the information received, the locality resident Amit said that many days ago a culvert was broken due to the sinking of the tyre of a tractor trolley in ward number 8 under the Nagar Palika Sadhaura, the dirty water was not coming out of its drain, due to which all the water of the street stopped in front of his house and he cleaned it at his own level, Harjeet Kaur told that when the councillor of the ward was called regarding this, he made an excuse of Sunday being a holiday, Harjeet Kaur told that if there is heavy rain, then due to the water getting stuck in the broken culvert, all the dirty water of the culvert will enter the house. Therefore, they started repairing the culvert on their own level. Ward resident Usha said that due to the breakage of this culvert, the smell of dirty water from the drain and dirty insects enter her house. She has demanded from the municipal administration to get the culvert constructed as soon as possible. Regarding this, Municipal Chairperson Shalini Sharma said that when she came to know about the matter, she sent employees to the spot and the problem will be solved soon.

## PAU finalizes deal for pectin extraction technology



LUDHIANA: The Punjab Agricultural University (PAU) has entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with Singh Scientific and Research, Ludhiana for the commercialization of Pectin Extraction Technology. Dr Ajmer Singh Dhatt, Director of Research, PAU and Mr Parvinder Singh from the firm, signed the agreement on behalf of their respective organizations.

Dr GS Mangat, Additional Director of Research (Agriculture); Dr Mahesh Kumar, Additional Director of Research (Agri. Engg.); Dr Manjeet Singh, Dean, College of Agricultural Engineering and Technology; and Dr Khushdeep Dharni, Associate Director, Technology Marketing and IPR Cell, were present on the occasion. Dr Dhatt congratulated Dr Tarsem Chand Mittal, Head, Department of Processing and Food Engineering, and Dr MS Alam, Principal Scientist, for commercialization of the technology. Dr Alam informed that pectin finds wide application in the manufacturing of many food products like jams, jellies and preservatives due to its typical gelling, thickening, and stabilizing properties. The Pectin Extraction technology, developed by PAU, deals with extraction process of pectin from kinnow and mosambi waste (peel), and pilot plant for the extraction of pectin, he said. "This plant can cater to 150 kg of fresh kinnow/mosambi peel per day for pectin production. The technology is a step towards the utilization of waste generated as a result of processing of kinnow and mosambi.

## US-based prof emeritus delivers a Naas- Ludhiana chapter special lecture on 'flower power and biotechnology'



**LUDHIANA:** The National Academy of Agricultural Sciences (NAAS), Ludhiana Chapter, organized a special lecture on 'Flower Power and Biotechnology' which was delivered by the guest speaker Dr Rajinder Singh Ranu, Professor Emeritus at Colorado State University, USA. The event was chaired by Dr Ajmer Singh Dhatt, Convener, NAAS-Ludhiana Chapter and Director of Research, PAU and organized at Darshan Singh Brar Symposium Hall, Gurdev Singh Khush Institute of Genetics, Plant Breeding, and Biotechnology (GSKI-GPBB), PAU.

In his lecture, Dr Ranu, a renowned molecular biologist, discussed genetic engineering approaches to improve stress tolerance in flowering plants, with a focus on geraniums. He explained how controlling ethylene stress during propagation can reduce post-harvest losses and enhance plant quality. Dr Ranu also shared his research on using callus cultures and developing in vitro regeneration protocols for rapid and efficient propagation of elite plant varieties. He encouraged young scientists to pursue research with dedication, emphasizing how these innovations can transform ornamental horticulture, promote sustainable practices, and significantly advance both science and agriculture. The lecture was followed by a vibrant discussion between faculty and students, focusing on practical uses of genetic engineering in ornamental plants and exploring ways to control stress and improve propagation techniques. The interaction inspired new ideas and collaborative research opportunities.

Dr Dhatt appreciated the lecture as highly insightful and inspiring. He emphasized that Dr Ranu's work on genetic engineering and stress tolerance in geraniums demonstrates how science can address real-world horticultural challenges.

## Club NPC Takes Centre Stage at 11th PHDCCI Building Industry Exhibition



Chandigarh, The PHD Chamber of Commerce & Industry (PHDCCI), in its 11th Edition of the Annual Exhibition of Building Industry held at the Parade Ground from 12th to 15th September 2025, hosted an exclusive session in collaboration with Club NPC (Network for People of Construction) on the afternoon of 13th September. This special segment emerged as a major highlight of the exhibition, establishing Club NPC as a thought leader and unifying force within the construction ecosystem. The session was graced by eminent planner Ar. J.T. Kumar Gupta, who unveiled his work titled "Making and Unmaking of Chandigarh: City of Two Plans", offering deep insights into the vision and challenges behind Chandigarh's urban planning. His talk provided historical perspective and inspiration for future city planning.

Adding further momentum, Ar. Savneet Kaur of Imarat Architects delivered the keynote address, emphasizing the importance of sustainable architecture and the use of natural materials to combat climate change. Her presentation, enriched with personal projects and pioneering work in earth construction, received high praise.

What truly set this session apart was the robust participation of professionals across all pillars of the construction industry—architects, engineers, builders, interior designers, consultants, contractors, suppliers, and visualizers—curated by Club NPC. The club's strategic vision, tireless coordination, and cohesive efforts were instrumental in crafting a seamless, enriching experience for all attendees.

## Taiwan Excellence to Drive India's Tech Future at Taiwan Expo 2025

CHANDIGARH : Taiwan Excellence (TE), an initiative of Taiwan's Ministry of Economic Affairs (MOEA), is set to deliver an extraordinary showcase of world-class innovation at the Taiwan Excellence Pavilion during Taiwan Expo India 2025, scheduled from September 25–27, 2025, at Bharat Mandapam (Pragati Maidan), New Delhi.

The Taiwan Excellence Pavilion will open on September 25 with a grand inauguration ceremony, graced by Mr. James C.F. Huang, Chairman of TAITRA, senior representatives from Taiwan's Ministry of Economic Affairs, and popular Bollywood actor Esha Gupta, setting the stage for an exciting three-day showcase.




September 26 will feature the Grand Product Launch Session, presenting breakthrough innovations in ICT, Smart Living, Intelligent Healthcare, Advanced Gadgets, and Industrial Solutions, followed by a special engagement with celebrity influencer Avneet Kaur, adding a dynamic blend of technology and entertainment.

The final day, September 27, will sustain the buzz with interactive showcases and valuable business networking opportunities, strengthening Taiwan's position as a trusted partner in driving technology and trade collaboration with India.

Since its inception in 1993, Taiwan Excellence has been recognized worldwide as a hallmark of innovation, quality, and reliability, representing the finest of Taiwan's industries. This year's pavilion will bring together 22 award-winning Taiwanese brands, many of which will be unveiling their products in India for the very first time.

## Information on malnutrition given to women



**JAIBEER RANA THAMBER**

**SAHA:** Under the Nutrition Month by the Women and Child Development Department, CDPO Isha and Supervisor Sujata Saroha organised a programme in villages Tamnauli and Sabapur. In which severely malnourished children were weighed. On this occasion, Isha said that mother's milk is very important for the child. Because without mother's milk, many times children become victims of malnutrition. Therefore, it is important to take care of the child's health. At the same time, pregnant women should also pay special attention to their diet. Because if the mother is healthy, her child will also be born healthy.

## Dabur Red Paste Receives "Dentist Most Trusted Oral Care Brand" Award by IDA Agra



**NEW DELHI** - A comprehensive approach to oral hygiene is a vital component of overall health and well-being. This philosophy was at the heart of a recent seminar on innovation and awareness in oral care, attended by over 300 dentists from across India. At this event, Dabur Red Paste was honored with the "Dentist's Most Trusted Oral Care Brand" award by the Indian Dental Association (IDA)-Agra. The recognition highlights the brand's commitment to delivering high-quality, trusted oral care products to consumers.The event, organized by IDA Agra, brought together dental professionals to share insights and deliberate on the future of oral hygiene. The sessions included presentations and discussions on new technologies, consumer awareness programs, and the role of natural and ayurvedic ingredients in maintaining dental health. Dabur Red Paste's recognition is a testament to its long-standing commitment to providing effective and trusted oral care solutions based on traditional Ayurvedic wisdom backed my modern science."We are incredibly proud and humbled to receive this recognition from the dental fraternity," said Mr. Prashant Agarwal, Marketing Head -Oral Care, Dabur India Ltd. "This award reaffirms the trust and confidence that dental professionals place in Dabur Red Paste. Red Paste's unique blend of ayurvedic herbs and modern science has been clinically proven to provide comprehensive protection against 10dental problems, and this award validates our efforts to deliver superior oral care.

## Lights, Camera, Décor: Deepika Stars in the Ultimate Home Makeover film with Royale Glitz

GURUGRAM : Asian Paints, India's authority in setting décor trends, is evolving its luxury brand Royale Glitz, from premium wall finishes into a complete home décor inspiration. The journey comes alive in a new advertisement starring brand ambassador Deepika Padukone, making her much-anticipated return to the screen.

The campaign moves beyond the usual paint category conversations, which typically focus on shades and finishes. It positions Royale Glitz as more than just a luxury paint - it becomes the starting point of every design story..



At the heart of the ad film is actor Deepika Padukone. As she interacts with the colours and textures of Royale Glitz, the walls come alive, not just as surfaces, but as expressions of personal style. She experiments with Royale Glitz finishes, which transform her walls and inspire a complete makeover of her living space. The campaign shows how wall finishes can influence overall design choices. A key feature in the film is the 'Glitz Up Your Décor' guidebook - a simple, inspiring tool that helps people imagine new ways to style their homes. Each room and wall in the film shows how luxury wall design can transform the entire space. The guidebook reinforces Asian Paints' authority in home décor with QR codes that link to demo videos and simple, inspiring ideas, making premium design both aspirational and accessible to all. Amit Syngle, MD & CEO, Asian Paints, said, "With Royale Glitz, we're redefining what luxury means for Indian Homes. At Asian Paints, we've always believed in the power of self-expression that truly makes a home yours. It's about creating emotionally charged spaces that reflect who you are.

## UNITED SIKHS Continues to Lead Relief Efforts for Panjab's Displaced Communities

**CHANDIGARH:** As floodwaters continue to devastate communities across Panjab, UNITED SIKHS remains steadfast in its humanitarian response – delivering aid, restoring dignity, and amplifying the spirit of seva across borders.

UNITED SIKHS teams continue to operate mobile medical units, distribute hygiene kits, and deliver food and water to isolated villages. In response to these efforts, the Komi Virsa Sambhal organization in Ludhiana has sent a large consignment of supplies including flour, lentils, tea leaves, refined oil, soap, and bottled water, to support ongoing relief.

Ranjit Singh Khalsa from UNITED SIKHS said "We have been struck down and uprooted by many calamities, sometimes drowned by the floodwaters! But still, Punjabis have not lost their faith – enduring immense suffering and hardship, yet always thanking the Almighty.

Even when their own huts collapsed, Punjabis continued to set up langar (community kitchens) for the welfare of all.

Blessed are those women who, even in times of grief, served with devotion and offered gratitude to God!"

Meanwhile, in Perth, Australia, UNITED SIKHS hosted a Panjab Flood Relief stall at the Sikh Gurdwara in Canning Vale. The event brought together the local Sangat to raise awareness, support, and share updates from the field. Attendees pledged continued support and connected directly with aid leaders in Punjab.

UNITED SIKHS is mobilizing communities worldwide to respond with compassion, urgency, and unity.

UNITED SIKHS continues to welcome donations of urgently needed supplies including clothing, blankets, non-perishable food, clean drinking water, fresh fruits, and medical items. Financial contributions are also vital to sustain food distribution, mobile medical services, and shelter support. For details on how to contribute, please visit unitedsikhs.org/donate.

## A First in Ludhiana 70-year-old Elderly Male with rare abdominal cancer successfully treated with CRS + HIPEC at Fortis Hospital Ludhiana

**LUDHIANA** : Fortis Ludhiana has successfully performed the city's first Cytoreductive Surgery (CRS) combined with HIPEC (Hyperthermic Intraperitoneal Chemotherapy) on a 70-year-old male diagnosed with a rare abdominal cancer. This surgery marks a significant milestone for cancer care in the region. Once considered untreatable, the ailment was managed with this advanced procedure, giving the patient a chance at long-term survival. Mr. Sodhi Singh, the patient, had been struggling with severe abdominal pain when he was diagnosed with the condition. While conventional surgery and chemotherapy were advised elsewhere, these offered only limited benefit. The multidisciplinary team of doctors led by Dr Anish Bhatia (Department of Surgical Oncology) and Dr Davinder Paul (Department of Medical Oncology) at Fortis Hospital Ludhiana decided to perform the advanced CRS + HIPEC procedure, a two-step treatment where all visible cancer is surgically removed, followed by heated chemotherapy delivered directly into the abdominal cavity to target any remaining microscopic cancer cells. The complex surgery took almost seven hours and was performed using the latest HIPEC machine, available exclusively at Fortis Hospital Ludhiana.

After the surgery, the patient recovered without any complications or challenges. Thereafter, the person was discharged from the hospital in just six days.

Elaborating on the breakthrough, Dr Anish Bhatia, Senior Consultant, Surgical Oncology, Fortis Hospital Ludhiana, said, "This is the first time in Ludhiana that the HIPEC procedure has been performed using advanced technology, representing a paradigm shift in how certain abdominal cancers are treated. By surgically removing the tumour and administering heated chemotherapy locally, we maximized drug absorption and minimized side effects, offering the patient a far better chance at long-term survival, besides recovery.

Unlike traditional chemotherapy that circulates throughout the body, HIPEC delivers high doses of chemotherapy precisely where it is needed.

## INLD discusses preparations for Samman Diwas on Sept 25

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

KARNAL,: In the meeting of INLD, the District President discussed the preparations for the Samman Diwas Rally. Karnal, 15 September. An important meeting of the workers of Indian National Lok Dal (INLD) party was held in a private hotel. The meeting was chaired by Block President Bhagwant Sandhu, while Karnal District President Surjeet Shamgarh was specially present on this occasion. In the meeting, the issue of strengthening the party organization was discussed in detail. Along with this, discussions were held regarding the preparations for the Samman Diwas Rally to be held in Rohtak on 25 September. Workers are being activated up to the booth level to make the rally successful. INLD District President Surjeet Shamgarh said that the Samman Diwas Rally to be held in Rohtak will be historic. A huge convoy of hundreds of vehicles will leave from Karnal district. Thousands of workers will be a part of this rally and will show that INLD is still the real power of Haryana. INLD leader Bhagwant Sandhu, while expressing his views, said that the INLD party is busy preparing for the rally at every booth. The zeal and enthusiasm of the workers is worth seeing.

The Samman Diwas rally will infuse new energy in the state politics and make the organization stronger. During the meeting, various officials and workers also expressed their views and resolved to make the rally historic.

## Rohan Marina One: India's First All Sea-Facing Ultra-Luxury Coastal Residences



Chandigarh – Rohan Corporation, one of India's most trusted real estate developers with over 32 years of legacy, proudly launches Rohan Marina One – India's first residential project where every home offers uninterrupted views of the Arabian Sea. Strategically located at NITK Beach Road, Surathkal, Mangaluru, this project redefines coastal luxury living and presents a premier investment opportunity. Spread across 8.2 acres, Rohan Marina One features 433 ultra-luxury homes in two iconic towers – The Retreat and The Resort – designed for unmatched comfort, sophistication, and exclusivity. Residents will enjoy world-class amenities including an infinity-edge rooftop pool, banquet halls, fine-dining spaces, sports courts, wellness zones, EV charging, and dedicated family-friendly areas.

Situated just 32 minutes from Mangaluru International Airport, with seamless connectivity to Manipal, Udupi, Kerala, Goa, and other destinations, the project ensures peace, privacy, and accessibility. Built using advanced MIVAN technology, SRC cement, epoxy-coated steel, and SS308-grade railings, it guarantees strength, safety, and sustainability.

"Rohan Marina One is more than a project – it's our vision to deliver India's finest coastal homes that blend aesthetics, resilience, and sustainability," said Dr. Rohan Monteiro, MD, Rohan Corporation. With limited homes and unmatched sea views, Rohan Marina One stands as a rare opportunity for discerning buyers and investors.

## FlickeZ Debuts in India, Targets 15,000 Verified Vendors

Chandigarh : FlickeZ, an innovative app-based marketplace for trusted local services, officially launches today in India. Bridging the gap between reliable vendors and customers seeking seamless, high-quality service experiences, the platform introduces a real-time booking system with guaranteed time slots.

With over 4,000 vendor inquiries already received during its pre-launch campaigns and a target of onboarding 15,000 verified service providers within the first year, FlickeZ is building a diverse and trustworthy service ecosystem from day one.

Launching across five key markets — Delhi, Chandigarh, Haryana, Punjab, and Ahmedabad — the platform allows users to instantly discover and book verified local vendors with proven expertise.

Customers can compare prices transparently, schedule services immediately or in advance, and benefit from guaranteed time slots that ensure zero wait times and hassle-free experiences. The unique Quick Booking feature further connects consumers with available vendors in real time, eliminating the need for multiple calls or inquiries. Aligned with national initiatives such as Digital India, Make in India, and Startup India, FlickeZ's inclusive model enhances the digital visibility of small vendors while fostering employment, supporting local talent, and contributing to grassroots economic growth.




For service providers, FlickeZ offers much more than just visibility. Unlike niche platforms, FlickeZ provides access to a wide variety of categories, including Beauty & Grooming, Healthcare, Cooks & Caterers, Cars & Drivers, and Events & Entertainment. It guarantees bookings, helps vendors improve resource utilization, and reduces downtime, while offering a digital boost to those traditionally left out of the tech ecosystem. Vendors can also access promotional credits during the first three months, enabling them to test the platform and grow their business with minimal risk. Additionally, AI-driven onboarding support helps vendors create professional service listings, enhancing digital credibility and attracting customers more effectively. This empowerment through technology not only increases the earning potential of individual providers but also supports the growth of local economies at the grassroots level.

Talking about the launch, Mandeep Singh, Founder of FlickeZ, said, "We launched this platform to address the common challenge of finding reliable and timely services by creating a platform that blends convenience, trust, and opportunity.

## 108 Ambulance Team Facilitates Emergency Delivery During Critical Transfer

**RAJPURA**: Operated by Zenplus Private Limited, the 108 Ambulance service once again proved its life-saving commitment by successfully assisting in a safe childbirth during an emergency transfer. A 24-year-old woman, Anju Rani, from Village Uncha Kheda, who was experiencing intense labour pains, was being transported to A.P. Jain Civil Hospital, Rajpura when her condition turned critical. Recognizing the urgency, Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Manoj Kumar and Pilot Kuldeep Singh quickly took charge and facilitated the delivery inside the moving ambulance. Due to their timely intervention and professional expertise, the patient delivered a healthy baby girl en route. Following the successful delivery, both the mother and the newborn were safely handed over to the medical staff at A.P. Jain Civil Hospital, Rajpura. Doctors confirmed that both mother and child are in good health.



108 Ambulance Project Head, Manish Batra, appreciated the dedication of the on-duty team, saying, "Our teams are continuously trained to handle such high-pressure medical emergencies. The safe delivery in this case is a testament to the efficiency, skills, and dedication of our EMTs and pilots who work tirelessly to serve the community." The 108 Ambulance service remains a trusted pillar of emergency healthcare, ensuring timely, skilled, and compassionate medical support to people across the region in their moments of greatest need.

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### Match referee Pycroft drawn into controversy as handshake row escalates

Dubai: Match referee Andy Pycroft has found himself at the centre of controversy after India's seven-wicket victory against Pakistan in the Asia Cup clash at Dubai on Sunday, as per ESPNcricinfo.The flashpoint came when no handshakes were exchanged either before or after the game, a decision that left the Pakistan camp upset. According to Suryakumar Yadav, India's T20I captain, the team had taken a call in consultation with the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) and the Indian government to avoid the customary gesture of goodwill.Pakistan, on their part, said they had been waiting after the game to greet their rivals, only to realize that India would not be extending their hands. Head coach Mike Hesson admitted the squad was disappointed, while skipper Salman Agha refused to turn up for his post-match television interaction, which is generally a broadcast requirement.The Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) later released a statement confirming that their team manager, Naveed Akram Cheema, had lodged a "formal protest" against Pycroft. They alleged that the referee had gone as far as asking both captains not to shake hands during the toss itself. Pycroft's formal response to the PCB's complaint is still awaited.The PCB statement also termed The India's actions to be "against sportsmanship"."Manager Naveed Akram Cheema has registered a formal protest against the match referee's behaviour," the PCB statement said, as quoted from ESPNcricinfo."Match referee requested the captains not to shake hands during the toss," it added.This was the first meeting between the two neighbours since cross-border tensions escalated after the Pahalgam terror attack in April. In the build-up, there had even been uncertainty about whether the match would go ahead at all, with several calls for India to withdraw.

### Yogesh Kathuniya aiming to break his world record at World Para Athletics C'ships

New Delhi : As India prepares to host the World Para Athletics Championships for the very first time, Yogesh Kathuniya, the Paralympics silver medallist in men's discus throw F56, is more determined than ever.
The IndianOil-sponsored event will be held at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, New Delhi, from September 27 to October 5. This edition of the championships is historic not just because it is the first time such a global para athletics event is coming to India and to South Asia, but also because it offers Yogesh the home advantage and the chance to push his limits in front of his own people.
For Yogesh, this is not just another competition. His entire family will be there, cheering him on, witnessing every toss, every breath. Having loved ones in the stands means more than emotional support it is the boost that transforms pressure into power.
"Competing at a World Championship on home soil is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Knowing my family will be in the stands gives me extra motivation to perform at my very best," Yogesh said as quoted by a press release from the Paralympic Committee of India (PCI).

### Afghanistan's Naveen-ul-Haq ruled out of Asia Cup 2025 due to Injury

Dubai : Afghanistan seamer, Naveen-ul-Haq, has been ruled out of the ongoing Men's T20 Asia Cup 2025 due to an injury. Haq is recovering from a shoulder injury and has not been declared fit by the Afghanistan Cricket Board (ACB) medical team to participate in the remaining tournament.
Naveen will continue to undergo intensive treatment and rehabilitation until he is fully fit. Fast bowler Abdullah Ahmadzai, who was previously in the reserves and recently made his international debut, has been added to the main squad for the Asia Cup 2025, as per a post from ACB on X. Naveen-ul-Haq has played 48 T20 International matches for Afghanistan, taking 67 wickets at an average of 18.73 and an economy rate of 7.79, with best figures of 4/20. Afghanistan started off their Asia Cup campaign with a massive win by 94 runs over Hong Kong in their Group B clash at Abu Dhabi on Tuesday. Half-centurions Sediqullah Atal and Azmatullah Omarzai were the stars with the bat, producing carnage in the final few overs for Afghanistan. Afghanistan will face Bangladesh in match nine of the Asia Cup 2025 at the Dubai International Stadium on September 16. It's a must-win encounter for Bangladesh to keep their hopes alive for a Super Four spot, while Afghanistan will aim to continue their unbeaten run and strengthen their position at the top of Group B.

# 2025-26 FIH Hockey Pro League season to start on December 9 in Argentina and Ireland



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**LAUSANNE** : Whilst the exhilarating images of the FIH Hockey Pro League Season 6 are still fresh in the minds of hockey fans around the world, season 7 of the "League of the Best", involving the crème de la crème of world hockey, is just around the corner, and it promises to be thrilling, as per a release from FIH.

With two newcomers, Ireland women and Pakistan men, the 2025-26 FIH Pro League season will start from Ireland, as well as Argentina, for an exciting journey of no less than 144 matches. And on top of the pride of winning the League, both Champions will ensure their spot at the Los Angeles Olympic Games 2028.

The season begins in Ireland and Argentina:

Germany vs Belgium men will get the season underway in Ireland. Action will continue in Argentina later in the day with men's champions Netherlands taking on League debutants Pakistan.

Belgium, England and Germany men, along with Belgium, England and Ireland women, will play the first block of matches in Ireland. In Argentina, the Leones and Leonas will face the Netherlands and Pakistan men, as well as Germany and the Netherlands women, respectively.

The high-profile encounters between these top teams are sure to provide moments of great excitement for the fans right from the first whistle.

Season Finale in Belgium, Germany and England:

The league will conclude in epic fashion on June 28, 2026, with thrilling clashes across three countries, namely Belgium, Germany and England. With 6 women's and 6 men's teams in action on closing day, the competition promises to keep the fans on the edge of their seats till the final whistle as it did in the 2024-25 season, when the men's FIH Hockey World Cup qualification was decided at the final match of the season as Spain pipped Germany to qualify for the event.

This season will see the arrival of Ireland women and Pakistan men, both making their debut in the competition, having been promoted via the FIH Hockey Nations Cup 2024-25, adding further depth and excitement to the Pro League. Their entry ensures fresh rivalries and increased engagement for fans worldwide.

Both the Netherlands men and women come into the new season as reigning champions, having claimed the titles in the previous FIH Hockey Pro League season.

# Gambhir expresses solidarity with Pahalgam attack victims, lauds Indian Armed forces following India's Asia Cup win over Pakistan



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Dubai : Following India's win over arch-rivals Pakistan in the ongoing Asia Cup, Indian head coach Gautam Gambhir expressed happiness with team's win and expressed solidarity with victims of Pahalgam terror attack, lauding the Indian Armed Forces for a successful Operation Sindoor against Pakistan sponsored terror.
This Asia Cup clash was India-Pakistan's first meet since April's Pahalgam attack and launching of Operation Sindoor by Indian Armed Forces in response to it. Battling immense pressure due to these circumstances and online backlash for going ahead with the match, Suryakumar-led Indian side maintained their dominance from ball one, clinching a seven wicket win.

Following the match, in a chat with broadcasters, Gambhir said, "Good win. There is still a lot of cricket left in this tournament. This match was important as we wanted to show solidarity with the victims and families and what they went through during that Pahalgam attack. More importantly, we want to thank Indian army for their successful Operation Sindoor. We will try to make our country proud and happy."

Coming to the match, Pakistan won the toss and opted to bat first and were reduced to 6/2. A 39-run stand between Sahibzada Farhan (40 in 44 balls, with a four and three sixes) and Fakhar Zaman (17 in 15 balls, with three fours) stabilised the innings a bit, but India reduced Pakistan to 97/8. A late blitz from Shaheen Shah Afridi (33* in 16 balls, with four sixes) took them to 127/9 in 20 overs.

Kuldeep Yadav (3/18) was the pick of the bowlers for India, with Axar Patel (2/18) and Bumrah (2/28) getting two wickets. Hardik got one wicket.

During the run-chase, India lost two wickets within the powerplay, with Abhishek Sharma's fine cameo of 31 (in 13 balls, with four boundaries and two sixes) giving India a solid headstart. Later, a 56-run stand between Suryakumar (47* in 37 balls, with five fours and a six) and Tilak Varma (31 in 31 balls, with two fours) brought back some stability. It was Suryakumar who did the majority of the striking later, sticking around with Shivam Dube (10*) tlll the end and taking India to a win with seven wickets and 25 balls left.

Kuldeep Yadav won the 'Player of the Match' award for his spell. Now, India is at the top of Group A with two wins in two matches.

## We gave them a proper reply: Indian skipper Suryakumar

Dubai: Following his side's win over Pakistan in the Asia Cup, Indian skipper Suryakumar Yadav spoke on not shaking hands with the opposition following the game,



saying that the team "gave them a proper reply". Skipper Suryakumar's knock of 47* and economical spells from spinners Kuldeep Yadav and Axar Patel were the major highlights as India continued their dominant run in T20Is with a seven-wicket win over Pakistan at Dubai on Sunday. On being asked about not shaking hands with the Pakistan team following the match, Suryakumar said, "Our government and BCCI were aligned. When we came here, we took a call. We were here to just play the game. We gave them a proper reply."The Indian skipper was also asked on the trolling and backlash Team India received for going ahead with the match despite the Pahalgam terror attacks in April and Indian Armed Forces' consequent Operation Sindoor following it, saying that the team had decided to cut down on the outside noise. "We had shut down 70 to 80 per cent outside noise. Our players and support staff had talked about cutting down as much outside noise as possible. So that we could execute our plans well. I do not know what is happening outside and players keep me away from it, and other players and support staff try to stay away from that.

## Axar Patel awarded 'Impact Player of the Match' medal following win over Pakistan in Asia Cup

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**DUBAI:** Following the victory against Pakistan during the ongoing Asia Cup, the Indian all-rounder Axar Patel was given the 'Impact Player of the Match' award in the dressing room for his fine bowling and fielding performances. Axar was one of the standout performers in the clash against Pakistan, taking 2/18 in his four overs, getting an aggressive Fakhar Zaman and skipper Salman Agha in quick succession as spin was introduced in the attack, reducing Pakistan to 49/4 in 10 overs.

He also took a fine catch to dismiss a dangerous Hassan Nawaz for a single-digit score, making him the sixth victim of the day. Pakistan was restricted to 127/9 and India chased it down easily with 25 balls and seven wickets left.



In a video by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), the team's training assistant Nuwan Senevirathne gave Axar the medal, calling him "silent and effective in all three departments". Speaking in the video after the match, Axar hailed 'Player of the Match' Kuldeep Yadav for his match-winning spell of 3/18 in four overs.

"Donno match mein Kuldeep, Kuldeep bhai hi dikh rahe hai (It was Kuldeep, Kuldeep in these two matches)," he joked to Kuldeep, referring to his early 'Player of the Match' winning four-wicket haul against UAE.

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| **Earnest Money/ Dhuri** | Rs. 9,600/- for Tender no:-LP-MED-DUI through online payment modes available on IREPS Portal. |
| **Completion period** | 02 years. |
| **Last date & time of submission & opening of tender** | 08/10/2025 upto 15.00 hours & opening 08/10/2025 at 15.10 hours in the office of Chief Medical Supdt, N.Rly Ambala Cantt. |
| **Northern Railway Website** | https://ireps.gov.in. Tenderer can start bidding on their own risk. |

**No. 43-Med-LP-Medicine-HU/CDG, No. 43-Med-LP-Medicine-HU/SML**
**No. 43-Med-LP-Medicine-HU/KLK, No. 43-Med-LP-Medicine-HU/DUI**

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# UK Delegation Engages with Students at Panjab University



**CHANDIGARH** : The British Deputy High Commission, Chandigarh, recently conducted an interactive session at the School of Communication Studies, Panjab University. The team was led by the UK's Deputy Head of Mission (DHM) in Chandigarh, Mr. Amandeep Grewal, and Mr. Rajinder S. Nagarkoti, Political, Press & Projects Adviser and Chevening Officer for the Chandigarh region.

During the session, the delegation engaged with students and faculty on key areas of UK–India collaboration. Discussions focused on the UK's Chevening Scholarships programme, the progress of the UK–India Free Trade Agreement (FTA), and the UK's 'Visa Fraud Ton Bacho' awareness campaign.

Faculty members, including Dr Bhavneet Bhatti, Chairperson of the department, and Professor Archana R. Singh, were present and actively participated in the dialogue. The visit also featured a special radio interview with Mr. Grewal and Mr. Nagarkoti hosted by Panjab University.

Speaking about Chevening, Mr. Grewal said: "Chevening is an international scholarships programme funded by the UK Government's Foreign, Commonwealth, and Development Office. It offers fully funded scholarships for a one-year master's degree at over 150 UK universities. There is no upper age limit, and scholars are welcomed from more than 160 countries.

**NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY**

**Notice of Inviting E-Tender**

**E-Tender Notice. SNT-JP-16-2025-26 Dated- 12.09.2025** DRM(S&T)/North Western Railway/Jaipur, for and on behalf of the President of India invite E-Tenders from registered tenderer/ bidders for the following work. **1. Name of work with its location** : Provision of Painting and writing/lettering work for S&T assets over Jaipur division. **2. Approx.Cost work (Rs.)** : Rs. 3,11,32,116.85/- **3. Bid security** : Rs. 3,05,700/- (Online Payment Only) **4. Date & Time for submission up to on** www.ireps.gov.in : **07.10.2025** Up to **15.00** hrs. **5. Website particulars & Notice board location** : www.ireps.gov.in and DRM office /NWR/ Jaipur

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**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**
**INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)**

The Executive Engineer, HPPWD Division Sunder Nagar(HP) on behalf of Governor of H.P invites the percentage rate bids, in electronic tendering system from the eligible class of contractors registered with HPPWD for the works detailed in the table.

| Sr. No | Name of Work | Estimated Cost (in Rs.) | Starting Date for Downloading Bid | Earnest Money | Deadline for Submission of Bid |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | AMP on Sundernagar to Maloh road km 0/0 to 5/565 (SH:- Providing and laying 25 mm. thick Mix seal surfacing in km 3/0 to 5/570) under AMP for the year 2025-26 (VILLAGE ROADS) | 2959158 | 11-09-2025 | 60000 | 20.09.2025 (11:00 AM) |
| 2 | AMP on Bangalu Luhnu road km 0/0 to 7/600 (PMGSY Road) (SH:- Providing and laying 25 mm. thick Mix seal surfacing in km 6/0 to 7/600 and Road marking) And AMP on Alsoo to Jambla road km 0/0 to 8/900 (PMGSY Road) (SH:- Providing and laying 25 mm. thick Mix seal surfacing in km 5/0 to 8/900 and Road marking) | 6616073 | | 132350 | |
| 3 | AMP on Janoul to Jaral road km 0/0 to 2/00 (PMGSY Road) (SH:- Providing and laying 25 mm. thick Mix seal surfacing in km 0/0 to 2/0 and Road marking) | 2489082 | | 50000 | |

These tenders are only open to bidders who have a clean record with our department/Division. Bidders who have had a previous tender rejected, forfeited, or terminated for non-performance are hereby disqualified from submitting a new bid. Any tender from a party with a history of non-compliance will not be processed or evaluated.
The bidders are advised to note other details of tenders from the department website www.hptenders.gov.in.

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Sunder Nagar Division
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On behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh

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**Public Notice pursuant to Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002**

This notice serves to inform the public that the following Borrower/Co-Borrowers/Guarantor(s) have defaulted in the repayment of both principal and interest on the loan facility obtained from the Bank. Consequently, such loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). Notices were duly issued to the Borrower(s) at their last known addresses under Section 13(2) of the aforementioned Act; however, these notices have been returned unserved.

| Sr. No. | Name of Borrower/Co-Borrowers/Guarantor | Date of Notice<br>NPA Date<br>Outstanding Amount (As on date of notice) |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | **1. Mr. Tejvir Singh** S/o Mr. Maghar Singh R/o village Baho Majra,Tehsil Khanna District Ludhiana-141401 **2. Mr. Gurwinder Singh** S/o Mr. Tejvir Singh R/o Village Baho Majra,Tehsil Khanna District Ludhiana-141401 **3. Mr. Maghar Singh** S/o Mr Channan Singh R/o village Baho Majra,Tehsil Khanna District Ludhiana-141401 | 20-August-2025<br>25-July-2025<br>Rs. 13,14,125/- (Rupees Thirteen Lakh Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Twenty Five Only) |
| | **Schedule Property**- All That Part and Parcel of The Property Measuring 0 K-5-1/12m I.e 61/14184 Share Out of Land Measuring 59 K-2m Comprised in Khewat No. 82, Khatoni No. 122 to 125 Khasra No. 37(0-3), 47(8-0), 48(8-0), 46(1-3), 269(0-2), 273(0-13), 275(0-16), 25(4-16), 26(7-8), 27(10-13), 49/2(1-16), 50/2(2-4), 49/1(6-4), 50/1(7-4) As Per Jamabandi For The Year 2015-2016 Village Baho Majra Hadbast No. 327 Tehsil Khanna Distt Ludhiana Registered In The Name of Tejvir Singh Vide Transfer Deed 2020-21/107/1/2222 Dt 20-11-2020 **Boundaries East:** Street 27'-0", **West:** Sadiq Mohd 27'-0", **North:** Sukhwinder Singh 51'-0", **South:** Harinderpal Singh 51'-0" | |
| 2. | **1. Mr. Kashmiri Lal** S/o Mr. Dharampal Kapoori Ghanaur Patiala Patiala-140702 **2. Mrs. Santosh Sharma** W/o Mr. Kashmiri Lal Kapoori Ghanaur Patiala Patiala-140702 | 05-August-2025<br>08-July-2025<br>Rs. 40,75,693/- (Rupees Forty Lakh Seventy Five Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Three) |
| | **Schedule Property**- All That Part and Parcel of The Property Measuring 0-11 Biswa 13.2 Biswasi I.e 583 Sq. Yd Comprised In Khewat/khatoni No. 268/427, Khasra No. 2076(0-2),1613(5-8),1614 (3-14), 3248/1666(0-13)kitte 4, Total Area 9 Bigha 17 Biswa Out of Which 0-11 Biswa 13.2 Biswasi I.e 583 Sq. Yd Situated at Ghanaur Distt Patiala. Registerd in The Name of Mrs Santosh Sharma Vide Transfer Deed 2021-22/81/1/281 Dt 16-6-2021 **Boundaries East:** Scheme Road Side 98' **West:** AG Tyre, Side 80', **North:** Main Road Ghanaur-Shambhu Side 34' **South:** Scheme Road, Side84' | |
| 3. | **1. M/s.Chand Ram Ram Sarup (Primary Applicant)** Through Its Prop. Mr Vineet Garg Shop No. 87, New Grain Market Malout Muktsar 152107 **2. Mr Vineet Garg** S/o Mr. Vinod Kumar Garg (Proprietor) # 55 Puda Colony, Near Mimil Puda Colony Malout Sri Muktsar Sahib- 152107 **3. Mrs. Geetanjali Garg** W/o Mr Vineet Garg (Guarantor) #55 Puda Colony, Malout Sri Muktsar Sahib- 152107 | 06-August-2025<br>29-June-2025<br>Rs. 3,72,93901.97/- (Rupees Three Crore Seventy Two Lakh Ninety Three Thousand Nine Hundred One and Ninety Seven Paisa) |
| | **Schedule Property**- All That Part and Parcel of The Property Measuring Total 32 Marla 3 Sarsai Detailed As Under Property Measuring 0Kanal 15 Marla I.e 30/194 Share of Land Measuring 4 Kanal 17 Marlas Comprised In Khasra No 794(4-17) Khewat No. 2044 Khatoni No. 3439 As Per Jamabandi For The Year 2019-2020 Within The Revenue Limit of Village Malout Distt Sri Muktsar Sahib. Registered in The Name of Vide 2021-22/52/1/3635 Dt 16-03-2022 **Boundaries East:** Gt Road Side 51 Ft, **West:** Buyer Side 51 Ft, **North:** Guriqbal Singh Side 80ft, **South:** Kishan Lal Side 80ft Property Measuring 0kanal 17 Marla 3 Sarsai I.e 156/873 Share of Land Measuring 4 Kanal 17 Marlas Comprised In Khasra No 749(4-17) Khewat No 2044 Khatoni No 3439 As Per Jamabandi For The Year 2019-2020 Within The Revenue Limit of Village Malout Distt Sri Muktsar Sahib Registered In The Name of Vide 2022-23/52/1/155 Dt 12-04-2022 **Boundaries: East:** Buyer **West :** Ashok Sidana **North:** Guriqbal Singh **South:** Gitanjali | |

Therefore, this public notice is hereby issued in lieu of direct communication.
The Borrower(s) and/or their Guarantor(s), where applicable, are hereby called upon to remit the outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of publication of this notice. Failure to do so will result in the initiation of further actions, as permitted under Sub-section (4) of Section 13 of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, after the lapse of the 60-day period.
The Borrowers are specifically referred to Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act regarding their rights to redeem the secured assets.

**Date: 16.09.2025,**
**Place: Ludhiana, Patiala, Sri Muktsar Sahib**

**Authorised Officer,**
**Axis Bank Limited**

**Encore Asset Reconstruction Company Private Limited (Encore ARC)**
**Encore ARC Corporate Office Address:** 5th Floor, Plot No. 137, Sector 44, Gurugram 122002, Haryana

**(WITHOUT PREJUDICE)**

ENCOREARC/RES/ABFL/PE/2526/0901 Date: 12.09.2025

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| **M/s. Prakash Enterprises** B-25/1591, New Shiv Puri, Near Amar Sweet, Ludhiana Punjab-141008 **Also At:** Khasra No. 307/1/5-6, Village Tarakh Sekhewal Tehsil & District Ludhiana Punjab-141007 | **Mrs. Vandana Bajaj** B-25/1591, New Shiv Puri, Near Amar Sweet, Ludhiana Punjab-141008 **Also At:** Khasra No. 307/1/5-6, Village Tarakh Sekhewal Tehsil & District Ludhiana Punjab-141007 |
| **Mr. Robin Bajaj** B-25/1591, New Shiv Puri, Near Amar Sweet, Ludhiana Punjab-141008 **Also At:** Khasra No. 307/1/5-6, Village Tarakh Sekhewal Tehsil & District Ludhiana Punjab-141007 | **Mr. Satish Bajaj** B-25/1591, New Shiv Puri, Near Amar Sweet, Ludhiana Punjab-141008 **Also At:** Khasra No. 307/1/5-6, Village Tarakh Sekhewal Tehsil & District Ludhiana Punjab-141007 |

**Dear Sir/Madam,**

**Sub: Notice for Sale of Secured Asset of M/s. Prakash Enterprises ("Borrower") under Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 ("Rules") read with Section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, symbolic possession of which has been taken over under Section 13(4) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("SARFAESI Act") read with Rules**

As you are aware that pursuant to the provisions of the SARFAESI Act, Encore Asset Reconstruction Company Pvt. Ltd. **("Encore ARC")** has acquired the financial assistance granted to the Borrower by the Aditya Birla Capital Limited ("ABCL") along with all underlying securities vide Assignment Agreement dated 31.12.2024.

Prior to the acquisition of the financial assistance by Encore ARC, the ABCL had issued a notice under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act on 21.02.2024 advising you to pay the dues as mentioned therein. As you have failed & neglected to pay the dues within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice issued under Section 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act, the Authorised Officer of the ABCL took over the symbolic possession of the immovable Secured Asset, as per the description given below on 10.05.2024. That, pursuant to the aforesaid assignment, the symbolic possession of the Secured Asset lies with the Authorised Officer of Encore ARC.

Please treat this as 30 days' notice under Rule 8(6) of the Rules. Upon expiry of the notice period of 30 days', the Authorised Officer of Encore ARC shall take steps for selling the Secured Asset as more particularly mentioned hereinbelow by way of public e-auction/private treaty or any other modes provided under the Rules.

**Description of Secured Asset:**

"All that part and parcel of the property bearing Khasra 307/1/5-6, Village Tarakh Sekhewal, Tehsil & District Ludhiana Punjab-141007 measuring 200 Sq. Yards Boundaries: East- Bakhtawar, 36'0" West- Street, 36'0" North- Portion of Plot, 50'0" South- Bakhtawar, 50'0"

In case of sale by way of public e-auction, the detailed terms and conditions of the sale including reserve price, earnest money deposit etc. will also be uploaded on Encore ARC's website i.e. https://www.encorearc.com and https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net/EPROC/ as per Rule 8 (7) of Rules, simultaneously with the publication of public e-Auction sale notice in the Form given in Appendix-IV A.

The Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, in respect of time available to redeem the Secured Asset by repaying the entire dues of Rs. 1,08,01,367/- (Rupees One Crore Eight Lakhs One Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Seven Only) outstanding as on 31.10.2024, from 01.11.2024 together with future interest, charges & costs thereon.

A final opportunity is being given to Borrower/Mortgagor(s)/Guarantor(s) to redeem the Secured Asset accordingly, failing which, Encore ARC in its capacity as Trustee of EARC-BANK-032-TRUST shall proceed with the sale of the aforesaid Secured Asset as per the Rules.

**Yours faithfully,**
**Sachin Kumar (Authorised Officer)**
**For Encore Asset Reconstruction Company Private Limited**
**(Acting in its capacity as the trustee of EARC-BANK-032-TRUST)**

# Shalini Pandey teams up with Dhanush, Nithya Menen for 'Idli Kadai'



Actor Shalini Pandey is all set to join Dhanush in his much-awaited fourth directorial film 'Idli Kadai'.The makers confirmed the news on Saturday with a special poster introducing her character.Shalini, who was last seen in 'Maharaj' and Netflix's Dabba Cartel, will be playing the role of Meera in the film. She will share the screen with Dhanush, Nithya Menen, and Arun Vijay.The makers took to their Instagram account to welcome the actress, along with a caption that read, "Introducing the pretty @shalzp as MEERA #IdliKadai - in theatres from October 1st."Take a look:

Recently, on Ganesh Chaturthi, the second track from the film's album was also released.The song, titled Enjaami Thandhaane, is a lively rural folk number composed by GV Prakash Kumar. It was released on Wednesday, August 27, and quickly caught fans' attention.The track has been sung by Dhanush himself, with rap portions by Arivu and additional vocals by Sublahshini. GV Prakash Kumar, who recently won the National Award for Vaathi, has composed the music.

Directed by Dhanush, Idli Kadai stars him in the lead, alongside Nithya Menen. The film will hit theatres on October 1. The two actors previously worked together in the 2022 hit Thiruchitrambalam.The film is being produced under Dhanush's banner Wunderbar Films in collaboration with Aakash Baskaran's Dawn Pictures. Shalini Pandey, who rose to fame with her role in Maharaj, received praise for her performance alongside Junaid Khan. The film revolved around the true events of the Maharaj Libel Case of 1862, where a social reformer and journalist (played by Junaid Khan) sued a powerful religious leader (played by Jaideep Ahlawat) for defamation after exposing his inappropriate conduct with female disciples in his newspaper.

## Chunky Panday drops a glimpse of Dharmendra giving the mahurat clap for 'Vishwatma'



**MUMBAI:** Actor Chunky Pandey used social media to drop a rare glimpse of the launch party of his 1992 release, "Vishwatma". The clip opened with a large crowd at the celebration, with Dharmendra greeting those present. We could also see Kiran Kumar, Raza Murad, and Sangeeta Bijlani in attendance.

Dharmendra gave the mahurat clap, after which leads - Sunny Deol, Naseeruddin Shah, and Chunky Pandey made a splendid entry on stage.

Directed by Rajiv Rai and produced by Gulshan Rai, "Vishwatma" enjoys an ensemble cast of Naseeruddin Shah, Sunny Deol, Chunky Pandey, Sonam, late Divya Bharti, Jyostna Singh, Raza Murad, Gulshan Grover, and Amrish Puri, along with others. The project marked Divya's debut in Bollywood.

Touted to be the most expensive Indian film of its time, the movie was extensively shot in Kenya, making it the first Bollywood drama to be shot in the country.

The "Saat Samundar Paar" song from the album shot at Bubbles Discothèque in Nairobi struck a chord with the audience and still remains a fan favourite. "Vishwatma" received a lot of critical acclaim, being praised for its screenplay and action sequences. The project earned over ₹95 million in its total lifetime, becoming the sixth highest-grossing Indian film of 1992.

# 'Janaawar' trailer out: Bhuvan Arora plays an honest cop




Actor Bhuvan Arora, who gained fame with his supporting role in the series 'Farzi' alongside Shahid Kapoor, is set to play the lead role in the upcoming crime drama 'Janaawar'. The makers have released the trailer of the series. 'Janaawar', a fictional investigative crime drama set in the restless town of Chhand, is directed by Shachindra Vats and is produced by Aarambh Entertainment Pvt. Ltd. Joining Bhuvan in the pivotal roles include Bhagwan Tiwari, Atul Kale, Vaibhav Yashvir, Eshika Dey, Vinod Suryavanshi, Amit Sharma, Badrul Islam, and Deekshha Sonalkar Tham.The trailer introduces audiences to the town of Chhand, where Hemant Kumar (Bhuvan Arora), a committed cop, is drawn into a chilling web of crime.A headless corpse, missing gold, and a vanished man shake the fragile peace of the town, forcing Hemant to grapple not only with a dangerous investigation but also with the systemic bias and personal struggles weighing on him.At one point in the trailer, Bhuvan was heard saying that he feels more stuck as he tries to dig deeper into the case. Known to many as Chhand ka Milkha, Hemant must navigate a maze of hidden secrets where every man carries a beast within--some succeed in taming it, while others set it free.In the end, the trailer poses a question: who will be the hunter and who will be the prey? The streaming platform Zee5 shared the trailer of the series on their Instagram handle on Saturday.

Speaking about the trailer, Bhuvan Arora said, "Janaawar - The Beast Within is the kind of story that tests you not just as an actor, but as a human being. Playing Hemant Kumar was emotionally demanding because he carries so many battles like his duty, his identity, his family, and his inner demons. The trailer gives audiences just a glimpse of the intensity and scale of the world we've built, and I can't wait for the audience to discover the layers of Hemant's journey through the story," as quoted in a press note by Zee5.The series is set to stream on the streaming platform Zee5 on September 26, 2025.

# Ishaan Khatter, Vishal Jethwa starrer 'Homebound' release date out



The critically acclaimed film 'Homebound', which stars Ishaan Khatter and Vishal Jethwa in the lead roles, is finally set to release in theatres in India. After garnering fame at international film festivals like Cannes 2025 and the Toronto International Film Festival, the Neeraj Ghaywan directorial is set to hit the theatres in India on September 26, 2025. Produced under the banner of Dharma Productions, 'Homebound' also stars Janhvi Kapoor in the lead role. Taking to their Instagram handle, Dharma Productions shared the release date of the movie on Saturday."No feeling is final. #Homebound is releasing in cinemas on 26th September, worldwide," wrote Dharma Productions.

As per Variety, 'Homebound' revolves around two childhood friends from a small North Indian village who chase a police job that promises them the dignity they've long been denied. But as they inch closer to their dream, mounting desperation threatens the bond that holds them together.Director Neeraj Ghaywan described 'Homebound' as "a deeply personal story about friendship, dignity, and survival.""It's about people who are often unseen, and the quiet strength they carry in a world that rarely pauses for them," said the director, adding that he hopes the film "helps us look closer--with empathy--and see what we've been conditioned to ignore."Legendary filmmaker Martin Scorsese serves as an executive producer on the film.In an official note shared by the film's team, Martin Scorsese praised 'Homebound' prior to its screening in Cannes 2025 earlier this year. "I have seen Neeraj's first film Masaan in 2015 and I loved it, so when Melita Toscan du Plantier sent me the project of his second film, I was curious. I loved the story, the culture, and was willing to help. Neeraj has made a beautifully crafted film that's a significant contribution to Indian Cinema.

## Shankar Mahadevan, Usha Uthup, others to enthrall Mumbai in a music extravaganza



Mumbaikars are in for a musical treat. Several renowned music sensations such as Shankar Mahadevan, Salim-Sulaiman Merchant, Anu Malik, Farhan Akhtar, Shaan, Tanishk Bagchi, and Usha Uthup have come on board to perform at Bollywood Music Project 2025. On the opening day, Shankar Mahadevan along with Ehsaan Noorani and Loy will headline with a power-packed three-hour showcase of timeless classics such as Dil Chahta Hai and Kal Ho Na Ho. Farhan Akhtar and Shaan will take the stage with their popular hits.

Percussion maestro Sivamani will unleash a world-percussion odyssey of konnakol, jazz syncopations and tribal rhythms, while Siddharth and Shivam Mahadevan will layer contemporary ghazal and devotional interpretations over lush electronic textures, read a press note. Anu Malik will take the stage, infusing fresh energy into his iconic '90s hits like 'Ek Garam Chai Ki Pyali Ho' and 'Uchi Hai Building.' Baba Sehgal and Kunal Ganjawala will also perform.Excited about the gig, Salim-Sulaiman Merchant said, "Every live performance is a new story, a fresh connection with the audience. The Bollywood Music Project is the perfect place to celebrate the journey of Bollywood music, its evolution, and its power to unite. We're thrilled to bring our music to Mumbai, interact with fans, and share an evening filled with rhythm, melody, and pure joy."Bollywood Music Project 2025 returns for its eighth edition on October 4-5, 2025 at Jio World Garden.

## Rameet Sandhu bids goodbye to Chhoriyan Chali Gaon with a heart full of gratitude



**CHANDIGARH:** Zee TV's reality show Chhoriyan Chali Gaon continues to strike a chord with audiences, with the inspiring transformations of the girls as they adapt to the realities of Bamuliya gaon. This week, viewers witnessed another heartfelt exit as Rameet Sandhu left the show for the second time, wrapping up a journey that added new experiences and deeper reflections to her story.

Rameet's comeback after her first elimination was marked by determination and an eagerness to seize every opportunity, making it all the more emotional to see her leave again. During her return, she brought fresh energy to tasks such as the postman challenge, where her enthusiasm stood out, and the household chores training sparking both laughs and thought. A particularly moving moment was in the family's episode, when her mother flew in all the way from the UK to see her which was an emotional reunion that gave Rameet renewed strength and joy in the gaon.

Sharing her thoughts, Rameet Sandhu said, "Leaving the gaon for the second time is bittersweet, but when I look back, I feel so enriched by this journey. This show has given me the chance to truly step out of my comfort zone and discover new sides of myself.

## Miss International India 2025 Roosh Sindhu gets grand homecoming in Nagpur




Newly crowned Miss International India 2025, Roosh Sindhu, received a grand homecoming, after winning the title, at Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar International Airport in Nagpur on Friday. Friends, family, and fans gathered to greet her with flowers, cheers, and warm smiles. Speaking to the media at the airport, Roosh said she was "grateful" and happy to see the love coming her way. "I am so grateful for this. I am so happy. There is immense support from all around the world...After the crowning, this is the first time I am meeting my family...."

Talking about her journey, she acknowledged that challenges will always be part of it, but she remains determined. "Challenges are always there... I am doing my 100% to prepare the best...I am extremely confident because this is the 63rd edition of Miss International, which is something that is very special, a lot of fan support is there with India...," Roosh added. Miss International India 2025 took place in Jaipur. Roosh is not only a professional model but also an author, mental health activist, and TEDx speaker. She holds a Journalism degree and a Fashion Design certification from INIFD.She will now represent India at the 63rd Miss International 2025 pageant in Japan in November later this year.

## Shots fired outside Disha Patani's Bareilly residence

Two unidentified people opened fire at Bollywood actor Disha Patani's residence at Civil Lines, Bareilly, during the wee hours of Friday.SSP Bareilly, Anurag Arya, confirmed the incident, stating that two motorbike-borne individuals arrived at the actor's residence and opened fire around 3:30 am."We received the information about the firing at retired CO Jagdish Patani by two unidentified motorbike-borne assailants. Police teams were immediately sent at the site. An FIR has been registered at the Kotwali police station under various sections. Armed police personnel have been deployed for the protection of the family members," he said. The SSP also shared that five teams have been formed under SP City and SP Crime for further investigation."We will take strict action against the involved accused. I personally met the family and have assured them of their safety," he said.

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