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NEWS BRIEFS

Three minor sisters jump to death in Ghaziabad

GHAZIABAD: Three minor sisters died after allegedly jumping off the balcony of a ninth-floor flat in Ghaziabad early on Wednesday, with police intensifying probe into their mobile phone addiction and the influence of an online Korean game, officials said.
Assistant Commissioner of Police (Shalimar Garden) Atul Kumar Singh said preliminary investigation suggested that the sisters were addicted to a Korean task-based interactive "love game", and their parents had objected to their excessive use of mobile phones in recent days.
Deputy Commissioner of Police Nimish Patil said further investigation revealed that the girls were influenced by Korean content and spent a significant amount of time on their mobile phones. "Family members had restricted their mobile phone usage for the past few days, which left them distressed and may have triggered the decision (to take the extreme step)," he said.

Two JeM terrorists killed in Udhampur

JAMMU: Two Pakistani terrorists of Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) outfit were killed in an over 20-hour long operation in a remote forest area in Udhampur district of Jammu and Kashmir on Wednesday, officials said.
One of those killed was identified as Avu Mavia, a top commander of JeM, who was active in the area for the last several years.
Army named the operation as "Kiya" and said the area still remains under surveillance.

ISRO eyes 18 Space launches in 2026: Jitendra Singh

NEW DELHI: Minister of State for Science and Technology Jitendra Singh on Wednesday announced that the Indian space agency ISRO has a packed schedule with 18 space launches in 2026, including six with private sector involvement.
This announcement comes as the country's space agency grapples with two consecutive rocket failures that will undergo independent review by a "third-party".The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) "is also subjecting it to third-party appraisal" beyond internal investigations following the unprecedented back-to-back failures of its Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle, Singh told reporters, adding that "we live in an evidence-based era."

SC seeks reports from all high courts over pendency of bail matters

NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court on Wednesday sought reports from all high courts on the pendency of bail matters, saying it was disappointing that pleas for personal liberty were not being expeditiously heard.
A bench comprising Chief Justice Surya Kant and Justices Joymalya Bagchi and Vipul M Pancholi directed the registrar generals of high courts to provide details of all bail pleas, including regular and anticipatory applications.

"Traitor Friend": Rahul Gandhi's dig at Ravneet Bittu sparks huge row

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Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha, Rahul Gandhi and Union Minister of State (MoS) for Railways, Ravneet Singh Bittu, on Wednesday engaged in an exchange of words outside the Parliament, with the Lok Sabha LoP calling Bittu a "traitor."Rahul Gandhi referred to Ravneet Bittu as a "traitor" as he passed by the protesting Congress MPs at Makar Dwar of the Parliament. Rahul Gandhi's "traitor" jibe came as Raveent Bittu quit Congress and switched to the BJP in 2024.Gandhi said, "Here is a traitor walking right by. Look at the face." The Congress leader offered to shake his hands, saying, "Hello, brother, my traitor friend. Don't worry, you will come back (to Congress)."The Union MoS refused to shake hands and called Rahul, "Desh ke dushman (enemy of the state)". The exchange of words began when Ravneet Bittu commented on the protesting MPs, saying, "They are sitting as if they won a war."Earlier today, the Lok Sabha was adjourned till 12 noon amid heavy sloganeering by Opposition members over the suspension of eight Opposition MPs a day earlier during the Budget Session. The suspended opposition MPs were seen protesting outside Parliament, holding posters reading "PM is compromised." LoP Rahul Gandhi had alleged the same while speaking to the media on the India-US trade agreement.The suspended MPs include Congress members Hibi Eden, Amarinder Singh Raja Warring, Manickam Tagore, Gurjeet Singh Aujla, Prashant Yadaorao Padole, Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy, and Dean Kuriakose, as well as CPI(M) MP S Venkatesan.Eight opposition members were suspended from the Lok Sabha for the remainder of the budget session for violating rules and "throwing papers on the chair" following uproar in the House over Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's insistence on mentioning a specific reference to the 2020 standoff with China in eastern Ladakh.Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju moved the motion for suspension of the eight members for the remainder of the budget session for "violating rules and throwing papers on the chair."

Just because a turban-wearing person leaves your party, you call him a traitor: Puri

NEW DELHI: Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri on Wednesday strongly condemned Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's use of the word "traitor" for BJP MP Ravneet Singh Bittu, saying it's unacceptable to label anyone, especially from the Sikh community, with such a term. Addressing a press conference in Delhi today, Puri stated that Rahul Gandhi's comment was inappropriate, and parliamentary discourse should be grounded in decency and respectful language.Puri added that while it's understandable Rahul Gandhi was upset about Bittu leaving Congress, using the word "traitor" is a serious issue, implying betrayal of the country. He emphasised that just because someone leaves a party, they shouldn't be labelled a traitor, and Gandhi's comment was unacceptable."Rahul Gandhi used the word 'traitor' for Ravneet Bittu today. This word should not be used lightly, as it means one who betrays the country. This is a serious issue for the Sikh community. LoP Rahul Gandhi is upset that Bittu ji left his party, but he also told him that you will come back. Just because a turban-wearing person leaves your party, you call him a traitor. The word he used is unacceptable. To label anyone from any community as a traitor is unacceptable.

Lok Sabha adjourned amid continued ruckus



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The Lok Sabha was adjourned on Wednesday till February 5, following repeated disruptions and uproar by Opposition members. Earlier in the day, the House was adjourned till 2 pm amid sloganeering over the suspension of eight MPs during the ongoing Budget Session.Lok Sabha Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi on Wednesday accused the Centre of avoiding scrutiny on national security, after he was repeatedly stopped from speaking in Parliament while citing former Army Chief General MM Naravane's "memoir".He said he would present a book to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, claiming it exposes how political leadership left the army to act alone during the 2020 China border crisis.In a post on X, the Congress leader wrote, "Today, if the Prime Minister comes to Parliament, I will present him with a book. This book is not by any opposition leader. This book is not by any foreign author. This book is by the country's former Army Chief, General Naravane, and the surprising thing is that, according to the Cabinet Ministers, this book does not even exist."Earlier, the Lok Sabha was adjourned till 2 pm today amid heavy sloganeering by Opposition members over the suspension of eight MPs during the previous day's Budget Session.The suspended MPs include Congress members Hibi Eden, Amarinder Singh Raja Warring, Manickam Tagore, Gurjeet Singh Aujla, Prashant Yadaorao Padole, Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy, and Dean Kuriakose, as well as CPI(M) MP S Venkatesan."This book clearly states that when the Chinese army had entered our border, in such a critical moment, the Army Chief was made to wait. And when the time came to take a decision, the Prime Minister simply said, "Do whatever you think is appropriate." In other words, in the most serious crisis of the country's security, Modi ji raised his hands from political responsibility. General Naravane himself writes that at that time he felt the political leadership had left the army alone. This is the very truth for speaking which I am being stopped in Parliament.

Pb Govt to strengthen three-tier mechanism to address traders' issues: Cheema



CHANDIGARH: Punjab Minister for Finance, Planning, Excise and Taxation Harpal Singh Cheema on Wednesday chaired a high-level meeting of the Punjab State Traders Commission (PSTC) as part of the Punjab government's push to further strengthen ease of doing business across the state. The meeting was held at Punjab Bhawan and focused on deepening engagement with the trading community, improving grievance redressal mechanisms and enhancing technical capacity at the district level.
Addressing the meeting in his capacity as Chairman of the PSTC, Minister Harpal Singh Cheema said, "Our objective is to establish a robust three-tier system that directly connects the trading community with the administration, so that every trader in Punjab has access to timely support and their concerns are heard and resolved." Minister Harpal Singh Cheema issued clear directions to the District Trade Committee Chairmen to proactively engage with traders in their respective areas and gather feedback on ground-level issues. He announced the organisation of special district-level camps on February 10 and February 11 to ensure prompt redressal of local grievances. "District Trade Committee Chairmen must reach out actively to traders and understand their issues. Special camps will be organised on February 10 and 11 so that local problems can be addressed immediately at the district level," he said.

Congress is a Tweet Master Party, BJP is a Performer: Haryana CM

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Haryana Chief Minister Sh. Nayab Singh Saini, while coming down heavily on the Congress for its illogical claims, said that the party has turned confusion into its only policy. Calling Congress, a "tweet master party", the Chief Minister said that it survives on rhetoric and confrontation, while asserting that under the leadership of Prime Minister, Sh. Narendera Modi, Bharatiya Janata Party is steadily expanding its footprint not only in Haryana but also in Punjab and Bengal.

Addressing a press conference on Wednesday, Sh. Nayab Singh Saini said the Congress has no roadmap for development and has reduced itself to reactionary politics. 'Congress sirf tweet master ban kar reh gayi hai' (Congress has been reduced to merely a tweet-master party), the Chief Minister remarked, underlining the contrast between online noise and on-ground governance.

The Chief Minister strongly criticised the Congress for what he termed as irresponsible, half-baked and misleading politics over the Union Budget, stating that the opposition has neither read nor understood the budget and is opposing it merely for the sake of opposition. He said that the second budget of the Prime Minister, Sh. Narendra Modi–led Government 3.0, presented for strengthening Viksit Bharat, is a comprehensive and reform-oriented budget for the country's 140 crore citizens, including the 2.80 crore people of Haryana. Our opponents are making baseless allegations without even waiting for the complete presentation of the budget, he said.

The Chief Minister further said that when the opposition does not know how to oppose facts, it resorts to protests just to mark attendance. Some people rushed to Twitter midway claiming that Haryana got nothing. At least wait for the budget to be fully presented, he said, adding that there seems to be a competition within Congress about who can please Rahul Gandhi the most.

Referring to Rahul Gandhi's past statements, the Chief Minister said that during his visit to Kurukshetra, Rahul Gandhi made illogical remarks, including questioning whether the Pandavas had imposed GST. Such statements clearly reflect the level of seriousness and understanding of the Congress leadership, he said.

The Chief Minister strongly objected to statements claiming that 'Haryana is missing from the budget' or 'the government is missing', calling it cheap and irresponsible politics.

Stone pelting on Jan Shatabdi Express in Una

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UNA(HP): A stone pelting issue on the Jan Shatabdi Express train in Una, Himachal Pradesh has raised serious concern about the railway safety in the Una district. A recent incident occurred between the Anandpur Sahib and Nangal Dam railway section, where some miscreants threw stones at the train coaches. The windows of the coaches were shattered in the stone pelting. Fortunately, no passenger was injured in the incident.
An official spokesman said that the Jan Shatabdi Express was travelling from New Delhi to Una when some unknown miscreants targeted the train near the Jindbari area. The incident created a brief atmosphere of panic among the passengers. A video of the stone pelting is also going viral on social media.
According to railway officials, this is the first incident of stone pelting on the Jan Shatabdi Express in this section. However, earlier, three to four incidents of stone pelting on the Vande Bharat Express had been reported on the same route between the Anandpur Sahib and Amb-Andaura railway section.
In view of the recurring incidents, the Railway Protection Force (RPF) had already increased patrolling in this railway section.

Tourism in Jammu-Kashmir shows steady growth

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Tourism continues to be a major pillar of Jammu and Kashmir's economy, with the Union Territory recording 1.78 crore tourist visits in 2025, despite security-related incidents and natural calamities.Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha earlier this week said the sustained inflow reflects improved infrastructure, better connectivity, and focused policy interventions aimed at strengthening the sector.Addressing members of the Legislative Assembly on the opening day of the budget session, Sinha said tourism has been accorded industry status to attract investment and generate employment, marking a significant step toward formalising and expanding the sector. He added that the administration is working to promote year-round tourism by developing new attractions and diversifying offerings across regions.One such initiative is the opening of Bagh-e-Gul-e Dawood, Kashmir's first Chrysanthemum Garden, inaugurated for tourists in October 2025. With more than 50 varieties of flowers, the garden is expected to draw visitors during the autumn season, complementing the Tulip Garden that attracts tourists each spring.Beyond new infrastructure and destinations, the revival of traditional experiences continues to define Kashmir's tourism appeal. In Gulmarg, the iconic sledge ride remains one of the most popular winter attractions. The downhill ride on handcrafted wooden sledges, expertly guided by local men dressed in traditional winter attire, offers visitors an authentic thrill powered purely by gravity, snow, and skill - without any artificial machinery.For many tourists, the simplicity and raw excitement of the sledge ride, set against Gulmarg's snow-covered slopes, becomes a highlight of their visit. "It was my first time, and I really enjoyed it. Witnessing this snow is amazing--one should visit at least once. We have made lifetime memories through photos and videos," said Sanjana, a tourist.The sledge ride is also a crucial source of livelihood for local communities. Irshad Ahmad, a sledge rider, said nearly 1,600 to 1,700 people earn their living from tourism activities in Gulmarg alone. "Many families depend on sledge rides during winter.

Silver soars to hit near Rs 3 lakh/kg; gold jumps to Rs 1.65 lakh/10g

NEW DELHI: Precious metals extended their sharp rally for the second straight day in the national capital on Wednesday, with silver prices surging to Rs 2.98 lakh per kg and gold climbing to Rs 1.65 lakh per 10 grams.
Firm global trends, a weak US dollar, which revived investor interest in precious metals after last week's steep sell-off, contributed to the surge, traders said.



According to the All India Sarafa Association, silver soared by Rs 14,300, or 5.03 per cent, to Rs 2,98,300 per kilogram (inclusive of all taxes). The white metal closed at Rs 2,84,000 per kg in the previous session. Gold of 99.9 per cent purity also advanced sharply, gaining Rs 7,400, or 4.69 per cent, to Rs 1,65,100 per 10 grams (inclusive of all taxes), compared with Tuesday's close of Rs 1,57,700 per 10 grams. "Gold and silver extended their rebound on Wednesday, with gold prices rising over 3 per cent and touching around Rs 1.6 lakh per 10 g, while silver jumped as much as 6 per cent intra-day after a period of sharp volatility and correction," Gaurav Garg, Research Analyst at Lemonn Markets Desk, said. In the international market, spot silver gained USD 4.28, or 5.03 per cent, to USD 89.35 per ounce, while gold rose by USD 100.03, or 2.02 per cent, to USD 5,047.07 per ounce. Gold and silver advanced on Wednesday, driven by renewed safe-haven buying amid escalating geopolitical tensions between the US and Iran, Saumil Gandhi, Senior Analyst - Commodities at HDFC Securities, said. "This confrontation undermines the optimism over the US-Iran nuclear talks later this week and has raised concerns about the potential for further conflict between Washington and Tehran, which could increase the risk premium on gold and heighten demand for safe-haven assets," Gandhi said.

Matrimonial

Situation Vacant

Public Notice

Disown Notice

Court Notice

I, Yogesh Aggarwal s/o Sh. Madan Mohan Aggarwal r/o H.No. 113, Mohalla Bahadurpura Nakodar district Jalandhar have changed my minor daughter's name from Leesha to Leesha Aggarwal. All concerned note please.

100066

I Rupinder Kaur daughter of sardar kartar Singh # 23777 st no 5 Harbans Nagar dabwali road Bathinda have changed tha Name of my Minor son Hasrat Singh Chanalia to Hasrat Singh please note

60018

I, Monty Kumar son of Sh.Nand lal R/o village Chang Tehsil and District Bhiwani. Haryana, have changed the name of my minor son from VANSH to LAKSHAY KALRA. In the future, my son should be known and identified by the name LAKSHAY KALRA.

524482

I, Surinder Kumar Sethi, R/o C/O Ashok Kumar, H. No. 33/30, Basti Balochan Wali, Kucha Khudha Baksh, Ferozepur, have changed my name to Surinder Kumar. Henceforth, I shall be known as Surinder Kumar for all purposes.

900011

I Yesdoa PV Mother of Ranjith Kumar PV R/o Vill Taliparamba, PO- Kuttikkol, Tehsil-Taliparamba, Distt. Kannur, Kerala-670562 have changed my name from Yesdoa PV to Yasdoa PV. Vide affidavit dated 04/02/2026 before Notary, Jalandhar

778934

I Kuldip Kaur W/o Kuldip Singh R/o Village Sansarpur, PO Sansarpur, Dist Jalandhar, Punjab-144024 declare that I have changed my name from Kuldip Kaur to Kuldeep Kaur.

778934

I, Jasmeet Kaur D/o Manjit Singh R/o Vill. & Po. Saidowal Distt. Kapurthala, Punjab, India do here by changed my Name from , Jasmeet Kaur to Jasmeet as given name and Kaur as surname with immediate effect. All concerned note please.

989666

I, Pooja Rani W/o Aman Kamboj R/o Village Kanjnu, Post Office Jubbal, Tehsil Radaur, Distt. Yamunanagar have changed my name from Pooja Rani to Pooja.

511363

I Dyal Singh son of Bachan Singh resident of 69, Baba Jiwan Singh Bhandal Bet, Near High School, Kapurthala have changed my name from Dyal Singh to Dayal Singh. Dayal is my given name and Singh is my surname.

98706

I, Yadwinder Singh, son of Darshan Singh, residing at B 99 Sadar Bazaar, Karnal, hereby declare that I have changed my name from Yadwinder Singh Arora to Yadwinder Singh. In the future, I should be addressed as Yadwinder Singh. Please take note.

100046

I,Dapinder Singh S/o Kuldev Singh Dhillon R/o Flat No.28,Top Floor, Best Homes, City Heart ,Near Swaraj Nagar Kharar,Distt.SAS Nagar Mohali-140301 have changed my name from Dapinder Singh to Dapinder Singh Dhillon.

100071

I Jhuma W/o No. 15342743P HAV Prasanta Biswas R/o VPO-Jitput, PS Tehatta, Teh Tehatta, Distt. Nadia, State-West Bengal, Pin-741160 I have changed my name from Jhuma to Jhuma Biswas. Vide affidavit dated 04/02/2026 before Notary, Jalandhar

778934

I, Simarjit Singh S/o Hardev Singh R/o Village Bahrowal, Tehsil Banga, Distt S.b.s. Nagar, Punjab, India-144505. That I Am Going To Use "singh" As My Surname. Henceforth, "singh" Shall Be Known As My Surname For All Future Purposes.

461257

I , Narotam Dass Singla S/o Ram Sarup R/o Ward No. 8, Janta Dairy Wali Gali, Dr. Dharam Pal, Mall Road , Goniana Mandi, Distt. Bathinda have changed my name from Narotam Dass Singla to Narotam Dass. Concerned please note.

524479

I, Ravinder Singh, son of Balwant Singh, resident of village Ferozepur Teh Wa, district Fatehgarh Sahib, have changed my name from Ravinder Singh Jhandi to Ravinder Singh.

524479

That Smt Brinka Devi wife of Jaswant Singh R/o H No #1464 Block B Sec 6 Eco city-1. New Chandigarh, Mullanpur, distt Mohali, UID No 497949578881, PAN NO FAGPD6177J, Mobile No 9872033317, applied for the Re issued for Passport which her Name was incorrect. That the correct name of the applicant is BRINKA DEVI as per the documents.

524479

I Babita W/o Shri. Mahesh Kumar Sharma R/o House no. 59, Bahlana , chandigah have changed my name from Babita to Babita Sharma

524479

I Mahesh Kumar S/o Sh. Raghunandan Sharma R/o House No. 59, Behlana, Chandigarh have changed ny name to Mahesh Kumar Sharma

524479

I, Harbinder Singh S/o Kaur Singh R/o House No. 377 MCB-Z-5-02601, gate no -1, Street No. 1/3, Teacher Colony Bathinda have changed my name from Harbinder Singh to Harbinder Singh Sidhu.

524479

I Monika D/o Balbir Singh Residence St No 03,S A S Nagar ,Surkhpeer Road ,Bathinda have changed my Name Monika To Monika Singh.

524479

I, Pankaj Kumar No. 15621249K Hav, VPO Talibpur, District Mainpuri (UP), declare that in my service record my father's name wrongly mentioned as Ravindra Singh but his correct name is Ravindra Singh Yadav.

600022

I, Harvinder Singh son of Amar Singh, resident of Barwali Kalan, Tehsil Khamano, District Fatehgarh Sahib, declare that on some documents of my daughter Pardeep Kaur, my name is Harvinder Singh and on some, Harwinder Singh, so I should be known by both names. To make relevant note.

600022

I, Malkit Singh, son of Inder Singh, resident of House No. 185, Ward No. 6, Lohgarh, Zirakpur District, SAS Nagar, Mohali, state that my name is in my Aadhaar Card No. 4356 6595 7672 and PAN Card No. (CESPS7206G) my name is mentioned Malkit Singh but in my son Man Singh's passport No. H4621484 my name is mentioned Malkeet Singh. Malkit Singh and Malkeet Singh are the names of the same person.

989666

I, Nachattar Singh Devgan S/o Budh Ram R/o 158 Singla Enclave Chandigarh Road Jandiali Distt. Ludhiana have changed my name to Nachhatar Singh.

63372

I, Sat Paul S/o Des Raj R/o W.No. 07 Mallanwala Teh-Zira Distt. Ferozepur have changed my name to Sat Pal.

63372

I Ragbinder Singh S/o Boota Singh Village Rajadewal P.O. Butala Distt Amritsar. I Declare that I have change my name from Ragbinder Singh to Ragwinder Singh.

63372

I, Sandeep Kaur Mahal C/o Kulwinder Singh Mahal R/o Rurkee Pukhta Distt. SAS Nagar, Mohali have known by both names Sandeep Kaur @ Sandeep Kaur Mahal one and the same person.

63372

I, Kulwinder Singh S/o Bhadar Singh R/o Rurkee Pukhta Distt. SAS Nagar, Mohali have known by both names Kulwinder Singh @ Kulwinder Singh Mahal one and the same person.

63372

I Harman S/o Vinod Kumar Ro VPO Govindpur Teh Banga Distt SBS Nagar I have changed my name Harman to Harman Kaler please note.

63372

I Malkeet Singh S/o Naranjan Singh R/o Tibbi Kalan Distt Ferozepur Have Changed My Name Malkeet Singh to Malkit Singh Sidhu.

63372

I Charanjit Kaur W/o Malkit Singh Sidhu R/o Tibbi Kalan Distt Ferozepur Have Changed My Name Charanjit Kaur to Charanjit Kaur Sidhu.

63372

I Itpinder Kaur W/o Sukhmanjot Singh Ghuman R/o Sangatpura Teh-Samrala Distt Ludhiana have changed my name into Itpinder Kaur Ghuman after marriage.

63372

I Sukhmanjot Singh S/o Gurjant Singh R/o Sangatpura Teh-Samrala Distt Ludhiana have changed my name into Sukhmanjot Singh Ghuman.

63372

I, Arun Kumar S/o Suraj Parkash R/o H.No.373, Block-A, W.No.34, Rajinder Estate, Moga (Pb), I Have Changed My Name Arun Sharma to Arun Kumar.

63372

I, Jasvir Singh S/o Kulwant Singh R/o Vpo. Ajitwal Teh & Distt. Moga have changed my name to Jasvir Singh Maan.

63372

I Navjeet Shaily S/O Jagan Singh R/O H No.31001 Paras Ram Nagar Bathinda Have Changed My Name To Navjeet Singh.

63372

I Sambhu Pal father of Narayan Pal residing at Vill. Chironjibpur Dist. Baraghuni (WB) 721656 have changed my name Sambhu Pal to Shambhucharan Pal vide affidavit date 04.02.2026 before notary public Distt.court Bathinda (PB).

63372

I, Gaganpreet Kaur Sran D/o Sukhminder Singh Sran R/o Vill: Akalgarh Teh-Raikot Distt. Ludhiana have changed my name from Gaganpreet Kaur to Gaganpreet Kaur Sran.

63372

I, Rajinder Kumar S/o Lal Chand R/o Dharamkot Teh-Dharamkot Distt. Moga have known by both names my son Akashdeep Arora & Akashdeep one and the same person.

63372

I Tejinder Singh S/o Satpal Singh R/o Vpo Jandiala Distt Sbs Nagar Declares That In My Name Tejinder Is My Real Name And Singh Is My Surname.

63372

I Baljit Kaur W/o Tejinder Singh R/o Vpo Jandiala Distt Sbs Nagar Declares That In My Name Baljit Is My Real Name And Kaur Is My Surname.

63372

I Baljinder Kaur W/o Satpal Singh R/o Vpo Jandiala Distt Sbs Nagar Declares That In My Name Baljinder Is My Real Name And Kaur Is My Surname.

63372

I, Sunil Kumar Khokhar S/o Dharam Singh R/o Vill-Jhanjhari Post Office Bhaini Khurd Distt Karnal Haryana Have Change My Name From Sunil Kumar Khokhar To Sunil Kumar.

63372

I Harpreet Singh S/O Tarlochan Singh, Vpo. Pharala, Distt. Sbs Nagar, Punjab, Have Changed My Name From Harpreet Singh To Harpreet Singh Atwal. Please Note.

63372

I, Paramjit Kaur W/o Jagraj Singh R/o Gholia Khurd (Moga) Have Changed My Name To Parmjeet Kaur.

63372

I Ranjeet Singh S/o Mohinder Singh R/o Vill-Kikar Khera Teh-Abohar Distt. Fazilka (Punjab) has changed the name of my minor son Arshandeep Singh, aged 15 years and he shall hereafter be known as Armaandeep Singh.

63372

I Jagsir Singh S/o Lal Singh R/o Siryewala Tehsil Phul (Bathinda) Have changed my name As Jagseer Singh. Please Contact Noted.

63372

I Parvinder Singh S/O Sant Singh R/O W. No. 13, Model Town, Chamkaur Sahib, Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib, District Ropar Have Changed My Name To Parwinder Singh.

63372

I Gurvinder Singh Sidhu R/O Numberdar Colony Sunam Has Changed My Name To Gurvinder Singh.

63372

I Gurmeet Kaur Sidhu R/O Numberdar Colony Sunam Has Changed My Name To Gurmeet Kaur.

63372

I, Kulwinder Singh S/o Sher Singh R/o H.No. 00620 W.No. 24 Garden Colony Kharar Teh-Kharar Distt. SAS Nagar have changed my minor child name from Shanaya Malhotra to Shanaya Sodhi. Concerned note.

63372

I, Gurpreet Singh S/o Shakti Chand R/o H.No. 350/6/13 Gandhi Nagar Banga Distt. SBS Nagar have changed my name to Gurpreet as given name and Singh as surname.

63372

I Manjit Kumar S/O Prem Chand Vpo. Mahil Gaila, Mahil Gailan, Nawanshahr Distt SBS Nagar Have Changed My Name From Manjit Kumar To Manjit Singh As Singh My Surname.

63372

I, Sukhdev Singh Singh S/o Surain Singh R/o Vpo Sidhwan Khurd, Tehsil Jagraon, Distt. Ludhiana, Punjab have changed my name to Sukhdev Singh.

63372

I Lakhvir Singh C/o Amarjit Singh R/o Village Randhirgarh tehsil Jagraon distt Ludhiana have changed my name to Lakhvir Singh Pallan.

63372

I Satinder Kaur C/o Lakhvir Singh Pallan R/o Village Randhirgarh tehsil Jagraon distt Ludhiana have changed my name to Satinder Kaur Pallan.

63372

I, Sanjeev Kumar Garg S/o Tarsem Chand R/o Bhucho Mandi Distt. Bathinda have changed my name to Sanjeev Kumar.

63372

I, Manjot Singh S/O Bharpur Singh R/O Village Faizgarh, Tehsil & Distt. Malerkotla have changed my name to Manjot Singh Marahar.

63372

I, Kuldip Kaur W/o Ranjit Singh Sandhu R/o Vill. Ball Tehsil.Batala, Distt Gurdaspur have changed my name Kuldip Kaur to Kuldeep Kaur Sandhu.

63372

I, Ajmer Singh S/o Shingara Singh R/o V.P.O. Shala Nagar Malsian, Tehsil Shahkot, Jalandhar, Punjab-144701 changed my name Ajmer as Given Name and Singh as Surname.

63372

I Ashwani Kumar S/o Parkash Singh R/o V.P.O. Kathgarh, Tehsil Balachaur, Distt. S.B.S. Nagar (PB) have Changed My Daughter's Name From Arshpreet to Arshpreet Kaur. All Concerned please note.

63372

I Pooja W/o Preet Kamal Dadra R/o H.No.157-A, Sant Sarwan Dass Nagar, Satnampura, Phagwara, Distt. Kapurthala (PB)-144402 have Changed My Name from Pooja to Pooja Dadra After Marriage. All concerned please note.

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I, Kirpal Singh S/o Surjit Singh R/o Kurar (Barnala) have changed my name to Jagtar Singh Deol.

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I, Ashok Sharma S/o Deena Nath Sharma R/o 296, Shiva Enclave, Kharar, SAS Nagar, have changed my name to Ashok Kumar Sharma. Henceforth, I shall be known as Ashok Kumar Sharma for all purposes.

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I Jyoti Garg W/O Bhushan Kumar R/O H No 13967 St No 10 Ganesh Nagar Bathinda Have Changed My Name Jyiti Goyal To Jyoti Garg

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PUBLIC NOTICES

ਮੈਂ ਭੀਮ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਪਰਧਾਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਵਾਰਡ ਨੰ. 12 ਬਲਾਚੌਰ ਤਹਿ: ਬਲਾਚੌਰ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਸ.ਭ.ਸ. ਨਗਰ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰਾ ਲੜਕਾ ਭੀਸ਼ਮ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੋ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹੈ। ਮੈਂ ਇਸ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ-ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ। ਇਸ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਮੇਰਾ ਜਾਂ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦਾ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਤਾਲੁਕ ਵਾ ਵਾਸਤਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ।

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I, Surinder Kumar Singla S/o Har Prashad Singla R/o H.No. 444, Sector 21-C, Gandhi Nagar, Mandi Gobindgarh, Teh-Amloh Distt Fatehgarh Sahib do hereby solemnly affirm that my son Amit Kumar Singla, his wife Babita Singla, and their daughter Hitanshi Singla are not acting as per my wishes. I hereby disown all three of them from my movable and immovable property. They shall have no relation or connection with me or any member of my family. Any person dealing with these three shall do so at his/her own responsibility. The concerned persons are requested to take note.

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I Laxmipal mother of Narayan Pal residing at Vill. Chironjibpur Dist. Baraghuni (WB) 721656 have changed my name Laxmipal to Lakshmi Pal and date of 01.01.1969 to 02.4.1969 vide affidavit date 04.02.2026 before notary public Distt. Court Bathinda (PB).

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I, Rameshwar Gurjar is legally Father of No. 3011417H, Rank Hav Ramgopal Gurjar of Unit 21 Rajput, C/o 56 APO, Residing at Kutakpur, Gazipur, Dausa State Rajasthan, PIN 321612. Hereby declare that I have changed my name from Rameshwar Gurjar to Rameshwar. Due to wrongly entered in service documents of my son. Both names Pertains to one and the same person. Vide Affidavit No. IN-PB17256610586887Y Dated 3/02/2026 Attested by Notary Public (GOVT OF INDIA) Kindly Correct it.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

I Arvind Baghla S/o Jagan Nath R/o Sidhu Nagri Gali No.6 Abohar, District Fazilka Declare That My Son Aadil Baghla And His Wife Pooja And Their Minor Daughter Janvi Are Out Of My Control. So I Disowned All Of Them From All My Movable And Immoavble Properties. Anybody Dealing With Them On Their Own Risk.

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ਮੈ ਦਿਆਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਬਚਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਪਿੰਡ ਭੱਟੀਵਾਲ ਤਹਿ ਬਟਾਲਾ (ਗੁਰਦਾਸਪੁਰ) ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾ ਕਿ ਮੇਰਾ ਲੜਕਾ ਦਿਲਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਨੂੰਹ ਪ੍ਰਭਦੀਪ ਕੌਰ ਮੇਰੇ ਨਾਲ ਲੜਾਈ ਝਗੜਾ ਕਰਦੇ ਹਨ। ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋ ਬਾਹਰ ਹਨ। ਮੈ ਇਹਨਾ ਦੋਵਾ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਤ ਤੋ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾ। ਇਹਨਾ ਨਾਲ ਮੇਰਾ ਅਤੇ ਮੇਰੇ ਬਾਕੀ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦਾ ਕੋਈ ਤਲਕ ਵਾਸਤਾ ਨਹੀ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ।

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I Sarbjeet Kaur W/o No.4486465N, Rank NK Name Janak Raj Singh, Unit 11 Sikhli C/o 99APO R/o Village Nehianwala, Tehsil & District Bathinda my name wrongly entered as Sarabjit Kaur is my husband service record, her correct name is Sarbjeet Kaur.

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I, Keshanti Bai is legally Mother of No. 3011417H, Rank Hav., Ramgopal Gurjar of Unit 21 Rajput, C/o 56 APO, Residing at Kutakpur, Gazipur, Dausa State Rajasthan, PIN 321612. Hereby declare that I have changed my name From Keshanti Bai To Keshanta. Due to wrongly entered in service documents of my son. Both names Pertains to one and the same person. Vide Affidavit No. IN-PB17257311650245Y Dated 3/02/2026 Attested by Notary Public (GOVT OF INDIA) Kindly Correct it.

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LOST & FOUND

I Jagdeep Singh S/o Mehar Singh resident of Vill. Manana, Mohali, do hereby inform to public through this newspaper that the original registry of our below mentioned property Lost in Sector 40-C, Chandigarh i.e House No 143, Shivalik Avenue, Sector 125, Block F Vill. Jhungian, Hadbast No. 29, Kharar, Mohali on 01 February 2026. If any body found kindly inform to Mob. No. [illegible] email. [illegible] in this regard already lodged to police.

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COURT NOTICE

ਬਾ ਅਦਾਲਤ ਨਾਇਬ ਤਹਿਸੀਲਦਾਰ ਬਾ ਅਖਤਿਆਰ ਸਹਾਇਕ ਕੁਲੈਕਟਰ ਦਰਜਾ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਸਿੱਧਵਾਂ ਬੇਟ।

ਪਬਲਿਕ ਨੋਟਿਸ

ਸ੍ਰੀ ਦਮਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਟਿੱਕਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਅੱਕੂਵਾਲ, ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਜਗਰਾਉਂ ਨੇ ਬੇਨਤੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਭੋਂ ਵਾਕਿਆ ਪਿੰਡ ਅੱਕੂਵਾਲ, ਘੁਨੇਵਾਲ ਅਤੇ ਗੱਗ ਕਲਾਂ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਜਗਰਾਉਂ ਦੇ ਮਾਲ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਦੇ ਖਾਤਾ ਨੰਬਰ 6/6, 27/28, 81/86, 91/95, 82/87 ਵਿੱਚ ਉਸ ਦਾ ਨਾਮ ਦੁਮਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਦੁੰਮਣ ਸਿੰਘ ਦੱਮਣ ਸਿੰਘ ਗਲਤ ਦਰਜ ਹੋ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ। ਜਦ ਕਿ ਉਸ ਦਾ ਸਹੀ ਨਾਮ ਦਮਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਟਿੱਕਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਹੈ। ਉਸ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਆਪਣੇ ਸਹੀ ਨਾਮ ਦੇ ਸਬੂਤ ਵਜੋਂ ਅਧਾਰ ਕਾਰਡ, ਵੋਟਰ ਕਾਰਡ, ਪੈਨ ਕਾਰਡ ਅਤੇ ਬੈਂਕ ਦੀ ਫੋਟੋਕਾਪੀ ਦੀ ਕਾਪੀ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ। ਮਾਲ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਵਿੱਚ ਉਹ ਆਪਣਾ ਨਾਮ ਦੁਮਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਉਰਫ ਦਮਨ ਸਿੰਘ, ਦੁੰਮਣ ਸਿੰਘ ਉਰਫ ਦਮਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਅਤੇ ਦੱਮਣ ਸਿੰਘ ਉਰਫ ਦਮਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਦਰਜ ਕਰਵਾਉਣਾ ਚਾਹੁੰਦਾ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਦੇ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿੱਚ ਜੇਕਰ ਕਿਸੇ ਨੂੰ ਕੋਈ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਸ਼ਿਤ ਹੋਣ ਤੋਂ 15 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ-ਅੰਦਰ ਨਿਮਨ ਹਸਤਾਖਰ ਦੀ ਅਦਾਲਤ ਵਿੱਚ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕਰ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ। ਮਿੱਥੇ ਸਮੇਂ ਅੰਦਰ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਨਾ ਹੋਣ ਤੇ ਨਿਯਮਾਂ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ। ਅੱਜ ਮਿਤੀ 04-02-2026 ਨੂੰ ਮੇਰੇ ਹਸਤਾਖਰ ਹੇਠ ਜਾਰੀ ਹੋਇਆ ਹੈ।

ਸਹਾਇਕ ਕੁਲੈਕਟਰ ਦਰਜਾ ਪਹਿਲਾ-1
ਕਮ-ਨਾਇਬ ਤਹਿਸੀਲਦਾਰ ਸਿੱਧਵਾਂ ਬੇਟ।

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COURT NOTICE

(Publication Under Order 5 Rule 20 CPC)
In the Court of Sh. Mandeep Singh, Tehsildar-Cum-Assistant Collector 1st Grade, Goraya

Nature of Case: Partition Village: Virk

Khewat No: 702/698,703/699,704/700,1072/1069

Khatoni No.777,778,779, 1060,1237

Case Title: Piara Singh Vs Nirmal Singh etc.

Notice to: 1) Nirmal Singh S/o Mehanga Singh (Died through L.R) (A) Manjit Singh s/o Nirmal Singh (B) Gurmohan Singh s/o Nirmal Singh (C) Davinder Kaur d/o Nirmal Singh (D) Inderjeet Kaur d/o Nirmal Singh 2) Sarwan Singh s/o Mehanga Singh all Resindens Village Virk Phillaur Disst Jalandhar.

Respondents........

Whereas it has been proved to the satisfaction of this Court that the respondents named above cannot be served in the ordinary manner, therefore, this publication is issued against the respondent, named above, to appear in this Court on 17-02-2026 at 10.00 am., either personally or through any authorised agent or pleader failure which, exparte proceeding shall be taken against them according to law.

No. 732/R, Date: 29-01-2026

Assistant Collector 1st Grade, Goraya.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ਦੀ ਬਲਾਚੌਰ ਪ੍ਰਾਇਮਰੀ ਸਹਿਕਾਰੀ ਖੇਤੀਬਾੜੀ ਵਿਕਾਸ ਬੈਂਕ ਲਿਮ.ਬਲਾਚੌਰ ਦੇ ਸਮੂਹ ਏ ਕਲਾਸ ਮੈਂਬਰਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਰਾਹੀ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਇਸ ਬੈਂਕ ਦੇ ਏ ਕਲਾਸ ਮੈਂਬਰਾਂ ਦਾ ਆਮ ਇਜਲਾਸ (ਜਨਰਲ ਬਾਡੀ ਦੀ ਮੀਟਿੰਗ) ਮਿਤੀ 07.03.2026 ਦਿਨ ਸ਼ਨੀਵਾਰ ਨੂੰ ਸਵੇਰੇ 12:00 ਵਜੇ, ਪੀ.ਏ.ਡੀ.ਬੀ.ਬਲਾਚੌਰ ਵਿਖੇ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਜਿਸ ਵਿਚ ਹੇਠ ਲਿਖੇ ਏਜੰਡਿਆਂ ਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇਗਾ। ਆਪ ਜੀ ਨੂੰ ਸਮੇਂ ਸਿਰ ਪਹੁੰਚਣ ਦੀ ਕ੍ਰਿਪਾਲਤਾ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ।

ਅਜੰਡਾ ਹੇਠ ਲਿਖੇ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਹੈ

1.ਪਿਛਲੇ ਆਮ ਇਜਲਾਸ ਦੀ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਦੀ ਪੁਸ਼ਟੀ ਕਰਨ ਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ।

2. ਬੈਂਕ ਦੀ ਵਿੱਤੀ ਸਾਲ 2024-2025 ਦੀ ਸਲਾਨਾ ਰਿਪੋਰਟਾਂ, ਅਡਿਟ ਰਿਪੋਰਟਾਂ ਸਮੇਤ ਬੈਲੰਸ ਸ਼ੀਟ ਅਤੇ ਚਿੱਠਾ ਲਾਭ ਹਾਨੀ ਜੋ ਚਾਰਟਰਡ ਅਕਾਂਉਟੈਂਟ ਵਲੋਂ ਤਸਦੀਕ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ ਨੂੰ ਵਾਚਣ ਉਪਰੰਤ ਪ੍ਰਵਾਨ ਕਰਨ ਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ।

3. ਮਾਨਯੋਗ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਾਰ ਸਹਿਕਾਰੀ ਸਭਾਂਵਾ ਪੰਜਾਬ, ਚੰਡੀਗੜ ਵਲੋਂ ਬੈਂਕ ਦੇ ਬਾਈਲਾਜ ਰੂਲਾਂ ਅਤੇ ਕਰਜਾ ਪਾਲਿਸੀ ਆਦਿ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਮੇਂ ਸਮੇਂ ਸਿਰ ਕੀਤੀਆਂ ਸੋਧਾਂ, ਤਰਮੀਮਾ ਅਤੇ ਨਿਦੇਸ਼ਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਅਪਨਾਉਣ ਅਤੇ ਪ੍ਰਵਾਨਗੀ ਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ।

4.ਆਮ ਇਜਲਾਸ ਤੇ ਹੋਣ ਵਾਲੇ ਖਰਚੇ ਦੀ ਪ੍ਰਵਾਨਗੀ ਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ।

5.ਪਿਛਲੇ ਆਮ ਇਜਲਾਸ ਤੋਂ ਲੈ ਕੇ ਤਾ ਤਾਰੀਖ ਤੱਕ ਪ੍ਰਬੰਧਕੀ ਕਮੇਟੀ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਪਾਸ ਕੀਤੇ ਗਏ ਮਤਿਆਂ ਦੀ ਪ੍ਰਵਾਨਗੀ ਅਤੇ ਪੁਸ਼ਟੀ ਕਰਨ ਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ।

ਨੋਟ: ਜੇਕਰ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਮੈਂਬਰ ਨੇ ਬੈਂਕ ਦੀ ਕਾਰਗੁਜਾਰੀ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਲੈਣੀ ਹੋਵੇ ਤਾਂ ਆਮ ਅਜਲਾਸ ਤੋਂ ਤਿੰਨ ਦਿਨ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਕੰਮਕਾਜ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਿਨ ਬੈਂਕ ਤੋਂ ਲੈ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ।

ਸਹੀ
ਮੈਨੇਜਰ
ਪੀ.ਏ.ਡੀ.ਬੀ.ਬਲਾਚੌਰ

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CHANGE OF NAME

I, Ritu Kumari Agarwal aged 39 Years W/o Sh. Abhishek Agarwal R/o Flat No. 9, Block-C, 3rd Floor, Himuda Apartment, Phase-3, Bilawali Labana (207), Tehsil Baddi, Distt. Solan (H.P.) declare that I have changed my name from Ritu Agarwal Alias Ritu Kumari Agarwal to Ritu Kumari Agarwal. All concerned, relatives & friends kindly note.

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LOST & FOUND

I, Amit Kaur W/o Jagdeep Singh Chadha R/o 5 5 Indira Colony Pathankot declare that my sale deed bearing document No. 241 registered on 15-04-2002 has been lost at Pathankot on dated 28-01-2026. If anybody finds it then contact at my above address/Mobile No. 9888704070.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that I, Isham Singh S/o Sh. Kishan Lal, am a R/o Gharaunda. My father, Sh. Kishan Lal, S/o Sh. Leelu Ram, passed away on November 23, 2023. His legal heirs are: 1. Rajbala 2. Rajkali 3. Shakuntala 4. Babli 5. Tara Devi 6. Manju 7. Neelam (Daughter's) 8. Isham Singh (Son) 9. Lado Devi, W/o Sh. Kishan Lal, R/o Ward No. 15, Gharaunda, Tehsil Gharaunda, District Karnal. There are no other heirs besides those mentioned above. Therefore, I, Isham Singh, wish to have this property transferred and registered in my name. If anyone has any objection to this transfer, they may register their objection within 30 days of this notice. Otherwise, the property will be registered in the name of Isham Singh.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ਦੀ ਬੰਗਾ ਪ੍ਰਾਇਮਰੀ ਸਹਿਕਾਰੀ ਖੇਤੀਬਾੜੀ ਵਿਕਾਸ ਬੈਂਕ ਲਿਮ: ਬੰਗਾ ਦੇ ਸਮੂੰਹ ਏ ਕਲਾਸ ਮੈਂਬਰਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਬੈਂਕ ਦਾ ਆਮ ਇਜਲਾਸ ਮਿਤੀ 03.03.2026 ਦਿਨ ਮੰਗਲਵਾਰ ਨੂੰ ਸਵੇਰੇ 11:00 ਵਜੇ ਬੈਂਕ ਦੀ ਬਿਲਡਿੰਗ ਵਿੱਚ ਹੋ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ। ਸਮੂੰਹ ਏ ਕਲਾਸ ਮੈਂਬਰਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਆਮ ਇਜਲਾਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਮੇਂ ਸਿਰ ਹਾਜਰ ਹੋਣ ਦੀ ਬੇਨਤੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ।

ਇਸ ਆਮ ਇਜਲਾਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਹੇਠ ਲਿਖੇ ਏਜੰਡਿਆਂ ਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇਗਾ।

1.ਪਿਛਲੇ ਆਮ ਇਜਲਾਸ ਦੀ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਦੀ ਪੁਸ਼ਟੀ ਕਰਨ ਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ।

2. ਮਾਣਯੋਗ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਾਰ ਸਹਿਕਾਰੀ ਸਭਾਵਾਂ ਪੰਜਾਬ, ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ ਵਲੋਂ ਬੈਂਕ ਦੇ ਬਾਈਲਾਜ, ਰੂਲਜ, ਕਰਜਾ ਪਾਲਸੀਆਂ ਆਦਿ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਮੇਂ ਸਮੇਂ ਕੀਤੀਆਂ ਸੋਧਾ-ਤਰਮੀਮਾਂ, ਅਡੀਸ਼ਨਾਂ ਅਤੇ ਨਿਰਦੇਸ਼ਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਅਪਨਾਉਣ ਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ।

3. ਬੈਂਕ ਦੀ ਵਿਤੀ ਸਾਲ 2024-25 ਦੀਆਂ ਸਾਲਾਨਾ ਰਿਪੋਰਟਾਂ, ਆਡਿਟ ਰਿਪੋਰਟਾਂ ਸਮੇਤ ਬੈਲੇਂਸ ਸ਼ੀਟ ਅਤੇ ਲਾਭ ਹਾਨੀ ਚਿੱਠਾ ਜੋ ਕਿ ਸਟੈਚੂਟਰੀ ਆਡੀਟਰ ਵਲੋਂ ਤਸਦੀਕ ਕੀਤੀਆਂ ਗਈਆਂ ਹਨ ਨੂੰ ਵਾਚਣ ਅਤੇ ਪ੍ਰਵਾਨ ਕਰਨ ਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ।

4.ਪਿਛਲੇ ਆਮ ਇਜਲਾਸ ਤੋਂ ਲੈ ਕੇ ਤਾ-ਤਾਰੀਖ ਤੱਕ ਪ੍ਰਬੰਧਕ ਕਮੇਟੀ ਵਲੋਂ ਪਾਸ ਕੀਤੇ ਗਏ ਮਤਿਆਂ ਦੀ ਪ੍ਰਵਾਨਗੀ ਅਤੇ ਪੁਸ਼ਟੀ ਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ।

5. ਬੈਂਕ ਦੀ ਬੈਲੇਂਸਸ਼ੀਟ 31.03.2025 ਵਿੱਚ ਰਕਮ ਵਸੂਲਣਯੋਗ ਫਰਾਮ ਇੰਨਕਮ ਟੈਕਸ ਡਿਪਾਰਟਮੈਂਟ 278223/-ਰੁਪਏ ਮਿਤੀ 28.03.2016 ਤੋਂ ਵਸੂਲਣਯੋਗ ਖੜੇ ਹਨ। ਸਭਾ ਦੀ ਅਸੈਸਮੈਂਟ ਸਾਲ 2013-14 ਦੀ ਅਪੀਲ ਖਾਰਜ ਹੋਣ ਉਪਰੰਤ ਇਹ ਦੀ ਅਦਾਇਗੀ ਕਰਨ ਦੇ ਹੁਕਮ ਇਨਕਮ ਟੈਕਸ ਅਫਸਰ ਵਲੋਂ ਦਿੱਤੇ ਗਏ ਸਨ ਜਿਸ ਉਪਰੰਤ ਬੈਂਕ ਦੁਆਰਾ ਇਸ ਰਕਮ ਦੀ ਅਦਾਇਗੀ ਕਰ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਗਈ ਸੀ।ਮਿਤੀ 28.03.2016 ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਰਕਮ ਦੀ ਅਦਾਇਗੀ ਦਾ ਵਾਉਚਰ ਪਾਉਣ ਸਮੇ ਇਸ ਰਕਮ ਨੂੰ ਖਰਚਾ ਦਿਖਾਉਣ ਦੀ ਵਜਾਏ ਵਸੂਲਣਯੋਗ ਦਿਖਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਜਿਸ ਕਰਕੇ ਇਸ ਰਕਮ ਨੂੰ ਬੈਂਕ ਦੇ ਲਾਭ ਹਾਨੀ ਖਾਤੇ ਵਿੱਚ ਖਰਚਾ ਦਿਖਾ ਕੇ ਇਸ ਰਕਮ ਦਾ ਨਿਪਟਾਰਾ ਕਰਨ ਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ।

6.ਆਮ ਇਜਲਾਸ ਤੇ ਹੋਏ ਖਰਚੇ ਨੂੰ ਪ੍ਰਵਾਨਗੀ ਦੇਣ ਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ।

ਨੋਟ:-ਜੇਕਰ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਮੈਂਬਰ ਨੇ ਬੈਂਕ ਦੀ ਕਾਰਗੁਜਾਰੀ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਲੈਣੀ ਹੋਵੇ ਤਾਂ ਆਮ ਇਜਲਾਸ ਤੋਂ ਤਿੰਨ ਦਿਨ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਕੰਮ-ਕਾਜ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਿਨ ਬੈਂਕ ਤੋਂ ਲੈ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ।

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Industrial visit to Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd. Swaraj Division tractors Plant 2, Mohali by DCMS,CDOE on 2nd and 4th February 2026

MOHALI (TILAK RAJ): Department of Commerce and Management Studies, CDOE,Punjab University, driven by its Mission to empower students byseamlessly blending academic rigor with practical management insights irrespective of geographical and professional constraints, organized an industrial visit to Mahindra and Mahindra ltd. Swaraj Division Tractors Plant 2, on 2nd and 4thFebruary 2026.Approximately 110 students attended the industrial visit which was facilitated by Mr Yatinder Nath the Plant Head, Mahindra and Mahindra and his team, Professor Harsh Gandhar, Director CDOE, and was organized by the Coordinator, DCMS,Professor Geeta Bansal along with convener Dr. Richa Sharma and Co convener Dr. Jessu J Singh.The students were given a comprehensive presentation by Mr. Satyadev Sharma, production head, followed by an interactive session.



NEWS BRIEF

Akal University scholar awarded prestigious INSPIRE fellowship



ISHWER GARG
TALWANDI SABO: Ms. Pinky, the PhD scholar from the Department of Physics, Akal University, Talwandi Sabo, has been awarded the prestigious INSPIRE Fellowship sponsored by the Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India. This highly competitive national scholarship recognizes exceptional talent in scientific research and provides comprehensive support to nurture the next generation of innovators.

Ms. Pinky will receive a generous fellowship of Rs. 27 lakhs for five years, covering research funding, mentorship, and academic expenses to fuel her groundbreaking work on Theoretical Nuclear Structure. Hailing from the village of Qadian, Gurdaspur district, Punjab, Ms. Pinky's dedication, perseverance, and passion for science have shone through, making her a shining example for fellow students. Her achievement underscores Akal University's commitment to fostering excellence in STEM and empowering youth in every aspect of life.

Woman arrested with 140 grams of heroin and Rs. 15,000 in drug money



ARVIND PATHAK
SULTANPUR LODHI: Under the special campaign launched by Senior Superintendent of Police Kapurthala Gaurav Tura against drug dealing and bad elements under, the instructions of Superintendent of Police (Investigation) Kapurthala Prabhjot Singh and Assistant Superintendent of Police Sultanpur Lodhi Dheerendra Verma (IPS) ,the police of Sultanpur Lodhi police station under the leadership of Inspector S. Harinder Singh Chief Officer of Police Station Sultanpur Lodhi, has achieved great success in arresting a woman with 140 grams of heroin and Rs. 15,000 in drug money. Giving information, Police Station Head Inspector Harinder Singh said that A. S. I. Puran Chand Incharge Chowki Mouthawal (Sultanpur Lodhi Police Station) along with a police party arrested Ramandeep Kaur alias Billo wife of Amarpreet Singh resident of Latiyawal, Police Station Sultanpur Lodhi, District Kapurthala and recovered 140 grams of heroin and Rs. 15000 drug money from her possession.

Health Minister reviews ongoing registration of Mukh Mantri Sehat Yojana at Mohali

SHASHI PAL JAIN
MOHALI, FEB 4



Punjab Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr Balbir Singh today reviewed the ongoing registration process of the Mukh Mantri Sehat Yojana at the Mohali Deputy Commissioner's Office.

Addressing officials, the Health Minister said that the flagship, citizen-oriented scheme is another major milestone of the Bhagwant Singh Mann Government, aimed at providing a complete health guarantee to the residents of Punjab. He informed that more than 900 government and private hospitals have been empanelled under the scheme, covering nearly 2,300 medical packages, making it one of the most comprehensive and unique health schemes in the country. Dr Balbir Singh emphasized that all laboratory tests—from admission to procedures (including surgeries) and medicines—are covered under the scheme without any pre-conditions. Deputy Commissioner Mohali, Komal Mittal, apprised the Health Minister of the progress of the registration drive, stating that 190 registration sites are currently operational across the district. These include 163 Village Level Entrepreneurs (VLEs/CSC Centres) and 27 special camps. She added that the locations of special camps are being adjusted as per duty assignments in different areas to ensure maximum outreach.

Expressing satisfaction over the ongoing registration process, the Health Minister directed the district administration to further expedite registrations so that the benefits of the Rs 10 lakh cashless Mukh Mantri Sehat Yojana reach every eligible citizen and family. Dr Balbir Singh also cautioned officials against the emergence of fraudulent individuals posing as registration teams and charging money from innocent citizens. He directed strict legal action against anyone found indulging in such illegal practices.

The review meeting was attended by ADC (Development) Sonam Chaudhary, Civil Surgeon Dr Sangita Jain, CMFO Gurmeet Singh Sohi, Deputy Medical Commissioner Dr Amandeep Kaur Warring, and Chairperson, District Planning Committee, Er. Prabhjot Kaur.

Poor sewage and wastewater drainage arrangements have led to bad situation in many places in the city

SHASHI PAL JAIN
KHARAR, FEB 4



On the one hand, construction is going on very fast in authorized and unauthorized colonies in Kharar city, but on the other hand, due to lack of wastewater drainage arrangements in many places, water is standing in empty plots and fields, which is causing great trouble to the people.

A farmer named Gursimran Singh Sivia near Bhagomajra Toll Plaza on the Kharar-Morinda road has alleged that the wastewater from a colony near the toll plaza is causing a lot of damage to his land. He said that on the one hand, this water is spreading a bad smell and can spread a terrible disease at any time.

He said that this is damaging his crops because the wastewater is pumped out. He has asked the residents of that colony not to pump out the dirty water but to dump the water elsewhere through tankers when the sewer tank gets full. Similarly, the residents of Pakki Roorkee say that they will not allow dirty water to come near their village at any cost. They have also told the higher authorities in this regard many times.

Similarly, the sewer water of MC Colony near Gilco is overflowing and accumulating in the plots.

Aam Aadmi Party leader Yaspal Bansal says that the people are in a bad condition due to dirty water but no permanent treatment is being taken out. He said that although the council officials are installing machines to remove the dirty water, there has been no improvement in the situation. He said that this dirty water has a bad effect on the administration and the functioning of the government.

Meanwhile, Kharar Municipal Council's Sewerage In-charge JE Manoj Kumar says that an estimate of the drainage in this regard will be made and passed in a few days.

BFGI organizes three free cancer screening and awareness camps across Malwa region

ANANTDEEP KAUR
BATHINDA, FEB 4



Baba Farid Group of Institutions (BFGI), a renowned educational institution of the region, organized three consecutive Free Cancer Screening and Awareness Camps across the Malwa region in connection with World Cancer Day, in collaboration with the World Cancer Care Charitable Trust. The primary objective of these camps was to prevent the deadly disease of cancer and to spread awareness among the masses.

These camps were organized under a special project granted to Baba Farid College by the National Council for Science & Technology Communication, Department of Science & Technology, aimed at creating awareness about cancer prevention through low-cost technologies and promoting healthy agricultural practices in the Malwa region.

The first camp was organized on February 2 at village Bhucho Khurd, where approximately 300 patients underwent free health check-ups. The second camp was held on February 3 at village Bandi, during which around 400 patients were medically examined. On the occasion of World Cancer Day, the third camp was organized at Baba Farid Campus, Muktsar Road, Bathinda, where a team of specialist doctors conducted comprehensive cancer-related physical examinations of both men and women. This camp also included blood cancer screening and other disease-related tests, benefitting over 600 people, who were also provided free medicines.

In addition to medical check-ups, posters, banners, and pamphlets related to cancer awareness were distributed during the camps. Cancer survivors were also honored on this occasion for their courage and resilience. At the third camp, Dr. Kulwant Singh Dhaliwal, Brand Ambassador of World Cancer Care Charitable Trust, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. He was accompanied by Dr. Dharminder Singh Dhillon, MD, World Cancer Care Punjab, and S. Sukhpal Singh, Coordinator (Malwa), who were present as Special Guests. BFGI Chairman Dr. Gurmeet Singh Dhaliwal and Campus Director Prof. (Dr.) M. P. Poonia welcomed the dignitaries by presenting flo-

Saint Soldier International School Skater Excels at State and Inter-School competitions



CHANDIGARH, FEB 4

Saint Soldier International School, Sector 28-B, Chandigarh, added another proud tally to its sporting achievements as Amrit Singh of Class IV delivered an outstanding performance in various state-level and inter-school skating competitions during the academic session.

Amrit showcased exceptional skill at the Inter-School Skating State Tournament organised by the Education Department, Chandigarh, where he secured a Gold Medal in the 500 metres Inline race and a Silver Medal in the 1-Lap Inline Road Race in the Under-11 Boys category. He also performed commendably at the 47th Chandigarh State Roller Skating Championship, organised by CRSA, winning a Silver Medal in the 500 metres Road Race along with Bronze Medals in the 200 metres Rink race and the 500 metres Rink race, reflecting his consistency and dedication to the sport.

Further strengthening his medal tally, he participated in the Manav Mangal School Skating Carnival, where he won a Silver Medal in the 300 metres race and a Bronze Medal in the 500 metres Road Race.

School Principal Ms.Anisha Ghuman congratulated Amrit on his remarkable achievements.

PRTC Chairman Harpal Juneja holds first meeting of board of directors



TAPINDER SINGH
PATIALA, FEB 4

Immediately after assuming office, PRTC Chairman Harpal Juneja held an important meeting of the Board of Directors of PRTC without any delay for the welfare, progress and development of PRTC and took important decisions.

Presiding over the meeting, Chairman Harpal Juneja said that as per the guidelines of Aam Aadmi Party National Convener Arvind Kejriwal, Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann and Transport Minister Laljit Singh Bhullar, taking PRTC to greater heights, safeguarding the interests of the employees of the organization and providing better, safer and more beneficial transport services to the passengers of PRTC is his main objective. Chairman Harpal Juneja said that on this occasion, PRTC Apart from adding new buses to the fleet, decisions were taken to provide more facilities to the passengers at the old bus stand in Patiala. Various important agendas and policies were discussed by the members of the Board of Directors, including increasing the income of PRTC for the financial year. During the meeting, it was also decided to run additional buses from the old bus stand in Patiala on different routes so that passengers do not face any difficulty in coming and going from the new bus stand.

PAU commercializes protection kit for stored pulses

LUDHIANA, FEB 4

Punjab Agricultural University (PAU) has inked a pact with Havard Industries based in Ludhiana for licensing of PAU Protection Kit for Stored Pulses. Dr. Ajmer Singh Dhatt, Director of Research, PAU Ludhiana and Mr. Bhavya Mehta from Havard Industries signed the Memorandum of Agreement on behalf of their respective organizations.

Dr. Khushdeep Dharni, Associate Director Technology Marketing and IPR Cell and Dr. Tarsem Chand Mittal, Head, Department of Processing & Food Engineering were also present on the occasion. The kit has been developed by Dr. Manpreet Kaur Saini, Dr. M S Alam, Dr. Surekha Bhatia and Dr. Anjali Sidhu.

Dr. Manpreet Kaur Saini, Entomologist(Storage), Department of Processing & Food Engineering informed that the Protection Kit finds wide application in safeguarding stored pulses from insect-pest infestation during storage in retail packets and containers. The kit provides a scientific and eco-friendly method for protecting pulses by creating an unfavourable environment for storage insect-pests without affecting grain quality.

Sector-31 police arrest accused, recover stolen property in house theft case



CHANDIGARH: As per directions of Ms. Kanwardeep Kaur, IPS, W/SSP/UT, Chandigarh, under the close guidance of Ms. KM Priyanka, W/SP/City Chandigarh and under the supervision of Ms. Gurjeet Kaur, SDPO/South a team of officials of Police Station, Sector-31, Chandigarh headed by Insp. Rajiv Kumar, SHO/PS-31, the team of Police Station Sector 31 got major success by arresting one accused namely Abhishek Sharma S/o Naresh Kumar Sharma R/o #2179, Sector-28C, Chandigarh, Age 26 Years in case FIR No. 21 dated 03.02.2026, U/S 305, 331(3) BNS added 317(2) BNS, PS-31, Chandigarh.It is submitted that this case has been registered on the complaint of Gulshana W/o Shoukeen R/o #1474, Deep complex, Hallomajra, Chd., age 28 years. In which she stated that she is residing at the above address with her family as tenant. On 1/2/2026 at about 11:20 am, she locked her house and left for Namaj. She came back at about 1:00 PM and noticed that the lock of her house was broken and the household items were scattered and someone unknown person stole one Indane Gas cylinder,2 silver chain, three silver rings,one mobile phone realme and cash 6000/cash.From the verification of the facts and cctv footage, it is revealed that two unknown persons are seen to commit the alleged crime.

CDOE, Panjab University organises Annual Sports Meet-2026



TILAK RAJ
MOHALI, FEB 4

The Centre for Distance and Online Education (CDOE), Panjab University, Chandigarh, successfully organised its Annual Sports Meet-2026 at the Panjab University Sports Ground on 3rd February 2026. The Annual Sports Meet aimed to promote physical fitness, mental well-being, and holistic development among CDOE students. More than 150 students enthusiastically participated in the event. The Sports Meet was inaugurated by the Registrar, Panjab University, Chandigarh, who graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. The Distinguished Guest, Mr. Inderjeet Chadha, Gold Medalist, Hockey World Cup, and Senior Manager (Retail Sales), Chandigarh Divisional Office, Indian Oil Corporation Limited, inspired the students to strive for excellence in sports alongside academic achievements. The Prize Distribution Ceremony was graced by Prof.Yojna Rawat, DUI, Panjab University, as the Chief Guest. Prof. Harsh Gandhar, Director, CDOE, presided over the function and emphasized the role of sports in promoting discipline, teamwork, and overall personality development.

Ravinder Singh Khera becomes in-charge of Shiromani Akali Dal's Kharar assembly constituency

SHASHI PAL JAIN
KHARAR, FEB 4



He is the son of SGPC member Ajmer Singh Khera and he had succeeded in giving a huge victory to Shiromani Akali Dal candidates from Block Samiti Majri in the elections held by him.

Ravinder Singh Khera has been made in-charge of Shiromani Akali Dal's Kharar constituency by party president Sukhbir Singh Badal.

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It is worth mentioning that the first constituency incharge of Shiromani Akali Dal, Ranjit Singh Gill, said goodbye to Shiromani Akali Dal and joined BJP, due to which this constituency incharge seat had been lying vacant since then.

Talking to this regard, Ravinder Singh Khera said that he will fulfill this duty assigned by party president Sukhbir Singh Badal well and will work with the workers and leaders of Kharar constituency to further strengthen the Shiromani Akali Dal.

Terapanth Mahila Mandal organises cancer screening camp



SUMER GARG
SUNAM, FEB 4

On the occasion of World Cancer Day, the local Terapanth Mahila Mandal, organized a free cervical cancer screening camp at Terapanth bhawan near Hindu sabha college here today.

The camp was held from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, during which 104 women were screened.

The camp was conducted using Smart Scope–led cervical cancer screening, a handheld device developed in India by Periwinkle Technologies. The device is easy to use and enables nurses to conduct screening effectively, in line with WHO and ICMR guidelines, making cervical cancer screening more accessible at the community level.

The team from Govt hospital, Sunam extended full support for the successful conduct of the camp. Mahila Mandal President, Bhavna Jain expressed her gratitude to the medical and support teams, while Priya Jain welcomed them.

The camp was successfully organized due to the dedicated efforts of the local Terapanth Mahila Mandal team, who actively spread awareness and motivated women to come forward for screening, contributing to early detection and prevention of cervical cancer.

Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University hosts week-long mental health & well-being Initiative



AJAY MALHOTRA
FATEHGARH SAHIB, FEB 4

Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University, Fatehgarh Sahib, reaffirmed its commitment to nurturing emotionally strong, socially responsible, and academically empowered youth by organising an extensive week-long series of mental health and well-being programmes from 28 January to 2 February. The initiative, led by the Students Service Centre, aimed at equipping students with essential life skills such as stress management, emotional resilience, healthy lifestyle practices, ethical responsibility, effective communication, and digital well-being. Applauding the sustained efforts of the organising team, Vice-Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) Prit Pal Singh and Dean Academic Affairs Prof. (Dr.) Sukhwinder Singh Billing emphasised the need for emotional balance and value-based learning in higher education. They reiterated the University's mission to create a supportive environment that fosters holistic student development. Dr. Harneet Billing, Director of the Students Service Centre, underlined that mental health and ethical awareness are indispensable for personal and professional success. She stressed that universities must go beyond academics to build nurturing ecosystems that strengthen emotional.

MCM celebrates Mathematical creativity with 'Ganit Utsav 2026'



CHANDIGARH, FEB 4

The Postgraduate Department of Mathematics and Maths Club- 'Infinite Insight' of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women organised an inter-college event titled 'Ganit Utsav 2026'. Held under the aegis of MCM Vigyan Manch, the event was sponsored by the Department of Science and Technology and Renewable Energy, Chandigarh Administration. The event envisioned to foster analytical thinking, creativity, and appreciation for Mathematics among students.

Dr. Surinder Pal Singh Kainth, Chairperson, Department of Mathematics, Panjab University, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Addressing the gathering, Dr. Kainth lauded the efforts of the Department of Mathematics in sensitising students about the importance and relevance of Mathematics through such innovative platforms.

The participating teams exhibited their prowess in competitions that included Power Point Presentation, Poetry, Declamation, Project on a Mathematical Model, and Sketch of a Mathematician. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation as over 120 students registered for it. The prize winners were awarded trophies, and participation certificates were given to all participants.

Students of Maharishi Dayanand Public School shine in SOF International English Olympiad



CHANDIGARH: Students of Maharishi Dayanand Public School, MDAV Bhawan, Daria, Chandigarh have brought great pride to their school by delivering an outstanding performance in the SOF International English Olympiad. Three talented students won gold medals and qualified for the second stage (national level) of the competition.

Paridhi, a student of Class VI, secured a gold medal with an impressive 99.94 percentile score. Another Class VI student, Lovepreet, showcased remarkable talent by scoring 99.93 percentile and winning a gold medal as well. From Class V, Aditi earned a gold medal with a commendable 99.17 percentile score, further glorifying the school's achievement.

On this occasion, the school patron, Sudarshan Garg, felicitated the students by presenting them with gold medals and certificates, and praised their achievement. He encouraged the students to continue moving forward with hard work, discipline, and self-confidence in the future.

The school management congratulated the students, their parents, and teachers on this remarkable success and expressed hope that the students would also perform excellently at the national level.

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RTI Commission issues warrant against PIO-cum-Assistant Town Planner

CHANDIGARH: The Punjab State Information Commission has issued a warrant against PIO-cum-Assistant Town Planner of Building Branch (Zone D) of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana during the hearing of a case. Giving information in this regard, Commissioner of Punjab State Information Commission Harpreet Singh Sandhu informed that in the appeal case No. 6157 of 2023 filed by Jasvir Singh resident of Guru Nanak Nagar, village Bholapur Jhabewal, district Ludhiana, the Commission has issued a warrant against PIO-cum-Assistant Town Planner Kuljit Singh Mangat of Building Branch Zone D of Ludhiana to appear before the Commission on March 11, 2025. S. Harpreet Singh Sandhu said that Kuljit Singh Mangat remained absent despite the instructions of the Commission in the 4 hearings held so far in this case, regarding which a show cause notice was also issued by the Commission. He said that now in this case, the Commission has issued an order under Section 18 (3) (a) of the RTA Act 2005 to the Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana to serve a copy of these warrants on Kuljit Singh Mangat PIO cum Assistant Town Planner and issue instructions to appear before the Commission on the next date of the case on March 11, 2026.

NEWS BRIEF

Punjab SC Commission takes SUO Motu notice of assault on minor girl

CHANDIGARH: The Punjab State Scheduled Castes Commission has taken suo motu notice of a case involving the assault of a minor girl belonging to a Scheduled Caste in Sri Muktsar Sahib district. The notice has been taken by the Chairman of the Commission S. Jasvir Singh Garhi following reports of the incident. Sharing details, an official spokesperson said the matter came to the notice of the Chairman through a report published in a newspaper. Acting under Section 10(2)(h) of the Punjab State Scheduled Castes Commission Act 2004, the Commission has sought a detailed report from the Senior Superintendent of Police Sri Muktsar Sahib. The information has been directed to be submitted to the Commission office through the Deputy Superintendent of Police by February 10, 2026.

Rudrabhishek and four-hour spl puja on the occasion of Mahashivratri at Sivananda Yoga Ashram Lamini on Feb 15-16

SHARANJEET PATHANKOT: A grand two-day religious event is being organized at Sivananda Yoga Ashram Bhaktipeeth, Lamini Pathankot on the auspicious day of Mahashivratri. Giving information in this regard, the enthroned Peethadhishwar 1008 Swami Shri Shivatam Chaitanya Puri Ji Maharaj said that the Rudrabhishek, Havan and four watches will be worshipped by learned Brahmins as per the rules and regulations. He said that this group event will be held at Shiva nand Yoga Ashram, Bhaktipeeth, Swamiji's temple, Lamini, Pathankot under the supervision of the Samasat Mandir Committee.



SAD VP Gurpreet Lapran bereaved, father Darshan Singh passes away

AMRISH ANAND

DORAHA: Shiromani Akali Dal Vice President and senior leader from Payal constituency, S. Gurpreet Singh Lapran,was deeply shocked by the demise of his respected and revered father, S. Darshan Singh Lapran, who breathed his last and departed for his heavenly abode.The sudden passing away of S. Darshan Singh has cast a pall of gloom over the family, relatives, and the entire society. This irreparable loss has left everyone deeply saddened. While talking to mediapersons, his son S. Gurpreet Singh Lapran informed that the last rites of S. Darshan Singh will be performed on February 4 at the cremation ground of village Lapran.



Rayat College of Law organises 'Project Sakhi 2.0



BAHADURJEET SINGH

RUPNAGAR: The NSS Unit, Rayat College of Law, Railmajra organised Project Sakhi 2.0, a sanitary napkin distribution drive, at the slum areas near IIT Road, Rupnagar, with the objective of promoting menstrual hygiene awareness and community welfare. During the drive, NSS volunteers actively participated in distributing sanitary napkins and biscuits among women and children from underprivileged sections. Prior to the distribution, Dr. Sohnu, Programme Officer, NSS, guided the students and briefed them about the purpose of the drive, its social relevance, and the systematic way in which the outreach activity should be conducted while interacting respectfully with the beneficiaries.

Passing out ceremony of ISC batch 2026 at PPS



RAKESH JINDAL

NABHA: The Punjab Public School, Nabha, organised the Passing Out Ceremony for the ISC Batch of 2026 with great pomp and solemnity. Lt Gen Harjeet Singh Sahi, PVSM, UYSM, AVSM, YSM, SM and alumnus of PPS was the chief guest. The celebrations commenced with an impressive academic procession, which moved with grandeur from the Tennis Courts to Pavate Hall, reflecting the school's rich traditions.

During the ceremony, citations were read out, highlighting the remarkable achievements of the outgoing students, commemorating their academic, co-curricular, and personal milestones over the years. Lt Gen Sahi presented mementos to the students as a token of appreciation for their dedication and accomplishments. Addressing the gathering, he inspired the young graduates to work diligently towards achieving their goals and to face life's challenges with resilience and determination. Headmaster Dr DC Sharma, in his address, encouraged the students to uphold the values instilled in them and to engage in righteous deeds that would bring honour to their alma mater.

3-day state-level event to commemorate 649th Parkash Purab of Sri Guru Ravidass Ji begins at Sri Khuralgarh Sahib

GARHSHANKAR / HOSHIARPUR, FEB 4



The Bhagwant Mann Government on Wednesday infused Sri Khuralgarh Sahib with devotion, resolve, and historic intent as it formally launched state-level celebrations of the 649th holy Parkash Purab of Sri Guru Ravidass Ji Maharaj, setting in motion a year-long, state-wide observance leading up to the landmark 650th Parkash Purab in 2027.

From the sacred soil of Sri Khuralgarh Sahib, revered as the birthplace of Sri Guru Ravidas Ji, the Bhagwant Mann Government signalled that the celebrations would extend far beyond a single congregation, carrying Guru Ji's timeless message of equality, harmony, and human dignity from this historic shrine to every village and household in Punjab. The three-day state-level event, marked by deep spiritual fervour and wide participation, will culminate on February 6 with the Bhog of Sri Akhand Path Sahib, when Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann will pay obeisance at Sri Khuralgarh Sahib and offer prayers for peace, prosperity, harmony, and brotherhood across the state.

The commencement of the state-level celebrations witnessed the presence of a large number of revered saints and spiritual leaders, underscoring the spiritual and social significance of the occasion. Among those present were Sant Kewal (Tap Asthan Sri Khuralgarh Sahib), President Sri Guru Sadhu Samparda Society Punjab Sant Nirmal Das Ji, National President Adi Dharm Mission Sant Satwinder Hira, Sant Dayal Nath Samundra, Sant Jagir Singh Nandachaur, Sant Dharmpal of Dham Chanan Puri Sahoura, Balkar Singh of Taggar Barara, Sant Ramesh Das of Sherpur, Sant Manpreet Das of Cheta, Sant Balwant Singh of Dhingrian, Satnam Singh of Pandori Sadhan, Sant Kuldeep Singh of Bassi Maroof, along with several other saints and spiritual figures.

Several senior leaders and dignitaries also paid obeisance, including Cabinet Ministers Harpal Singh Cheema, Tarunpreet Singh Sond, Harjot Singh Bains, Dr Ravjot Singh, and Lal Chand Kataruchak, Deputy Speaker Jai Krishan Singh Rouri, Chairman of the Punjab SC Commission Jasvir Singh Garhi; MLA Chabbewal Dr Ishank Kumar; Advisor to the Department of Culture and Tourism Deepak Bali; and other prominent personalities.Addressing the media after paying obeisance, Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema said, "The Punjab Government has resolved to celebrate the 650th Parkash Purab of Sri Guru Ravidass Ji Maharaj in 2027 on an unprecedented and historic scale."Minister Harpal Singh Cheema stated that, under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, the Punjab government has already launched a year-long series of programmes beginning with the 649th Parkash Purab, aimed at taking the teachings of Guru Ravidass Ji to every household.

He said, "The core objective of the year-long celebrations is to ensure that the life, philosophy, and message of Sri Guru Ravidass Ji reach every section of society.

Major governance reforms transform urban local bodies: Sanjeev Arora



GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, FEB 4

Punjab Cabinet Minister for Local Government, Industries & Commerce, Power, and Investment Promotion, Sh. Sanjeev Arora, today said that the State Government has rolled out far-reaching administrative, financial, and structural reforms in Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) to ensure time-bound decision-making, transparency, and uninterrupted execution of development works across Punjab.

Reviewing the functioning of ULBs, the Minister stated that, under the able guidance of Hon'ble National Convener Sh. Arvind Kejriwal and Hon'ble Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Singh Mann, prolonged pendency of resolutions and approvals had earlier affected development and public service delivery. To address this, the Government has adopted a reform-driven, decentralised, and accountability-based governance framework, supported by daily monitoring, systemic restructuring, and strict timelines. As a result, a substantial backlog of long-pending resolutions has been cleared, 1100 resolutions were pending and in last 3 week 900 have been cleared. Some resolutions were pending from 2018, restoring momentum to urban infrastructure and civic development works. The remaining cases are under active process and are expected to be disposed of shortly. To institutionalise these reforms, the e-Nigam software has been implemented w.e.f. 01.02.2026 for exclusive online processing of all ULB resolutions. This marks a decisive shift away from manual procedures and ensures speed, transparency, traceability, and accountability.

Second training batch for Anganwadi workers starts at Lehragaga

GURMAIL SINGH SANGATPURA
LEHRAGAGA, FEB 4



A three-day training program is being organized in Sangrur district under the Poshan Vi educy Vi campaign under the guidelines of the Social Security, Women and Child Development Department Punjab to increase the capacity of Anganwadi workers. Under this series, the second training batch for Anganwadi workers was started in Lehragaga today.

Giving information about this campaign, District Program Officer Pardeep Singh Gill said that special attention is being paid to both Poshan Vi and education Vi for the overall development of children between the ages of 3 and 6. He said that Anganwadi centers are a strong foundation for the health and early education of children.During the training, the team is providing detailed information about the working of Anganwadi centers, monitoring of the nutritional status of children, early childhood education, meaning of play, play-based learning methods and child-centered activities, so that children can be made healthy and educated. He further informed that under this training program, Anganwadi workers are being trained in Sangrur district, for which batches have been formed in different blocks. Training is being conducted in Lehragaga block in two batches, in which the first batch has already been completed and the second batch has been started today. On this occasion, CDPO Neha Singh supervised the training. He said that such trainings will improve the performance of Anganwadi centers and there will be improvement in both the areas of nutrition and education of children, due to which the objectives of the scheme can be achieved successfully.

DC reviews preparations for Patiala heritage festival



TAPINDER SINGH
PATIALA, FEB 4

Patiala Deputy Commissioner Varjit Walia reviewed the preparations being made by the nodal officers for the Patiala Heritage Festival starting from February 12. He said that there is great enthusiasm among the Patiala residents and all the teams of the district administration for the various events of the Patiala Heritage Festival being organized by the Punjab Government under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann to promote Patiala as a center of tourism. Varjit Walia said that during this Patiala Heritage Fair, there will be a Military Literature Festival at Khalsa College on February 12-13, Kavi Darbar at Mahindra College on February 13, Aero Modeling and Air Show at Civil Aviation Club Sangrur Road on February 14, Dog Show at Polo Ground on February 15, Kewal Dhaliwal's historical play '1675' will be staged at Harpal Tiwana Kala Kendra on February 16. The Deputy Commissioner further said that on February 17, the duo of famous Punjabi singers Manmohan Wars and Kamal Heer Wars brothers will perform at Polo Ground. While on February 18, there will be Barandari Bagh Food Festival and Flower Show, on February 19, there will be a nature walk, environmental tour in collaboration with Patiala Foundation at Barandari Bagh.

Bag full of gold ornaments and cash stolen during Shagun ceremony at the palace



SHARANJEET
PATHANKOT, FEB 4

During the Shagun ceremony held yesterday at the marriage Palace on Gosainpur Road, the groom's mother's bag full of jewelry and cash was stolen.

As soon as the incident was reported, the Sujanpur police station reached the spot and started an investigation. Bhadroa resident Kuldeep Chand said that a Shagun ceremony was held at Uppal Palace in connection with the marriage ceremonies of his son Rajat Sharma. Shagun was performed by relatives and friends at the ceremony. The girl's side presented Rajat with a gold ring and two pairs of gold tapas, which were kept in a bag along with the remaining Shagun amount. At that time, the bag was with the groom's mother, Aruna Sharma. At around 4 pm, there was an atmosphere of dancing and singing with the DJ. Aruna Sharma kept the bag on the sofa and went to give money to the relatives, during which an unknown person picked up the bag from behind. When they returned and did not find the bag, they made a fuss and the entire family searched but the bag was not found. As the CCTV cameras of the palace were not available properly, the cameraman's recording of the event was checked. In

Majithia's release will further strengthen SAD to serve people of Punjab



SARBJIT SUFI
LUDHIANA, FEB 4

On the release of Bikram Singh Majithia, Shiromani Akali Dal Ludhiana Urban President Bhupinder Singh Bhinda and senior Akali leaders Ranjit Singh Dhillon and Samrala constituency President Paramjit Singh Dhillon met Majithia and congratulated him, also extending a warm welcome. Speaking to the media during this time, they said that Bikram Majithia was targeted for a long time due to political vendetta, but ultimately the truth prevailed. They said that Majithia's release is proof that Akali Dal leaders cannot be suppressed by being framed in false cases. Although the government misused its power to suppress dissenting voices, the court upheld the sanctity of justice.

They said, "We have always had faith in the law, and today that faith has been vindicated."

Police arrest 2 persons in robbery case



SULTANPUR LODHI (ARVIND PATHAK): Under the special campaign launched by Senior Superintendent of Police Kapurthala Gaurav Tura against the bad elements, under the instructions of Superintendent of Police (Investigation) Kapurthala Prabhjot Singh and Assistant Superintendent of Police Sultanpur Lodhi Dheerendra Verma (IPS), the police team of Sultanpur Lodhi police station led by Inspector S. Harinder Singh SHO Police Station Sultanpur Lodhi arrested 02 persons involved in the robbery incident and recovered the weapon and stolen money.Giving information SHO Inspector Harinder Singh said that A. S. I. Puran Chand, in-charge of post Mouthawal, police station Sultanpur Lodhi, along with the police party, arrested accused Sharandeep Singh alias Lala son of Kulwinder Singh alias Gora resident of Pamna, police station Talwandi Chaudhariya (district Kapurthala) and Rohit Singh alias Rohit son of Amarjit Singh resident of Alluwal, police station Kabirpur (district Kapurthala) and recovered the weapon used in the incident and Rs. 2000/- stolen. Their absconding accomplice Jaskaran son of Bhinder resident of Pamna, police station Talwandi Chaudhariya (district Kapurthala) was made a named accused.

DA commits to provide an industry-friendly environment: DC



SUMER GARG
SANGRUR, FEB 4

Deputy Commissioner (DC), Sangrur, Rahul Chaba and Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP), Sartaj Singh Chahal today re-affirmed the district administration (DA)'s firm commitment to providing a conducive, secure and industry-friendly environment in Sangrur district, assuring that all genuine issues faced by industrial units would be addressed on a priority basis. The assurance was given during a meeting with representatives of Industrial associations held at the SDM office, Dhuri. SDM Dhuri, Rishabh Bansal was also present on the occasion.

While addressing the gathering, DC highlighted that the Punjab Government, under the leadership of Chief Minister, Bhagwant Singh Mann, has introduced a single window clearance system to promote industrial growth. Through this mechanism, all necessary approvals required by industries can be obtained from a single platform. He informed that approvals which earlier took several months are now being granted within a stipulated period of 45 days.

DC further stated that the district administration (DA) is holding regular interactions with industrial stakeholders to resolve their concerns expeditiously. Emphasising the Punjab Government's focus on industrial development, he said that the administration is making continuous efforts to facilitate industries and create new employment opportunities for the youth. He added that industrial growth not only strengthens the local economy but also contributes significantly to employment generation.

Spl awareness programme organised on World Cancer Day at KLM Kidz School



GURDASPUR (VERMA): On the occasion of World Cancer Day, a special prayer assembly and awareness programme was organised at KLM Kidz School to educate children about this serious disease. The main objective of the programme was to provide students with basic knowledge about cancer and to motivate them to adopt a healthy lifestyle.

The programme began with a special prayer assembly, during which teachers highlighted the significance of World Cancer Day. They emphasized the importance of early detection, balanced nutrition, regular physical exercise, and maintaining a clean and healthy lifestyle. Children were informed in a simple and engaging manner that awareness and precaution can play a vital role in preventing a disease like cancer.

On this occasion, all students of the school were administered a Cancer Awareness Pledge. Through the pledge, the children committed themselves to staying healthy, avoiding harmful habits, and spreading awareness about cancer in society. A sense of enthusiasm and responsibility was clearly visible among the students during the pledge ceremony.

Rose Public School welcomes back Nitin, proud alumnus and new assistant commandant

VERMA
GURDASPUR, FEB 4



Rose Public School recently hosted a grand welcome ceremony for its esteemed alumnus, Mr. Nitin, who has cleared the prestigious Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) exam and has been appointed as Assistant Commandant.

The event was a testament to the school's commitment to nurturing talent and inspiring excellence. The ceremony was attended by students, teachers, and staff, all eager to congratulate Nitin on his remarkable achievement. Principal Mr. Sanjay Sharma praised Nitin's dedication and hard work, saying, "Nitin's success is a shining example of what can be achieved with perseverance and passion. He has brought pride to our school, and we are thrilled to have him back."

Principal Sharma also extended his appreciation to Nitin's parents, Mr. Jagdish and Mrs. Urmila, saying, "Nitin's success is a reflection of the excellent upbringing and support he has received from his parents. We commend them for their guidance and encouragement." Nitin shared his experiences and insights with the students, highlighting the importance of hard work, discipline, and staying focused on one's goals. His inspiring words left a lasting impact on the young minds, motivating them to strive for greatness. The event concluded with a special interaction session, where students got to ask Nitin about his journey and learn from his experiences. The ceremony was a memorable celebration of Nitin's achievement and a testament to the school's legacy of producing talented individuals. Nitin's achievement is a proud moment for Rose Public School, and we congratulate him on this well-deserved success!

Mahilpur police station's anti-drug campaign proves completely successful: SHO Madan Singh



HOSHIARPUR (DALJEET AJNOHA): The government's yudh Nasian Virudh('War Against Drugs)' campaign is proving entirely successful in the area under Mahilpur Police Station in Hoshiarpur district. Under this drive, Mahilpur Police has registered nearly 30 cases under various sections over the past about two months. This information was shared by Mahilpur SHO Madan Singh during a special conversation with senior journalist Daljeet Ajnoha.

He stated that, following directives from senior officials, around 25 youths from the area—who had fallen into drug addiction due to compulsion or bad company—were admitted to various de-addiction centers with the support of their families. These youths have now completely quit drugs, stand on their own feet, and have secured good employment. Seeing them work, those who once looked at them with disdain in streets, neighborhoods, or villages now praise them and also commend the government's and police's efforts.

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Social security pension beneficiaries must complete e-KYC verification by February 15: Awas Pandit

KISHORI LAL BAINS

UNA: To ensure timely, transparent and direct transfer of pension amounts into beneficiaries' bank or post office accounts, the Social Justice and Empowerment Department has implemented an online e-KYC verification system for social security pension schemes across the state. To simplify the process, the department has also developed a dedicated mobile application. District Welfare Officer Una, Awas Pandit, informed that the pension of beneficiaries who have not yet completed their e-KYC verification has been temporarily suspended. He urged all such beneficiaries to mandatorily complete their e-KYC verification by February 15, 2026. He clarified that failure to complete e-KYC verification within the stipulated period may result in the beneficiary being declared ineligible for the pension.

NEWS BRIEF

Final voter lists published for gram panchayats of Bilaspur district

BILASPUR: Final electoral rolls have been published for 173 out of the total 175 gram panchayats in Bilaspur district, including all constituencies of Sadar, Ghumarwin, Jhandutta, and Shri Naina Devi panchayat samitis as well as the Bilaspur zila parishad. These 173 gram panchayats have a total of 3,13,888 registered voters, comprising 1,57,692 male and 1,56,196 female voters. District election officer (panchayat) and Deputy Commissioner Rahul Kumar said the final publication of the voter lists for the panchayati raj institutions in the district has been done under the Himachal Pradesh Panchayati Raj (Election) Rules, 1994. He stated there are a total of 1,129 gram panchayat wards, 97 panchayat samiti wards, and 14 zila parishad wards in the district. Kumar said the reorganization of gram panchayat Badnu-Digthali and gram panchayat Sui-Surhad is not yet complete. The final publication of the voter lists for these two gram panchayats will be done after the completion of the reorganization process.

CM directs preparation of new essential drugs list to ensure quality medicines

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, FEB 4

Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu, while presiding over a review meeting of the Health Department on Tuesday evening, directed the officers to prepare a new 'Essential Drugs' List to ensure the availability of quality medicines to patients in government health institutions. He said that the new list would be reviewed by a High Power Committee. The Chief Minister emphasized that moving toward direct procurement from manufacturers is not merely a cost-cutting measure, but a strategic move to eliminate middleman-related delays and ensure a more transparent supply chain. By bypassing intermediaries, he said that the state aims to secure a consistent inventory of life-saving drugs for which necessary provisions would be made.

The Chief Minister directed that the mechanism for sampling and quality testing of medicines supplied to government health institutions should be strengthened. For this purpose, he said that a dedicated cell would be established in each medical college in the state and the state government would provide adequate staff, training and required equipment. In the first phase, such cells would be set up at IGMC Shimla and Dr. RPGMC Tanda. Sukhu also directed that strict quality checks of medicines manufactured by pharmaceutical companies in Himachal Pradesh be ensured. He instructed the officers to strictly enforce the provisions of Schedule-M of India's Drugs and Cosmetics Rules, 1945 in the State. He reiterated that no compromise would be made with patients' health. Secretary Health M. Sudha Devi, Special Secretary Ashwani Kumar, Director AYUSH Nipun Jindal, Director Medical Education Dr. Rakesh Sharma, Director Health Services Dr. Gopal Berry and other senior officers were present in the meeting.

New Branch of HPSCB inaugurated at Kaithu

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, FEB 4



Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu today inaugurated the newly established branch of the Himachal Pradesh State Cooperative Bank (HPSCB) at Kaithu, marking another significant step towards strengthening the cooperative banking network in the State. The inauguration reflects the State Government's continued commitment to ensure greater financial inclusion and accessible banking services for all sections of society.

He said that cooperative banks play a vital role in the socio-economic development of Himachal Pradesh, particularly in supporting farmers, small traders, self-help groups and rural entrepreneurs. He reiterated that the State Government is fully committed to the growth and strengthening of cooperative institutions and emphasized that the deposits of the State Government should be placed with the Himachal Pradesh State Cooperative Bank. This would further enhance the financial strength and sustainability of the cooperative banking system in the State , he said. Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu appreciated the performance of HPSCB and lauded its efforts in extending modern, technology-driven banking services while maintaining its core objective of serving the common people. He expressed hope that the newly inaugurated Kaithu branch would cater effectively to the financial needs of the local population and contribute to regional economic development. He said that HPSCB has been playing a key role in implementing various State Government schemes like e-taxi scheme, thereby ensuring timely delivery of financial benefits to the people. On the occasion, the Himachal Pradesh State Cooperative Bank presented a cheque of Rs. 2 crore towards the Chief Minister Relief Fund. The Chief Minister expressed his gratitude to the bank for its generous contribution and stated that such support would go a long way in providing assistance to people in distress and in responding effectively to natural calamities and other emergencies in the State. Managing Director of HPSCB Shravan Manta highlighted the achievements of the bank and briefed about its recent accomplishments. He informed that HPSCB has consistently strengthened its financial position, expanded its branch network and adopted digital banking solutions to enhance customer convenience.

CM distributes appointment letters to 1253 newly recruited constables

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, FEB 4



Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu today distributed appointment letters to 1253 newly recruited constables during the 'Rozgar Sankalp Mela' held at the Police College, Daroh in Kangra district. Congratulating the recruits, the Chief Minister said that the newly recruited constables have a vital mission in the fight against drug abuse, in which the Himachal Pradesh Police has emerged as a strong and dependable force for the people of the state. He said that the police recruitment process was conducted with complete transparency. Recalling the recruitment drives during the previous BJP regime, he noted that examination papers were leaked, which led to the cancellation of the process amid strong resentment among the youth. He added that to ensure fairness and transparency, the present government conducted the recruitment examination through the Himachal Pradesh Public Service Commission instead of the Police Department. He announced that the state government will recruit 800 more police constables within the next two months adding that this step would further strengthen the Himachal Pradesh Police and improve public service delivery. He added that the government remains committed to ensuring a capable and responsive police force across the state. The Chief Minister said that the newly appointed constables were not just joining a job, but also taking on an important responsibility.

Fresh snowfall in Kufri, Kalpa as rains, cold tighten grip on Himachal

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Fresh snowfall in prominent tourist destinations Kufri and Kalpa marked the fourth snowfall spell of the season in Himachal Pradesh, lending a renewed winter charm to the hill state, while rain in mid and lower hill areas and a sharp fall in temperatures intensified cold conditions across the region.

According to the Meteorological Centre, Shimla, Kalpa in Kinnaur district received 10.8 cm of snowfall, the highest in the state, while the popular hill resort Kufri recorded around 1 cm of fresh snow.

Jot and Gondla also received similar snowfall, while Sangla recorded 0.6 cm and Keylong reported a trace. The fresh snowfall improved tourist footfall in Kufri and Kalpa, though icy road conditions were reported in the higher reaches.

Alongside snowfall, rainfall occurred in several parts of the state. Jogindernagar recorded the highest rainfall at 9 mm, followed by Manali and Palampur with 8 mm each, Seobagh and Bhuntar with 5.4 mm, Mandi with 2.6 mm, Jubberhatti with 2.2 mm, Pandoh and Gohar with 2 mm, while Shimla received 1.2 mm of rain.

Thunderstorm activity was reported in Bhuntar, Kangra, Shimla, and Jot, while a hailstorm occurred in Shimla. Dense to very dense fog reduced visibility in Bilaspur, Sundernagar, and Mandi, affecting early morning movement.

Shobha Yatra taken out at Radha Krishna Temple Kotla Kalan Una



KISHORI LAL BAINS

UNA: A grand Shobha Yatra was taken out at Radha Krishna Temple Kotla Kalan adjoining to Una city on Wednesday today. This Shobha Yatra was organized by National Saint Baba Bal Ji Maharaj. Thousands devotees of Sant Baba Bal Ji Maharaj have taken part in this Shobha Yatra. Mukesh Agnihotri Deputy Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh and Vikramaditya PWD minister of Himachal Pradesh have specially attended this program. Kuldeep Dhiman Chairman of Scheduled Caste Commission of Himachal Pradesh was also attended this program. Bhagwat Katha is running at Radha Krishna Temple in nowdays. It is noteworthy that this Shobha Yatra is organized in this Radha Krishna Temple on the occasion of Bhagwat Katha from February 1 to February 12 every year.

Youth change maker program will increase youth participation in politics: Chaitanya Sharma



AVINASH CHAUHAN

AMB: Meetings of both divisions of the BJP Yuva Morcha were held under the chairmanship of Gagret President Ankush Jaswal and Daulatpur President Sumit Singh. State BJYM Vice President Chaitanya Sharma was a special guest at the meeting and urged the youth to play an active role in organizational activities. Chaitanya Sharma informed that MP Anurag Singh Thakur launched the Youth Change Maker Program in Dharamshala with the aim of connecting the country's youth to the mainstream of leadership, innovation, and nation-building. He stated that Thakur is the first MP in the country to make a meaningful effort to implement Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision at the grassroots level. He stated that this program symbolizes a new thinking, a new direction, and a strong beginning for the youth, which will play a decisive role in strengthening India's future. The primary objective of this initiative is to increase youth participation in politics and public life, so that the country can receive dynamic leadership. It was informed at the meeting that selected youth under this program will receive an internship fellowship of Rs. 1,21,000 for one year. Youths aged 16 to 28 can apply.

India's first highway cow shelter sets new benchmark for safety, compassion, and development in Himachal Pradesh

AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY
BILASPUR, FEB 4



The National Highways Authority of India has taken a historic and humane step by establishing India's first-ever highway cow shelter on the Kiratpur–Nerchowk four-lane highway at Tunnel Number 4 in Himachal Pradesh. This pioneering initiative aims to prevent road accidents while ensuring the protection and treatment of stray and injured animals, reflecting NHAI's commitment to safety and social responsibility. Project Officer Varun Chari highlighted the importance of the initiative, stating, "This cow shelter has been developed with complete facilities including doctors, an ambulance, first aid, and essential infrastructure. Any animal injured in a road accident will be immediately brought here for treatment and kept safe. The shelter has the capacity to accommodate around 50 animals at a time." He added that this facility will play a crucial role in saving animal lives and enhancing highway safety. Regional Officer Colonel Ajay Singh emphasized NHAI's sensitivity toward the Himalayan region and its unique challenges. He said, "NHAI is deeply concerned about the tragedies that have occurred in hilly areas, especially in Himachal Pradesh. Continuous surveys are being conducted through IITs and other reputed institutions to strengthen roads and prevent such incidents." He further added, "Providing a ?3000 national-level pass facility and establishing cow shelters for stray animals are major steps. With this facility becoming operational, stray animals will no longer be seen on the four-lane highway, which will significantly reduce road accidents while promoting animal welfare." Alongside this compassionate initiative, NHAI's infrastructure projects are transforming Himachal Pradesh's connectivity and economy. The Kiratpur–Nerchowk four-lane project, inaugurated on March 11, 2024, has replaced the old 116-kilometre hilly road with a modern 79-kilometre corridor, saving nearly 37 kilometres and about 2.5 hours of travel time. Sharp curves have been eliminated.

AIIMS Bilaspur emerges as beacon of hope in cancer care, education, and research

AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY
BILASPUR, FEB 4



Department of Medical Oncology and Hematology at All India Institute of Medical Sciences Bilaspur is rapidly transforming the cancer care landscape of the hill state, setting new benchmarks in patient services, academics, and research. With a clear vision to deliver world-class, accessible, and affordable treatment, the department is becoming a lifeline for cancer patients across Himachal Pradesh and neighboring regions. The department has significantly strengthened its clinical services with the expansion of a modern day-care chemotherapy unit, ensuring safe administration of chemotherapy and targeted therapies while reducing the burden on inpatient facilities. Six-day-a-week outpatient services, supported by dedicated inpatient care, ensure timely and continuous treatment for patients. The multidisciplinary tumor board, involving experts from surgery, pathology, radiology, and radiation oncology, has enhanced clinical decision-making and improved treatment outcomes. A major milestone has been achieved with the approval of a Rs 25-crore Detailed Project Report for establishing a state-of-the-art Bone Marrow Transplant unit, complete with GLP-certified laboratories, marking a historic step for advanced cancer care in the region. On the academic front, the launch of the DM (Medical Oncology) program, along with structured training for MBBS and MD students, reflects the institute's strong commitment to nurturing future specialists through innovative teaching and research-driven learning.

The department is also actively contributing to national and international cancer research, with ambitious plans for a cancer biobank, clinical trials, AI-driven models, and community-based cancer prevention initiatives. Highlighting this vision, Additional Professor and Head of the Department Dr Pravesh Dhiman stated, "Our goal is to provide world-class, accessible, and affordable treatment to cancer patients. We are striving to develop into a comprehensive cancer center that balances patient care, education, and research."

CoM huddle ahead of special Assembly session to deliberate on RDG axe

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SHIMLA, FEB 4

Preparations are underway to convene a special session of the state Assembly to discuss the discontinuation of the Revenue Deficit Grant (RDG) in the union Budget, with the Council of Ministers (CoM) expected to huddle on the issue. A decision on convening the special session is likely to be taken at the cabinet meeting scheduled for February 8, while the session itself could be called anytime after February 15. The Assembly's budget session will be convened only after this special sitting. The Himachal Pradesh government has suffered a major setback following the union Budget presented after the recommendations of the Sixteenth Finance Commission, which has completely discontinued the provision of the Revenue Deficit Grant beyond March 31, 2026. The move will deprive the state of a crucial fiscal support mechanism used to bridge its widening revenue deficit, which has been rising year after year. Himachal Pradesh has been receiving RDG on the basis of the Finance Commission recommendations. Under the Fifteenth Finance Commission, the state was sanctioned about Rs 37,199 crore as Revenue Deficit Grant for the five-year period from 2021-22 to 2025-26. The grant has steadily declined over the years, with Rs 10,249 crore released in 2021-22, Rs 9,377 crore in 2022-23, Rs 8,058 crore in 2023-24 and Rs 6,258 crore in 2024-25. By March 31, 2026, only Rs 3,257 crore will be received, after which the grant will be discontinued completely.

Senior ministers said the CoM would deliberate on the failure of the state bureaucracy to persuade the Sixteenth Finance Commission to either include a formula that accounts for the increasing revenue deficit of hill states or ensure settlement of long-pending state dispute dues involving Punjab and Haryana and the Bhakra Beas Management Board. The government is also concerned that Himachal Pradesh's share in the national divisible pool has been reduced to below one percent, even lower than that of Haryana, Uttarakhand and Goa, further aggravating the fiscal stress.

Ravi Sharma appointed chairman of Himachal Kisan Congress

ANWAR HUSSAIN
NALAGARH, FEB 4



Ravi Sharma (Noni) from Nalagarh has been appointed chairman of the Kisan Congress department of the Himachal Pradesh Congress Committee. The appointment was approved by the All India Congress Committee and has come into effect with immediate effect. The decision was taken by the Congress high command and approved by K C Venugopal, general secretary of the All India Congress Committee. The move is aimed at strengthening the Congress party's engagement with farmers' issues in Himachal Pradesh and ensuring that the party's policies and programmes reach the farming community more effectively. Party sources said Ravi Sharma's appointment is part of a broader strategy to reinforce organisational strength and improve communication with farmers across the state. The decision is also being seen as a step towards consolidating the support of farmers and rural voters in view of the 2027 Assembly elections. Notably, this is the first time a leader from the Nalagarh Assembly constituency has been entrusted with such a significant responsibility at the state level within the Congress. Reacting to his appointment, Ravi Sharma expressed gratitude to Mallikarjun Kharge, K C Venugopal, Sukhpal Singh Khaira, Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu and Vinay Kumar for reposing faith in him. He said the responsibility entrusted to him as a grassroots worker was an opportunity to serve farmers across the state, and he would make every effort to fulfil it with dedication.

Farmers can earn more profit by growing vegetable seedlings: Dr. Kuldeep

SANJAY AGGARWAL

DHARAMSHALA: Agriculture yields more profit from vegetable cultivation compared to grain crops, and farmers can earn even more by growing and selling vegetable seedlings. Giving this information, Deputy Director of Agriculture, Kangra district, Dr. Kuldeep Dhiman, said that as soon as the temperature rises in the second half of February, farmers can sow seeds to prepare seedlings of vegetables like chili peppers, bell peppers, brinjal, tomatoes, etc. Dr. Dhiman said that according to an estimate, approximately one lakh hectares of land in Kangra district is cultivable, of which about 6% is used for vegetable cultivation, while approximately 35% of the area in Kangra district has irrigation facilities. Therefore, considering the irrigation facilities, the area under vegetable cultivation can be further increased, thereby increasing the income of the farmers. He said that for summer vegetables, farmers can prepare seedlings of chili peppers, bell peppers, brinjal, tomatoes, etc., in seedbeds, and seedlings of cucurbit crops like bottle gourd, ridge gourd, bitter gourd, cucumber, etc., should be prepared in polytubes. The current weather temperature is low for the germination of these seeds, so in February, these vegetable seeds should be sown only inside a polyhouse or polytunnel. To grow vegetable seedlings, farmers should generally make a seedbed 3 meters long, one meter wide, and 15 centimeters high so that irrigation, weeding, and other tasks can be easily performed. To prepare healthy seedlings, farmers should add 20-25 kilograms of well-rotted cow dung manure to each seedbed.

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Late-night crackdown in Solan: SSP conducts 2 am surprise inspection

ANIL KUMAR
HAMIRPUR: In a strong message against indiscipline, Solan Senior Superintendent of Police Gaurav Singh carried out a surprise inspection after 2 am and took immediate action against police personnel found negligent on duty. The late-night operation has led to the suspension of four police personnel, while one head constable has been sent to the police lines. Four Home Guards have also been sent back to their battalion with recommendations for departmental action. According to official information, the SSP conducted sudden checks in the Parwanoo, Dharampur and Sadar police station areas. The inspection followed complaints that night nakas were being relaxed after midnight. During the checks, five police personnel and four Home Guards were found derelict in duty.



NEWS BRIEF

Shimla MC delegation visits Bhandup WTP



MUMBAI: A delegation of 28 councillors from the Shimla Municipal Corporation, led by Deputy Mayor Mrs. Uma Kaushal, visited the Bhandup Water Treatment Plant (WTP) in Mumbai today. Operated by Suez, the 900 MLD plant was commissioned in 2014 and is one of the key water treatment facilities under the Mumbai Municipal Corporation. The plant supplies drinking water to nearly 6 lakh Mumbai residents. During the visit, the delegation learned about the water treatment process and advanced technologies used at the facility. The councillors toured the entire plant and appreciated its efficient operations and modern infrastructure.

Draft electoral rolls published for 190 gram panchayats in Una district

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA: District Panchayat Officer Una, Shravan Kumar, informed that the State Election Commission, Himachal Pradesh, has completed the revision process of electoral rolls for gram panchayat elections within the stipulated timeline. He said that the draft electoral rolls for 190 gram panchayats in Una district were published on February 3. He further stated that information from the Panchayati Raj Department is still awaited regarding proposals sent for division, reorganisation or creation of wards in 37 gram panchayats of the district. These include gram panchayats Beetan, Nangal Khurd, Laldri, Eespur, Bathu, Poliyan Beetan and Dulehar under Haroli development block; Katohad Kalan, Kalruhi, Hamboli, Nehri Nauranga, Chauar, Bhater, Diyara and Behar Jaswan under Amb block; Dhundla, Momanyar, Thana Kalan, Jol, Dhanet, Raipur, Tihra, Dehar and Chaukikhas under Bangana block; Diyali, Ambota and Bhanjal Lower under Gagret block; and Jankaur, Nangal Salangdi, Chatara, Basal Upper, Samoor Kalan, Barnoh, Taka, Bangarh and Behdala under Una block.

President Murmu lays foundation stone for 360-seated girls' hostel at Rairangpur Women's College, Mayurbhanj, Odisha

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ODISHA, FEB 4



The President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu laid the foundation stone for the construction of a 360-seated Girls' Hostel at Rairangpur Women's College, Rairangpur Block, Mayurbhanj District, Odisha. The hostel project with an estimated cost of Rs. 10.23 crore is being undertaken under the Corporate Social Responsibility initiative of NHPC Limited, a Navratna Public Sector Enterprise under Ministry of Power, Government of India. The project is being implemented through Hindustan Steelworks Construction Limited (HSCL), a subsidiary of NBCC (India) Limited in coordination with the Mayurbhanj District Administration.

The initiative aims to address the growing need for safe, secure and accessible residential facilities for students of Rairangpur Women's College, particularly benefitting young women from tribal and remote areas. The hostel is expected to improve student enrolment and retention, ensure uninterrupted academic pursuit and strengthen access to higher education for marginalized communities.

The proposed hostel will be a state-of-the-art, RCC-framed and earthquake-resistant facility. It will include well-furnished rooms, round-the-clock CCTV surveillance, comprehensive fire safety systems, dedicated study spaces, a modern dining hall and recreational facilities. Designed to ensure safety, comfort, and academic focus, the facility will provide a secure and enabling residential environment for young women pursuing higher education.

Aligned with national priorities such as Beti Bachao Beti Padhao and the National Education Policy (NEP), the project reflects the collaborative efforts of NHPC Limited, HSCL, and the Government of Odisha/Zila Parishad, Mayurbhanj. The initiative reinforces the commitment to women's education, tribal empowerment, and inclusive socio-economic development in the region.

India's agricultural and dairy sectors fully protected under India-US trade agreement: Piyush Goyal

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Union Minister of Commerce and Industry Piyush Goyal today categorically assured Parliament that India's sensitive agricultural and dairy sectors remain fully protected under the recently announced interim India–US trade agreement. Addressing concerns raised by farmer organisations and political leaders following remarks by the US Agriculture Secretary suggesting expanded access for American farm products to the Indian market, the Minister clarified in the Lok Sabha that no concessions have been made that could harm domestic farmers or dairy producers.

"India has been successful in protecting the agricultural and dairy sectors," Mr. Goyal told the House, adding that Prime Minister Narendra Modi has never allowed the interests of farmers to be compromised. He emphasised that adequate safeguards have been built into the agreement to prevent unfair competition and confirmed that India's sensitivities in fertilisers and agriculture have been fully taken into account.

The Minister noted that the agreement, finalised after nearly a year of negotiations, reflects India's long-standing and firm position that core agricultural staples, dairy products, and other sensitive items are non-negotiable. He underlined that there is no blanket opening of agricultural markets and no move towards zero tariffs on such products.

Any tariff adjustments, he said, are restricted to non-sensitive categories, with explicit protections for vulnerable segments of the rural economy. Reiterating the Government of India's commitment to farmers' welfare, Goyal stated that the interim deal is aligned with the national vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat and Viksit Bharat.

The agreement aims to promote labour-intensive exports such as textiles, apparel, leather, gems and jewellery, engineering goods, and seafood, thereby generating employment and strengthening MSMEs—without undermining agriculture or dairy.

Major initiative to make Panipat free from traffic jams and crime

RAKESH BHAYANA
PANIPAT, FEB 4



In a major step to make Panipat city free from traffic congestion and to effectively curb crime, the district administration has taken a significant initiative. A state-of-the-art 30-ton capacity Hydra crane has been handed over to the police department. Along with this, plans to equip the entire city with high-resolution CCTV cameras have been finalized. On Tuesday, Deputy Commissioner Dr. Virender Dahiya and Superintendent of Police Bhupender Singh flagged off the Hydra crane. During the event, the key of the crane was formally handed over to Traffic DSP Suresh Saini. The crane will now be used on highways and city roads to immediately remove broken-down or accident-damaged heavy vehicles, helping prevent traffic jams. The administration informed that the base cost of the Hydra crane is around Rs. 52 lakh, and after adding 18% GST, the total cost comes to approximately Rs. 60–61 lakh. The crane has been purchased using revenue generated from the police parking system. Funds received through parking contracts were utilized to procure this equipment. This is a heavy-duty Hydra crane capable of lifting weights up to 30 tons. It can easily tow or lift large trucks, containers, and other heavy vehicles and clear them from the roads. Superintendent of Police Bhupender Singh stated that within the next two months, high-end, high-resolution CCTV cameras will be installed at major intersections and sensitive locations across Panipat. These cameras will help track lane violations, traffic rule breaches, and maintain a complete movement history of vehicles entering and exiting the city.

SBI donates Ambulance to Chandigarh University under CSR Initiative



BUREAU
MOHALI: State Bank of India, Chandigarh Circle, under its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative, donated an advanced ambulance to Chandigarh University, Gharuan, in the presence of the Chief Guest, 'Shri Krishan Sharma, Chief General Manager, State Bank of India, Chandigarh Circle', to strengthen emergency medical services on the campus. Prof. (Dr.) Raviraja N. Seetharam, Vice Chancellor, Chandigarh University welcomed the Chief Guest Sh.Krishan Sharma, Chief General Manager, Chandigarh Circle on his visit to the Campus. The programmewas attended by ShriRavinder Kumar Gupta, Deputy General Manager (B&O), SBI, AO Mohali , Ms. AniKamdi, Regional Manager, SBI, RBO-I, Mohali. Prof. (Dr.) Devinder Singh, Pro Vice Chancellor, Chandigarh University, Prof. (Dr.) Rajan Sharma, Executive Director - International Affairs, and ShriSanjeevBakshi, Senior Director (Administrative), Chandigarh University. On the occasion, the ambulance key is formally handed over by Shri Krishan Sharma, Chief General Manager, State Bank of India, Chandigarh Circle, to Prof. (Dr.) Raviraja N. Seetharam, Vice Chancellor, Chandigarh University, followed by the ceremonial flag-off of the ambulance.

YS School Barnala student achieves World Record in Abacus, recognised by Book of Records

KARANPREET KARAN
BARNALA: YS School has always provided a supportive environment that encourages learners to explore their abilities and achieve beyond expectations. Such achievements reflect the school's commitment to quality education. We are proud to share that one of our esteemed scholars, Himank Garg, has set a World Record in Abacus, which has been officially recognized by the International Book of Records. This remarkable achievement has brought great pride to the entire school. Himank Garg achieved this feat by becoming the fastest teenager to solve 50 division sums of four-digit numbers by two-digit numbers using abacus skills. His dedication, accuracy, and mental agility are commendable and serve as an inspiration to fellow scholars. The school takes immense pride in this success, which further glorifies the name of YS School Barnala as a place where young achievers are nurtured and celebrated.



Protest of Save Doordarshan Centre Hisar enters 1126 days

MAHENDER GOYAL
HISAR, FEB 4



Indra Singh Malik, President of Save Doordarshan Center Hisar Jan Sangharsh Samiti Haryana, said that the protest was completing 1126 days on Wednesday. For this, salute to all the noble people who come here and cooperate from time to time. Such a long peaceful protest shows that those who save democracy and Haryana are still alive and how important it is to restore the only Doordarshan Center of Information, Art, Education and Employment, Hisar whereas politics seems to be left only for the fulfillment of selfish interests. In their eyes, patriotism is only staying in power by looting, deceiving and lying. Whereas this is not patriotism at all, it is selfishness because in 12 years there has not been a single work that has benefited the public. There has definitely been a loss.

Closing the Hisar-Barwala road has increased the time and money expenditure of all the people. The problems of the daily commuters have increased immensely. Who benefited? There are no international flights. Nothing is beneficial then why similarly closing Haryana's only Doordarshan Center, Hisar? You have disrupted our art, culture, education, training and information core. For two years, the policemen kept coming here to provide information about missing persons. No media of Hisar is seen searching on this and asking any questions to the government or the opposition.

DAV PG College team secures first place in 7th state-level college volleyball competition

CHAMANLAL
KARNAL, FEB 4



The DAV PG College team has brought laurels to the college across Haryana by securing first place in the four-day 7th State-Level College Volleyball Competition sponsored by the Higher Education Department, Haryana. Chaudhary Ranbir Singh University Vice-Chancellor and College Principal Professor Dr. Rampal Saini congratulated the entire team and wished them a bright future. He said, "It is a matter of immense pride and joy for us that our college volleyball team, like every year, secured first place and won the gold medal. This achievement not only reflects the hard work and discipline of the college players but also strengthens the overall academic and sporting tradition of our institution." Principal Professor Dr. Rampal Saini said that sports played an important role in the overall development of students. Through sports, students develop discipline, leadership skills, a spirit of cooperation and the ability to make decisions in difficult situations. DAV PG College has always given equal importance to sports along with education and will continue to provide every possible encouragement and facilities to the students for sports activities in future also. He further stated that teams from various colleges across Haryana participated in this prestigious state-level competition, and the DAV PG College team's first-place finish is truly commendable. This achievement will inspire other students to pursue sports and encourage them to excel. He said that this was the result of Dr. Jitendra Chauhan, a teacher in the Physical Education Department, instilling coordination, consistent practice, self-confidence, dedication and team spirit among the students.

Rs. 200 cr power push transforms Ghumarwin, uninterrupted electricity on the way



AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY
BILASPUR: In a landmark move set to redefine the power landscape of the Ghumarwin Assembly Constituency, the Himachal Pradesh government has initiated power infrastructure projects worth nearly Rs 200 crore to ensure round-the-clock, reliable electricity for the region. The announcement was made by Technical Education Minister Rajesh Dharmani during the foundation stone laying ceremony of the 33/11 KV sub-station at Bum, being constructed at an estimated cost of Rs 13 crore. Addressing a large public gathering, the Minister said that five new 33/11 KV sub-stations are being established across the constituency, promising a permanent solution to long-standing issues such as low voltage, overloading, and frequent power cuts. A major highlight of the plan is the upcoming 132 KV sub-station at Karyal—the first of its kind in Bilaspur district—with an investment of around Rs 70 crore. Once completed, it will eliminate dependency on external power sources and significantly strengthen the local grid.

Dayal Singh College, Karnal wins third position in state-level college volleyball competition

CHAMANLAL
KARNAL, FEB 4



Dayal Singh College , Karnal brought laurels to the college at the state level by securing the third position in the 7th State Level College Volleyball Competition (Men's Category) sponsored by the Director , Higher Education Department , Haryana. This four-day competition was successfully organized at the Government Women's College, Karnal , in which strong teams from various colleges across the state participated. In this prestigious competition, the Dyal Singh College volleyball team displayed their skill, discipline and team spirit, defeating the formidable Dronacharya Government College , Gurugram to secure third place. For this achievement, the team was honored with a trophy, medals, a certificate and a cash prize of Rs10,000. A grand welcome ceremony was held upon the team's arrival on the college campus. College Principal Dr. Ashima Gakkhar congratulated the players, saying, "Sports not only foster physical development, but also foster discipline, leadership, self-confidence, and a sense of teamwork. Our players have proven that with consistent hard work, proper guidance and determination, any goal can be achieved. This achievement is a matter of pride for the entire college family." He also expressed hope that in future also the college players will bring laurels to the institute by performing excellently at the state and national level. Sports Department In charge Dr Jai Kumar and Coach Mr. Ramniwas Chopra were especially present on this occasion.

International School organises Surya Namaskar session



CHAMANLAL
KARNAL: International School organized a Surya Namaskar session which was enthusiastically attended by students from grades 5 to 11. The session was conducted by a member of the AYUSH Commission, located under PHC Nagla Megha, Karnal. Mr Mukesh Kumar guided the students and explained the importance and benefits of Surya Namaskar. He explained that regular practice helped fight and prevented diseases such as obesity, diabetes, asthma, stress-related disorders and digestive problems, as it strengthens the immune system and improves physical and mental health. This session was organized to commemorate Swami Vivekananda Jayanti and Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati Jayanti, with the aim of inculcating the values of physical fitness, self-discipline, knowledge and all-round development among the students. This program was completed under the visionary leadership of the Chairman of the school, Colonel Arun Dutta and the able guidance of the respected Principal, Ms. Garima.

Union Budget 2026 strengthens resolve of developed India, boosts women empowerment: Pooja Salhotra

ANIL KUMAR
HAMIRPUR, FEB 4



Praising the Union Budget 2026 presented by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, BJP Mahila Morcha Solan district office secretary Pooja Salhotra said the budget gives concrete direction to the vision of Developed India 2047 and emerges as a truly inclusive and people-centric financial blueprint. She described it as a strong foundation pillar of the "Amrit Kaal", which will take the country from economic strength to social empowerment and from Antyodaya to overall upliftment. In a statement issued here, Pooja Salhotra said the NDA government under the leadership of Narendra Modi remains firmly committed to realising the resolve of a developed India. She noted that this is the government's 13th consecutive budget and the ninth budget presented by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, reflecting policy continuity and stability. According to her, the Union Budget 2026–27 effectively addresses youth aspirations and lays down a clear roadmap for long-term growth. She said the three key duties highlighted in the budget—strengthening economic growth and sovereignty, fulfilling public aspirations, and ensuring equitable distribution of resources—clearly reflect the Modi government's commitment to employment generation, development and social security. The emphasis on responsibility and duty in budget formulation, she added, is both timely and commendable. Pooja Salhotra stressed that the budget further strengthens the base of a self-reliant and developed India, with focused attention on the empowerment of women, youth, farmers, the middle class and economically weaker sections. She said provisions aimed at promoting women entrepreneurship, strengthening self-help groups, expanding skill development.

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9th inter-university North-Central Zone youth festival 'Unifest 2025–26' begins at MM(DU)

JAIBEER SINGH

MULLANA : The 39th Inter-University North-Central Zone Youth Festival 'Unifest 2025–26', organised under the aegis of the Association of Indian Universities, commenced at Maharishi Markandeshwar (Deemed to be University) in a grand and vibrant cultural atmosphere. Colourful and energetic performances by young artistes from across the country transformed the campus into a celebratory cultural arena.

The inaugural ceremony was attended by Dr Mamta Rani Agrawal, Additional Secretary, AIU, as the chief guest, along with Vice-Chancellor Prof (Dr) H.K. Sharma, Pro Vice-Chancellor Prof (Dr) B. Sridhar Reddy, Registrar Dr Sumit Mittal, AIU Observer Father Sony Chandattu, Technical Observer Dr Santosh Pathak, Dean Academics Dr N.K. Batra and Dean Student Welfare Dr J.K. Sharma, among other dignitaries.

Union budget is a roadmap for Hry's next leap in growth: CM

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CHANDIGARH, FEB 4



Haryana Chief Minister, Sh. Nayab Singh Saini on Wednesday said that the Union Budget 2026–27 is a decisive step towards building a self-reliant, competitive and socially inclusive India, and will significantly accelerate Haryana's growth across sectors.

Addressing a press conference, the Chief Minister said the budget reflects the vision of Prime Minister, Sh. Narendra Modi is rooted in the principle of "Vikas bhi, Vishwas bhi." He said the budget is not a routine financial exercise but a strategic national blueprint that ensures economic expansion while safeguarding the interests of the poorest and most vulnerable sections of society.

The Chief Minister said the budget reinforces the idea that development is not limited to large cities alone, but equally encompasses villages, farmers, women, youth and workers. Economic strength, he added, has been aligned with social security, dignity and opportunity for every citizen.

He said the four pillars of Viksit Bharat—the poor, youth, women and farmers, remain central to the government's policy framework. The budget prioritises action over ambiguity, reforms over symbolism and public interest over populism, while maintaining fiscal discipline alongside social justice, with a targeted growth rate of nearly 7 percent.

Highlighting the sharp increase in public capital expenditure, Sh. Nayab Singh Saini said the allocation of nearly Rs. 12.2 lakh crore for infrastructure will strengthen roads, railways, urban infrastructure, industrial corridors and logistics systems across the country. Given Haryana's strategic location in the Delhi-NCR region, the Chief Minister said the state will be a direct beneficiary, with faster execution of development projects and creation of lakhs of employment opportunities, especially for the youth.

Stating that the government considers youth as the nation's biggest strength, the Chief Minister said Rs. 1.39 lakh crore has been allocated for education and skill development, and over 1.5 lakh young people will be trained in new-age skills. More than Rs. 15,000 crore has been earmarked for skill development, employment generation and future technologies. A dedicated Rs. 10,000 crore fund has been created for Artificial Intelligence, robotics, biotechnology and cyber security, which will directly benefit technology and education hubs such as Gurugram, Faridabad, Panchkula and Rohtak, enabling Haryana's youth to access high-income, global-standard jobs.

The Chief Minister said the Rs. 7,500 crore provision for startups and entrepreneurship will further strengthen Haryana's startup ecosystem and encourage innovation, turning youth into job creators rather than job seekers. A high-level permanent committee has been constituted to integrate education with employment and entrepreneurship.

To promote the digital and creative economy, AVGC content creator labs will be established in 15,000 secondary schools and 500 colleges across the country.

Let us resolve that every village becomes clean, educated and self-reliant: Krishan Panwar

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, FEBRUARY 4



Haryana's Minister of Panchayats and Development, Krishan Panwar, said that the Haryana Panchayat Gaurav Award 2026 is not just an award ceremony, but a celebration of the strength, leadership potential, and developmental vision of the villages of Haryana. Today, we are honoring those Gram Panchayats that have done excellent work selflessly at the grassroots level. This is an inspiring initiative to honor our real heroes and Sarpanches who have done such work. The central and state governments also encourage such Gram Panchayats by honoring them on Republic Day and Independence Day. He said that giving rights and decision-making power to the Panchayats is the true hallmark of true democracy. Therefore, we do not limit the development of villages to mere schemes and announcements, but are continuously working towards making every village self-reliant, capable, and prosperous through trust, transparency, and public participation. Let us all resolve together that every village becomes clean, educated, healthy, digital, and self-reliant, that women are empowered, youth are empowered, and every village in Haryana sets a new example of development. Let us all together realize the dream of a developed Haryana and a developed India.

Minister Krishan Panwar was speaking as the chief guest at an event organised by a private institution on Wednesday. He said that the soul of India resides in its villages, and only when the villages progress, the state and the country progress. The dream of a developed India and a developed Haryana will be realised only through rural development. Today, the Gram Panchayats of Haryana are no longer just administrative units, but have become examples of development, transparency, and innovation. He said that under the resolve of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's developed India and the leadership of Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini, our government has given top priority to the all-round development of villages. As a result, our government has given Panchayats the freedom to spend Rs. 21 lakh at their own discretion, so that Sarpanches and Panchayats can carry out development work according to the needs of their village without any hindrance. This is why today the state's panchayats (village councils) are empowered, making their own decisions and writing a new story of progress, development, and prosperity in their villages. He said that today a network of paved roads is being laid in the villages of the state, the provision of clean drinking water is being ensured for every household, villages have become open defecation-free under the Swachh Bharat Mission, panchayat houses have been modernized, and government services are being made available at the village level through the implementation of a digital panchayat system.

He said that women's empowerment is our greatest strength today. The most gratifying sight today is that more than half of the awards at this felicitation ceremony are being given to women sarpanches (village heads). This is not just an honor or an award, but a testament to the upliftment of women's power, their confidence.

Congress exposes BJP's "anti-MGNREGA law" across district under 'Save MGNREGA Struggle' campaign: Rajesh Vaid Valmiki

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, FEBRUARY 4



Criticising the Union government over what he termed as an attempt to dismantle the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Congress' rural district president in Karnal, Dr Rajesh Vaid Valmiki, said that party workers were exposing the "true face" of the BJP's new law across villages under the nationwide Save MGNREGA Struggle campaign.

Addressing mediapersons, Valmiki said the campaign was launched from Karnal on January 10 and, since then, Congress workers have been visiting villages across the district to inform MGNREGA workers about how their rights were being curtailed. The agitation, he said, will continue till February 25.

He reiterated the Congress' demand for the withdrawal of the VB-Gram-G law, restoration of MGNREGA as a rights-based legislation, and revival of the right to work and powers of panchayats. Calling MGNREGA one of the most successful and historic poverty-alleviation schemes, Valmiki alleged that the new law was a "well-planned conspiracy" to weaken and ultimately end the scheme.

Valmiki said MGNREGA was a demand-driven programme that provided a crucial safety net to five to six crore rural families every year during times of distress. Under the new framework, employment would no longer be a legal right but would depend on the discretion of the government. Earlier, gram sabhas and panchayats prepared plans according to local needs, but now decision-making powers were being centralised in Delhi, reducing panchayats to the role of clerks.

He alleged that work would be available only in those panchayats notified by the Centre, while many panchayats might not receive funds at all, disrupting local planning and violating the spirit of the 73rd Constitutional Amendment.

Sarika Bhatia was a symbol of compassion and commitment to education: Mehta

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, FEBRUARY 4



Sarika Bhatia Charitable Trust (Registered), Model Town, Karnal, on Wednesday organised the Smriti (Seva Sankalp) Diwas at Raghunath Mandir auditorium, Sadar Bazaar, in the revered memory of late Sarika Bhatia. The annual programme is held by the Trust with the objective of promoting social service, encouraging education and nurturing cultural values.

The event began with a soulful group prayer by children, "Itni Shakti Humein Dena Data, Mann Ka Vishwas Kamzor Ho Na," which filled the auditorium with a sense of devotion and positivity. This was followed by cultural performances, including the patriotic song "Desh Mera Rangila," through which the children captivated the audience and expressed a strong of love for the nation. As part of the core objective of the programme, four meritorious students of Raghunath Senior Secondary School were honoured with scholarships and certificates as a mark of encouragement. The awardees included Class X students Saniya and Khushi Kumari, and Class XII students Bhupender and Bobby. Speakers on the occasion remarked that supporting talented students is a true tribute to the ideals and values upheld by the late Sarika Bhatia. It was also informed from the stage that the Trust had received a goodwill message from the Hon'ble President of India Droupadi Murmu via email, appreciating the Trust's continued service and social contribution. The message was read out to the audience during the programme. The cultural segment further enriched the evening as artists from the "Mile Sur Hamara Tumhara" group enthralled the gathering with melodious performances. Sonia Chopra rendered "Satyam Shivam Sundaram," while CA Praveen Mittal and Bhatia presented "Aadmi Musafir Hai."

Education will change children's future: Principal Sarabjit Kaur

KAMAL SHARMA

TARAORI: Principal Sarabjit Kaur of Shri Guru Tegh Bahadur Public School, Taraori, while motivating the children towards education, said that education is the greatest necessity in today's time. Education is the medium that makes children self-reliant and connects them to the mainstream of society. She said that even today there are many children in society who live in slums or are unable to go to school due to economic and family circumstances. To secure the future of such children, it is very important to spread awareness about education. She said that social organisations and public representatives should come forward and make concrete efforts to ignite the flame of education among needy and underprivileged children.



If such children receive proper guidance and assistance in time, they too can become educated, stand on their own feet, and become a better example for society. The principal said that education is not limited to books only, but it teaches children to differentiate between right and wrong and guides them towards becoming responsible citizens. She appealed to parents and all sections of society to prioritize children's education and cooperate in helping needy children. Principal Sarabjit Kaur said that if society resolves today to provide education to every child, then no child will be left behind due to illiteracy. Kaur said that an educated child not only brightens their own future but also has the potential to change the direction of the entire family and society.

Action will be taken against Forest Dept officer who pressured employee to sign fake bills: CM Saini

KARAMBIR

LADWA: Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini directed action against a Forest Department officer who was pressuring an employee to sign fake bills. In a complaint to the Chief Minister, Gurmeet stated that he is a retired army officer and is now working in the Forest Department. A Forest Department officer was pressuring him to sign fake bills, and when he refused, the officer threatened him with action. Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini reprimanded the officers and employees who were negligent in resolving the problems of the people of Ladwa constituency. Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini said that when a citizen comes with a problem, the officers should take immediate cognizance and resolve the issue. If any officer is not resolving a citizen's problem even after two or three visits, strict action will be taken against such employees.

Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini was listening to the problems of the common people during the public dialogue program held at the PWD Rest House in Ladwa on Tuesday. Former Minister of State Subhash Sudha, In-charge of the Chief Minister's Office Kailash Saini, Deputy Commissioner Vishram Kumar Meena, and Superintendent of Police Nitish Agarwal were present on the occasion. During this time, about 225 problems were heard, and necessary instructions were given to the officers on the spot for their resolution. Saini instructed the Deputy Commissioner to investigate the allegations of corruption in the solar light installation project of Subhash, a resident of Kalal Majra, and to submit a report on the officers involved in the corruption. The Chief Minister also instructed the Deputy Commissioner to investigate the matter of non-payment of diet money to the players of the Tatki nursery.

Annual Shri Guru Smriti Mahotsav held at Shri Raghunath Temple

RAHUL KOHLI

YAMUNANAGAR: A two-day annual Shri Guru Smriti Mahotsav (festival) was organized at Shri Raghunath Temple in Yamunanagar in memory of its founder, Shri Shri 1008 Mahant Narayan Das Ji Vairagi. Hundreds of saints and sages from different states participated in festival. As part of festival, a bhajan-kirtan program was held last night.Various singers enthralled devotees with their devotional songs.Temple was beautifully decorated for festival. Mahant Shri Nandram Vairagi Ji said that festival is organized every year on death anniversary of the revered Maharaj Ji. Hundreds of saints and sages from Haryana, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh participate in festival. Ramdas Dhawan, President of Sevak Mandal Shri Raghunath Temple Trust and General Secretary Girdhari Lal Kohli said that Maharaj Ji dedicated his entire life to religious propagation and public welfare activities. Bhandara was organized after bhajan-kirtan. A large number of devotees were present on this occasion, including President Ramdas Dhawan, General Secretary Girdhari Lal Kohli, Balram Nanda, Vipin Malhotra, Dharmveer Nanda, Jatinder Kohli, former Chairperson of Haryana Social Welfare Board Rosie Malik Anand and former Mayor Madan Chauhan.



Savitri Jandu scripts a new green energy milestone, meets the President

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

HISAR : On the occasion of the 77th Republic Day, woman farmer Savitri Jandu from a small village in Haryana's Hisar district was specially invited by Hon'ble President Droupadi Murmu to the traditional 'At Home' reception ceremony held at Rashtrapati Bhavan. This occasion was not limited to personal recognition alone, but emerged as a powerful testament to the country's rural strength, women's leadership, and the green energy movement. The journey to Rashtrapati Bhavan symbolizes that villages, farmers, and women are now playing a decisive role in India's development narrative.



Approximately 250 distinguished dignitaries, including Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, were present at this ceremony held at Rashtrapati Bhavan. The chief guests present at the event included European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen and European Council President António Costa, who were accorded special hospitality by President Droupadi Murmu. This year's 'At Home' ceremony theme focused on the art, culture, and ecology of Northeast India, showcasing Indian cultural diversity through traditional handicrafts and Eri silk stoles. This national honor stands as a testament of an extraordinary rural journey. Savitri Jandu, a resident of village Modakheda near the Adampur area of Hisar district in Haryana and wife of J Infratech Limited Chairman Hari Niwas Jandu, has successfully established a two-megawatt capacity solar energy project on her eight acres of agricultural land under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahabhiyan, (PM-KUSUM) scheme.

43rd annual sports competition organised at DAV College Pehowa

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PEHOWA: The 43rd annual sports competition of DAV College Pehowa was organized today. In this three-day annual competition, students participated in 22 sporting events. Sardar Gurdev Singh, a social worker working in America and an alumnus of the college, was the chief guest at the ceremony. Kabaddi coach Manoj Dalal Gyong was present as the special guest. College Principal Dr. Suman Lata welcomed the guests and apprised them of the college's achievements. In his address, Sardar Gurdev Singh shared his experiences from his college days and urged the youth to participate actively in sports. He said that fulfilling one's duty towards society should be the primary goal of education. Sharing his experiences, he said that healthy youth are the foundation of a strong society. He urged the students to continuously strive for national service. The chief guest and the special guest distributed medals and prizes to the winners in the presence of the principal and staff members. In her address, Dr. Suman Lata appealed to the youth to work hard and stay away from drugs. On this occasion, she presented the annual report of the college's sports cell and said that the college is continuously striving to promote sports. Based on their outstanding performance in the competition, Sohail, a third-year BA student, and Tanisha Devi, a third-year BA student, were declared the best male and female athletes respectively. Along with them, Manpreet, a second-year BA student, and Abhishek, a second-year BA student, were specially honoured for their special achievements in sports.



Japanese educator Dr. Keisuke Fukaya sparks a new perspective on learning among children

KAMAL SHARMA
TARAORI, FEBRUARY 4



The third day of the three-day special educational workshop held at Narsingh Das Public School, Taraori, proved highly informative and inspiring for the students. Internationally renowned educator Professor Dr. Keisuke Fukaya, who visited from Japan, introduced the children to a modern and interesting method of learning words. On the third day of the workshop, Professor Fukaya taught the children how to create their own vocabulary and understand words practically through the sticky notes method. The children enthusiastically participated in this activity and further strengthened their understanding through question-answer sessions on the learned words. Professor Dr. Keisuke Fukaya stated that if children take an active role in the learning process, language learning becomes easier and lasting. Methods like sticky notes enhance both children's memory and self-confidence. Parents present during the workshop also praised this innovative teaching method, saying that such activities not only expand children's vocabulary but also instill a love of learning in them. School Director Dharmendra Kheda said that Narsingh Das Public School does not limit children to bookish knowledge, but strives to connect them with global teaching methods. Professor Fukaya's workshop will prove to be a milestone in the students' intellectual and linguistic development. School President Madhu Gupta also said that such educational workshops promote innovation, creativity, and self-confidence in children. School Director Dharmendra Kheda praised the contributions of teachers Sunita Gaba, Munish Mittal, Ramesh, Dimple, Dinesh Rana, Pooja, Hina, Aman, Geeta, Payal, and Tanu in making the program a success.

Shrimad Bhagwat Katha Gyan Yagna to be held at Road Dharamshala from February 22: Sanjay Bansal

KAMAL SHARMA

TARAORI: A grand Shrimad Bhagwat Katha Gyan Yagna will be held at Road Dharamshala near the city municipality from February 22 to March 1, every day from 3 pm to 6 pm. Organisers Sanjay Bansal and Rinku Bansal informed that in this Shrimad Bhagwat Katha, renowned storyteller Aarti Kishori, who has come from Vrindavan Dham, will narrate the nectar-like story of the Shrimad Bhagwat Mahapuran. The Katha will beautifully depict the divine exploits, devotion, knowledge, and renunciation of Lord Krishna. Social activist Sanjay Bansal explained that the purpose of the Shrimad Bhagwat Katha is to awaken religious consciousness in society, strengthen family values, and inspire people to follow the spiritual path. During the Katha, devotees will experience spiritual peace through bhajans, kirtans, and sermons. Organizers Sanjay Bansal and Rinku Bansal have appealed to all religious citizens of the area to attend the Katha in large numbers, along with their families, on this auspicious occasion and earn the benefits of virtue.



National flag awareness campaign programme held at Kurukshetra International Skill Centre

DALBIR MALIK
KURUKSHETRA, FEB 4

Under the guidance of MP and Chairman of Flag Foundation of India, Naveen Jindal, an awareness programme was organised at the Kurukshetra International Skill Centre as part of the National Flag Awareness Campaign-2026, conducted by the Flag Foundation of India. The main objective of this programme was to educate students about the importance of the national flag, its historical background, dignity, and the rules related to the flag code. During the interactive session held during the program, Dr. Raj Kumar, spokesperson for the Flag Foundation of India, elaborated on the evolution of the national flag, its respectful use, and the key provisions of the flag code. He explained that due to the efforts of MP Naveen Jindal, ordinary citizens gained the right to respectfully hoist the national flag, making the tricolor an integral part of every Indian's life.



Inspired by this historic initiative, the Flag Foundation of India was established. Addressing the students, he said that this campaign is a powerful means of developing a sense of understanding and responsibility towards the national flag among the youth. Respect for the tricolor is not merely an emotional matter, but a constitutional duty of every citizen. He appealed to the students that if they see a damaged or unusable tricolor anywhere, they should respectfully hand it over to the Flag Foundation of India so that it can be properly refurbished. He also urged the youth to join this campaign and make respect for the tricolor a people's movement. Abhishek Sehgal from the Kurukshetra International Skill Center said that such programmes strengthen the sense of patriotism, discipline, and responsible citizenship among the students.

Respect for the national flag is a matter connected to our values and constitutional principles, and this effort by the Flag Foundation of India is playing a significant role in guiding the youth in the right direction. During the programme, students were also shown an inspiring film based on MP Naveen Jindal's struggle for the tricolor.

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The regional parties have emerged as a strong force, and they, too, deserve a place in national politics.

Atal Bihari Vajpayee

EDITORIAL

Will India halt Russian Oil imports under India-US Trade deal?

As India and US concluded their negotiations on the trade deal, one of the critical factors is India's purchase of Russian Oil. The purchase had invited additional tariffs from the Donald Trump administration. When the US President announced the completion of a deal, he specifically listed India stopping Russian Oil Imports as a caveat. Trump, in his Truth Social post, said, "It was an Honor to speak with Prime Minister Modi, of India, this morning. He is one of my greatest friends and, a Powerful and Respected Leader of his Country. We spoke about many things, including Trade, and ending the War with Russia and Ukraine. He agreed to stop buying Russian Oil, and to buy much more from the United States and, potentially, Venezuela. This will help END THE WAR in Ukraine, which is taking place right now, with thousands of people dying each and every week!"However, the Indian government has not confirmed if it is stopping Russian Oil Purchase. A joint statement on the exact tenets of the deal is awaited.

Top Foreign Policy expert and Director, Centre for New American Security, Lisa Curtis says that it is possible that a different understanding on the issue of Russian Oil purchase, "India clearly is decreasing its level of imports of Russian oil. However, I think we noticed that Prime Minister Modi did not repeat the pledge that President Trump made that India would completely halt Russian oil imports... If President Trump is expecting India to cut off the Russian oil imports completely by a certain time and India maybe has a different understanding of what was committed to... Prime Minister Modi does not want to be seen as caving into U.S. demands regarding its relationship with Russia, which considers a strong historical partner. But he also recognizes how important this is to President Trump, who has been very consistent on wanting to see India reduce and eventually halt its Russian oil imports."Curtis welcomed the announcement of a deal between the two largest democracies and said that this would be a big boost to relations between India and the US.

"The announcement of the conclusion of the trade deal was very welcome and will provide a major boost to U.S.-India relations... There have been disagreements between the U.S. and India, for example, on the aftermath of the India-Pakistan conflict... In terms of what led to this announcement - it could be many things such as Ambassador Sergio Gor arriving in New Delhi on January 9th, making positive statements over the last several weeks... The second was that India's imports of Russian oil had been going down, particularly in December, which President Trump noticed. The third point would be the fact that India concluded a free trade agreement with the EU just last week, which shows that India has some options on the table for its goods, whcih could have prompted the U.S. to want to speed up its own trade agreement with India," she said. Earlier, Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal said that as soon as the final understanding of the deal is inked, joint statement is finalized and technical processes completed, details will be shared."Indians are celebrating a trade deal which is under the final stages of detailing between the negotiating teams of both countries. We will shortly be issuing a joint statement by both countries along with the details, which we will be shortly inking between the United States of America and India. As soon as the final understanding of the deal is inked and the joint statement is finalised, technical processes are completed, full details will be shared," he said.Goyal expressed confidence that the deal will make every Indian proud, protect the interest of every Indian and provide huge opportunities.

What the India-US trade deal really changes

The India-US trade agreement that lowers American tariffs on Indian exports from a penal 50 per cent to 18 per cent is a breakthrough which has come about after chiselling on an agreement for over a year, in which the world trading and political order has faced turbulent waters many times over.

It is better understood as a stabilisation measure, an effort to arrest a downward spiral in economic and political ties rather than a decisive leap toward a new era of integration.

That distinction matters. For much of the past year, the trajectory of India-US trade relations had become increasingly untenable.

Escalating tariff threats, mixed political signalling, and widening distrust were beginning to exact a visible cost on market sentiment and strategic confidence.

Against that backdrop, the emergence of a deal was less a surprise than a necessity for both.

The alternative, allowing the relationship to drift toward open economic confrontation, would have been profoundly damaging to both sides.

In that sense, the agreement is unequivocally positive. It halts the free fall, restores a degree of predictability, and signals that Washington and New Delhi remain willing to negotiate rather than litigate their differences through punitive trade measures.

For supporters of the bilateral relationship, that alone is cause for cautious relief.

Credit is also due to recent diplomatic efforts to reset the tone. Since arriving in New



Delhi, America. Ambassador Sergio Gor has worked to re-establish channels of communication and inject momentum into a relationship that had grown tense and transactional.

The deal reflects that quieter but consequential repair work, to some extent nudged by India's movement towards closer relations with Russia on the one hand and the European union on the other.

Policy makers in both capital seem to have realise that a deal was essential to arrest the drift.

Yet perspective is essential. An 18 per cent tariff is "better than 50 percent," but it is still high by historical standards, and far higher than what would have been considered acceptable only a few years ago.

More importantly, tariff levels in the Trump era have proven to be fluid, contingent not just on trade balances but on a wide array of political considerations, ranging from where a nation buys its energy from to counter-narcotics cooperation, foreign policy alignment, regulatory disputes, treatment of US companies, supply-chain choices, and even unrelated geopolitical disagreements.

Past experience with partners such as South Korea and Canada underscores a central risk: today's tariff truce can become tomorrow's renewed standoff.

For India, however, the agreement offers a form of relative advantage. If elevated US tariffs are becoming a structural feature of the global trading system, what matters is not absolute levels but comparative positioning.

At 18 per cent, India now sits slightly below many ASEAN competitors, most of which face tariffs around 19 percent, while Vietnam reportedly stands near 20 percent. Nearer home textiles out of Bangladesh and Sri Lanka stand at 20 percent cent.

That margin is small, but in manufacturing and export-oriented sectors, small margins influence big investment decisions. In this narrow but meaningful sense, the deal improves India's competitiveness.

China, meanwhile, looms over the entire equation. Beijing is unlikely to secure a return to pre–trade war tariff levels, but it does not need to. If China can narrow the gap between its tariff rate and those applied to India and Southeast Asia, it can complicate "China-plus-one" strategies that have guided corporate planning for nearly a decade.

With multiple US-China leader-level engagements reportedly on the horizon plus an American president who has repeatedly signalled interest in striking a deal with Beijing, such convergence is a distinct possibility.

Some headline numbers circulating around the agreement warrant scepticism. Projections that India could soon purchase $500 billion worth of US goods and services sit uneasily alongside current realities: total US exports of goods to India in 2024 were roughly $42 billion. If service exports are added, Washington sold $ 83 billion to New Delhi in the last calendar year.

Structural bottlenecks, regulatory frictions, and sectoral constraints will limit how quickly trade volumes can scale. The most consequential details may also be the least visible. It remains unclear how far India is willing, or politically able, to make explicit commitments related to farm goods imports.

While fruits, vegetables, high end dairy are another matter. The basic markets of wheat, rice and milk, which support tens of millions of small farmers will probably remain protected in some form or the other.

The fine print of the deal is also unlikely to touch sensitive third-country relationships, particularly concerning Russian energy. The earlier suggestion of penalties tied to such ties set an uncomfortable precedent, one that risks reopening a longstanding fault line in the relationship.

What is the real objective behind the uproar inside and outside Parliament?

In a mature democracy, constructive opposition is always welcome, and when the government deviates from the national interest, constructive criticism is not only justified but necessary to caution the government.However, in India, after being ousted from power at the Centre and in most states in 2014, a power-hungry opposition, instead of honestly assessing the real reasons for its continuous defeats, has developed a habit of creating artificial issues or importing foreign-driven narratives and creating constant disruption in the country.



Whenever Parliament is in session, this anarchic tendency becomes even more aggressive—disrupting parliamentary proceedings and creating chaos on the streets.In simple terms, there appears to be only one reason for this: by manufacturing imaginary issues or raising imported ones, the opposition wants to destabilize and unseat the present government.

Anti-India foreign forces are irritated by India's rapidly growing economy, development, and progress, and they are always ready to support the opposition in every possible way to weaken India. The opposition, in turn, without any concern for national interest, is willing to become a puppet in the hands of foreign conspirators in order to somehow seize power.If we look at the protests and the issues on which Parliament has been disrupted over the past few years, the picture becomes clear by itself. Pegasus, Adani–Hindenburg, the BBC, the farmers' movement, Parliament security, Manipur violence, EVMs, vote theft, SIR, the India–China border issue, Operation Sindoor, and so on—these have been the recurring topics over which relentless uproar has been created.It is as if the opposition has made it its destiny to not allow Parliament to function at all—disrupting it over frivolous and baseless issues at every opportunity. During the ongoing Budget Session, while discussing the Motion of Thanks on the President's address, Rahul Gandhi raised an unrelated issue by citing excerpts from the unpublished book of former Army General Manoj Mukund Naravane, leading to chaos and disruption in Parliament. When the Speaker of the Lok Sabha reminded members to remain within the scope of the discussion as per rules, Rahul Gandhi and Akhilesh Yadav began creating a ruckus.

As a result, on Tuesday, eight MPs had to be suspended for the remainder of the Budget Session because they entered the Well of the House and tore papers and threw them toward the Speaker's chair. Ironically, Rahul and Priyanka then joined the suspended MPs in sloganeering outside Parliament over their unruly conduct. Is this what the role of the Leader of the Opposition has been reduced to—create chaos, incite chaos, and then launch protests?

Another reason for the uproar was yesterday's trade deal between India and the United States. The entire country and the markets welcomed this deal, but the opposition appeared disturbed and bewildered, questioning how such a deal could happen without India "bowing down," and immediately began searching for fabricated flaws. Despite assurances from the Prime Minister and the Commerce Minister that the deal does not harm Indian farmers, the opposition is busy misleading farmers by claiming that their interests have been sold off—this too when the detailed provisions of the deal are yet to be made public.As I said earlier, the opposition's objective is to create chaos without any real reason, and that is exactly what it is doing. The public, however, understands both their intent and their destination.One more important point I would like to share is that during the 2024 general elections, the opposition created a false narrative that if the BJP came to power, it would change the Constitution and destroy democracy. The BJP could not respond to these slogans effectively and in time, which resulted in a reduced number of seats.

The BJP has successfully built an image of being nationalist and a protector of Sanatan values and Hindus, and the opposition's policy of appeasement along with its anti-national activities has indirectly helped strengthen this image. Recent events suggest that the opposition is now systematically and strategically trying to damage the BJP's nationalist and Sanatan/Hindu-protector image in order to break its core vote bank and gain power.

The opposition must realize that nothing will be achieved through such tactics—creating illegitimate uproar, spreading anarchy, disrupting Parliament, and relying on foreign toolkits. Only by abandoning appeasement politics and focusing on the nation's progress, development, and the welfare of the people can any real good be achieved.—

By:-Rakesh Sharma

US: Peaceful rallies held across 25 cities calling attention to violence against Hindus in B'desh

Despite extreme winter weather conditions--including freezing temperatures, snow, and icy roads--peaceful awareness rallies were successfully held today across 25 cities throughout the United States, marking a coordinated nationwide effort to draw attention to the ongoing violence and persecution faced by Hindu and other minority communities in Bangladesh. The rallies were part of a non-partisan, humanitarian awareness initiative, bringing together community members, faith leaders, and



concerned citizens to stand in solidarity with innocent civilians who have lost their lives due to targeted attacks based on religious identity. Gatherings took place at public civic spaces such as city halls and civic centers, where participants observed moments of silence, offered prayers, and peacefully called for protection of vulnerable minorities.Despite hazardous weather conditions across many regions, participation remained strong--underscoring the resolve of those who believe that concern for human life and dignity transcends weather and geography. From the Midwest to the East and West Coasts, individuals assembled peacefully to raise awareness about reported incidents of lynching, arson, sexual violence, and targeted killings. "These rallies were peaceful, dignified, and humanitarian in purpose," said Daipayan Deb, a key coordinator of the initiative. "People showed up despite difficult conditions because silence in the face of violence is not neutrality. Awareness is the first step toward accountability, and peaceful civic engagement remains one of the strongest tools available to civil society.""This was about standing up for human dignity, not politics. When innocent lives are targeted, compassion must be louder than fear or inconvenience," said Deepti Mahajan, also a key coordinator of the initiative. "These gatherings reflected unity across communities, faiths, and regions--peaceful voices coming together for justice and humanity. Of note, Bangladeshi Hindu Americans who attended the rallies expressed deep concern about the survival of Hindus amid the ongoing violence in Bangladesh. Importantly, the complacency of the Bangladesh government is concerning, as it has not effectively addressed the safety of Hindus and other minorities," said Geeta Sikand, also a key coordinator of the initiative."What we witnessed today was quiet strength--prayer, presence, and purpose--demonstrating that awareness begins with showing up," said Divya Jain, another key coordinator of the initiative.

POEMS

Snow on the Desert

"Each ray of sunshine is seven minutes old,"
Serge told me in New York one December night.

"So when I look at the sky, I see the past?"
"Yes, Yes," he said. "especially on a clear day."

On January 19, 1987,
as I very early in the morning
drove my sister to Tucson International,

suddenly on Alvernon and 22nd Street
the sliding doors of the fog were opened,

and the snow, which had fallen all night, now
sun-dazzled, blinded us, the earth whitened

out, as if by cocaine, the desert's plants,
its mineral-hard colors extinguished,
wine frozen in the veins of the cactus.

By Agha Shahid Ali

Nepal's Capital controls are becoming a strategic liability

For more than six decades, Nepal has operated under an unusual contradiction: it actively courts foreign capital at home while prohibiting its own private sector from investing abroad. That asymmetry, rooted in the Foreign Exchange Regulation Act (FERA) of 1962, made sense in a post-monarchy, inward-looking developmental state. In today's hyper-connected economy, however, it increasingly looks like a structural constraint on Nepal's growth, competitiveness, and geopolitical relevance.

The debate over outbound investment is no longer academic. Nepal's private sector today contributes more than four-fifths of national GDP, according to a joint study by the Federation of Nepalese Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FNCCI) and the International Finance Corporation (IFC). Government revenue, which stood at NPR 12 billion in 1990–91, has ballooned to NPR 1.178 trillion in fiscal year 2024–25, with nearly 90 percent coming from taxes. These figures reflect the transformation unleashed after Nepal's economic liberalization in the early 1990s—yet the country's legal architecture still treats outward capital flows as an existential threat.

That tension is becoming harder to sustain. Nepal's liberal turn began after the 1990 People's Movement, which ushered in multiparty democracy and a shift toward market-oriented reforms. The Foreign Investment and Technology Transfer Act (FITTA) of 1992 opened doors to foreign direct investment, and India rapidly emerged as Nepal's largest source of FDI. Indian-backed ventures such as Dabur Nepal, Unilever Nepal, Nepal SBI Bank, and Everest Bank became cornerstones of manufacturing and finance.

But while inbound capital was welcomed, outbound capital remained effectively taboo. FERA continued to restrict Nepali citizens and firms from sending money or investing overseas without explicit state approval—a level of control that most liberalizing economies abandoned decades ago.

The result is a partial integration into globalization: Nepal participates as a host economy and as a labor exporter, but not as a capital-exporting business hub.

This asymmetry has strategic consequences. Countries that



successfully internationalized their private sectors—India, China, and increasingly Vietnam- did not rely solely on exports. They encouraged their firms to acquire assets, establish subsidiaries, and embed themselves in foreign markets. Over time, this created global business diasporas that reinforced national influence, expanded diplomatic leverage, and generated resilient foreign-exchange earnings.

Supporters of strict capital controls often argue that allowing businesses to invest abroad would drain foreign exchange and reduce domestic investment. Nepal's own economic structure suggests the opposite.

The country already relies heavily on cross-border income flows—just not from firms. In fiscal year 2024–25, Nepal received NPR 1.723 trillion in remittances, almost equal to the national budget of NPR 1.86 trillion. Labor migration, once politically controversial, has become the backbone of macroeconomic stability.

This experience offers two lessons. First, outward flows of people and capital are not inherently destabilizing; they can become lifelines. Second, when formal channels are restricted, informal channels flourish. Nepal's own history with remittances—once largely informal, now increasingly regulated—demonstrates how legalization improves traceability, taxation, and policy control.

Applying the same logic to outbound investment would likely reduce, not increase, capital flight.

The government has already begun to acknowledge this reality—albeit cautiously. Recent legal amendments now allow Nepali IT firms to establish operations abroad, earn foreign income, and repatriate profits. Eligible companies can invest up to $1 million or 50 percent of their export earnings (whichever is lower), subject to approval from the Ministry of Communication and Information Technology and the central bank.

This is a quiet but consequential shift. It marks the first formal recognition that outward investment can serve national economic interests.

Yet limiting this privilege to IT alone exposes a deeper inconsistency. Nepal's consumer brands, manufacturers, and service companies—ranging from instant noodle giant Wai Wai to apparel and outdoor-gear firms—remain confined to exporting rather than building overseas production, retail, or branding networks.

Exporting alone rarely creates global champions. Ownership of distribution, branding, and intellectual property does.

Allowing outbound investment would produce three strategic dividends. The first is Economic Resilience. Nepal's domestic market of roughly 30 million people cannot sustain perpetual high growth. Overseas operations would give firms access to larger consumer bases, diversify revenue streams, and reduce vulnerability to domestic downturns. Over time, profit repatriation could complement remittances as a stable source of foreign exchange.

The second of course is Competitiveness and Technology Transfer that Nepal can gain from. Firms operating abroad absorb new management practices, technologies, and regulatory standards. These capabilities eventually feed back into domestic operations, raising productivity and innovation. This learning-by-doing effect was central to East Asia's industrial ascent.

Corporate presence abroad creates informal channels of influence. Indian and Chinese firms abroad do more than sell products; they anchor business communities, shape perceptions, and create constituencies with a stake in bilateral stability. Nepal currently lacks such soft-power multipliers.

The government's principal concern is monitoring: how to ensure that overseas earnings are reported and taxed. This problem is solvable. Nepal Rastra Bank already regulates complex cross-border remittance flows.

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Every section of society distressed under BJP rule: Parag Gabba



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: District Congress Committee urban president Parag Gabba on Tuesday said that every section of society is suffering under the BJP government. He stated that farmers, labourers, traders and the common people are all distressed, while rising inflation has broken the backbone of ordinary households, making it increasingly difficult for people to manage daily expenses. Parag Gabba alleged that scams are frequently coming to light in the state. He said pensions and ration cards of poor and needy people have been cut, leaving them unable to meet even their basic needs. He further added that the youth are not getting employment opportunities and unemployment continues to rise. Criticising the law and order situation, he said that the situation in the state has completely deteriorated. Crime incidents are increasing steadily, but the government remains indifferent and inactive. According to him, the BJP government has become completely disconnected from the problems of the people and is limited only to rhetoric. Parag Gabba asserted that the Congress party will continue to raise the voice of the common people and fight for their rights.

NEWS BRIEF

Decision taken by District Juvenile Board will strengthen spirit of juvenile justice

ASHOK CHUGH
PANIPAT: A corrective judgment has been announced by Panipat Juvenile Court which strengthens the spirit of juvenile justice and which is a commendable step. Juvenile Justice Board's Principal Magistrate Punit Limba, members Ashima Kaushik and Ashok Kumar observed in their judgment that mistakes committed by juveniles should not be treated as lifelong crimes but should be given an opportunity to become better citizens through correction, education and guidance. Juvenile Justice Board Principal Magistrate Punit Limba has given instructions to the minor (15 years) of Ahar village in the district to reform his probation bond, giving him a chance to improve his life in the murder case of 2023. In return, its social behavior and conduct will be completely monitored. This minor has already served one year, six months and 18 days of imprisonment. This minor had helped in murdering a woman and her other companion. In which the said woman along with her friend had murdered her husband.

MLA inspects Dadwa Dairy Complex, issues instructions



RAHUL KOHLI
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MLA Ghanshyam Das Arora along with Additional Municipal Commissioner Dheeraj Kumar, Chief Sanitation Inspector Harjeet Singh and other municipal corporation officials, inspected Dadwa Dairy Complex on Wednesday. During inspection, MLA instructed officials to ensure regular cleaning of complex and directed cattle owners not to dump cow dung into drains. MLA instructed that dirt and accumulated cow dung on the roads and in the drains of dairy complex premises be cleaned. He also instructed cattle owners not to dump cow dung into drains.He directed municipal officials to improve sanitation system immediately and to keep entire complex clean by conducting regular special cleaning drives. The MLA said that there are a large number of cattle owners in the Dadwa Dairy Complex, so it is extremely important to have a proper sanitation and drainage system here. MLA instructed officials to ensure thorough cleaning of all drains so that problem of waterlogging does not arise. During inspection, MLA also specifically spoke to the cattle owners and instructed them not to dump cow dung and other waste directly into the drains.

Yamunanagar DC pushes STP water re-use, calls for collective environmental responsibility



RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR: Divisional Commissioner Sanjeev Verma held a meeting with officials via video conference to discuss all aspects of environment. Deputy Commissioner Preeti informed that Yamunanagar district has 10 STPs (Sewage Treatment Plants), of which 5 are located in Yamunanagar city. She said that efforts should be made to utilize the treated water from all STPs. She mentioned that large industries such as starch mills, paper mills, and sugar mills consume a large quantity of water. She instructed the officials of the Panchayati Raj Department to use STP water in construction projects. She said that the plan to transport STP water to the thermal power plant should be expedited. This water can be used to suppress the ash generated at the thermal plant. She instructed the concerned departments to work diligently and directed them to form a committee, conduct site visits, and submit proposals for water reuse.

Commission committed to solve problems of sanitation workers: Krishna Kumar



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, FEB 4

Haryana Safai Karmachari Commission Chairman Engineer Krishna Kumar has said that the Commission was committed to solving the problems of Safai Karmacharis. Serious efforts are also being made for the service security of the sanitation workers. Chairman Krishna Kumar was addressing the sanitation workers in a three-day health check-up camp organized by the Haryana State Safai Karmachari Commission at the Polyclinic of Sector-16 here on Wednesday. He said that the Commission had earlier organized health check-up camps for sanitation workers in five other districts. Such camps will be organized in other districts of the state in future also. He said that the Commission was committed to solving every problem of the sanitation workers. Serious efforts are being made to ensure their service security. The Chairman said that sanitation workers were the backbone of the cleanliness campaign. The Commission is fully aware of his health. Appropriate steps have been taken regarding employees' ESI card, EPF, on roll facility. The Commission's effort is that at the time of retirement, sanitation workers should also get service benefits like other regular employees.

Open looting in Haryana in name of tolls, unlike other states: Rajendra Sorkhi



MAHENDER GOYAL
HANSI: Aam Aadmi Party District President Rajendra Sorkhi said that there is intense resentment among all sections of society due to anti-people policies of BJP government ruling at center and in state. Government's job has become to loot public in one way or another, instead of providing them with facilities.This looting takes form of various taxes, increasing prices of essential commodities or using other tactics to burden innocent public. In a statement, Rajendra Sorkhi said that under this government's rule, open looting is being carried out in Haryana in name of tolls unlike other states. In contrast, AAP government in Punjab has closed 18 toll plazas after their stipulated time period, keeping public interest in mind, a move that is being widely appreciated throughout Punjab. He stated, based on available data, that small state of Haryana has 75 toll plazas for every 45 kilometers, while Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Gujarat, which is four times larger than Haryana, has only 62 toll plazas for every 142 kilometers. Furthermore, Maharashtra, which is five times larger than Haryana and where Toll Minister Nitin Gadkari hails from, has 87 toll plazas for every 188 kilometers. This clearly shows that the state's BJP government and the top leaders running the party are engaged in looting Haryana with both hands. The common people are suffering due to the anti-people policies of the BJP, while those in power are watching the spectacle with their eyes closed. AAP has demanded that Road Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari free people of small state of Haryana from this exploitation.

Workers unite, strategy meeting for nationwide strike on February 12



MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI: A joint meeting of the Sarva Karamchari Sangh Haryana, CITU and the Retired Employees Union Haryana Block Indri was held at the Municipal Corporation Indri office on Wednesday. The main objective of the meeting was to develop a strategy for the nationwide strike scheduled for February 12. The meeting was jointly chaired by Block President Rishipal, Haryana Block President Balwan Singh of the Retired Employees Union and Madhu Sharma from CITU while Block Secretary Rajesh Chauhan moderated the meeting. The meeting was primarily addressed by Malkit Singh, State Committee member of the All Haryana Power Corporation Workers Union. In his address, Mr Malkit Singh said that the Haryana government was consistently ignoring the demands of both temporary and permanent employees. Employees have been agitating for their legitimate demands for a long time, but the government has not taken any positive steps. He pointed out that the Punjab and Haryana High Court has already issued a decision to regularize temporary employees, but despite this, it was not being implemented. They demanded that temporary employees be made permanent immediately. Until this process is completed, the Supreme Court's decision to implement equal pay for equal work should be implemented.

St. Lawrence International School celebrates 12th Foundation Day with annual sports meet



RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR: St. Lawrence International School, Pabni Road, Jagadhri, celebrated its 12th Foundation Day with great enthusiasm by organizing the Annual Sports Meet under the guidance of Chairperson Dr. Rajni Sehgal. The event reflected the school's continuous efforts towards the holistic development of students by giving equal importance to academics, sports, discipline, and moral values. The programme commenced with the release of doves symbolizing peace, followed by a disciplined march-past by students of Vindhya, Nilgiri, Himalaya, and Shivalik Houses. Students enthusiastically participated in various sports events such as badminton, chess, skating, yoga, kabaddi, relay race, and fun races. Colorful cultural performances by students added charm to the occasion. Renowned educationist Dr. M. K. Sehgal emphasized the importance of sports in students' physical and mental development, while Chairperson Dr. Rajni Sehgal stated that sports inculcate patience, tolerance, balance, and self-confidence among students. More than 600 students were awarded medals and certificates. Based on overall performance, Nilgiri House was declared the winner and awarded the Winner's Trophy.

World Cancer Day observed at Integrated Ardent School Khosa Kotla



JAGRAJ SINGH SANGHA
MOGA: World Cancer Day was celebrated in an awareness and educational manner at Integrated Ardent School, Khosa Kotla, District Moga (Pin Code 152028). On this occasion, the teachers provided important information about cancer to the students and told them that a balanced diet and regular health check-ups are very important to prevent cancer. With the help of a digital board in the classroom, the causes, symptoms and prevention methods of cancer were explained to the students in simple language through videos and pictures. Along with this, beautiful charts related to cancer awareness were prepared and displayed by the students. This activity increased health awareness among the children and made them understand their responsibility. The children participated with full enthusiasm and demonstrated their creative thinking. The school management informed that Integrated Ardent School pays special attention to the overall development journey of children - education, health awareness and moral values.

Agarwal Vaishya Samaj to hold state-level general meeting in Vrindavan: Rajesh Singla



HANS RAJ YADAV
KURUKSHETRA: After assigning duties to members and office bearers of organization in Kurukshetra, Rajesh Singla, State General Secretary of Agarwal Vaishya Samaj Haryana, said that state-level general meeting of Agarwal Vaishya Samaj will be held on March 7 and 8 at Delhi Shri Dham Rukmani Vihar in Vrindavan. He informed that as per instructions of State President Ashok Buwaniwala, members of community are making preparations for Vrindavan meeting across state. State President Ashok Buwaniwala is personally overseeing arrangements. Singla said that this meeting, to be held under chairmanship of State President Ashok Buwaniwala, will be extremely important for strengthening the unity of community and determining its future direction. In this general assembly, held at holy pilgrimage site of Vrindavan, organizational activities will be reviewed, and future action plans will be discussed in detail. Organization's 9th biennial elections will also be held during meeting. Elections will be held for the posts of State President and State General Secretary. Rajesh Singla said that after meeting, members of community will be taken on a tour of major religious and historical sites of Vrindavan Dham.

Man held with illegal country-made pistol and live cartridges



RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR: Police spokesperson said that Superintendent of Police Kamaldeep Goyal has given strict instructions to district police to crack down on those possessing illegal weapons. Acting on these instructions, Crime Branch-1 team successfully arrested a young man with an illegal country-made pistol and five live cartridges. A case has been registered against the accused under Arms Act and he has been produced in court and sent to judicial custody. In-charge Rajkumar said that his team received a tip-off that a young man was roaming around suspiciously near Dusani village.

Mohit of Jat Senior Secondary School becomes national level best judo player



SANJAY SHARMA
KAITHAL: Mohit, a student of Jat Senior Secondary School won a gold medal in Under-19 judo competition held under aegis of 69th National School Games. This competition was held in Delhi from January 29 to February 3. Players from all over country participated in this competition. Mohit, a student of Jat Senior Secondary School, represented Haryana. Mohit's performance was outstanding. In the first round, Mohit defeated a player from Gujarat, in second round a player from Maharashtra, in third round a player from Chandigarh, in fourth round a player from Punjab and in fifth round a player from Delhi, securing gold medal. Due to his excellent performance in all rounds, Mohit was selected as best judo player at national level. School principal, Naresh Kumar, praised Mohit's dedication and hard work and blessed him. He also urged other students to take inspiration from Mohit.

Anmol of St. Peter's Convent School wins 'Fighter of the Match' title



HANS RAJ YADAV
KURUKSHETRA: In the Under-12 Cricket Tournament organized by Kurukshetra Academy, Anmol, a promising player of St. Peter's Convent School, performed brilliantly and won the title of 'Fighter of the Match'. During the match, Anmol performed brilliantly and hit brilliant fours on three consecutive balls, which gave the team a big lead. Along with this, he showed his agility and intelligence and turned the match in favor of his team by running out the captain of the other team. Anmol's excellent performance created an atmosphere of enthusiasm in the team. After the match, the school principal Mr. Vipin Kumar praised all the players and congratulated the children and best wishes for their bright future. He said that such achievements inspired students to move forward in the field of sports. The school family expressed pride in Anmol's success and wished for such great performance in future also.

Modi govt allocated 27 times higher rail budget to Himachal than UPA: Anurag Singh Thakur



DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA: Former Union minister and Hamirpur Member of Parliament Anurag Singh Thakur expressed gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw for allocating Rs. 2,911 crore to Himachal Pradesh for railway expansion. Thakur said the Modi government remains committed to infrastructure development and employment generation in Himachal Pradesh. Under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Union Budget 2026–27 has approved Rs. 2,911 crore for expansion, modernisation, safety projects and electrification of the rail network in the state. He stated that this allocation is 27 times higher than the amount provided during the Congress-led UPA government, reflecting the Centre's sustained focus on improving rail connectivity in the hill state. He added that the central government is committed to enhancing passenger convenience and improving the overall travel experience in Himachal Pradesh. Thakur reiterated his appreciation to the Prime Minister, the Finance Minister and the Railway Minister for the substantial support extended to the state. Highlighting ongoing works, Thakur said railway projects worth Rs. 17,711 crore are currently underway in Himachal Pradesh, which will significantly strengthen the rail network. Under the Amrit Station Scheme, four railway stations in the state will be redeveloped at a cost of Rs.46 crore.

Awareness camps organized in villages on World Cancer Day



KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA: Civil Surgeon Barnala Dr. Haripal Singh of under the directions and the leadership of Senior Medical Officer of CHC Mehal Kalan, Dr. Gurtejinder Kaur, awareness camps were organized in various villages of Health Block Mehal Kalan today on the occasion of World Cancer Awareness Day. On this occasion, Senior Medical Officer Dr. Gurtejinder Kaur said in her address that according to research, cases of head neck (from neck to head) cancer are found more in men and cervical and breast cancer in women. The reason for this can be excessive consumption of alcohol, tobacco etc. or bad lifestyle. She further said that if cancer is detected at the right time, then in 80 percent of cases, the cancer patient can be cured. Giving information in this regard, BEE Shivani said that this year World Cancer Day is being celebrated under the theme 'United by Unique', which means that everyone's aim to fight cancer is the same, but the story and experience of every patient are different. She said that according to the World Health Organization, cancer has become one of the most serious diseases in the world today.

Under PM's Fisheries Fund Scheme, fish farmers given 40 to 60 pc subsidy: DC



KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA: The government is running the Prime Minister's Fisheries Fund Scheme to promote fisheries, under which various benefits including subsidies are being given to fish farmers in Barnala district. Maximum people should be made aware about this and due benefits should be given to the eligible persons. This was expressed by Deputy Commissioner Barnala Mr. Harpreet Singh IAS during the meeting of the District Level Committee under the Prime Minister's Fisheries Fund Scheme here today at the District Administrative Complex. On this occasion, an action plan was passed for the projects required for the financial year 2025-26. On this occasion, Assistant Director Fisheries Mrs. Charanjit Kaur said that under the Pradhan Mantri Matsaya Sampada Yojana, 40 to 60 percent subsidy is being provided to the fish farmers of the district. She said that the government is providing many facilities to promote the fish farming profession, while the people who want to become self-employed are being provided with 40 percent (General Category) and 60 percent subsidy to SC/ST/Women category for the purchase of three-wheeler with ice box or motorcycle with ice box for transporting fish and fish products and for the construction of fish ponds on plain/level land. 40 to 60 percent subsidy is being provided on component wise project cost (10 lakhs or less) on fish kiosk.

History created in Panipat on World Cancer Day, 100 cancer survivors honoured



RAKESH BHAYANA
PANIPAT: On the occasion of World Cancer Day, a unique and heart-warming ceremony was organised at Prem Cancer Hospital, Bishan Swaroop Colony, Panipat, marking a historic moment in Haryana. For the first time, cancer survivors who have completely recovered from the disease were honoured, celebrating life, courage and the victory of medical science over cancer. On this occasion, Director of Prem Cancer Hospital Dr Abhinav Mutneja, along with Dr Hemendra Mangal, Dr Atal Singh Parihar and Dr Prudhvi Inampudi, honoured more than 100 cancer survivors by presenting them with shawls and gifts. All the honoured survivors had undergone treatment for different types and stages of cancer at Prem Cancer Hospital and are now leading healthy lives. Addressing the gathering, Dr Abhinav Mutneja said that cancer is not a curse, but a treatable disease. The presence of these survivors stands as strong evidence that with timely diagnosis, proper treatment and strong willpower, cancer can be defeated.

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Finvasia strengthens Grassroots Education through 'Save A Pind' CSR Initiative in Punjab

MOHALI: Finvasia, a global multi-disciplinary organisation, has strengthened its commitment to community development in Punjab through its flagship CSR initiative, Save A Pind. The initiative focuses on nurturing holistic learning and aspirations among students in government schools. As part of the programme, Finvasia conducted a day-long engagement across three government schools; Government Senior Secondary School, Giga Majra; Government Primary School, Baironpur; and Government Middle School, Baironpur. The engagement centred on sports, confidence-building, and student-led expression. Save A Pind, is a long-term, community-centric CSR programme aligned with F

Punjab by strengthening education, sports, vocational exposure, and community-driven learning ecosystems. Commenting on the initiative, a Ramneek Singh Ghotra, Chief Growth Officer at Finvasia said, Inclusive upliftment is at the heart of everything we do at Finvasia. Our CSR efforts are focused on ensuring that growth and opportunity reach communities at the grassroots.

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Škoda Kylaq marks one year landmark by celebrating 50,000 sales milestone

MANDI: Škoda Auto India, after registering its most successful year of sales in 2025 and introducing the new Kushaq, continues to keep its foot on the pedal with its growing product portfolio. The brand has furthered its strategy to democratise European technology on Indian roads by expanding the variant mix of its best-selling car, the Kylaq, and offering customers more variants, more choice and more value. The Kylaq has emerged as a strong pillar of Škoda Auto's growth story in India. With over 50,000 units sold since its launch, the Kylaq has been a major contributor to Škoda Auto India's best-ever sales performance, in the brand's 25th year in the country. The Kylaq's combination of safety, driving dynamics, technology, and value has resonated strongly with customers, establishing it as a key contender in the sub-4m SUV segment.

OPPO Expands Reno15 Series with Launch of Reno15c in India

HISAR : OPPO India has expanded its popular Reno15 Series with the launch of the OPPO Reno15c, bringing the signature Reno experience to a wider range of users, including travellers, content creators and photography enthusiasts. Designed to balance premium design, powerful performance and intelligent AI features, the Reno15c aims to make everyday smartphone experiences more accessible. The device will go on sale in India from February 5, 2026, in Afterglow Pink and Twilight Blue, across Amazon, Flipkart, mainline retail outlets and the OPPO E-store. At the core of the Reno15c is a massive 7000mAh battery paired with 80W SUPERVOOC™ fast charging, ensuring long-lasting usage for users constantly on the move. The smartphone features a slim and lightweight design, measuring 8.14mm in thickness and weighing 195g, and sports a 6.57-inch flat AMOLED display with FHD+ resolution, narrow bezels and a peak brightness of up to 1400 nits for an immersive viewing experience.

Rising cancer treatment costs and long care cycles increase financial exposure in India, finds Care Health Insurance

GURUGRAM : On World Cancer Awareness Day, Care Health Insurance highlights the growing financial strain in cancer care across India. Its claims data reveal that cancer treatment is prolonged and costs a significant amount that can push patients and families. The claims analysis shows that cancer treatment costs are rising sharply, with early-stage treatment typically costing ₹5–7 lakh per case, while high-complexity and advanced cancers can push expenses to ₹20–30 lakh per treatment, depending on disease progression, care intensity, treatment protocol and period of treatment. This is particularly relevant in the context of the Union Budget 2026, which reinforces a renewed focus on affordable cancer care and reduced financial burden on patients.

Amazon collaborates with IIT Roorkee

CHANDIGARH: Amazon India today announced a collaboration with the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Roorkee to develop innovative packaging materials from agricultural waste. This project aims to create non-wood paper technology that diverts agricultural waste from burning while reducing pressure on virgin wood pulp. These lightweight yet strong packaging materials offer recyclable and home-compostable alternatives to traditional wood pulp paper or plastic bags. Abhinav Singh, Vice President of Operations at Amazon India said "At Amazon, we are building and managing India's fastest, safest, and most reliable operations network, and we're committed to making it more sustainable. As part of this effort, we're partnering with IIT Roorkee to develop innovative packaging from crop residue.

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AU Small Finance Bank partners with Honda Motorcycle & Scooter India

CHANDIGARH: AU Small Finance Bank (AU SFB), India's largest Small Finance Bank and the first in over a decade to receive in-principle approval to transition into a Universal Bank, has entered into a strategic Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Honda Motorcycle & Scooter India (HMSI). The collaboration will offer customers affordable and convenient financing options for purchasing Honda two-wheelers across India. Commenting on the occasion, Uttam Tibrewal, ED & Deputy CEO, AU Small Finance Bank, said, "Partnering with Honda Motorcycle & Scooter India marks a significant milestone in AU Small Finance Bank's journey of expanding mobility finance across the country. Mr. Yogesh Mathur - Director, Sales and Marketing, Honda Motorcycle & Scooter India, said, "Strengthening the financing ecosystem is central to HMSI's customer-centric approach.

Sonalika registered fastest ever 1.51 lakh YTD overall tractor sales in FY'26

CHANDIGARH: Sonalika Tractors has clocked its fastest ever YTD overall sales of 1,51,604 tractors during Apr'25-Jan'26. While GST reforms have brought greater predictability, supporting farmer sentiment and mechanisation uptake, Sonalika remains fully equipped at its world's largest integrated tractor manufacturing facility to deliver future-ready solutions for farmers to secure their future and reinforcing agriculture's role in India's economic trajectory.
Sharing his views on the new milestone, Raman Mittal, Joint Managing Director, International Tractors Limited, said, "We are delighted to have clocked our fastest ever 1.51 lakh overall tractor sales in 10 months in Apr'25-Jan'26 that have given us a robust start for our 30th year anniversary celebrations in 2026. It reaffirms our simple belief that sustainable growth is built on strong fundamentals and marks as a clear reflection of farmer's trust in our brand. Every decision we take, from engineering to execution.

Bhagwant Singh Mann Govt sharpens investment drive to open new opportunities for Punjab's youth



MUMBAI: On the second day of the Mumbai Investment Roadshow, the Bhagwant Singh Mann-led Punjab Government stepped up its investment outreach with a clear and deliberate focus on translating capital inflows into jobs for the State's youth, as part of its build-up to the Progressive Punjab Investors' Summit 2026. Beginning with high-level engagements and moving through sector-specific and financial discussions, the Government of Punjab presented a coherent chain of opportunities, from strengthening MSMEs and enabling their transition into large enterprises to attracting global investors in manufacturing, logistics, and emerging sectors.The series of outcome-oriented meetings reflected a calibrated strategy to deepen partnerships with corporates and financial institutions, expand industrial capacity, and lay the foundation for sustainable, skilled, and long-term employment, positioning Punjab as a hub for youth-led industrial growth and entrepreneurship-driven economic expansion.The delegation began the day with high-level one-to-one meetings with leading industry groups, including Sanathan Textiles and Mahindra Group, where discussions centred on opportunities in textiles, automotive, farm equipment, defence manufacturing, and supply-chain integration. The meetings explored possibilities for new investments as well as expansion of existing operations in Punjab, leveraging the State's skilled workforce, industrial infrastructure, and policy stability.A key highlight of the day was the CXO Roundtable with leading private equity firms and financial institutions, convened to deliberate on financing pathways, growth capital, and structured support for scaling Punjab's MSMEs into large and globally competitive enterprises. Senior leadership from Baring Private Equity India Investment Managers LLP, JM Financial Ltd, Avendus Wealth Management, Neo Wealth and Asset Management, OAKS Asset Management, Alvarez & Marsal, and Think Law participated in the roundtable. Discussions focused on strengthening the MSME-to-large-enterprise pipeline through patient capital, governance support, and strategic market access, positioning Punjab as a preferred destination for MSME-led industrial growth.During the roundtable, the CEO of Invest Punjab made a detailed presentation on Punjab's reform-driven governance framework, the FastTrack Punjab single-window system, and time-bound approvals, while the Administrative Secretary, Investment Promotion, highlighted the State's commitment to policy certainty and investor facilitation. The session concluded with an interactive open house and networking luncheon, enabling direct dialogue between investors and the Government of Punjab delegation.Following the roundtable, the delegation held focused meetings with UAE-based DP World to discuss logistics, rail-linked inland terminals, and multimodal infrastructure aimed at strengthening Punjab's export competitiveness. This was followed by interactions with Avenue Supermarts, UPL Limited, and the International Institute of Sports Management, covering sectors such as organised retail, agri-inputs, food systems, and sports education and infrastructure. These engagements underscored Punjab's diversified sectoral opportunities across manufacturing, services, agri-business, logistics, and emerging industries.A representative from Invest India also participated in the day's engagements .

SMC meeting discusses various topics



RADOUR, FEBRUARY 4 (NIRMAL SAINI): A meeting of School Management Committee (SMC) was held at Government High School, Mandhar. Meeting was presided over by school principal, Rohit Arora. During meeting, various topics were discussed in detail, including mid-day meal program, kitchen garden and cleanliness. Discussions also took place regarding bicycles provided to students, mid-day meal scheme, and their annual examinations. SMC President Seema Rani and other members praised school's work.Discussions also focused on increasing student enrollment in school during new academic session.All school staff members were present during meeting.

Deaf and Mute children win five silver and two bronze medals in Karate competition

RANVIR PARASHAR

KAITHAL: When one has high spirits and a strong will to achieve something, physical challenges never become an obstacle. This has been proven true by students of Holy Path School. This school is run for intellectually disabled and deaf and mute children with cooperation of District Red Cross Society and Anhad Education and Health Welfare Society. Seven children from school performed brilliantly in 9th Wado National Karate-Do Championship 2025-26 held in Panipat and won medals. These special children were honored by DC Aparajita in the auditorium of Mini Secretariat on Wednesday. It is worth mentioning that in this National Championship held in Panipat recently, deaf and mute children of Holy Path School displayed remarkable agility. In this competition, five children won silver and two children won bronze medals, bringing glory to district. On this achievement of the children, DC Aparajita encouraged them and congratulated them by presenting them with certificates and medals. During felicitation ceremony, while encouraging children, DC said that these children have proved that talent is greater than any obstacle.

Award Ceremony of Mathematics and Science Fair held

HANS RAJ YADAV

KURUKSHETRA: School organized an award ceremony to honor students who excelled in science, mathematics and computer activities as part of Mathematics and Science Fair. Students' academic excellence, talent and enthusiasm for innovation were commended. Ceremony showcased students' achievements in experiments, quizzes, model exhibitions, and research paper presentations related to science and mathematics.Students demonstrated their proficiency through computer models and practical projects. Students' hard work, creativity, problem-solving skills, and teamwork were highly appreciated. School principal, Narayan Singh and all teachers congratulated students on their success and wished them a bright future.

Sterling Strengthens Its Himalayan Presence with Launch ofSterling Nirmaya Dharamshala

DHARAMSHALA: Sterling Holiday Resorts announced the opening of Sterling Nirmaya Dharamshala, a contemporary Himalayan retreat set against sweeping views of the Dhauladhar ranges. The new resort marks Sterling's sixth property in Himachal Pradesh and adds a distinctive dimension to the brand's growing leisure portfolio in North India. Sterling Nirmaya Dharamshala blends scenic mountain living with a food-and-beverage-led social experience. Perched above the Kangra Valley, the resort offers a relaxed yet vibrant setting for family getaways, intimate celebrations and group gatherings.The resort features well-appointed rooms and suites, each with a private sit-out, allowing guests to soak in the crisp mountain air and uninterrupted valley views. A rooftop infinity swimming pool and thoughtfully designed common spaces create natural moments for connection.



Vikram Lalvani, Managing Director & CEO, Sterling Holiday Resorts, said: "Sterling Nirmaya Dharamshala is a strategic addition to our Himachal Pradesh portfolio, strengthening our ability to offer immersive, multi-destination journeys across the state. Dharamshala plays a pivotal role in connecting our presence across Himachal, enabling curated circuits that combine culture, spirituality, leisure and the outdoors, delivered with the consistency of the Sterling experience."
Nitasha Jamwal Managing Director of Nirmaya said: "Our vision for Dharamshala was to create a retreat that brings a spectrum of guests from across India, while we offer them refined hospitality in the lap of Himalayas. Partnering with Sterling is natural choice — their deep understanding of India's leisure segment, regional presence, and ability to blend local character with national scale make them an ideal collaborator. Together, we hope to present Dharamshala not just as a destination, but as a feeling of content and renewal"

Fractal Analytics Limited's IPO to open on February 09



GURUGRAM : National, February 04, 2026: Fractal Analytics Limited (the "Company") proposes to open an initial public offering ("Offer") of its equity shares of face value of ₹1 each ("Equity Shares") on Monday, February 09, 2026. The Anchor Investor Bidding Date is one Working Day prior to Bid/Offer Opening Date, being Friday, February 06, 2026. The Bid/Offer Closing Date is Wednesday, February 11, 2026.
The Price Band of the Offer has been fixed from ₹ 857 per Equity Share of face value ₹ 1 each to ₹ 900 per Equity Share of face value ₹ 1 each. Bids can be made for a minimum of 16 Equity Shares of face value ₹ 1 each and multiples of 16 Equity Shares of face value ₹ 1 each thereafter. The initial public offering by the Company comprises a fresh issue of equity shares aggregating up to INR 10,235 million (the "Fresh Issue") and an Offer for Sale of equity shares aggregating up to INR 18,104 million (the "Offer for Sale", and together with the Fresh Issue, the "Offer"). The Offer for Sale is being undertaken by existing shareholders including Quinag Bidco Ltd, TPG Fett Holdings Pte. Ltd., Satya Kumari Remala and Rao Venkateswara Remala, and GLM Family Trust (collectively, the "Selling Shareholders"). The Offer comprises of an Employee Reservation Portion aggregating up to INR 600 million for subscription by eligible employees.

Sahayta Charitable Welfare Society Provides Needy Cancer Patients Financial Support



CHANDIGARH: Sahayta Charitable Welfare Society, a social organization working steadfastly to reduce suffering of cancer patients and their families, has provided financial help to 25 needy cancer patients on World Cancer Day. Each cancer patient which also included children, was handed over an amount of Rs. 10,000. Notably, the amount is given by donors once a year in memory of their loved ones.
It is pertinent to mention that Sahayta Charitable Welfare Society was established by Late Neelu Tulli, who herself suffered from cancer. The financial help was distributed by the donors to the needy patients and their relatives. The dissemination of the much needed aid was done under the supervision of Administrator of the Society, Wg Cdr Ajay Tulli (Retd.) and its President Renu Saigal, a cancer survivor. Members of the Society and many cancer survivors were also present on the occasion.
President of Sahayta Charitable Welfare Society, Renu Saigal said, "A total of Rs. 2,50,000 in financial assistance was given. Cancer as a disease does shatter the patient both mentally and physically plus there is a huge financial drain on the patient and his or her family.

DSP Mutual Fund Launches DSP Multi Asset Omni Fund of Funds Powered by DSP Netra

CHANDIGARH : DSP Mutual Fund today announced the launch of the DSP Multi Asset Omni Fund of Funds , an open-ended fund of fund scheme aimed at simplifying investing for individuals who find it difficult to track markets, time asset allocation decisions, or manage multiple investments across cycles. The New Fund Offer (NFO) opens on February 5, 2026, and closes on February 19, 2026. The fund is powered by DSP Netra#, DSP Mutual Fund's in-house market intelligence framework. DSP Netra uses market data, valuations and long-term historical patterns to assess risk and margin of safety across asset classes, helping guide allocation decisions as market conditions evolve. In an environment marked by frequent shifts in market leadership, interest-rate cycles and global uncertainty, the fund seeks to provide investors with a structured way to stay diversified and invested without relying on forecasts or reactive decision-making. The DSP Multi Asset Omni Fund of Funds invests across equity-oriented schemes, debt-oriented schemes and commodities-oriented schemes such as gold and silver ETFs, with allocations dynamically adjusted based on market signals. By spreading investments across asset classes, the fund aims to balance growth potential with risk management.

Fortis Hospital Amritsar Organises Cancer Awareness Programme on World Cancer Day



AMRITSAR: On the occasion of World Cancer Day, Fortis Escorts Hospital, Amritsar organised a cancer awareness programme aimed at promoting early detection, prevention and timely treatment of cancer. During the programme, senior doctors from the hospital shared important insights related to various types of cancer and preventive healthcare. Consultant Surgical Oncologist Dr Anish Bhatia highlighted that breast cancer is one of the most common cancers among women, but early diagnosis significantly improves treatment outcomes. He stressed the importance of regular screenings and self-examination. Senior Consultant Oncologist Dr Hakim Ansar Hussain stated that several cancers can be effectively treated if identified at an early stage. Recognising warning signs and seeking timely medical advice can make a significant difference, he added. Consultant Obstetrics and Gynaecology Dr Ruchika spoke about cervical cancer prevention, emphasising regular screening and HPV vaccination. She noted that lack of awareness often leads to delayed diagnosis in many cases.

Salt substitutes vs. Iodised salt Decoding WHO's push for lower-sodium salt substitutes

AMRITSAR/GURDARSPUR: In the world of wholesome eating, salt often receives negative attention. Excessive sodium intake is associated with various health issues. However, the salt aisle can be quite perplexing. Now, the World Health Organization (WHO) is taking a more proactive stance[1], urging individuals to swap their regular table salt for lower-sodium salt substitutes (LSSS).



The WHO estimates that a staggering 1.9 million deaths can be traced to high sodium intake annually. The organisation recommends consuming no more than 2-grams of sodium per day, a target significantly lower than the average global consumption of approximately 4.3-grams. With efforts to reduce salt intake proving to be a challenge, WHO, in 2019, renewed its 2025-target to achieve 30% reduction in sodium intake by setting a new target date and pushing it to 2030.[2] The salty landscape, however, littered with words like 'salt substitutes' can surprisingly become a tad confusing. The big question being asked – 'What is the difference?' Understanding the answer to this is important for making informed choices about your well-being. It's, however, important to remember that simply switching to one type of salt doesn't automatically solve all your dietary concerns. The lower-sodium salt substitute (LSSS) category is largely led by Potassium addition to Salt variants. The primary benefit is a significant decrease in the amount of sodium chloride, the active component of regular table salt, consumed daily. By replacing a portion of the sodium chloride with potassium chloride, these substitutes offer a way to enjoy salty flavours. As mentioned above, excessive sodium intake is one of the well-established contributors to hypertension, which in turn increases the risk of heart disease, stroke, and kidney disease.

TAFE Launches 'MASSEY DYNASTAR Contest' Season 3

CHANDIGARH: Building on two highly successful seasons that celebrated grassroots ingenuity and rural entrepreneurship, TAFE - Tractors and Farm Equipment Limited, one of the world's largest tractor manufacturers and the maker of India's iconic Massey Ferguson tractors, today announced the launch of Season 3 of the 'MASSEY DYNASTAR Contest 2026 - #SabseBadeAllrounder Ki Talaash'. TAFE's MASSEY DYNASTAR Season 3, the biggest edition yet, is envisioned as a national innovation platform designed to empower farmers, entrepreneurs, students, startups, and rural changemakers. Celebrated for its progressive approach in recognizing and nurturing new ideas in agriculture and rural entrepreneurship, the MASSEY DYNASTAR Contest serves as an online platform for farmers, entrepreneurs, students, academicians, and innovators with original concepts that can create meaningful impact using Massey Ferguson tractors.

IndiGo Adjusts Wide-body Network to Enhance Operational Resilience and Schedule Reliability

Chandigarh / Ludhiana: IndiGo, India's preferred carrier, has announced adjustments and schedule revision in its long-haul network to ensure seamless and reliable operations for the convenience of its customers.
Recently IndiGo's widebody operation has faced external operational constraints; continuously changing airspace constraints due to geo-political circumstances, congestion at airports both in India and abroad.
These factors significantly increased flight and block times causing strain over the airline's 787-9 schedule that is operated with six wide-body aircraft.
With the objective of avoiding inconvenience to customers due to misconnections and cascading delays, IndiGo has decided to take some immediate measures to restore operational reliability in terms of on-time performance for its widebody operation.
Basis thorough review of all the above factors, the airline will introduce the following changes to its wide-body network.
Starting 17 February 2026, IndiGo will suspend its operations to and from Copenhagen till further notice.
From 07 February 2026, IndiGo will reduce its Delhi – Manchester services from 5 flights per week to 4 flights per week, and further reduce to 3 flights per week from 19 February 2026; thus reducing its total connectivity to/from Manchester from 9 weekly to 7 weekly services. This scale adjustment was originally planned to be introduced in the Summer Schedule 2026; however, it is being executed earlier to ensure reliability to the rest of IndiGo's long-haul operations.
To ensure optimal availability of recovery time in operating patterns, the days of operations will also be adjusted as per below.

Fortis Ludhiana, Mall Road Marks World Cancer Day with 'Seeds of Hope' Tree Plantation Drive



LUDHIANA : Reinforcing its commitment to cancer awareness, prevention and sustainable healthcare, Fortis Hospital, Mall Road, Ludhiana, organised a tree plantation drive at Bharat Nagar Chowk on the occasion of World Cancer Day. The event was organised on the theme "Seeds of Hope for a Cancer-Free Tomorrow," symbolising the need to nurture life, protect environment and spread awareness about preventive healthcare. The drive focused on building healthier environment, promoting ecological balance and reducing long-term disease burden." The plantation drive aimed to highlight the strong link between environmental well-being and public health, particularly in the context of rising cancer incidence linked to air pollution, environmental toxins, and lifestyle factors. Trees play a crucial role in improving air quality, reducing exposure to harmful pollutants, and creating healthier living spaces.

India–US Trade Deal to Provide Major Boost to Textile and Woollen Exports: R. C. Khanna

JALANDHAR: Wool & Woollens Export Promotion Council (WWEPC) has hailed the historic trade deal between India and the United States as a landmark achievement that will significantly enhance bilateral trade and provide a major boost to India's textile and woollen exports. The Council has lauded the visionary leadership of the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi ji, for steering this outcome through sustained diplomatic and economic engagement with the United States.



Welcoming the development, Shri R. C. Khanna, Chairman, WWEPC said that the trade deal reflects India's growing stature as a trusted global economic partner and demonstrates the Prime Minister's commitment to securing favourable market access for Indian exporters. "The reduction of US tariffs on Indian products to 18% is a positive and timely outcome of sustained bilateral engagement led by the Hon'ble Prime Minister. For the textile and woollen sector, this measure will enhance cost competitiveness and significantly improve access to one of our most important export markets. At a time when global supply chains are being restructured, such calibrated trade facilitation measures provide stability, predictability, and renewed confidence to exporters and investors," Shri Khanna stated.
He further emphasised that the United States continues to be among the largest and most significant destinations for Indian woollen products, including garments, knitwear, shawls, stoles and home textiles. The tariff reduction is expected to create a more balanced and facilitative trade environment, enabling export growth, encouraging product diversification and strengthening India's integration into global value chains.

OPPO Expands Reno15 Series with Launch of Reno15c in India

LUDHIANA : OPPO India has expanded its popular Reno15 Series with the launch of the OPPO Reno15c, bringing the signature Reno experience to a wider range of users, including travellers, content creators and photography enthusiasts. Designed to balance premium design, powerful performance and intelligent AI features, the Reno15c aims to make everyday smartphone experiences more accessible. The device will go on sale in India from February 5, 2026, in Afterglow Pink and Twilight Blue, across Amazon, Flipkart, mainline retail outlets and the OPPO E-store.



At the core of the Reno15c is a massive 7000mAh battery paired with 80W SUPERVOOC™ fast charging, ensuring long-lasting usage for users constantly on the move. The smartphone features a slim and lightweight design, measuring 8.14mm in thickness and weighing 195g, and sports a 6.57-inch flat AMOLED display with FHD+ resolution, narrow bezels and a peak brightness of up to 1400 nits for an immersive viewing experience. Built for durability, the Reno15c comes with OPPO's All-Round Armour Body and Aerospace-Grade Aluminium Frame, along with IP66, IP68 and IP69 ratings for enhanced resistance against dust and water. Photography remains a key highlight, with a 50MP main camera, 8MP ultra-wide lens, 2MP macro camera and a 50MP ultra-wide selfie camera. The device supports 4K HDR video recording and advanced AI-powered imaging features. Powered by the Snapdragon® 6 Gen 1 Mobile Platform and running on ColorOS 16 with integrated Google Gemini, the Reno15c delivers smooth multitasking, efficient performance and enhanced AI-driven productivity. Priced at INR 34,999 for the 8GB variant and INR 37,999 for the 12GB variant, the Reno15c is available with attractive launch offers across online and offline platforms.

RS MP Mittal Calls for Clarity and Safeguards on India-US Trade Tariff Framework

JALANDHAR: Commenting on the recent announcement of an 18% tariff framework between India and the United States, RS AAP MP and Founder Chancellor, Lovely Professional University, Dr Ashok Kumar Mittal expressed cautious optimism while highlighting the need for greater clarity on its real-world impact. "While the proposed tariff correction signals some easing of trade pressures, serious questions remain about how this framework will operate in practice. We do not yet have certainty on how India's farmers and MSMEs, the backbone of our economy, will be protected during implementation," Dr Mittal said. He noted that prior to the trade war, effective US tariffs on Indian exports averaged around 2.5%, which later escalated to 50%, and are now expected to stabilise reportedly at 18%. "This remains significantly higher than the conditions under which Indian exporters previously operated," he added. Dr Mittal also pointed out that the agreement reportedly extends beyond tariffs, including commitments on non-tariff barriers and large-scale procurement of American goods.

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Purig Warriors become first to edge defending champions Kangs Sing in the Royal Enfield Ice Hockey League Season 3

Leh, : Purig Warriors became the first side to beat defending champions Kangs Sing in the Royal Enfield Ice Hockey League Season 3 at Nawang Dorjay Stobdan (NDS) Stadium, Leh, organised in partnership with the UT Administration of Ladakh and the Ice Hockey Association of Ladakh. Purig ended Kangs' unbeaten run with a 4-2 win in the day's opening game, overturning Kangs' second-period lead and finishing with double their goal tally.
Purig Warriors secured a 4-2 win over defending champions and table-toppers Kangs Sing. A tightly contested first period ended scoreless, with Purig's defence absorbing sustained pressure. Kangs finally broke the deadlock early in the second through Gonbo Tashi, but the momentum quickly shifted as Purig captain Sajjad Hussain responded with a composed drag shot from centre to level the score. Zakir Hussain then struck twice in quick succession, giving Purig firm control of the contest. Kangs attempted a late push, pulling one back through Sonam Wangail's tap-in, but Bashar Ahmad sealed the result with a decisive drag shot with just 20 seconds remaining.
Kharu Falcons secured a hard-fought 4-2 win over United Nubra. The opening period saw both sides create chances without finding the net. Nubra drew first blood in the second period through Stanzin Chotak, only for Urgain Norbu to restore parity within a minute. Momentum swung in the Falcons' favour as Jigmet Stanzin capitalised with a tap-in, followed by Urgain's second goal and a further strike from Jigmet Choster to stretch the lead. Nubra mounted a late challenge when Tashi Chostak scored with a drag shot in the final minute, but the Falcons held their nerve to close out the game.

Sam Curran aims to be 'top quality all-rounder' for England in T20 World Cup

Pallekele : Following an incredible all-round show in England's whitewash series win in Sri Lanka just before the T20 World Cup, England all-rounder Sam Curran said that he is "trying to be flexible" for his team with both bat and ball and aims to be a "top quality all-rounder" for his side. After the Three Lions collapsed to 60-6 in the dead-rubber third T20I, it was Curran's fighting 58 in 48 balls, with six fours and a six, pushed England to 128/9 and the target of 129 runs proved to be 12 runs too many for Sri Lanka, who were choked by spin duo of Jacob Bethell (4/11) and Wil Jacks (3/14) in their own backyard, bundled out for just 116 runs in 19.3 overs. England has had a brilliant run in T20Is recently, winning 10 of 11 matches and whitewashing Sri Lanka in their home conditions. They are the team closest to matching India's form at the moment. Their victories came on rank turners, pure batting pitches, and on conditions favouring seam and swing, like against the Black Caps in New Zealand last year. But ahead of the World Cup in India and Sri Lanka, they will probably hold this particular series win closest to their heart. There have been consistent contributions across departments from players like Phil Salt and Jos Buttler, who have given explosive starts in the top order. Tom Banton is taking the responsibility in the middle order and taking the role of a finisher, and has played his role well by finishing England's innings in a destructive manner.England's bowlers have been performing consistently with spinners at the helm in sub-continental conditions like Sri Lanka. Adil Rashid was the highest wicket-taker of the series with an average of 13.80 and an economy of 5.75. England spinners acquired 17 wickets in the three-match series vs Sri Lanka.The player who had an amazing impact during the series, with both bat and ball, has been Sam Curran. He was brilliant throughout the series with his all-round role. Scoring 79 runs and picking three wickets.

ICC U19 World Cup: Dominating India beat Afghanistan by seven wickets to set up title clash with England

AGENCY

HARARE : India Under 19 team thrashed Afghanistan by seven wickets in the second semi-final of the ICC Men's U19 World Cup 2026 on Wednesday to set up the title clash with England in the final.

The Ayush Mhatre-led Indian side's run-chase of 311 runs against Afghanistan at Harare Sports Club is the highest successful run chase in the tournament's history. Earlier, the record was 305 runs, which the New Zealand U19 team completed against Ireland at Colombo's Premadasa Stadium in 2006 edition.

Opener batter Aaron George made 115 runs off 104 balls, including 15 fours and two sixes, which sealed the game for India. Vaibhav Sooryavanshi, who made 68 off 33 balls, started well with George and added 90 runs for the first wicket.

Vedant Trivedi (5 not out) and Vihaan Malhotra (38 not out off 47 balls) remained unbeaten as India registered a comfortable win while chasing a challenging target of 311 runs.

Nooristani Omarzai was the outstanding bowler for Afghanistan U19, who picked up two wickets for



his side, while conceding 64 runs in his full quota of 10 overs.

With this win, India U19 will try to win the title for the record-extending sixth time. England U19 defeated defending champions Australia U19 in the first semi-final to reach the final. The final will be played at the Harae Sports Club in Zimbabwe on Friday.

Earlier, opting to bat first, Afghanistan posted a challenging 310/4 in 50 overs against India on the back of fantastic centuries from Faisal Shinozada and Uzairullah Niazai.

The Afghanistan duo of Faisal Shinozada and Uzairullah Niazai stitched a mammoth partnership of 148 runs off 130 deliveries, putting their side in a dominant position. The winner of the India vs Afghanistan contest will face England in the grand finale on February 6.

Afghanistan started their innings on a decent note. They scored 23/0 after the five overs. After the conclusion of the 10th over, openers Khalid Ahmadza and Osman Sadat helped Afghanistan reach 42/0.

On the second delivery of the 12th over, Deepesh Devendran broke the 53-run opening stand. The Indian bowler dismissed Khalid Ahmadzai for 31 off 39 balls, including four boundaries and one six. After the end of the 15th over, Afghanistan scored 66/1.Osman Sadat and Faisal Shinozada steadied the ship for Afghanistan, reaching 94/1 after the end of the 20th over.

On the first delivery of the 25th over, Kanishk Chouhan broke the 64-run partnership for the second wicket. Kanishk removed Osman Sadat for 39 off 70 balls, with three fours.

Faisal Shinozada reached his fifty during the first ball of the 29th over. He reached the landmark in 49 deliveries. At the end of the 30th over, Afghanistan were in a comfortable position at 145/2.

Uzairullah Niazai and Faisal Shinozada increased Afghanistan's scoring rate as they reached 170/2 at the end of the 35th over. Afghanistan crossed the 200-run mark during the 41st over, with Uzairullah Niazai and Faisal Shinozada continuing to dominate with the bat.

On the first ball of the 43rd over, Faisal Shinozada smashed his hundred in 86 deliveries. It was his second consecutive hundred in the ongoing tournament. After reaching the landmark, the Afghanistan batter performed Cristiano Ronaldo's iconic "Siuuuu" celebration.

Faisal Shinozada also became the fourth batter and first Afghanistan player to hit a century against India in the U19 World Cup. He joined the elite list of players Malcolm Lake, Tagenarine Chanderpaul, and Ben Stokes.

In the 44th over, Uzairullah Niazai hammered 21 runs against RS Ambrish as Afghanistan reached 242/2. Niazai also completed his half-century in 63 deliveries.

Esha Singh wins second career Asian Championship gold as India win nine medals on Day 1 to lead the standings



AGENCY

NEW DELHI : Former mixed team world champion Esha Singh struck a second career Asian Championship gold, winning the 10m air pistol women's event with a score of 239.8 here at the Dr. Karni Singh Shooting ranges on Wednesday, Day 1 of competitions of the Asian Rifle/Pistol Championship 2026, according to a release.

The Hyderabad shooter who had won the event two years back as well in Jakarta, lay seventh after the first series of five shots before mounting a strong climb up the leaderboard and taking a decisive lead after the 19th shot of the 24-shot final. A couple of Chinese Taipei shooters, Cheng Yen-Ching and Yu Ai-Wen followed the Indian Olympian to the podium, winning silver and bronze respectively.

Reigning world champion Samrat Rana won bronze in the men's 10m air pistol where Uzbekistan's Vladimir Svechnikov won gold with an effort of 242.0 from Kazakhstan's Valeriy Rakhimzan, who finished a point behind. Samrat finished with 220.3.

India also won the women's team gold in air pistol where Esha, Manu Bhaker and Suruchi Singh combined for an effort of 1726, a whole 13 points better than the silver-winning Vietnamese. The trio of Samrat, Sharvan Kumar and Varun Tomar won silver in the men's air pistol team event.

Jonathan Gavin Antony in the 10m air pistol junior men's event also won a double gold on the day like Esha, winning the individual contest with a score of 240.9 and combining with Chirag Sharma and Priyanshu Yadav for the team gold.

India in all won a total of nine medals on the day including six golds and two silvers to head the medal tally by a distance from Uzbekistan. In the final event of the day, the 10m air pistol men youth competition, it was a 1-2 for the hosts as Dhairya Parashar won gold and Mandeep Chauhan silver in the individual competition while the duo alongside Girish Gupta won the team gold in the event as well.

Apollo Tyres Salutes India's Cricketing Grit with 'Har Safar Mein Dum Hai' Campaign

LUDHIANA: After announcing its tie-up with Team India as Lead Sponsor, Apollo Tyres has raised the bar with the launch of its powerful new brand campaign, 'Har Safar Mein Dum Hai', a stirring tribute to India's enduring cricketing spirit. The campaign features cricket legend Sachin Tendulkar alongside Team India stars Virat Kohli, Rohit Sharma, KL Rahul, Shubman Gill and Arshdeep Singh, all seen in official Team India jerseys. At the heart of the initiative is an emotionally charged brand film that draws a compelling parallel between the resilience of Indian cricket and Apollo Tyres' own philosophy of performance, endurance and reliability.

Speaking on the occasion, Neeraj Kanwar, Vice



Chairman and Managing Director, Apollo Tyres Ltd, said the campaign reflects the company's belief that excellence is forged through discipline, consistency and resilience. "Har Safar Mein Dum Hai is our tribute to the Indian spirit and the unwavering commitment it takes to be the best," he said. Udyan Ghai, Group Head – Marketing, Apollo Tyres Ltd, added that the campaign strongly articulates the brand's core philosophy. By mirroring Indian cricket's journey from the domestic arena to the global stage, the film also reflects Apollo Tyres' evolution as a global brand while deepening its emotional connect with consumers.

Sharing insights into the creative vision, Simran Kanwar, who conceptualised and scripted the film, said the campaign is about the relentless pursuit of excellence rather than just the start of a journey.

NORTHERN RAILWAY
INVITATION FOR TENDERS THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT SYSTEM
Tender Notice No. 61265154, 61265155, 61265153
Deputy Chief Materials Manager, N.R. Jagadhari Workshop-135002, for and on behalf of the President of India invites through e-procurement system for the supply of the following items:-

S.N.	Tender No.	Brief Description	Quantity	Closing Date
1.	61265154	LHB panel module assembly	10 Nos.	05 March 2026
2.	61265155	Kit for dump valve	960 SETS	16 March 2026
3.	61265153	Brake panel module	20 Nos.	16 March 2026

Note: -1. Vendors may visit the IREPS website i.e. www.ireps.gov.in for details. 2. No manual offer will be entertained.
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डी बठीदकॅट प्राथिमरी सहिकारी थेड़ीबाड़ी बिकास बैंक लिम; बठीदकॅट।
जनडक सूचना
दी बठीदकॅट प्राथिमरी सहिकारी थेड़ीबाड़ी बिकास बैंक लिम; बठीदकॅट दे सामूह थे कलाग मेंबरां नूं सूचिर कीडा जांदा है कि इस बैंक दे प्रबंधक कमेटी दे मेंबरां दी चॅट लथी बैंक बिॅच नामजदगी पॅडर डरन दी मिडी 12-02-26 अडे चॅट दी मिडी 19-02-26 है।
मैनेजर,
पी.थे डी.बी. डठीदकॅट।

COURT NOTICE
IN THE COURT OF Ms. Ankita Gupta
Judicial Magistrate - Ist Class
Moonak
PRINCE KUMAR
Vs.
SUBHANDEEN KHAN
Detail of offence:-
CNR No. PBSGD1-000513-2023
Next Date:- 01-04-2026
NOTICE TO:
SUBHANDEEN KHAN
:-
S/O ASGAR KHAN R/O VILLAGE BAGHAL CHEEKA DISTT KAITHAL
In above titled case, the accused could not be served. It is ordered that accused should appear in person or through counsel on 01-04-2026 at 10.00 a.m.
For details logon to https://www.highcourtchd.gov.in/?trs=district_notice&district=mogacourt.
Judicial Magistrate- Ist Class Moonak
Dated, this day of 03-02-2026

COURT NOTICE
(U/O 5 Rule 20 CPC)
IN THE COURT OF Sh. Baljinder Singh Maan
Principal Judge, Family Court, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar
Amandeep Kaur
Vs.
Harsukhpal Singh @ Happy
HMA/474/2024
CNR No. PBSB01-002886-2024
Next Date:- 30-03-2026
PUBLICATION ISSUED TO:
Harsukhpal Singh @ Happy
S/o Bikkar Singh
R/o Marfat Janvi Jain Rajarani Vihar, Aryman Birla School Road, Haldwani Distt Nainital, Uttarkhand
In above titled case, the defendant(s)/ respondent(s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant(s)/ respondent(s) should appear in person or through counsel on 30-03-2026 at 10.00 a.m.
For details logon to https://www.highcourtchd.gov.in/?trs=district_notice&district=sbsnagar
Principal Judge, Family Court Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar
Dated, this day of 27-01-2026

COURT NOTICE
IN THE COURT OF Ms. Jyoti Kumari
Judicial Magistrate - Ist Class
Moonak
M/s SK Finance Ltd
Vs.
DHEERAJ CHABRA
Detail of offence:-
CNR No. PBLD03-000214-2024
Next Date:- 09-03-2026
NOTICE TO:
DHEERAJ CHABRA
Father: :- KRISHAN LAL
R/O WARD NO.6, ARAINURAROAD, BALI NAGAR GHARAUNDA, KARNAL HARYANA 132114
MOB 9050187756
In above titled case, the accused could not be served. It is ordered that accused should appear in person or through counsel on 09-03-2026 at 10.00 a.m.
For details logon to https://www.highcourtchd.gov.in/?trs=district_notice&district=mogacourt.
Judicial Magistrate- Ist Class Moonak
Dated, this day of 01-02-2026

NORTHERN RAILWAY
e-TENDERING
OPEN TENDER NOTICE No. NIT-53/UMB-2025-26, DATED: 03.02.2026
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.	Name of Work	Approx. Cost (Rs.)	Bid Security (Rs.)	Period of Completion	Date of closing & opening
1	Welding of Rail at site with Mobile Flash butt welding Plant in the section of ADEN/RPJ & ADEN/SIR under Sr.DEN-IV/UMB in c/w sanctioned work (i) Sirhind - Nangal Dam (SL) - TRR(P) - 40.575 Tkm and (ii) Ambala Jn. - Ludhiana Jn. (UP) - TRR(P) - 11.928 Tkm & Saharanpur Jn. - Ambala Cantt. Jn. (UP) - TRR(P) - 0.500 Tkm.	5,34,10,173/-	4,17,100/-	18 Months	26.02.2026
2	Creation of Infrastructural facilities for ART/SRE, KLK and SPARMV BTI (Civil works at BTI only).	13,03,683/-	26,100/-	06 Months	26.02.2026
3	Provision of CC & RCC Retaining wall, flooring, drop wall & associated protection works at Bridge No. 800 in the section of SSE/W/SML under ADEN/SML.	1,36,89,312/-	2,18,500/-	12 Months	26.02.2026

1. Tenderers are required to upload scanned copies of all related eligibility documents including PAN/TIN/GST as per conditions. 2. The required Bid Security will be acceptable On-line payment through Net Banking/or Payment Gateway payment only well. 3. Tenderers should have Class-III 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. 385/2026
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NORTHERN RAILWAY
E-TENDER NOTICE
Workshop Electrical Engineer (I/C) Northern Railway, Jagadhri Workshop, Yamuna Nagar, Haryana-135002, for and on behalf of President of India, invites e-tenders through online mode only for under mentioned work:

Name of Work	Provision of IOT devices/Intelligent Field Devices (IFDs) for monitoring & control (Indian Railways Native IOT based Yield Analysis Telemetry, Recording and control -IR-NIYANTRAC) of electrical general assets like pump, platform (30/70%) Shed lighting's at different locations in C&W Workshop/JUDW.
Tender Type	Open
Bidding System	Single Packet
Tender sale Closing Date	02.03.2026 at 11.30 hrs.
Date & Time of Uploading Tender	04.02.2026 12:54
Pre-Bid Required	No
Pre-bid query till date	N.A.
Advertisement Value	₹2,21,70,274.01/- Incl. all taxes GST etc.
Tendering Section	Tender & Works/ Electrical branch Jagadhri Workshop
Earnest Money	Rs. 2,60,900/-
Validity of Offer	60 days
Tender Document cost	NIL (as per Part-I clause No. 3 of Indian Railways GCC April 2022)
Period of Completion	90 Days
Bidding Start Date	16.02.2026
Bidding End Date	02.03.2026 upto 11.30 hrs.
Tender opening date & Time	At any time thereafter closing of tender. The tenderers are not required to be present during the opening. Railway reserve the right to open the tender at any time after closing of tender.
Website	For complete information & Bidding please go to www.ireps.gov.in

Tender Notice No. 56/W/Elect/25-26/T/11/IR NIYANTRAC Dated: 04.02.2026
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COURT NOTICE
IN THE COURT OF Ms. Jyoti Kumari
Judicial Magistrate - Ist Class
Moonak
SK FINANCE LTD
Vs.
ARJUN JI
Detail of offence:-
CNR No. PBLD03-000265-2024
Next Date:- 09-03-2026
NOTICE TO:
ARJUN JI
:-
S/O DABLU R/O JANDWALA SOTTAR, AYALI, FATEHABAD, HARYANA - 125051
In above titled case, the accused could not be served. It is ordered that accused should appear in person or through counsel on 09-03-2026 at 10.00 a.m.
For details logon to https://www.highcourtchd.gov.in/?trs=district_notice&district=mogacourt.
Judicial Magistrate- Ist Class Moonak
Dated, this day of 01-02-2026

COURT NOTICE
IN THE COURT OF Ms. Jyoti Kumari
Judicial Magistrate - Ist Class
Moonak
M/s SK Finance Ltd
Vs.
HARDEEP SINGH
Detail of offence:-
CNR No. PBLD03-000276-2024
Next Date:- 09-03-2026
NOTICE TO:
HARDEEP SINGH
:-
S/O BALBIR SINGH R/O KHUMBAR NAGPUR 107, FATEHABAD, HARYANA - 125051
In above titled case, the accused could not be served. It is ordered that accused should appear in person or through counsel on 09-03-2026 at 10.00 a.m.
For details logon to https://www.highcourtchd.gov.in/?trs=district_notice&district=mogacourt.
Judicial Magistrate- Ist Class Moonak
Dated, this day of 01-02-2026

COURT NOTICE
IN THE COURT OF Ms. Jyoti Kumari
Judicial Magistrate - Ist Class
Moonak
M/s SK Finance Ltd
Vs.
VISHNU
Detail of offence:-
CNR No. PBLD03-000213-2024
Next Date:- 09-03-2026
NOTICE TO:
VISHNU
Father: :-
RAM PARTAP
R/O BADHARA 40 BHIWANI HARYANA 127308
In above titled case, the accused could not be served. It is ordered that accused should appear in person or through counsel on 09-03-2026 at 10.00 a.m.
For details logon to https://www.highcourtchd.gov.in/?trs=district_notice&district=mogacourt.
Judicial Magistrate- Ist Class Moonak
Dated, this day of 01-02-2026

Criminal Courts, Ludhiana
IN THE COURT OF MS. CHANDAN
Judicial Magistrate - Ist Class Ludhiana
CNR No. PBLD03-047073-2023
COMA/46307/2023
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PUBLICATION NOTICE FOR PROCLAMATION UNDER SECTION 82 CR.PC
V.K. TRADERS VS SAJAN SHARMA
Complaint R/w sec- 138 of N.I ACT
NOTICE TO 1. SAJAN SHARMA S/O BALDEV RAJ R/O H NO 1289, GURU ARJAN DEV NAGAR, ST NO 8, TAJPUR ROAD, LUDHIANA
Whereas it has been proved to the satisfaction of the Court that You, the accused above named cannot be served in the ordinary way of service. Hence, this proclamation under section 82 CRPC is hereby issued against you with a direction that you should appear personally before the court on 17-03-2026 AT 10.00 a.m. or within 30 days from the date of publication of this proclamation.
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Ms. CHANDAN
Judicial Magistrate - 1st Class, Ludhiana

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Name of Borrower/Co-Borrower/ Mortgagor/Guarantor / Loan A/c No.	13(2) Notice Date & Amount	Description of Mortgaged Property	Date of Possession Taken
(A/c No.) L9001060128232965 Smt.Minu Jha (Borrower), Santosh Jha (Co-Borrower)	16-Sep-25 Rs. 357486/- Rs. Three Lakh Fifty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Six Only 11-Sep-25	All that part and parcel of residential/commercial property Land/ Building/ Structure and fixtures Propety Situated At- Sale Deed Vasika No-11394, Vill-Bhadhuar, Teh & District- Hoshiarpur, Punjab Admeasuring 3 Marla 3 Sarsai, East: GALI, West: GALI, North: H/O AMAR CHAND, South: H/O MOTI RAM	31-Jan-26
(A/c No.) L9001060139385186 Smt.Kanwal Preet Kaur (Borrower), Smt.Kulwant Kaur (Co-Borrower), Parvinder Pal Singh (Co-Borrower)	11-Nov-25 Rs. 1557828/- Rs. Fifteen Lakh Fifty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Eight Only 10-Nov-25	All that part and parcel of residential/commercial property Land/ Building/ Structure and fixtures Property Situated At - Hadbast No -308, Khasra No. 2343/1792, 2344/1793, 1794/2, 2345/1795, 2346/1795, 2350/1802, 1794/1, 1797, 2347/1798, 1801, House No-227, Basti Sheikh, Tehsil-Jalandhar, Dist- Jalandhar, Punjab Admeasuring 2100 Sqft. , East: ROAD, West: HOUSE OF ARUN KUMAR, North: OTHERS, South: DR. N.K. BATHLA	30-Jan-26

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, therefore notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein above mentioned table in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said (Act-2002) read with Rule 8 of the said rule on the date mentioned in the above table. "The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub section (8) of section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 (6), in respect of time available, i.e., 30 days from this intimation, to redeem the secured assets." The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the AU Small Finance Bank Limited (A Scheduled Commercial Bank) for the amount and interest thereon mentioned in the above table. -sd-
Place: PUNJAB Date: 04-Feb-2026 Authorised Officer AU Small Finance Bank Limited

Kangana Ranaut left "disturbed" after reading the Epstein Files



Actor-politician Kangana Ranaut has reacted strongly to the newly released Jeffrey Epstein files, saying the details left her shaken and deeply "disturbed."The US Department of Justice recently released a major batch of investigative material linked to late financier and convicted sex offender Jeffrey Epstein, making public more than three million pages of records along with over 2,000 videos and around 180,000 images.Taking to her Instagram Story on Tuesday evening, Kangana shared her thoughts about how "disturbing" the details felt to her and how they changed the way she looks at power, fame and society.

"So disturbing to see and read about Epstein Files. Crimes happen everywhere but what they are indulging in seems as if it is some high society fashion/cultural practice, seems more like some evil/satanic monstrous religion. All these rockstars, singers, movie stars, politicians, models, movie directors, we grew up reading about, how come all of them were ok harming and killing helpless young women and really really tiny kids." spoke about how the reports made her feel "hopeless" and worried about the future of humanity. She linked her thoughts to Indian culture and spiritual values, saying she believes they offer answers the world is searching for."It makes me deeply sad and hopelessly pessimistic about the future and the true essence of humanity. It makes me even more certain that Bharat's culture, values and beyond the body what is ever lasting what is Sanatan is the answer that the world is seeking. All those ancient stories about demons/gods, sur/asur are relevant even today. Demons will prevail and gods will rise. Which side are you on? #harekrishna," she added. On the work front, Kangana was last seen in the film Emergency, where she played former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi. The film was also directed, written and produced by her, and it released in theatres on January 17, 2025.

Manoj Bajpayee goes rogue as cop in thriller 'Ghooshkhor Pandat'



Manoj Bajpayee is back in the cop role with the thriller film 'Ghooshkhor Pandat'. The film was announced at the Netflix India Slate event in Mumbai on Tuesday. Taking to its Instagram handle, Netflix India shared the teaser of the film. The movie is written by Neeraj Pandey and is directed by Ritesh Shah. In the teaser, Manoj Bajpayee has been introduced as a cop who has no ideals and has been in the bad books of police administration. "A bent police officer Ajay Dikshit's (Pandat), plans an eventful and money-making night are disrupted as he finds himself in the midst of a global conspiracy while trying to unravel the identity of a badly injured girl thrown out of a moving car in the heart of Delhi," as per the logline of the show.

The team of Ghooskhor Pandat shares: "Ghooskhor Pandat is a one-night thriller that follows the corrupt and morally bankrupt police officer Ajay Dikshit, as an unexpected encounter disrupts his plans and draws him into a chain of events far larger than anticipated. Set in Delhi and unfolding over the course of a single night, the film is driven by a situation wherein a girl is thrown out of a moving car, and the cop accompanies the injured girl to the hospital, leading to the unfolding of multiple situations. Led by Manoj Bajpayee, Ghooskhor Pandat allows the story to unfold through action and setting. We thank Netflix for partnering with us and for providing a platform for the film to reach audiences worldwide," as quoted in a press note. At the event, Netflix has also announced the movie which reunites Sunny Deol and Akshaye Khanna after over two decades. The duo is set to star in a legal drama titled 'Ikka'.It also stars Tillotama Shome and Dia Mirza in the lead roles. According to the description of the movie, "A celebrated, incorruptible lawyer is arm-twisted into defending an accused murderer, a man whose career he'd notoriously ended, pushing him to use every trick in the trade, ethical or not, to win the case because if he fails, he stands to lose everything he holds dear."The first look of the film showcases Sunny Deol as a lawyer who is set out to defend a murder accused, Akshaye Khanna. He was seen shouting in the courtroom and punching Akshaye during his session with him at the police station.The film is directed by Siddharth P Malhotra and stars Sanjeeda Shaikh, Shishir Sharma, and Akansha Ranjan in prominent roles.

Madhuri Dixit, Triptii Dimri to play mother-daughter in dark comedy 'Maa Behen'



Madhuri Dixit and Tripti Dimri are set to share the screen together for their upcoming dark comedy 'Maa Behen'. The teaser of the film is finally out. Directed by Suresh Triveni, the film centers around the constantly squabbling mother and daughters who find themselves in the "middle of a situation with a dead body in their kitchen." Madhuri plays Rekha, while Triptii Dimri and Dharna Durga play her daughters in the film. In the teaser, the 'Animal' actress was seen fighting with her on-screen mother, Madhuri Dixit, over her mannerisms as she wears a sleeveless blouse in the house. The situation takes a downturn when they discover a dead body in their kitchen. After getting over a panic attack, the trio decides to team up to cover the crime. Ravi Kishan also plays a prominent role in the film. The film was announced at the Netflix India Slate in Mumbai on Tuesday. At the event, Dixit expressed her happiness on working in the comedy genre."It's a dark comedy. When Suresh ji came and I am a big admirer of his work. When I heard the story, I felt like doing it because I haven't done comedy in a long time," said Madhuri Dixit at the event. Triptii Dimri said she has learnt a lot from Madhuri Dixit in the film. "It was a very nice experience working with her. It was like one happy family together.

Dhindhora 2 to Super Subbu: Upcoming series that brings comedy, drama to OTT screens



The Netflix India slate of 2026 was full of thrillers, light-hearted comedies and the return of numerous awaited sequels. From Bhuvan Bham's Dhindhora 2 to the Telugu series 'Super Subbu', take a look at some of the upcoming shows of Netflix this year. The much-awaited Bhuvan's Dhindhora has found Netflix as its new platform for its sequel. The makers released the first look of the series on Tuesday. In the video, Bhuvan Bham is seen sitting with his iconic character Titu Mama at an expensive restaurant, waiting for the Netflix event. Bhuvan Bham shared the teaser on his Instagram handle

"India's biggest digital creator Bhuvan Bam returns with his crazy family, and Titu Mama drags them all into a world of pride, panic, and poor planning. Will he emerge as a hero, or should you lower your expectations?" read the logline of the series as quoted in a press note by Netflix. The team of Dhindora 2 shares, "With Dhindora Season 2, we're returning to a world that audiences embraced with immense love in its first chapter. What began on YouTube as a deeply relatable, character-driven comedy has grown into a larger, more layered story, while staying true to the humour, heart, and chaos that define the Dhindora universe. Bringing the series to Netflix allows us to introduce these characters and their journey to an even wider audience, while retaining the cultural specificity and storytelling voice that made the show resonate so strongly. We're excited for both long-time fans and new viewers to experience this next chapter," as quoted in a press note. The Netflix Slate 2026 had its wings spread to the South entertainment industry as well, with its first-ever Telugu series titled 'Happy Subbu'.Sundeep Kishan-starrer comedy series 'Super Subbu' chronicles the actor's wild ride of teaching sex education in a remote and rural village to escape his father's tyranny. The series is directed by Mallik Ram. "A totally unlucky teacher, desperate to escape his dad's tyranny, gets stuck teaching sex education in a remote and virile village! The hilarious twist? He's a virgin himself! Thus ensues a wild ride where love, laughs, and awkward moments collide," read the synopsis of the show. Netflix shared the teaser on its Instagram handle.

The OTT platform has also unveiled the teaser for Alakh Pandey, co-founder of PhysicsWallah, one of India's most profitable edtech companies. The series is titled 'Hello Bachhon'."A heartwarming story of an unassuming physics teacher who inspired millions of students across India, fighting against their circumstances to achieve their dream of becoming a doctor or an engineer. Based on the true story of Physics Wallah, Hello Bachhon is the uplifting story of how a single teacher standing up against the system can build a nation with his students," read the synopsis of the show. The series stars Vineet Kumar Singh in the lead role and is directed by Abhishek Yadav. Take a look at the teaser here.

Next in the Netflix India slate is a heartwarming neighbourhood comedy titled 'Chumbak'. This multi-starrer comedy boasts an ensemble cast including Neena Gupta, Deven Bhojani, Amyra Dastur, Anant V Joshi, Sumeet Vyas, Manasi Parekh, Arjun Bijlani, Helly Shah, Sumeet Raghavan and Sandeepa Dhar.In the teaser, released by Netflix on Tuesday, the lead cast were seen fighting amongst themselves for a perfect portrait photo.

Rooted in Punjab's Faith and Traditions, ZEE5 Original Series, 'Shabad – Reet Aur Riwaaz' Reaches Chandigarh With Lead Actors, Suvinder Vicky and Mihir Ahuja



JALANDHAR/LUDHAINA: Actors Mihir Ahuja and Chandigarh's own Suvinder Vicky recently visited the city as part of the promotional journey for their upcoming ZEE5 Original series Shabad – Reet Aur Riwaaz. The team began the day by seeking blessings at Gurudwara, where they also interacted with renowned ragi singers, honouring the rich spiritual and musical traditions that form the soul of the show. Shabad – Reet Aur Riwaaz, premiering 6th February 2026, exclusively on ZEE5

Speaking about the visit, Mihir Ahuja shared, "Shabad – Reet Aur Riwaaz is a very special show for all of us because it is deeply rooted in Punjab—its faith, traditions, and riwaaz. Beginning our journey in Chandigarh felt incredibly organic, especially starting with prayers at the Gurudwara, given how central faith is to the story. Interacting with students at CGC was particularly meaningful, as many of them are navigating the same questions of passion, expectations, and legacy that the show explores. Their curiosity and honesty reminded me why this story feels so relevant today. Chandigarh welcomed us with warmth, making this visit both grounding and emotionally fulfilling. I hope that people of Punjab resonate with our series and give it all their love"

Suvinder Vicky, for whom the visit marked a heartfelt homecoming, added, "Promoting Shabad – Reet Aur Riwaaz in Chandigarh felt extremely personal—it's my home. Interacting with the local media here, talking about this journey, and sharing it with people who know me and my roots made it even more special. Meeting and interacting with the ragi singers, and being able to honour the tradition and spiritual legacy of ragi through the show, felt deeply fulfilling. This series is rooted in faith and tradition, and beginning its journey in my own city, with blessings from the Gurudwara, felt like the perfect way to bring it to life."

Shabad – Reet Aur Riwaaz is an emotionally grounded coming-of-age drama set in Punjab that explores the fragile bond between a father and son. The story follows Ghuppi Singh, a 16-year-old living with a stammer, who struggles between carrying forward his family's sacred legacy of ragi singing and embracing his own dreams of freedom on the football field. Through themes of faith, inheritance, individuality, and empathy, the series gently asks whether legacy is something we inherit—or something we choose.

Amazon MX Player Unveils the Trailer of Its Upcoming Courtroom Drama Amar Vishwas, Starring Rajeev Khandelwal, Aamir Ali, and Ravi Behl



CHANDIGARH : Amazon MX Player, India's leading free, premium, ad-supported video streaming service, today unveiled the trailer of its upcoming original series Amar Vishwas, a gripping courtroom drama that dives deep into the intersection of power, crime, and justice. Headlined by Rajeev Khandelwal in the titular role, alongside Ravi Behl,Aamir Ali and Barkha Bisht, the series sets the stage for a high-stakes courtroom battle where truth is where truth is elusive and justice comes at a steep price.

The trailer opens with the brutal murder of an influential film producer Jessu Momin, a case the media is quick to label as 'open-and-shut'. Suspicion immediately falls on Bahar Chakravarty, a young woman already convicted by public perception. Stepping into the fray is Amar Vishwas, an unconventional and razor-sharp lawyer who knows that facts alone rarely reveal the full story. As Amar takes on Bahar's defence, he begins to uncover layers of exploitation, manipulation, and long-buried secrets, revealing a conspiracy that runs deeper and darker than it first appears.

Based on the acclaimed novels by Suhas Shirvalkar, Amar Vishwas is created and produced by Arjun Singgh Baran and Kartk D Nishandar under the banner of GSEAMS, makers of highly acclaimed show, Samantar. Amar Vishwas blends the intensity of courtroom drama with the grit of investigative crime. As the case unfolds, Amar finds himself pitted against formidable legal minds, including his own former mentor, while racing against time to establish the devious trio of motive, means, and opportunity. With every argument, cross-examination, and revelation, the series raises an unsettling question: Will the truth finally lead to justice?

Ananya Panday visits Trimbakeshwar Jyotirlinga Temple



Actor Ananya Panday on Tuesday visited the Trimbakeshwar Jyotirlinga Temple, describing it as her "first Jyotirlinga" and sharing glimpses of the visit with her fans on Instagram.The actor wrote, "Har Har Mahadev... my first Jyotirlinga, the beginning of the best journey." As soon as Ananya shared pictures on Instagram, quickly reacted to the post, expressing their love and excitement over her visit.Recently, Ananya had also shared updates about her health, appearing in an arm sling. In the Instagram post, she was seen wearing a cosy oversized grey hoodie with matching bottoms, standing casually in a vanity area. Her sling indicated a possible arm or shoulder injury. Even in pain, her humour shines through, as she cheekily captioned the post, '2026 mein nazar lag gayi."Meanwhile, on the professional front, Ananya Panday is gearing up for the second season of her hit series 'Call Me Bae'. The first season, which was released in 2024, revolves around the life of Bella Chowdhary a.k.a Bae (Ananya Panday) and chronicles her journey as she goes from being a heiress to a hustler.The series also features Vir Das, Gurfateh Pirzada, Varun Sood, Vihaan Samat, Muskkaan Jaferi, Niharika Lyra Dutt, Lisa Mishra, and Mini Mathur in pivotal roles. It is produced by Dharmatic Entertainment and Karan Johar, Apoorva Mehta, and Somen Mishra are Executive Producers.

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