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Rupee falls 19 paise to settle at 93.10 against US dollar

MUMBAI: The rupee pared its initial gains and settled with a loss of 19 paise at 93.10 (provisional) against the US dollar on Monday, after fresh tension in West Asia led to an increased demand for the American currency and kept crude prices steady.

Forex traders said the local currency remained under pressure due to a fresh standoff between the US and Iran that led to a closure of the Strait of Hormuz, disrupting global supply.

At the interbank foreign exchange market, the rupee opened at 92.73 and touched an intra-day high of 92.70 against the greenback. It also hit the day's low of 93.24 during the session before settling at 93.10 (provisional) against the dollar, registering a loss of 19 paise from the previous closing level.

135 arrests across poll-bound Bengal

UNI KOLKATA: In a police crackdown before the first phase of the West Bengal Assembly election, 135 persons with known criminal antecedents and criminal charges were arrested from four districts going to the hustings on April 23, a senior Election Commission of India (ECI) official said on Monday.

The arrests were made in a single overnight operation spread across four districts including Cooch Behar, Malda, Murshidabad and South 24 Parganas. The arrests came in the wake of directions from the Election Commission of India (ECI), which had ordered the state police to identify and act against known troublemakers and people with criminal records and pending cases at police stations across the state.

Last week, senior ECI officials held a virtual meeting with senior officers from the West Bengal Police. According to another ECI official who was present at last week's meeting, instructions were issued to respond immediately to any sign of unrest on polling day. "We had raised concerns over why people who had been trouble mongers and were part of violence during earlier polls were roaming outside freely and were not put behind bars," the official said.

7.5 magnitude earthquake in Japan, Tsunami warning issued

TOKYO: A powerful earthquake with a magnitude of 7.5 struck northeastern and northern Japan on Monday, with a tsunami warning issued, the country's weather agency said. An 80-centimeter tsunami was observed at Kaji port in Iwate Prefecture, the Japanese Met Agency said. The 4:53 p.m. quake registered an upper 5 on the Japanese seismic intensity scale of 7 and occurred at a depth of 10 kilometers, according to the Japan Meteorological Agency, state media Kyodo cited. "Notable quake, preliminary info: M 7.4 - 100 km ENE of Miyako, Japan," the USGS said. The earthquake's magnitude was initially estimated to be 7.4 but was later revised up. The Japan Meteorological Agency has warned of quakes of a similar scale for a week, Kyodo reported. Public broadcaster NHK reported that the quake struck at a depth of 10 km. The Japanese weather agency issued tsunami warnings for the Pacific coasts of Hokkaido, Aomori, and Iwate prefectures, forecasting tsunami waves of up to 3 meters to arrive immediately. No abnormalities were reported at the Higashidori and Onagawa nuclear plants in Aomori.

21 dead, several injured as bus falls into gorge in Udhampur

PM expresses grief, announces ex gratia

UNI JAMMU, APR 20

At least 21 people have died and several others injured after a passenger bus skidded off the road and fell into a gorge on Monday in Udhampur district of Jammu and Kashmir.

Police officials here said that a bus ferrying passengers, on its way from Ramnagar towards Udhampur met with an accident and plunged into a gorge near Village Khagote.

Senior police officials including Deputy Inspector General of J&K Police, Shiv Kumar Sharma, locals and Army troops rushed to the spot and launched the rescue operation.

Officials said that 20 passengers have been confirmed dead.

However, injured have been shifted to the Government Medical College and Hospital, Udhampur while one of the critical has been airlifted to the Government Medical College and Hospital, Jammu for an advanced treatment.

"There is a very sharp curve at the spot and the driver may have lost control while negotiating the curve," said a senior police officer.

He said that the vehicle rolled down into the gorge after hitting the parapet.

President Droupadi Murmu also expressed condolences to the families of



those who lost their lives in the tragedy and prayed for the speedy recovery of those who were injured.

Meanwhile, PM Modi, in a post on X, expressed grief over the loss of lives in the accident.

"Pained to hear about the loss of lives due to a bus accident in Udhampur, Jammu and Kashmir. I extend my heartfelt condolences to those who have lost their near and dear ones. I pray for the speedy recovery of the injured," he posted.

An ex gratia of Rs. 2 lakh from PMNRF would be given to the next of kin of each of those who lost their lives in the tragic mishap. The injured would be given Rs. 50,000, said PM Modi.

Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh

said that rescue and evacuation operations are underway with teams from Police, SDRF and district administration on site.

"21 casualties so far and 61 injured. Injured have been shifted to Udhampur Hospital while the one more seriously injured is being airlifted to Government Medical college Jammu. My sincere condolences to the bereaved families. All possible assistance is being provided. My office is in constant touch," Dr Singh posted on X.

Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha has also expressed his deep anguish and grief over the loss of lives in the tragic road accident in Ramnagar, Udhampur.

Punjab notifies stringent anti-sacrilege law

UNI CHANDIGARH, APRIL 20

The Punjab government has officially notified a stringent new law aimed at curbing incidents of sacrilege across the state. Under the provisions of this legislation, which received formal approval following a proposal submitted on April 13, individuals found guilty of acts of sacrilege will face severe penalties, ranging from a minimum of 10 years of imprisonment to life imprisonment.

Additionally, the law mandates hefty fines for offenders, which can range from 5 lakh to 25 lakh. All cases registered under this new framework will be non-bailable, reflecting the state's uncompromising stance on maintaining communal harmony.

In conjunction with the new notification, the Punjab Bureau of Investigation (PBI) has issued a comprehensive Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) to ensure the investigation of such sensitive cases is conducted with maximum forensic accuracy and legal efficiency.

The SOP mandates that the local Station House Officer (SHO) and the Investigating Officer (IO) must reach the crime scene without delay upon receiving information. Procedures require the imme-



mediate establishment of an internal cordon to protect physical evidence and an outer cordon for crowd control. Furthermore, the sacred 'Angs' (pages) of the Sri Guru Granth Sahib or other religious symbols must only be handled in the presence of authorised religious representatives, ensuring the highest level of decorum is maintained.

The police investigation protocol now includes a high-tech approach to evidence gathering, utilising high-resolution photography, videography, and digital mapping of crime scenes. Specialised forensic teams will be deployed to secure evidence, and the police investigation will extend beyond the imme-

mediate suspect to uncover potential conspiracies and identify the masterminds behind the act. Significantly, the state will now leverage AI-powered tools to investigate digital sacrilege, including deepfake videos, malicious social media posts, and potential funding sources, such as transactions involving Bitcoin or other cryptocurrencies.

To ensure accountability, these cases will be monitored directly by the Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) or the Commissioner of Police. The law imposes a strict timeline, mandating that the investigation be concluded and the challan be presented within 60 to 90 days.

No plans for subsequent round of negotiations with US: Iran



TEHRAN: The Iranian Foreign Ministry on Monday stated that Tehran currently has no plans for a subsequent round of negotiations with the United States, according to the state media Tasnim news agency. The announcement comes at a critical time as international mediators had hoped for a follow-up to the Islamabad talks before the looming ceasefire deadline. Foreign Ministry spokesman Esmail Bagaei stated on Monday that "Tehran currently has no plans for a subsequent round of negotiations." The spokesperson's remarks underscore the growing diplomatic stalemate, with officials indicating that the current atmosphere is not conducive to fruitful dialogue. Providing further context on this hardening stance, Ebrahim Azizi, the head of the Iranian Parliament's National Security Committee, asserted in an interview with Al Jazeera that Tehran's engagement in diplomatic talks is strictly governed by national interest and security. Addressing the prospect of participating in upcoming negotiations in Islamabad, Azizi stated that "Iran acts based on national interests" and remains prepared to do whatever is necessary to "secure the country's interests and security."

The senior lawmaker, a former IRGC commander, described the diplomatic process as a direct extension of the country's military efforts. He noted, "We see the current negotiations as a continuation of the battlefield, and we see nothing other than the battlefield in this." Azizi further explained that the negotiation arena is considered an opportunity only "if it yields achievements that sustain those of the battlefield," warning that this would not be the case "if the Americans intend to turn this into a field of excessive demands, based on their bullying approach."

Hry CS Anurag Rastogi undertakes self enumeration, urges citizens to join Census 2027 initiative

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, APRIL 20

Under the first phase of Census 2027 in Haryana, titled "House Listing and Housing Census," carrying forward the process of Self Enumeration today, April 20, 2026, the Chief Secretary of Haryana, Anurag Rastogi, personally entered his details through the Self Enumeration (SE) Portal.

Dr. Lalit Jain, Director of Census Operations, Haryana, and Ms. Hema Sharma, Special Secretary, Revenue Department, Haryana were present during the process.

This inspiring initiative encourages citizens to voluntarily participate in the census. Chief



Secretary Anurag Rastogi appealed to all citizens to submit their infor-

mation within the stipulated time and actively contribute to the suc-

cess of this important national exercise.

Four held with 9.9kg heroin in Hoshiarpur, two pistols recovered

BUREAU CHANDIGARH/HOSHIARPUR: In a major breakthrough amidst the ongoing drive to make Punjab a safe and secure state as per the directions of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, Hoshiarpur Police has busted a major inter-state/foreign-linked narcotics and illegal arms module with the arrest of its four operatives and recovered 9.925 kg of heroin, two .30 bore foreign-made pistols along with eight magazines and 40 live cartridges from their possession, said Director General of Police (DGP) Punjab Gaurav Yadav here on Monday.

Those arrested have been identified as Manjinder Singh alias Sonu, a resident of village Pathralian in Hoshiarpur; Shivam Bhandari, a resident of Dhina in Jalandhar; Sahil Masih alias Monu of village Pakhoke Tahlil in Gur-

daspur; and Ramel Roger of Garhshankar in Hoshiarpur.

DGP Gaurav Yadav said that preliminary investigations have revealed that the arrested accused were in direct contact with foreign-based gangsters and were acting as their local handlers, facilitating drug trafficking and the supply of illegal weapons in the region. The DGP said that further investigation is underway to establish forward and backward linkages in this case to dismantle the entire network. Sharing operational details, Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Hoshiarpur Sandeep Kumar Malik said that following a reliable input, Police teams have set up a special checkpoint (nakabandi) in the jurisdiction of Garhshankar. During the operation, an I-20 car was intercepted on a suspicion basis, leading to the apprehension of the four accused and the subsequent recovery of the heroin and weapons consignment from their vehicle.

India, S Korea upgrade ties to futuristic partnership

AGENCY NEW DELHI, APRIL 20

India and South Korea on Monday decided to elevate their bilateral relationship to a "futuristic partnership", with Prime Minister Narendra Modi announcing deeper cooperation across sectors and welcoming Seoul's entry into two key global initiatives led by India—the International Solar Alliance (ISA) and the Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative (IPOI). "In this period of global tensions, India and Korea together send a message of peace and stability. We are very happy that today Korea is joining the International Solar Alliance and the Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative," PM Modi said. "Through our shared efforts, we will continue to contribute towards a



peaceful, progressive and inclusive Indo-Pacific. We also agree that reforms in global institutions are essen-

tial to address global challenges," he added. Pointing out the values shared by Seoul and New Delhi and their

strategic alignment, PM Modi said, "Democratic values, a market economy, and respect for the rule of law are part of the DNA of both our countries. We also share a common outlook in the Indo-Pacific region. On this strong foundation, our relations have become dynamic and wide-ranging. Today, with the President's visit, we are moving from a trusted partnership to a futuristic partnership." Further on prospects of future collaboration, the Prime Minister added, "Today, with President Lee's visit, we are going to transform this Trusted Partnership into a Futuristic Partnership. From Chips to Ships, Talent to Technology, Entertainment to Energy, we will realise new opportunities for cooperation in every sector."

Haryana amends promotion reservation norms for SC employees

BUREAU CHANDIGARH: The Haryana Government has amended instructions regarding reservation in promotion for SC candidates promoted on their own merit. As per the revised instructions issued by Chief Secretary Sh. Anurag Rastogi: "Where the actual representation is less than 20%, only the eligible Scheduled Caste employees working on feeder post(s) will be considered first against the vacant posts of promotion quota upto the extent

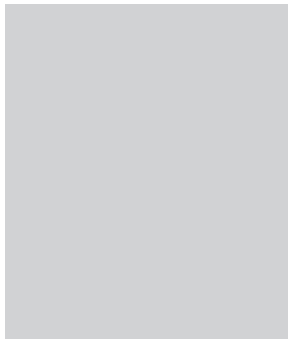
of shortfall. Where the actual representation is already 20% or more in the promotional cadre, the eligible employees working on feeder post(s) will be considered for promotion in accordance with the applicable service rules. The counting of 20% representation of officials belonging to the Scheduled Caste category in the promotional cadre shall include those officials who have been promoted on the basis of seniority-cum merit and also by availing the benefit of reservation."

Rajasthan: Fire breaks out at Refinery-cum-Petrochemical Complex in Balotra

JAIPUR: A major fire broke out at Refinery-cum-Petrochemical Complex on Monday at Pachpadra in the Balotra district of Rajasthan. Black smoke was seen over the complex, after which the fire-fighting vehicles were seen arriving at the spot. The dousing operations are underway. More details are awaited. Meanwhile, in a separate incident, earlier, a massive fire broke out at a garbage dumping yard located in the Mandholi drains area of the city, causing panic among nearby residents and destroying composting machinery worth lakhs of rupees. Seeing flames and thick smoke rising from the site, locals immediately informed the fire brigade. Fire tenders rushed to the spot and personnel made strenuous efforts to bring the blaze under control. According to eyewitnesses, strong winds caused the fire to spread rapidly, reaching the machines and worsening the situation. Several machines parked at the yard were engulfed in flames. A total of three machines, including composting units used for converting waste into manure, were affected, of which two were completely gutted. Heavy financial losses are being estimated due to the incident.

I, Abhishek Dhiman S/o Late Sh.Prem Chand D h i m a n , R / o Hno.B019/00015/06,Sec 115, Khunni Majra, Kharar, SAS Nagar (Mohali) Punjab, 140307,change my Minor Daughter name from Takshvi to Takshvi Dhiman for all purpose.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

It is hereby notified that I, Kulwinder Singh Sekhon son/of Gurdeep Singh / Kiranjeet Kaur, resident of R/o VPO Jhandiana Sharki, Teh. & Distt. Moga-142053, have lost my original Punjab School Education Board Mark sheet of 10th Class, Roll No. 1212249018, Year of Passing March 2012 and 12th Class, Roll No. 2014087936, year of passing March 2014 issued by the Punjab School Education Board (PSEB). If anyone finds the same, kindly contact me at +91-9872872721 or return to my above address. I am applying to PSEB for a second copy of certificate.

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Sale Deed Dated 07-02-2005, registered of the even date, register with Sub Registrar Nawanshahr, at S.R. No. 4504 :-Sold by Sukhvinder Singh, Gurwinder Singh sons and Kulwant Kaur widow of Sohan Singh S/o Naranjan Singh in favour of Tarsem Singh S/o Gurcharan Singh.

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I, Jaskaranjit Kaur W/o Lakhwinder Singh Resident of Village Jaura Tehsil & District Tarn Taran declare that my Nephew Ajmit Singh is totally out of my control. I disown him from all my movable and immovable property. I and my family will not be responsible for any good or bad deeds done by him.

63372

I, No. 4476040F Ex-Sep (ACP Hav) Charanjit Singh Resident of Vpo. Lopon Teh-Nihal Singh Wala Distt. Moga (Pb) Pin-142037 declare that the correct date of birth of my daughter Ramanpreet Kaur is 06-09-2005.

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I Rajinder Kumar S/o Satpal Kumar R/o New master colony ward no 7 Chanalon Kurali tehsil Kharar distt Mohali declare that in my passport number T5070569 my wife name entered wrongly Rashmi but my wife correct name is Rashmi Narula so amended my wife name from Rashmi to Rashmi Narula in my passport.

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Sale Deed Dated 23-12-2009, registered of the even date, register with Sub Registrar NawanShahr, at S.R. No. 4265 :-Sold by Tarsem Singh S/o Gurcharan Singh in favour of Ravinder Kaur W/o Avtar Singh S/o Ram Singh.

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Sale Deed Dated 04-10-2010, registered of the even date, register with Sub Registrar Nawanshahr, at S.R. No. 2772 :-Sold by Ravinder Kaur W/o Avtar Singh S/o Ram Singh in favour of Gurdev Singh S/o Nirmal Singh S/o Mehar Singh.

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I, Iqbal Singh S/o Sh. Parvinder Singh R/o Village Nabipur, Naraingarh, Distt Ambala declare that my son Harmanpreet Singh and his wife Kamalpreet Kaur are residing abroad and they are out of my control, So i disown both of them from my movable and immovable properties. Anybody deals with them will do so at their own risk.

78645

I, Rajender S/o Gopiram R/o H.no. 596/11, GBM college gate no.2 ke pass, Chintpurni colony, Sonipat declare that my son Sunny is out of my control. So I disown him from my moveable/immovable properties. I have no concern with my son Sunny in future. If anybody dealing with him at their own risk.

989752

I Army No. 3204242 m sepay Ajit Serving In 7 Jat Regt. c/o 56 Apo Pin - 911207 That My Son Name In My Service Record Aarav Wrongly Mentioned And My Civil Record In My Son Name Aarav Punia That Is Correct. Now I Want To Change The Name Of My Son In My Service Record Aarav To Aarav Punia.

100046

I, Kavita wife of Sh. Sony alias Sonu, resident of House No.4, Khudda Jaasu, Chandigarh have changed the name of my minor daughter from Yeetika to Yitika Sehawal.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

ਮੈਂ ਸੁਖਵਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਜਗੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ, ਵਾਸੀ ਪਿੰਡ ਦੀਵਾਲੀ, ਡਾਕਖਾਨਾ ਜਮਸ਼ੇਰ ਖਾਸ, ਜਲੰਧਰ ਇਹ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰਾ ਲੜਕਾ ਜਗਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਮੈਂ ਉਸ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ। ਉਸ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਸੰਬੰਧਿਤ ਨੋਟ ਕਰਨ।

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ਮੈਂ, ਜਸਵਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸਰਵਣ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਪਿੰਡ ਹਿਆਲਾ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਨਵਾਂਸ਼ਹਿਰ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਸ਼ਹੀਦ ਭਗਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਨਗਰ ਜੂਥਿਚ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜਾਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਿਤਾ ਦਾ ਨਾਮ ਸਰਵਣ ਸਿੰਘ (SHARVAN SINGH) ਚਲਦਾ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਮੇਰੇ ਮਾਤਾ ਬਿਮਲਾ ਦੇਵੀ ਦੇ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜਾਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਿਤਾ ਦਾ ਨਾਮ ਸਰਵਣ ਰਾਮ (SARWAN RAM) ਚਲਦਾ ਹੈ, ਇਹ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਿਤਾ ਨੂੰ ਸਰਵਣ ਸਿੰਘ (SHARVAN SINGH) ਅਤੇ ਸਰਵਣ ਰਾਮ (SARWAN RAM) ਦੇ ਦੋਵਾਂ ਨਾਵਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਜਾਣਿਆ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਸੀ। ਇਹ ਦੋਵੇਂ ਨਾਮ ਇੱਕੋ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਦੇ ਹਨ

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ਮੈਂ ਜੱਗਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਪਿੰਡ ਤੱਖਰ ਕਲਾਂ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਵਾ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਮਾਨੇਰਕੋਟਲਾ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੀ ਹਕੀਕੀ ਲੜਕੀ ਰਮਨਦੀਪ ਕੌਰ 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 ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਮੇਰਾ ਇਸ ਨਾਲ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਤਾਲੁਕ ਵਾਸਤਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ।

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ਮੈਂ ਰਾਖੀ ਪਤਨੀ ਅਸ਼ੋਕ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਵਾਸੀ ਮਕਾਨ ਨੰਬਰ 89 ਮੁਹੱਲਾ ਬਾਲਮੀਕੀ ਨਵਾਂਸ਼ਹਿਰ, ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਸ਼ਹੀਦ ਭਗਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਨਗਰ ਸਚਿਤ ਕਰਦੀ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੈਂ ਆਪਣੇ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਲਵ ਉਰਫ ਗੋਰਵ ਤੇ ਉਸਦੀ ਪਤਨੀ ਕੰਚਨ ਨੂੰ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹੋਣ ਕਰਕੇ ਆਪਣੀ ਸਾਰੀ ਚੱਲ ਅੱਚਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦੀ ਹਾਂ ਇਹਨਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁੱਦ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ, ਮੇਰੀ ਅਤੇ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦੀ ਇਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਕੋਈ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰੀ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ ਅੱਜ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਅਦ ਮੇਰਾ ਇਹਨਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਕੋਈ ਤਾਲੁਕ ਵਾਸਤਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੈ।

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ਮੈਂ, ਸਵਰਨ ਕੌਰ ਪਤਨੀ ਸਵ. ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਬਾਲਮ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਪਿੰਡ ਬੱਲਮਾਜਰਾ (ਐਸ.ਏ.ਐਸ.ਨਗਰ) ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦੀ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਹਰਸਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾ ਭੁਧਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਅਤੇ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਪਤਨੀਆਂ ਦਮਨਜੀਤ ਕੌਰ ਵਾ ਸੁਰਿੰਦਰ ਕੌਰ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹਨ। ਮੈਂ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦੀ ਹਾਂ। ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ।

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I, Army No. 4359246N Ex-Nk Jagtar Singh S/o Raghunath Singh R/o Vpo. Shakhpur Teh-Nawanshahr Distt. SBS Nagar, Pin-144526, Punjab, India, declare that in my army record my wife name and date of birth wrongly entered Surbhi Rana Date of birth 15-08-1972. But wife correct name Surbhi and date of birth 08-07-1975 so amended my wife name from Surbhi and date of birth 08-07-1975 in my army record.

63372

I, Rahul S/o Ram Parkash R/o Village Haripur tehsil Nakodar district Jalandhar Punjab have changed my name from Rahul to Rahul Rattu. Rahul is my given name and rattu is my surname. All concerned note please.

100066

I Ranjeet Kaur (Aadhar No. 6091 4240 3844) W/o Khushhal Singh R/o Ward No. 3, Desu Majra, Kharar, SAS Nagar Mohali declare that my name is Ranjeet Kaur and my DOB 05/10/1947 is wrongly written in my Aadhar Card. My Correct name is Ranjit Kaur and my correct DOB is 06/07/1947.

100071

I, Johny S/o Sh. Mam Chand R/o College Road Near Sai Mandir Ladwa, Tehsil Ladwa, Distt. Kurukshetra, have changed my name from Johney to Johney Mandhan

989666

I Mamta W/o Pankaj Kumar R/o House No.268/2, Gandhi Chowk Ward No. 8, Ahmedgarh District Malerkotla (148021), Have Changed My Name Mamta to Mamta Singla after Marriage.

50008

I, Sukhdp S/o Jagir Chand R/o Vpo Samrai Colony, Tehsil Phillaur, District Jalandhar, Have Changed My Speeling Name From Sukhdp To Sukhdeep.

400011

I, Shailpreet Kaur W/o Maninder Singh Sidhu R/o.809-D, Ranjit Avenue Near Beant Singh Park Amritsar Punjab have Changed my name to Sahilpreet Kaur Sidhu

72737

I, Anil S/o Amrit Lal, R/o House No. 76, Mahu Patti, Dablain, District Jind declare that I have changed my name from Anil to Anil Mor. In the future I should be known as Anil Mor. Concerned Please Note.

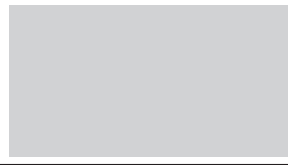
100039

I, Pooja Verma, daughter of Shri N K Verma, resident of Kaithal hereby declare that I am also known as Pooja Seth daughter of Naresh Kumar Verma. Both names refer to one and the same person. Henceforth, I shall be known as Pooja Seth for all official purposes

100039

I, Jasbir Kaur W/O Balwinder Singh R/O Village Sheikhpur, District Kapurthala, Punjab Have Changed My Name From Jasvir Kaur To Jasbir Kaur. All Concerned Please Note.

600022



PUBLIC NOTICE

That my client Kulvinder Kaur wife of Gurnit Singh resident of 357-L, Model Town, Ludhiana has lost her Transfer Deed vide wasika no.14637, Dt.11-12-2015 some where and the same is untraceable. In this regard my client has got lodged one DDR bearing SR no.709874, Dt. 20-04-2026, if anybody find the same, then return the same to my client at the above given address and do not misuse the same in any manner, otherwise he shall be fully responsible for legal consequences. (Ms. Neha Arora, Advocate, Chamber no.4017-A, 4th Floor, New Lawyer Chamber Complex, Distt. Courts, Ludhiana

63372

I, Rekha Kumari W/o Ashok Kumar R/o Vill: Barth Sahib Sarna Station Teh & Distt Pathankot have changed my name from Rakha Kumar to Rekha Kaur.

63372

I, Gurwinder Singh Saggu S/o Harbans Singh R/o House No. 334 Ward No. 25 Patti Mohabat Ke, Moga Tehsil & District Moga have changed my name Gurwinder Singh Saggu To Gurwinder Singh.

63372

I, Gurwinder Singh s/o Kulwant Singh village Marauli khurd Tehsil Morinda District Rupnagar have changed name of my minor son from Parminder Singh to Parwinder Singh.

63372

I, Daljit Kaur w/o Surjit Singh R/o Changaliwala, Tehsil Lehra Distt. Sangrur Declare that I Daljit Kaur and Soma Devi are one and same person and I am known by both these names.

63372

I, Hitherto Known As Navjot Kaur Nee Sanju Kumari D/O Bharat Singh R/O 14, Street No.1, Swaraj Enclave, Sector-127, Kharar, Tehsil Kharar, Distt Sas Nagar, (Mohali), Punjab-140301, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Navjot Kaur.

63372

I, Sukhwinder Kaur W/o late Devinder Singh Mundi R/O Kaddon (Ludhiana) changed my name after Marriage Harneet Kaur Mundi.

63372

I, Paramjit S/O Ram Chand, Resident Of Vpo Saloh Tehsil Nawanshahr Distt S.B.S Nagar, Punjab-144514, Have Change My Name From Paramjit To Paramjit Singh.

63372

I, Navpreet Kaur Sidhu D/o Rashpal Singh Distt. Moga VPO Bahona Pincod-142011 have changed my name from Navpreet Kaur.

63372

I, Anjali Bakshi, w/o Ravjiwan Verma, R/o House No. 7, Gate No. 6, Jhill Road, Maharaja Narindra Enclave, Patiala. that I have changed my name from Anjali Bakshi to Anjali Verma.

63372

I, Mohammad Anwer s/o Fateh Mohammad R/o Malerkotla Pb. have changed my name "Mohd Anwer@Mohammad Anbar" to "Mohammad Anwer"

63372

I, Haneefa w/o Mohammad Anwer R/o Malerkotla Pb. have changed my name Hanifa to "Haneefa"

63372

I, Dilbag Singh S/o Chuhar Singh R/o Village Dakala Tehsil/Distt. Rupnagar Have changed my name from Dilbara Singh to Dilbag Singh.

63372

I, Sukhdeep Singh s/o Kulwinder Singh r/o Village Hussainabad tehsil Nakodar (Jal.) declare that pass certificate of ICSE exam (10th) in 2024, unique ID 8180223 is irretrievably lost Nakodar. Police report has also been filed regarding the missing certificate.

100066

I Resham Kaur W/O Kuldeep Singh R/o vpo. Majara, tehsil balachaur, distt. Sbs nagar (144526) declare that my given name Resham And My Surname Is Kaur Concerned Note Please

63372

I, Ramesh Kumar S/o Piara Lal Jain, H.No. B8/NCR/06A, Naw Cantt Raod Jain Colony, Faridkot Faridkot, Punjab 151203 have changed my name from Ramesh Kumar to Ramesh Kumar Jain.

63372

I, Harpreet Kaur W/O Sukhdev Singh R/O Vill. Sakho Majra, P.O. Morinda, Tehsil Morinda, Distt. Rupnagar, 140101, Punjab. I Have changed My Name Harpreet Kaur To Kaur Harpreet.

63372

I Prakash singh s/o Uttam singh r/o village majri sodhian distt. Fatehgarh sahib have changed my name Parkash singh.

63372

I, Harinder Pal Kaur Gill W/o Jagmail Singh R/o Village Jandali, PO Nizampur Tehsil Payal Distt Ludhiana have changed her name from Harinder pal Kaur Gill to Harinder Pal Kaur.

63372

I, Archna Gupta W/o Rattan Chand, H.No. 412 Sector 124, Sunny Enclave Kharar, Po. Kharar Distt. SAS Nagar (Mohali) Punjab-140301 have change name from Archna Devi to Archna Gupta.

63372

I, Rattan Chand S/o Hans Raj, H.No. 412 Sector 124 Sunny Enclave Kharar, Po. Kharar Distt. SAS Nagar (Mohali) Punjab-140301 have change name from Rattan Gupta to Rattan Chand.

63372

I, Jashanpreet Singh Daion S/O Sukhwinder Singh R/O Machhiwara Khas (Ludhiana) have changed my name into Jashanpreet Singh.

63372

I, Jashanpreet Singh Daion S/O Sukhwinder Singh R/O Machhiwara Khas (Ludhiana) have changed my name into Jashanpreet Singh.

63372

I, Navjot D/O Amrik Chand, R/O Vill. & P.O. Bairsian, Tehsil Nawanshahr, Distt. S.B.S. Nagar, Pb.India .I have changed my name from Navjot to Navjot Kaur.

63372

I, Kulveer Raj S/O Jaswinder Raj, R/O Vill. Bhagoran, Tehsil Nawanshahr, Distt. S.B.S.Nagar,Pb. India. Declares that my surname as Raj and my given name as Kulveer.

63372

I, Dalvinder Singh S/o Sucha Singh Resident of VPO. GarhPadhana, Tehsil Nawanshahr Distt. Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar-144518 Punjab, India have changed my name from Dalvinder Singh to Dalwinder Singh All Concerned note please.

63372

I, Bhajan Singh S/o Sardar Singh Village Mathi Po Saidpura, Teh& Distt Fatehgarh Sahib have changed my name Bhajan Singh to Harbhajan Singh.

63372

I, Pawan Sharma S/O Husan Lal, resident of City Amloh, Ward No. 12, District Fatehgarh Sahib, have changed my name to Pawan Kumar.

63372

I, Parul C/o Bhupinder Singh H.No. 4334 Near Kutia Mandir GT Road Bara Sirhind Distt Fatehgarh Sahib have changed my name from Parul to Parul Anand.

63372

I, Balpreet Singh S/O Narinder Singh Vill Majhooor Tehsil Nawanshahr Distt SBS NAGAR have changed my name Balpreet Singh to Given name Balpreet and Surname Singh for all future process. I have split my name to include a surname. I will known as singh balpreet in future.

63372

I, balvinder kumar s/o sohan lal H.no 55 Village near Shiv Mandir Patti sunita Village Dakha disit ludhaina change my Balvinder Sharma.

63372

I, Ajay Kumar Chhabra S/o Amarjit R/o Gali No.03 W.No.17 Gurduwara Sangatsar Sahib Ram Nagar Lal Singh Road Moga Changed Name Ajay Kumar.

63372

I, Amarjit Chhabra S/o Bihari Lal R/o Gali No.03 W.No.17 Gurduwara Sangatsar Sahib Ram Nagar Lal Singh Road Moga Changed Name Amarjit.

63372

I Gurpreet Singh Sandhu S/o Thana Singh R/o Kishanpura Said (Moga) Have Changed My Name To Gurpreet Singh.

63372

I, Sunny Son of Sushil Kumar, Resident of VPO Saloh Tehsil Nawanshahr Distt. Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar-144514, Punjab have changed my name shall hereinafter be known as Sunny Kumar.

63372

I, Sandeep Kaur W/O Lovepreet Bhullar R/O 2192 New Abadi Nakodar-144040, Distt. Jalandhar have changed my name sandeep kaur to kaur sandeep. Kaur is my surname all note please.

63372

I Kashmir Kaur W/o Hans Raj R/o VPO. Mehli, Teh, Banga Distt Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar Punjab I have changed my name from Kashmir Kaur to Kashmir Kaur Basra.

63372

I, Hans Raj S/o Parkash Ram R/o VPO. Mehli, Teh, Banga Distt Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar Punjab I have changed my name from Hans Raj To Hans Raj Basra.

63372

I, Amarjit S/o Sucha Ram R/o Village Manguwal, Distt. Shaheed Bhagat Singh, Nagar Punjab India have changed my name Amarjit to Amarjit Guru.

63372

I, Kuldeep Singh S/o Gurdev Singh R/O VPO Garhpadhana Tehsil Nawanshahr Distt SBS Nagar have changed my name from Kuldeep Singh To Kuldip Singh.

63372

I Kailash chand Gupta s/o Raghubir Mal r/o House no.48, opposite girls college ground Amloh road Khanna (Ludhiana)have changed my name from Kailash chand gupta to Kailash chander gupta.

63372

I, Kuljinder singh Bansal S/O Baljit Singh R/o VPO Shankar distt Ludhiana have changed my name to Kuljinder Singh.

63372

I, Jasvinder Kaur w/o Bhupinder Singh R/o Nathoke (Moga) have changed my name to Jaswinder Kaur

63372

I, Hem Raj S/o Joginder Chand R/o Vill. Harmoyan PO Patti District Hoshiarpur Punjab Pin 146104 have changed my name from hem Raj To Hem Raj Singh Hem Rajas Given name and Singh as Surname.

63372

I, Poonam W/o Gurpreet Singh R/o VPO Bazidpur Teh Nawanshahr, Distt. SBS Nagar Punjab-144518 Have changed the Name of my minor Daughter Sukhmpreet Kaur and she Shall Hereafter Be Known as Kaur Sukhampreet.

63372

I, Gurjeet Kaur W/o Bhupinder Singh Badesha R/o Village Balala, Tehsil Samrala, District Ludhiana have changed my name to Gurjeet Kaur Badesha.

63372

I, Bhupinder Singh S/o Mahan Singh R/o Village Balala, Tehsil Samrala, District Ludhiana have changed my name to Bhupinder Singh Badesha.

63372

I Ashok Kumar s/o Jaswant Ram village Sherpur PO Shadipur Tehsil Phillaur Distt Jalandhar , punjab, have changed my surname Kumar Ashok.

63372

I Charanjit Singh S/o Gurjant Singh R/o Village Khai, Tehsil Lehra (PB) have changed my name to Charanjit Singh Brar.

63372

I, Raj Kumar Maurya S/o Ram Autar R/o H. No.211 Ward No.19, Janta Nagar Dhuri, Distt Sangrur, have changed my name to Raj Kumar.

63372

I Jannat D/o Sh. Mukesh Kuamr R/o H.No.1871/39, Qila Mohalla, Ludhiana declares that I have changed my name from Shabnam to Jannat. Concerned be noted.

63372

I Ajit Singh S/o Jhanda Singh R/o Dhani Hargobind Pura, Patti Amra Urf Patti Sadiq Distt. Fazilka Have Changed My Name Ajit Singh To Jit Singh.

63372

I Harjinder Kaur W/o Gurchet Singh R/o Village Akia Jalal, Tehsil Rampura Phul, District Bathinda, have changed my name to Rajinder Kaur.

63372

I, Mohd Shakil S/O Mohd Hanif R/O Mohalla Ilyas Khan, Inside Delhi Gate, Malerkotla Distt. Malerkotla have changed my name to Mohammad Shakil.

63372

I, Mohd Idrish S/O Mohammad Ramzan R/O Prem Nagar, Malerkotla, Distt. Malerkotla have changed my name to Mohammad Adrish.

63372

I, Kuldeep Singh Wraich S/O Amar Singh R/O Village Mubarakpur Tehsil & Distt. Malerkotla have changed my name from Kuldeep Singh Wraich to Kuldeep Singh.

63372

I Manjit Kumari Sharma W/o Sukhbir Kumar R/o Vpo Swaddi Kalan Tehsil Jagraon Distt Ludhiana, Have changed my name to Manjit Kumari.

63372

I, Kamaljit Kaur D/o Balwinder Singh R/o Sabuwali Teh-Shahkot Distt. Jalandhar have changed my name from Kamaljit Kaur to Kamaljeet Kaur.

63372

I, Rajdeep Singh S/o Balbir Singh R/o Vill: Basti Rampur Jagir Teh- Sultanpur Lodhi Distt. Jalandhar have changed my name from Rajdeep Singh to Singh Rajdeep.

63372

NEWS BRIEF

Chaitanya Sharma slams Congress over alleged insult, governance issues



AVINASH CHAUHAN
AMB: State BJYM Vice President and former MLA Chaitanya Sharma launched a sharp attack on the Congress and the Sukhu government during a press conference, raising multiple issues ranging from alleged insult to a senior Scheduled Caste leader to an incident during a Himachal Day tribute ceremony in Una, Sharma termed the alleged misconduct by Gagret MLA Rakesh Kalia towards former minister and Scheduled Caste Welfare Board Chairman Kuldeep Kumar as "serious and condemnable." He demanded a public apology, stating that such behaviour towards a four-time MLA and former Industry Minister was unacceptable.

Technical University Hamirpur approves annual budget of Rs. 76.07 crore

ANIL KUMAR HAMIRPUR, APR 20

The Himachal Pradesh Technical University, Hamirpur has approved an ambitious and forward-looking annual budget of Rs. 76.07 crore for the financial year 2026–27, setting a new direction in the fields of technical education, research and innovation. The budget was passed after detailed deliberations in a Finance Committee meeting chaired by Vice-Chancellor and Secretary of Technical Education Dr. Abhishek Jain. The budget was also approved by the University's Board of Directors. Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu stated that the



university's goal is not limited to providing traditional education, but also to encourage students to actively participate in innovation, research skills and various co-curricular activities. He emphasized that the budget would play a significant role in promoting both academic empowerment and holistic development of students. He

further stated that special focus would be given to entrepreneurship development programs, industrial exposure and training, enabling students to gain practical knowledge and become self-reliant. Dr. Abhishek Jain said that the university will soon launch Ph.D. programs, which would be implemented not only on campus but also across affiliated institutions. This initiative will strengthen research culture in the state and elevate the standards of higher education.

He highlighted that the budget reflects a progressive vision that balances education, research, skill development and will

significantly enhance the technical education landscape of the state. For the first time, a dedicated budget has been allocated to strengthen research and innovation. The University has earmarked Rs. Three crore for developing modern laboratories, equipment and technical infrastructure, while Rs. One crore has been allocated for books, e-books and research journals, demonstrating the university's commitment to quality enhancement. The university will also introduce provisions for awarding honorary Ph.D. degrees to distinguished individuals who have made outstanding contributions in academia, research, industry and society.

Dy CM lays foundation stone of Rs. 37 crore Ghaluwal-Jhalera double-lane bridge

KISHORI LAL BAINS UNA, APR 20

Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri laid the foundation stone for a Rs. 37 crore double-lane bridge over the Swan river at Ghaluwal, aimed at strengthening connectivity and easing traffic in the region. The 292.5-metre-long bridge, to be constructed under National Highway 503A, has been approved by the Union Ministry of Road Transport and Highways following sustained efforts over the past one-and-a-half years. Addressing the gathering, Agnihotri said the bridge serves as a gateway to Haroli and will significantly improve traffic flow and safety. He noted that the existing bridge, built in 1962



during the tenure of former Punjab Chief Minister Partap Singh Kairon, had become inadequate due to increased traffic and structural limitations. The new bridge is expected to provide a long-term solution to congestion and monsoon-related disruptions. He added that the project will enhance connectivity and give a boost to regional development. Speaking about ongoing

infrastructure works, the Deputy CM said that 11 bridges worth Rs. 132 crore are currently under construction in the Haroli area to address missing connectivity links. These include projects at Chandpur, Ispur–Dera Baba Bharthari, Gondpur Jaichand, Haroli, Badhnera, Kangar and Palakwah. In addition, a Rs. 52 crore Pandoga–Tyudi bridge is also under construction.

Incubation Centre for Agricultural Vocational Education inaugurated at Nauni Varsity

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, APR 20

In a significant boost to agricultural vocational training for school students, a state-of-the-art Agricultural Incubation Centre established at a cost of Rs. 1.7 crore was inaugurated at Dr. YS Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni. The centre has been developed under a partnership between the university and Samagra Shiksha, Himachal Pradesh. The initiative is part of the World Bank-funded STARS Project under the Ministry of Education. The facility was inaugurated by the Vice Chancellor, Rajeshwar Singh Chandel, in the presence of statutory officers and faculty members of the university associated with the project. The incubation centre is equipped with modern infrastructure, including an IoT lab, computer lab, greenhouse lab, STL lab and a classroom with a seating capacity of 40



students. The facility also includes advanced resources such as drones, Meta Quest devices, modern tablets, hydroponics systems, rainwater harvesting units, soil testing kits, etc. Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Chandel emphasized that the incubation centre, along with its modern infrastructure, will play a crucial role in equipping students with the latest knowledge and practical skills in agriculture. He reiterated that the primary objective of the centre is to develop students' technical expertise,

hands-on skills and professional attitude required to excel in agriculture and allied sectors. By promoting innovation, experiential learning and skill development, the centre aims to prepare students to meet emerging challenges in the sector. He further highlighted that the project aligns with the vision of the National Education Policy 2020, which emphasizes bridging the gap between academia and industry to enhance educational quality and vocational competence.

Nutrition awareness camp held in Kuthar Khurd

KISHORI LAL BAINS UNA, APR 20

A nutrition awareness camp was organized in Gram Panchayat Kuthar Khurd under the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) project Una as part of the ongoing Poshan Pakhwada campaign. The camp was chaired by Circle Supervisor Kulbir Kaur from Jhalera, with active participation from Anganwadi workers, beneficiaries, and local residents. During the camp, women and families were sensitized about the importance of regular health check-ups for pregnant and lactating mothers, timely vaccination of children, and the need for a balanced and nutritious diet. Kulbir Kaur informed that this year's theme of Poshan Pakhwada focuses on "Maximizing Brain Development in the First Six Years of Life." She



emphasized that early childhood, particularly the first 1,000 days, is crucial for a child's brain development, physical growth, and overall health. Scientific evidence suggests that over 85% of brain development occurs by the age of six, making proper nutrition, responsive care, and early education essential during this period.

She highlighted key focus areas including promotion of maternal and child nutrition, balanced diet during pregnancy, exclusive breastfeeding, and age-appropriate complementary feeding. Special emphasis

was also laid on responsive caregiving and early learning activities for children aged 0–3 years, along with play-based education for children aged 3–6 years to support their holistic development and school readiness.

Stressing the role of parents and the community, she urged reducing screen time among children and encouraging their participation in physical and creative activities. She also called for strengthening Anganwadi centres through community involvement, improving basic facilities, and enhancing service delivery.

Naihariya ITI observes Fire Safety Week



AVINASH CHAUHAN

AMB: Fire Safety Week was observed on Monday at the Government Industrial Training Institute, Naiharian, where trainees were taught the tricks of controlling fire. It is worth noting that Fire Safety Week is celebrated every year from April 14th to 20th to pay tribute to the 66 brave firefighters who sacrificed their lives in the service of the nation during the Mumbai postal explosion on April 14th, 1944. During the practical workshop, Fireman Manohar Singh of Amb Fire Station told the trainees how to control the fire in case of different types of fires and how to rescue themselves. He told that if someone catches fire, do not run, but stop and lie down on the ground and roll. He told that in such an emergency, dial the toll free number of fire service 101. He told that while informing the fire service about the fire, remain calm and give the correct name and address of the caller. On this occasion, various types of exercises were also conducted to control the fire. Other employees of the Amb fire station, Ranjit Singh and Pawan Kumar, also provided the trainees with important information about fire safety.

Training key to strong organisation: Sanjeev Katwal



DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA: BJP State General Secretary Sanjeev Katwal said that training is the backbone of a strong organisation, emphasizing that the party aims to build ideologically empowered and well-informed workers through its ongoing initiatives. Sharing details about the district-level training camps organised under the Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Training Mega Campaign 2026, he stated that the Bharatiya Janata Party is conducting extensive training programs across the state to strengthen organisational structure and ideological clarity. Katwal informed that the training sessions will cover 11 key subjects, including BJP's history and development, worker development and responsibilities, organisational functioning, welfare schemes of the Modi government, Integral Humanism, cultural nationalism, booth management, current political and social challenges, media and social media roles, ideological ecosystem, and organisational expansion. He added that senior leaders such as Satpal Singh Satti, Virender Kashyap, Rajiv Saizal, Bikram Thakur and several others are participating as expert speakers.

Kangra Civil Hospital receives gift of water storage tank

SANJAY AGGARWAL DHARAMSHALA, APR 20

The groundbreaking ceremony for a new water storage tank with a capacity of 50,000 liters was held today within the premises of the Civil Hospital, Kangra, with the aim of resolving water-related issues faced by patients and their attendants. The foundation stone for this tank was laid by the esteemed hands of Chaudhary Narendra (Nishu Mongra)—Chairman of the Agricultural Produce Market Committee (APMC), Kangra, and Chairman of the Himachal Pradesh Other Backward Classes (OBC) Commission. The hospital administration stated that the construction of this tank was absolutely essential to ensure an uninterrupted water supply during the summer months,



when shortages are common, as well as during emergency situations. Consequently, water supply to the wards, OPD, and emergency services will now remain available around the clock. "The primary prerequisite for effective healthcare services is the availability of basic amenities. Every patient visiting this hospital is a member of our own family. Our endeavor is to ensure that no one faces any inconvenience regarding basic

necessities such as water. On behalf of the Market Committee and the OBC community, we pledge to remain at the forefront of every initiative undertaken in the public interest. This marks a small yet significant step towards transforming the Kangra Hospital into a model hospital. I assure the CMO and the entire hospital staff that, in the future as well, we will prioritize and fulfill whatever requirements may arise."

Former MLA Kamlesh Kumari targets Bhoranj MLA, accuses state govt of vendetta politics

ANIL KUMAR HAMIRPUR, APR 20

Former MLA and BJP Mahila Morcha state general secretary Kamlesh Kumari launched a sharp attack on Bhoranj MLA Suresh Kumar and the state government, alleging that governance in the constituency is being driven by "narrow thinking and vendetta politics." In a statement issued to the press, Kumari alleged that a centuries-old cremation ground in Sammu Tal was demolished during the night. She claimed that when local residents attempted to rebuild it and filed a police complaint, police personnel were deployed, creating fear among villagers. She further alleged that a new cremation site is being deliberately constructed near the homes of Scheduled Caste families, causing them distress



and forcing them to consider legal recourse. Targeting the Congress leadership, she accused Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu and the local MLA of working to suppress political opponents while favouring their associates. Referring to alleged actions against the family of MLA Ashish Sharma, she termed the developments as politically motivated.

HPV drive gains momentum in Bilaspur, Dharmani calls it game-changer for girls' health

AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY BILASPUR, APR 20

In a major push toward safeguarding adolescent health, Technical Education Minister Rajesh Dharmani has intensified the call for HPV vaccination, terming it a crucial shield against cervical cancer. Emphasizing the urgency, he urged parents to ensure that girls aged 14–15 receive the vaccine, highlighting that timely immunization can significantly reduce future cancer risks. Raising concern over rising cases, Dharmani noted that cervical cancer instances are being detected regularly during medical procedures in the region, underscoring the importance of prevention through



vaccination. He described the ongoing HPV campaign as a transformative step toward protecting young girls from life-threatening diseases. The campaign is steadily progressing across Bilaspur district, with 788 adolescent girls already vaccinated against a target of 2,735, as confirmed by Chief Medical Officer Dr. Shashi Dutt Sharma. Vaccination sessions

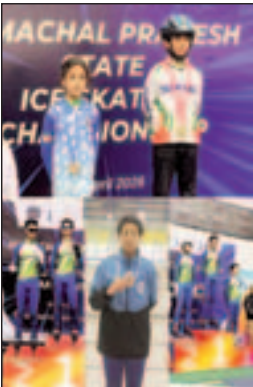
are being conducted daily from 10 AM to 3 PM across 31 health centers, including AIIMS Bilaspur, with special drives planned to accelerate coverage. Health officials highlighted that HPV infection is responsible for nearly 83% of cervical cancer cases in India, making vaccination a powerful preventive tool. With an extensive network of cold chain points ensuring vaccine safety and accessibility, the district administration is leaving no stone unturned.

Calling for collective participation, Dharmani appealed to schools, parents, and communities to support the initiative, asserting that this campaign is not just a health program but a vital investment in the future of the nation's daughters.

AHS & AHSB students qualify for National Ice Skating Championship

DINESH AGARWAL

SHIMLA: In a significant sporting achievement, four students from Auckland House School (AHS) and Auckland House School for Boys (AHSB) have qualified for the National Ice Skating Championship, following their commendable performance at the Himachal Ice Skating Association's State Championship and training camp held in Dehradun from April 18, 2026. Representing Shimla district, which secured the overall first position with 10 Gold, 6 Silver, and 3 Bronze medals, the students delivered outstanding performances across categories. Moksh Sharma (AHSB) won Gold in the Senior Category, Samarth Attri (AHSB) secured Gold in Junior B, and Reyansh Verna (AHSB) earned Bronze in Junior C. Swarnjali Thakur Nirala (AHS) added to the achievement by winning a Silver medal in the 300 metres event. The students were trained under the expert guidance of Coach Mr. Pankaj Prabhakar, whose dedicated mentorship contributed significantly to their success. The Director–Principal of Auckland House School, Mrs. Smaraki Samantaray, expressed immense pride in the students' accomplishments and lauded their dedication and discipline. Mr. Reuben John, Principal of Auckland House School for Boys, also congratulated the achievers and encouraged them to continue striving for excellence at the national level. The Auckland Schools fraternity celebrates this proud milestone and extends its best wishes to the young skaters for their upcoming national competition.



Politics intensifies on Women's Reservation Bill, Congress accuses BJP of "anti-women thinking"

DINESH AGARWAL

SHIMLA: Political debate is intensified once again across the country regarding the Women's Reservation Bill. Meanwhile Himachal Pradesh Congress Committee (HPCC) General Secretary and Senior Leader Hari Krishan Himral, has attacked Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and termed this party as traditionally against women. Himral issued a statement that the Congress party has always been in favor of women empowerment. The testimony of this is clearly visible in country's history. He said the country's first women Party President, first women Prime Minister, first women Chief Minister of the state , First Women Speaker in both Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha, and likewise in many other fields has been appointed by Congress party whereas BJP never gave opportunity in its platform to appoint its Women President as Party head ever.The work of advancing women has been done by Congress only. 33 % Reservation to Women in PRI has been envisaged by our late Prime Minister Sh. Rajeev Gandhi and the bill was passed and implemented by Congress in his regime. He alleged BJP's attitude towards women is circling suspicion. Mentioning cases like Bridge Bhushan Sharan Singh and Kuldeep Sengar and said that BJP, s stance in such cases is seen against the respect of women.



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NEWS BRIEF

Vikas Bansal appointed Youth State General Secretary of Agarwal Vaishya Samaj

CHAMANLAL KARNAL: Vikas Bansal of Karnal has been appointed as the General Secretary of the Agarwal Vaishya Samaj's youth state unit. He was appointed by State President Ashok Buwaniwala. Vikas Bansal expressed his gratitude to the State President and all senior officials for his appointment. He stated that he would fulfil the responsibility with honesty and integrity. Working



with Youth State President Himanshu Goyal and Executive President Mayank Garg, he will work to strengthen the organization. He further stated that youth units will soon be formed at the district and assembly levels. Youth who are actively dedicated to the Agarwal Vaishya Samaj will be assigned these responsibilities. He stated that after the formation of all youth units, special attention would be paid to their all-round development. Various programs, such as personality development, leadership development and internships, will be organized to prepare the younger generation not only for current challenges but also to develop them into capable and aware leaders in the future.

Storyteller Waryam Singh Sandhu and 50 poets honored



KULDEEP SOOD BARNALA: Sant Atar Singh Ghunnas Memorial Literary Trust organized a grand honor ceremony dedicated to the holy day of Baisakhi at Gurdwara Sahib Tap Asthan Atar Singh Ghunnas. In which famous Punjabi storyteller Waryam Singh Sandhu was honored. After being honored, Sandhu said that this is the first time in my half-century literary journey that I have been honored in the presence of Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji. He said that it is also a matter of happiness for me that 53 prominent writers who served the Punjabi language before me have been honored at this place. Among them are those writers, whom I became a writer after studying.

Manipur: Sit-in protest held at Khuman Lampak to condemn killings of civilians

AGENCY IMPHAL, APR 20

A sit-in protest was staged at Khuman Lampak on Monday, strongly condemning the killing of innocent and unarmed civilians in recent attacks along the Imphal-Ukhrul road. The protest was organised by Tangkhul Avenue Village, Khuman Lampak Apunba Association, and Nagaram Village. Demonstrators raised slogans against the alleged involvement of Kuki militants in the incidents at Tronglaobi and near TM Kasom in Ukhrul district. The protestors specifically condemned the killing of two Tangkhul Naga passengers and the injury of several others in an ambush on National Highway 202 near TM Kasom on April 18. They



also expressed outrage over the earlier killing of two minor children on April 7, terming both incidents as "barbaric acts against innocent civilians." Speaking to ANI, JK Raikhan, Chairman of Nagaram Village, said the protest was organised to express deep grief and anger over the repeated attacks on civilians. This is a twin incident protest. On April 7, two innocent children were killed, and on April 18, innocent Tangkhul

KARAMBIR LADWA: Rohit Singla of Ladwa has been appointed state secretary of the youth wing of the Agarwal Vaishya Samaj. Rohit Singla shared this information with reporters at his office in Ladwa on Monday, after becoming secretary. He stated that he was



given the responsibility of youth secretary by the state president of the Agarwal Vaishya Samaj, Ashok Buwaniwala. He praised the social and religious works being done in Ladwa and said that Rohit Singla has been engaged in the service of the society for a long time.

Impressed by his work, he has been assigned a big responsibility in Agarwal Vaishya Samaj Haryana and has been made the State Secretary of the Youth Unit. He said that he would fulfil the responsibility given to him with full dedication and honesty.

United Kisan Morcha lock market committee office in protest against new rules introduced for farmers

KARAMBIR LADWA, APR 20

Angered by the new decrees implemented for farmers, Indian workers and farmers under the banner of the United Kisan Morcha locked the Market Committee office and raised slogans against the government. The farmers sitting on a dhama outside the locked office were seen cursing the government. To deal with any untoward incident, Ladwa DSP Nirmal Kumar was present on the spot with the police team. After receiving information about the locking of the committee office, Ladwa SDM Anubhav Mehta reached the spot and assured the BKU workers and farmers that he would forward the demand letter submitted by them to the higher authorities. After submitting the memorandum



to the SDM, just one and a half hours later, at around 12:30 pm, the farmers opened the lock of the committee office and ended the protest, whereas the United Kisan Morcha had decided to close the office by 2 pm. Addressing the workers and farmers sitting on the protest, BKU district head Ramdhari alias Bhura Duda said that from the President to a Panch level everyone takes the food produced by the farmers, but despite this, the government issued new orders on the farmers every

season, due to which the farmers have to face a lot of problems. Farmers have to put their thumb impressions to sell their crops in the markets. They have to get gate passes issued. They have to get registration done on the portal. Why are thumb impressions not taken on liquor contracts, which is also fatal for the people? Why is the government not taking concrete steps to stop the increasing drug addiction in the cities, due to which the youth is getting ruined today?

Delegation meets MPs, MLAs; seeks extension of Hisar-Ludhiana train to Amritsar



MAHENDER GOYAL HISAR: Passengers traveling from Hisar to Amritsar face difficulties due to lack of direct train services. Currently, a train is available from Hisar to Ludhiana. Passengers arriving in Ludhiana have to wait for hours for a train to Amritsar. This process is not only inconvenient but also consumes time and resources. Recognizing this problem, a delegation from Hisar submitted a memorandum to MP, MLA and Mayor, demanding resumption of a train from Hisar to Amritsar. Delegation led by social workers Shivam Soni, Dinesh Kumar, Shyam Sunder Nagpal and Deepak Nagpal met with Hisar Cabinet Minister Ranbir Gangwa, MP Jaiprakash, MLA Savitri Jindal, MLA Randhir Panihar, MLA Chandraprakash and Mayor Praveen Popli and submitted memorandum regarding their demands. Memorandum clarified that there is currently a train service from Hisar to Ludhiana. This service should be expanded and train service to Amritsar should be started. Shivam Soni explained that currently, only one direct train per day is available from Hisar to major cities in Punjab, including Amritsar, Beas, Jalandhar Cantt and Nakodar.

Trident Group celebrates Mission Day 2026 with vision for growth and global leadership



KARANPREET KARAN BARNALA: Trident Group marked its annual Mission Day 2026 across all its key locations, bringing together teams from all business divisions in a showcase of performance, purpose and shared ambition. The annual platform aligns strategic priorities, with each business outlining targets and execution roadmaps for the year ahead, aimed at driving clarity, accountability and sustained growth. As part of the celebrations, 350 awards were conferred across business verticals, including yarn, towel, sheeting, paper, chemicals and energy. The awards recognised individuals and teams for exceptional performance, innovation and commitment. Chairman Emeritus, Trident Group, Shri Rajinder Gupta addressed employees through a specially recorded message played during the occasion, in which he said that, "Mission Day reflects our long-term direction. Our mission is to achieve 33% CAGR while strengthening free cash flow and building global excellence. With a continued focus on cost optimization and the integration of sustainability, automation and AI-driven technologies, we continue to shape a more efficient organization, resilient in approach, agile in execution and prepared for the opportunities ahead."

14 nodal officers appointed for smooth procurement in Faridkot: DC

SURINDER DAMDAMI KOTKAPURA, APR 20

As per the orders of the Punjab Government, the procurement of wheat crop has been started from 1 April 2026. In view of which, the District Magistrate cum Deputy Commissioner Faridkot Poonamdeep Kaur has appointed nodal officers in the mandis in the district to conduct the procurement of wheat in a smooth manner, who will be responsible for conducting the procurement of wheat without any disruption. Giving information in this regard, District Magistrate cum Deputy Commissioner Poonamdeep Kaur said that Nirmaljit Kaur is the inspector of Urban Faridkot, Main Mandi Faridkot, Machaki Kalan, Mehmuana, Bir Chahal, Pakka, Chandbaja, Sarabjit Kaur is the inspector of Sadiq, Main Mandi Sadiq, Buttar, Deep Singh Wala, Mummara,



Kauni and Jand Sahib. Simarjit Singh Narikhak Golewal, Golewala, Kotha Maluka Patti, Sadhanwala, Kabalwala, Pehlulwala, Bhagthala Kalan, Ranisha Attri, Narikhak Machaki Kalan, Pakhi Kalan, Arayanwala Kalan, Hardialeana, Ghugiana and Dod, Kulbir Singh Narikhak Bargari, Jaito, Bajakhana, Bargari, Dod and Chandbhan, Kamardeep Singh Narikhak Behbal Khurd, Behbal Kalan, at Burj Jawahar Singh Wala ,

Ravi Kumar Narikhak Sandhwan, Main Mandi Kotkapur, Khara, Wada Daraka, at Hari Nau, Lalit Sen State Tax Officer Kotkapura, Kotsukhia, Aulakh, Panjgrain Kalan, Jeeunwala, at Dhurkot, Shinam Rani State Tax Officer Jaito, Rori Kapura, Gobindgarh, Ghania, Khachra, at Karirwali, Akashdeep State Tax Inspector Jaito, Rameana, Surghuri, Bishnandi, Sarawan, Jhakharwala, at Matta, Vivek Mehra, State Tax Inspector Kotkapura, Dhimanwali, Mor, at Fidekalan, Rajbans Singh Narikhak Gudara, Chaina, Lambwali, Malla, At Wada Bhai Ka, Harmanpreet Kaul Gill has been appointed as the Nodal Officer at Narikhak Marak, Dabri Khana, Romana Ajit Singh. She said that the SDMs will be the overall in-charge for the supervision of the mandis coming under their constituency.

Self-enumeration drive gains momentum in Panipat

RAKESH BHAYANA PANIPAT, APR 20

In a step towards making Census 2027 more efficient, transparent, and technology-driven, the self-enumeration facility has been opened for citizens until April 30, 2026. Leading by example, Deputy Commissioner Dr. Virender Kumar Dahiya completed his own self-enumeration at the District Secretariat on Monday and encouraged residents to actively participate in the initiative. Dr. Dahiya informed that citizens can access the official portal, register using their mobile number, and fill in details for themselves and their families online. He highlighted that this digital process not only saves time but also enhances accuracy and transparency in data collection. He further stated that the self-enumeration



option is available in 16 languages and includes a 33-question form, allowing individuals to directly input their information, thereby improving reliability. Emphasizing collective participation, the DC noted that involvement of government officials and employees would inspire the general public and ensure the campaign's success. He urged all employees to complete their self-enumeration

within the given timeframe. Additionally, he shared that the house listing phase of the census will take place from May 1 to May 30, during which essential details of buildings, households, and families will be gathered. Dr. Dahiya appealed to citizens to cooperate fully with census officials and provide accurate information to ensure the smooth and systematic completion of this important exercise.

BJP is trying to destroy federal structure: Devendra Singh



RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR: Congress District Urban President Devendra Singh targeted BJP, calling it a politics of self-interest. He said BJP government is attempting to destroy federal structure. He said that Delimitation Bill, not Women's Reservation Bill, was defeated in Lok Sabha. He questioned justification for bringing it now when Women's Reservation Bill was passed unanimously in 2023. Devendra Singh said that BJP is actually losing sleep due to fear of losing ongoing assembly elections in Assam, West Bengal, and other states. Congress District Rural President Chaudhary Narpal Singh Gurjar said that BJP is trying to divide society and harm harmony. He said that the BJP is facing defeat in 2029 Lok Sabha elections. It wants to impose limits as per its own will. Devendra Singh said that BJP should implement Women's Reservation Bill passed in 2023 without any delay. According to this, 180 seats in Lok Sabha should be reserved for women. District President Chaudhary Narpal Singh Gurjar said that public has understood BJP's intentions. He said that Congress has always respected women. He said that BJP is only pretending to be a supporter of women. BJP has nothing to do with welfare of women. He said that public has understood reality of BJP.

Bandhu Helping Hands' eye check-up and operation camp concludes



SARABJIT SUFI LUDHIANA: Bandhu Helping Hands Social Service Organization, led by founder Samarta Kaur and her team, in collaboration with Leafod Helping Health Limited, organized a free eye checkup and operation camp in Harcharan Nagar. According to founder Samarta Kaur, a team of eye doctors from CMC Hospital provided free services during the checkups and operations at the camp. She stated that 750 patients were examined at the OPD camp, 500 of whom received free eyeglasses on the spot, and 75 patients were selected for cataract surgery, who will be operated on today. The organization provided adequate food, drinks, and seating for all patients. Present on the occasion were, among others, Inder Aggarwal, Councilor Ashok Parashar, Pappi, MLA Surinder Dawar, Gurdev Sharma, Debi, Gurdeep Singh Gosha and Ripu Gill, Amit Arora, and Bal Krishna Suman. Hariom Jindal ji and Savita Sharma ji were present among the special guests.

Free Sanskarshala launched for needy children on Akshaya Tritiya

RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR, APR 20

On the auspicious occasion of Akshaya Tritiya, a free education center (Sanskarshala) has been set up in village Nalagarh, district Yamunanagar, for needy and poor children. This Sanskarshala has been established by Gulmohar Academy, Yamunanagar. The main objective of this Sanskarshala is to provide education to those children who, due to various reasons, do not attend school regularly, or even if they study in government schools, lack proper support at home for their studies. A total of 21 children have been registered in this Sanskarshala. Out of these, 12 children are not currently



attending any school, while 9 are students of government schools. The program began with a Havan and Saraswati Puja. After that, Prabhu Shri Karta Das Ji from ISKCON Temple, Yamunanagar, imparted spiritual education to the children through Hari Naam Sankirtan and extended his best wishes to all members associated with the Sanskarshala. During the event, the President and members of Inner Wheel

Club, Jagadhri North, distributed educational materials to the children. Additionally, Inner Wheel Club, Yamunanagar, also provided small bags and notebooks to the children. Shri Gaurav Krishna Garg Ji and Nidhi Garg Ji played a major role in making the program successful. The initiative has begun to fill the young dreams of these children with the colors of education.

Lord Parashurama descended to earth to eradicate sin and sinners: Ashok Arora

JAIBER RANA THAMBER BARARA, APR 20

Thanesar MLA and former Minister Ashok Arora, accompanied by his supporters, arrived at the Lord Parashurama Chowk located on Railway Road to offer floral tributes and pay his respects at the feet of Lord Parashurama. On this occasion, the 'Brahmacharis' (celibate students) of the Kurukshetra Sanskrit Vedic School and Hostel—operated by the 'Shri Brahmin evam Teerthodddhar Sabha'—conducted a formal worship ceremony. Extending his greetings to all countrymen on the occasion of Lord Parashurama Jayanti, Ashok Arora stated that Lord Parashurama incarnated to eradicate sin and sinners from the face of the earth. He is revered as the sixth incarnation



of Lord Vishnu. Arora further remarked that Lord Parashurama—the avatar of Lord Vishnu—has inspired humanity to walk the path of righteousness. He consistently imparted the lesson of adhering to the righteous path; today, it is incumbent upon all of us to follow the path of righteousness shown by Lord Parashurama and thereby contribute to the advancement of both our nation and our faith. Among the many dignitaries who offered floral tributes to Lord Parashurama on this occasion were Jalesh Sharma (former Chairman of

the Improvement Trust and former President of the Shri Brahmin evam Teerthodddhar Sabha), Rampal Sharma (General Secretary of the 'Sabha'), executive members Rajesh Joshi and Vivek Bhardwaj 'Dabbu', former Municipal Councilor Gaurav Sharma 'Gauri', Mahesh Sharma (owner of MK Enterprises), Vishal Modgil, Pawan Kumar Leela, Ashwani Sharma, Satish Sharma, Gaurav Sharma, Municipal Councilor Paramvir Singh 'Prince', Ranbir Singh Boora (Sarpanch of Kimich).

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Instructions for swift resolution of public grievances at 'Samadhan Shivir'

JAIBEER RANA THAMBER BARARA: A 'Samadhan Shivir' (Grievance Redressal Camp) was organised in the auditorium of the Mini Secretariat, Barara, under the chairmanship of Sub-Divisional Officer (Civil) Satindra Siwach. The objective of this camp was to listen to the problems faced by common citizens and resolve them on the spot. Officials from various departments were present at the camp; they listened to the people's complaints with earnestness, and necessary directives were issued to ensure their expeditious disposal. SDM Satindra Siwach directed officials from the Panchayat Department, Education Department, Food and Supplies Department, and the Women and Child Development Department—among other relevant departments—not to exercise any negligence whatsoever in resolving public grievances. He stated that the 'Samadhan Shivir' is a priority for the government, serving as a mechanism to ensure the swift resolution of people's problems. He further instructed the officials to dispose of all complaints in a time-bound manner and to conduct on-site inspections whenever necessary. People from various areas attended the camp and presented their grievances. Taking immediate cognizance of all complaints received during the camp.

SEC reviews poll preparedness, stresses strict vigilance on law and order

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, APRIL 20

Haryana State Election Commissioner Sh. Devinder Singh Kalyan today issued clear and detailed instructions to General, Police and Expenditure Observers while reviewing election preparedness in a meeting held at the Haryana State Election Commission office, Panchkula. He emphasized that conducting elections to Urban Local Bodies and Panchayati Raj Institutions in a free, fair, transparent and peaceful manner is the top priority.

He directed the observers to maintain continuous vigilance over law and order in their respective areas, visit sensitive and hypersensitive polling stations to review security arrangements, and keep strict watch on the distribution of cash, liquor, clothes or any other inducements aimed at influencing voters. Instructions were also given to ensure control over illegal arms, criminal elements and anti-social activities, along with ensuring the security of locations where EVMs are stored.

The State Election Commissioner said that observers should continuously assess the preparedness of the dis-

trict administration and immediately bring any shortcomings to the notice of the Commission. He clarified that observers will remain stationed at their assigned locations until the entire election process is completed.



He said that details of the observers' place of stay and mobile numbers will be made available to the public through print and electronic media, enabling voters, candidates and political parties to directly reach them with complaints. Observers will remain accessible to all stakeholders and ensure that grievances are promptly forwarded to the concerned authorities for necessary action.

It was also directed that the randomization process of polling personnel and EVMs will be conducted strictly in the presence of observers. They will coordinate with administrative and police officials to review law and order arrangements and basic facilities for voters at polling stations, and will conduct inspections during the election period.

Issuing specific directions for Expenditure Observers, Sh. Devinder Singh Kalyan said that every candidate must maintain a correct day-to-day account of election expenses from nomination to declaration of results. All expenditures, including those on vehicles, fuel, campaign material, advertisements, food, water and other election-related activities, must remain within the prescribed limits. In case of exceeding the limit or failure to submit accurate accounts, action including disqualification may be taken as per rules.

He directed that Expenditure Observers must regularly scrutinize the accounts of each candidate and ensure inspection at least once every three days. Special vigilance should be maintained to check illegal supply and use of liquor during elections, and necessary action including setting up checkpoints should be taken.

Harvinder Kalyan lays foundation for Green belt beautification works in Sectors 6 and 7

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, APRIL 20

On Monday, Haryana Assembly Speaker Harvinder Kalyan laid the foundation stone for beautification works in the green belts of Sector 6 (at a cost of 2.94 crore) and Sector 7 (at a cost of 1.92 crore). These construction works are being undertaken in collaboration with the Haryana Urban Development Authority (HUDA) and the Municipal Corporation. Speaking on the occasion, he announced that the beautification project would involve the construction of boundary walls—complete with grills—and walking paths within the green belts. Provisions will be made for local residents, including an open gym, play equipment for children, benches for seating, waste bins, and shelters to provide respite from the rain. He further mentioned that grass and saplings would also be planted within the green belts. This entire project is expected to be completed within approximately one year. On this occasion, the Assembly Speaker stated that the area comprising Sectors 6 and 7 falls under the Gharaura Assembly constituency. He remarked that the people of this region would never forget the developmental works undertaken by Union Minister Manohar Lal during his tenure as the Chief Minister of Haryana over the past nine and a half years. He highlighted that all colonies surrounding Sectors 6 and 7 have been regularized.

Furthermore, a university, a ring road, canals, and bridges have been constructed in the area. Local schools are currently being upgraded, and healthcare services have witnessed significant improvement. Moreover, Karnal is now set to receive a new Civil Hospital. The Assembly Speaker noted that all MLAs in the district are diligently pursuing developmental initiatives. Politically, this region has emerged as a strong and robust entity. Work has also commenced on the Rapid Metro project in Karnal. Additionally, arrangements have been made to facilitate Chhath Puja celebrations for the migrant population residing here. Festivals cele-



brated by the migrant community are now observed with great grandeur and enthusiasm. The needs and requirements of all residents in the region are being comprehensively addressed. He concluded by stating that the beautification of the green belts would provide the elderly, women, youth, and children with a wonderful space to spend quality time. The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly stated that Prime Minister Narendra Modi's dream of a 'Developed India' by 2047 cannot be realized without the power of women (*Nari Shakti*). Both the Central and State governments are moving forward in the direction of empowering women. The Prime Minister works 20 hours a day to strengthen the nation, and his team is working with complete honesty and a spirit of service.

Transparency has been introduced in job recruitment; while the government is working to fulfill the basic needs of the people, it is equally the responsibility of the citizens to honestly discharge their duties alongside exercising their rights. He remarked that while many nations are engaged in conflict, our country remains secure in the hands of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Addressing the delays occurring in road construction and strengthening projects, he explained that the global oil crisis has deepened due to ongoing wars, leading to a decline in bitumen production. He gave assurances that Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini has pledged to resolve the bitumen shortage—including through imports if necessary—and to ensure that road construction projects are completed within the stipulated time-frame.

Plastic overuse has become a serious environmental threat: Sanmeet Kaur Ahuja

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA NILOKHERI, APRIL 20

The Municipal Committee Nilokheri conducted an awareness drive under the Swachh Survekshan campaign to promote a clean, healthy, beautiful and plastic-free city. As part of the "Jaago Nilokheri Jaago, Plastic Tyago" initiative, a special drive against single-use plastic was carried out at Gol Market.

The programme was held under the leadership of chairperson Sanmeet Kaur Ahuja and secretary Dr Rahul Saini. During the campaign, cloth bags were distributed among shopkeepers and residents, and detailed information was shared about the harmful effects of single-use plastic.

Addressing the public, Sanmeet Kaur Ahuja said that plastic is not only damaging the environment but also posing a serious threat to human health. She appealed to resi-

dents to stop using plastic and contribute towards making Nilokheri clean and plastic-free. She noted that plastic does not decompose easily, leading to soil, water and air pollution. It also accumulates in rivers and oceans, endangering aquatic life, while ani-



mals often ingest plastic waste, resulting in fatal consequences. Burning plastic releases toxic gases that adversely affect human health.

She emphasized the need to reduce plastic usage, adopt cloth or jute bags, and avoid single-use plastic. She also stressed the importance of stricter regulations, public awareness, and promoting reuse and recycling to protect the environment.

Municipal secretary Dr Rahul Saini said the rising use of single-use plastic is contributing to environmental pollution and health hazards.

He expressed confidence that with public cooperation, Nilokheri would achieve a strong ranking in the Swachh Survekshan.

Congress blames BJP for spreading false propaganda on Women's Reservation Bill

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, APRIL 20

A press conference regarding the Women's Reservation Bill was organised on Monday by the District Congress Committee. It was presided over by the Urban District President, Parag Gaba. Prominent figures present on this occasion included Navjot Kashyap, Sapna Rana, Madhurya Kalra, Leena Ray Kalra, Avinash Yadav, and Joginder Valmiki. Addressing the press conference, Parag Gaba stated that the Congress party has always prioritized the dignity and rights of women. He accused the BJP of spreading false propaganda by claiming that the Congress is opposing the Women's Reservation Bill. He clarified that the Congress

is not against the Women's Reservation Bill; rather, the party's objection pertains solely to the issue of delimitation. He argued that reservation should be granted based on the census. He further noted that the Congress had sup-



ported this bill in 2023, and if reservation is implemented across all 543 Lok Sabha seats, the party will continue to support it. Speaking on the occasion, Congress lead-

er Monica Dumra asserted that women received full respect during the Congress regime and that the party has never been opposed to women's reservation.

She stated that the BJP is spreading lies and confusion among the public by falsely claiming that the Congress opposes women's reservation. She added that while the Congress party has always struggled to secure rights for women, the current government's repeated attempts to entangle this issue in various procedures and conditions constitute, in essence, an injustice against women's rights.

Other party workers present at the event included BINDER POSWAL, DILSHER DACHER, TARUN CHAUHAN, LALIT AHUJA, DEEPAK MAHAJAN, PANKAJ GABA, SURESH CHAUDHARY, YUVRAJ SINGH BHATTI etc.

Rakesh Garg re-elected president of Shanti Van Gopal Gaushala

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

TARAORI: A meeting of Shanti Van Gopal Gaushala in Taraori was held to review the work carried out over the past two years and to constitute a new executive body for the upcoming term. Office-bearers, members and prominent citizens of the town attended the [111].

Outgoing president Rakesh Garg presented a detailed report of the gaushala's activities, including development works, service initiatives and financial status during his tenure. The report was appreciated by the members present. The election process for the post of president for the next two years was conducted under the supervision of Ramesh Gupta of Shiv Shakti Inter Global and Lala Nathi Ram Gupta. Rakesh Garg was unanimously re-elected as president.

Expressing gratitude after his re-election, Garg said he would honour the trust reposed in him and continue to work with dedication for the development of the gaushala and cow welfare activities. Among those present were former Aggarwal Sabha president Ramesh Gupta, former president Anil Gupta, Lala Nathi Ram Gupta, Rakesh Goyal, Krishna Chandra Singla, Chaudhary Ram Singh and other members and dignitaries.



Capacity building programme on disaster management held at DAV Public School, Sadhaura



PRITI SAINI

SADHAURA: A one-day Capacity Building Program (CBP) on the subject of Disaster Management was successfully organized by the CBSE at DAV Public School, Sadhaura. The objective of this workshop was to equip teachers with the essential life-saving skills and practical knowledge required to act effectively during emergency situations. The session was conducted by esteemed resource persons, Mr. Ankit Sharma and Ms. Ranjana Bhardwaj. They provided the participants with highly useful and practical information. The training covered critical topics such as CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation), fire safety, first aid, the proper use of stretchers, and appropriate management protocols during emergencies. The workshop was participatory and hands-on in nature, with teachers from various schools actively participating and practicing the techniques demonstrated during the session. The resource persons placed special emphasis on the importance of rapid response and preparedness during times of disaster. At the conclusion of the programme, Ajay Sharma expressed his heartfelt gratitude to the resource persons and thanked all the participating teachers for their enthusiastic cooperation. This programme proved to be a significant initiative aimed at fostering safety awareness and promoting disaster management preparedness among teachers.

'Samadhan Shivir' effective medium to Implement pledge of good governance at the grassroots level: DC

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, APRIL 20

A 'Samadhan Shivir' (Resolution Camp) was organised on Monday at the district headquarters, presided over by Deputy Commissioner Dr. Anand Kumar Sharma, and attended by officials from various departments. During the camp, the Deputy Commissioner issued directives to issue show-cause notices to the Executive Engineers of the Irrigation Department (Karnal and Indri divisions) and the Food Safety Officer, as they were found to be absent without prior intimation. Resolution camps were held today at all sub-divisional levels, including the district headquarters; specifically, 13 complaints were received at the Karnal headquarters, one in the Nilokheri sub-division, one in the Indri sub-division, and two in the Assandh sub-division. No complaints were received in the Gharaura sub-division.

The Deputy Commissioner stated that, in accordance with the directives of Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini, resolution camps are organized every Monday and Thursday at both the district and sub-divisional levels, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The primary objective of these camps is to ensure the swift, transparent, and effective resolution of the common citizens' grievances. He instructed

officials to treat the complaints received during these camps with utmost seriousness and to ensure their resolution on a priority basis, thereby sparing the public from facing unnecessary hardships and the need to make repeated rounds of government offices. He further directed officials to ensure the time-bound resolution of public grievances so as to further strengthen the citizens' trust in the government and the administration. He emphasized that the resolution camp serves as an effective mechanism for implementing the government's pledge of 'Good Governance' at the grassroots level. All heads of departments were instructed to ensure that every complaint is resolved within the stipulated time-frame and that a high-quality Action Taken Report (ATR) is uploaded to the portal, thereby preventing any complaint from remaining pending again. He directed officials to focus specifically on older, long-pending complaints and ensure their expeditious disposal. Instructions were issued to ensure the proper resolution—or the initiation of necessary action—regarding all complaints prior to the review meeting of the 'Samadhan Cell' scheduled for Friday. The Deputy Commissioner urged all citizens to take maximum advantage of these camps organized by the government and to utilise them to get their grievances resolved.

Community honour energises me to serve with greater commitment: Praveen Lather



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

KARNAL: A felicitation ceremony was organised at Jat Chaupal near Jaton Gate by the local Jat Panchayat and Jat Mohalla to honour BJP Karnal district president Praveen Lather.

The event was attended by Karnal MLA Jagmohan Anand, Mayor Renu Bala Gupta, former pradhan Joginder Lather, pradhan Mehtab Singh, councillor Priyanka Mittu Saini, nominated councillor Gaurav Nagpal, along with several prominent citizens and community members.

During the event, members of the Jat community honoured Praveen Lather by presenting him with a traditional turban as a mark of respect.

Addressing the gathering, Lather said the affection, respect and blessings received from society are deeply motivating. He expressed gratitude to the community, stating that the honour symbolised their trust and would inspire him to work with renewed energy.

He assured attendees that he would uphold the dignity associated with the honour and fulfil all responsibilities entrusted to him with sincerity and dedication.

Urban Challenge Fund to accelerate city development: Mayor

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, APRIL 20:

Mayor Renu Bala Gupta welcomed the Centre's Urban Challenge Fund (UCF), calling it a transformative initiative aimed at ensuring comprehensive, resilient and long-term urban development. She said Karnal, which has already set benchmarks in cleanliness and overall growth, will further accelerate its development trajectory through the fund.

The mayor stated that under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the guidance of Union Minister Manohar Lal Khattar, the fund is expected to redefine the landscape of urban development in India. Following the issuance of operational guidelines on April 15, cities like Karnal are likely to witness enhanced infrastructure growth and planning efficiency. She informed that the fund, backed by central assistance of 1 lakh crore, is projected to catalyse nearly 4 lakh crore in urban investments over



the next five years, with a special focus on tier-2 and tier-3 cities. Under the scheme, up to 25 per cent central assistance will be provided for projects, while at least 50 per cent funding will be mobilised through market-based mechanisms such as bank loans, municipal bonds and public-private partnerships.

The mayor added that the UCF will promote redevelopment of old urban areas and traditional markets, strengthen urban transport and last-mile connectivity, and boost non-motorised transport systems. It will

also support improvements in water supply, sewerage and sanitation infrastructure. Additionally, a sub-scheme for credit repayment guarantees will enable smaller cities to access market-based financing for the first time. Expressing confidence, she said Karnal, already progressing as a smart city, will emerge stronger with enhanced infrastructure, improved civic amenities and modern urban services.

Knowledge empowers independent thinking, decision-making, says Hani Chaudhary

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA TARAORI: A thought-provoking and educational play on the theme "My Dream Classroom" was presented by students of Class 6-B at Pratap Public School, Taraori.

The students brought their vision of an ideal classroom to life on stage, leaving the audience impressed.

Addressing the gathering, Principal Vikas Kumar highlighted the importance of a classroom environment, stating that an ideal classroom integrates discipline, cleanliness and creativity along with academic learning.

Through their performance, the students showcased features of their dream classroom, including smart boards, a clean environment, comfortable seating arrange-

ments and modern teaching facilities.

School director Pithi Chaudhary said that the institution is committed to fulfill-

self-control rather than compulsion. She said competition should focus on self-improvement rather than outperforming others.



ing students' aspirations and will continue to work towards providing advanced facilities like dream classrooms in the future.

Chairperson Hani Chaudhary, while interacting with students, emphasized that discipline should be a form of

"Knowledge is the power that enables you to think, make decisions and choose the right path independently. Students should not only study but also develop the habit of understanding concepts and asking questions," she added.

Nomination process begins for by-elections to District Council Ward No. 10 and MCI Taraori Ward No. 8

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

KARNAL: Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer Dr. Anand Kumar Sharma announced that the nomination process for the by-elections to District Council Ward No. 10 and Municipal Council Taraori Ward No. 8 commenced on April 21. For the District Council Ward No. 10 by-election, aspiring candidates may file their nomination papers at the Deputy Commissioner's Court, located within the Mini Secretariat, between April 21 and April 25, 2026, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Similarly, for the Taraori Ward No. 8 by-election, candidates may file their nomination papers at the Nilokheri SDM Court between April 21 and April 25, 2026, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The SDM of Nilokheri has been designated as the Returning Officer for the Municipal Council Taraori Ward No. 10 by-election. The scrutiny of nomination papers will be conducted on April 27, and candidates may withdraw their nominations by 3:00 PM on April 28, 2026; immediately thereafter, election symbols will be allotted to the candidates. He further informed that voting for the aforementioned posts will be held on May 10, 2026, from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM. The counting of votes for the municipal bodies will begin on May 13 at 8:00 AM at designated centers, whereas the counting of votes for the Panchayati Raj Institutions will be conducted immediately after the conclusion of voting, or, if necessary—in the event of re-polling—on May 12. He stated that for positions such as Panch, Sarpanch, and members within the Panchayati Raj Institutions, candidates belonging to the General Category are required to have passed the 10th grade; whereas, for women and candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes, the minimum educational qualification has been set at an 8th-grade pass. Specifically, for female candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes—who wish to contest elections for the posts of Panch or as members of the Nagar Parishad/Palika or Nigam (Municipal Corporation)—the minimum educational qualification has been prescribed as a 5th-grade pass.

ਗਰੇਟਰ ਮੁਹਾਲੀ ਏਰੀਆ ਡਿਵੈਲਪਮੈਂਟ ਅਥਾਰਟੀ (ਜਨਤਕ ਸੂਚਨਾ)



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- 1) Swaran Kaur Mother
- 2) Daljit Kaur Wife
- 3) Simranpreet Kaur Daughter
- 4) Harmanpreet Singh Son

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EDITORIAL

Protest in Nepal against taxation on imports from India

A protest has erupted in Nepal's Birgunj town, adjoining India, against the government directive to tax all sorts of items above NRS 100 being imported from India. The protest comes in the wake of the strict monitoring by the security agencies along the border points in the southern plains of Nepal, claimed to control the revenue leakage. The move comes amid complaints that residents in border areas frequently travel to Indian markets to purchase food items, clothing and other household goods, leading to sluggish local markets and loss of national revenue. "Whatever the rituals are performed here (Nepal) from birth to death, we bring all the essentials from there (India), even the fertilisers which the Government of Nepal at times is not able to provide on time, we bring them from there. Now the situation has turned different; it is an unannounced blockade. The Jana Adhikar Party demand it to be withdrawn. Failure to control the plunder by the Government of Nepal is its incapacity," a protester told. The Armed Police Force (APF) has started urging people to mandatorily pay customs duty on goods worth more than Rs 100 brought in from India. Targeting ordinary citizens who previously enjoyed informal customs exemptions for small purchases and household items, the government has begun strictly enforcing a rule requiring mandatory customs duties on any goods valued over NRS. 100 rupees. "They're not allowed to bring in items that cost above NRS 100 without paying tax; we want this provision to end. It has brought us to the protest. They should also respect the relation that exists- the relation of Roti-Beti between India and Nepal. We are demanding that the government give an exemption to the items that cost above Nrs. 100, which is for domestic use," another protestor told. The secondary customs points are seeing widespread crackdowns in the name of controlling customs evasion. High-ranking officials at the Department of Customs have confirmed this tightening of border controls. An official stated that the government's previous declaration to control revenue leakage at border points is now being implemented strictly. It has always been the government's policy to adopt a zero-tolerance approach to prevent illegal imports in customs areas. The Customs Act already had a provision requiring duties on goods worth more than 100 rupees, the official said. "We have become more proactive now. There are similar directives from the Minister and the Prime Minister. According to the official, joint monitoring teams comprising the Department of Customs, the Department of Revenue Investigation, District Administration Offices, Nepal Police, and the Armed Police Force have increased their activity, leading to stricter controls on all goods entering the country. Furthermore, private vehicles with Indian license plates are now prohibited from entering Nepal without prior authorisation. Previously, motorcycles with such plates were frequently seen entering Nepal, and some individuals were even using them within the country. This unilateral, strict policy and the ban on Indian-registered vehicles have created significant problems in the border districts of Madhesh, affecting the daily lives of residents.

Dhaka–Delhi ties enter a new phase of realism and recalibration

The people of Bangladesh are now looking toward Prime Minister Tarique Rahman's visit to India. When will the Prime Minister of Bangladesh travel to Delhi? Will this visit take place before any other foreign tour? Discussions are raising a key question: how can relations between the two countries return to their previous trajectory? Can Bangladesh move away from its hardline anti-India stance? The questions are many. "Delhi or Dhaka, Dhaka Dhaka"—until recently, the streets echoed with such slogans. That scene is no longer visible. Anti-India slogans have decreased in Bangladesh. Provocative and negative propaganda on social media has also declined. After the Sheikh Hasina government, Jamaat-backed student groups were encouraged in anti-India provocation by the Yunus and Asif Nazrul, Rizwana, Faruqi-led government. The Yunus administration did not allow the Bangladesh cricket team to travel to India to play in the World Cup. They frequently issued threats regarding the Seven Sisters. They were engaged in dangerous, provocative activities in coordination with Pakistan. They sought to maintain tension along the border between the two countries and trigger the rise of terrorism and militancy. Yunus and his advisers, on one hand, carried out repression against minorities and dissenting voices, and on the other hand, fueled anti-India sentiment. They did all this to cover up their own corruption and other misconduct. Those days have now come to an end in Bangladesh. The current BNP-led government is shaping its foreign relations in the international arena with a focus on global realities. As a result, their first attention as a neighbour is toward India. In a turbulent world of economy and security, Bangladesh-India relations are moving toward a new foundation. Under this new trajectory, Foreign Minister Khalilur Rahman and Adviser Humayun Kabir visited India. They conveyed and received messages. They held meetings with India's External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar. Humayun Kabir also



held separate discussions with BJP representatives. These extended discussions clarified what Bangladesh expects from India. Naturally, Bangladesh no longer wants a one-sided relationship. Relations must be country-to-country. India also supports a positive relationship along these lines. So, where are the obstacles to building this positive relationship? Experienced Bangladeshi diplomats say there are no major obstacles at present. Bangladesh has responded positively to India's diplomacy in supplying energy and food. In terms of bilateral security interests, Bangladesh also seeks a constructive relationship. A positive relationship will also send a favourable message for the economies of both countries in the future. Since December 16, 1971, Bangladesh-India relations reached their lowest point during the tenure of the Yunus and Company government in Bangladesh. During that time, even the minimal normal relations were damaged by Dr Yunus

himself. The Bangladesh Army then increased ties with the Pakistan Army. An adviser named Dr Asif Nazrul, along with his associates Syeda Rizwana Hasan, Mostafa Sarwar Faruqi, Ali Riaz, and others, along with army generals Kamrul and Faizur, steered Bangladesh toward a Pakistan-oriented direction. They frequently visited Pakistan. During the same period, within Yunus's 18 months, the presence of Pakistanis in Bangladesh also increased. Pakistani military and civilian officials were seen more frequently in elite social clubs and hotels. Pakistani cultural festivals were held at Dhaka University. Direct flights of Biman Bangladesh Airlines to Pakistan were launched. Several advisers and military officials made repeated visits to Pakistan, which drew public attention. After the election and the formation of a government under Tarique Rahman, the situation has begun to change. The BNP has chosen a path of positive diplomacy with all. Moving beyond past mistakes, Bangladesh

and India have extended hands toward a positive trajectory. Not party-to-party, but people-to-people connections and individual-to-individual relationships are being prioritized. It is worth noting that regarding the 2014 and 2018 elections in Bangladesh, BNP politics had questions and discomfort about India's role. There was a significant gap. Now that discomfort is easing through high-level diplomatic meetings between Bangladesh's top foreign policy officials and India's leadership. Both countries are accepting hard realities. As an initial step in reopening cooperation, India has supplied diesel to Bangladesh. Bangladesh has received several large consignments, and more are expected. India has also taken steps to resolve visa complications. Medical and business emergency visa services will reopen soon. This will benefit both countries. People-to-people contact will increase. According to diplomats, there is not much complexity in the relationship between

the two countries. Much depends on mutual respect and regard. In this era, no relationship is one-sided. Longstanding issues such as water sharing, security, and territorial integrity of borders remain priorities for both nations. For this reason, both countries are working—and will continue to work—on issues related to India's Northeast, the Chittagong Hill Tracts, and public security. People want solutions. They want an end to drug trafficking, human trafficking, illegal arms smuggling, and illegal border crossings. All existing bilateral issues need gradual resolution through dialogue. Quick resolution of these issues will enhance India's image. It must be understood that economically, both countries are interdependent and complementary. Through increased cooperation, both can benefit further economically. Trade imbalance and water-sharing issues between Bangladesh and India must be resolved. There is nothing overly complex about these matters. In the past, both countries have resolved many complex issues through dialogue. After independence, in just a few minutes of discussion between Mujib and Indira, Indian troops were withdrawn from Bangladesh. There is hardly any precedent in the world of allied forces withdrawing so quickly. In the early years of the previous Awami League government, the Land Boundary Agreement, exchange of enclaves, resolution of adversely possessed land, and the Berhampur-Bheramara power import deal marked a positive phase in relations. According to diplomats, this created an environment of fairness. From the Ganges water treaty to resolving corridor issues, many steps have improved bilateral relations. Even the settlement of maritime boundary disputes through international arbitration was a major chapter, regarded as an important success for Bangladesh. Now, under the new government, if sensitive issues such as the Tipaimukh dam project and Teesta water sharing are resolved through mutual understanding,

Caffeine, taurine in energy drinks driving liver damage in young adults



Liver specialists warned that rising consumption of energy drinks, rich in caffeine, taurine, sugar and chemical additives, is increasingly contributing to liver damage among young adults, with doctors reporting a surge in early-stage liver disease cases. Backed by clinical observations and global scientific evidence, experts said the trend is gaining pace, with younger patients presenting with liver dysfunction far earlier than previously seen.

Recent medical studies have highlighted the harmful impact of energy drinks on liver health. A widely cited case published in the BMJ Case Reports documented acute hepatitis in a previously healthy individual linked to excessive consumption of energy drinks, primarily due to high levels of niacin (Vitamin B3), which in large doses is known to be hepatotoxic. Researchers note that the combination of high sugar content, caffeine, and chemical additives in these beverages can trigger fat

accumulation in liver cells, oxidative stress, and inflammation, key processes that contribute to liver injury over time. Frequent consumption, particularly alongside alcohol or unhealthy diets, significantly increases the risk of non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD), experts said. "Over the past few years, we have seen a significant increase in young patients presenting with liver dysfunction. Three major contributors stand out: energy drinks, alcohol, and high-sugar beverages," said Dr Abhideep Chaudhary, President of the Liver Transplantation Society of India (LTSI) and Chairman and Head, Department of HPB and Liver Transplantation, BLK-Max Hospital, New Delhi. He warned that energy drinks, often perceived as harmless, are loaded with stimulants and additives that place a heavy metabolic burden on the liver when consumed in excess. Prolonged biochemical overload from high levels of caffeine, taurine and other herbal stimulants, often exceeding recommended daily limits, is a key

factor behind liver damage and, in severe cases, organ failure. Cautioning against the combined intake of alcohol and sugary drinks, Dr Chaudhary said this "perfect storm" is contributing to a steady rise in liver failure cases, often leaving transplantation as the only treatment option. India is also witnessing a sharp rise in non-alcoholic fatty liver disease, particularly among young adults. Studies suggest that nearly 25–30 per cent of the urban population may be affected, including a growing number of individuals in their 20s and 30s. "Today, we are seeing a demographic shift in liver disease. Patients in their 20s and 30s are coming to us with conditions that were once seen primarily in older individuals," said Dr Neerav Goyal, President-Elect of LTSI and Head, Liver Transplant, Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Surgery, Indraprastha Apollo Hospital, New Delhi. Medical experts also flagged the aggressive marketing of energy drinks to young people, as performance enhancers and fatigue relievers, as a major driver of rising consumption.

Govt clears 'Bharat Maritime Insurance Pool' with Rs 12,980 cr sovereign guarantee

The Union Cabinet approved the proposal for the creation of a domestic insurance pool, namely 'Bharat Maritime Insurance Pool' (BMI pool) with a sovereign guarantee of Rs. 12,980 crores to facilitate continuous maritime insurance coverages. The pool ensures that Indian trade continues to have access to affordable insurance for vessels carrying cargo from any international origin to Indian ports and vice versa, even when transiting volatile maritime corridors. According to the Ministry of Finance, with increased global volatility and geopolitical instability, maritime trade has been impacted with increased risk of losses for cargo and vessels, resulting in increased insurance costs and uncertainty in the continuous availability of insurance. Further, there is high dependence of Indian vessels on the International Group of Protection and Indemnity (IGP&I) Club for P&I insurance covering third-party liabilities like Oil pollution liability, Wreck removal, Cargo damage, Crew injury and repatriation, Collision liabilities and so on. Accordingly, there was a need for a domestic maritime risk covering pool to maintain sovereignty and continuity of trade in face of withdrawal of coverage due to sanctions or due to geopolitical tensions.

In the above backdrop, the Government has approved formation of 'Bharat Maritime Insurance Pool' (BMI pool) for Indian flagged or controlled vessels or vessels destined to or starting from India, backed by a sovereign guarantee. The pool would cover all maritime risks like Hull and

regulatory requirements, develop specialized Marine underwriting, claims management and legal expertise within India. Further, a Governing Body constituted for this pool would oversee the formation and functioning of the pool. The rationale for



Machinery, Cargo, P&I and War risk. The policies will be issued by insurers that are Pool members, using the combined underwriting capacity of the Pool, which would be around Rs.950 crore. The Pool will help to manage liability insurance locally, tailored to Indian Shipping conditions and

providing a sovereign guarantee to the proposed domestic insurance entity is rooted in the objectives of strengthening self-reliance, sanctions resilience and ensuring greater sovereign control.

When institutions are tested: Election Commission's moment in Bengal

Occasionally, democratic systems reveal their weaknesses through stress points rather than withstand them. In West Bengal right now, one of those instances has emerged, illuminating how election oversight functions under pressure. The Election Commission of India holds authority defined by Article 324, meant to oversee polls with independence. Designed originally as a bulwark against manipulation, its purpose appears clouded today. What matters most isn't the scope of legal power at hand; instead, attention turns toward willingness to act. Functioning as a protector of rules demands more than mandate-it requires posture, presence, and follow-through. Observers watch closely, uncertain whether restraint signals strategy or retreat.

Being independent does not mean simply having rules- it means acting independently every day. Beginning with its 1978 ruling in Mohinder Singh Gill vs Chief Election Commissioner, the Supreme Court outlined clear boundaries for this particular authority. Though Article 324 grants broad powers, the judges emphasised they are far from absolute, like water stored behind a dam, ready when needed, yet constrained by structure. Where legislation falls silent, that authority can step in, though it must recede where statutes already speak. Action taken without legal backing remains permissible only if the law does not oppose such action. What holds electoral governance together in India is less about authority itself and more about how carefully it is used. Power



alone does not grant credibility- what matters is consistency in applying it. What stands out about Article 324 is how carefully it balances strength with clarity. Built into its framework is a body free from executive control; also standing apart from shifting legislative moods when carrying out essential duties. Protected by clause (5), the Chief Election

Commissioner holds office just as securely as a justice of the Supreme Court does. This safeguard reflects one clear worry woven deep in the Constitution that election fairness

should never bend to passing political pressures. Yet even the most thoughtful structure depends entirely on whether people uphold it in practice. Being independent beyond regional unrest, they challenge the legitimacy woven into the democratic structure. Yet this principle shows signs of fraying during election periods in Bengal. Hours-long detentions of judicial staff overseeing voter list updates - seen recently in Malda amid chaotic resistance-point not to isolated failure but deeper decay. Blocked from fulfilling legal responsibilities, court-appointed personnel face more than operational hurdles: the breach runs into foundational governance. Justice Surya Kant's remark that the act appeared deliberately aimed at undermining voting procedures captures rising concern within the judiciary. When state-level actions interfere with

impartial mechanisms, trust in national processes begins to erode. Episodes like these extend beyond regional unrest; they challenge the legitimacy woven into the democratic structure. What stands out now is how election records are becoming a battleground. Hundreds of thousands have challenged being left off voting registers, pointing to something more troubling beneath the surface. Voting rights may come through law, yet rest at the heart of democracy itself. When many find themselves removed by mistake, intent, or neglect, the entire system loses credibility. Because the Supreme Court has recently emphasised better appeal processes, this move reflects constitutional duty rather than mere attention to rules. Central to this shift stands the Election Commission. Beyond

managing procedures, trust in impartiality becomes its core task. When responses lag, vanish, or lack clarity, damage strikes faster than outright errors ever could. In T N Seshan vs union of India (1995), the Court clarified the Commission's constitutional role- stressing it must remain a collective entity, free from one-person dominance. The judgment confirmed that the Election Commission of India is not regulated by a single individual or does not have concentrated authority; it underscored the institutional balance. This judgment can be used as an instruction in today's situation, where the Commission does not solely work on the assertiveness of its leadership alone, but rather it works with consistency, credibility, accountability, and fairness of procedure.

Lawrence of Punjab': Docuseries based on Lawrence Bishnoi to premiere on April 27



Zee5 announced the release date of the docuseries 'Lawrence of Punjab', which traces the journey of the criminal identity of Lawrence Bishnoi through the culture, systems and visibility. ZEE5 unveiled a bold, gripping trailer of their upcoming original docu-series, Lawrence of Punjab, a culturally rooted story that explores how criminal identities are shaped. Produced by Riverland Entertainment and directed by Raghav Darr, the series will premiere on 27th April. According to the press note by the makers, "Lawrence of Punjab traces the journey of a criminal identity through the lens of culture, systems, and visibility. From student politics and music to ideology and media amplification, the series pieces together how aspiration, power, and perception intersect to shape a new-age digital syndicate. With Lawrence Bishnoi as a key case study within this ecosystem, the narrative expands beyond the individual to examine the larger cultural and social context, focusing on consequences." Zee5 shared the trailer on their Instagram handle.

Director Raghav Darr expressed his opinion about the show, saying, "Lawrence of Punjab was always envisioned as more than just a crime story. Our intent was to understand the 'why' behind the making of such identities: the environment, the influences, and the systems that shape them. At the same time, it was equally important to reflect on what these journeys leave behind. Through this series, we've tried to present a narrative that is both informative and deeply human." Producer Raghav Khanna, Riverland Entertainment, said, "Punjab is a land of resilience and enterprise, with a rich cultural heritage. Lawrence of Punjab explores a recent chapter shaped by real events and multiple perspectives, examining the dynamics of power and influence. The documentary series has been approached with balance, restraint, and sensitivity."

Bhagyashree calls playing Jijau in Raja Shivaji her 'Golden Moment'

Actress Bhagyashree will soon be seen essaying the role of Jijau in Riteish Deshmukh's period drama 'Raja Shivaji'. For Bhagyashree, the project holds a deep meaning as it brings to life the legacy of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. "Chhatrapati Maharaj is the gold of our country and we have brought him home," she shared.

The 'Maine Pyar Kiya' actress further credited Genelia Deshmukh and Riteish Deshmukh for making the project possible.

"Thanks to them for bringing this story to life," she added. Shedding further light on her role as Jijau, Bhagyashree described it as a humbling experience.

"I am extremely humbled to play Jijau. She is not just a mother; she was the strength, the mountain, and the solid foundation that shaped her children," she shared.

Emphasising the resilience of Jijau, she added, "Har anay ke saath woh khadi rehti thi," she went on to add. Calling it more than just a role, Bhagyashree concluded, saying "It's not only a pleasure, it's an honour..."

I'm truly thankful I get to portray such powerful characters."

Meanwhile, speaking during the trailer launch event of "Raja Shivaji", Bhagyashree recalled an adorable moment between Genelia and Riteish. She stated that during the shoot, once Riteish got so busy that he did not get the time to have dinner, and a concerned Genelia ran behind him with a plate full of food, urging him to have something.

Sharing the incident, Bhagyashree said, "I remember one scene. Like Jijabai (Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj's mother) used to feed Shivaji Raju, the director (Riteish) was so busy that it was late at night, and we had all eaten, but he was busy setting up the shots. So our producer (Genelia) was going behind him with a plate of roti and vegetables, asking him to eat one bite. So that's what love is."

Backed by Mumbai Film Company in association with Jio Studios, the core cast of the drama further includes Sanjay Dutt, Abhishek Bachchan, Mahesh Manjrekar, Sachin Khedekar, Bhagyashree, Fardeen Khan, Jitendra Joshi, and Amole Gupte.

Ayushmann Khurrana on getting family comedy right every time: I like my films to be clean

Over the years, actor Ayushmann Khurrana has managed to create a niche for himself, especially when it comes to family entertainers laced with comedy. His blockbuster hits such as "Vicky Donor", "Badhaai Ho", "Bale", "Dream Girl", and "Shubh Mangal Saavdhan" have made him one of the most bankable stars in comedy.

Looking back on his journey and the audience's response to his films, Ayushmann said that he likes his movies to be clean, ensuring that the whole family is able to watch the movie together.

He shared, "I've been incredibly fortunate that audiences have embraced my family comedies over the years. I have worked very hard to build this credibility with the content that I have tried to pick to entertainment people. I like my films to be clean, keeping in mind that an entire family, from anywhere in India, can sit down together to watch it in theatres! Maybe that's why they always show up for my family entertainers. For me, that's a huge responsibility." Ayushmann intends to take his legacy forward with his forthcoming release, "Pati Patni Aur Woh Do", co-starring Sara Ali Khan, Rakul Preet Singh, and Wamiqa Gabbi.

Shedding further light on his next, he added, "With Pati Patni Aur Woh Do, we are taking a familiar, loved space and giving it a fresh, contemporary twist - the confusion, the humour and the situation comedy will hopefully make people laugh their hearts out on 15th May when the film releases in theatres."

"Pati Patni Aur Woh Do" shares the tale of a husband who finds himself entangled between not one or two, but three women, leading to a series of humorous and chaotic situations.

Directed by Mudassar Aziz and produced by Bhushan Kumar, Renu Ravi Chopra, and Krishan Kumar under the banners of T-Series and B R Studios, "Pati Patni Aur Woh Do" will reach the cinema halls on May 15.



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Kajal Aggarwal showers love on son Neil, celebrates little one's 4th birthday



Actor Kajal Aggarwal is showering much love and warmth on her son, Neil, as the little one turns four. In a heartfelt Instagram post, Kajal shared a carousel of pictures and videos from Neil's themed birthday party, joined by friends and family members. In her caption, the actor wrote, "Happiest 4th birthday, my darling sunshine Neil. May your love for adventure, space, planets, and this beautiful universe always shine bright. May your

curiosity and magical imagination never fade. May you always feel the blessings of Lord Ram and Krishna, and continue to joyfully lose yourself in their beautiful stories. May you always remain their most favourite child. We love you more than all the stars in the sky."

She also added a playful note for her son and continued, "You truly do justice to your name, my little astronaut. Reaching for the stars already and stealing our hearts along the way." Fans quickly rushed to the

comment section and showered love for Neil, sending warm wishes. Kajal Aggarwal shares her son, Neil, with husband Gautam Kitchlu. Kajal and Gautam got married in Mumbai in October 2020 and welcomed their baby on April 19, 2022. Announcing the birth of their baby, Gautam shared a post on his Instagram handle and captioned it as, "Our hearts are full and we are full of gratitude. Thank you, everyone, for your love and blessings".

Varun Dhawan feels nervous to dance before Salman Khan on 'Hai Jawani Toh Ishq Hona Hai' sets



Bollywood superstar Salman Khan visited the sets of Varun Dhawan starrer 'Hai Jawani Toh Ishq Hona Hai' during a dance song shoot. He also complimented the dance skills of the actor. Taking to his Instagram handle, Varun Dhawan shared behind-the-scenes footage from the dance rehearsal of the song 'Vyaah Karwado Ji' from his upcoming film, which is directed by his father, David Dhawan. In the clip, Salman Khan was seen asking Varun to watch him take his shot. After performing the hook step, Varun walked up to Salman for feedback. In a playful moment, Salman playfully roasted him, saying, "Was that a rehearsal or the actual shot?", leaving Varun and David Dhawan in splits. "Was it the rehearsal or the take?" said Salman Khan in the video. While sharing the video, Varun wrote, "Always nervous to dance next to In-

dia's biggest kunwara."

"Vyaah Karwado Ji" is the first track from Varun's upcoming film 'Hai Jawani Toh Ishq Hona Hai', which was released on Friday. The song featured Varun and Mrunal Thakur in a colourful and festive setup. Packed with wedding vibes, dance, and celebration, the track brings full-on fun energy. Varun is seen in his stylish avatar, while Mrunal matches the mood with ease. The song has been sung by Mika Singh and Asees Kaur. Its lyrics are written by Vayu, while the music is by White Noise Collectives. With its peppy beats and celebratory mood, the track could become a popular wedding number this season. The film stars Varun Dhawan with Pooja Hegde and Mrunal Thakur. It marks Varun's return to the rom-com genre after his patriotic role in Border 2.

Ajay Devgn pays gallant tribute to 'Raja Shivaji'



Bollywood star Ajay Devgn has extended his best wishes to Riteish Deshmukh and his upcoming film "Raja Shivaji".

As the release date of "Raja Shivaji" approaches, excitement is running high among the audience. The ambitious project, helmed, headlined, written, and produced by Deshmukh himself, chronicles the life and enduring legacy of the legendary Maratha warrior king, Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.

Devgn, who played the lead role in "Tanhaaji: The Unsung Warrior" (2020), saluted the film in a special way, as if he were paying allegiance to Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj as 'Tanaji'. Sharing the Hindi version of Raja Shivaji Anthem 'Chhatrapati' on his Instagram stories, Ajay Devgn wrote, "Tanhya chya naman, Raju! This looks incredible! Wishing you nothing but glory for #RajaShivaji @riteishd Jai Shivray!"

Meanwhile, the trailer of this historical film is all set for a grand release on April 20, which will give a glimpse of one of India's most revered historical leaders and the founder of 'Hindavi Swarajya'.

The film brings together several prominent actors from Hindi and Marathi cinema, including Sanjay Dutt, Abhishek Bachchan, Vidya Balan, Mahesh Manjrekar, Sachin Khedekar, Boman Irani, Bhagyashree, Fardeen Khan, Jitendra Joshi, Amol Gupte and Genelia Deshmukh.

Mounted by Jio Studios in collaboration with Mumbai Film Company, produced by Jyoti Deshpande and Genelia Deshmukh, it is scheduled for a worldwide theatrical release on May 1 in Marathi, Hindi, and Telugu.

Akshay Kumar says 'Bas karo yaar' after hearing Wamiqa Gabbi's PJs



Actress Wamiqa Gabbi decided to torture her 'Bhooth Bangla' co-star Akshay Kumar with her PJs. Wamiqa took to her official Instagram handle and published a video capturing Akshay's reaction to her sad jokes. She asked, "Sir, if someone's aunt (Massi) lives far away, what will you call her in English?"

"Pharmacy," replied Wamiqa.

Next, the 'Bhool Chuk Maaf' actress asked, "Two people were playing badminton, and the police caught them. Why?"

When Akshay was unable to guess the answer, Wamiqa shared, "Because they were using a racket."

Testing Akshay's patience further, she added, "Name a place where singing is not allowed".

Giving the answer, Wamiqa added, "Nagaland".

Uploading the clip on social media, Wamiqa mentioned in the caption, "Premiqa ke PJ pe hasi hui faraar, Akshay sir bole, "Bas karo yaar! BHOOTH BANGLA in cinemas now! Book your tickets now !! (Please aise aur joke ho toh bhejo, I am reading all comments) (sic)."

Reacting to the post, one of the users wrote, "Those cute pj's can bring anyone in laughter".

Another one shared, "Akshay Sir be like: kaha fasa gaya aaji..."

@akshaykumar sirrrrrr ko diya Wamiqa ji ne trauma," read the third comment.

Talking about "Bhooth Bangla", the project which marked the reunion of Akshay and Priyadarshan, after almost 14 years reached the cinema halls on April 17.

Produced by Akshay Kumar, Ekta Kapoor, and Shobha Kapoor under the banners of Balaji Motion Pictures and Cape of Good Films, "Bhooth Bangla" stars Akshay, Wamiqa, Paresh Rawal, Jisshu Sengupta, Rajpal Yadav, and Tabu in key roles, along with others. Coming to the technical crew, Divakar Mani is on board the team as cinematographer, M. S. Aiyappan Nair as editor, and Pritam as the music composer.

Tia Bajpai makes her mark on the international stage

1920 Evil Returns" famed actress Tia Bajpai is steadily carving out a place for herself on the international stage, as she currently films her Hollywood project in Monaco. She is currently on location and shooting under the direction of Omid Romal, which is a significant milestone in her rising career.

Known for her versatility and screen presence, Bajpai is embracing this new chapter with enthusiasm and determination. The film, which features a diverse international team, is giving her the opportunity to explore a new cinematic experience and connect with a global audience.

From the beautiful landscapes of Monaco to the disciplined working style of an international production, she is completely

immersed in the experience. On set, she's garnering attention not only for her performance but also for her professionalism and adaptability. Stepping into a Hollywood project presents its own challenges, but Tia seems to be handling them with ease, demonstrating her commitment to growth and excellence. Talking about her experience, she said, "Shooting in Monaco feels like a dream. Every day on set is a new learning experience, and working with such a talented international team is incredibly inspiring. This project means a lot to me. It's not just about breaking into Hollywood, it's about pushing my limits as an artist."

Even off camera, she is enjoying the beauty of Monaco, known for its luxurious lifestyle and cinematic charm. The vibrant atmosphere is making her trip even more special.



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