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Chief Minister, Haryana

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On the path from Resolution to Accomplishment, the Government of Haryana had taken 217 public welfare resolutions a year ago. Out of these, 46 resolutions have been successfully completed, while work on the remaining resolutions is progressing steadily.

Key Resolutions

Women Empowerment

- 1 Under **Deen Dayal Lado Laxmi Yojana**, financial assistance of ₹ 2,100 per month to women.
- 2 Under the **Har Ghar Har Grehni Yojana**, LPG cylinders are being provided to Antyodaya and BPL families for ₹ 500 only

Youth Empowerment

- 3 Within hours of new cabinet formation, **Group-C Govt. Jobs** given to 24,000 youth.
- 4 Around 13.50 lakh youth took the **CET exam** in July, 2025 for Group C posts.
- 5 Scholarship of ₹60,000 per year from class 6th to 12th, ₹72,000 per year for graduation and ₹96,000 per year for post graduation to every child of martyred soldiers.
- 6 **Law implemented** to eradicate the problem of donkey route.

Farmers' Welfare

- 7 A law of **Five-Year imprisonment**, to manufacturers and suppliers of **adulterated fertilizers, seeds and pesticides, implemented.**
- 8 Procurement of all **24 crops** at Minimum Support Price (MSP).
- 9 Farmers are being paid through DBT within **48 hours** for their procured crops.

Antyodaya

- 10 **Free dialysis** service for kidney patients in all District **Government hospitals and medical colleges.**
- 11 **Land ownership rights** given to all families holding land in rural or urban areas for more than 20 years.
- 12 Under **Ayushman Bharat Scheme**, **free treatment of up to ₹ 5 lakh** to the elderly above 70 years of age.



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NEWS BRIEFS

Shilpa Shetty withdraws plea in HC seeking nod to travel abroad

MUMBAI: Actor Shilpa Shetty, embroiled in a Rs 60-crore cheating case with her businessman husband Raj Kundra, on Thursday told the Bombay High Court she was withdrawing her application seeking permission to travel abroad as the plans did not materialise. Shetty's advocate Niranjan Mundargi submitted to a bench of Chief Justice Shree Chandrashekhar and Justice Gautam Ankhad that the actor was withdrawing her application.

AI pilot's father moves SC for judicial inquiry into Ahmedabad crash

NEW DELHI: Pushkaraj Sabharwal, father of deceased Captain Sumeet Sabharwal, and the Federation of Indian Pilots have moved the Supreme Court seeking a court-monitored inquiry headed by a former apex court judge into the on June 12 crash of Air India flight AI171 in Ahmedabad that killed 260 people.

On September 22, the top court said certain aspects of the AAIB preliminary report on the crash indicated lapses on the part of pilots, and had issued notices to the Centre and the Director General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) on another plea seeking an independent, fair and expeditious probe. Pushkaraj Sabharwal, 91, has sought a "fair, transparent and technically robust" investigation into the tragic incident.

SC to hear Bihar SIR voter list case on November 4

NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court on Thursday posted for hearing on November 4 a batch of petitions challenging the Election Commission of India's move to conduct Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Bihar. As the petitioner tells the court that the ECI should separately publish the list of deleted and added voters, the Supreme Court observes that the poll panel is aware of its responsibility to disclose the voter data on completion of the recently-concluded SIR. Earlier, the Supreme Court asked the Bihar State Legal Service Authority (BSLSA).

Sensex jumps 862 points

MUMBAI: Domestic equity benchmark indices on Thursday witnessed a sharp rally buoyed by positive global cues and renewed optimism surrounding India-US trade discussions. At the end of the trading session today, Nifty50 at the National Stock Exchange (NSE) was up 261.75 points at 25,585.30, while BSE Sensex stood at 83,467.66, up 862.23 points. Both Sensex and Nifty rose over one per cent each during the trading session. The rally was largely driven by heavyweight large-cap stocks, with Axis Bank, Kotak Mahindra Bank, ICICI Bank, and Reliance Industries contributing significantly to the upmove. On the sectoral front,

21st century belongs to India, country to be "Viksit Bharat" by 2047: PM

AGENCY
KURNOOL, OCT 16

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday said that the 21st century belongs to 140 crore Indians and that the country will become "Viksit Bharat" (Developed India) by 2047.

Hailing the country's Make in India ecosystem, he said "we saw the might" of home made "things" in Operation Sindoor, the military offensive launched at crossborder terror launchpads in Pakistan, post the April 22 Pahalgam terror attack.

"By 2047, centenary year of Independence, Viksit Bharat will happen," the PM said in his address after inaugurating and laying the foundation stones for projects worth over Rs 13,000 crore.

"I can say confidently that 21st century is going to be India's," Modi added.

The PM further said Andhra Pradesh now has visionary leadership in Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu and his deputy Pawan Kalyan and that there was full cooperation from the Central government to the state.

He said with Google's AI Hub investment, a new international sub-sea gateway will be developed in which several countries' under-sea cable systems are linked. They will come up to Visakhapatnam on the eastern shore.

"In the last 16 months, the vehicle of development is moving very fast in Andhra Pradesh and unprecedented progress is taking place in the double engine government," he said.



Worships Mallikarjuna Swamy, performs pooja

KURNOOL : Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday worshipped Lord Mallikarjuna Swamy and Goddess Bramarambhika Devi at the famous hill shrine Srisailem.

The Prime Minister performed Rudrabhisekham with Panchamrutalu to the Lord Mallikarjuna Swamy and Kumkumarchana and Khadgamala to the goddess Bramarambhika Devi in the temple. He also worshipped the sacred Dwajasthambam and Nandi in the temple.

The Prime Minister went to the temple in traditional attire. The priests of the temple blessed him and offered prasadam. Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu and Deputy Chief Minister K Pawan Kalyan accompanied the Prime Minister. Earlier, he was welcomed by the temple officials and priests at the temple. Later the Prime Minister visited Shivaji Spoorthi Kendram in Srisailem. He saw the sculptors and portraits of Chatrapati Shivaji, Darbar hall and meditation hall.

Diversifying energy procurement: India in response to Trump's oil trade claim



UNI
NEW DELHI, OCT 16

India on Thursday said it is "broad-basing and diversifying" its sourcing of energy to meet market conditions, hours after US President Donald Trump claimed that Prime Minister Narendra Modi assured him that New Delhi will stop procuring Russian crude oil.

External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal, responding to Trump's remarks, said it has been New Delhi's consistent priority to safeguard the interests of the Indian consumer in a volatile energy scenario.

He said India's import policies are guided entirely by national interest, adding India has been looking at expanding energy ties with the US as well.

"Ensuring stable energy prices and secured supplies have been the twin goals of our energy policy," he said.

"This includes broad-basing our energy sourcing and diversifying as appropriate to

meet market conditions," Jaiswal added.

India's continuing purchase of petroleum products from Russia notwithstanding Western sanctions have become a major issue that resulted in severe downturn in ties between New Delhi and Washington.

In Washington, Trump told reporters that "he (Modi) has assured me there will be no oil purchases from Russia."

The US president said India may not be able to cut the procurement immediately but the process has started.

"It (process) has started. He can't do it immediately. It's a little bit of a process, but the process is going to be over soon," the US president said.

In his remarks, Jaiswal noted that India is holding talks with the Trump administration on boosting bilateral energy ties.

"Where the US is concerned, we have for many years sought to expand our energy procurement. This has steadily progressed in the last decade," he said.

Punjab DIG Bhullar caught red-handed accepting bribe, arrested by CBI

BUREAU CHANDIGARH: Harcharan Bhullar, DIG posted in Ropar range in Punjab, was on Thursday arrested in a corruption case. He was caught red-handed accepting a bribe during a major operation carried out by CBI in the state. The investigating agency was conducting searches at several locations linked to Harcharan Bhullar. The CBI received a complaint in this case some time ago. Based on the complaint, the CBI expanded the scope of the investigation.

It should be noted that the DIG had established a system for accepting bribes for a long time. The DIG was caught red-handed while accepting Rs 5 lakh as bribe from a complainant based in Fatehgarh Sahib. The complainant stated that the DIG demanded a large sum of money to settle

a case and summoned him to the Mohali office to pay the first instalment. Based on this information, the CBI carried out a raid and arrested him on the spot.



According to information received, the CBI conducted searches at his residences in Ropar and Chandigarh. Notably, the CBI has been conducting surveillance for the past 10 days to arrest officers involved in accepting bribe.

Hry CM to highlight one year achievements of his govt today

BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, OCT 16

Haryana Chief Minister Sh. Nayab Singh Saini will address a state-level function marking the completion of one year of the present state government at the Indradhanush Auditorium, Panchkula, tomorrow. The event will highlight the government's key achievements, flagship initiatives and the roadmap for the coming years.

In this connection, Chief Secretary Sh. Anurag Rastogi today chaired a high-level review meeting to take stock of the preparations for the celebration. He directed all Deputy Commissioners to organize district-level programmes, which will be followed



by a live broadcast of the Chief Minister's address from the state-level function.

The meeting was informed that Chief Minister Sh. Nayab Singh Saini

will distribute development grants to Panchayats and Urban Local Bodies and hand over plot allotment letters to beneficiaries under the Mukhya Mantri Gramin Awas Yojana 2.0 (Phase-II) during the event.

The Chief Secretary emphasized ensuring smooth arrangements, wide public participation and proper dissemination of the government's achievements at both state and district levels. He also instructed departments to coordinate effectively for security, media coverage, public outreach, and on-ground logistics to make the event a success.

Director General, Information, Public Relations, Languages & Culture, Sh. K. Makarand Pandurang in-

formed that a Coffee Table Book/Booklet on One-year achievements of the state government shall also be launched by the Chief Minister on the occasion.

Commissioner & Secretary, Housing for All, Mohammed Shayin, Commissioner & Secretary, Industries & Commerce, Dr. Amit Kumar Agrawal, Additional Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Dr. Saket Kumar, Director General, Urban Local Bodies, Sh. Pankaj, Special Secretary, Personnel, Training and Parliamentary Affairs, Dr. Aditya Dahiya, and other senior officers were present in the meeting while the Deputy Commissioners joined the meeting via video conferencing.

All 16 ministers in Gujarat submit resignations to CM Patel ahead of cabinet expansion

GANDHINAGAR: A day ahead of the planned cabinet expansion in Gujarat, all 16 ministers except Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel resigned on Thursday, BJP sources said.

The swearing-in ceremony for the designated ministers in the expansion of Gujarat Chief Minister's cabinet will be held on Friday, October 17, at 11:30 AM at Mahatma Mandir in Gandhinagar, stated a release. Governor Acharya Devvraji will administer the oath of office and secrecy to the designated ministers included in this expansion of the State Cabinet during the ceremony. Earlier in the day, the CM performed the bell-ringing ceremony at the Mumbai National Stock Exchange to mark the listing of Surat Municipal Corporation's Municipal Green Bond, in the presence of Mayor

Daxesh Mavani. On this occasion, the Chief Minister stated that through the issuance of green municipal bonds worth Rs 200 crore, Surat Municipal Corporation has involved citizens as partners in green and sustainable development. The over-subscription of Surat's Green Bond by eight times reflects investors' enthusiasm for investing in green bonds. The farsighted planning of Surat Municipal Corporation will further accelerate the city's development. He mentioned that in line with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's goal of achieving a net-zero carbon footprint by 2070, the state government has placed special emphasis on green growth and green mobility. Under the leadership of the Prime Minister, India has maintained a commendable balance between ecology.

ASI Sandeep cremated, Manohar Lal promises govt job to wife



JIND: ASI Sandeep Lathar was cremated in his native village of Julana in Jind district on Thursday. His funeral was held with full state honors. His eight-year-old son, Vihaan, lit the funeral pyre. A large number of people had gathered to pay their last respects to departed soul. ASI Sandeep Lathar, a member of the Haryana Police Cyber Cell, underwent a post-mortem examination at the Rohtak PGI on Thursday morning. The family members left Rohtak for their native village of Julana in a special police van decorated with flowers. Ministers Krishan Lal Panwar, Shruti Chaudhary, and DGP OP Singh also attended Sandeep's funeral. Wrestler and Congress MLA Vinesh Phogat specially met with the ASI's wife. The family demanded that action be taken against the accused first. Late Wednesday night, the family agreed to a post-mortem, after which the body was transferred from Ladhaut village to the PGI mortuary. The post-mortem process began in the morning. Meanwhile, Union Minister Manohar Lal Khattar met with the family to offer condolences and assured them that the government would provide a government job to the ASI's wife and cover the education expenses of their children. It should be noted that after the suicide of ASI Sandeep Lathar, his three-page suicide note and a six-minute video, made serious allegations, causing a stir within the Haryana police and administration. He had accused IPS officer Y. Puran Kumar and his family of corruption, harassment, and systemic manipulation. On this basis, the police have registered an FIR against IAS Amneet Kumar, AAP MLA Amit Mann and gunman Sushil Kumar.

CM Mann to invite Prez, PM to attend events to mark 350th martyrdom day of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur

BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, OCT 16

Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann will formally extend an invitation to the President of India Droupadi Murmu and Prime Minister Narendra Modi to attend series of events being organised by the state government to commemorate 350th martyrdom day.

An official spokesperson said that the Chief Minister on the behalf of the state government will extend invitation to these dignitaries to be a part of the commemorative events. He said that a detailed official programme of events will be shared with both, the President and the Prime Minister, and

they will be requested by the Chief Minister to attend as per their convenience. The state government will make complete logistic and security arrangements for this gala event to make this a memorable experience for one and all by joining the auspicious event.

Pertinently, under the leadership of the Chief Minister, the state government has already chalked a number of events to commemorate this once in a lifetime event across the state in a befitting manner. On the historic occasion of the 350th Martyrdom Day of the 'Hind Di Chadar' (Protector of India), Sri Guru Teg Bahadur Sahib Ji, the Punjab Government will organize grand and historic events. These series



of events will be organized with deep reverence and respect across the state and these historic events will primarily take place on the sacred land of Sri Anandpur Sahib under the auspices of the state government.

The underlying message of the series of events will be to encourage the people to follow the high ideals of secularism, humanism and spirit of sacri-

fice as preached and practiced by the Ninth Guru Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur ji, who had laid down his life to protect the right of freedom to worship and preserve human rights along with secular values. The supreme sacrifice of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur ji was unique and unparalleled in the history of mankind and symbolized the crusade against injustice, tyranny and oppression. The Bani of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur ji in Sri Guru Granth Sahib preach oneness of mankind, universal brotherhood, valour, righteousness and compassion. These series of events organised by the state government will be a real homage to the great Sikh Guru and inspire the people to follow their teachings in true spirit.

Garbage dumped on Dabreda panchayat road sparks anger among villagers, police begins probe

RAJNEESH SHARMA
HAMIRPUR: Garbage has been dumped on the main road of Dabreda Gram Panchayat in Hamirpur district for the past few days, reportedly brought from outside the area. In the early hours of the morning, vehicles arrive and unload

heaps of waste between Dugli village and ITI Lambhu. The foul smell has made it difficult for pedestrians and nearby residents. Villagers allege that the garbage does not belong to local residents but is being brought from outside and dumped at night. Plastic bags



and other waste materials are scattered along the roadside, adding to the growing concern.

NEWS BRIEF

Rovers grand welcome in College



AVINASH CHAUHAN
AMB: The boys of Rovers and Rangers unit of Government College Amb participated in the Nipun camp organized at Rewalsar district Mandi. Eight Rovers participated in the Nipun camp which ran from 9th to 13th October and all the Rovers successfully passed the Nipun exam. The Rovers who participated in this included Mukul Sharma, Ishaan Verma, Ajay Kumar, Chirag, Surya, Raman, Arshit Baba and Aryan. On this occasion, College Principal Professor Darshan Kumar congratulated all the Rovers and motivated them to participate in such positive activities in future. College staff Professor Amit Sharma, Dr Anay Kumar, Dr Pawan Patial along with Rover Adult Leader Dr Rajesh Thakur were present.

Robotic surgery to be introduced in IGMC Shimla: CM Sukhu



DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, OCT 16

IGMC, Shimla would soon have the facility of robotic surgery after Super specialty hospital Chamiyana (Shimla) and Tanda medical college. Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu disclosed this while chairing a meeting of health department here on Wednesday evening. He said that 40 beds would be allotted in IGMC, Shimla for robotic surgery for patients of the

Kamla Nehru Hospital (KNH), Shimla. He said that the state government was providing the state-of-the-art machinery to the hospital to provide best medical care for the people of the State. He directed to start robotic surgery for gyne patients and added that the gynecologists at KNH would also perform elective surgery in IGMC and the KNH administration would deploy a team for these surgeries at IGMC so that female patients could easily get treatment facilities at both the

Congress leader demands three CBSE schools in Jogindernagar constituency

DINESH AGARWAL

SHIMLA : The Congress candidate from Jogindernagar Assembly constituency of Mandi district Jiwan Thakur called on Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu here today and discussed various demands of the area. He demanded to introduce CBSE curriculum in Government Senior Secondary Schools Jogindernagar, Chontra and Ladbhadol of his constituency. The Chief Minister assured him to consider his demands sympathetically. Jiwan Thakur also presented a cheque of Rs. 11,000 to the Chief Minister on behalf of Mahila Mandal Tikku of his area towards the Chief Minister's Relief Fund on the occasion. The Chief Minister thanked this noble gesture and said that such contributions go a long way in helping the needy in distress.



hospitals. The Chief Minister said that there would be three month trial for robotic and elective surgery at IGMC and further changes, if required, would be made accordingly. Sukhu said that a diagnostic laboratory was being set up at IGMC for which Rs. 25 crore had been released to the college

administration. After the test starts, the gynecologists of KNH would also benefit a lot in treating female patients as they would be able to get accurate test reports. Secretary, Health M. Sudha Devi, Director, Health Education Rakesh Sharma and the gynecologists form KHN attended the meeting.

Clear weather in state until Diwali

AGENCY
SHIMLA, OCT 16

There has been clear and sunny weather in most parts of Himachal Pradesh since this morning.

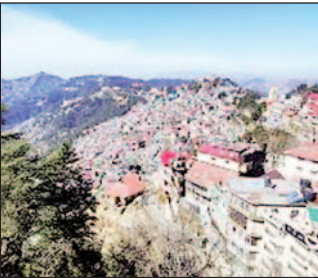
The mountains have been experiencing pleasant weather for the past week, attracting tourists from across the country.

Reports reaching here say that there is a huge rush of tourists in places like Shimla, Manali, Kullu, Dharamshala, and Chamba.

According to the Meteorological Center, Shimla, the weather will be completely clear in the state till Diwali. Temperatures will remain around normal.

Currently, the average minimum temperature in the state is 0.6 degrees above normal, while the maximum temperature remains normal.

During the past 24 hours, maximum temperatures in Shimla, Kalpa, and Reckong Peo recorded a slight drop.



However, minimum temperatures remain above normal in most cities.

The night temperatures will decrease from October 22.

The maximum temperature in Reckong Peo recorded a drop of 3.4 degrees to 24.0 degrees Celsius.

The temperature in Kalpa has dropped by 3.0 degrees to 20.8 degrees Celsius, and Shimla's temperature has dropped by 1.4 degrees to 21.0 degrees Celsius.

Regarding the minimum temperature, Palampur's temperature has dropped by 3 degrees to 11 degrees Celsius.

Channelize energy for Nation-building, not conflicts: Governor to youth

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, OCT 16

Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla while inaugurating the Model United Nations and Youth Parliament in the HP University today said that India was a young Nation and the creativity and energy of its youth would shape it into a developed country in near future. The seminar was organized under the Viksit Bharat@2047 initiative by the Union Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports and Himachal Pradesh University.

The Governor said that such events serve as a powerful platform to channelize the energy and intellect of the youth, inspiring them to contribute meaningfully towards the vision of a developed India by



year 2047. He appreciated that students were discussing national and global issues while keeping their culture alive. "This cultural awareness is the soul of our democracy," he said. Speaking about Gen-Z, he said that the youth of Himachal Pradesh stand out for their deep-rooted connection with their culture and traditions. He added that he has personally witnessed

their active participation in preserving and promoting these values during events like the Kullu Dussehra and other religious festivities. "In Kullu Dussehra, the young devotees pull the chariot of Lord Raghunath with immense reverence, reflecting their unwavering respect for our cultural heritage," he remarked, adding that such spirit and devotion among the

youth would once again help India emerge as a Vishvaguru. He said the youth were not just the present but the future of the country, carrying forward Himachal's simplicity, honesty and humanity. "Channel your energy for Nation-building, not conflicts," he appealed to the youth." The Governor emphasized that the real strength of democracy lies in diversity of thought and reminded the youth that the 'Rights come with Responsibilities'. He praised Prime Minister Narendra Modi's 'Panch Sankalp', saying it aligns with the spirit of this initiative and is a step towards building a new India. He called upon the youth to contribute through their ideas, ideals, and actions to achieve Viksit Bharat by 2047.

HPSPCB organises awareness campaigns for celebrating 'Green Deepawali'

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, OCT 16

On the directions of Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu, the H.P State Pollution Control Board (HPSPCB) organized mass awareness campaigns in the government schools across the State to spread a message of celebrating clean and green Diwali to reduce the air and noise pollution.

The Board organised the programmes in educational institutions of Bilaspur, Kangra, Shimla, Chamba, Una, Sirmaur, Solan and Hamirpur districts.

The Central Laboratory of the HPSPCB, Parwanoo celebrated "Swachh Deepawali, Harit Deepawali" theme on Wednesday at Government



Senior Secondary School, Patta Masulkhana and Parwanoo in alignment with the 'Harit Deepawali' initiative. The slogan writing and Rangoli competitions were organized followed by the mass awareness rally by students of the schools to create the awareness among general public about ill effects of bursting of crackers. Similarly, the HPSPCB Regional

Laboratory, Paonta Sahib also organized an awareness program on "Swachh Deepawali, Harit Deepawali" at PM SHRI Government Senior Secondary and Primary School, Bechar Ka Baag in Sirmaur district. The initiative aimed to inspire students and the community to celebrate a pollution-free and eco-friendly Deepawali. The creative competitions

like poster making, slogan writing, and declamation ignited enthusiasm among students. Young participants showcased their talent and shared powerful messages through their artwork and speeches. Dr. Hitender Kumar Sharma, Principal Scientific Officer, delivered a lecture on the ill effects of firecrackers and urged everyone to choose a greener way of celebrating Deepawali for a healthier environment. A student rally through the village further spread the message of sustainable celebrations. The winners were honoured with certificates and prizes for their commendable efforts. The event successfully planted the seeds of environmental responsibility in young minds.

Intelligence Department, Anti-Narcotics Task Force organise workshop on drug trafficking

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA: A workshop was organized under the aegis of the State Intelligence Department, Anti-Narcotics Task Force, at the DRDA office in Dharamshala. The workshop was chaired by Additional Director General of Police, State Intelligence, Gyaneshwar Singh. Courier agency operators from Una, Chamba, and Kangra districts were invited to the workshop, with 89 courier operators attending. During the workshop, Superintendent of Police, ANTF, Arvind Digvijay Singh Negi, raised awareness among participants about the misuse of courier services by criminals as a safe alternative to drug trafficking. Additional Director General of Police, State Intelligence, Gyaneshwar Singh, Indian Police, effectively sensitized participants on this topic through various examples. Participants were informed about the precautions courier companies can take to identify suspicious consignments. Participants were also provided with detailed information on the subject. Practical suggestions were provided during the workshop to bring transparency to courier services. In the second session, a detailed discussion was held with hotel owners from McLeodganj and Dharamshala regarding rave parties, attended by 19 hotel owners. Superintendent of Police Arvind Digvijay Negi explained various legal provisions in this regard to the participants. Hotel owners were informed that creating noise pollution by playing music above the prescribed volume limit at night is illegal and should adhere to the established limits. Participants were also cautioned against allowing anyone to consume prohibited drugs in their hotels. If anyone does so, they should report the matter to the police. Additional Director General of Police (CID) Gyaneshwar Singh took suggestions from attendees and addressed their concerns.

BJP slams Congress for ignoring statewide monsoon devastation

AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY
BILASPUR, OCT 16

Bhartiya Janata Party (BJP) State Chief Spokesperson and MLA from Sri Naina Devi assembly constituency Randhir Sharma launched a sharp attack on the Congress government, accusing it of showing apathy towards the massive destruction caused by this year's monsoon across Himachal Pradesh. He stated that despite over 300 deaths, 50 missing persons, 1,700 houses completely reduced to rubble, and 7,500 partially damaged, the government has failed to provide a statewide special relief package, discriminating between districts by extending special aid only to Mandi district.

Addressing the media, Sharma said that more than 100 houses collapsed in the Sri Naina Devi constituency alone, yet the affected



families received a meagre Rs. 5,000 as immediate relief, which he termed a humiliation rather than help. He pointed out that 8,500 cattle sheds were also destroyed, but compensation remains grossly insufficient. He alleged that while people deserved Rs. 7 lakh under a special relief package, they were restricted to just Rs. 1.3 lakh, which is only meant for partially damaged structures.

Sharma questioned the government's double

standards, highlighting that while it moved a proposal in the Assembly to declare the disaster a national calamity—a move supported by the BJP—it simultaneously refrained from announcing a comprehensive relief package for all districts. He also demanded a "land-for-land" policy for families who lost property to landslides, stressing that mere monetary assistance is not enough when people's land has vanished.

Rs. 75 lakh will be spent on tarring the roads: Mongra

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, OCT 16

Nishu Mongra, State President of the APMC District Kangra and Himachal Pradesh Congress Committee (OBC) Department, took to the streets of Kangra and directed the concerned department to repair the roads before Diwali. He also announced that starting November 1st, every household in the Kangra Assembly constituency will be reached to listen to people's problems and a blueprint for development work for the next 50 years will be prepared. Nishu Mongra ordered the concerned department to repair the roads as well as the drains along them so that people visiting Kangra do not face any problems. Speaking to reporters, he said that, in



accordance with Chief Minister Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu's directives, he is working on the ground to advance development projects. Work will soon begin to address the deplorable condition of Kangra's roads, which have persisted for a long time. The roads from Kangra to Samela will be resurfaced by Diwali, for which orders have been issued to the concerned department. This pre-Diwali gift from the state

government to the residents of Kangra, Chief Minister Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu, has allocated Rs. 75 lakh for tarring the Kangra roads. Officials and personnel from the Jal Shakti Department and the Public Works Department, as well as the village head, Kewal Chaudhary, were present. He added that a letter has been written to the police department regarding traffic management during the tarring process.

India emerging as global growth engine under PM Modi: Akhilesh Kapoor

ASHISH SHARMA
KULLU, OCT 16

Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) state spokesperson Akhilesh Kapoor in a press release issued here said that at a time when the entire world is going through a period of economic recession and instability, India's strong economic position demonstrates that the country's policies under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi are meeting global standards. He said that the World Bank has raised its GDP growth forecast for India's fiscal year 2026 (FY2026) from 6.3% in June to 6.5%, while the International Monetary Fund (IMF) has also raised its GDP growth forecast from 6.4% to



6.6%. Both institutions reflect growing global confidence in India's policy stability and economic potential.

He further said that according to the IMF report, India has performed the best when compared with other major countries. China's projected growth rate is 4.8%, the US's is 1.9%, and the

global average is around 3%. Compared to all this, India's GDP growth rate of 6.6% clearly demonstrates that India has become the new engine of the global economy. India's economy has experienced robust growth from 2014 to 2025, with GDP nearly tripling from Rs. 106.57 lakh crore (2014-15) to Rs. 331.03 lakh crore (2024-25). While it took India 60 years after independence to become a one-trillion-dollar economy, during PM Modi's tenure, India has remained one of the world's fastest-growing economies, with service exports doubling, FDI inflows increasing, and digital transactions experiencing a surge.

Verma Jewellers brings "The Biggest Dhanteras Jewellery Show" to Shimla

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, OCT 16

Verma Jewellers has brought "The Biggest Dhanteras Jewellery Show" to Shimla, being held from October 16 to 19 at Hotel Holiday Home. The exhibition showcases a magnificent collection of traditional and contemporary jewellery, including their exclusive "Pahadi Collection," which reflects Himachali culture, heritage and craftsmanship. The Pahadi Collection beautifully blends the essence of the mountains with folk art and modern aesthetics. Visitors can explore exquisite designs in temple art, kundan, jadai, polki and diamond jewellery. The Pahadi Collection, available in lightweight designs, is suitable for all age groups and occasions, from weddings to everyday wear. Known for its transparency and trust, Verma Jewellers has also introduced a free caratometer machine service at the show, allowing customers to check the purity of their old jewellery free of cost. This initiative is part of the jeweller's commitment to providing



exceptional service and building long-term trust with customers. For decades, Verma Jewellers has been a symbol of reliability, excellence and elegance in Himachal Pradesh. This Dhanteras, the brand is offering special festive deals, including: A free gold coin on purchase of gold jewellery worth Rs. 50,000 or more. A free gold coin on purchase of diamond or silver jewellery worth Rs. 25,000 or more. Up to Rs. 3,000 cashback on payments made through State Bank of India credit cards. The show was inaugurated with a special performance by the Golden Band Family. Verma Jewellers warmly invites all jewellery lovers to be a part of this grand festive exhibition.

CPI Condemns Rising Incidents of Intolerance, urges Centre to Act with Seriousness

AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY
BILASPUR: The Communist Party of India (CPI) issued a sharp condemnation of the recent disturbing incidents emerging from Himachal Pradesh and various parts of the country, calling them a direct attack on democratic values and societal harmony. Addressing the media, CPI state executive member Parvesh Chandel said such incidents reflect a worrying decline in ethical and social responsibility, urging the central government to intervene decisively.

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LOAN AGAINST GOLD - AUCTION NOTICE ON "AS IS WHERE IS" BASIS

The below mentioned borrowers have been issued notices to pay their outstanding amounts towards the loan against gold facilities availed from AU Small Finance Bank Limited ("Bank"). Since the borrowers have failed to repay their dues, we are constrained to conduct an auction of pledged gold items/articles on 20 November 2025 between 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (Time) at below mentioned branches according to the mode specified therein. In the case of deceased borrowers, all conditions will be applicable to legal heirs. Please note that in the event of failure of the above auction, the bank reserves its right to conduct another auction without prior intimation

E-Auction Branch Details (E-auction will be conducted by using WebLink - https://gold.samil.in)

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Note: The auction is subject to certain terms and conditions mentioned in the bid form, which is made available before the commencement of auction.

Manager
AU Small Finance Bank Limited

NEWS BRIEF

Solo dance and declamation competition held at Bal Bhavan

RANVIR PARASHAR
KAITHAL: District Child Welfare Officer Balbir Chauhan stated that on the occasion of Children's Day, under the guidance of Deputy Commissioner Preeti, solo dance competitions for the third and fourth groups and declamation competitions for the third and fourth groups were held on Thursday. Approximately 150 children from government and non-government schools in the district participated in these competitions. The children who won first, second, third, and consolation prizes in these competitions will be awarded at Bal Bhavan on November 14th, on the occasion of Children's Day. The students who secure first and second place in these competitions will be sent to participate in the zonal level competition. The jury for these competitions was Veena Rani, Mansi Panchal, Saloni Vats, Madhu Goyal, Dr. Tejendra Pal, Rajesh Bharti Kakaut, and Pawan Sharma. In this series, group dance competitions will be held on October 17th for the first and second groups.

Residents protest against road being built on Brahma June Road



YAGYA DUTT SHASTRI
PEHOWA: Residents of city staged a massive protest today regarding road being built on Brahma June Road. They have also filed a complaint with Chief Minister's Window. Residents say that the road is being built 40 feet wide up to the Ramilla Bhawan, but only 18 feet wide beyond that, which is wrong. They demanded that the road be built with the same width (40 feet) throughout its length. Local residents also stated that the road was originally made of tar, but now it is being replaced with blocks, which will not be durable. Therefore, oad should be made of concrete. Many people including social workers Pravesh Kaushik, Rudra Sharma, Krishna Avtar, Amit Goyal, Parkshit Sharma, Roshan Azad, Gopal Sharma, Rajneesh Tindwan, Rajiv Sharma, Rajat Bansal, Lucky Verma, Rahul Sharma and Ankit Lahad participated in protest.

World Food Day celebrated at New Happy Public School, Yamuna Nagar

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR, OCT 16

New Happy Public School, Yamuna Nagar celebrated World Food Day with great enthusiasm and awareness. On this occasion, students were educated about the importance of a balanced diet, nutritious food, and a healthy lifestyle. The main objective of the event was to develop healthy eating habits among children and to spread the message — “A healthy mind resides in a healthy body.” Students enthusiastically participated in various activities such as the “Healthy Tiffin Display” and “Poster Making on Nutrition.” They brought homemade nutritious food in their lunch boxes, shared it with their friends, and discussed the harmful effects of junk food.Teachers guided



the students on how seasonal fruits and vegetables, milk, pulses, green vegetables, and adequate water help in building a strong and healthy body. They were also encouraged not to waste food and to take only what is necessary. The school’s Principal, Dr. Bindu Sharma, expressed her views saying, “In today’s time, it is extremely important for children to eat a balanced diet. Staying away from junk

food and adopting nutritious meals not only keeps the body healthy but also supports mental growth. World Food Day teaches us that food is not merely a means to fill our stomachs but the foundation of life’s energy.” At the end of the program, all students pledged to eat healthy food every day, avoid food wastage, and spread the message — “Eat Healthy, Stay Healthy.”

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, OCT 16

District Town Planner Mr Gunjan said that demolition action was taken against eight illegal colonies in Gharanda last day. He told that the first illegal colony was removed which was situated on Kohand Kaimla Road in about 24 acres. In which demolition action was taken against all the unpaved roads. While the second illegal colony which is situated on Panodi Road in about three acres demolition action was taken against all the unpaved roads.

He told that the third illegal colony which was situated on Kohand Kaimla Road in about 3.75 acres. In which demolition action was taken against all the unpaved roads. The fourth illegal colony was situated behind

Annual festival of Gurukul celebrated with great pomp

RINKU SAINI

LADWA: A cultural program was also organized on this occasion of annual festival of Gurukul. Chairman of Haryana Sugar Federation Dharambir Dagar participated in the function as the chief guest, while the function was presided over by Gurukul Chairman Dr. Aman Panjeta. The function was inaugurated by lighting the lamp by chief



guest Dharambir Dagar and special guests were Income Tax Department officer Balwinder Kalia, Dr. Rishi Pal, JMIT Director Dr. Sanjeev Garg, Ladhwa Police Station Head Jagdish Chand, ASI Sanjeev Kumar and BJP BLO Yatendra Verma Mehra. The main speakers in the program were RSS Department Pracharak Sanjeev Kumar and Acharya Dharampal Arya.

JDU releases second list of 44 candidates for Bihar Assembly Elections

AGENCY
PATNA, OCT 16

The Janata Dal (United), a major constituent of the National Democratic Alliance (NDA), today announced its second list of 44 candidates for the upcoming Bihar Assembly elections.

JDU State General Secretary Chandan Kumar Singh released the list, which includes nine women candidates.

The women nominees are Shalini Mishra (Kesariya), Shweta Gupta (Sheohar), Meena Kamat (Babu Barhi), Sheela Mandal (Phulparas), Sonam Rani Sardar (Triveniganj), Shagufata Azeem (Araria), Lesi Singh (Dhamdaha), Manorama Devi (Belaganj) and Vibha Devi (Nawada).

Among other prominent candidates are Dharendra Pratap Singh alias Rinku Singh from Valmikinagar, Samriddh Verma from Sikta, Vishal Shah from



Narkatiya, Nagendra Raut from Sursand, Pankaj Mishra from Runni Saidpur, Sudhanshu Shekhar from Harlakhii, Satish Shah from Laukaha, Anirudh Prasad Yadav from Nirmali, Ramvilas Kamat from Pipra, and Bijendra Prasad Yadav from Supaul.

Others include Achmit Rishidev (Raniganj), Janab

Manzar Alam (Jokihat), Gopal Agrawal (Thakurganj), Safa Zafar (Amour), Kaladhar Mandal (Rupauli), Dulal Chandra Goswami (Kadwa), Shambhu Suman (Manihari), Vijay Singh Nishad (Barari), Bulo Mandal (Gopalpur), Lalit Narayan Mandal (Sultanganj), Subhanand Mukesh (Kahalgao), Jayant Raj (Amarpur), Manish Kumar

Inter College road safety quiz competition organised by Road Safety Club, Indira Gandhi (PG) Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Kaithal



SANJAY SHARMA

KAITHAL: As part of the ongoing Inter College Road Safety Quiz Competition 2025–26, conducted under the guidance of the Additional Director General of Police, Traffic and Highways, Haryana, and the supervision of the Deputy Superintendent of Police and Nodal Officer (Road Safety), Kaithal, the Road Safety Club of Indira Gandhi (P.G.) Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Kaithal organized the College Level Road Safety Quiz Competition on 15 October 2025. Adding more information, Principal Dr. Arti Garg stated that a total of 60 students from various streams enthusiastically participated in the event, showcasing their knowledge and awareness about traffic rules and road safety measures. The competition aimed to inculcate a sense of responsibility among youth towards safe and disciplined driving practices.

Results of the Competition: First Position: Anjali (B.Sc. I Year, Physical Science) – 26/30 marks. Second Position: Sakshi (M.A. I Year, Economics) – 25/30 marks. Third Position: Rimjhim (BCA II Year) – 25/30 marks. President, Governing Body, Sh. Ram Bahadur Khurania congratulated the winners for their commendable performance and awareness of road safety.

PHDCCI holds 5th awareness session on Raising & Accelerating MSME Performance (RAMP) Programme



BUREAU

CHANDIGARH: The Chandigarh Chapter of the PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI), in collaboration with the Industries Department, Chandigarh Administration, organized the 5th Awareness Session under the Raising and Accelerating MSME Performance (RAMP) Programme Series at PHD House, Sector 31, Chandigarh. The event aimed to sensitize Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) about government schemes, financial assistance, and technology-driven initiatives designed to boost their efficiency and competitiveness.Adv. Lokesh Jain, Convener, Regional MSME Committee, PHDCCI underlined the need for awareness and continuous support for MSMEs to fully benefit from various government programs. He termed the RAMP initiative a significant step by the Government of India to empower the MSME sector — the true backbone of the national economy.Ms. Bharti Sood, Senior Regional Director, PHDCCI, welcomed dignitaries and participants, highlighting PHDCCI’s ongoing efforts in promoting MSME growth through training and outreach.

PTWWO BSNL Punjab celebrates Diwali Anand Mela with enthusiasm in Chandigarh

BUREAU

CHANDIGARH: PTWWO, the Women Welfare Organisation of BSNL Punjab Circle, has always remained committed to fulfilling the vision and objectives set at its inception. Diwali, being one of the most celebrated and auspicious festivals of India, brings people together to share joy, prosperity, and festive spirit. In keeping with its tradition of organising the Diwali Mela every year ahead of the Festival of Lights, PTWWO once again celebrated the occasion with great enthusiasm on 15th October 2024 at the BSNL Punjab Telecom Circle premises, Chandigarh. The Diwali Anand Mela was inaugurated by Sh. Ajay Kumar Kararha, Chief General Manager, Punjab Circle, at 10:30 AM. The event witnessed an overwhelming response from visitors who thronged the exhibition stalls set up by BSNL staff members, their families, and friends. A wide range of items such as apparel, jewellery, Diwali décor, gifts, games, home furnishings, and plants were showcased and sold. Food stalls were also arranged, ensuring hygiene and quality for all attendees. A major highlight of the Mela was the Cultural Show, which began after 4:00 PM and featured mesmerizing performances by BSNL staff members. The programme commenced with Vandana, followed by lively performances of Bhangra, Giddha, Garba, Natti, and melodious songs, captivating the audience throughout. The Worthy CGMT distributed certificates and trophies to all participants of the cultural events. The celebration concluded with an exciting raffle draw, adding to the joy, colour, and festive spirit of the Diwali Anand Mela.

District-level Nutrition Fair and Nutrition Month closing ceremony held

RANVIR PARASHAR

KAITHAL: On Thursday, as part of Nutrition Month, a district-level Nutrition Fair and Nutrition Month Closing Ceremony were held at Krishi Vigyan Kendra. Various activities were organized to achieve goal of making district malnutrition-free. Activities included a recipe competition, slogan competition, nutrition song, Best from Best, rangoli competition, Nutrition Month success stories, and a Nutrition Month pledge was administered. District Program Officer Gurjeet Kaur stated that Anganwadi worker Suman won first place in the recipe competition, Nisha second, and Asha third. Anganwadi worker Neelam won first place in rangoli competition, Neelam second, and Rachna third. Anganwadi helper Sudesh won first place in Best from Waste, Santosh and Reena second, and Pushpa Pundri third. In the success story of Nutrition Month, Nisha Supervisor secured first place, Samrila Supervisor Guhla secured second place and Kusum Supervisor Siwan secured third place. Anita, an Anganwadi worker, sang nutrition song. He explained that during Nutrition Month, various activities were conducted at each Anganwadi center to raise awareness about nutrition and health. To address malnutrition, women were educated by organizing activities at the village and block levels. Under the National Nutrition Mission, various activities were conducted, highlighting the importance of eating vegetables and fruits in daily life through the Nutrition Garden, establishing Nutrition Gardens in Anganwadi centers, and managing severely malnourished children through height and weight measurements.

Special program organised in Govt Sr Sec School, Mirzapur under Khadi Mahotsav

HANS RAJ
KURUKSHETRA, OCT 16

No matter how much development has taken place in the modern era, according to Indian culture and traditions, even today Khadi and Mahatma Gandhi’s ancient style traditional charkha have a special identity. Satpal Saini, Secretary and Director of Khadi Village Industries Association, Mirzapur Narad, said that under Khadi Mahotsav 2025, a special program was organized in Government Senior Secondary School, Mirzapur. On this occasion, the traditional Khadi charkha became the center of attraction for teachers and students. The students and teachers along with school



principal Ram Kumar also observed the spinning of yarn in the ancient style on the charkha. On the charkha, Tarunam Ansari of Khadi Gramodyog Sangh showed the spinning of yarn on the traditional charkha.

Along with this, the students acquired complete information about making Khadi clothes from yarn. On

this occasion, Khadi Institute Secretary Satpal Saini also presented a spinning wheel to school principal Ram Kumar and teacher Anita Rani after dressing them in body clothes. Dharmendra Sharma, Vinod Kumar, Rahish Khan, Manoj Kumar, Rajendra Saini were also present on this occasion.

73 children participate in cultural knowledge flow competition at state level

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, OCT 16

Cultural knowledge flow competition was organized at the state level at Seva Shree Ashram Karnal of Seva Bharti Haryana state. Earlier this competition was organized in all the districts in which 500 children participated. Of these 73 children were selected for the provincial competition. These seventy three participants from different districts participated in the Culture Knowledge Flow Competition. Participants from different districts came here with their parents to compete. This competition was conducted under the guidance of Mr Sudhir Kumar, Department Driver Association , Kurukshetra.



Sudhir Kumar told that the special thing in this competition was that the children themselves checked the results of this competition. Teachers formed groups of children and guided them to check the papers. Participants from four dimensions of Seva Bharti participated in this competition. The hostel children performed excellently and Abhishek and

Prince of Hisar Hostel stood first with 100 per cent marks in class 8th-12th. Karnal hostel students Pavitra, Manish and Mohit stood second with 99 per cent marks. Abhishek of Karnal Hostel got the third position with 97 per cent marks. In the hostel category class 6 to 8, Akash Karnal Hostel and Rudra Hisar Hostel got first position.

NORTHERN RAILWAY
CORRIGENDUM

For and on behalf of the President of India, the Senior Divisional Commercial Manager/FS, Northern Railway, Ambala Division has issued corrigendum through e-Tender (Works) on IREPS website for the work of development and Management of Gati Shakti Multi-Modal Cargo Terminal under GCT Policy, near Malout Railway Station-Partially on Railway Land.

S.N.	Particulars	Details
1	Tender No. & Date	UMB-GCT-SCII-MOT-01-25/23.09.2025
2	Name of Work	Development and Management of Gati Shakti Multi-Modal Cargo Terminal under GCT Policy, near Malout Railway Station-Partially on Railway Land.
3	Corrigendum No.	1
4	Tender Closing Date & time (Existing)	24.10.2025 at 15:00 Hrs
5	Tender Closing Date & time (New)	14.11.2025 at 15:00 Hrs
6	Bidding Start Date (Existing)	10.10.2025
7	Bidding Start Date (New)	31.10.2025

For any other information on the issued corrigendum, prospective bidders are advised to visit www.ireps.gov.in

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PNB MetLife inaugurates new branch in Moga



M OGA: PNB MetLife India Insurance Company Limited (PNB MetLife), announced the inauguration of a new branch in Moga. With this expansion, the company now has a total of 7 branches in Punjab.

The branch openings reflect the company's commitment to make insurance more accessible by bringing policy services and trusted advice to customers wherever they are.

Sameer Bansal, MD & CEO, PNB MetLife said that Trust has always been the foundation of PNB MetLife's relationship with its customers. With 172 branches now across India, we are not only expanding our reach but also strengthening the assurance that customers can depend on us at every step. Our focus is to be present where they need us most—bringing protection closer, making it simpler, and helping them plan their financial future with confidence.

In addition to its own 172 branches, the company reaches customers through more than 20,000 bancassurance partner locations, ensuring wide and reliable access to its protection and savings solutions. By combining its physical network with trusted partnerships, PNB MetLife continues to deliver consistent, high-quality service experience and support to customers at every stage of their financial journey.

COURT NOTICE
IN THE COURT OF Ms. Chandan
Judicial Magistrate-1st Class, Ludhiana
Bonn Nutrients Pvt Ltd
Vs.
NARESH SINGH

Detail of offence:-
CNR No. PBLD03-025899-2020
Next Date:- 07-11-2025

NOTICE:
NARESH SINGH
SON OF SH. KUNDAN SINGH
RESIDENT OF HOUSE NO.443,
NEAR KHERA MANDI
SECTOR 19, PANCHKULA
HARYANA.

In above titled case, the accused could not be served. It is ordered that accused should appear in person or through counsel on 07-11-2025 at 10.00 a.m.

FOR DETAILS LOGIN TO
https://highcourtchd.gov.in/?trs=distct_notice&id=ctnl-mogacourt

Judicial Magistrate - 1st Class
Ludhiana

Dated, this day of 14-10-2025

KISNA Brings Festive Brilliance to Punjab with
Its Exclusive Showroom Launch in Pathankot



P athankot: Kisna Diamond and Gold Jewellery proudly announced the grand opening of its 3rd exclusive showroom located in CPL Mansion, Gurdasarpur Road, Pathankot, Punjab. The inauguration was graced by Mr. Ashwani Kumar Sharma, Executive President (Punjab BJP) & MLA along with Mr. Ghanashyam Dhoklaia, Founder & Managing Director, Hari Krishna Group. To celebrate the festive season, KISNA is offering Upto 75% off on making charges of diamond jewellery and Upto 25% off on making charges of gold jewellery, along with an additional 5% instant discount on ICICI Bank credit and debit cards. KISNA is also running a special Show & Win campaign, where consumers stand a chance to win 1000+ scooters and 200+ cars on the purchase of diamond and gold jewellery. Mr. Ghanashyam Dhoklaia, Founder & Managing Director, Hari Krishna Group, stated: "Punjab has always been known for its vibrance, prosperity, and celebration of life, values that deeply resonate with KISNA. Our new showroom in Pathankot, we aim to strengthen our presence in North India and this also brings us closer to our vision, 'Har Ghar KISNA,' as we continue our journey to make diamond jewellery accessible for every woman across India."

Tata Punch Becomes the SUV of Choice for Ambala, Hissar The SUV Everyone Wants This Festive Season

Haryana : Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles (TMPV) has emerged as the No. 2 passenger vehicle manufacturer by sales in September 2025, driven by its robust and diverse product portfolio. Leading this growth is the Tata Punch — ranked among the top five best-selling cars in India during the same period. Available in petrol, CNG, and electric variants, the Punch is a no compromise SUV in a compact footprint. Combined with class-leading features, the Punch has not only become the preferred choice for customers upgrading to an SUV but also stands out as the top pick for first-time car buyers (69%) across the country. The Punch contributed 34% of TMPV's overall sales in Haryana between April and September 2025, making it one of the most loved cars in the state. In Ambala, Hissar, along the SUV has recorded a remarkable 2X growth in sales. With its bold, sporty and youthful design, tech-forward features, and segment-best safety (GNCAP 5 star rated for EV version).

Tata Punch Becomes the SUV of Choice for Mandi:
The SUV Everyone Wants This Festive Season

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E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Axis Bank Ltd. The Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is Where is", "As is What is" and "Whatever there is" on 20-Nov-2025, for recovery of Rs. 84.51,334/- (Rupees Eighty Four Lakh Fifty One Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Four Only) (as of 27-Dec-21) due to the secured creditor from 1. M/s Kewal Krishan Ashok Kumar 2) Mr. Ashok Kumar S/o Kewal Krishan 3) Mr. Kewal Krishan S/o Amar Dass Please refer the appended auction schedule for necessary details:-

KNOWN ENCUMBRANCES (IF ANY)	NIL
RESERVE PRICE (IN RS.)	Rs. 64,13,640/- (Rupees Sixty Four Lakh Thirteen Thousand Six Hundred Forty Only)
EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT (IN RS.)	Rs. 6,41,364/- (Rupees Six Lakh Forty One Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Four Only) through DD/PO in favor of 'Axis bank ltd.' payable at Ludhiana
BID INCREMENTAL AMOUNT	Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only)
LAST DATE, TIME AND VENUE FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS / TENDER WITH EMD	11/11-18-Nov-2025 latest by 05:00 P.M. at Axis Bank Ltd. Retail Asset Centre, "2nd and 3rd Floor, Property No. 7-E, Malhar Road, Sarabha Nagar, Ludhiana-141001 addressed to Harpreet NATH
DATE, TIME, AND VENUE FOR PUBLIC E-AUCTION	On 20-Nov-2025, between 10:00 A.M and 12:00 Noon, with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each at web portal https://www.bankauctions.com e-auction tender documents containing e-auction bid form, declaration etc., are available in the website of the Service Provider as mentioned above

SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY
All That Part And Parcel of The Residential House Measuring 128 Sq Yds To The Extent of 5/16 Share Out of Land Measuring 16 Marlas, Bearing Khazna No. 4398/196/2, Khata Khazani No. 1218/1344 As Per Jamabandi For The Year 2015-16 Situated At Basant Nagar Majitha Road Amritsar Urban-110 Tehsil Amritsar-1 In The Name of Kewal Krishan S/o Amar Nath Vide Document No. 7274 Dated 18-05-1988, Boundaries As Per Title Deed - East-Property of Mukhtar Kaur, West-Property of Others, North Road 31'-00" Wide, South-Property of Others (Main side).

FOR detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the secured creditor's website i.e. <https://www.axisbank.com/auction-retail> and the Bank's approved service provider M/S C1 India Private Limited at their web portal <https://www.bankauctions.com>
The auction will be conducted online through the Bank's approved service provider M/s.C1 India Private Limited at their web portal <https://www.bankauctions.com>
For any other assistance, the intending bidders may contact Mr. Sandeep Bajwa (Mobile No.8920765588)Authorized officer of the Bank during office hours from 10 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.
This Notice should be considered as 30 Days' Notice to the Borrowers under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rule, 2002.
Date: 17-10-2025, Place: Amritsar Yours faithfully For Axis Bank Ltd. (Authorized Officer)

NORTHERN RAILWAY
E-AUCTION NOTICE

Senior Divisional Commercial Manager, Northern Railway, Ambala Cantt/ for and on behalf of President of India invites bids through E-Auction on IREPS website for allotment of contracts at Railway Stations of Ambala Division of Northern Railway.

Sr. No.	Auction Catalogue No.	Description	Lot Start Date Time
PAR-KING	1	UMB-Mix-30-2025 Allotment of Comprehensive Parking at Circulating Area in Sunam Udharn Singh Wala Railway Station covering a total area 1275 Sq. Mtrs. (As per site plan)	21.10.25 15:00:00
	2	UMB-Mix-31-2025 Allotment of Four Wheeler Parking lot of total area 528.06 sqm. at Khanna Railway Station.	23.10.25 12:00:00
	3	UMB-Mix-31-2025 Comprehensive Parking lot of total area 300.3 sqm. in circulating area of Barwala Railway Station.	23.10.25 12:00:00
	4	UMB-Mix-31-2025 Allotment of Comprehensive Parking Cum Access Control Rights "Pickup/ Drop" lanes (entry to exit) for all vehicles (Non commercial and commercial) covering total area of 8652.70 sqm. at Ambala Cantt. Railway Station (Main side).	23.10.25 12:00:00
	5	UMB-Parkg-18-25 Allotment of Comprehensive Parking Cum Access Control Rights "Pickup/ Drop" lanes (entry to exit) for all vehicles (Non commercial and commercial) with the parking area of 2384.74 sqm. at Anandpur Sahib Railway Station.	24.10.25 12:00:00
	6	UMB-Mix-32-2025 Allotment of Comprehensive Parking at Circulating Area of Yamunanagar Jagadhri Railway Station, covering a total area 2610.22 Sq. Mtrs.	29.10.25 12:00:00
	7	UMB-Mix-32-2025 Allotment of Comprehensive Parking cum Access Control Rights of area for E-Rickshaw/ Three Wheeler (786 sqm.), Taxi (1651 sqm.), Two Wheeler Parking (1744 sqm.), Four Wheeler Parking (7145 sqm.), Total Parking Lot of area 11,326 sqm. at location 2nd Entry (Panchkula Side) of Chandigarh Rly Stn in (Division AMBALA)	29.10.25 12:00:00
Cate-ring	8	UMB-Mix-31-2025 Allotment of Special Minor Catering Unit (size 10' x 6') at PF No. 1 of Barwala Railway Station	23.10.25 12:00:00
	9	UMB-Mix-31-2025 Allotment of Special Minor catering unit (stall) of size 10' x 6' at PF No. 1 of Khanna Railway Station	23.10.25 12:00:00
	10	UMB-Mix-31-2025 SMU Stall no. 12 at PF no. 1 of Patiala Railway Station.	23.10.25 12:00:00

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AAYAS FINANCIERS LIMITED
(CIN:L65922RJ2011PLCO34297) Regd. & Corp. Office: 201-202, 2nd Floor, South End Square, Mansarovar Industrial Area, Jaipur. 302020

POSSESSION NOTICE

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

The borrower and Guarantor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **AAYAS FINANCIERS LIMITED** for an amount mentioned as below and further interest thereon.

Name of the Borrower	Date & Amount of Demand Notice	Description of Property	Date & Type of Possession
NARESH KUMAR, DEEPESH KUMAR, SUDESH DEVI, VIRESH VIRESH (A/C No.) LNSNP02022-230233841	8 AUG 24 Rs. 1094306/- 7 AUG 24	PROPERTY PLOT NO.116 SITUATED IN THE LAL DORA OF VILLAGE MANDORI, TEHSIL KHARKHODA, DISTT. SONIPAT-HARYANA. PIN131001. ADMEASURING 194.5 SQ YARDS	SYMBOLIC POSSESSION TAKEN ON 14 OCT 25

Place : HARYANA Date: 17-10-2025 Authorised Officer Aavas Financiers Limited

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SAFAYE AATKE, SAATHI SAMAKSARA

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NORTHERN RAILWAY
E-Tendering OPEN TENDER NOTICE
No. NIT-36/UMB-2025-26 Dated 15.10.2025

Open tenders through E-tendering are invited on & behalf of President of India by Sr. Divisional Engineer/Coordination, Northern Railway, Ambala from the willing contractors for following work upto 15.00 Hrs on the date of closing shown against the work and will be opened thereafter.

S.No.: 1 Name of Work: Upgradation of Crew Booking Lobby at DUL. Approx. Cost (Rs.): 50,02,016 Bid Security (Rs.): 1,00,100 Period of Completion: 06 Months Date of closing & opening: 07/11/2025

S.No.: 2 Name of Work: (i) Repair to heavy roof leakage, broken door and windows, plastering/finishing, flooring and sanitary fittings in staff qtrs. of block no. T-2, T-3, T-4, E-2, E-10, E-12 at JPS, E-4 at GJW, E-7, T-5, E-12, E-8, E-16 at BXC, E-10, T-4 at DNK in JHL-HSR section of SSEW/SAG and heavy repair to gang girts. of gang no. 9 and GL 45 at BFN and gang no. 1 qtrs. and GL qtrs. at JHL in the section of SSEW/SAG under ADEN/PFTA. (ii) Repair to approach path and circulating area surface at BSS, LHA on DUL-JHL section in the section of SSEW/SAG under ADEN/PFTA. Approx. Cost (Rs.): 54,45,353 Bid Security (Rs.): 1,08,900 Period of Completion: 06 Months Date of closing & opening: 07/11/2025

S.No.: 3 Name of Work: Repair to flooring, plastering to staff quarters of T-56, E-57, E-54, E-52 and children park in Railway colony, Patiala. Repair to roof leakage, broken door and windows, plastering/finishing, flooring and sanitary fittings in staff quarters of G-38 units at DGC, T-56 u, L-2/11 u, G-8/10 u at NBA, T-56 u at CTW and platform shelters, water bodi, cold water tanks, E-56 u, G-7/10 u, E-172 u, L-2/11 u at NBA section in the section of SSEW/SAG under ADEN/PFTA. Approx. Cost (Rs.): 34,35,635 Bid Security (Rs.): 68,700 Period of Completion: 06 Months Date of closing & opening: 07/11/2025

S.No.: 4 Name of Work: Improvement to service building i.e. TTE rest house, Guard running room, Loco office, TRD office, power cabin etc. station building (MFB, DZP/JUDW, YJUD, KNZ, SSW/PKY & SRE) and Provision of Minimum Essential Passenger Amenities including divyangjan-friendly facilities at various stations (MFB, DZP, JUDW, YJUD, KNZ, SSW/PKY & SRE) in the section of SSEW/SRE under ADEN/SRE. Approx. Cost (Rs.): 2,16,17,058 Bid Security (Rs.): 2,58,100 Period of Completion: 09 Months Date of closing & opening: 07/11/2025

S.No.: 5 Name of Work: Repair and painting of steel structure of sheds, waiting hall, cycle stands and platform shelters at SRE, PKY, SSW, KNZ, YJUD, DZP & MFB station in the section of SSEW/SRE under ADEN/SRE. Approx. Cost (Rs.): 67,34,092 Bid Security (Rs.): 1,34,700 Period of Completion: 09 Months Date of closing & opening: 07/11/2025

S.No.: 6 Name of Work: Replacement of jack arch roof in SRH and old asbestos cement roof sheets in Railway Hospital, provision of Parking in ORH and Railway Hospital. Maintenance of Lawn and green patches, removal of vegetation at SRE, YJUD & DZP and other horticulture works in Service buildings i.e. Railway Club, PPS office-2nd entry at SRE in the section of SSEW/SRE under ADEN/SRE. Approx. Cost (Rs.): 76,15,575 Bid Security (Rs.): 1,52,300 Period of Completion: 09 Months Date of closing & opening: 07/11/2025

S.No.: 7 Name of Work: Painting of steel structures of sheds & service buildings, replacement of corroded and leaky roof sheets and valley gutters and other miscellaneous work in C&W depot, ELS, MEMU CAR SHED, Control tower building, Training building, AMM depot etc. at KJGY in the section of SSEW/SRE under ADEN/SRE. Approx. Cost (Rs.): 1,78,22,639 Bid Security (Rs.): 2,39,100 Period of Completion: 09 Months Date of closing & opening: 07/11/2025

S.No.: 8 Name of Work: (i) Repair to damaged wooden & steel door, window, ceiling, flooring, plastering and heavy repair of staff quarters in block no. E-43/A-B, E-9, E-11 (KWT), E-3,84,108,485 122,92,94,95,269,87 etc at Saharanpur in the section of SSEW/SRE in the jurisdiction of ADEN/SRE. (ii) Repair to service roads (from Store Depot to block no 163, Chungi to Kalka colony, Block no 266 to 262, Officer lane, Block no 1 to 305 and Colony gate to Store Depot), sanitation facilities and water supply including replacement of corroded/ rusted pipe line etc. in Railway Colony, JUDW in the section of SSEW/JUDW under ADEN/JUDW. Approx. Cost (Rs.): 81,18,812 Bid Security (Rs.): 1,62,400 Period of Completion: 09 Months Date of closing & opening: 07/11/2025

S.No.: 9 Name of Work: 1) Overhauling of filter plant replacement of filter media and cleaning of sedimentation tank, OH, UG water storage Tanks, cleaning of cooh, repair of leakage of C1 pipeline from Kaushya, Majra and Pinjore and operation of pumps in Kaushya to C1 to lift water in summer season in the section of SSEW/KLK. 2. Repair of culvert, retaining wall at diversion point, raising of retaining wall near pump house, repair of pump house at Kaushalya filter plant in the section of SSEW/KLK under ADEN/SMIL. Approx. Cost (Rs.): 85,43,344 Bid Security (Rs.): 1,70,900 Period of Completion: 12 Months Date of closing & opening: 07/11/2025

S.No.: 10 Name of Work: Repair to service buildings and station buildings (SHZ, JTO, TVI, KEZ & SLR stations & Cabin) in the section of SSEW/SMIL under ADEN/SMIL. Approx. Cost (Rs.): 68,31,677 Bid Security (Rs.): 1,36,600 Period of Completion: 09 Months Date of closing & opening: 07/11/2025

S.No.: 11 Name of Work: Repair to hand pumps works at level crossing No. 79-C, 76-T7-C, 77-C/4, 82-C-108, 109-C along with repair of gantry for borewells and repair to platform shelters, water bodi, cold water tanks, E-56 u, G-7/10 u, E-172 u, L-2/11 u at NBA section in the section of ADEN/BTI. Approx. Cost (Rs.): 68,80,849 Bid Security (Rs.): 1,37,600 Period of Completion: 08 Months Date of closing & opening: 07/11/2025

1)	Tenderers are required to upload scanned copies of all related eligible documents including PAN/TIN/GST as per conditions. 2) The required Bid security will be acceptable on bank payment through Net Banking/ Payment Gateway only well. 3) Tenderers should have class-II Digital Signature Certificate to participate in e-Tendering of works tenders. 4) For detail, please log on IREPS website www.IREPS.Gov.in 5) GST will be levied as per GST Act 2017.
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HIMACHAL PRADESH
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
INVITION FOR BIDS (IFB)

The Executive Engineer, Bhawana Division, HPPWD Bhawana on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh, invites the percentage based item rate bids, in electronic tendering system from the eligible class of contractors registered with HPPWD for the works as detailed in the table:-

Sr. No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost (in Rs.)	Earnest money (in Rs.)	Cost of Tender	Time limit	Starting Date for down loading bid	Deadline for submission of bid
1	Restoration of rain damages on Ballah to Parour road (Under PDNA)	145058/-	2900/-	350/-	Three months	21-10-2025	28-10-2025
2	Restoration of rain damages on Naura Chowki road (Under PDNA)	437478/-	8800/-	350/-	Three months	21-10-2025	28-10-2025
3	Restoration of rain damages on Ballah to Ballah road (Under PDNA)	1206735/-	24200/-	500/-	Three months	21-10-2025	28-10-2025
4	Restoration of rain damages on Gali Ghanetta Baba Kirpa Chahar Khola road (Under PDNA)	819102/-	16400/-	350/-	Three months	21-10-2025	28-10-2025
5	Restoration of rain damages on Bhattu Sullah Nanaon road upto Kural road (Under PDNA)	332618/-	67000/-	2000/-	Three months	21-10-2025	28-10-2025

The bidders are advised to note all details of tenders, changes, if any i.e. date, amount etc. from the department website www.hptenders.gov.in.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
HPPWD Division Bhawana
Pin-176083, Tel: 01894-247777
e-mail: eePWD-bhaw-hp@gov.in
on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh.

DPR-HP-377/4/2025-2026

DIRECTORATE OF PUNJAB STATE LOTTERIES
Draw Time: 06:00 PM ONWARDS
RESULT OF PUNJAB STATE DEAR 50 CHIEF THURSDAY WEEKLY LOTTERY

MRP Rs.50/- Per Ticket

1st Prize Amount (1) Rs. 25 Lakhs (On 5 digits with series)
(Offer Price Amount Rs. 1 Lakh, Sub Stochastic Prize Amount Rs. 25 Thousand, Total Prize Amount Rs. 26,25 Lakhs)
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2nd Prize Amount (50) Rs. 9,000/- (On 5 digits)
(Offer Price Amount Rs. 1000/-, Sub Stochastic Prize Amount Rs. 100/-, Total Prize Amount Rs.10,100/- each)
03132 11015 11742 12153 14761 18318 24392 47930 85649 95486

3rd Prize Amount (250) Rs. 5,000/- (On last 4 digits)
(Offer Price Amount Rs. 500/-, Sub Stochastic Prize Amount Rs. 100/-, Total Prize Amount Rs. 5,600/- each)
0418 5331 5983 6059 6185 6344 6465 6585 6757 6935 7129 7258 7324 7429 7581 7662 7786 7898 8006 8086 8182 8284 8386 8488 8589 8691 8793 8895 8997 9099 9191 9293 9395 9497 9599 9691 9793 9895 9997

4th Prize Amount (500) Rs. 2,000/- (On last 4 digits)
(Offer Price Amount Rs. 200/-, Sub Stochastic Prize Amount Rs.50/-, Total Prize Amount Rs. 2,250/- each)
1517 1798 2972 3436 4762 5059 5864 6182 7924 8793

5th Prize Amount (500) Rs. 1000/- (On last 4 digits)
(Offer Price Amount Rs. 100/-, Sub Stochastic Prize Amount Rs. 50/-, Total Prize Amount Rs. 1,150/- each)
0421 1279 1962 2922 3880 4490 5032 5139 6941 8936

6th Prize Amount (500) Rs. 500/- (On last 4 digits)
(Offer Price Amount Rs. 50/-, Sub Stochastic Prize Amount Rs.20/-, Total Prize Amount Rs.570/- each)
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7th Prize Amount (40,000) Rs. 100/- (On last 4 digits)
(Offer Price Amount Rs. 20/-, Sub Stochastic Prize Amount Rs.5/-, Total Prize Amount Rs.25/- each)
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EDITORIAL

Time for Maoists to turn mainstream

The recent surrender of senior Maoist leader Mallojula Venugopal, also known as Sonu, along with 60 comrades and the handover of their weapons to the police in Maharashtra, marks another significant milestone in the Indian Revolutionary Movement. Since its inception, the movement has been shaped by intellectuals guided by Marxist-Leninist-Maoist (MLM) ideology, who launched various parties under different banners. Among the most prominent were the CPI (ML) People's War, influential in undivided Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Kerala, and West Bengal, and the MCCI (Maoist Communist Centre of India), which found its base in Bihar, Jharkhand, and parts of northern India. Despite operating under different names, these ultra-left parties shared a common core: the principle of Protracted Armed Struggle to achieve a New Democratic Revolution (NDR). In 2004, the MCCI and the People's War group merged to form the CPI (Maoist), which greatly intensified the revolutionary movement — so much so that former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh described it as the gravest internal security threat India faced. The Maoists devoted considerable effort to refining their military strategies and successfully orchestrated major attacks on police and paramilitary forces across various States. The party firmly adhered to MLM principles, built on three foundational pillars: a strong army, an ideologically driven party, and a united front. Secrecy was the guiding tenet for both the army and party organisations. However, over time, party strategists appeared to focus more on the military aspect — structures and actions — at the expense of strengthening the network and forging mass organisations. Consequently, the Indian revolution became heavily centred on military operations, often neglecting the essential task of building and sustaining the party base. As India underwent significant economic, social, and political transformations, the once-ambitious vision of creating a united front began to seem almost utopian. Against this backdrop, state security forces started to gain ground, employing the same "3S" principle (Surprise, Speed, and Secrecy), originally used by the guerrillas. Over two decades, these tactics enabled security forces to slowly dominate jungle warfare, launching operations that neutralised scores of Maoist rebels in successive encounters. With public support waning and relentless military pressure mounting, a debate emerged among Maoist strategists over whether the strategy of Protracted Armed Struggle remained suitable, or if conditions now called for its suspension. Some leaders, spearheaded by Mallojula Venugopal, advocated for a temporary halt to armed activities, while others remained staunchly opposed. Ultimately, as the debate persisted, Venugopal and his supporters chose to lay down arms and join the mainstream. It's worth noting that this is not unprecedented; in 1977, after the Emergency, the then CPI-ML also temporarily suspended armed struggle to reconnect with the people and understand their concerns — a move which later led to the formation of the CPI-ML (People's War).

Two-state solution on Palestine

Minister of State for External Affairs and Environment, Forest and Climate Change Kirti Vardhan Singh reaffirmed India's long-standing commitment to the Palestinian cause and the pursuit of peace in the Middle East during the Meeting of the NAM Ministerial Committee on Palestine, held on the sidelines of the 19th Mid-Term Ministerial Meeting of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM).

At the outset, he conveyed India's appreciation to the Chair for convening the meeting and recalled that the NAM Ministerial Committee on Palestine was first established under India's Presidency during the NAM Summit in New Delhi in 1983. Reiterating India's consistent position on the developments since October 7, 2023, and the conflict that followed, Singh stated, "We condemned terrorism and have held that the destruction, despair and suffering of civilians must end; Gaza must have access to food, fuel and other necessities without hindrance; Hostages must be released; and ceasefire must be in place immediately." He



underlined that India's position on Palestine has always been rooted in historical support for the Palestinian people's rights. "As one of the first countries to recognize the State of Palestine, we reaffirm the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people to self-determination, national independence, and sovereignty," he noted. Emphasising that a negotiated settlement remains the only path to sustainable peace, Singh added, "Our ultimate objective remains a negotiated two-State

solution, which is the only path to achieve lasting peace and overall prosperity.

The essential parameters are clear -- a sovereign, independent, viable State of Palestine, living side by side in peace and security with Israel, within secure and recognized borders. Dialogue and diplomacy remain the best means to realize this. "Highlighting that India's principles are reflected through its actions, he outlined the country's ongoing development cooperation and humanitarian

assistance to the Palestinian people. "We have sought to improve the daily lives of the Palestinian brothers and sisters. We have been extending development cooperation and humanitarian assistance to them. Our projects range from health to education; from institution-building to women's empowerment and more," he said. He also shared details of India's recent contributions. "Since October 2023 alone, India has provided relief assistance of nearly 135

metric tons of medicines and supplies. These direct efforts are bolstered through our financial support for UNRWA to implement projects, particularly in education and health. We contribute USD 5 million annually to the core budget of UNRWA and projects worth USD 40 million are in the pipeline," he stated. Reflecting on the broader regional situation, Singh observed that the developments since October 7, 2023, have had far-reaching consequences across the

Middle East. He stressed that "innocent civilians have the right to lead normal lives. They cannot continue to remain deprived; they must not die due to conflict." He noted that global and regional initiatives, including those under the UN framework, have gradually begun to show progress. "We gather at a time when hopes have been rekindled. I was in Sharm el-Sheikh for the Peace Summit as the Special Envoy of the Prime Minister of India. India welcomes the agreement on the first phase of President Trump's peace plan and commends the initiative and efforts of the US and President Trump," Singh said. Acknowledging the diplomatic role played by regional stakeholders, he added, "In addition, we also express our appreciation to the leadership of two NAM members, Egypt and Qatar, which played an instrumental role in realizing the agreement. We hope that the first phase will serve as the initial step towards achieving these ends." He called for all parties to uphold their commitments to ensure that peace and calm prevail.

UK, US launch coordinated crackdown on global scam network operating in Southeast Asia



The British High Commission in India on Wednesday said that the United Kingdom has announced joint action with the United States to make Southeast Asia safer from scams. According to the statement, masterminds behind industrial-scale scam centres in Southeast Asia have been targeted by sanctions in coordination with the US. The move aims to expose and disrupt the network's operations, effectively locking them out of the UK's financial system. The British

High Commission said the UK is helping to tackle an economic scourge that cost East and Southeast Asia around USD 37 billion in 2023. It further noted that the UK has sanctioned a multi-billion-pound global network involved in operating scam centres that torture their trafficked workers. The joint operation comes after a major announcement by the US Treasury Department on Tuesday, marking what it called its most extensive enforcement action in Southeast Asia. The US targeted

146 people connected to the Cambodia-based Prince Group, which has been labelled a transnational criminal organisation. As part of the same coordinated effort, the United Kingdom introduced sanctions against six individuals and entities linked to the group, freezing 19 properties in London worth over 100 million pounds (USD 134 million). "Today's action represents one of the most significant strikes ever against the global scourge of human trafficking and cyber-enabled financial fraud," said US Attorney General Pam Bondi. In a related development, US federal prosecutors unveiled an indictment against Chinese-Cambodian tycoon Chen Zhi, also known as Vincent, who chairs the Prince Group. The 37-year-old faces charges of wire fraud and money laundering conspiracy and could be sentenced to up to 40 years in prison if found guilty. The US Department of Justice also revealed that it had initiated its largest-ever forfeiture case against the group, seizing Bitcoin valued at more than USD 14 billion based on current market prices.

Indian export to US drop by 37.5% in four months due to tariffs

Indian exports to the United States have plunged sharply by 37.5 per cent following Washington's decision to impose 50 per cent tariffs on most Indian goods, according to a report by the Global Trade Research Initiative (GTRI). The report showed that shipments to the U.S. fell 37.5 per cent over four months, from USD 8.8 billion in May 2025 to USD 5.5 billion in September 2025, marking the sharpest and most sustained decline of the year. GTRI stated "Washington's 50 per cent Tariffs lead to a 37.5 per cent drop in Indian Exports to the USA in 4 months" September was the first full month in which Indian goods faced the 50 per cent tariff. As per the data, exports to the U.S. dropped 20.3 per cent in September alone, falling to USD 5.5 billion from USD 6.87 billion in August. This was the steepest monthly fall recorded in 2025 and also the fourth consecutive decline. The downturn began in May 2025, which was the last month of growth before the tariffs took effect.



Exports had then risen 4.8 per cent to USD 8.8 billion. However, from June onwards, shipments consistently fell by 5.7 per cent in June to USD 8.3 billion, 3.6 per cent in July to USD 8.0 billion, and 13.8 per cent in August to USD 6.9 billion, before sliding even further in September. GTRI also noted that between May and September, India's exports to the U.S. lost over USD 3.3 billion in monthly value, highlighting the severe impact of Washington's tariff decision on bilateral trade. The United States has now emerged as India's most severely affected export market since the escalation of tariffs. Sectors such as

textiles, gems and jewellery, engineering goods, and chemicals have been hit the hardest, the report noted. The decline in shipments from these industries has contributed significantly to the overall drop, raising concerns over the medium-term impact on India's manufacturing and export competitiveness in its largest market. The GTRI report highlighted that the steep fall in Indian exports to the United States over the past four months directly reflects the impact of the 50 per cent tariff regime and signals the need for a policy review to safeguard India's trade interests.

POEMS

Romer's Gap

A gap in the evolutionary fossil record; relevant fossils from this time have not yet been discovered.

—supratidal—

draw back—

fear of grief.

disdain toward

desired thing.

—tsunami:

fly agaric.

herbalist porn fantasy.

vivisection.

simultaneous orgasm atop lab table.

anthropomorphize trees to avoid

homeroetic thoughts of family members.

homeroeticize anthropomorphic trees.

suppress memory.

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suppress memory.

watch deep-sea snailfish implode

upon forced surfacing—

withdraw permission.

By Tian-Ai

GST cuts and festive cheer drive surge in housing demand

India's housing market is witnessing renewed optimism ahead of the festive season, fuelled by recent Goods and Services Tax (GST) reductions on key construction materials. The rationalisation of GST rates on cement, marble, granite, and bricks is estimated to lower construction costs, giving a significant boost to developers, especially those focusing on mid-income and affordable housing projects.

The period from Navratri to Diwali traditionally sees heightened home-buying sentiment across the country. Industry experts suggest that the combination of reduced GST rates and festive enthusiasm is set to accelerate housing demand. With lower input costs potential buyers are expecting lower prices and showing greater confidence in making purchase decisions during this period. Developers too are aligning their project launches,



offers, and marketing campaigns with major festivals to tap this sentiment. Many are rolling out

flexible payment schemes, early-bird discounts, and other incentives to attract

homebuyers. The festive window is being viewed as a golden opportunity to convert

inquiries into actual sales, especially in the non-metro markets.

Cities such as Lucknow, Indore, Raipur, Coimbatore, and Bhubaneswar are emerging as frontrunners in this recovery phase. In these markets, construction material costs constitute a higher portion of total project expenditure, meaning the GST cuts have a direct and positive impact on pricing and delivery margins. "GST cuts on key construction materials have come at the perfect time, just ahead of the festive season, and this will significantly support affordability-driven markets," said Prakhar Agrawal, Director, Rama Group. "In Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities like Raipur and across Chhattisgarh, the reduction directly improves both pricing and delivery timelines. We are already seeing stronger inquiries from emerging cities as buyers look for value, trust, and timely possession." According to Adish Oswal, Chairman, Oswal Group,

"The recent reduction in GST on cement has provided a much-needed boost to the real estate sector ahead of the festive season. It enables developers to offer more competitive pricing across residential and commercial projects." He added that in markets like Punjab, particularly Mohali and Ludhiana, improved infrastructure and festive enthusiasm are driving demand, making these regions key growth centres. Umang Jindal, CEO, Homeland Group, said, "A home is one of the most emotional purchases a family makes, and the festive season adds to this sentiment. Over the years, we've seen buyers amplifying their decisions between Navratri and Diwali, as the timing is seen as auspicious for new beginnings. As developers, we expect that the benefits are likely to be felt not just in metros but also in Tier-II and Tier-III cities.

Issue of unpaid dues of Machhiwara truck union reaches senior officials

DEEPAK KUMAR MACHHIWARA SAHIB: The Machhiwara Truck Union in Ludhiana, which represents over 200 truck operators, is facing distress due to non-payment of last year's season charges. Despite several attempts through various channels to recover their dues, the matter has reportedly now reached the desk of the Deputy Commissioner of Ludhiana. According to sources, the pending amount, estimated at over one crore rupees, has not been received by the truck operators even after several months. During the last wheat season, the lifting contract from the local grain market was awarded to three contractors, who received full payment from the Punjab government on June 20. Since then, the truck operators have been trying to recover their payments from these contractors.

Sharan Foundation holds free camp as another step towards eye health



JAGRAJ SINGH SANGHA MOGA: Sharan Foundation is running a program dedicated to eye health and awareness. Under this campaign, a free eye check-up and cataract operation camp was successfully organized today at Village Data (District Moga) in collaboration with Jagdamba Eye Hospital and Gram Panchayat Village Data. This was the nineteenth (19th) camp organized continuously under this project. During this camp, special information was given to create awareness among the people of the village about eye care. And 33 patients got their eyes checked, out of which 13 patients were diagnosed with cataract. These patients will now undergo their operations tomorrow at Jagdamba Hospital, Bagapurana (Moga). All the patients were provided free check-up, medicines and treatment as per the requirement. The Sharan Foundation* team is continuously reaching out to the villages to educate people about the importance of eye care and regular check-ups.

Chairman Darshan Sohi visits grain markets and conducts paddy auction



KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA RAMPURA PHUL: Chairman of Market Committee Rampura Phul, Darshan Sohi, visited the grain markets of Bhairoopa, Selbarah and Mehraj and reviewed the procurement arrangements. On this occasion, he said that every grain of the farmers' crop will be purchased by the government and the payment will be directly credited to the farmers' accounts. He also assured the arthiyas that no problem will be allowed to arise regarding the procurement of paddy and lifting. During this, Darshan Sohi also inspected the arrangements made by the Market Committee and gave necessary guidelines to the concerned officials. Darshan Sohi instructed the officials of the procurement agencies to ensure smooth procurement of paddy crop and ensure payment and lifting of the purchased goods within 48 hours. Chairman Darshan Sohi appealed to the farmers to bring only dry crop to the markets so that they do not face any problem. He also appealed to the farmers not to burn paddy stubble. On this occasion, Market Committee Secretary Amrit Pal Singh, Deep Jandu Block President, Raj Singh Geja Singh, Happy Mahal Block President, Bunty Bhagia and a large number of farmers were present.

YS College students design creative presentations on 'Freedom of Press' in canva workshop



BALWINDER AZAD BARNALA DEHATI: YS College, honoured as the Most Emerging Higher Education Institution of the Year 2022, continued its Canva Skill Development Workshop on 16 October. The session was led by Debjani Chakraborty, a UGC NET-qualified educator with over eight years of teaching experience, who has been guiding students through the creative process of digital designing. In today's session, students prepared 10-slide presentations on topics related to 'Indian Press Agency' and 'Freedom of Press.' They explored Canva's advanced features to make their designs more impactful—using creative layouts, typography, and AI tools to give a professional touch to their work. Director Varun Bharti appreciated the efforts of the learners, saying that "when students combine creativity with awareness, it strengthens their understanding of media and communication." Principal Gurpal Singh Rana shared that "such practical learning experiences help students turn theoretical knowledge into real skills, which is essential for success in today's media world." The workshop continues to nurture both creativity and confidence, preparing students for the evolving landscape of digital journalism.

Karnataka CM invited for 350th martyrdom anniversary of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur

GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, OCT 16

Punjab Public Works Minister S. Harbhajan Singh ETO and Water Resources Minister Sh. Barinder Kumar Goyal today met Karnataka Chief Minister Sh. Siddaramaiah at Bengaluru to extend a formal invitation for the 350th Martyrdom Anniversary of the Ninth Sikh Guru, Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji, to be held at Sri Anandpur Sahib next month.

During the meeting, both the Ministers apprised the Chief Minister about the series of religious events being organized to honour the supreme sacrifice of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji, revered as the 'Hind Di Chadar'. They also invited him to participate in the concluding commemorative events at Sri Anandpur Sahib and shared details of the nationwide events being planned to mark the historic occasion. Highlighting the elaborate arrangements, the Cabinet Ministers informed that the commemorations will begin with Ardaas at Gurdwara Sri Sis Ganj Sahib in Delhi on October 25 followed by Kirtan Darbar at Gurdwara Sri Rakab Ganj Sahib the same evening. They said the state government will host Light and Sound shows across all 23 districts from November 1 to 18 depicting Guru Sahib's life and teachings, while



130 'Charan Chhoh' sites linked with Guru Sahib's travels will hold Kirtan Darbars and devotional gatherings. They further shared that four Nagar Kirtans will commence from different parts, from Srinagar (Jammu & Kashmir) and from Gurdaspur, Faridkot and Takht Sri Damdama Sahib (Punjab) and all Nagar Kirtans will converge at Sri Anandpur Sahib on November 22 evening.

The main events will take place from November 23 to 25, with the setup of a 'Tent City' 'Chakk Nanki' to accommodate more than 11,000 devotees daily. The events will include an Sri Akhand Path Sahib, Sarb Dharam Sammelan, special session of Punjab Vidhan Sabha at Bhai Jaita Ji Memorial, a drone show on the life of Sri Guru Tegh

Bahadur Sahib Ji and Kirtan Darbar by renowned Raagis. The Cabinet Ministers also informed the Karnataka Chief Minister that several welfare and social service initiatives will accompany the spiritual programs, including blood donation camps, an organ donation drive and a mega plantation campaign involving the plantation of 3.50 lakh saplings.

Expressing appreciation, Chief Minister Sh. Siddaramaiah commended Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Singh Mann led Punjab Government for organising the commemorations at such a monumental scale and said the teachings of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji continue to inspire generations across the nation with the message of equality, tolerance and self-sacrifice.

Joint candidate of Panthich parties in Tarn Taran, Mandeep Singh, will create new horizons of victory: Pargat Gaga



LEHRAGAGA (GURMAIL SINGH SANGATPURA): Shiromani Akali Dal Amritsar's Lehra Halka Incharge Pargat Singh Gaga has claimed that in the Tarn Taran by-election, joint candidate of Panthich parties, Bhai Mandeep Singh, will create new horizons and the people of the constituency will not vote for the Aam Aadmi Party, but will get their deposit forfeited. He further said that Bhai Mandeep Singh comes from a family with an impeccable personality and sacrifice, due to which a storm is blowing in his favor in Tarn Taran today.

He said that people of almost all Panthich parties are supporting the election of Bhai Mandeep Singh considering it as their personal election. He said that Mandeep Singh's victory is certain, only the announcement is yet to be made, which will be done on November 14.

Meeting of Bharatiya Kisan Union Ekta (Malwai) held



GURMAIL SINGH SANGATPURA
LEHRAGAGA, OCT 16

The family of Bharatiya Kisan Union Ekta (Malwai) has started growing. Under this series, a meeting of farmers was held today at village Lehal Kala under the leadership of block Lehraga leaders Kuldeep Singh Ramgarh, Binder Singh Ramgarh, after the meeting, a thirty-six member unit of women farmers and a 21 member unit of men farmers were formed. Addressing the gathering of farmers in the meeting, Suba Singh Sangatpura, state leader of Bharatiya Kisan Union Ekta

Malwai, said that burning stubble is not a hobby of farmers but a compulsion, because the Punjab government is not providing any solution to the problems related to stubble faced by farmers, due to which farmers are being forced to burn the paddy residue themselves.

He further said that our government is spending money on big meetings about not burning stubble, but the government is not managing it nor is any assistance being given to the farmers.

He said that if the Punjab government takes any action against the farmers instead

of managing stubble, then Bharatiya Kisan Union Ekta (Malwai) will stand shoulder to shoulder with the farmers. He also said that it is the governments that force farmers to sow paddy. Due to the bad policies of the government, farmers are burdened with debt.

He said that if the Government of India makes a permanent law on MSP for all crops as recommended by Swami Nathan and gives full price to the farmers, then there is no need for farmers to sow paddy, because the farmers are ready to cultivate traditional crops instead of paddy.

PRCN NCC course completion by Cadet Incharge Sandeep of D.A.V. School, Sardulgarh

KULWINDER KARWAL
SARDULGARH, OCT 16

Cadet incharge Sandeep from D.A.V. Public School, Sardulgarh, successfully completed the PRCN Course held at Nagpur (Maharashtra) under the auspices of the NCC Training Academy Camp Kamptee. This training program was conducted from 31 July to 27 September 2025, in which NCC incharges from various parts of India participated.

From the entire Punjab region, Cadet Incharge Sandeep from the 3 PB NCC Unit, Bathinda, was selected for this course, which was considered a matter of great pride for both the school and the state. During the course, topics such as drill, map reading, firing, field craft, leadership qualities, physical training and administrative knowledge were included. Sandeep successfully completed the course through his dedication and hard work. Upon returning, the school family warmly welcomed and congratulated him for this great achievement.



Police nabs 95 drug smugglers with 3.4kg heroin

CHANDIGARH, OCT 16

Continuing the war against drugs "Yudh Nashan Virudh" waged by Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann to eradicate drug menace from state consecutively for the 229th day, Punjab Police conducted raids at 427 locations on Thursday leading to the arrest of 95 drug smugglers after registration of 82 first information reports (FIRs) across the state. With this, the number of total drug smugglers arrested has reached to 33,219 in 229 days.

The raids have resulted in recovery of 3.4 kg heroin, 7.5 kg poppy husk, 878 intoxicant tablets/capsules and Rs 9210 drug money from the possession of arrested drug smugglers. Notably, CM Bhagwant Singh Mann has asked the Commissioners of Police, Deputy Com-

missioners and Senior Superintendent of Police to make Punjab drug free state. The Punjab government has also constituted a 5-member Cabinet Sub Committee led by Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema to monitor the war against drugs. Over 120 Police teams, comprising over 1200 police personnel, under the supervision of 74 gazetted officers have conducted 427 raids across the state. Police teams have also checked as many as 469 suspicious persons during the day-long operation. The state government has enforced a three-pronged strategy—Enforcement, Deaddiction and Prevention (EDP)—to eradicate drugs from the state, the Punjab Police as part of 'De-addiction' has convinced 37 persons to undergo de-addiction and rehabilitation treatment today.

Dr. Abhilaksh Likhi, Secretary of Ministry of Fisheries, interacts with fish farmers and entrepreneurs in Fatehgarh Sahib, Punjab



FATEHGARH SAHIB, OCT 16

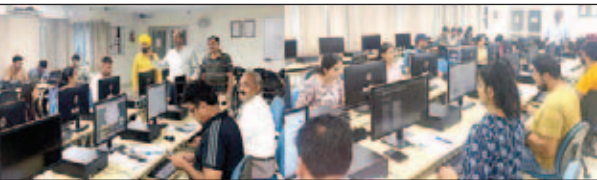
Dr. Abhilaksh Likhi, Secretary of the Department of Fisheries under the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, visited Fatehgarh Sahib District, Punjab today and interacted with fish farmers and fisheries entrepreneurs to understand their challenges, particularly in Recirculatory Aquaculture Systems (RAS) and shrimp farming. During the visit to modern RAS facilities at Daulatpur Village, Bassi Pathana, Dr. Likhi reviewed ongoing fisheries projects and activities being implemented

under central schemes, including the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY). He was briefed on innovative practices adopted by local farmers, who have successfully transformed wasteland into productive aquaculture hubs, generating employment and livelihood opportunities in the region. Around 35-40 progressive fish farmers participated in the interaction, sharing their experiences and insights. Dr. Likhi emphasized the importance of technology-driven fish farming, capacity building of farmers, and species diversification to enhance in-

come and strengthen rural livelihoods. He reiterated the Central Government's commitment to supporting modern aquaculture practices through infrastructure development, innovation, and capacity enhancement under flagship fisheries programs.

This visit also highlighted the Government's prioritization of saline water aquaculture in states like Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, and Rajasthan. These regions, often affected by saline intrusion in agricultural lands, present unique opportunities for land-use optimization through aquaculture.

Workshop on "Hands-on training on computer Literacy for bilingual specific applications" concludes



BALWINDER AZAD
BARNALA DEHATI, OCT 16

In line with the Ministry of Education's mandate to promote the official language Hindi, the Hindi Official Language Cell and the Hindi Official Language Development Committee organized a month-long workshop-cum-training program on "Computer Literacy for Bilingual Specific Applications" for faculty, staff, and students at Sant Longowal Institute of Engineering and Technology, Longowal, Sangrur, Punjab (a deemed to be university under the Ministry

of Education, Government of India) from September 15, 2025, to October 14, 2025. The workshop primarily focused on sensitizing participants to use Hindi in official communications, preparing technical reports, laboratory and instruction manuals, and course materials for easy understanding of topics. Professor Kamlesh Prasad, the workshop chairman, demonstrated dedication in providing in-depth knowledge of computer and web applications for preparing documents required for internal and external official communications.

MLA Sekhon distributes approval letters for compensation to flood victims



FARIDKOT (SURINDER DAMDAMI): Under the unique initiative of the Punjab government under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann to provide relief compensation to the flood victims/victims of natural calamities before Diwali, today, under Mission Punarwar, MLA Gurdit Singh Sekhon distributed approval letters worth a total of Rs. 36 lakh 86 thousand to 150 flood affected families of 10 villages of Faridkot district at village Sher Singh Wala. In his address on this occasion, Gurdit Singh Sekhon said that the government of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann has fulfilled the promise made to the people. By providing this relief before Diwali, the government has proven that this is a government of the common people which stands with them in every crisis. He said that today Rs. 15 lakh 86 thousand was given as compensation for the damage to houses and Rs. 21 lakh for the damage to crops.

He said that the flood affected farmers are being given compensation of up to Rs 20,000 per acre and compensation for the damage to houses is also being done immediately.

MRSPTU hosts Inter-University Collaborative Meet, signs Letters of Intent with leading universities



ANANTDEEP KAUR
BATHINDA, OCT 16

In a landmark initiative conceptualised under the visionary leadership of Punjab Governor-cum-Chancellor, Shri Gulab Chand Kataria, and Punjab Education Minister, Shri Harjot Singh Bains, Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University (MRPTU), Bathinda, hosted an Inter-University Collaborative Meet and signed Letters of Intent (LoIs) with three eminent universities of Punjab — Guru Nanak Dev

University (GNDU), Amritsar; Punjab Agricultural University (PAU), Ludhiana; and Jagat Guru Nanak Dev Punjab State Open University (PSOU), Patiala — to strengthen inter-university collaboration and promote academic excellence across the state.

The high-level academic meet brought together Vice Chancellors and senior representatives from leading universities of Punjab to deliberate on strategies for academic cooperation, innovation, and research excellence.

Awareness about eve teasing need of hour: Dr R S Parmar



BAHADURJEET SINGH
RUPNAGAR, OCT 16

The Co-Pilots of Rotary Club Rupnagar organized an awareness talk on eve teasing at Gandhi Memorial National Senior Secondary School on October 14, 2025. In this event, President Partner Vandana Sharma first explained about eve teasing & after that a short play was presented by the children of Grammar Guru organization Rupnagar, directed by its Director Supinder Kaur. The play was enjoyed by the students & other present in the event.

Diwali celebrated with special children

HOSHARPUR (DALJEET AJNHOHA): Sahara Welfare Society celebrated this year's Diwali festival in a heartwarming and creative manner with specially-abled children. At the Government Senior Secondary School, Janauri, these children showcased creatively designed lamps and candles at an attractive stall, aimed at encouraging their creativity and self-reliance. On this occasion, Cabinet Minister Dr. Ravjot Singh, along with the Red Cross Society, Hoshiarpur, distributed school bags, utensils, and ration kits to the children. English Lecturer Renu Bala contributed significantly to the decoration of Diwali items, enhancing the visual appeal of the stall. Concluding the event, Society President Renu Kanwar expressed special gratitude to Deputy Commissioner Ashika Jain and Red Cross Secretary Mangesh Sood for their valuable support in this inspiring initiative.



Rs 98-cr project to equip govt schools with interactive smart panels

SUMER GARG
CHANDIGARH, OCT 16

Catapulting the traditional education system into the modern digital age in the state, the Punjab Government will install over 8230 cutting-edge Interactive Flat Panels (IFPs) worth Rs 98 crore in the state government schools to make classrooms more engaging, improve conceptual understanding and further enhance learning outcome, announced S. Harjot Singh Bains, Minister of School Education, Punjab.

Divulging the details about the landmark project, S. Harjot Singh Bains informed that 3,600 government schools will be equipped with the state-of-the-art Interactive Flat Panels (IFPs). By March 2026, the initiative would transform learning for lakhs of students, introducing dynamic, interactive digital classrooms that replace traditional teaching methods. Reaffirming the Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Singh Mann



led Punjab Government's commitment to provide quality education, S. Harjot Singh Bains stated, "This is a quantum leap towards bridging the digital divide by ensuring equitable, world-class education for every child in Punjab. We are empowering our teachers and preparing our students to become the innovators and leaders of tomorrow. This investment underscores our unwavering commitment to building a future-ready Punjab, where a student in the most remote school has the same access to cutting-edge learning tools as one in an urban school." The

Education Minister highlighted the profound impact of the digital initiative, noting that it will lead to more engaging & participatory lessons, improved learning outcomes and empowered teachers with innovative pedagogies and more impactful classroom delivery. The ultimate goal is to equip students with the skills and knowledge to thrive in the 21st century. This step is reflecting the Punjab Government's vision for a future-ready education system in the state. S. Harjot Singh Bains said that the classrooms will equip with 75-inch multi-touch, high-definition smart panels with integrated computing, built-in speakers, stylus support and pre-loaded interactive learning tools. To ensure the program's long-term success and accountability, a robust support framework has been established. This includes a 5-year comprehensive onsite warranty, a network of local service centres and a sophisticated monitoring system.

Meet Hayer lays foundation stone of works worth Rs 20 lakhs at Badbar

KULDEEP SOOD BARNALA: Sangrur Member of Parliament Shri Gurmeet Singh Meet Hayer today laid the foundation stone of a work worth Rs 20 lakhs at Bulleshah Basti of village Badbar to relieve the people from the problem of dirty water. Speaking on this occasion, he said that the Punjab government under the leadership of Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Singh Mann is



continuously giving momentum to development works in the state. Under this link, the foundation stone of the pipeline of Bulleshah Basti has been laid at village Badbar so that the people who have been facing the problem of dirty water for decades get relief. He said that under this project, this pipeline is being laid to dispose of the waste water of all the houses.

NEWS BRIEF

Wave of joy as Raj Sandhu appointed SC Morcha Mandal President

SHANTI GAUTAM BADDI: A wave of happiness swept across the region after Raj Kumar Sandhu was appointed Mandal President of the Scheduled Caste Morcha of BJP Doon Mandal, Baddi. Soon after his appointment, Raj Sandhu began working actively to



strengthen the organisation and form the mandal executive committee. Speaking on the occasion, Sandhu said that special focus will be laid on strengthening the organisation ahead of Mission 2027. He added that taking the central government's policies to the masses will remain his top priority. Expressing gratitude for the trust placed in him, he said he would fulfil the responsibility with honesty and dedication. He thanked Leader of Opposition Jai Ram Thakur, State BJP President Dr. Rajeev Bindal, State General Secretary (Organisation) Siddharth, MP Suresh Kashyap, SC Morcha State President Manish Chauhan, District President Rattan Singh Pal, former MLA Sardar Parjeet Singh, former MLA Vinod Chandel.

MC carrying out development projects in every ward without discrimination: Mayor

RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR, OCT 16

Municipal Corporation is carrying out development projects worth crores of rupees in Twin City and has issued tenders for development projects worth crores of rupees. To provide amenities to city residents, work is being done to build streets, roads, and drains in every ward. Mayor Suman Bahmani laid foundation stone for development projects worth Rs. 30.79 lakh in Ward 17 today in presence of Municipal Engineer Surendra Dahiya, Councilor Dixit Dhiman and BJP Mandal President Shubham Rana. She inaugurated development projects by breaking a coconut.Mayor directed Municipal officials to complete all development projects on time, with special attention to quality. Compromises on quality will not be tolerated in development projects. Mayor Suman Bahmani stated that the Municipal Corporation will lay an RCC pipeline for drainage from Prem Pasi's shop to Johnny Grocery



Store in Veena Nagar Camp, Ward 17, at a cost of 14.56 lakh rupees. In Nawab Colony, also in Ward 17, streets and drains will be constructed from Gujjar Grocery Store, through Shamsbad's house, to Riyasal's house, at a cost of 8.90 lakh rupees. Similarly, in Shiv Nagar, various streets and storm water lines will be laid at a cost of 7.33 lakh rupees. The foundation stone for all three development projects was laid on Thursday. These developments will provide easy access to thousands of residents and eliminate the problem of waterlogging during the rainy

season. Mayor Suman Bahmani stated that the government is carrying out development projects worth crores of rupees in every ward of the municipal area without any discrimination. Drains, paved roads, paved streets, sewerage systems, stormwater drains, underground pipelines, beautiful parks, streetlights, community centers, dharamshalas, and other development projects are being carried out in the city. Development work worth crores of rupees has been completed, and crores more are under construction.

VB launches new AI-based WhatsApp Chatbot, Satark to crack down on corruption: SP

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL: The Haryana State Vigilance and Anti-Corruption Bureau has launched an AI-based WhatsApp chatbot, "Satark," to provide citizens with easy access to information related to corruption and enhance transparency in governance. This initiative is an important step towards strengthening anti-corruption efforts and raising public awareness, according to Virendra Singh Sangwan, Superintendent of Police, State Vigilance and Anti-Corruption Bureau. Superintendent of Police Virendra Singh stated that through the chatbot, citizens can access information about the role and functioning of the Vigilance and Anti-Corruption Bureau, the simple process and necessary guidelines for filing corruption-related complaints, useful awareness materials related to corruption prevention, the Bureau's contact details, and information about the corruption helpline.

Free health check-up camp held



RINKU SAINI LADWA, OCT 16

Bharat Vikas Parishad organized a free health check-up and blood donation camp at the Baba Bansi Wala Old Age Home on Ladwa-Pipali road to mark first death anniversary of council's founding president, Khemchand Goyal. Kailash Saini, Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini's office representative, attended camp as chief guest, while social worker Sachin Garg was present as special guest. Council presidents Aman Goyal and Dr. Amrit Pal Garg shared that late Khemchand Goyal laid foundation of the Bharat Vikas Parishad in Ladwa. This health check-up and blood donation camp was organized as a tribute to him on his first death anniversary. Chief guest Kailash

Saini and special guest Sachin Garg inaugurated the camp by offering flowers to the late Khemchand Goyal's portrait. Speaking on occasion, Kailash Saini remarked that late Khemchand Goyal made invaluable contributions to the development and social service of Ladwa. He said that sapling from which Goyal started the Bharat Vikas Parishad has now blossomed into a banyan tree. He added that such personalities are rare in society, whose thoughts and actions become an inspiration for generations to come. Special guest, social worker Sachin Garg, said that Khemchand Goyal was not only the founder of the Bharat Vikas Parishad but also president of the Shri Agarwal Sabha, Ladwa, for many years.

Rajinder Gupta elected unopposed to Rajya Sabha from Punjab



BUREAU CHANDIGARH: Epitomising the Punjabi saying “Mann Neeva, Matt Uchi” — humility in heart and wisdom in thought — eminent industrialist and Trident Group Chairman Emeritus Rajinder Gupta has been elected unopposed to the Rajya Sabha from Punjab. The announcement came on Thursday afternoon after the deadline for withdrawal of nominations ended. The Returning Officer handed over the certificate of election to Mr. Gupta in the presence of Punjab Assembly Speaker Kultar Singh Sandhwan during a brief ceremony at the Punjab Vidhan Sabha complex. Mr. Gupta was accompanied by his wife, while Mr. Deepak Nanda, Managing Director, Trident Group, was also present on the occasion.A respected business leader and philanthropist, Mr. Gupta had filed his nomination as the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) candidate for the Rajya Sabha bypoll, held to fill a vacant seat from Punjab.Known for his humility and visionary leadership, Rajinder Gupta's journey from a first-generation entrepreneur to one of India's most respected industrial figures truly embodies the spirit of “Mann Neeva, Matt Uchi”.

SD College of Education wins 2nd runners-up trophy in Zonal Youth Festival



KULDEEP SOOD BARNALA: Making its mark among the big established institutions, SD College of Education has put up a commendable performance in the Zonal Youth Festival of Punjabi University, Patiala held at S. D. College recently. In this festival, the college performed brilliantly and secured the second runners-up (overall third) position in the competition held among 22 leading colleges of Barnala-Malerkotla zone. 42 students of the college participated in 34 items and won 26 prizes, which won the hearts of everyone. The PRO of the institution, Prof. Shoaib Zafar said that the college secured first place in traditional folk songs, western group songs, crochet, rope tying, games, rangoli, cartooning, photography, second place in pakki, nallah weaving, shikkau, tokari, innu, clay toys, dolls patole, general quiz, costume exhibition, installation, poster making and third place in western solo, paranda, parede, idiomatic dialogue, short film, clay modeling and collage. The students achieved this achievement under the supervision of convener Dr. Seema Sharma, co-convener Rajni Singla, Prof. Barinder Kaur, Dr. Jasleen Kaur, Dr. Harpal Kaur, Dr. Navneet Kaur, Dr. Shikha Rani, Inderjit Kaur, Prof. Balwinder Kumar, Prof. Manisha Rani and Prof. Rosie Arora.

Geeta Niketan Residential School's 52nd annual celebration today



HANS RAJ KURUKSHETRA: The 52nd Annual Celebration is being celebrated with great pomp at Geeta Niketan Residential School, run by Vidya Bharati. Giving information, Principal of school, Narayan Singh said that embarkation ceremony will commence on October 17 at 10:00 am in school premises. On arrival of the chief guest, NCC cadets of school will parade and salute and slogan will be played.Resident students will participate in this program. In program, there will be demonstration of Yoga, Mallakhamb and Karate under physical performance, whereas in cultural programs there will be drama based on developed India, poem on patriotism, choreography on Dashavatar and group dance based on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat. Giving information about hostel, senior Acharya Shri Tejveer Singh ji told that at present 600 students from 17 states are studying in hostel of Geeta Niketan Residential School. This school has a unique identity throughout India as a residential school. Its alumni are working in many prestigious positions across world and are increasing the pride of the country. Its alumni are playing a leading role in every field of social life.

Officials should not ignore any problems faced by farmers and commission agents: MLA



ROHIT LAMSAR TARAOERI: MLA Bhagwandas Kabirpanthi visited Nigdu grain market and inspected arrangements. He spoke with farmers and commission agents and took stock of arrangements on spot. He stated that state government has made adequate arrangements for convenience of farmers and commission agents in all markets across state during Kharif season. Procurement agencies are active in markets, and timely weighing and payment of farmers' produce is being ensured. While inspecting market, he said that if any problems arise in any market in constituency during season, they will be resolved immediately. He instructed administrative officials and market management not to ignore any problems faced by farmers and commission agents. MLA Bhagwandas Kabirpanthi also stated that state government is continuously working to address problems of farmers and commission agents.

Young scientists shine at science quiz



RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR: A proud moment for DAV Public School, Professor Colony, Yamunanagar ! The talented trio — Sanyam, Yash, and Yuvraj — showcased their brilliance and scientific acumen at the Inter-School Science Quiz Competition held at S.D. Public School, Jagadhri, on October 16, 2025. Competing against several reputed schools, the DAV team impressed everyone with their quick thinking and teamwork, ultimately bagging the Consolation Prize — a testament to their knowledge, confidence, and curiosity for science. Principal Mr V.K.Kashiv congratulated the young achievers and their mentors for bringing laurels to the institution.

DC Gupta orders regular inspection of petrol pumps, warns of action against violations

RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR: As directed by Deputy Commissioner Parth Gupta, various petrol pumps in district are being inspected by all SDMs, the District Food and Supplies Controller, Food Supply Inspector, and Legal Metrology Inspector. He stated that during inspections, officials check both the quantity and quality of petrol and diesel. All samples collected are being sent to respective agencies' laboratories for laboratory testing to confirm quality. Deputy Commissioner Parth Gupta stated that anyone with a complaint regarding a petrol pump can register their complaint on telephone number 01732-237800 or on WhatsApp number 8708137456. He stated that petrol pumps should provide drinking water, toilets, and other amenities for consumers. He urged petrol pump operators to follow all government guidelines. He further instructed that strict action will be taken against any petrol pump operator found violating these instructions. He instructed all SDMs and officials of concerned departments to inspect petrol pumps from time to time with their teams and take action against those petrol pumps which are not functioning as per rules.



SSD College Barnala sweeps Zonal Youth Festival



KARANPREET KARAN BARNALA: SSD College Barnala, full of studies, sports and every activity, has once again proven that when hard work, dedication and determination come together, success is inevitable. In the Barnala-Malerkotla Zonal Youth Festival held from 11 to 14 October, the depth of emotions in music and theatre of the students of SSD College captivated the audience and the judges. SSD College Chairman Shri Shivdarshan Sharma Ji expressed happiness and said, “This is not just a trophy win for SSD College, but a victory of our students’ determination, silverware, and the support of dedicated individuals like Bhupinder Barnala Ji.”

Mohadi Panchayat launches tree planting campaign in village



NIRMAL SAINI RADAUR: Saplings were planted in the village by Gram Panchayat Mohadi. Sarpanch representative Satish Sharma and villagers have planted fruit bearing, shady and ornamental plants. Satish Sharma said that saplings have been planted around the pond, community center and other places in the village. Planting trees is the need of the hour for environmental protection. The problem of global warming is arising due to continuous lack of trees. Therefore, we all will have to plant trees together. He said that we must plant trees on special occasions in our lives.

Life patrons honoured by Indian Red Cross Society, Punjab State Branch

VERMA GURDASPUR: The Indian Red Cross Society, Punjab State Branch, held its General Body Meeting at Punjab Bhawan, Chandigarh, under the esteemed chairmanship of the Hon'ble Governor of Punjab. During the meeting, a significant decision was made on the recommendation of Romesh Mahajan National Awardee. A dedicated committee was constituted under the leadership of the Governor, wherein Dr. Rajinder Singh Bajwa, Founder of Bajwa Hospital, Kahnauwan, and S. Kanwarpal Singh (alias KP), Chairman of KP Finance Company, Gurdaspur, were appointed as Life Patrons of the Indian Red Cross Society, Punjab State Branch. Dr. Bajwa and KP Singh have been associated with the Red Cross Society for more than 15 years and have made remarkable contributions in the field of social welfare. Their initiatives have spanned across: Anti-drug awareness and de-addiction drives, Medical treatment and rehabilitation programs, Relief and aid for flood-affected populations, Organizing rural and urban medical camps.



‘Open Art’ event organised in YS Public School



KARANPREET KARAN BARNALA: “Where Every Child is an Artist in the Making” YS Public School, recognised among India's Top 50 Schools, organised an inspiring ‘Open Art’ event on the festive theme of Diwali for students from Nursery to Class XII. In this event more than 1000 students participated from class nursery to 12th. The school campus came alive with colours and creativity as students stepped out of their classrooms to paint, sketch, and design in the open environment, giving life to their imagination. The purpose of the event was to encourage creative expression beyond the boundaries of classrooms, allowing students to think freely and connect their artistic skills with the cultural essence of Diwali. The open-air setting provided a refreshing space for young artists to explore art in its purest form. In alignment with the school's vision to nurture innovation, creativity, and holistic development, such activities help students discover their inner potential while enjoying the process of learning.

Bhagwan Valmiki Jan Kalyan Sangh holds meeting to complete election process



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL: The meeting of Bhagwan Valmiki Jan Kalyan Sangh was held at Sector-9 Valmiki Bhawan under the chairmanship of Balbir Singh Chauhan, convener of the ad hoc committee of Bhagwan Valmiki Jan Kalyan Sangh. The ad hoc committee members Captain Shamsher Singh, Shyam Lal Principal (Retd.), Jaipal Chanalia and Roshan Lal Samra were present in the meeting. This information was given by the acting president of the organization, Subhash Bumbak. He told that in the meeting, with the aim of successfully completing the election process of the new executive of the sangh by the Ad hoc Committee, retired Deputy Director of Industries Department, Haryana, R S Sharma has been appointed as the returning officer and this information has also been given to the District Registrar Firms and Societies office.

Vidya Bharti, Hindu Shiksha Samiti organise activities on Diwali



HANS RAJ KURUKSHETRA: Under the joint aegis of Vidya Bharti Haryana and Hindu Shiksha Samiti, many activities were organized in the school on the occasion of Diwali on Wednesday at Geeta Kanya Senior Secondary School located on Amin Road. The purpose of activities was to make children aware of Indian culture and traditions. In this series, like every year, this year too lamp decoration, thali decoration and toran making competitions were organized. In these competitions, girls from class 1st to 12th of the school, infant section, children section, adolescent section and youth section respectively participated enthusiastically. In the Diya Decoration Competition, Avni stood first, Naksh and Kyan stood second and Sarvjeet stood third in the children's category.

Power supply to remain affected in Bassi Pathana

AJAY MALHOTRA

FATEHGARH SAHIB: According to a press note issued by Er. Gurtej Singh, Sub-Divisional Officer (Urban) of Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (PSPCL), Bassi Pathana, the power supply in certain areas of the city will remain affected today, due to maintenance work. He informed that the '11 KV G.O. switches' will undergo repair work, and tree branches near the '11 KV lines' will be trimmed. For this purpose, the power supply from the 220 KV station feeding the 11 KV ITI Feeder (Category-1) will remain shut down from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Due to the shutdown of the ITI Feeder, power supply will be affected in the following areas of Bassi Pathana: Khnar Road, Bus Stand Area, Railway Road, Railway Colony, M.P. Colony, Cheema Colony, and the Industrial Area before the Bypass. He further stated that the 'PSPCL' department regrets the inconvenience that may be caused to consumers during this maintenance period.

Punjab govt sets example by providing flood relief compensation : Arora

SUMER GARG

SUNAM, OCT 16

Under the leadership of Chief Minister, Bhagwant Singh Mann, the Punjab Govt has set an example by providing compensation and relief funds to flood affected people within 30 days, before Diwali, as promised. This is the first time in history that any government has provided compensation for a natural calamity in such a short period.

Cabinet minister Aman Arora stated this today while handing over sanction letters for compensation amounts to nine victims affected by heavy rains and floods in the Sunam Assembly Constituency (SAC) at his residence. The beneficiaries include Anokh Singh from Sunam; Sukhwinder Singh and Paramjit Singh from Akalgarh; Satgur Singh,

Chamkaur Singh, Labh Singh, and Sarbjit Singh from Jharon and Gurmair Singh and Mahinder Singh from Kotra Amru.

Arora informed that the Punjab government has fulfilled its promise by releasing the first installment of Rs 209 Cr for the state, out of which Rs 3.50 Cr will be distributed among flood-affected people in the Sangrur district. Recently, Chief Minister, Bhag-

want Singh Mann distributed cheques worth Rs 5.70 Cr to 631 farmers in Ajnala, marking the launch of Mission Rehabilitation. Due to heavy rainfall and floods, crops across the state suffered extensive damage. Many houses and other structures also collapsed. Each affected family will receive relief funds after the assessment of losses. For the first time, every damaged house will receive Rs 40,000,

while farmers will get Rs 20,000 per acre for crop damage. Arora added that the Punjab government, with the cooperation of the people, made every possible effort to tackle the flood situation. Timely rescue and relief operations prevented bigger losses. He emphasized that the Punjab Government stands firmly with its people and remains committed to addressing their difficulties.

St.Xavier's E-School Sangat introduces robotics classes

ISHWAR GARG

TALWANDI SABO: St. Xavier's E-School, Sangat Road, Bathinda, has proudly introduced Robotics Classes as part of its latest skill development initiative. The program aims to equip students with 21st-century technological skills, fostering creativity, logical thinking, and innovation from an early age. These classes have now become a daily part of their curriculum, allowing students to explore technology regularly and apply their learning in fun, practical ways. Through these sessions, students gain hands-on experience in coding, designing, helping them think critically and work collaboratively. Young learners are truly stepping into the world of robotics and automation, proudly becoming Junior Engineers! This wonderful and futuristic skill activity has been launched exclusively by St. Xavier's E-School, setting a benchmark in Bathinda for progressive and innovative education.

Guest lecture on current good manufacturing practices organized at Desh Bhagat University

AJAY MALHOTRA

FATEHGARH SAHIB: On the occasion of the 3rd National Current Good Manufacturing Practice (cGMP) Day, the Placebo Club, School of Pharmacy, S. Lal Singh Memorial College of Pharmacy, and Mata Jarnail K. College of Pharmacy, in collaboration with the Institution's Innovation Council (IIC) and IQAC, Deth Bhagat University, organized an online guest lecture. Dr. Keshav Jindal, Professor (Pharmacovigilance), Adesh Institute of Pharmacy and Biomedical Sciences, Adesh University, Bathinda, was the eminent speaker for the session. He was warmly welcomed by Ms. Shivani Kumari, Assistant Professor, School of Pharmacy.

New executive body of Shri Vishwakarma Panchal Sabha Panchkula elected unanimously

CHANDIGARH, OCT 16

The election of the new executive body of Shri Vishwakarma Panchal Sabha, Panchkula was held on Sunday, September 21, 2025, at Shri Vishwakarma Temple, Dadu Majra Colony, Sector-38 West, Chandigarh, from 11 am to 1 pm.

The election process was conducted under the supervision of Returning Officer

Somdutt Panchal and Assistant Returning Officer Ramesh Mathuria.

The General Body of the Sabha unanimously elected the following office-bearers without any dispute: President – Vinod Kumar Panchal Vice President – Subhash Dharma General Secretary – Mukesh Kumar Panchal Joint Secretary – Dinesh Bhardwa Treasurer – Sunil Panchal Organising Secretary – Yogi Mathuria Member/Advisor – Sadhu Ram Panchal

The election was completed in a peaceful atmosphere.

The newly elected office-bearers pledged to work with dedication for the unity and progress of the community.

Somdutt Panchal Returning Officer Shri Vishwakarma Panchal Sabha, Panchkula (Regd. Office: #1919, Sector 26, Panchkula).

Fateh Group of Institutions wins overall theatre trophy in youth festival

KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA

RAMPURA PHUL, OCT 16

Fateh Group of Institutions, Rampura Phul has registered a historic achievement by winning the overall trophy in the theatre category in the Bathinda-Faridkot Zone Level Regional Youth Festival 2025 organized by Punjabi University Patiala. In this festival held at Government Rajindra College, Bathinda, the students of the institution gave a brilliant display of art, culture and theatre talent. Fateh Group won first place in the theatre category in Nukkad Natak, Mimikri and Bhand competitions, second in skit and mime, while third place in drama. The students also got the flavor of folklore by winning first place in folk songs and folk instruments.

Apart from this, they got second place in Ghazal, Group Shabad, Indian Group Song and Folk Orchestra, while they got third place in Gudiya-Patole and Eenu making. The organization also achieved a total of 16 excellent achievements by winning first and second place in skill competitions like crotch weaving and generation weaving. Assistant Director Harpreet Sharma and Youth Coordinator Rammanpreet Kaur said that the play of Fateh Group presented at Rajindra College was so impressive that the eyes of the audience were filled with tears. Declaring this victory historic, the chairman of the organization S.S. Chatha said that the students of Fateh Group are not only making a name for themselves in academics.

Health dept has intensified vigilance to curb food adulteration during festival: DC

HOSHIARPUR (DALJEET AJNOHA):

To curb food adulteration during the ongoing festive season, the Health Department has launched strict monitoring and enforcement drives across Hoshiarpur district. Deputy Commissioner Ashika Jain stated that ensuring the health and safety of citizens remains the administration's top priority. To achieve this, dedicated teams have been formed to inspect food quality and crack down on adulteration. Providing details, Jain said that under the supervision of District Health Officer Dr. Jatinder Bhatia, three Food Safety Officers—Munish Sodhi, Vivek Kumar, and Ishank Bansal—along with their team members, are conducting extensive inspections in various areas of the district, including rural regions.

The teams are collecting samples from sweet shops, dairy and dairy-based products such as paneer, desi ghee, and khoya, as well as packaged sweets, spices, fruits, vegetables, and other edible items. These teams are maintaining continuous vigilance throughout the festive period to ensure that only safe and high-quality food items reach consumers.

The Deputy Commissioner urged citizens to exercise caution while purchasing food items. She advised them to check product packaging and expiry dates carefully, and to immediately report any suspected adulteration or unsafe products to the Health Department. She added that samples collected from different locations have been sent to laboratories for testing, and strict action will be taken against any outlet or manufacturer found guilty of adulteration or substandard quality. Jain said the monitoring campaign would continue throughout the festive season.

1,43,763 metric tonnes of paddy procured so far, payment of Rs 337 crore ensured

PARAMJIT SINGH

JALANDHAR, OCT 16

Deputy Commissioner Dr. Himanshu Agarwal, while holding a meeting with various officials at the District Administrative Complex today, directed that lifting of paddy in the markets should be ensured at a faster pace. He said that no policy of laxity should be adopted in the procurement arrangements and there should be no shortage of facilities for farmers and laborers. During the meeting, the Deputy Commissioner informed that 1,46,218 metric tonnes of paddy have arrived

CGC varsity erupts with 'SAVISKAR 2025', a battleground for rock stars and robots

KHARAR (SHASHI PAL JAIN):

The campus of CGC University transformed into an unparalleled hub of energy over the past two days as the SAVISKAR 2025 techno-cultural festival unveiled a spectacular fusion of technological brilliance and artistic radiance. The fest was not merely an event but a dynamic battleground for future leaders to prove their mettle. SAVISKAR 2025 presented a powerful convergence of traditional and modern competitions. While the skies over the campus glittered with the lights of a Drone Show, the ground was alive with the technical expertise displayed by students in Robo Wars and Hackathons. Simultaneously, students proved their intellectual prowess in strategic debates during the National MUN, Thinkathon, and the Best Manager Competition. The spectacle was completed by the Battle of Bands and Dance Contests, which set the audience on fire, while the Drift Show thrilled motorsport enthusiasts. Students who triumphed in the competitions were awarded cash prizes worth ₹31,000, ₹21,000, ₹11,000, and more, totaling lakhs of rupees. Among the top winners, Raghav Sharma clinched the National MUN title, Divya Yadav won the Best Manager Competition.

Special Lecture on "Martyrdom of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji: Political-Sociological Perspective" at Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University

FATEHGARH SAHIB (AJAY MALHOTRA):

The Department of Political Science of Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University, Fatehgarh Sahib, organized a special lecture on "Martyrdom of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji: Political-Sociological Perspective." The lecture aimed to provide students and faculty with a critical understanding of Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji's unparalleled role in shaping political thought and sociological consciousness.

Prof. Sathnam Singh Deol, of Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar, delivered the keynote address. He explained the concept of Shahadat in the Sikh tradition and underlined that Guru Ji's martyrdom was not merely a religious act but a foundational moment in the creation of a just and egalitarian social order, often described as Adli Raj or Halimi Raj. He emphasized that Guru Ji's supreme sacrifice continues to embody universal values of justice, tolerance, and human rights. Prof. Sukhwinder Singh Billing, Dean Academic Affairs, highlighted Guru Ji's contributions to the broader cause of humanity and stressed the importance of contextualizing his philosophy in contemporary times. In his presidential remarks, Prof. Prit Pal Singh, Vice-Chancellor of the University, elaborated on the philosophical dimensions of Guru Ji's teachings.

BJP leader Ranjit Singh Gill meets Home Minister Amit Shah

KHARAR (SHASHI PAL JAIN):

In New Delhi, BJP leader Rana Ranjit Singh Gill met the country's Home Minister Amit Shah. Rana Gill said that he has got the privilege of meeting the leader whose determination and foresight have made India internally secure.

He met the Honorable Home Minister of India Amit Shah and wished him on the occasion of Diwali. He apprised the Minister about the situation after the floods in Punjab and other socio-political issues related to the state.

Business Growth Summit – Chandigarh Tricity edition by Indiapreneur empowers regional entrepreneurs

MOHALI (TILAK RAJ):

The Business Growth Summit 2025 – Chandigarh Tricity Edition, organized by Indiapreneur in association with Mohali Industries Association (MIA), was successfully hosted on 14th October 2025 at Hotel Regenta, Mohali. The event brought together 100+ entrepreneurs, SME owners, and business leaders from the region to discuss innovation, finance, marketing, and sustainability as key pillars for business growth. Founded by Ambika Yadav in Panchkula, Indiapreneur has grown into one of India's most actionable networking platforms for business owners—connecting entrepreneurs, investors, and innovators through curated conferences across cities. The summit opened with a welcome address by Ambika Yadav, Founder & CEO of Indiapreneur, setting the tone for a day focused on collaboration, inspiration, and actionable insights. Mr. Anurag Aggarwal, Past President, Mohali Industries Association, delivered a keynote on "Empowering Tricity's Business Ecosystem," emphasizing how industry bodies and entrepreneurs can together build stronger regional economies. Inspirational sessions followed by distinguished speakers included. In this event Mandeep Kaur Tangra, Founder & CEO, Oorjaah, on "Turning Vision into Value." Isha Taneja, Founder, Complete Infosystem, on "Technology, Data & AI for Business." Sudha Goyal, Branch Manager, IDFC First Bank Chandigarh, on "Banking Solutions for SME Growth."

Sanmati Vimal Jain School Athletes excel in sports competitions

JAGRAON (SUKH NAHAR):

The students of Sanmati Vimal Jain Senior Secondary Public School, Jagraon, brought pride to their institution by showcasing outstanding performances in the Under-11 category sports competitions organized by the Punjab School Education Department at the center level. The young athletes won gold, silver, and bronze medals, highlighting their exceptional sporting talent. School principal Supriya Khurana talking in length about this, said that in the 200-meter race, Jasmeen Kaur won the silver medal. In the 600-meter race, Navjot Singh secured the gold, Kirti won the silver, and Jasmeen Kaur bagged the bronze medal.

In the tug-of-war event, the team comprising Navjot Singh, Tarun Arora, Karanveer Singh, Mehhar Singh, Prabhdeep Singh, Prabhsimran Singh, Pawandeep Singh, and Avnoor Singh clinched the first position, earning gold medals. In the relay race, Navjot Singh, Karanveer Singh, Prabhdeep Singh, and Prabhsimran Singh delivered a strong performance and won gold medals as well," she added. She further mentioned that in the long jump event, Navjot Singh achieved third place, winning a bronze medal, while in the shot put competition, Prabhsimran Singh and Jasmeet Kaur also secured third place, earning bronze medals.

Businessman thanks Punjab CS for constructing roads in grain market

KHARAR (SHASHI PAL JAIN):

A businessman from Kharar, Arun Kumar, has thanked the Punjab Chief Secretary on whose orders new roads have been constructed in Kharar Grain Market. He has written a letter to the Chief Secretary in this regard that the officials of the Punjab Mandi Board are to be commended for constructing the roads because these roads were completely broken.

He has written that now these roads have been constructed to good standards. It is worth mentioning that Arun Kumar had complained to the Chief Secretary regarding the poor condition of the roads in the Grain Market and the Chief Secretary had issued orders to the Mandi Board officials to improve their condition.

Investor awareness programme held in Rayat Bahra

CHANDIGARH:

The Department of Commerce, Rayat Bahra University Mohali, in association with SEBI, successfully organized an Investor Awareness Program for students and faculty on 15th October, 2025.

The program aimed to educate participants about various investment avenues, risk management, and financial planning. Expert speakers Mr. Surinder Verma Chairman of Citizens Awareness Group and Ms. Himani Lath, SEBI smart trainer shared insights on stock market investing, mutual funds, and digital payment systems.

Key highlights of the program included:

- Understanding investment options and risk assessment
- Building a diversified investment portfolio
- Importance of financial literacy and planning

The program received an overwhelming response, with participants engaging in interactive sessions and Q&A discussions.

The Department of Commerce looks forward to organizing more such initiatives to enhance students' knowledge and skills in finance and commerce.

Haryana strengthens service delivery with fresh Sankalp completions across the state

Under the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the able command of Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini, the Haryana government has recorded a fresh tranche of milestone completions under the Sankalp initiative as of October 16, 2025, consolidating momentum and reinforcing service reliability across priority work-streams.

A consolidated update titled “Completed Sankalp as on 16 Oct 2025” confirms verified closures across checkpoints tagged Exit Gate Pass, HKRN, UPS, and ICAR. Each completion has been logged through standardized tracking codes, building a clear audit trail and enabling swift, data-driven oversight. This structured cadence demonstrates disciplined execution and a strong focus on end-to-end beneficiary experience—from processing and verification to handover and follow-up.

Operational coordination has emerged as a defining strength of this round of progress. Inter-departmental teams have synchronized schedules, streamlined workflows, and improved information flow, helping reduce friction across the delivery chain. By aligning workstreams like participant transitions, workforce engagement, logistics enablement, and research collaboration, the initiative has shown how integrated planning and shared accountability can elevate performance and reliability.

For beneficiaries, the gains are tangible. The Exit Gate Pass checkpoint has seen faster, clearer resolution, making final



steps more predictable and less burdensome. Standardized markers across HKRN, UPS, and ICAR workstreams have simplified navigation and reduced redundancies, translating into shorter turnaround times and smoother transitions through the system. Clearer communication and consistent documentation are also helping stakeholders better understand timelines and expectations, minimizing uncertainty at the last mile.

The governance approach behind these completions is anchored in transpar-

ency and continuous improvement. Digital tracking codes make each milestone auditable and comparable, allowing administrators to spot bottlenecks and intervene proactively. Periodic status reviews, common reporting templates, and shared dashboards support timely decision-making, while promoting a culture of accountability. By measuring what matters and standardizing how results are recorded, the program ensures that improvements are not only achieved but sustained.

Another notable outcome is the enhancement of delivery discipline across implementing agencies. With standardized checkpoints guiding day-to-day operations, teams are focusing effort where it yields the greatest impact. This has fostered a constructive rhythm of planning, execution, and review—one in which feedback loops are shorter, risks are identified earlier, and course corrections are made without detailing timelines. The net effect is a more resilient delivery ecosystem, capable of maintaining momentum even as scope expands.

The initiative's collaborative model continues to be a core differentiator. Stakeholders across departments and partner organizations are working with common definitions of progress and shared metrics, eliminating ambiguity and improving interoperability. Whether in logistics, workforce facilitation, or research alignment, the Sankalp framework is encouraging teams to move in step—leveraging comple-

mentary strengths while keeping a clear line of sight to beneficiary outcomes.

Beyond operational efficiency, these completions carry broader significance for communities across Haryana. More dependable services build public confidence; streamlined processes reduce the cost—in time and effort—of accessing benefits; and predictable timelines allow households, youth, farmers, and small enterprises to plan with greater certainty. Each verified checkpoint contributes to a foundation of trust in public delivery, reinforcing the social and economic gains that effective governance can catalyze.

Looking ahead, the initiative is poised to deepen its impact by expanding coverage, strengthening partner integrations, and further enhancing reporting quality. Plans include sharpening standard operating procedures, refining data capture at the source, and scaling capacity-building for front-line teams to ensure that improvements permeate every level of delivery. Continued attention to interoperability—across systems, departments, and partner platforms—will help the program maintain speed while accommodating complexity.

With the latest tranche of milestones now complete and verified, Sankalp enters its next phase on firm footing. The combination of structured tracking, coordinated execution, and beneficiary-first design has set a confident tone for the months ahead. As the initiative widens its reach and consolidates gains, stakeholders can expect the same emphasis on efficiency, collaboration, and measurable outcomes—turning disciplined implementation into tangible, real-world benefits for communities across Haryana.

Shivnath Kapoor and Malkhan Singh assume charge as chairman and vice chairman of Nilokheri Market Committee

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
NILOKHERI, OCT 16

Shivnath Kapoor and Malkhan Singh officially took charge as chairman and vice chairman of the Nilokheri Market Committee after being elected by the Haryana government. Nilokheri MLA Bhagwan Das Kabirpanthi administered the oath of office and secrecy to both leaders.

After taking the oath, Chairman Shivnath Kapoor and Vice Chairman Malkhan Singh expressed gratitude to the Haryana government for entrusting them with the responsibility. They thanked Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini, Union Minister Manohar Lal Khattar, and Nilokheri MLA Bhagwan Das Kabirpanthi, assuring that they would fulfil their duties with honesty, dedication, and commitment.

The grand oath-taking ceremony was held at the Bajrang Dal Bhavan in Nilokheri, attended by former minister Shishpal Mehta, Karnal MLA Jagmohan Anand, Karnal Mayor Renu Bala Gupta, district president Praveen Lather, Kavindra Rana, Sanjay Bhatla, Bharat Bhushan Juval, Municipal Council chairperson Sanmeet Kaur Ahuja, BJP leader Satnam Singh Ahuja, and BJP leader Meena Chauhan, among others. The event was conducted by Rajbir Sharma and Rajesh Sharma.

MLA Bhagwan Das



Kabirpanthi welcomed both leaders and seated them on the chair of chairman and vice chairman. Addressing the farmers and commission agents, he said that the Nayab Saini-led Haryana government is working continuously for the welfare of farmers. He recalled that Prime Minister Narendra Modi is the first in the country to directly transfer thousands of crores of rupees annually to the accounts of small farmers. Recently, he launched the Dhan-Dhaanya Yojana for their economic upliftment. Kabirpanthi further mentioned that the state government has fixed MSP for nearly two dozen crops to benefit the farming community.

Karnal MLA Jagmohan Anand said that in the Bharatiya Janata Party, any sincere and hardworking worker can rise to a top position. He added that the party rewards those who faithfully spread its ideology among the people. Praising

Shivnath Kapoor's long association with the BJP, he said that Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini and Union Minister Manohar Lal Khattar recognised his honest service to the people by appointing him chairman of the Nilokheri Market Committee.

Mayor Renu Bala Gupta congratulated Shivnath Kapoor and Malkhan Singh, wishing them success in their new roles and expressing confidence that they would work for the welfare of farmers.

The event saw the presence of Naveen Kapoor, Balram Kapoor, Ved Kataria, Prem Sachdeva, Rajiv Narang, Mukesh Katyal, Ramesh Gupta (Taraori), Nareish Bansal (Taraori), Ram Singh Chaudhary, Anil Gupta, Balveer Sharma, Councillor Eesh Chopra, Vinod Malik, Lokesh Sardana, Jai Bhagwan Sikri, Mukesh Baba, and all municipal councillors, BJP mandal presidents, and party workers.

Dedication, discipline, and creative thinking yield good results: Prof Saini

CHAMAN LAL
KARNAL, OCTOBER 16

DAV PG College brought laurels to the college across the district by winning more than 20 awards in various disciplines at the three-day Regional Youth Festival held



at Shaheed Udhav Singh Government College, Matak Majri, Indri. Professor Dr. Rampal Saini, Vice Chancellor of Chaudhary Ranbir Singh University and Principal of the college, stated that in this 48th Regional Youth Festival, students from our college showcased their talents on stage by participating in various disciplines such as music, dance, drama, instrumental music, and folk art. Through their powerful performances, our college students performed well in more than 20 disciplines and re-

ceived awards. Students received first, second, and third prizes in the following categories: Classical Instrumental Solo (Percussion), Classical Instrumental Solo, Mimicry, Western Instrumental Solo, Skit (Haryanvi),

sia), Indian Orchestra, Group Song (Haryanvi), and Group Dance (Haryanvi). College Principal Professor Dr. Rampal Saini said, "Our students have truly brought Haryana's cultural identity to life on stage. Their performances at this youth festival were excellent, and the judges praised their hard work. He said that this success is the result of the collective dedication, discipline, and creative thinking of the entire college family."

He stated that this Youth Festival is not merely a platform for competition; it is an opportunity where young artists not only showcase their art but also promote the spirit of national unity, social messages, and cultural preservation.

SANJAY SHARMA
KAITHAL, OCTOBER 16

Preparations are in full swing in the Kurukshetra parliamentary constituency for the MP Sports Festival. An important meeting was held at MP Naveen Jindal's Kaithal office with the BJP Mandal Presidents of Rajound and Kalayat regarding the sports festival, to be organized under the guidance of MP Naveen Jindal. The event's outline, sports categories, registration status, venue management, and participant facilities were discussed in detail. Key members of the organising committee, technical experts, and local representatives participated in the meeting. During the meeting, the venues for the festival were thoroughly reviewed. Athletics, kabaddi, volleyball, wrestling, football, and traditional rural sports are being included in the festival.



Separate categories will also be created to ensure the active participation of women athletes.

Regarding the MP Sports Festival, Kaithal office in-charge Ravinder Dhiman stated that there is no shortage of sports talent in Kaithal and the entire parliamentary constituency; they simply need a platform and guidance. He stated that over 250,000 participants have registered so far. He appealed to everyone present to work with full dedication and ener-

gy to promote this event to the masses, so that the festival can fulfill MP Naveen Jindal's vision. Present on the occasion were Sushil Panchal, Mandal President, Babita Ji, Chairman, Kapil Dixit, Lokesh Rana, Mukesh Sarpanch, Kamal Rana, Joginder Sharma, Sultan Sharma, Sompal Sherdha, Baljeet Malik, Balwinder Sangal, Ramal Panchal, Sachin Prajapat, Chairman Representative, Kuldeep Sain, Monu Sain, Vikash Sharma, Sanjeev Valmiki, and Hardeep Mandwal.

1 year of govt's third term in Haryana – a new chapter in development journey: Madan Chauhan

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR: Madan Chauhan, State President of the BJP OBC Morcha Haryana and former Mayor, said that the first year of the BJP government's third term under the leadership of Chief Minister Nayab Saini marks a new chapter in Haryana's ten-year development journey. The Nayab Saini government has taken steps with renewed energy and commitment in the same direction that Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the BJP leadership have steered Haryana forward on the path of development, transparency, and good governance over the past decade. Madan Chauhan said that the foundation for change and transparent governance laid under the leadership of former Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar is the foundation on which the state is today progressing to new heights. Khattar established a new culture of honesty, accountability, and technical transparency in the state administration – the benefits of which are being reaped by every citizen today. Chief Minister Nayab Saini has carried forward this legacy and accelerated development. He said that from 2014 to 2024, the BJP government in Haryana has made concrete changes in every sector, strengthening public confidence. Unprecedented work has been accomplished in every sector—roads, electricity, water, education, health, industry, agriculture, and social security—over the past ten years. Building on these achievements in the first year of its third term, the government has further strengthened the pace of development.



PhysicsWallah (PW) Opens Info Centre in Panipat for JEE & NEET Counselling

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PANIPAT : Education company PhysicsWallah (PW) has opened a PW Info Centre in Panipat, with plans to launch a new tech-enabled offline Vidyapeeth centre around the same location in the near future. This allows PW to further expand its footprint in Haryana. The new facility is located in Mahavir Colony and will operate from 9 AM to 7 PM, seven days a week. Students can visit the Info Centre to seek counselling on exams such as JEE and NEET. Full Address of new PW Info Centre: 1st Floor, VIJ Complex, 1168/7, opp. I.B.College, Mahavir Colony, Panipat, Haryana-132103 The new PW Info centre is set to meet the requirements of educational counselling and competitive coaching in areas like Gharouda, Samalkha, Gannour, Israna, Karnal, Matloda, Safidon, Assandh, Gohana, Kairana, Shamli and beyond. This is aimed towards providing students in these regions access to guidance and resources, reducing the need for long-distance travel. The PW Info Centre serves as a one-stop destination for information on admissions, financial aid, and registration for PW batches, along with offering counselling and support services to help students make well-informed decisions about their educational journey. Students can walk in for personalised counselling on JEE and NEET preparation, receiving advice on study plans, exam strategies, and comprehensive course details. Ankit Gupta, CEO of Vidyapeeth-Offline, Physics Wallah (PW), said, "The opening of the PW Info Centre in Panipat reflects our efforts to provide students in that region with access to counselling and educational guidance."



Notices and challans issued to those displaying goods outside shops

YAGYA DUTT SHASHTRI

PEHOWA: Sub-Divisional Officer (Civil), Abhinav Siwach, IAS, stated that continuous action is being taken to remove encroachments in the Pehowa Sub-Division. Carts and stalls placed in front of shops are being removed to remove encroachments. Seven shopkeepers who displayed goods beyond the designated limit were issued notices and nine were issued challans. He conducted a surprise inspection of the Main Market on Thursday. Sub-Divisional Officer (Civil) Abhinav Siwach, IAS, stated that during an inspection in the Main Bazaar on Thursday, nine shopkeepers were fined ₹3,500 for using polythene in their shops and storing goods outside the designated area. Additionally, seven shopkeepers were issued notices. The administration has given the shopkeepers seven days to remove their belongings. If they are found doing so again, their goods will be confiscated. SDM Abhinav Siwach stated that some shopkeepers were encroaching on the city's drainage channels. The shopkeepers were removed and notices were issued to them. He stated that if any shopkeepers continue to disobey the notices, strict action will be taken against them. He added that encroachment on roads will not be tolerated. Any vehicle found parked in the middle of the road will be issued a challan by the police for improper parking. He ordered municipal officials to remove advertising boards of private companies from shops and issue notices to shopkeepers.



Celebrate Diwali with joy but protect nature: Rampal Lathar

KAMAL SHARMA

TARAORI: Rampal Lathar, a devotee of Shaktipeeth Shri Devikup Bhadrakali Temple, Kurukshetra, and president of the Bharat Vikas Parishad branch, Padwala, appealed to people to be aware of environmental balance and pollution control on the occasion of Diwali. He said that the joy of the festival is meaningful only when our environment and our health are protected. Rampal Lathar said that Diwali is a festival of lamps and love, not smoke and noise. This time, we should resolve to use firecrackers sparingly and illuminate our homes and courtyards with earthen lamps filled with ghee. He said that pollution not only pollutes the air but also negatively impacts the health of children and the elderly. He said that the Bharat Vikas Parishad branch in Padwala and Tarawadi areas will also launch a clean and indigenous Diwali campaign, encouraging people to avoid fireworks and use indigenous products. Rampal Lathar said that the festival of Diwali symbolizes brotherhood, goodwill, and social unity. We should also include the needy around us in the celebrations.



Bharatiya Patrakar Kalyan Manch celebrates Swadeshi Diwali, honors media personnel from across the state

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KURUKSHETRA, OCT 15

The festival of Diwali inspires us to dispel negativity and ignorance, embracing inner light, positivity, and knowledge. It also brings families and communities together, symbolizing sharing, gratitude, and unity. These thoughts were expressed by Dr. R.C. Mishra, Chairman of the Haryana Police Complaints Authority, as the chief guest at the Bharatiya Milan program organized by the Bharatiya Patrakar Kalyan Manch.

The event began with a Saraswati Vandana performed by students of the Matrubhumi Shiksha Mandir, operated by the Matrubhumi Seva Mission. Presiding over the program, former Haryana minister Subhash Sudha praised the work of the Manch for the welfare of journalists in the state. He highlighted that Diwali is a festival of light, victory, and prosperity, celebrated as the triumph of light over darkness and good over evil. The festival is linked to Lord Rama's return to Ayodhya after defeating Ravana, Lord Krishna's slaying of the demon Narakasur, the worship of Goddess Lakshmi, and Lord Mahavir's Nirvana. Diwali conveys the message



of the victory of light over darkness, goodness over evil, and knowledge over ignorance.

Among the distinguished guests, Haryana Government Media Advisor Mukesh Vashistha emphasized the cultural significance of Diwali as a festival of light. Dr. H.S. Gill, MD of Adesh Medical College, also highlighted its cultural importance. Other eminent guests included INLD State President and former Parliamentary Secretary Rampal Majra, former MLA Ramesh Gupta Ladwa, Rajesh Singla, State General Secretary of the Arawal Vaishya Mahapanchayat, Deputy Chairman of the Zila Parishad D.P. Chaud-

hary, DIPRO Narendra Singh, AIPRO Balwan Sharma, CM's District Media Coordinator Tushar Saini, officials from MP Naveen Jindal's office, senior advocates Rajvindra Chandi and Rishabh Vats, among others.

National President of the Bharatiya Patrakar Kalyan Manch, Pawan Ashri, welcomed the guests and highlighted the activities of the organization. The program was conducted by Dr. Shriprakash Mishra, founder of the Matrubhumi Seva Mission. Students of the Matrubhumi Shiksha Mandir also performed cultural programs, adding vibrancy to the celebration. Addressing the students and

District-level science essay writing competition organized in Karnal

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, OCT 16

A district-level science essay writing competition was held at PM Shri Rajkiya Senior Secondary School, Karnal, under the aegis of the Haryana State Council for Science, Innovation, and Technology. The event was conducted under the guidance of District Education Officer Sudesh Thukral.

According to the competition's nodal officer and district science expert Deepak Verma, a total of 130 students from CBSE and Haryana Board schools participated in the event. Verma stated that such competitions help cultivate interest in science among students and bring out hidden talents.

During the event, DEO Sudesh Thukral supervised the examination and presented certificates of appreciation to all participants. Addressing the students and



teachers, he emphasized that today's era is the era of science, and competitions like these encourage scientific thinking.

The essay writing competition covered five topics: the ethics of artificial intelligence usage, benefits of space exploration, the importance of digital privacy, the role of science and tech-

nology in national progress, and the impact and complexity of floods. Each essay ranged from 800 to 1000 words, and a maximum of three students from each school participated. The top ten students from the district will advance to the state-level competition.

The district toppers are: Arna Bansal (DPS Karnal),

Tanisha and Ishika (RS Public School), Gurpreet (Gurunak Girls School, Karnal), Muskan (PM Shri Padhana), Avika June (Convent School), Sameer (SBS School, Karnal), Lavanya (Dayal Singh Public School), Khushi (PM Shri Kohand), and Tanisha (Rajkiya Kanya Senior Secondary School, Gharanda).

The event was attended by DEO Sudesh Thukral, nodal officer Deepak Verma, Principal Anita, media coordinators Dalip Singh, Deepika Kakkar, Mohan Sharma, Harish, Meenakshi Mehta, Anu, Neelam, ABRC Puja, Dimple, and other distinguished guests.

DEO Sudesh Thukral highlighted that such initiatives play a vital role in fostering scientific curiosity and encouraging students to pursue careers in science, while Deepak Verma added that these competitions help students take the first steps toward their future in scientific research and innovation.