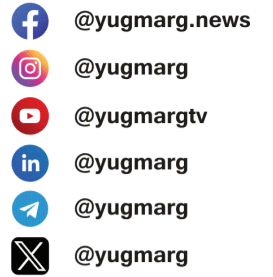


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NEWS BRIEFS**40 killed after bus falls into ravine in Pakistan**

PESHAWAR/ISLAMABAD: At least 40 people, including women and children, were killed when a bus they were travelling in fell into a ravine in northwest Pakistan's Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on Friday, officials said.

The Peshawar-bound bus departed from Quetta in Balochistan. The accident took place after it reached Dera Ismail Khan district in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, officials said. Preliminary investigation suggests that the brakes of the bus failed, causing the driver to lose control while navigating a difficult bend on the mountainous terrain. The bus skid off the road and fell into the ravine.

8 'members' of terror outfit Jaish-e-Mohammed arrested by Gujarat ATS

AHMEDABAD: Eight alleged members of Pakistan-based terror outfit Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM), two of them aged 18 and 19, have been arrested by Gujarat's Anti-Terrorist Squad (ATS) for seeking to establish an active network in the western state, officials said on Friday.

The Gujarat ATS arrested the individuals from various districts of the state as well as adjoining Madhya Pradesh, they said. Police said the accused were working to establish an active terror network in Gujarat. Seven of them were arrested from Gujarat and one from Madhya Pradesh.

RSS calls Ayodhya temple donation theft "highly condemnable", seeks strict actionAGENCY
NEW DELHI, JULY 3

Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) General Secretary Datatreya Hosabale on Friday termed the alleged theft from donation boxes at the Shri Ram Lalla Temple in Ayodhya a "highly condemnable" incident, calling for strict punishment for those found guilty and urging authorities to ensure transparent temple management to safeguard the faith of devotees. In a statement, the RSS General Secretary said the Ram Temple at Shri Ram Janmabhoomi has emerged as a symbol of faith and devotion for the entire Hindu society through the struggles, sacrifices and dedication of generations of Ram devotees. "The magnificent temple built on Shri Ram Janmabhoomi has become a center of reverence, faith, and devotion for the entire Hindu society due to the struggles of generations and the dedication, sacrifice, and martyrdom of crores of Ram devotees," Hosabale wrote on X.

Hosabale said the theft incident had hurt the sentiments of devotees across the country. "The unfortunate incident of theft from the donation boxes placed in the Shri Ram Lalla Temple in Ayodhya has wounded the sentiments and reverence of the entire society and Ram devotees, and we are all hurt



by this event," he said. He noted that the Uttar Pradesh government had constituted a Special Investigation Team (SIT) at the request of the Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust and initiated legal proceedings based on its recommendations. "It is essential to ensure that whoever is found guilty in the investigation receives strict punishment," Hosabale said. Calling the theft incident "highly condemnable", the RSS leader said it should be treated as an exceptional case.

Hry caps daily property registration appointments at 20 per officeBUREAU
CHANDIGARH, JULY 3

In a move aimed at streamlining property registrations and curbing delays, the Haryana Government has capped the number of daily registration appointments at 20 tokens per registration office at the tehsil and sub-divisional levels. The new token-based system came into force across the state on July 2, 2026.

Financial Commissioner Revenue and Disaster Management Department, Dr. Sumita Misra, has communicated the revised arrangement to all Deputy Commissioners, di-



recting them to ensure its strict implementation.

Under the new system, 20 tokens per day will be randomly allotted to the office of the District Revenue Officer-cum-Joint Sub-Registrar at each district headquarters tehsil, and regularly 20 tokens will

be issued randomly daily to the office of the Sub-Divisional Officer (Civil)-cum-Sub-Registrar at the sub-divisional level. The existing system at sub-tehsil offices will remain unchanged.

The government has specified that the tokens will be generated daily and on a random basis, a move intended to eliminate preferential treatment and ensure equal opportunity for all applicants seeking registration of sale deeds and other property documents.

Revenue officers have been instructed to ensure that every allotted token is honoured.

IMD forecasts widespread rainfall over Haryana, Punjab from tomorrowUNI
PANCHKULA, JULY 3

The India Meteorological Department has said conditions are favourable for the further advance of the southwest monsoon into remaining parts of Haryana, Punjab and Rajasthan over the next two to three days, with widespread rainfall forecast for the region from July 5. In its All India Weather Summary and Forecast Bulletin issued at 8:00 a.m. IST on July 3, the National Weather Forecasting Centre said the Northern Limit of Monsoon currently passes through Porbandar, Vallabh

Vidyanagar, Neemuch, Tonk, Bhiwani and Bathinda. Conditions are also favourable for the monsoon's advance into some more parts of the North Arabian Sea and Gujarat.

The IMD has forecast fairly widespread to widespread rainfall over Haryana, Chandigarh and Delhi, and Punjab during July 5 to 8. Before the main spell sets in, isolated to scattered rainfall is likely over the region during July 3 and 4. Isolated thunderstorms accompanied by lightning and gusty winds at 40 to 50 kilometres per hour, gusting up to 60 kilometres per hour.

Govt to summon Meta officials over Instagram ads promoting child sexual abuseAGENCY
NEW DELHI, JULY 3

The Central government will summon Meta officials over the issue of Instagram advertisements promoting child sexual abuse material in India, according to sources.

Sources said on Friday that Union IT Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw has directed officials in the Ministry of Electronics and Information

Technology (MeitY) to summon Meta over Instagram ads promoting child sexual abuse material. MeitY will seek an explanation from Meta regarding the issue of Instagram advertisements promoting child sexual abuse material in the country, sources said.

The development marks the second instance this week in which the Centre has stepped up scrutiny of Meta.

Annual Amarnath Yatra begins as first batch of pilgrims leave base campsAGENCY
SRINAGAR, JULY 3

The annual Amarnath Yatra began on Friday as the first batches of pilgrims left the twin base camps in Baltal and Nunwan to start their journey to the 3,880-metre-high cave shrine in the south Kashmir Himalayas that houses a naturally formed ice lingam, officials said.

The yatra started early morning from the twin tracks - the traditional 48-km Nunwan-Pahalgam route and the 14-km Baltal route - even as it rained intermittently, the officials said. The batches of pilgrims, including men, women and sadhus, left from the Nunwan base camp in Pahalgam, in south Kashmir's

Anantnag, and Baltal base camp in Sonamarg area of central Kashmir's Ganderbal, at the first light of the day, they said.

As per the officials, in accordance with the directives of the Supreme Court, a daily limit has been set for the maximum number of pilgrims allowed on the Yatra route. "Adherence to this limit is mandatory to ensure the safety of pilgrims and the smooth conduct of the Yatra," they said.

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I Mansukh Sandhu Menon S/o Devadas Thyagin Menon R/O house no-1031/36 c Chandigarh have changed my name from Mansukh Sandhu Menon to Mansukh Sandhu.

60013

I Baljinder Singh s/o Shadhu Singh r/o Focal Point, Kot Kapura, P.O. Kotkapura, District Faridkot, Punjab - 151204 have changed my minor daughter's name Simranpreet kaur to Simranjeet kaur

60013

I Anula Kaushal w/o Asheesh Kaushal r/o #5295, Arora Street, Arya Samaj, Patiala, Punjab, declare that Anula and Anula Kaushal is one and the same person.

98701

I, Harjinder Kaur W/o Tarsem Singh R/O Village Kangna tehsil Nakodar (Jal.) have use my name as Harjinder and Surname as Kaur.

100066

I, Tarsem Singh s/o Gurdeep Singh r/o Village Kangna tehsil Nakodar (Jal.) have use my name as Tarsem and Surname as Singh

100066

I, Ajay Kumar s/o Resham Lal r/o Village Miranpur tehsil Nakodar district Jalandhar have changed my minor daughter's name from Ritika to Ritika Rani. All concerned note please.

100066

I, Seema W/o Surjeet Singh Village Antehri Distt. Kurukshetra have changed my name Seema to Seema Devi

98765

I Rinkle Garg w/o Mukesh kumar R/O House Number 310, Street Number 5, Jawahar Nagar. Moga Punjab declare that my earlier name has been changed from Rinkal to Rinkle Garg.

90007

It is hereby informed to the general public that I, Gurudev Singh, s/o Om Prakash, a permanent R/O Village Magho Majri, Post Office Manas, Tehsil and District Kaithal, Haryana, I have changed my name from Gurudev Singh to Gurudev Singh. Henceforth, I shall be known and recognized by the name Gurudev Singh for all purposes.

100046

I, SURESH CHAND (existing name of father as per change of record/service document), father of BHARAT SINGH R/O GHANGHAULI, JAIDPURA, ALIGARH, UTTAR PRADESH-202165 Have changed my name from SURESH CHAND (existing name of father as per change of Service record/service documents) to SURESH (proposed/adopted new name) vide affidavit dated 03-07-2026 before notary public Bathinda.

98708

I, Poonam Jawa W/o Lalit Jawa R/O House No. 10, Street No. 4, Nilokheri, Tehsil Nilokheri, District Kamal, hereby declare that I have changed my name from Poonam Rani to Poonam Jawa. In the future, I should be known and recognized by the name Poonam Jawa.

98724

I, Anil Kumar S/o Baljit Singh R/o 1282-A Dhanas UT Chandigarh declare that I am a resident of above mentioned address. & I am holder of Pan Card No. APAPK0947D. I want to correction in my name from Anil Kaushal to Anil Kumar In my Pan Card & its related record. My correct name is Anil Kumar.

98724

I, Anil Kumar S/o Baljit Singh R/o 1282-A Dhanas UT Chandigarh declare that I am a resident of above mentioned address. & I am holder of Pan Card No. APAPK0947D. I want to correction in my name from Anil Kaushal to Anil Kumar In my Pan Card & its related record. My correct name is Anil Kumar.

98765

I Ravi Kant Alias Gautam Ravi Kant S/o Late Sh. Jagdish Lal R/o. 2741, Sunny Enclave, Sector-125, Near Sanatan Dharam Mandir Mohali. Punjab is to be Known as only Ravi Kant hereafter.

100071

I Gautam Naresh Alias Naresh Gupta W/o Ravi Kant Alias Gautam Ravi Kant R/o. 2741, Sunny Enclave, Sector-125, Near Sanatan Dharam Mandir Mohali. Punjab is to be Known as only Naresh Gupta hereafter.

100071

I, DEBIKA GIRI MOTHER OF SAUMITRA GIRI R/O JOTRADHA, HOOGHLY, WEST BENGAL-712707. Have changed DOB from 01/07/1957 TO 16/03/1958 as per Aadhar card/Pan Card

900028

I, RITURANI Wife of Deepak R/o 909/10, Near Bada Hanuman Mandir, Ward No. 10, Partap Gate Kaithal, District Kaithal (Haryana), have changed my name from RITU RANI to RITU. Concerned please note.

84451

I, Surjeet Singh S/o Balwant Singh R/o House No 8777 Menka Chouk Billa Patti Village Karora Tehsil Pundri Distt Kaithal (Haryana) Have Changed My Minor Daughter's Name From Anshika To Jannat Devi. Concerned Please Note.

84451

I, Kiran Bala W/o Manoj Kumar R/o Near School Ground, Village Siwan Distt. Kaithal (Haryana) Have Changed My Name From Kiran Bala To Madhu. Concerned Please Note.

84451

I Purushotam Sharma s/o Mahavir Prasad r/o 399 A, sandshalla wali gali, nohriya bazar, Sirsa have changed my name from Purushotam Sharma to Purushottam Sharma

98708

I, Poonam Jawa W/o Lalit Jawa R/O House No. 10, Street No. 4, Nilokheri, Tehsil Nilokheri, District Kamal, hereby declare that I have changed my name from Poonam Rani to Poonam Jawa. In the future, I should be known and recognized by the name Poonam Jawa.

100070

I, Pawan Kumar Singla S/o Ram Lal, resident of House No. 31, Ward No. 3/C, Sangatpura, Dhuri (Sangrur) have changed my name to Pawan Kumar.

98724

I, Anil Kumar S/o Baljit Singh R/o 1282-A Dhanas UT Chandigarh declare that I am a resident of above mentioned address. & I am holder of Pan Card No. APAPK0947D. I want to correction in my name from Anil Kaushal to Anil Kumar In my Pan Card & its related record. My correct name is Anil Kumar.

98765

I Ravi Kant Alias Gautam Ravi Kant S/o Late Sh. Jagdish Lal R/o. 2741, Sunny Enclave, Sector-125, Near Sanatan Dharam Mandir Mohali. Punjab is to be Known as only Ravi Kant hereafter.

100071

I Gautam Naresh Alias Naresh Gupta W/o Ravi Kant Alias Gautam Ravi Kant R/o. 2741, Sunny Enclave, Sector-125, Near Sanatan Dharam Mandir Mohali. Punjab is to be Known as only Naresh Gupta hereafter.

100071

I, Gurdip Kaur @ Gurdeep Kaur W/o Gurcharan Singh R/o Near Vivek Ashram, Jalal (Bathinda), declares that Gurdip Kaur @ Gurdeep Kaur is the one and the same person. Both names belong to me. All concerned, please note it.

63372

I Sohan Singh S/o Amar Singh R/o Vill Ali Chak, PO Basti Guzan, Jalandhar, Punjab-144002 have changed my name from Sohan Singh to given name Sohan and surname as Singh. All concerned may note.

900026

I Parveen Malhotra W/o Vijay Kumar R/o H.No. 49, Kailash Nagar, Sodral Road, Jalandhar, Punjab, have changed my name from Parveen Malhotra to Parveen. All concerned Please note.

900026

I Vijay Malhotra S/o Tilak Raj R/o H.No. 49, Kailash Nagar, Sodral Road, Jalandhar, Punjab, have changed my name from Vijay Malhotra to Vijay Kumar. All concerned Please note.

900026

I Surti Vaid W/o Karan Malhotra R/o H.No. 49, Kailash Nagar, Sodral Road, Jalandhar, Punjab, have changed my name from Surti vaid to Surti Malhotra. All concerned Please note.

900026

I Mindo W/o Darshan Lal R/o H.No. 53, Rajbir Colony, Khurla Kingra, Jalandhar, Punjab-144003 have changed my name from Mindo to Mahinder Kaur (Both name belongs to one and same person). All concerned may note.

900026

I Kitabo Mother of No. 15191561F Rank NK (RST) Name Manjeet Unit - 339 Med Regt, presently residing at Vill-Kharal, PO-Kharal, Teh-Narwana, Distt-Jind, State-Haryana, Pin-126116 have changed my Name from Kitabo Devi to Kitabo vide e-stamping/ Affidavit No IN-PB66029336249380Y, dt 02 July 2026 before Notary, Jalandhar (PB).

900026

I Nisha, Wife of No JC-293421W Rank Sub (DS) Name Rakesh Kumar Unit-339 Med Regt, presently resident of Vill-Bhatian, PO-Sihal, Teh- Fatehpur, Distt-Kangra State-Himachal Pradesh, Pin-176053 have changed my Name from Nisha to Nisha Devi vide E-stamping/ Affidavit No IN-PB66030421718683Y date 02 July 2026 before Notary, Jalandhar (PB).

900026

I, Sukhvinder Singh S/o Atma Singh R/o Vill: Bhatari P.O. Badwala Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib have changed my name to Sukhvinder Singh.

63372

I, Gurdip Kaur @ Gurdeep Kaur W/o Gurcharan Singh R/o Near Vivek Ashram, Jalal (Bathinda), declares that Gurdip Kaur @ Gurdeep Kaur is the one and the same person. Both names belong to me. All concerned, please note it.

63372

I, Rajni Gupta W/o Anish Kumar Gupta R/o H.No.201, Block A, ECO City-1 New Chandigarh Mullanpur Garibdass Sector-5 Teh-Kharar S.A.S Nagar Mohali-140901 have known by both names Rajni alias Rajni Gupta one and the same person.

63372

I, Anish Kumar Gupta S/o Rajinder Mohan Gupta R/o H.No.201, Block A, ECO City-1 New Chandigarh Mullanpur Garibdass Sector-5 Tehsil Kharar S.A.S Nagar Mohali 140901 have known by both names Anish Kumar alias Anish Kumar Gupta one and the same person.

63372

I, Ravinder Singh Gill S/o Harbhajan Singh R/o Vill: Jhander Khurd Teh-Banga Distt. SBS Nagar Pb, India, have changed my name from Ravinder Singh Gill to Ravinder Singh. concerned note.

63372

I, Bahadur Singh S/O Kehar R/O Vill Powat (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Bahadar Singh.

63372

I, Harman S/o Charanjit R/o H.No.15 Mohalla Ibrahim Basti Nawanshahr Distt. SBS Nagar have changed my name from Harman to Harman Virdi.

63372

I, Gurbhej Singh S/o Inderjit Singh R/o H.No.4344/1 St.No.4 Near Gausala New Madhopuri Ludhiana have changed my name to Gurbje Singh.

63372

I, Harinderpal Singh Gill S/o Major Singh R/o Vpo. Maksudra Teh-Payal (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Harinderpal Singh.

63372

I, Rajwinder Singh Gill S/o Nirmal Singh R/o Village Sangwan Tehsil Patti District Tarn Taran have changed my name from Rajwinder Singh Gill to Rajwinder Singh.

63372

I, Rajdeep Kaur Gill W/o Rajwinder Singh R/o Village Sangwan Tehsil Patti District Tarn Taran have changed my name from Rajdeep Kaur Gill to Rajdeep Kaur.

63372

I, Parmjit Kaur W/o Balvir Singh R/o VPO Mirpur Lakha Sub Tehsil Aur Distt SBS Nagar have changed my name from Parmjit Kaur To Parmajit Kaur.

63372

I, Jaswinder Singh Sran S/o Buta Singh R/o Gill Patti Bathinda Teh & Distt. Bathinda have changed my name to Jaswinder Singh. please note.

63372

I, Jatinder Khanna alias Jatinder Pal S/o Sher Singh Khanna R/o Geeta Bhawan Road Sunam Teh-Sunam Distt. Sangrur have changed my name to Jatinder Pal Khanna. concerned note.

63372

I Harjot Kaur W/o Lovejot Singh Gill Vill-Nathoheri Teh-Ahmedgarh Distt. Malerkotla Have Changed My Name Harjot Kaur Gill. All Concern Note.

63372

I, Gurcharn Singh S/o Gulzar Singh R/o Vill: Sukho Majra Po. Morinda Distt. Ropar have changed my name to Gurcharan Singh.

63372

I hitherto known as Kirandeep Kaur wife of Buta Singh residing at Village Rajpura, Tehsil Abohar, Distt. Fazilka (Punjab) has changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Kiranpal Kaur.

63372

I Renu Gupta W/O Gagandeep Goyal R/O Mohalla Chotta Soodan Malerkotla Have Changed My Name To Renu Goyal.

63372

I Baghel Singh Guru S/O Bogha Singh R/O Khudi Khurd (Barnala) Have Changed My Name To Baghel Singh.

63372

I Vinod Kumar S/O Baldev Krishan R/O Patiala Have Changed My Name To Vinod Verma.

63372

I Paramjeet Sharma S/O Sukhdev Ram #20037, Street No. 12, S.J.S Nagar, Bathinda Changed My Name To Paramjit Sharma.

63372

I Kuldeep Kaur W/o Kuldeep Singh, Patti Bahila, Near Gurdwara Vpo Kaunke Kalan Tehsil Jagraon Distt Ludhiana, have changed my name from Kamaljit Kaur to Kuldeep Kaur.

63372

I Jaspal kaur W/o Baldev Singh Samra, 1333 ch, Power house, St: No. 3, Sidhwan bet Road, Adarsh colony, Jagraon Ludhiana have changed my name to jaspal kaur Samra.

63372

I Kamaljeet Kaur W/o Sandeep Singh Rai R/o H.No 70 Agwar Dala Jagraon Distt Ludhiana have changed my name to kamaljeet Kaur Rai.

63372

I, Ninder Kaur W/O Gurpreet Singh, R/O Village Ghuduwala, Teh-Zira (Ferozepur), Have Changed My Name Varinder Kaur.

63372

I Gurwinder Singh S/o Jagmohan Singh R/o Vpo. Takhran Tehsil Samralla Distt Ludhiana have name my Minor Son, s Bikramjeet Singh to Bikramjeet Singh Takhar.

63372

I, Ishwar Bajaj s/o Mohan Lal R/o Ramji Pardhan street ward no 20 near bsnl office mansa have changed my name to Ishwar Chand.

63372

I, Satnam Kaur W/o Gurbachan Singh R/o Village Lalwa, PO Nial, District Patiala have changed my name from Satnam Kaur to Manjit Kaur.

63372

I, Anju Ahuja W/O Navesh Verma R/O #17002-E, Street.No-1, Aggarwal Colony, Bathinda Have Changed My Name To Vandana Verma.

63372

I, Shaweta Rani W/o Roshan Lal Sharma R/o Vill: Kot Ise Khan Distt. Moga have changed my name to Shaweta.

63372

I, Ashwani Kumar S/o Kewal Krishan R/o H.No-14 St No. 7/3 New Model House Jalandhar, Punjab Have Changed my Minor Son Name From Bhavit To Bhavit Janjua. All Concerned Please Note.

63372

I, Anju W/o Ashwani Kumar R/o H.No -14 St No 7/3 New Model House Jalandhar, Punjab Have Changed my Name From Anju To Anju Bala. All Concerned Please Note.

63372

I, Gurmel Singh S/o Nirmal Singh R/o Vpo. Mahalon Teh-Nawanshahr Distt. SBS Nagar, Pb, India, have changed my name from Gurmel Singh to Gurmil Singh.

63372

I, Sanjay Garg S/o Rajiv Garg R/o H.No. 419, Water Works Area, Gali No. 1, Mandi Killianwali,, Distt. Sri Muktsar Sahib, have changed my name from Sanjay to Sanjay Garg.

63372

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Intimation to sell 100% Water Soluble Mixtures of Fertilizers (Public Notice)

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Date: 03 July 2026



DORAHA (AMRISH ANAND): In a major drive against noise pollution and traffic violations, the Khanna Police, under the leadership of SSP Dr. Darpan Ahluwalia (IPS), launched a special campaign against motorcycles fitted with illegal modified silencers. During the drive, hundreds of traffic challans were issued across the district, while nearly 150 illegal Bullet silencers were seized and publicly crushed with a bulldozer at Amlah Chowk to send a strong message against violations. Addressing the media, SSP Dr. Darpan Ahluwalia Ips said that the loud explosive sounds produced by modified Bullet motorcycles had become a major source of inconvenience for the public, particularly women, senior citizens, children, heart patients, and people visiting markets and educational institutions.

NEWS BRIEF

Illegal diversion of canal water by damaging canal slabs sparks concern in Bahirampur



AJAY MALHOTRA
BASSI PATHANA: An alleged case of illegal diversion of canal water after damaging government canal infrastructure has come to light in Bahirampur village near Bassi Pathana, raising serious concerns over the misuse of irrigation resources and damage to public property. According to local sources, the incident involved the breaking of newly constructed concrete slabs covering a distributary (locally known as a sua) and the placement of soil-filled bags inside the water channel to divert the flow towards private agricultural fields. Residents alleged that the act not only caused damage to government property but also disrupted the normal flow of irrigation water meant for other beneficiaries.

Dr. Balbir Singh inaugurates rural health training centre at village Saneta

SHASHI PAL JAIN
MOHALI, JULY 3

Punjab Health & Family Welfare and Medical Education & Research Minister Dr. Balbir Singh today inaugurated the Rural Health Training Centre (RHTC) established at Village Saneta under the Department of Community Medicine, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar State Institute of Medical Sciences (AIMS), Mohali. On the occasion, he also laid the foundation stone of the proposed hostel for medical interns and the boundary wall.

The programme commenced with an Ardas performed by the Granthi Sahib of Gurdwara Sahib, Village Saneta. Addressing the gathering,



Dr. Balbir Singh said that, under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, the Punjab Government is continuously

strengthening healthcare infrastructure in rural areas. He appreciated AIMS Mohali for establishing this modern healthcare facility, which will

not only provide quality medical services to the rural population but also offer community-based training to medical students.

AAP leaders pay rich tributes to former Punjab minister Babu Bhagwan Dass Arora

SUMER GARG
SUNAM, JULY 3

Senior leaders of the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP), including Punjab ministers, MP, MLAs and party leaders, on Friday paid rich floral tributes to former Punjab minister Late Babu Bhagwan Dass Arora on his 26th death anniversary during the Bhog ceremony of the Akhand Path held at Dental College, Sunam.

Among those present were Punjab Assembly Speaker Kultar Singh Sandhwan; Cabinet Ministers Harpal Singh Cheema, Gurmeet Singh Khudian and Barinder Kumar Goyal; AAP Punjab affairs in-charge Manish Sisodia; MP Malvinder Singh Kang; and MLAs



Balkar Singh Sidhu, Madan Lal Bagga, Narinder Kaur Bharaj, Kulwant Singh Pandori, Chetan Singh Jouramajra and Ashok Parashar (Pappi) and SSP Sangrur, Dr. Ravjot Kaur. Addressing the gathering, Various leaders and Mr. Aman Arora recalled

Bhagwan Dass Arora's significant contribution to public welfare and the development of the region.

They said Arora's simplicity, close connect with the people and commitment to selfless service continue to inspire society.

Former Vice President of Kharar Council Jai Bhagwan Singla alleges discrimination while filling forms regarding Mawan Dhiyan Satkar Yojana



SHASHI PAL JAIN
KHARAR, JULY 3

Former Vice President of Kharar Municipal Council Jai Bhagwan Singla has alleged in a complaint given to the SDM of Kharar that while filling the forms related to the Mukhya Mantri Mawan Dhiyan Satkar Yojana, the employees are sitting at one place with many former councilors and fill-

ing the forms of the friends of these councilors. Praising this scheme in his letter, he said that the employees who have been appointed by the Government to fill the forms are sitting at one place and filling the forms while they should go door to door. He has demanded that these employees be instructed to go door to door to fill the forms and not to please the former councilors.

Chandigarh police arrests drug peddler with 9.78 grams of heroin in Maloya



CHANDIGARH: Under the directions of Ms. Kanwardeep Kaur, IPS, W/SSP/UT, Chandigarh, the close guidance of Ms. K.M. Priyanka, W/SP City, Chandigarh, and the supervision of Sh. Dheeraj Kumar, SDPO South-West, a team of Police Station Maloya, led by Inspector Baldev Kumar, SHO/PS Maloya, achieved a major breakthrough by arresting an accused involved in drug trafficking.

The accused, Deepak Kumar (26), son of Rajvir Singh and resident of House No. 2471/2, EWS Colony, Maloya, Chandigarh, was arrested in connection with FIR No. 87 dated 01.07.2026, registered under Section 21 of the NDPS

Act at Police Station Maloya, Chandigarh. Brief Facts of the Case On 01.07.2026, ASI Rohan Kumar No. 1924/CHG, along with a police team from Police Station Maloya, was conducting patrolling when they apprehended Deepak Kumar near the green belt adjacent to RC-1 School, EWS Colony, Maloya, Chandigarh. During the search, the police recovered 9.78 grams of heroin (commonly known as "chitta"), without any pouch, from his possession.

The accused failed to produce any valid licence or permit for possessing the contraband. The recovered heroin was seized through due legal procedure, sealed.

MCM DAV college for women hosts GST Day celebration to mark nine years of Goods and Services Tax



CHANDIGARH: GST Day Celebration to mark nine years of the successful implementation of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) was hosted by Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh. The programme was curated by Central Goods & Services Tax (CGST) Department, Chandigarh. Shri Shubh Chintan, Chief Commissioner, CGST Zone Chandigarh was the Chief Guest on the occasion. The programme also witnessed the gracious presence of Shri Manish Saxena, Principal Commissioner, CGST Commissionerate, Chandigarh, Shri B S Meena, Principal Commissioner, CGST Audit Commissionerate, Chandigarh, Smt Pranjal Singh, Commissioner, CGST Appeals Commissionerate, Chandigarh

& Shri Sanket Kale ADG DGGT, Chandigarh. Members of trade & industry including top taxpayers, representatives of CII & Chandigarh Vyapar Mandal also joined the celebrations. Speaking on the theme "Sugam Kar Vyavastha, Sashakt Bharat," Shri Shubh Chintan highlighted the achievements of GST and its role in strengthening India's economy. Shri Manish Saxena felicitated Ms. Neena Sharma, Principal of the college, for providing an excellent platform to create awareness about GST and congratulated her for hosting such a meaningful event. Ms. Neena Sharma expressed her gratitude and remarked that educational institutions play a vital role in connecting students with significant national reforms.

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Jodhpur Airport Expansion

Opens new doors of possibilities in Rajasthan

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Inauguration of Jodhpur Airport's New Terminal Building

by

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Honorable Prime Minister

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Benefits of the project

- Convenient air travel through a state-of-the-art terminal building with four times the area (23,342 sqm)
- Boosted the tourism industry of Jodhpur and surrounding areas
- Generating new employment opportunities and economic development in the region
- Increase in the potential for export and trade of local products

Key Features of the Project

- Modern terminal building with sustainable features inspired by the royal architecture of Marwar at a cost of ₹480 crore
- Peak passenger capacity increased from 200 to 1500 passengers per hour; annual passenger capacity increased to 20 Lakhs
- 20 check-in counters, 03 conveyor belts, 06 X-ray baggage scanners and 06 passenger boarding bridges
- Aircraft parking capacity increased from 04 to 12 (A-320 type aircraft)

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Chief Minister, Rajasthan

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Shivani Gupta assumes charge as New ACST, Sangrur

SANGRUR (SUMER GARG): Ms. Shivani Gupta assumed charge as the new Assistant Commissioner, State Tax (ACST), Sangrur, on Friday.

Prior to this posting, Ms. Gupta was serving as Assistant Commissioner, State Tax, Ludhiana East. She succeeds Mr. Rohit Garg, who has been transferred as Assistant Commissioner, Excise, Patiala.



GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, JULY 3

Reaffirming its unwavering commitment to the dignity, safety and well-being of senior citizens, the Punjab Government under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann is strengthening support services for the elderly through the implementation of Elderline 14567 in the state, enabling senior citizens to access timely assistance, legal guidance and a wide range of essential support services.

Punjab Social Security, Women and Child Development Minister Dr. Baljit Kaur said that Elderline 14567 has emerged as a trusted lifeline for senior citizens in Punjab, having responded to over 2.5 lakh calls across the state. She said the helpline has successfully rescued and reunited 91 abandoned senior citizens with their families and facilitated the resolution of more than 1,000 cases related to elder abuse and maintenance, bringing timely relief, restoring dignity and ensuring that elderly citizens facing neglect or hardship are never left to fend for themselves. Dr. Baljit Kaur said that the elderly are the pillars of society and deserve compassion, re-



after being influenced by the policies of Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann. This will further strengthen the Aam Aadmi Party in Maur constituency. Welcoming the families who joined the party, Sippy Bhakar said that they will always be indebted to the respect and love given to them. Speaking about the families joining the party, Sippy said that they will be given due respect within the party. He said that due to the foresight of Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann, all the guarantees that the Aam Aadmi Party had made to the people before forming the government were fulfilled by depositing money in the accounts of women.

ther said that the helpline offers comprehensive information on old-age pensions and other government welfare schemes, professional counselling, legal assistance, rescue and rehabilitation of homeless senior citizens, and intervention in cases of abuse, neglect and maintenance through the District Tribunals constituted under the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007.

Dr. Baljit Kaur urged senior citizens and their families to make full use of the toll-free helpline 14567 whenever they require assistance. She reiterated that the Punjab Government remains steadfast in its commitment to building a compassionate, inclusive and caring society where every elderly citizen can live with dignity, security and peace of mind.

Punjab govt fully committed to ensuring uninterrupted power supply to farmers: Gurmeet Singh Khudian

SUMER GARG
SANGRUR, JULY 3

Punjab Cabinet Minister Gurmeet Singh Khudian today visited the Zila Parishad Office, Sangrur, where he was warmly received by Zila Parishad Chairman Rachhpal Singh Bhullar, Chairpersons of Block Samitis, Zila Parishad members, Sarpanches and other public representatives.

During the meeting, the Cabinet Minister held comprehensive discussions with the elected representatives on the Punjab Government's public welfare initiatives, ongoing rural development works and future development priorities. He said that Chairman Rachhpal Singh Bhullar had invited him to visit the Zila Parishad office and interact with the members. Accepting the invitation, he met the representatives and exchanged views on strengthening grassroots governance and accelerating development across rural areas.

Replying to a query from the media regarding electricity supply to farmers, Gurmeet Singh Khudian reiterated that the Punjab Government remains fully committed to en-



sureing uninterrupted and adequate power supply to the farming community. He said that farmers have received reliable electricity over the past four years and that extensive arrangements have been made for the current paddy season as well. In cases where technical faults have occurred, the Power Department's teams have been deployed on priority to restore supply at the earliest. He assured that the government is making every possible effort to safeguard farmers' interests and resolve their concerns

promptly. Emphasising the government's commitment to the agricultural sector, the Cabinet Minister said that agriculture is the backbone of Punjab's economy and that the government led by Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann is working with unwavering dedication to strengthen the sector and ensure the welfare of farmers. Expressing his gratitude, Zila Parishad Chairman Rachhpal Singh Bhullar said that the Cabinet Minister's visit provided elected representatives with an opportunity to di-

rectly interact with the government and gain first-hand information about its policies, welfare initiatives and development programmes, which would further strengthen grassroots development. Among those present were Block Samiti Dhuri Chairman Ranjodh Singh; Zila Parishad members Jaspal Singh Sheron, Amisha, Amritpal Singh Ghanauri, Harvinder Singh Sekhon, Rubal Bajwa and Gagan Jawandha, along with several other public representatives.

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KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL, JULY 3

Many families of Jodhpur Pakhar village in Maur assembly constituency of Bathinda district have bid farewell to the Shiromani Akali Dal and joined the Aam Aadmi Party.

Under the leadership of Sippy Bhakar, senior leader of the Aam Aadmi Party of Maur constituency, Binderpal Singh, Magha Singh, Vicky Singh, Babbu Singh, Babbu Singh, Vijay Kumar and Naib Singh along with their colleagues left the Akali Dal and joined the Aam Aadmi Party. On this occasion, Sippy Bhakar said that the above families have joined the party

after being influenced by the policies of Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann. This will further strengthen the Aam Aadmi Party in Maur constituency. Welcoming the families who joined the party, Sippy Bhakar said that they will always be indebted to the respect and love given to them. Speaking about the families joining the party, Sippy said that they will be given due respect within the party. He said that due to the foresight of Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann, all the guarantees that the Aam Aadmi Party had made to the people before forming the government were fulfilled by depositing money in the accounts of women.

Feast held on occasion of launch of 'Mother-Daughter respect scheme'

KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL, JULY 3

Under the arrangements of Amarjit Sharma and Happy Sharma, the owners of Shri Balaji Garments located on the local Bharatiya Model School Road, the Punjab government celebrated the launch of the 'Mother-Daughter Respect Scheme' by serving cold sweet water and jajeera and banana shake.

During this, Markfed Punjab Chairman Inderjit Singh Mann especially participated and also rendered service. On this occasion, Chairman Inderjit Mann thanked Amarjit Sharma and his entire team and said that they have expressed their happiness in a different way for the launch of the Mother-Daughter Respect Scheme, which is a commendable effort. Chairman Mann said that it is clear that the people are happy with the guarantees and poli-



cies of Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann. Mann, while specially thanking the Chief Minister of the state Bhagwant Singh Mann for this scheme, said that the Punjab government has taken a big decision to give respect and economic security to women.

Chairman Inderjit Mann said that the Aam Aadmi Party government is a government that works for the people and for the people in the true sense. He said that the government is committed to the welfare of every section and public welfare schemes are being taken to every door without any discrimination. Chairman Mann did service during Chhabeel to provide relief to the passers-by in view of the extreme heat.

Sardar Beant Singh state university strengthens school-university partnership through district-level outreach programme



YUGMARG BUREAU
GURDASPUR, JULY 3

In a significant initiative aimed at strengthening the linkage between school education and higher education, Sardar Beant Singh State University (SBSSU), Gurdaspur organized a District-Level Outreach Programme for Principals of Senior Secondary Schools, Lecturers, and Block Guidance Counsellors from across District Gurdaspur. The programme focused on enhancing career guidance, skill-based education, and creating greater awareness among students regarding higher education opportunities. The programme was graced by Dr. S. K. Misra,

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, SBSSU, as the Chief Guest. The inaugural session was attended by Sh. Rajesh Kumar Sharma, State Awardee, District Education Officer (Secondary), Gurdaspur, along with Sh. Mukesh Verma, District Guidance Counsellor, Gurdaspur, registrar Dr. Ajay Kumar. The proceedings commenced with a warm welcome by Sh. Shamoun Masih, followed by a comprehensive presentation by Dr. Harish Pungotra, Dean Academic Affairs, who highlighted the University's academic programmes, scholarships, modern infrastructure, research ecosystem, industry-oriented courses, placement opportunities.

"Protecting environment is only way to secure humanity's future," says Gurpreet Singh GP



FATEHGARH SAHIB (AJAY MALHOTRA): Reaffirming their commitment to environmental conservation, Patte Foundation organised a large-scale sapling distribution drive in Nim Wala Chowk Bassi Pathana, where 200 saplings were distributed in the cherished memory of the Patte Foundation's Founder Member, the late Kanwaljeet Singh Matharu. The initiative aimed to encourage public participation in creating a greener and healthier environment.

Former MLA and Aam Aadmi Party SC Cell State President Gurpreet Singh GP attended the programme as the Chief Guest. He was joined by Prem Wadhwa, Founder of Patte Foundation, along with social worker and former Lions Club President Kirpal Singh Bamrah, Chandan Wadhwa, Anoop Singla, Jasvir Singh Bhadla (PA to Gurpreet Singh GP), Rajesh Makkhan, Amandeep Singh Matharu, Deepu, Suresh Kumar Sharma and several prominent citizens. Addressing the gathering, Gurpreet Singh GP highlighted the urgent need to protect the environment in the face of rising pollution and climate change.

'Chetna' initiative gives Patiala students first-hand exposure to district administration

TAPINDER SINGH
PATIALA, JULY 3

In an effort to acquaint students with the functioning of government offices and public administration, Patiala Deputy Commissioner Dr. Himanshu Aggarwal on Thursday launched an educational outreach under the district administration's 'Chetna' initiative by hosting students of the School of Eminence, Field Khana, at the District Administrative Complex.

The initiative aims to provide students with practical exposure to the district administration, government policies and the delivery of public services. Under the programme, students will visit various departments of the Administrative Complex every Thursday each month to gain a better understanding



of governance and citizen-centric services. Thirty Class XI students, including 15 girls and 15 boys, participated in the inaugural visit. Addressing the students, Dr. Aggarwal explained the role of the district administration, the functioning of government departments and the services provided to the public. He said such visits would help students develop a deeper understanding of governance while encouraging them to become informed and responsible citizens. During the tour, the stu-

CM Di Yogshala boon for people: Deputy Commissioner



ANANTDEEP KAUR
BATHINDA, JULY 3

The Punjab Government's CM Di Yogshala initiative is proving to be a boon for the people of the district.

People of all age groups are taking benefit of the CM Di Yogshala. Sharing this information, Deputy Commissioner Mr. Rajesh Dhiman said that the Punjab Government has launched the CM Di Yogshala initiative to promote the health and well-being of children, youth, senior citizens and people of all age groups.

He said every citizen should take advantage of this initiative. He further said that 446 yoga classes are being conducted daily across the district by trained yoga instructors. Through regular yoga practice, people can become free from stress and attain peace of mind and body. Yoga also helps improve both physical and mental well-being. Bathinda District Coordinator for CM Di Yogshala Malkit Kaur, said that 16,131 people across the district have so far registered for and benefited from the yoga classes.

Farmers can avail subsidy of up to Rs 80,000 for setting up mushroom production units: Mohinder Bhagat

CHANDIGARH, JULY 3

The Punjab Government, led by Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, is encouraging farmers to diversify from conventional agriculture to horticulture to enhance their income. As part of this initiative, the Department of Horticulture is providing a subsidy of up to Rs 80,000 for setting up mushroom production units across the state under the State Plan Scheme.

Horticulture Minister Mohinder Bhagat disclosed that farmers can establish a small mushroom production unit at an estimated cost of Rs 2 lakh. Under the State Plan Scheme, the department provides a 40 percent subsidy, subject to a maximum of Rs 80,000, to eligible beneficiaries. He said that



mushroom cultivation requires comparatively less land and water and offers an attractive income with a modest investment.

The Minister further said that a small mushroom production unit can be established in an area of around 1,800 square feet, enabling even small and marginal farmers to benefit from the scheme. He said that the Punjab Government is making every possible effort to further strengthen the

Free hearing screening and assistive device distribution camp held at village Sukhnawala: Arsh Sachar



SURINDER PAL
KOTKAPURA, JULY 3

Today, the free hearing screening and assistive device distribution camp organized under the Mission 2027 Public Service Campaign in village Sukhnawala was completed in a very smooth and successful manner. Giving information in this regard, social worker and senior leader of Aam Aadmi Party Arsh Sachar said that a large number of elderly people, disabled persons and needy families from Faridkot

and various nearby villages participated in this camp and got the benefit of free health services. During the camp, free hearing tests were conducted by expert doctors and eligible beneficiaries were provided with free ear machines, knee caps, spinal support belts and other necessary assistive devices. He said that he sincerely thanks all the doctors, medical team, servants, village panchayat, youth and everyone who gave their valuable time to make this public welfare initiative a success.

Punjab Congress leaders seek review of organisational reshuffle, rally behind Channi

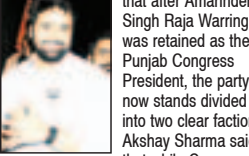


MORINDA (SANJEEV TEJPAL): Signs of discontent within the Punjab Congress over the party's recent organisational restructuring came to the fore on Thursday as senior party leaders assembled at the residence of former Punjab Chief Minister and Member of Parliament Charanjit Singh Channi in Morinda. The meeting, attended by sitting MLAs, former ministers, former legislators, constituency in-charges and party functionaries, concluded with a unanimous appeal to the Congress high command to reconsider its recent organisational decisions, which several leaders said had not reflected the sentiments of party workers in Punjab. Addressing the media after the meeting, senior Congress leader and MLA Tripat Rajinder Singh Bajwa said the gathering was not an act of defiance against the party leadership but an effort to convey the concerns of Punjab Congress workers.

NEWS BRIEF

Congress busy fighting over chair, Punjab's real issues completely ignored: Akshay Sharma

HARPAL SINGH AMRITSAR: BJP leader from Amritsar North Assembly constituency, Akshay Sharma, launched a sharp attack on the Punjab Congress, stating that the meeting held at the residence of former Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi has exposed the party's deep internal factionalism. He said that after Amarinder Singh Raja Warring was retained as the Punjab Congress President, the party now stands divided into two clear factions. Akshay Sharma said that while Congress



leaders are claiming they will form the next government in Punjab, they remain preoccupied with the race for the Chief Minister's chair and internal leadership battles. He added that in this power struggle, the real issues concerning Punjab and its people have been completely sidelined. "Leaders who are unable to keep their own party united cannot be expected to govern Punjab effectively."

Dreams turn into success at Aryabhata college, Barnala

BALWINDER AZAD BARNALA: Aryabhata College, Barnala continues to achieve new milestones in education and career development through the outstanding accomplishments of its students. Time and again, students of the college have secured prestigious positions in



renowned banks, multinational companies, industrial organizations, and government as well as private institutions, fulfilling not only their own dreams and those of their families but also bringing great pride to the institution. Continuing this remarkable legacy of success, Ms. Pooja Rani, an M.Com. student of the Department of Commerce and Management, has been appointed as Assistant Manager at Axis Bank, Mansa. This achievement has filled the entire college campus with immense joy and pride. Pooja Rani's accomplishment is not merely a personal milestone; it is a reflection of her unwavering dedication, determination, and hard work, as well as the quality education, experienced faculty.

Sant Seechewal condemns demolition of 125-year-old Gurdwara Sahib in Pakistan

ARVIND PATHAK SULTANPUR LODHI: Rajya Sabha Member Sant Balbir Singh Seechewal has strongly condemned the demolition of a 125-year-old historic Gurdwara Sahib in Pakistan. Describing the incident as an extremely sensitive issue



linked to the religious sentiments of millions of Sikhs across the world, he has written to Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar, urging immediate diplomatic intervention. In his letter, Sant Seechewal appealed to the Government of India to take up the matter with the Government of Pakistan at the highest level to ensure the reconstruction of the demolished 125-year-old Gurdwara Sahib and to seek strict legal action against those responsible for the incident. It is pertinent to mention that the historic Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha Sahib at Ferozabad, located about 70 kilometres from Lahore, was allegedly demolished with bulldozers by the land mafia. According to media reports, an influential businessman is believed to be behind the incident. It has also been reported that the Auzaf Board, which is responsible for the protection and preservation of historical religious heritage, failed to take any effective action in the matter.

CM's Yoga Shala playing important role in connecting people to healthy lifestyle



PARAMJIT SINGH JALANDHAR: Chief Minister Mr. Bhagwant Singh Mann's people-oriented initiative 'CM's Yoga Shala' for the good health of Punjab is playing an important role in connecting the people of the district with a healthy lifestyle. CM's Yoga Shala District Coordinator Chandan Kumar Satyarthi said that yoga classes are being held regularly in various villages, wards, parks and community places of Jalandhar district. At present, a total of 485 yoga classes are being held in the district, in which a large number of women, youth, elderly and students participate and practice yoga asanas, pranayama and meditation. He said that this initiative of the Punjab government is making a significant contribution towards building a healthy and prosperous Punjab by connecting thousands of people with Yoga and the increasing participation of citizens in the district shows that people are becoming aware of Yoga. In yoga classes, trained yoga instructors also share essential information about healthy lifestyle, stress management and daily health.

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA: The Inner Wheel Club Una marked Annapurna Day by contributing to the community kitchen being run by the Guru Ka Langar Sewa Samiti Trust at the Regional Hospital, Una. Club members actively participated in the service by distributing meals



to patients and their attendants at the hospital

premises. Those present included Club President Amarjeet Babli, Secretary Rajita Kasana, Treasurer Nirupama Mahajan, Vice-President Ranjana Jaswal, and members Dr. Jagrut Dutta, Rama Kalia, Kamla Kanwar, Ranjana Bakshi, and others.

Ensure zero waiting time for diagnostic services: CM IGMC Shimla to get 256-slice CT scan machine shortly

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, JULY 3

Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu has directed the Health Department to work towards achieving a zero waiting period for diagnostic services such as CT scans, X-rays and ultrasounds, ensuring timely and hassle-free healthcare for patients. He said the State Government is providing the required manpower and modern diagnostic equipment, and the department must make concerted efforts to eliminate waiting time for these essential services.

While presiding over a meeting with the Diagnostic Departments of Indira Gandhi Medical College (IGMC), Shimla and Super Speciality Hospital, Chamiyana, the Chief Minister also sought suggestions and support from doctors to further strengthen diagnostic services and



realise the goal of zero waiting time for patients.

The Chief Minister said the state government is filling vacant posts of medical, paramedical and technical staff on a priority basis to provide world-class healthcare services within the State, thereby reducing the need for patients to travel outside Himachal Pradesh for advanced treatment. He reiterated that the present State Government remains committed to upgrading health infrastructure and delivering quality healthcare to every citizen.

Responding to the demand raised by doctors of IGMC, the Chief Minister assured that a 256-slice CT scan machine would be provided shortly. He said there is no dearth of funds for the health and education sectors and the government will extend all possible support to strengthen public healthcare and serve the people of the State.

The Chief Minister further said that the state government is comprehensively strengthening healthcare infrastructure across all government medical colleges.

HPSFDCL employees to receive 3 percent hike in DA, Bonus to 175 employees

SHIMLA: Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu chaired the 216th Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Forest Corporation and approved a three percent increase in Dearness Allowance (DA) for the Corporation's employees with effect from 1 April, 2025, in accordance with the notification issued by the State Government. The Board also approved the payment of bonus to 175 employees drawing a monthly salary of up to Rs. 21,000. During the meeting the Board approved the regularisation of the services of daily wage workers who have completed 240 days of service in each of the last four years, in accordance

with the notification issued by the Government of Himachal Pradesh on 1 April, 2026. It also approved the regularisation of eligible contractual employees as per the State Government's policy. The Board further approved the revision of minimum wages for different categories of workers from Rs. 425 to Rs. 450 per day with effect from 1 April, 2026, in line with the Government notification. Reviewing the Corporation's functioning, the Chief Minister expressed satisfaction over the substantial increase in revenue following the modernisation of the Resin and Turpentine (R&T) Factory at Bilaspur.

CS calls for stronger community participation, technology integration and inter-agency coordination for disaster preparedness

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, JULY 3

Chief Secretary Kamlesh Kumar Pant has stressed on strengthening the institutional mechanisms, community participation and technological interventions to build a disaster-resilient Himachal Pradesh. He was presiding over the post disaster review seminar organized by the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) and the Himachal Pradesh State Disaster Management Authority (HPSDMA), here today. The Chief Secretary said that Himachal Pradesh, owing to its fragile Himalayan ecology and difficult terrain, remains highly vulnerable to cloudbursts, flash floods and landslides and other climate-induced disasters. The State has experienced several devastating disasters in recent years, particularly during the monsoon seasons, which have highlighted both the strengths and



limitations of the existing disaster management framework.

He said that while the coordinated response of government agencies, armed forces, National Disaster Response Force (NDRF), State Disaster Response Force (SDRF), Police, Fire Services, local administration, Panchayati Raj Institutions, volunteers and community had significantly minimized loss of life during recent disasters, every disaster provides valuable lessons that must be used to improve future preparedness.

ADM Jyoti Rana reviews functioning of Sunrise Paradise Public School



DINESH AGARWAL

SHIMLA: Administrator of Sunrise Paradise Public School and Additional District Magistrate (Protocol) Jyoti Rana on Friday inspected the school to review its academic and administrative functioning and ensure that students' education remains unaffected. During the visit, she interacted with students, teachers and the school management, taking feedback on classroom teaching, faculty availability and other facilities. She assured students that the district administration is committed to safeguarding their academic interests and that regular classes and educational activities will continue without disruption. Rana also reviewed the school's infrastructure, cleanliness, safety and other essential facilities, directing the authorities to ensure all necessary arrangements for quality education in a safe and disciplined environment. She said the administration will continue to monitor the school's functioning and conduct regular inspections to protect the interests of students.

BJP raises questions over absence of MP's name on PMGSY road plaques



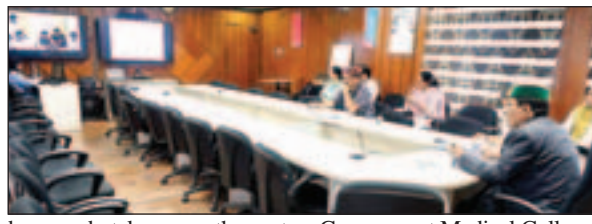
AVINASH CHAUHAN

AMB: The BJP has raised questions about the absence of the MP's name on inauguration plaques for roads constructed with central government support under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY-3). BJP District President Sham Minhas has demanded an impartial investigation into the matter, fixing responsibility, and making necessary amendments to the plaques. During a press conference held Friday at the BJP office in Nagar Panchayat Amb, Sham Minhas said that following a recent newspaper report, the Public Works Department's Superintending Engineer (SE) clarified that invitations to the inauguration ceremony had been sent to the relevant public representatives. He said this response from the department did not match the actual situation. Minhas said that he personally visited the Amb Aathva Road and the Takarla-Baruhi via Nai Abadi Road and inspected the inauguration plaques. According to him, the plaques at both locations bear the names of the Chief Minister and the local MLA, while the name of the Public Works Department Minister and MP Anurag Thakur is missing.

Health Minister calls for stronger patient care and modern healthcare facilities

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, JULY 3

Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr. (Col.) Dhani Ram Shandil today chaired the Governing Body meeting of the Rogi Kalyan Samiti of Dr. Rajendra Prasad Government Medical College, Tanda through video conferencing. The Minister reviewed the institution's achievements and overall performance during the past three financial years, with a focus on strengthening patient care and improving healthcare services. Addressing the meeting, the Health Minister said the state government was committed to transform the healthcare sector by upgrading medical infrastructure and ensuring that people have access to high-quality treatment closer to home. He said that several significant initiatives have



been undertaken over the past three and a half years to modernize healthcare facilities across the state.

Dr. (Col.) Dhani Ram Shandil said the government was upgrading medical institutions in the state in line with leading healthcare centres in the country. As part of this effort, Rs. 75 crore has been sanctioned for the establishment of advanced automated laboratories at Atal Institute of Medical Super Specialities, Chamiyana, Indira Gandhi Medical College and Hospital, Shimla and Dr. Rajendra Prasad

Government Medical College, Tanda. The Minister also announced that infrastructure at Tanda Medical College would be further strengthened to support an increase in postgraduate medical seats, as well as to improve facilities for students enrolled in Medical Laboratory Technology (MLT) and nursing programmes. He said that the college has recently installed several advanced medical technologies, including High-Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC), Continuous Renal

Replacement Therapy (CRRT) and Hemodiafiltration (HDF) dialysis systems, which would significantly enhance diagnostic and critical care services. Recognizing the growing number of patients and visitors, Dr. Shandil said efforts would also be made to expand parking facilities at the medical college to improve public convenience.

The Health Minister further said that outdated medical equipment in government medical colleges was being replaced with state-of-the-art technology. Modern diagnostic equipment including MRI scanners, CT scanners, digital radiography and digital mammography systems, was being installed across healthcare institutions to improve the quality and efficiency of medical services.

Samarthya Gyandeeep Library emerges as study hub for competitive exam aspirants in Una

KISHORI LAL BAINS

UNA: The district administration has established the Samarthya Gyandeeep Library at the Mini Secretariat in Una to provide a conducive study environment for students preparing for competitive examinations and higher education. Developed at a cost of around Rs. 15 lakh under the Samarthya initiative, the library has been set up in Room No. 221 of the Mini Secretariat. The initiative aligns with the Himachal Pradesh government's focus on youth and women empowerment under Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu and has been implemented under the guidance of Deputy Commissioner Jaun Lal. The library aims to provide quality study infrastructure and promote a culture of disciplined learning among aspirants. According to the administration, similar libraries have also been established at Panjwar and Maudi Khas, while the library at Shri Maidas Sadan in Chintpurni is being upgraded. Assistant Commissioner Vinay Modi said the library remains open daily from 9 am to 6 pm and can accommodate around 30 students at a time. It offers air-conditioned reading rooms, free Wi-Fi, modern furniture and a quiet study environment. Students can avail of the facility for a monthly fee of Rs. 200. Those interested in membership can apply at the office of the Secretary, Red Cross Society, Room No. 406, Mini Secretariat, Una, during office hours. Students have welcomed the initiative. Sonakshi, a resident of Dussada preparing for competitive examinations after completing Class XII, said the library provides the peaceful atmosphere she lacked at home, helping her study with greater focus.

Governor releases 'Chalo Himachal' campaign poster to promote adventure tourism

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, JULY 3

Governor Kavinder Gupta today released the poster of the 'Chalo Himachal' campaign at Lok Bhavan during a courtesy call by members of the Govind Sagar Adventure & Water Sports Association. The initiative aims to promote adventure tourism and water sports activities across Himachal Pradesh, particularly in the State's major reservoirs and lakes. Releasing the campaign poster, the Governor lauds the Association's efforts to promote Himachal Pradesh as a premier destination for adventure and eco-tourism. He said that tourism is one of the major pillars of the State's economy and initiatives showcasing Himachal's



immense natural beauty and adventure potential would significantly contribute to attracting more visitors while creating employment and livelihood opportunities for local youth. Shri Gupta commended the Association for its sustained efforts towards developing adventure tourism and said that all stakeholders should continue working collectively to strengthen the tourism sector and present Himachal Pradesh as a

preferred destination for both domestic and international tourists. Founder Member of the Association, Ishan Akhtar briefed the Governor about the 'Chalo Bilaspur, Chalo Himachal' campaign. He informed that throughout the year, the Association proposes to organize a series of adventure sports activities at Govind Sagar Lake and Kol Dam in Bilaspur district, Pong Dam in Kangra district and Chamera Dam in Chamba district.

Bilaspur's Manoj Thakur to Lead India at Asian Junior Handball Championship in China

AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY
BILASPUR, JULY 3

Bilaspur has added another feather to its sporting cap with Manoj Thakur, a coach with the Department of Youth Services and Sports, being appointed Head Coach of the Indian Men's Junior Handball Team for the 19th Asian Men's Junior Handball Championship in China.

The appointment has been hailed as a proud moment for Himachal Pradesh, reflecting the state's growing contribution to Indian handball. As part of the preparations, the national coaching camp will be held from July 4 to 13 at the Tata Sports Complex, Jamshepur, where Thakur will oversee the team's training ahead of the continental championship.



A native of Sai village in Bilaspur's Namhol area, Manoj Thakur has built an impressive coaching career. Since joining the Department of Youth Services and Sports in 2015, he has guided the Himachal Pradesh handball team as head coach in 15 national championships and has also served as a coach and referee at several national events. Earlier, he was part of the Indian contingent as coach for the 4th Central Asian Open

Handball Championship in Tashkent, Uzbekistan. Currently serving as the in-charge of the State Sports Hostel, Bilaspur, Thakur has mentored numerous players who have represented Himachal Pradesh and India with distinction at national and international levels.

An LLB graduate with a postgraduate degree in Physical Education and an NIS coaching certification from Patiala, Thakur believes sports play a vital role in shaping disciplined, confident youth while steering them away from social evils such as drug abuse.

His latest appointment stands as a proud milestone for Bilaspur and a significant honour for Himachal Pradesh on the national sporting stage.

Haroli becomes Himachal's first fully CCTV-covered Assembly constituency

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA, JULY 3

Himachal Pradesh's Haroli Assembly constituency has become the state's first fully CCTV-monitored constituency with the inauguration of the 'Aaina' Command and Control Centre, Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri said on Friday. The Rs 5.50-crore surveillance project comprises 195 CCTV cameras installed at 60 sensitive locations across the constituency, enabling round-the-clock monitoring and real-time alerts on suspicious vehicles and activities, he said after inaugurating the facility at the DSP office in Haroli. Agnihotri said the advanced surveillance system would strengthen crime prevention, improve traffic management and ensure quicker police response. The project also includes seven Intelligent Traffic Management Systems



(ITMS) set up at a cost of around Rs 1.50 crore. The deputy chief minister said 'Aaina' is the state's first fully wireless command and control system and features a 19-screen LED video wall for live monitoring. The system can store data for up to three months and retain recordings for eight hours even in case of tampering or technical disruption. He said traffic violations such as over-speeding, riding without helmets, triple riding and non-use of seat belts would also be

monitored through the system. Agnihotri also announced that a new bus depot at Haroli would be operational soon, with electric buses to connect the area with Delhi, Chandigarh, Shimla and AIIMS Bilaspur. He said the state government had sanctioned Rs 8.50 crore for upgrading Haroli Hospital from 50 to 100 beds and that infrastructure and irrigation projects worth several hundred crores were under implementation in the constituency.

Tibetan self-immolation over China's Ethnic Unity Law; Tibetans hold candlelight march

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, JULY 3

Widespread opposition has emerged among Tibetans regarding the 'Ethnic Unity Law' recently implemented by China. Tibetans across the globe are taking to the streets to protest against this law. In protest against the Chinese regime, 42-year-old exiled Tibetan activist Lobga Rangzen set himself on fire outside the United Nations headquarters in New York on July 2, 2026. He passed away while being taken to the hospital. On Friday, thousands of Tibetans staged a protest against China in McLeod Ganj, Dharamshala, and held a candlelight march to mourn the death of Lobga Rangzen. Before setting himself ablaze, Rangzen placed a Tibetan flag on the pavement. According to



eyewitness video footage, Rangzen was dressed in Buddhist monk's robes. While setting himself ablaze, he scattered papers bearing slogans such as "Drive China out of Tibet." He also called for Tibetan independence and community unity. This incident occurred shortly after China implemented a new law mandating the use of Mandarin in schools and government offices across Tibetan and other minority regions. Human rights

groups and Tibetans have condemned this as a policy of forced assimilation aimed at erasing cultural identity. Prior to the self-immolation, Lobga had made a live appeal on social media, urging Tibetans to unite for Tibet's independence, the preservation of their culture, and opposition to Chinese policies. He was deeply distressed by the restrictions imposed on Tibetan culture, language, and identity. He had consistently opposed China's occupation of Tibet through peaceful means. Organizations within the Tibetan community have expressed deep sorrow over his death, describing him as a dedicated supporter of Tibet. The United States and the European Union have voiced serious concern regarding this new law.

Dalhousie Municipal Council reviews Vision 2025 projects, discusses ward-level development

SUBHASH MAHAJAN

DALHOUSIE: The general meeting of the Dalhousie Municipal Council was held on Friday under the chairmanship of council president Vandana Chaddha, with vice-president Reena Jariyal and all newly elected councillors in attendance. Chief Executive Officer Rakhii Kaushal briefed the House on the progress of 25 development works being undertaken under the Vision Dalhousie 2025 initiative. She also presented the council's current financial position before the members. The meeting then took up the agenda items, during which councillors highlighted issues, development proposals and priorities concerning their respective wards. Members urged the chairperson to expedite approval of pending development works. Responding to the concerns, Vandana Chaddha assured councillors that balanced development across all wards would be ensured and projects would be implemented on a priority basis in accordance with the available budget. The meeting concluded peacefully after discussions on various developmental issues concerning the town.



YUGMARG BUREAU PANIPAT: OPPO India has unveiled its latest Reno16 Series, comprising the Reno16 and Reno16c, aimed at empowering young creators with advanced AI-driven photography and productivity features. The new smartphones introduce India's first HoloVerse 3D Design and feature a 50MP AI Portrait Camera with a 3.5x

telephoto lens, Natural Tone Imaging and all-focal-length 4K 60fps HDR video recording. The series also brings an enhanced AI editing suite, including AI Remix Collage, Pop Cam, Popout 2.0 and the all-new AI Snap Key for instant access to creative tools. OPPO also introduced its first smart camera companion, OPPO Bubble, along with the OPPO Enco

Air5 wireless earbuds featuring flagship-grade Active Noise Cancellation. Priced between Rs. 46,999 and Rs. 67,999, the Reno16 Series will be available from July 9 through Amazon, Flipkart, the OPPO E-store and leading retail outlets with attractive launch offers, including cashback, exchange bonus, zero down payment and screen damage protection.

CHANDIGARH
SATURDAY, JULY 4, 2026

NEWS BRIEF

Meeting of Public Health Committee of Amlehad Health Center held



AVINASH CHAUHAN AMB: The meeting of Jan Arogya Samiti was held in the Health Center Amlehad under the chairmanship of Health Incharge Medical Officer Dr. Shreya Thakur, in which various aspects for the development of the health center were discussed extensively. Dr. Shreya Thakur said that as per the government orders, the agendas were discussed in this meeting. On this occasion, the chairperson of this committee and head of Amlehad Panchayat Tripta Thakur, committee members including school principal Bhanjaal Sudhir Kumar, Rajan Sharma, BDC member Rakesh Kumar, Manoj Kumar, Shivani Kumari, Mamta Kumari were present.

One-day NSS camp organised in Bhanjal School



AVINASH CHAUHAN AMB: A one-day NSS camp was organised at Government Senior Secondary School, Bhanjal on Friday in which NSS volunteers carried out a cleanliness drive in the school premises. The students were made aware about general health, hygiene and healthy lifestyle and the children were also given the message to stay away from drugs. School Principal Sudhir Kumar and other staff members - Lecturer Rajan Sharma, Suresh Kumar, Anu Sharma, Seema Kumari, Shri Raminik Bansal, Shri Ankur Sood, Sandeep Kumar, Sunita Kumari, Rajan Kumar, Madhu Bala, Vinod Kumar, Naresh Kumar, Chandrabhatti Jaswal, Smriti Chaudhary, Neeraj Bala, Santosh Kumari, Mrs. Ramika Kumari, Sushil Kumar, Ashwani Pathania, Ramesh Chandel, Dinesh Kumar, Shashi Kumar, Mrs. Nirmala Devi, Mrs. Kanchan Kumari, Suresh and Usha were present.

SC refuses to stay Sonam Raghuvanshi's bail but expresses reservations over High Court's approach

AGENCY NEW DELHI, JULY 3

The Supreme Court on Friday refused to stay the bail granted to Sonam Raghuvanshi, a key accused in the murder of her husband Raja Raghuvanshi, on a plea filed by the Meghalaya government. A bench of Justices MM Sundresh and Sheel Nagu, however, orally expressed prima facie reservations over the manner in which the High Court had dealt with the case. Sonam was granted bail by the trial court, which was later upheld by the Meghalaya High Court. The Supreme Court stated that it was prima facie inclined to stay the bail order, particularly since this was not a case where the grounds of arrest had not been furnished to Sonam. It, however, decided against passing an interim order of stay after taking into account the fact that Sonam had already been released on bail, had spent some time in in-



carceration and had sought time to respond to the Meghalaya government's plea. The bench said it would have to adopt a balanced approach, keeping in mind the settled principle that bail is the rule and jail is the exception, irrespective of the seriousness of the allegations. "We are conscious of the fact that she was in incarceration for a

trial. "She's released now? It's a matter to be decided in the trial. When she's released, we can't order..." The Court nevertheless made it clear that it had reservations over the manner in which the High Court had dealt with the case. "Prima facie, we have reservations about how the High Court is dealing with it. We don't want to pass an order today. Let things go on." During the hearing, the Court also observed that this was not a case where Sonam had never been informed of the grounds of arrest. It pointed out that the issue had not been raised in her earlier bail applications. "Fact remains you have been informed. Earlier bail applications, you did not raise the issue. It is not the case that grounds have not been provided." The Court further questioned whether the High Court was right in granting bail on a technical ground and pointed to an apparent error in the provision referred to.

Officials should resolve public complaints promptly and effectively: DC Aparajita



RANVIR PARASHAR KAITHAL, JULY 3

DC Aparajita said that every complaint received at resolution camp should be resolved promptly and effectively. Ensure strict compliance with guidelines issued by Haryana Government's resolution cell for resolving complaints. After a complaint is resolved, its complete details should be updated on portal to prevent complaints from becoming pending again. She was giving instructions to officials in auditorium of Mini Secretariat today. Earlier, senior officials from Chief Minister's Office reviewed complaints received at resolution camps and provided necessary guidance. She said that in many cases, complaints remain pending due to lack of clear comments.

Each officer should submit detailed, fact-based report along with an investigation report on portal. She directed that complaints whose resolution is not possible as per rules should be immediately updated on the portal along with relevant investigation report and reasons. This will make process of resolving complaints more transparent and effective. DC said that resolution camps are organized every Monday and Thursday at district and subdivision levels which are regularly reviewed by Chief Minister's Office. She asked officials to take every complaint received at resolution camps seriously and ensure its timely and satisfactory resolution. She said that government's objective is to provide citizens with quick, transparent and effective solutions to their problems.

Delhi Public School, Yamunanagar hosts CBP on "Computational Thinking and Artificial Intelligence Readiness"

RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR, JULY 3

Delhi Public School, Yamunanagar organized a Capacity Building Programme on Computational Thinking and Artificial Intelligence Readiness for its teaching faculty. The programme aimed to equip educators with the knowledge and skills required to integrate computational thinking and artificial intelligence into real-time classroom teaching, fostering future-ready learners. The resource person for the session, Dr. Rajiv Kumar Chechi, Director - Artificial Intelligence, Maharishi Markandeshwar (Deemed to be University), Mullana, conducted an engaging and insightful workshop. Through interactive discussions, practical examples, and



hands-on learning, Dr. Chechi explained the fundamental concepts of computational thinking, including career guidance and mentorship, benchmarking, pattern recognition, and algorithmic thinking. He also highlighted the growing role of Artificial Intelligence in education and emphasized the need to prepare students for an AI-driven world by nurturing critical thinking, problem-solving, and ethical decision-making. Teachers actively participated in the virtual world that demonstrated how AI tools and computational thinking strategies can be integrated across various subjects to enhance learning outcomes. The workshop also encouraged educators to adopt innovative practices while promoting the responsible and ethical use of AI technologies at the same time. The session concluded with an interactive segment, where participants shared their experiences and sought guidance on implementing AI-enabled teaching practices in their classrooms.

Total of 4,47,988 voter survey forms under electoral roll revision in Yamunanagar district digitized: ADC

RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR, JULY 3

Additional Deputy Commissioner and District Nodal Officer for works related to voter registration, Naveen Kumar Ahuja held a press conference in the auditorium of the District Secretariat regarding the special intensive revision campaign. Reviewing the ongoing SIR work in the district, he said that the objective of the Election Commission of India was to ensure that no eligible Indian citizen was deprived of the voter list and no ineligible person was included in the voter list. For this purpose, a special intensive vetting program is being run across the country. He said that as per the schedule set by the



Commission, from June 15 to July 14, 2026, Booth Level Officers (BLOs) are visiting the homes of every existing voter and distributing the forms. Voters are requested to fill the enumeration form and provide it to their BLO on time along with necessary signatures, so that their name can be included in the upcoming voter list. The Additional Deputy Commissioner said that since independence, a deep review has been conducted 10 times

in the country so far and the special review for the year 2025-2026 was the 11th review of the country. Names of voters whose enumeration forms are not received will not be included in the draft voter list. In such cases, reasons such as duplicate/multiple entries, deceased, permanently transferred, absent/untraceable or refusal to sign the enumeration form will be recorded by the BLO. He informed that the draft voter

list will be prepared on the basis of signed counting forms received from June 15 to July 14, 2026. The draft voter list will be published on July 21, 2026 and claims and objections can be submitted from July 21 to 20 August 2026. Citizens who have turned 18 years of age or more on July 1, 2026, can apply for inclusion of their names in the voter list through Form-6. Any kind of correction or objection in the voter list can also be lodged during the prescribed period. In the press conference, Additional Deputy Commissioner said that till July 3, 2026, 4,47,988 counting forms of 9,18,682 voters of total 979 polling stations in the district have been digitized shows 48.76 percent progress.

St. Lawrence International School organises in-house training programme on Life Skills (Advanced)

RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR, JULY 3

St. Lawrence International School, Shahpur Road, Vyaspur, organized an in-house training programme on Life Skills (Advanced) under the guidance of the Chairperson, Dr. Rajni Sehgal. The programme commenced with the invocation of Lord Ganesha and Goddess Saraswati, followed by the ceremonial lighting of the lamp. The training session was conducted by CBSE Certified Trainer Ms. Meena Rohilla. Renowned educationist Dr. M.K. Sehgal, emphasized that the true purpose of education is to nurture life skills, moral values, discipline, self-confidence, and human compassion among students. He stated that in today's rapidly changing social environment, life skills form



the foundation of personality development. Developing essential skills such as effective communication, decision-making, problem-solving, self-awareness, empathy, teamwork, and responsibility from an early stage enables students to become successful and responsible citizens. During the session, Ms. Meena Rohilla highlighted the significance of Life Skills (Advanced), stating that education is not merely about achieving academic excellence but also about

DC reviews flood preparedness along Yamuna in Panipat

RAKESH BHAYANA PANIPAT, JULY 3

With the monsoon setting in, Panipat Deputy Commissioner Dr. Harish Kumar Vashisth on Friday inspected flood-prone areas along the Yamuna River and directed officials to strengthen embankments, improve drainage infrastructure and ensure preparedness to tackle any flood situation. Accompanied by officials from various departments, the Deputy Commissioner visited vulnerable villages, including Rana Majra, Pathargarh, Shamshabad and Nawada, where he reviewed the condition of ring bunds, embankments, drains, bridges and other flood protection works. He instructed the concerned departments to immediately repair and



reinforce weak stretches of embankments to safeguard lives and property. Dr. Vashisth also inspected the cleaning of Drain No. 8 and directed officials to install fencing at overflow-prone locations to prevent accidents during the rainy season. Taking a serious view of illegal mining along the

Yamuna, he ordered strict enforcement against violations, stating that any breach of rules would invite stringent action. During his visit to Rana Majra, local residents submitted demands for a road near the embankment, a retaining wall and other development works.

R.K. Sewa donates medicines at Rajouri Garden Gurdwara



RAHUL KOHLI YAMUNANAGAR: Demonstrating its commitment to community welfare and humanitarian service, Royal Khukhrain Family Sewa (R.K. Sewa) organized a free medicine donation drive at Gurdwara Singh Sabha, Nehru Market, Rajouri Garden, where 20,000 FOLRON capsules along with other essential medicines were donated for the benefit of those in need. The initiative aimed to support public health by ensuring the availability of essential medicines to the community. Members of the organization reaffirmed their commitment to continuing such charitable activities in the future, emphasizing that service to humanity is the highest form of service. The event was attended by Founder Member Sarabjeet Singh Suri, Rajeev Chadha, Rajeev Kumar Sawhney, Gurcharan Ghai, Balwinder Singh, Anand Kumar Anand, Sanjeev, Aabid Ali, and Tilak Raj Kohli, who actively participated in the service initiative and encouraged others to contribute towards social welfare. The organizers expressed their gratitude to everyone who supported the noble cause and reiterated their dedication to serving society through meaningful community service initiatives.

Step up SIR campaign: Former Speaker Gian Chand Gupta's call to Barwala BJP workers



JITENDRA KAUSHIK BARWALA: Former Speaker of Haryana Assembly and senior BJP leader Gyan Chand Gupta addressed the meeting of BJP Mandal officials and workers at Sheesh Mahal in Barwala on Friday. During the meeting, while reviewing the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) campaign, he called upon the workers to speed up the campaign. Gyan Chand Gupta said that to make the voter list pure, transparent and error-free, every worker should go door-to-door and contact the eligible voters and make them aware of the SIR campaign. He said that SIR forms can be filled both online and offline, hence it is necessary to connect more and more people with this process. He said that to strengthen democracy, it was necessary to have 100 per cent eligible voters' names in the voter list. The campaign strategy was discussed in detail in the meeting and workers were instructed to play an active role at the booth level. BJP's divisional officers, booth workers and a large number of party workers were present in the meeting.

Ensure success of campaign with utmost seriousness, responsibility, and transparency: SDM Assandh

JAGBIR UPLANA ASSANDH, JULY 3

A review meeting regarding the Special Intensive Revision campaign was held on Friday, chaired by Sumit Sihag, the Electoral Registration Officer (ERO) and SDM of Assandh, with the AEROS and supervisors of the Assandh Assembly constituency. The SDM reviewed the progress of tasks under the campaign and issued necessary guidelines. SDM Sumit Sihag stated that Booth Level Officers (BLOs) must complete the task of collecting enumeration forms from voters during door-to-door visits and digitizing them in a time-bound manner, in accordance with set targets. He directed that all collected forms be uploaded without delay and that the pace of work be



accelerated to ensure all targets are met within the deadline. He instructed all concerned officials to review the work in their respective areas daily and continuously monitor the progress of each BLO. Wherever the pace of work is slow, necessary steps must be taken immediately to expedite it. Negligence or unnecessary delays at any level will not be tolerated. He

directed officials to carefully verify the documents attached to each enumeration form and to upload all records online on time. The SDM emphasized that the Special Intensive Revision campaign is a crucial program of the Election Commission. Its objective is to make the electoral roll completely accurate, up-to-date, and error-free.

Assandh SDM urges cooperation for electoral roll revision drive

JAGBIR UPLANA ASSANDH, JULY 3

Sumit Sihag (HCS), the Electoral Registration Officer and SDM of Assandh, stated that, in accordance with the directives of the Election Commission of India, Booth Level Officers (BLOs) are continuously working on the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) campaign within the 23-Assandh Assembly constituency. As part of this initiative, a meeting was held on Friday at the Sub-Divisional Officer's office with representatives from all political parties in the subdivision and the BLAs, during which necessary guidelines were issued. He informed everyone that the Election Commission of India is conducting the



Special Intensive Revision-2026 (SIR) campaign with the aim of making electoral rolls more accurate, transparent, and reliable. The SIR campaign is a completely impartial, transparent, and rule-based process. Its objective is not to remove the names of eligible voters, but rather to make the electoral roll more accurate, up-to-date, and error-free, and to include eligible voters in the list. This campaign is a

process aimed at strengthening democracy. The SDM of Assandh urged everyone to cooperate in ensuring that enumeration forms are filled out correctly and submitted to the respective BLOs within the stipulated time, assisting in the preparation of the ABDD (Absentee, Shifted, Dead, Duplicate) list, and raising public awareness about the Special Intensive Revision campaign.

NEWS BRIEFS

Voters must verify their names and details after the publication of the draft electoral roll: DC

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: Deputy Commissioner Dr. Anand Kumar Sharma stated that during the Special Intensive Revision (SIR-2026), instances have come to light where members of the same family are registered in the electoral rolls of different polling stations. This situation can arise when a specific sector or colony is divided into sections across two different polling stations located within the same building; consequently, Form 6 applications for voter registration may have been submitted to different Booth Level Officers (BLOs), resulting in family members being registered at separate polling stations rather than a single one. He explained that in such cases, the respective BLOs will distribute enumeration forms to the voters in their areas, collect the filled-out forms, and digitize the data in accordance with the prescribed procedure. All eligible voters must ensure they provide their enumeration forms to the concerned BLO. He further stated that if a family wishes for all its eligible members to be listed at the same polling station in the future, they can request a change of polling station by filling out Form 8 during the 'claims and objections' period following the publication of the draft electoral roll for 2026.

Rakhigarhi will become the strongest global symbol of India's ancient civilization: CM

YUGMARG BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, JULY 3

Haryana Chief Minister, Sh. Nayab Singh Saini on late Thursday evening chaired a high-level review meeting at Chandigarh to assess the progress and design of the world-class Site Museum and Interpretation Centre being developed at Rakhigarhi.

While reviewing every aspect of the ambitious project in detail, the Chief Minister directed officers to develop it in accordance with international standards so that Rakhigarhi emerges not merely as an archaeological site, but as a global centre showcasing India's ancient civilization, cultural heritage and knowledge traditions.

Chief Secretary, Sh. Anurag Rastogi, Commissioner and Secretary, Heritage and Tourism Department, Dr. Amit Agrawal, Deputy Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Dr. Yashpal, and Deputy Director, Haryana Archaeology and Museums Department, Dr. Narender Parmar also attended the meeting.

Briefing the Chief Minister on the project's future roadmap, Dr. Amit

Agrawal said the Interpretation Centre and Site Museum are being conceived beyond the conventional museum model, with extensive use of advanced digital, electronic and audio-visual technologies. Visitors will not only view archaeological remains but will also be able to experience the lifestyle, culture



and social organisation of the Saraswati-Sindhu Civilization through immersive modern technology, he said.

Dr. Amit Agrawal further informed the meeting that the complex is being developed over an area of approximately 100,000 square feet. Five theme-based galleries each will be established on the ground and first floors, presenting various dimensions of the Saraswati-Sindhu Civilization through state-of-the-art technology.

He said that these galleries will

comprehensively showcase the seven mounds of Rakhigarhi, the different phases of archaeological excavations, significant artefacts unearthed at the site, urban planning, residential architecture, streets, drainage systems, water management, grain storage, trade and commerce, livelihoods, social life, and the technological and cultural achievements of the period in an engaging and scientifically curated manner.

The Chief Minister was apprised that the Orientation Gallery will provide detailed insights into the Civilization of the Seven Rivers and the evolution of the Saraswati-Sindhu Civilization. In addition, short films, digital projections, 3D presentations and other advanced interpretive tools will enable visitors to understand the story of the civilization in an engaging and accessible manner.

The Interpretation Centre will also feature experiential learning activities, particularly for children and young visitors. They will be able to closely observe and understand the process of making ancient seals, study replicas of bricks, artefacts.

MLA Bhagwan Das Kabirpanthi administers oath of office and secrecy to newly appointed councillor Bir Singh



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
TARAORI, JULY 3

A swearing-in ceremony was held at the Tarawadi Municipal Committee on Thursday, where MLA Bhagwan Das Kabirpanthi administered the oath of office and secrecy to newly appointed councillor Bir Singh from Ward No. 8, Dodwa Colony.

The oath was administered in the presence of Municipal Committee Secretary Ajit Kumar and Municipal Committee President Virender Bansal. Congratulating the newly appointed councillor, the MLA urged him to discharge his responsibilities with honesty, impartiality and dedication.

During the programme, Kabirpanthi also held discussions with Municipal Committee officials and employees on various issues related to the town's development.

Addressing the gathering, the MLA said elected representatives serve as an important link between the public and the administration. Expressing confidence in Bir Singh, he said the new councillor would work sincerely for the de-

velopment of his ward, improvement of sanitation, strengthening of basic civic amenities and timely resolution of public grievances.

He added that the state government's objective is to ensure balanced development of both urban and rural areas while providing better public services and infrastructure to citizens.

After taking the oath, Bir Singh thanked MLA Bhagwan Das Kabirpanthi and the other public representatives present at the ceremony. He said he would strive to live up to the faith reposed in him by the people of the ward and reaffirmed his commitment to prioritising development works and ensuring the timely resolution of residents' problems. Municipal Committee Secretary Ajit Kumar, President Virender Bansal, councillors, and other municipal officials and employees were present on the occasion. The ceremony concluded in a cordial atmosphere, with attendees extending their best wishes to the newly appointed councillor for a successful tenure.



BJP state President gets warm welcome in Karnal

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, JULY 3

Mayor Renu Bala Gupta stated that the active participation of people from all walks of life in the events organized for the maiden visit of the newly appointed BJP State President, Dr. Archana Gupta, to Karnal has created history. Elated by this, the Mayor expressed her heartfelt gratitude to the BJP family, all social organisations, and the revered people of Karnal for making the entire event a success. In her statement, the Mayor noted that people from every section of society accorded an unprecedented welcome to BJP State

President Dr. Archana Gupta at various locations across Karnal—including Sir Chhotu Ram Chowk, Baba Saheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar Chowk, Mahatma Gandhi

slogans. Throughout the city, a remarkable atmosphere of enthusiasm, discipline, patriotism, and dedication to the organisation was evident.

The Mayor remarked that Dr. Archana Gupta has long been known for her diligence, simplicity, dedication, and organisational acumen in the fields of party work and public service. Her leadership will infuse the Haryana BJP with new energy, direction, and momentum. She

expressed confidence that under Dr. Gupta's guidance, the organization would further strengthen its resolve regarding public service, good governance, Antyodaya.



Chowk, Maharaja Agrasen Chowk, Meera Ghati Chowk, Agrasen Bhawan, and Dr. Mangal Sen Auditorium—amidst showers of flowers, garlanding, and enthusiastic

Viresh Shandilya urges Ambala Police to designate auto and e-rickshaw stoppage points

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
AMBALA, JULY 3

Anti Terrorist Front India and Vishva Hindu Takht national president Viresh Shandilya on Friday submitted a memorandum to Ambala Superintendent of Police Ajit Singh Shekhawat, seeking the designation of fixed boarding and deboarding points for auto-rickshaws and e-rickshaws to improve road safety.

In the memorandum, Shandilya alleged that auto-rickshaws and e-rickshaws frequently stop at random locations on national highways and in urban areas to pick up or drop passengers, increasing the risk of road accidents.

He urged the SP to direct the traffic police to identify and notify designated stoppage points so that vehicles do not halt arbitrarily on busy roads.



these locations witness heavy traffic because of educational institutions and hospitals, resulting in frequent congestion.

He claimed that many auto and e-rickshaw drivers stop without checking traffic conditions, posing a safety risk to commuters.

Responding to the memorandum, SP Ajit Singh Shekhawat assured Shandilya that the demand would be examined. He said the proposal to designate fixed stoppage points could help reduce accidents and added that a meeting of traffic police officials would be convened soon to discuss the issue and take necessary action.

Shandilya also demanded the permanent deployment of traffic police personnel at Arya Chowk, Polytechnic Chowk and outside Police DAV School, stating that

Gurukul successfully concludes natural farming internship, 45 students receive practical training

HANS RAJ KURUKSHETRA: One-month Natural Farming Internship organized at Gurukul Kurukshetra's Natural Farming Farm under National Education Policy (NEP-2020), concluded successfully. Internship was held from June 1 to June 30 and 45 students from Kurukshetra University participated. In this internship, students from MSc Botany, MSc Zoology, MSc Environmental Science and MSc Geography received extensive training in the principles and practical techniques of natural farming.



During training, students experienced seed treatment, Jeevamrit and Ghanjeevamrit preparation, natural pest and disease management, soil health conservation, biodiversity, crop management and various practical activities of natural farming. Principal of Gurukul, Rajkumar Garg was chief guest at closing ceremony and distributed certificates to all students. Administrator Raminwas Arya, Kurukshetra District Horticulture Officer (DHO) Dr. Shivendu Pratap Singh Solanki, Dr. Gagandeep Singh and Prakash were present as special guests. Chief Guest Rajkumar Garg addressing students said that natural farming is not just a farming method, but an important movement towards environmental protection, human health and sustainable agriculture. He called upon students to play an active role in promoting natural farming by sharing their acquired knowledge with society and farmers. Guests present at ceremony congratulated students on successfully completing their internships and encouraged them to contribute to field of natural and sustainable agriculture in the future. This internship organized by Gurukul Kurukshetra proved to be an important initiative for students to gain practical knowledge of natural farming and realize objectives of new education policy.

Hard work, integrity and values are the real keys to success: Krishan Lal Singla

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, JULY 3

Krishan Lal Singla, CMD of Janaki Rice Mill, has said that there is no shortcut to success in life. According to him, hard work, discipline, strong values and integrity form the foundation on which lasting success is built. He said that people who stay away from dishonest practices and lead a simple life earn enduring respect and success.

Speaking to reporters, Singla said that many people today look for quick ways to get ahead, but such approaches may offer temporary gains, not lasting success. He said the ladder of success is climbed step by step, with every stage demanding hard work, patience and honesty. A person dedicated to his work, he added, is able to overcome even the most challenging circumstances.

Addressing the youth, Singla said that whether in education, business, employment or any other field, developing strong moral values is essential



for achieving success. Good values help individuals distinguish between right and wrong, while integrity builds trust and earns respect in society.

"If the foundation is strong, even the tallest building remains firm," he said, adding that a simple lifestyle and high ideals are the true hallmarks of success. According to him, the race for showmanship, deceit and the tendency to advance at the expense of others ultimately weakens an indi-

vidual. In contrast, those who live simply, maintain transparency in their work and care for the welfare of others carve a distinct place for themselves in society. A simple life also provides mental peace, which helps in making sound decisions, he said.

Drawing from his experience, the Janaki Rice Mill CMD said that trust is the greatest asset in both business and life. Once a person establishes credibility, opportunities begin to open naturally. A

reputation earned through hard work and integrity, he said, is far more valuable than material wealth. Therefore, people should focus on their actions rather than merely chasing results. Singla further said that failures should be treated as learning opportunities rather than reasons for discouragement. A person who continues to persevere ultimately reaches the destination of success. Difficulties are an integral part of life, he said, but they should be faced with patience, self-confidence and a positive outlook, enabling every challenge to be turned into an opportunity. He said the younger generation must understand that success is not measured solely by wealth or position, but by the respect earned through hard work, good values, honesty and simplicity. He urged young people to choose the right path instead of shortcuts, stressing that the true ladder to success is built on diligence and strong character.

Hundreds of fish die in sacred pond of ancient Gagadwala Temple; oxygen depletion cited as cause

PRIITI SAINI
SADHAURA: Concern gripped devotees and locals on Friday after hundreds of dead fish were found in the sacred pond of the ancient Gagadwala Temple in Sadhaura. The dead fish were seen floating on the water's surface, causing a foul odor to spread around the area. According to reports, local devotees in-



formed the Fisheries Department about the situation. Upon receiving the information, a team from the department arrived at the site and inspected the pond. Preliminary investigations identified a lack of dissolved oxygen in the water and a thick layer of algae on the surface as the primary causes of the fish deaths. Meanwhile, Prateek Bansal and other locals stated that the concerned department had previously been alerted about the pond's contaminated water and the lack of proper cleaning arrangements, yet timely and appropriate measures were not taken. Residents have demanded that the administration establish a permanent system for the regular cleaning of the pond and the maintenance of water quality. Dr. Deepak from the Fisheries Department, who visited the site, stated that fresh water would be released into the pond to safeguard the surviving fish, and necessary chemicals would be sprayed to boost oxygen levels. The department has also appealed to devotees and locals to cooperate in maintaining the cleanliness of the pond.

Construction, plotting, or colony development in controlled area without CLU and licence is offence: Meena

HANS RAJ YADAV
KURUKSHETRA: Deputy Commissioner Vishram Kumar Meena stated that carrying out any form of construction, plotting, or colony development in a controlled area without a Change of Land Use (CLU) and a valid license constitutes an offence. Such actions attract provisions for imprisonment and fines. Strict action must be taken against those developing illegal colonies; under no circumstances will illegal colonies be allowed to flourish in the district. Joint teams comprising the DTP wing, police, and revenue department should conduct field visits. Property registrations should not be executed for such unauthorized colonies. Additionally, citizens will be made aware of the risks associated with unauthorized colonies. He was presiding over the District Task Force meeting of the District Town and Country Planning Department at the Mini-Secretariat auditorium on Friday. The meeting reviewed actions taken from December to June and discussed future plans. DC Meena noted that a total of 12,47,640 was recovered over the seven-month period: the monthly breakdown included ₹1,17,965 in January, ₹59,975 in February, ₹14,957 in March, and ₹54,743 in April. He stated that 22 sites—including colonies, dhabs and other locations—had been identified over the past seven months. Show-cause notices were issued for all 22 sites; directives were given to restore the original status of 17 sites, and the police department was requested to register cases against 10 of them. Additionally, a schedule was drawn up during this period to demolish illegal structures at 40 locations; of these, unauthorized constructions covering approximately 206 acres across 31 sites were successfully demolished. Deputy Commissioner Vishram Kumar Meena directed the NHAI to prevent vehicles from accessing these unauthorized dhabs directly from the highway and to take action against unauthorised construction outside the controlled zone along NH-44.



Strong booths are the foundation of a strong organisation and government: BJP state chief Archana Gupta

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, JULY 3:

Haryana BJP president Dr Archana Gupta on Wednesday said a strong booth-level organisation is the foundation of both a strong party and a stable government, urging party workers to further strengthen the BJP at the grassroots.

Dr Gupta was accorded a grand welcome by party leaders, elected representatives, workers and supporters at several locations during her first visit to Karnal after assuming charge as the state BJP chief.

The reception began in Gharaunda Assembly constituency, where district president Praveen Lathar and party workers welcomed her on Railway Road. Similar receptions were organised at Namaste Chowk, Meera Ghati, Maharana Pratap Chowk, Karn Gate, Bhagwan Parshuram Chowk, Maharaja Agrasen Chowk, Mahatma Gandhi Chowk and other locations, with workers greeting her through flower showers, drum beats and slogans.

Addressing a felicitation programme at Dr Mangal Sen Auditorium, Dr Gupta said the honour was not personal but a tribute to lakhs of dedicated BJP workers.

"BJP is a party of workers, and they are the backbone of the organisation. When a booth president works tirelessly at the grassroots, it



lays the foundation for forming the government," she said.

She urged party workers to strengthen every booth, saying electoral victories are built from the booth level. She also called upon workers to undertake plantation drives at their respective booths and ensure the survival of the saplings.

Dr Gupta said Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini are committed to ensuring that the benefits of welfare schemes reach the last person in society. She asked workers to act as a bridge between the government and the people by spreading awareness about welfare programmes and helping eligible beneficiaries access them.

DC Rahul Narwal directs acceleration of sewerage and drain cleaning work

DINKAR GAWRI

HANSI: A crucial review meeting regarding the city's sewerage system, drainage, and sanitation was held at the District Secretariat complex under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner Rahul Narwal. Officials from the Municipal Council, the Public Health Engineering Department, and other concerned departments participated in the meeting. During the meeting, the Deputy Commissioner reviewed the current status of sewerage lines, drains, and the drainage system in detail. He issued clear directives to the concerned officials to accelerate cleaning operations by launching a special drive over the next three days, ensuring that citizens do not face issues like waterlogging during the rainy season. Directing officials from the Municipal Council and the Public Health Department, the Deputy Commissioner emphasized the need for special attention to city sanitation, the cleaning of sewage lines, and the regular cleaning of drains. He instructed that there should be no obstruction to the drainage of rainwater and that all potentially vulnerable areas be cleaned on a priority basis. Warning the officials, he stated that positive results of the work must be visible on the ground within three days. He added that if any negligence, laxity, or dereliction of duty is found at any level during this period, strict administrative action will be taken against the concerned officers and employees. The Deputy Commissioner directed all concerned departmental officials to visit the field starting today to monitor the work and ensure the cleaning drive is conducted effectively. He further stated that if additional resources, machinery, or other requirements are needed for the sewerage and drain cleaning operations, the district administration would grant immediate approval to prevent any hindrance to the work. During the meeting, the Deputy Commissioner specifically instructed Public Health Department officials to prioritize and promptly begin the work of laying a new sewerage line in the street located opposite Amli Lake. The Deputy Commissioner stated that the district administration is committed to improving civic amenities and that all departments must work in coordination to tackle the issue of waterlogging during the monsoon season.

CAWS welcomes Haryana government's decision on additional increments for clerical staff

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, JULY 3:

The Clerical Association Welfare Society (CAWS), Karnal, has welcomed the Haryana government's decision to grant additional salary increments to clerical employees, describing it as a historic and employee-friendly step.

District president Pradeep Prajapati said the Finance Department's orders provide three additional increments to employees of the 2020 batch. The salaries of eligible employees will also be re-fixed in accordance with the Haryana Civil Services (Pay) Rules, 2016.

He said the decision would provide direct financial benefits to thousands of clerical employees across the state while boosting their morale.

Prajapati said the demand had been pending for a long time and acknowledged the role

of the Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh (BMS) in pursuing the issue. He thanked the organisation's national, state and district leadership for their efforts in securing the benefit for employees.

He also expressed gratitude to Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini, the Haryana government, the Finance Department and the officials involved in implementing the decision, stating that it reflected the government's commitment to employee welfare.

CAWS district secretary Paramjit Singh, vice-presidents Kuldeep and Pradeep Sharma, senior vice-president Ashok, Mohan Lal, Akshay Pal, Shiv Kashyap, Vinod, Deepak Verma, Surjit Mann and state executive member Paramjit Singh, along with other office-bearers, also welcomed the decision and termed it a significant achievement for the clerical cadre.

Congratulating clerical employees across the state, Prajapati appealed to members to remain united and said CAWS would continue working under the guidance of the Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh to safeguard employees' rights and interests.



EDITORIAL

Oil firms lost nearly Rs 75,000 cr on fuel sales between Apr-June

State-owned oil marketing companies' (OMCs) suffered a total loss of Rs 74,781 crore upto June 30 for selling petrol, diesel, and liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) below cost in the period April-June 2026, amid a spike in global crude oil prices that raised input costs, Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri said on Thursday. Addressing a press conference on the West Asia crisis, the Union Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas, said OMCs' total under-recovery, which includes petrol, diesel, and LPG from the previous year (Q4FY26 & Q1FY27), stood at Rs 2.1 lakh crore. He highlighted that amid the ongoing West Asia crisis the country's fiscal framework successfully shielded consumers from the full impact of global crude oil volatility with fuel continued to be sold domestically at prices below cost. He said that although global crude prices have eased in recent weeks, the impact of the earlier surge is still being felt because refiners are processing crude purchased when prices were significantly higher. Despite these financial pressures, he said the country maintained steady domestic fuel supplies. "Why did we do well and come out of the crisis without any closures and dry outs? In the entire period of March, April, May and June, there were no dry-outs," Puri said. "By and large, there was no disruption, shortage or queues." The minister contrasted this stability with the sharp fuel price hikes observed globally during the same four-month window. While India managed its domestic supply, petrol prices surged by 39.77 per cent in Pakistan, 36.66 per cent in Sri Lanka, 20 per cent in Nepal, and 42.69 per cent in Bangladesh. European nations also saw significant increases, with petrol prices rising by 17.74 per cent in France, 19.05 per cent in Germany, and 18.39 per cent in Italy. Addressing future crude price volatility, the minister noted that India is proactively expanding its storage capabilities and international partnerships. "Worried about that? No, my answer to that self-inflicted question is I'm not worried about it, but I have to prepare for it, stocking up as prices are low, increasing my storage space to intensifying our outreach to our bilateral partners, all that will go hand in hand," Puri stated. The government is pushing forward with massive domestic refining expansions to secure long-term energy independence. A review of capital expenditure across the ministry and public sector units confirmed that multiple advanced-stage projects will be implemented over the next 6 to 12 months. "This will bring our refining capacity to 300 million metric tonnes per annum. This is a noteworthy and remarkable figure," Puri said. Part of this expansion includes a new 9 million metric tonnes per annum project featuring a 2.4 million metric tonnes per annum petrochemical capacity.

Japan's Mogami offer: Strategic leap or diversion from indigenous naval project?

Japan has pitched for a complete transfer of design and production rights of its cutting-edge Mogami-class stealth frigate to India in a bid to sell the technology to its most consequential strategic partner in Asia.

The move which Indians and Japanese officials have been talking about for sometimes now, comes afresh in the backdrop of Japanese Prime Minister Sanae Takachi holding successful defence and tech cooperation talks with her counterpart Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday.

However, the problem for Indian defence planners is that the proposal arrives at an awkward moment for India's naval modernisation. The Indian Navy has already invested heavily in indigenous warship design through Project 17A, under which several Nilgiri-class stealth frigates are under construction.

Commodore Ranjit Rai (Retd), former Director of Naval Intelligence, told UNI that India has been steadily enhancing the capabilities of its indigenous Project 17A frigates and has little need to import warships from abroad. "Whatever their capabilities, importing frigates at this stage would disrupt our production plans and undermine the country's indigenous shipbuilding strengths," he said.

However, from a diplomatic and strategic point of view the Japanese proposal reflects Tokyo's willingness to export one of its frontline naval platforms and positions to India



as a long-term strategic manufacturing partner.

If accepted, Indian shipyards such as Kolkata-based Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers or Mumbai's Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) could manufacture the Japanese-designed frigates domestically, with reports suggesting that the agreement would include extensive technology transfer, design ownership, and integration of Indian weapon systems such as the BrahMos supersonic cruise missile.

"Japan's proposal is significant because it represents a dramatic evolution in Tokyo's

defence export policy. For decades after the Second World War, Japan maintained near-total restrictions on exporting military equipment," pointed out Rajaram Panda, former Senior fellow of the Institute of Defence Studies.

Strategically, the proposal aligns with the growing convergence between New Delhi and Tokyo over maintaining a stable Indo-Pacific region amid China's rapidly expanding naval footprint. Both countries increasingly view maritime cooperation as central to regional security, and co-producing sophisticated naval frigates would deepen defence-industrial integration beyond

exercises and diplomatic coordination.

However, defence officials point out that while both are modern stealth frigates, the Mogami and Nilgiri classes were conceived for different operational doctrines.

The Indian Nilgiri-class stealth frigate, developed under Project 17A, such as INS Taragiri, commissioned two months back, is effectively a heavily armed multi-role combatant, described by naval analysts as a "pocket destroyer."

Displacing around 6,670 tonnes, it carries a huge suit of attack weapons, including 32 Barak-8 vertical launch air

defence missiles and eight BrahMos supersonic cruise missiles.

"Combined with its advanced MF-STAR radar and comprehensive anti-submarine warfare suite, the indigenous stealth ship is designed for sustained high-intensity fleet operations," defence sources said.

The Japanese Mogami-class is lighter at approximately 5,500 tonnes and more automated, requiring a crew of only about 90 personnel compared with roughly 226 aboard the Nilgiri class stealth 'pocket destroyer'.

"However we do not have a trained manpower problem in our navy unlike Japan or other western countries and automation alone is not a plus for us, though we should be open to it," officials said, adding

"where the Japanese score against us is that their Mogami class frigates have an even more reduced radar signature compared to our vessel, but that can be fixed in future versions."

India has prioritised heavily armed, multi-layered combatants capable of operating independently in contested waters, while "Japan has focused on highly automated, flexible platforms that maxes efficiency while reducing manpower requirements".

The main problem, officials say is that the proposal also raises difficult questions about India's indigenous naval ambitions.

India's PR industry to reach Rs 4,500 crore by 2030

India's public relations (PR) industry is expected to grow to Rs 4,500 crore by 2030 from Rs 3,230 crore in FY26, as the sector evolves beyond traditional communications into a strategic business function and ramps up investments in artificial intelligence (AI), according to the Public Relations

Pacific market, although growth has moderated from the industry's decade-long compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 12 per cent, reflecting a more mature market. "PRCAI SPRINT 2026 reveals that there is no longer a single story defining the Indian PR industry. There are several, and they are

President, PRCAI. He added that the profession is "undergoing a broader transformation that touches skills, structures, and self-perception alike." One of the report's key findings is the changing composition of PR clients. The government's share among top client categories has nearly tripled to 11 per cent in 2026 from 4 per cent in 2022, while the share of private corporates declined to 42 per cent from 48 per cent. Start-ups expanded their share sharply to 22 per cent from 6 per cent during the same period.

AI is emerging as a major area of investment across the industry. According to the report, AI spending has risen from 2 per cent of revenues three years ago to 7 per cent in 2026, and is projected to reach 10 per cent within the next three years. Research and intelligence gathering is currently the most common AI application, followed by content creation and meeting summarisation.

However, the report also flagged rising concerns around AI-driven misinformation. It said 80 per cent of respondents identified AI-generated misinformation and deepfakes as a major reputational risk, while 85 per cent expect AI governance frameworks to become mandatory.

diverging rapidly... the profession must sharpen its strategic capabilities, adopt emerging technologies responsibly, and reinforce its role as a trusted business partner," said Kunal Kishore,

Consultants Association of India's (PRCAI) SPRINT 2026 report.

The report said the Indian PR industry grew 11 per cent in FY26, accounting for 12.6 per cent of the Asia-



US job growth slows to 57,000 in June, unemployment rate drops to 4.2%

The US job growth slowed in June as data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics showed that non-farm payrolls increased by 57,000 jobs compared to a revised 129,000 in May. However, the US unemployment rate dropped to 4.2 per cent, pointing to a stable labour market as hiring stabilised amid growing investments in artificial intelligence.

"Employment continued to trend up in professional and business services, social assistance, and health care. Leisure and hospitality lost jobs," the bureau said in its release.

There was little change in both the unemployment rate and the number of unemployed people from the May numbers. A total



of 7.1 million people were unemployed in June. The reduced labour force participation led to stability in the unemployment rate. The labour force participation rate decreased by 0.3

percentage point to 61.5 per cent in June.

Those who have been unemployed for a longer period (27 weeks or more) stayed at 1.9 million, changing little in June but grew by 286,000 over a

year. "The long-term unemployed accounted for 27.3 per cent of all unemployed people in June," the data showed.

Sector-wise, professional and business services added 36,000 jobs

in June while social assistance added 25,000 jobs, primarily in individual and family services. Healthcare employment continued to grow, adding 22,000 jobs in June but staying below the monthly average of 38,000 in the prior 12 months. Leisure and hospitality employment declined by 61,000 in June, reflecting weaker-than-usual seasonal hiring despite the Football World Cup happening in the US. A stable jobs market gives respite to the US Federal Reserve, but the inflation rate that has been above its comfort level of 2 per cent is going to weigh on any policy decision. In the last month's policy review, the federal funds rate was maintained at 3.5-3.75 per cent.

NITI Aayog unveils roadmap to make Ayurveda a global healthcare and export powerhouse by 2047

NITI Aayog has released a strategic roadmap to position Ayurveda as a globally recognised healthcare system and a stronger export industry by 2047, recommending a phased strategy that includes expanding international recognition, strengthening research, upgrading manufacturing standards, and promoting medical value travel.

The report, 'Strategic Roadmap for Making Ayurveda Global', said the roadmap aligns with the vision of Viksit Bharat@2047 and seeks to transform Ayurveda into a "credible, evidence-based, and globally integrated system of healthcare." "The roadmap outlined in this report is both ambitious and pragmatic. By adopting a phased approach extending up to 2047, it aligns well with India's broader developmental

vision of Viksit Bharat@2047. The focus on building globally recognised standards, enhancing manufacturing and export competitiveness, promoting medical value travel, and leveraging India's diplomatic and cultural capital offers a clear pathway for positioning Ayurveda as a credible component of global healthcare systems," NITI Aayog Vice Chairman Ashok Kumar Lahiri said in his message in the report. Prepared by PwC under NITI Aayog's Research Scheme, the report assesses Ayurveda's current global footprint and identifies policy measures needed to improve its availability, acceptability and global propagation. It notes that while Ayurveda's international presence



is expanding, its full potential remains constrained by fragmented regulations, limited scientific validation, restricted practitioner mobility and gaps in globally aligned standards.

According to the report, Ayurveda products are now exported to around 150 countries, with exports rising from USD 1.09 billion in 2014 to USD 2.16 billion in 2023. However, it noted that most products continue to be sold overseas as dietary supplements because of regulatory barriers, limiting the export of higher-value finished Ayurvedic medicines.

To address these gaps, the roadmap recommends creating a Global Ayurveda Register, expanding mutual recognition agreements with foreign countries, introducing Ayurveda electives in international medical schools, establishing a World

Federation for Ayurveda and Yoga, and strengthening evidence-based research. It also proposes upgrading India's manufacturing standards to WHO-GMP norms, creating an export-focused Ayurvedic Pharmacopoeia, setting up overseas finishing units, and publishing annual global safety and evidence reports.

The report also calls for strengthening international research by establishing more WHO collaborating centres, creating an International Ayurveda Research Alliance, promoting global clinical trials and expanding collaborations between industry and academia. It recommends developing International Ayurveda Centres of Excellence and introducing joint degree programmes with leading global medical universities to build an international practitioner.

NEWS BRIEF

AI+ Smartphone Announces Special Flipkart GOAT Sale Offers

AMRITSAR: AI+ Smartphone has announced special offers across its smartphone and AIoT portfolio for the upcoming Flipkart GOAT Sale. Early access for Flipkart Plus members begins on July 3, while the sale opens to all customers on July 4. The highlight of the sale is the AI+ Pulse 2, which will be available at a special starting price of ₹8,999. The smartphone features a 6.745-inch HD+ display with a 120Hz refresh rate, Unisoc T7250 processor, 50MP AI rear camera, 6000mAh battery with 18W fast charging, and Android 16-based NxtQuantum OS. It also offers up to 128GB storage with expandable memory support up to 1TB. Customers will also get offers on the Nova 2 series, including Nova 2 Neo, Nova 2 Pro, and Nova 2 Ultra, along with AIoT products such as smartwatches, earbuds, tablets, and audio devices. The NovaWatch RotateCam 4G will be available for purchase for the first time during the sale. According to the company, the offers are aimed at providing consumers with reliable performance, clean software, and access to its connected ecosystem across different price segments.

Bharti Airtel Strengthens Connectivity for Amarnath Yatra with Expanded Network Coverage

CHANDIGARH: Bharti Airtel today announced the expansion of its mobile network along the Amarnath Yatra pilgrimage, further strengthening connectivity for pilgrims, security personnel, and local authorities in the region. By deploying network sites at Chandanwari, Pissu Top, and Betaab Valley, Airtel has established network coverage along the crucial Pahalgam route, in addition to its existing presence at Ballal, thus providing uninterrupted connectivity leading up to the holy Amarnath cave shrine. The deployment was carried out in close coordination with the relevant government authorities and local administration to strengthen communications infrastructure during the Yatra. The enhanced coverage will provide reliable voice and data connectivity, support emergency communication, and improve digital access for the millions of pilgrims.

Legend—Hypercharged: Introducing the All-New Sierra.ev

LUDHIANA: TATA.ev, India's leader and pioneer in electric mobility, today launched the all-new Sierra.ev—redefining an icon for a bold, electric future. The most advanced and aspirational interpretation of the legendary Sierra yet, the Sierra.ev seamlessly combines its unmistakable design DNA with next-generation EV technology, immersive digital experiences, and intelligent innovation to deliver an uncompromised SUV experience. Launching India's most desirable SUV, the Sierra.ev, Shalish Chandra, MD & CEO, Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles Ltd., said, "The Sierra has always stood for more than just mobility. It has been an icon of innovation, aspiration and progress, bringing the future closer to customers. When reintroduced, it once again broke new ground by creating India's premium mid-SUV segment. Today, with Sierra.ev, we are taking that legacy forward and setting a new benchmark for what an uncompromised premium SUV can be in the electric era. Combining exceptional real-world range, exhilarating performance.

Amazon India's 10th Prime Day Celebration starts today

CHANDIGARH: Amazon India is all set for the 10th edition of Prime Day, starting on July 04 and continuing until 11:59 PM on July 05. Customers can enjoy 72 hours of the best deals, blockbuster launches and the fastest delivery speeds ever across categories like Smartphones, Electronics, Fashion & Beauty, Home & Kitchen, Groceries and more. To mark this milestone, Amazon is offering new members a flat INR 500 off on an annual Prime membership at just INR 999, with plans starting at INR 299/year (INR 100 off on Shipping Edition) and INR 599/year (INR 200 off on Prime Lite). Members get access to 10th Anniversary Deals with additional up to 10% savings on SBI debit and credit card, Axis Bank credit card, EMI Transactions and unlimited 5% cashback with the Amazon Pay ICICI Bank credit card, along with Amazon Pay Later's Pay in 3 instalments that enables interest-free EMI on cards of INR more than 1,500. This Prime Day, Prime members can access more than 500 exclusive new product launches, including the OnePlus 15R.

OPPO Launches Reno16 Series with AI-Powered Camera, HoloVerse 3D Design and Next-Gen Creative Features

AMBALA: OPPO India has unveiled its latest Reno16 Series, comprising the Reno16 and Reno16c, aimed at empowering young creators with advanced AI-driven photography and productivity features. The new smartphones introduce India's first HoloVerse 3D Design and feature a 50MP AI Portrait Camera with a 3.5x telephoto lens, Natural Tone Imaging and all-focal-length 4K 60fps HDR video recording. The series also brings an enhanced AI editing suite, including AI Remix Collage, Pop Cam, Popout 2.0 and the all-new AI Snap Key for instant access to creative tools. OPPO also introduced its first smart camera companion, OPPO Bubble, along with the OPPO Enco Air5 wireless earbuds featuring flagship-grade Active Noise Cancellation. Priced between ₹46,999 and ₹67,999, the Reno16 Series will be available from July 9 through Amazon, Flipkart, the OPPO E-store and leading retail outlets with attractive launch offers, including cashback, exchange bonus.

Globe Toyota Mohali Celebrates Doctors' Day by Honouring the Medical Fraternity

MOHALI: On the occasion of National Doctors' Day, Globe Toyota Mohali organized a special celebration to express its sincere gratitude and appreciation to the medical fraternity for their selfless service, dedication, and invaluable contribution to society. Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Vivek Datta, MD & CEO, Globe Toyota, said, "Doctors are the backbone of a healthy society. Their unwavering commitment, compassion, and tireless efforts inspire us all. Through this initiative, we wanted to express our heartfelt gratitude and recognize the remarkable contribution they make every single day." Sharing his thoughts, Mr. Ashu Misser, Group Head – Marketing, Globe Toyota, said, "At Globe Toyota, we believe in building meaningful relationships with the communities we serve. Celebrating Doctors' Day is our way of acknowledging the dedication of healthcare professionals who work tirelessly to safeguard lives. We are honoured to recognize their invaluable service and extend our heartfelt appreciation."

Hero MotoCorp Announces Rs. 3200+ Crore Investment in Andhra Pradesh

CHANDIGARH: Reinforcing its commitment to sustainable growth and community empowerment, Hero MotoCorp, the world's largest manufacturer of motorcycles and scooters, today reached a pivotal milestone in its nation-building mission with the Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony for its second Global Parts Centre (GPC) in Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh. This landmark facility, representing a significant investment of over Rs 750 crores, serves as the foundation of an expansive Rs 3,200 crore plus investment roadmap. The investment is aimed at transforming Tirupati into a world-class manufacturing and electric mobility hub, while strengthening Hero MotoCorp's global supply chain and reinforcing India's position in the automotive and EV ecosystem.

Three-Day GST Certificate Course Takes Off, Equips Professionals with Practical Compliance Expertise



CHANDIGARH: The three-day Certificate Course on GST – "Concepts to Compliance", organised by BrightEdge Tax Solutions Private Limited in association with CS Sanjay Malhotra (Practicing Company Secretary) and the PCCI commenced today at the Mahatma Gandhi State Institute of Public Administration (MGSIPA), Sector 26, Chandigarh. The programme got off to an enthusiastic start with participation from company secretaries, chartered accountants, cost accountants, tax practitioners, advocates, finance professionals, entrepreneurs, students, and business owners from across the region. Designed to bridge the gap between theoretical understanding and practical implementation of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) law, the three-day programme features comprehensive technical sessions by eminent experts, including retired IRS officers, experienced advocates, and industry professionals. The sessions cover GST registration, levy, supply, input tax credit (ITC), returns, assessments, audits, litigation, exports, refunds, and the growing role of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in GST practice. Sanjay Malhotra, Director BrightEdge Tax Solutions Private Limited and Practising Company Secretary and Sh Bajjit Singh Khara (T.R.IRS) Assistant Director NACIN conducted technical sessions on the concept and scope of supply, time and value of supply, statutory records, Registration under GST, GST Practitioner, Emphasising the growing significance of practical learning, he said, "GST has evolved into one of the most dynamic areas of taxation, making continuous learning essential for professionals and businesses alike."

Padma Shri Hans Raj Hans Embarks on a New Spiritual Musical Journey with "Ohdiyan Khadaan"



CHANDIGARH:(R N KHERA) Renowned Padma Shri awardee and celebrated playback and folk singer Hans Raj Hans, whose soulful voice has captivated millions across the world, has returned with his latest spiritual offering, "Ohdiyan Khadaan." Addressing the media at the Chandigarh Press Club today, Hans Raj Hans spoke candidly about his new musical journey and his decision to distance himself from politics. He said that politics is dominated by falsehood and firmly declined to comment further on political matters. Instead, he announced that he would now dedicate himself exclusively to preserving and promoting the rich tradition of Sufi and spiritual music, which has always been his true identity. Hans Raj Hans said his mission is to offer listeners peace, comfort, and spiritual fulfillment through meaningful compositions rooted in devotion and humanity. Joining him at the press conference were renowned lyricist Sanjeev Anand, who penned the heartfelt lyrics of the song, acclaimed lyricist Shamsheer Sandhu, and singer Hardeep, among others.

AI+ Smartphone unveils special Flipkart GOAT Sale offers across its product portfolio

HARYANA: AI+ Smartphone has announced attractive pricing across its smartphone and AIoT portfolio for Flipkart's much-awaited GOAT Sale. Flipkart Plus customers will get early access to the sale starting July 3, while the GOAT Sale opens for all customers from July 4. The biggest-ever offer on the AI+ Pulse 2, available at a special price of INR 8,999, is among the highlights of this year's Flipkart GOAT Sale.



Consumers can also avail attractive offers across the Nova Series, wearables, audio products and tablets. The AI+ Pulse 2 has been developed for consumers looking for a reliable everyday smartphone experience. The smartphone features a 6.745-inch HD+ display

with a 120Hz refresh rate, the Unisoc T7250 octa-core processor, a 50MP AI rear camera, an 8MP front camera, a 6000mAh battery with 18W fast charging, and Android 16-based NxtQuantum OS. Available with up to 6GB RAM and 128GB storage, expandable up to 1TB, it also comes with IP64-rated dust and water resistance and a side-mounted fingerprint scanner. Commenting on the announcement, Madhav Sheth, CEO, AI+ Smartphone and Founder, NxtQuantum Shift Technologies, said "As our product portfolio continues to expand, our focus is on ensuring that more consumers are able to experience the AI+ ecosystem across smartphones and connected devices."

Chitkara International School Ranked #1 in Chandigarh, Haryana & Punjab and #5 in India in the Swachh Evam Harit Vidyalaya Rating 2025-26



CHANDIGARH: Chitkara International School has added yet another distinguished accolade to its growing legacy of educational excellence by securing the #1 rank in Chandigarh, Haryana & Punjab and the #5 rank in India in the Swachh Evam Harit Vidyalaya Rating 2025-26 conducted by the Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education, Government of India. The prestigious recognition celebrates the school's exemplary commitment to environmental stewardship, water conservation, sanitation, hygiene, waste management, and sustainable institutional practices, reaffirming its position as a leading educational institution where academic distinction is seamlessly complemented by environmental responsibility. The Swachh Evam Harit Vidyalaya Rating recognises schools that have successfully embedded sustainability into the very fabric of institutional life. At Chitkara International School, this vision is strengthened through close collaboration with Chitkara University, enabling students to engage with progressive sustainability practices and interdisciplinary learning, while the school's dedicated Sustainability Centre serves as a vibrant hub for environmental education and innovation.

NEWME Expands Retail Footprint in Punjab with New Store in Ludhiana

LUDHIANA : India's fast-growing Gen Z fashion-tech brand NEWME has expanded its retail footprint in Punjab with the launch of its first high-street store in Ludhiana. Located at Sarabha Nagar on Sat Paul Mittal Road, the new two-storey, 300 sq. ft. outlet marks another milestone in the company's aggressive omnichannel growth strategy. Customers visiting during the launch can also enjoy inaugural offers, including a Buy One Get One Free promotion on July 5. The store blends technology, fashion and immersive retail experiences, offering over 500 fresh styles every week through NEWME's agile, inventory-light supply chain. Sumit Jasoria, Co-founder and CEO of NEWME said, "Punjab has always been one of India's most fashion-forward markets, and Ludhiana is emerging as a key retail destination. The city's young, aspirational and digitally connected consumers strongly align with NEWME's philosophy of self-expression and trend-led fashion. We have seen strong online engagement from Ludhiana, making it a natural choice for our offline expansion. We are excited to bring the NEWME experience closer to our community and strengthen our presence in North India. The new outlet has been designed as a destination for fashion discovery, seamlessly combining digital inspiration with engaging in-store experiences tailored for Gen Z shoppers. The launch also reinforces NEWME's strategy of expanding into high-potential youth-centric cities beyond traditional metro markets. Founded in 2022, NEWME has rapidly grown from a digital-first startup into one of India's fastest-growing omnichannel fashion brands, serving over 20 lakh customers nationwide."



boltt enters India's smartphone market in Collaboration with Flipkart



SHIMLA: After building one of India's largest connected consumer ecosystems with more than 4 crore users, Fire-Bolt today announced its entry into the smartphone category with the launch of boltt, a new Made-in-India smartphone brand that will be available on Flipkart and other channels of distribution. The move marks a significant milestone in Fire-Bolt's evolution from a wearables leader into a broader consumer technology company. Drawing on years of consumer insights and category expertise, the brand is now bringing its consumer-first approach into smartphones, a category that sits at the center of everyday digital experiences. Manufactured in India and designed for Indian consumers, boltt reflects Fire-Bolt's commitment to local manufacturing while combining its deep understanding of the market with Flipkart's extensive reach to bring its smartphone portfolio to consumers across the country. Aman Kishore, Founder & CEO, boltt, said: "Over the years, millions of consumers have welcomed Fire-Bolt into their daily lives, helping us build one of India's largest connected consumer ecosystems. boltt is the next chapter in that journey. Smartphones sit at the heart of how people connect, create, learn, and aspire today, and we believe there is a significant opportunity for a homegrown brand that truly understands Indian consumers. With boltt, we are bringing together our consumer insights, technology expertise, and commitment to India to create smartphone experiences that are designed for the country and built for its future."

OPPO Launches Reno16 Series with AI-Powered Camera, HoloVerse 3D Design and Next-Gen Creative Features

CHANDIGARH: OPPO India has unveiled its latest Reno16 Series, comprising the Reno16 and Reno16c, aimed at empowering young creators with advanced AI-driven photography and productivity features. The new smartphones introduce India's first HoloVerse 3D Design and feature a 50MP AI Portrait Camera with a 3.5x telephoto lens, Natural Tone Imaging and all-focal-length 4K 60fps HDR video recording. The series also brings an enhanced AI editing suite, including AI Remix Collage, Pop Cam, Popout 2.0 and the all-new AI Snap Key for instant access to creative tools. OPPO also introduced its first smart camera companion, OPPO Bubble, along with the OPPO Enco Air5 wireless earbuds featuring flagship-grade Active Noise Cancellation. Priced between ₹46,999 and ₹67,999, the Reno16 Series will be available from July 9 through Amazon, Flipkart, the OPPO E-store and leading retail outlets with attractive launch offers, including cashback, exchange bonus, zero down payment and screen damage protection. Speaking on the launch, Golube Patnaik, Head of PR and Communications, OPPO India, said, "Today's smartphone is far more than a communication device—it is a platform for creativity, storytelling and self-expression. With the Reno16 Series, we have combined our boldest design, our most intelligent camera system and advanced AI capabilities to make everyday creativity effortless. Every innovation has been thoughtfully developed to help users capture authentic moments."

Rita Kalra takes over as Rotary District Governor, Renu Chopra assumes charge as President of Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown



CHANDIGARH, Highlighting the growing role of women in leadership, Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown (District 3080) witnessed a landmark double installation with Dr. Rita Kalra taking over as District Governor of Rotary International District 3080 and Rtn. Renu Chopra, assuming office as the 50th President of the Club for the Rotary year 2026-27. The ceremony, held at the Chandigarh Judicial Academy, Sector 43, coincided with the Club's Golden Jubilee year. Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown, one of the city's leading Rotary clubs, undertakes service projects across the Tri-city region—Chandigarh, Panchkula and Mohali. The function was graced by Punjab Governor and UT Chandigarh Administrator, Hon'ble Shri Gulab Chand Kataria, as the Chief Guest. Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Alka Sareen, Judge, Punjab & Haryana High Court, attended as the Guest of Honour, while Past Rotary International President Rajendra K. Saboo was the Special Guest. Senior Rotary leaders, dignitaries and members from across District 3080 attended the event. Congratulating the newly installed leaders, Shri Gulab Chand Kataria praised Rotary's contribution in healthcare, education, skill development, environmental protection and humanitarian service.

COURT NOTICE
IN THE COURT OF Sh. Yogesh Gill
Judicial Magistrate First Class-20,
Jalandhar
AMRIT MALWA CAPITAL LTD
Vs.
NITISH KUMAR
Detail of offence:-
CNR No. PBJL03-011395-2025
NACT/2576/2025
Next Date: 22-07-2025

COURT NOTICE
(Uo Rule 20 CPC)
IN THE COURT OF Mr. Mihna Bhuler
Civil Judge (Junior Division), Nakodar
RAKESH RANI
Vs.
RAJINDER KUMAR ALIAS RAJINDER SAGGAR
CNR No. PBJLA0-0009173-2025
Next Date: 23-07-2025

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S/O LAKHU RAM R/O H.NO.949 CHAWAL BAZAAR, ADIA GALLI, NEAR DAAL BAZAR LUDHIANA
In above titled case, the defendant(s)/ respondent(s) could not be served. It is ordered that defendant(s)/ respondent(s) should appear in person or through counsel on 23-07-2025 at 10.00 a.m.
For details login to: https://www.highcourthcd.gov.in/?trs=district_notice&district=Jalandhar
Civil Judge (Junior Division) Nakodar
Dated, this day of 19-06-2026

PWINTER SINGH, PCS
Assistant Estate Officer, Exercising the power of Estate Officer, U.T. Chandigarh

Geeta Kapur at 52: Five Milestones That Define Her Journey

CHANDIGARH: As Geeta Kapur celebrates her birthday, the celebrated choreographer and television personality continues to win hearts as a Judge on India's Best Dancer 1. Becoming the Nation's "Geeta Ma" in one of her previous shows South Indian contestants in her team affectionately addressed her as "Ma" because of their linguistic habit. The audience deeply connected with her genuine warmth, maternal protectiveness, and empathetic soul, organically turning it into a beloved, lifelong national identity. 2. Stepping into the Spotlight with her debut song "Tujhe Yaad Na Meri Aaye" A major turning point in Geeta's career came when she stepped out of the background to feature as a lead dancer. In the iconic song "Tujhe Yaad Na Meri Aaye" from Kuch Kuch Hota Hai she captivated everyone's attention right at the beginning of the track, marking her transition from a hardworking troupe dancer navigating Mumbai's local trains to a prominent face on the big screen. 3. Her 5 year long journey on India's Best Dancer Being the constant judge of India's Best Dancer across five seasons shows exactly why she belongs on that stage. While the panel has changed and the show has evolved over the years, Geeta has stayed true there as its literal heartbeat since day one proving every weekend that you can judge technical brilliance with genuine love and empathy. 4. Finding Her Ultimate Mentor: Farah Khan Joining Farah Khan's troupe at just 15 was the spark that changed her life. Farah became her fierce protector, a guiding light who taught her the golden rule of absolute fearlessness, and a maternal figure whom Geeta lovingly addresses as her second mother in the industry. 5. Geeta's bond with Remo D'Souza and Terence Lewis: When they first sat together on the Dance India Dance panel in 2008, Geeta didn't just find co-judges, she found her forever friends.



Canara Bank signs an MoU with PSPCL for electricity bill collection in Punjab



CHANDIGARH: Canara Bank Chandigarh Circle signs an MoU with the Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (PSPCL) for the collection of electricity bill payments through payment gateways. The MoU was signed by B Ravi, Regional Head, RO Chandigarh in the presence of Chander Singh Tomar, Circle Head, Chandigarh with SK Beri, Director (Finance), PSPCL and Jaswinder Singh CAO (Revenue), PSPCL along with senior officials from Canara Bank and PSPCL. With this initiative, Canara Bank and PSPCL are jointly working towards to provide a superior Digital payment experience to millions of electricity consumers across Punjab State.

REFORM ARC LIMITED
(Formerly known as Reliance Asset Reconstruction Company Limited)
2nd floor ICC Chambers, Sakhi Vihar Road, Near MTNL Telephone Exchange, Powai Mumbai 400072
The below mentioned borrowers availed various credit facilities from original lender Indian Overseas Bank. As borrowers have failed to maintain the financial discipline, the loan account has been classified as non-performing assets (NPA) on 30.06.2014 in accordance with the guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India. Indian Overseas Bank vide Assignment Agreement dated 26-12-2015 assigned the financial assets of following borrowers along with all its right, title and interest together with all underlying security interests in favor of REFORM ARC LIMITED (Formerly known as Reliance Asset Reconstruction Company Limited) called as "RARAC", acting in its capacity as Trustee of "RARAC (JOB MSME) 095 Trust". Pursuant to said assignment the undersigned authorized officer in exercise of powers conferred u/s 13(2) of the said Act the Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 had sent the demand notice dated 22.06.2025 through registered post, hereby calling upon the borrowers to repay the entire outstanding mentioned in said notices with further interest thereon within a period of 60 days from the date of notice. However, as demand notices could not be served to some of the parties mentioned below, the same is hereby served upon the borrowers by way of alternative mode of service.
DETAILS ARE AS FOLLOWS:-
Name & Add of Borrower/ Guarantors/ Mortgagees etc.: Mr. Ramesh Bansal International Through its proprietor, Sh. Ramesh Kumar Bansal (Borrower), Address: Shop No. 250, Sector 3-C, Loha Bazaar, Mandi Gobindgarh-147201 (Punjab).
Mr. Ramesh Kumar Bansal S/o Ram Gopal Bansal (Guarantor), Address: House No. 155, Sector 4-8, Shastri Nagar, Mandi Gobindgarh-1471101 (Punjab).
Mr. Varun Bansal, S/o Sh. Ramesh Kumar Bansal (Guarantor), Address: House No. 155, Sector 4-8, Shastri Nagar, Mandi Gobindgarh-1471101 (Punjab).
Mr. Neha Bansal W/o Sh. Varun Bansal (Guarantor), Address: House No. 155, Sector 4-8, Shastri Nagar, Mandi Gobindgarh-1471101 (Punjab).
Outstanding Amount: - Rs. 18,33,87,438.36/- (Rupees Ten Crores Fifty Three Lakh Eighty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Eight and Six Paise Only) in addition to the said outstanding dues, you are also liable to pay interest and charge accruing to the Loan Accounts after 30.06.2026.
EQUITABLE MORTGAGE Plot of land measuring 35 Bheas, Situated at Plot No. 2E to 8E, Block - E, Bhandari Colony, Near Railway Colony Crossing, Mandi Gobindgarh in the name of Shri Ramesh Kumar Bansal S/o Sri Ram Gopal Bansal.
In case of failure to repay the aforesaid entire outstanding amount within a period of 60 days, the undersigned shall be constrained to enforce the above secured assets under the provisions of SARFAESI Act.
Please note that as per Section 13 (1)(b) of the said Act, you are restrained from dealing with or transferring any of the secured assets referred to herewith, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise. Any contravention of this provision is an offence and punishable under SARFAESI Act.
Date:- 04.07.2025
Place:- Fategarh Sahib
Sd/- Authorized Officer
REFORM ARC LIMITED (Formerly known as Reliance Asset Reconstruction Company Limited)

AU SMALL FINANCE BANK LIMITED
(A SCHEDULED COMMERCIAL BANK)
Regd. Office: 19-A, Dhuleshwar Garden, Ajmer Road, Jaipur - 302001 (CIN:L36911RJ1999PLC011381)
Demand Notice Under Section 13(2) of Securitisation Act of 2002
As the loan account became NPA therefore the Authorized Officer under section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 had issued 60 days demand notice to the Borrower(s)/Co-Borrower(s)/Mortgagee(s)/Guarantors (collectively referred as "Borrowers") as given in the table. According to the notice if the borrowers do not deposit the entire amount within 60 days, the amount will be recovered from auction of the mortgage properties/secured assets as given below. Therefore you the borrowers are informed to deposit the entire loan amount along with future interest and expenses within 60 days from the date of demand notice, otherwise under the provisions of 13(4) and 14 of the said Act, the Authorized officer is free to take possession for sale of the mortgage properties/secured assets as given below.
Borrowers to note that after receipt of this notice, in terms of Section 13(3) of the Act, 2002, you are prohibited and restrained from transferring any of the secured assets by way of sale, lease or otherwise, without prior written consent of the secured creditor.
Borrowers attention are attracted towards Section 13(1) &/w Rule 3(5) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 Act that the borrowers shall be entitled to redeem their secured asset upon the payment of the complete outstanding dues as mentioned below before the publication of auction notice, which thereafter shall cease to exist.
Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower /Mortgagee/ Loan A/c No. Date and Amount of Demand Notice Under Sec. 13(2) Description of Mortgage Property
[A/c No.] 19001060121160501 & 19001060826435360 18-May-26 Rs. 545466/- Property Situated At- Khatwat No 142 And Khata No 158, Killa No 11/11, Waka Rakha Village- Faislipur, Dist- Sonapat, Haryana, 131001 Admeasuring 145 Sqyds
M/S R. L. (Borrower), Ravinder Singh Rohilla (Co-Borrower), Smt.Kavita (Co-Borrower) Rs. Six Lakh Forty-Six Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Six Only & Rs. 252827/-
[A/c No.] 19001060123218559 21-May-26 Rs. 678207/- Property Situated At- Killa No 23/1 5-17, Khatwat 228 And Mustaf No 61, Khatwani No 305, Mauja Chilara, Narnaul, District- Mahendragarh, Haryana, 131023 Admeasuring 90.75 Square Yrd
Smt.Mamni Devi (Co -Borrower & Legal Heir Of Late Shri Ghandhyam - (Borrower), Hender G (Co-Borrower) Rs. Six Lakh Seventy-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Seven Only As on 21-May-26
[A/c No.] 19001060728827149 21-May-26 Rs. 1783800/- Property Situated At- Property Id No 434, Ward No 25, Aamdar Lal Dora Bahadurgarh, Killa Mohalla Bahadurgarh, Dist- Jhajjar, Haryana Admeasuring 130 Sqyds.
M/S Anbaz Saloon Through Smt.Smt.Poonam Devi - Legal Heir Of Its Proprietor- Late Shri Vijender Kumar (Borrower), Smt.Poonam Devi (Co -Borrower & Legal Heir Of Late Shri Vijender Kumar Co -Borrower) Rs. Seventeen Lakh Eighty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Only As on 21-May-26
[A/c No.] 19001060130178397 & 19001060837627396 18-May-26 Rs. 672399/- Property Situated At- Property Id No 60514Nw0510000234, House Uid No 605140023, Village Raghunna, Lal Dora, Dabwali, Dist-Sirsa, Haryana, 125201 Admeasuring 594.41 Square Metre
M/S Ramgadia Wood Works (Borrower), Ramandeep Singh (Co-Borrower), Poonam Rajpal (Co-Borrower), Smt.Gudli Kaur (Co-Borrower) Rs. Six Lakh Seventy-Two Thousand Three Hundred Ninety-Nine Only & Rs. 373986/-, Rs. Three Lakh Seventy-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Six Only As on 13-May-26
[A/c No.] 19001060132103403 18-May-26 Rs. 144775/- Property Situated At- Khatwat No.894/1 Rect.No.19 Killa No.25/2/1 4-17, Khatwani No13733, Vasika Killa No 6075, Village Ugra Khari, Dist- Panipat, Haryana, 131104 Admeasuring 38 Sqyds
M/S Rambi Juice Corner (Borrower), Ramtor (Co-Borrower), Smt.Pinki (Co-Borrower) Rs. One Lakh Forty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Five Only As on 13-May-26
[A/c No.] 19001060135529644 18-May-26 Rs. 7331202/- Property Situated At - Khatwat No 305 And 309, Khara No 10/7/1, Ceed No 89/1, Mutation No 2938, Market Takla- Ludha, District- Kurukshetra, Haryana, 136132 Admeasuring 156 Square Yard
M/S Kishan Dairy (Borrower), Naresh Kumar (Co-Borrower) Rs. Twenty Three Lakh Thirty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Two Only As on 13-May-26
[A/c No.] 19001060138113274 18-May-26 Rs. 1041216/- Property Situated At- Khatwat No 1303 Khatwani No 1430, Kalaria, District- Karnal, Haryana, 136117 Admeasuring 805 Sqyds
Rs. Ten Lakh Forty-One Thousand Two Hundred Sixteen Only As on 13-May-26
[A/c No.] 19001060140169846 18-May-26 Rs. 526624/- Property Situated At - Khatwat No 497 Khatwani No 634 Khara No 291/15/2 1-2 And 18/1 7-11, Ratia, District - Fatehabad, Haryana, 125051 Admeasuring 181.5 Sqyd
M/S Preet Boutique (Borrower), Smt. Santosh Rani (Co-Borrower), Ajay (Co-Borrower), Babu Ram (Co-Borrower) Rs. Five Lakh Twenty-Six Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-Four Only As on 13-May-26
[A/c No.] 19001060139289322 18-May-26 Rs. 986278/- Property Situated At- Out Of Mu No 33, Killa No 19/12, Village Swania, Mauja Mohanmardpur Jhadsa, Shiv Mandi, Tehsil- Kadpur, District- Gurgaon, Haryana, 122004 Admeasuring 79 Square Yard
M/S Rohit, Kumar (Co-Borrower) Rs. Nine Lakh Eighty-Six Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Eight Only As on 13-May-26
[A/c No.] 19001060145822278 18-May-26 Rs. 2062087/- Property Situated At- Khara No 41/11, Waka Mauja Tilpat, Tehsil And District- Fatehabad, Haryana, 123003 Admeasuring 100 Sqyd
M/S Dad Enterprises (Borrower), Jatin Kumar (Co-Borrower), Naboo Lal (Co-Borrower), Haridar Ram (Co-Borrower) Rs. Twenty Lakh Sixty-Two Thousand Eighty-Seven Only As on 13-May-26
Place: HARYANA Date : 03-07-2026 Authorised Officer AU Small Finance Bank Limited

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: Haryana Revenue Department undertakes new Jamabandi work every five years. In this series, work on new Jamabandi for last financial year is progressing at a rapid pace in district. To assess progress of this work, Deputy Commissioner Dr Anand Kumar Sharma conducted a surprise inspection of the Jamabandi



work today and issued necessary instructions to Tehsildar. He urged that pace of new Jamabandi work be accelerated and completed within stipulated time period. He instructed Tehsildar to deploy additional staff to ensure timely completion of new Jamabandi work. Tehsildar Krishna was present on occasion.

NEWS BRIEF

Blood donation camp in Barwala on July 9 with Khatu Shyam Sankirtan

JITENDRA KAUSHIK
BARWALA: A massive blood donation camp will be organized on July 9 at Shri Khatu Shyam Temple for purpose of serving humanity. Camp will commence at 9:30 am. Organizers have appealed to people of area to donate blood in large numbers to help needy patients and participate in this noble cause. According to organizers, following blood donation camp, a grand Baba Khatu Shyam Sankirtan will be organized from 8:00 pm until God's will. Captivating performance of bhajans will be presented by Happy Simran Group, Chandigarh. This event is being organized under joint auspices of Shri Shyam Parivar Prem Mandal, Barwala and Shri Shiv Kanwad Mahasangh Charitable Trust, Panchkula. Organizers have appealed to devotees and residents of area to attend event in large numbers, donate blood and take advantage of Sankirtan.

UP mangoes must meet highest standards of quality, trust and global benchmarks: CM Yogi

YUGMARG BUREAU
LUCKNOW, JULY 3

Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Friday inaugurated Mango Festival 2026 at Indira Gandhi Pratishthan. He visited the exhibition stalls and gathered information about more than 800 varieties of mangoes on display. The Chief Minister said, "Preparations should ensure that mangoes produced by Uttar Pradesh's farmers meet the highest standards of quality, trust and global benchmarks." He stressed that the state's objective should not be limited to increasing production alone, but should also focus on branding, processing, packaging, product traceability and organic certification to make Uttar Pradesh's mangoes globally acceptable for exports. He said, "A single orchard can become a multi-



dimensional source of income through fruit production, processing, tourism, organic products, beekeeping, the food industry and exports, thereby significantly enhancing farmers' earnings." The Chief Minister said, "Government-supported platforms provide an opportunity to showcase the rich diversity of Uttar Pradesh's mangoes. More than 800 varieties from Uttar Pradesh and several other states are being exhibited at this year's festival." He noted that varieties such as Langra from Varanasi and Gorakhpur, Gaurjeet from Gorakhpur, Amrapali from Basti, Dussehri from Malihabad in Lucknow, and Rataul from Baghpat and Saharanpur.

Historic leap by UP under CM Yogi's leadership in PM Surya Ghar Yojana

LUCKNOW: Under the Pradhan Mantri Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana, Uttar Pradesh, under the leadership of Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, has created a new history in the residential rooftop solar sector. In June 2026, the state secured the top position in the country by installing 71,888 residential rooftop solar plants. This is not only Uttar Pradesh's best-ever monthly performance, but also a new national record for the highest number of residential rooftop solar installations carried out by any state in a single month. So far, Uttar Pradesh has received 10,89,716

applications, and the installation of 6,36,745 residential rooftop solar plants has been completed. For several consecutive months, Uttar Pradesh has been recording the highest monthly installations in the country and has emerged as the fastest-growing state in India's residential rooftop solar sector. Considering the current trends, it is estimated that by the end of July 2026, Uttar Pradesh may surpass Maharashtra in the total number of residential rooftop solar installations and become the country's second-largest residential rooftop solar state.

International Gita Mahotsav in Japan will further strengthen India-Japan cultural ties: CM Nayab Singh Saini



HANS RAJ
KURUKSHETRA, JULY 3

Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini on Friday said the successful organisation of the International Gita Mahotsav in Japan would further strengthen cultural cooperation between India and Japan. He directed officials to invite a Japanese delegation to the International Gita Mahotsav in Kurukshetra and take initiatives to enhance cultural and academic exchanges between the two countries. A detailed report on the seventh International Gita Mahotsav, held in Japan from June 18 to 23, 2026, was presented to the Chief Minister at his residence by Kurukshetra Development Board Member Secretary Dr

Amit Aggarwal, Honorary Secretary Upendra Singhal and International Gita Jayanti Mela Authority member Vijay Narula in the presence of Gita scholar Swami Gyananand Ji Maharaj. The delegation informed the Chief Minister that 18 events were organised during the six-day festival with the objective of promoting the universal message of the Bhagavad Gita, strengthening academic and cultural cooperation, and deepening ties between Japan and Kurukshetra. As part of the festival, copies of the Bhagavad Gita were presented to members of Japan's House of Councillors, the IDP headquarters, the Osaka Assembly and a former Prime Minister of Japan.

JJP forms 11-member committee to strengthen booth-level organisation in Indri



MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI: The Jananayak Janta Party (JJP) on Friday constituted an 11-member committee for Indri Assembly constituency as part of its organisational strengthening drive during a meeting held under the leadership of district president Gurdev Singh Ramba. The meeting, chaired by constituency president Bhim Mandhan, focused on the distribution of responsibilities for BLA-2 and strategies to strengthen the party's organisational network down to the booth level. During the meeting, dedicated party workers were assigned organisational responsibilities to reinforce the party's presence at the grassroots and accelerate organisational activities. Leaders also discussed expanding the organisation, enrolling new members, intensifying public outreach campaigns and preparing for upcoming elections. Addressing the gathering, Gurdev Singh Ramba said every party worker must play an active role in taking the JJP's public welfare policies and development agenda to every household. He called for building strong teams at every booth to enhance the party's organisational effectiveness. Bhim Mandhan urged workers to actively promote the party's ideology and public-centric issues among the people, stating that a strong organisation is the key to electoral success.

DC Vishram Kumar Meena directs to organize meeting of booth level agents to ensure proper SIR program



HANS RAJ
KURUKSHETRA: Deputy Commissioner Vishram Kumar Meena said that in the special intensive review program, organized a meeting of booth level agents with booth level officers. Informed the officials engaged in election work about its date and time in advance and also ensure its proper videography and photography. This special intensive review of voter lists will continue till July 14. The final publication of the voter list is scheduled for September 22, 2026. He said that the Election Commission of India has conducted special intensive revision of voter lists in cases where the counting forms have not been received. There the booth level officers can interrogate the residents of the neighborhood to identify possible reasons like absent, transferred, dead or duplicate and register the records accordingly. BLOs have been instructed to visit each such house at least three times to collect information. Deputy Commissioner Vishram Kumar Meena said that the booth-wise list of voters whose names were not included in the draft list would be displayed on the notice boards of Panchayat buildings, urban local body offices and offices of Block Development and Panchayat officers to ensure public access to these lists.

Bright Minds Punjab 2026: Harjot Singh Bains, Manish Sisodia interact with students



KARANPREET KARAN
BARNALA: The Punjab Government is continuously transforming government schools and equipping students with the skills required for the future. As part of this vision, an Artificial Intelligence (AI) curriculum will soon be introduced in government schools, further strengthening Punjab's position among the leading states in the field of education. Interacting with students during the Bright Minds Punjab 2026 programme held in Barnala, Punjab Education Minister Harjot Singh Bains said that the primary objective of the programme was to establish direct interaction with students and teachers and discuss the ongoing reforms and transformation in the education system. During the event, students who secured more than 90 per cent marks in the Class 12 examinations were felicitated for their outstanding academic achievements. The Education Minister said that Punjab's government schools and students are achieving new milestones. He stated that the programme also aimed to seek valuable suggestions from students. He added that the government is working to make education more practical-oriented rather than theory-based. To prepare students for the future, an Artificial Intelligence (AI) curriculum will soon be introduced, enabling them to compete successfully in the global job market.

Barala pays tribute to Dr Mukherjee, highlights vision of National Unity

MAHENDER GOYAL
HISAR: Rajya Sabha MP Subhash Barala on Friday paid tribute to Dr. Shyam Prasad Mukherjee ahead of his birth anniversary, describing him as a visionary leader whose ideals of constitutional equality, national unity and democratic values continue to inspire the country.



In a statement, Barala said Dr. Mukherjee believed that nationalism was rooted in the Constitution, culture and equal rights for every citizen. He said the former Union minister chose "principle over power" by resigning from the Union Cabinet when he felt national interests were being compromised. Barala said Dr. Mukherjee founded the Bharatiya Jana Sangh in 1951 to provide a democratic and ideological alternative in Indian politics and played a key role in shaping the country's nationalist discourse. Referring to Dr. Mukherjee's campaign for the complete constitutional integration of Jammu and Kashmir, the Rajya Sabha MP said his call for "One Nation, One Constitution" reflected his commitment to equal citizenship and national unity. He noted that Dr. Mukherjee opposed the existence of separate constitutional arrangements for Jammu and Kashmir and regarded them as inconsistent with the principle of one nation. Barala said Dr. Mukherjee's arrest during the Jammu and Kashmir movement in 1953 and his subsequent death in Srinagar marked a significant chapter in India's political history.

Tailor found hanging inside shop under suspicious circumstances; police investigating

MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI: Discovery of body of 50-year-old man hanging from ceiling fan in shop in Naya Bazaar, Indri today created a stir in area. Upon receiving information, Indri police station and forensic team arrived at scene and collected necessary evidence. Police took body into custody and sent it to Kalpana Chawla Government Medical College and Hospital in Karnal for post-mortem examination. Investigating officer SI Subhash stated that deceased has been identified as Ram Singh (50), a resident of Ward No. 5, Indri. He was a tailor by profession and ran a clothing tailoring shop in Naya Bazaar. Preliminary investigations revealed that he was an alcoholic. According to police, he often quarreled with his wife under influence of alcohol. On Friday, an argument broke out between two, after which he returned to his shop and allegedly hanged himself from a ceiling fan. Upon receiving information about incident, police inspected scene and a team of forensic experts collected evidence from the scene. After post-mortem examination was completed, body was handed over to family. Police say case is being investigated.



Special Lok Adalat on July 18 in district court Kaithal and Guhla

RANVIR PARASHAR
KAITHAL, JULY 3



As per the instructions of Haryana State Legal Services Authority and under the supervision of District Legal Services Authority Kaithal President and District and Sessions Judge Mrs. Kanchan Mahi, a special Lok Adalat will be organized in the judicial complex on July 18. This special Lok Adalat will be organized in the District Court Complex, Kaithal and Sub-Divisional Court, Guhla. Secretary of the District Legal Services Authority and Chief Judicial Magistrate, Kanwal Kumar said that in this special Lok Adalat, mainly cheque bounce cases pending under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881, will be settled through

mutual agreement and in an amicable manner, so that quick, simple and easy justice can be provided to the parties. The settlement will be done through compromise and amicable manner, so that the parties can get quick, simple and easy settlement and justice may be available to the parties. Kanwal Kumar appealed to

the concerned parties, advocates and bank representatives to take advantage of the special Lok Adalat in large numbers and discuss their cases mutually. It will save time and money by getting an agreed settlement. He further said that settlement of cases through Lok Adalat will bring relief between the parties. Mutual harmony is maintained and there is no provision for appeal against the decision. Also, court fees are also refunded as per rules. District Legal Services Authority, Kaithal cooperates with all concerned parties in Special Lok Adalat has been requested to do so on Helpline Number - 01746-235759.

Uttarakhand CM Dhama extends wishes on commencement of Shri Amarnath Yatra

AGENCY
DEHRADUN, JULY 3

Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhama on Friday conveyed his best wishes to pilgrims on the commencement of the annual Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra, describing it as a sacred symbol of faith, devotion, penance and Sanatan culture. In a post on X, Dhama extended greetings to devotees and prayed for the safe and successful completion of their pilgrimage. "On the auspicious commencement of the sacred Shri Amarnath Yatra, a divine symbol of faith, devotion, penance, and eternal Sanatan culture, heartfelt best wishes



and auspicious blessings to all Shiva devotees," he said. He further prayed for the well-being of pilgrims undertaking the journey. "I pray to Devadhive Mahadev that every

devotee's journey be safe, auspicious, and successful, and that it infuses your lives with happiness, prosperity, excellent health, spiritual energy, and a spirit of public welfare," he added.

Bilaspur's differently-abled appeal to CM; Restore Sahara pension, ensure dignity and rights



AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY
BILASPUR: Voices from Bilaspur's differently-abled community have grown stronger as beneficiaries urged the Himachal Pradesh Government to immediately restore the discontinued Sahara Pension and implement long-pending welfare measures, saying the loss of financial assistance has pushed many into severe hardship. Among those appealing was Sanjeev Kumar Sharma of Sunhani, who lost both his legs and said the pension was his only dependable source of support after he became unable to earn a livelihood. Lagnesha, the state's only visually impaired law graduate practicing in Ghumarwin, said the social security pension has remained suspended for nearly a year, affecting countless beneficiaries.

Global Organisation Events Trust appoints Dr Surbhi Yadav as district president of Pune

DALBIR MALIK
KURUKSHETRA: Dr. Vasundhara Mehrotra, State President of Northern Region Doctor Cell of Global Organization Events Trust, has appointed Surbhi Singh Yadav as the District President of Pune district of Maharashtra. Dr Surbhi Singh Yadav is a dietitian by profession and has obtained a PhD degree in her subject. On the occasion of appointment, Dr. Vasundhara Mehrotra expressed confidence in her and said that she would work dedicatedly in the interest of the institute and would take forward the objectives of the organization and will speed up the work of public interest by forming a strong team. Advocate Madhusudan Baweja, President of Global Organization Events Trust, extended hearty congratulations and best wishes to Surabhi Singh Yadav on being appointed as Pune District President. He expressed confidence that under her leadership the organization in Pune will carry forward the work related to social concerns more effectively and will establish a new identity in the field of public service.



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"The Honorable Prime Minister has called the third decade of the 21st century the decade of Uttarakhand. In line with the Prime Minister's vision, we are working with an uncompromised resolve a 'Vikalp Rahit Sankalp' to make the state an exemplary state in every field."

PUSHKAR SINGH DHAMI, Chief Minister, Uttarakhand

"There are two major pillars in building the developed India of the 21st century. First, taking pride in our heritage, and second, making every possible effort for development. Today, Uttarakhand is continuously strengthening both of these pillars. This decade is Uttarakhand's decade."

NARENDRA MODI, Prime Minister

Foundation Stone Laid for Iconic Ropeway Projects

The foundation stone has been laid for the construction of ropeways from Gaurikund to Kedarnath and Govindghat to Hemkund Sahib. "The 12.9 km ropeway from Sonprayag to Kedarnath will be constructed at a cost of ₹4,081 crore, while the 12.4 km ropeway from Govindghat to Hemkund Sahib will be built at a cost of ₹2,730 crore.

Expansion of Air Services

An additional terminal has been constructed at the Dehradun Airport. Regular flight services have commenced from Dehradun Airport to major Indian cities, including Ahmedabad, Bhubaneswar, Bengaluru, Mumbai, Kolkata, Delhi, Shamshabad, Jaipur, Lucknow, Pune, and Kullu.

Agricultural & Industrial Development

The Central Government has sanctioned a fund of ₹25 crore for farm fencing in the state. The Central Government has transferred 45.33 of land belonging to the HMT Factory in Haldwani (Ranibagh) to the Government of Uttarakhand.

Roads and Corridors

Approval has been granted for the construction of the proposed Rispana and Bindal Elevated Corridor projects to alleviate growing traffic congestion in Dehradun city. The Prime Minister dedicated to the nation the 210 km long Delhi-Dehradun Economic Corridor, built at a cost of ₹11,963 crore. The Central Government has approved ₹1,105 crore for the construction of the 12.67 km long, 4-lane Rishikesh Bypass.

Railway Expansion

Uttarakhand welcomes two Vande Bharat Express trains, making travel from Dehradun to Delhi and Dehradun to Lucknow highly convenient. "Train operations have been approved for routes connecting Lalkuan to Amritsar Junction, and Dehradun to Tanakpur. Construction of the Rishikesh - Karnaprayag rail line is progressing rapidly, with 72.5% of the work already completed. Approval has been granted for the survey of the Tanakpur- Bageshwar rail route; work on the project's Detailed Project Report (DPR) is underway at a swift pace.

NEW DIMENSIONS OF DEVELOPMENT

Development Initiatives Dedicated to Nation Building

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Tourism, Culture & Sports

Work is progressing rapidly under the Master Plans for Kedarnath and Badrinath Dham. Development projects worth ₹255 crore are underway to transform Badrinath Dham into a smart spiritual hill town. The grand construction of the Yamuna Teerth Sthal in Haripur Kalsi is currently underway. A fund of ₹500 crore has been released to kickstart preparations for the upcoming Kumbh Mela 2027 in Uttarakhand.

Health & Social Welfare

A total of 61 lakh Ayushman cards have been generated in the state under the Atal Ayushman Yojana. So far, over 17 lakh patients have benefited from cashless treatment worth more than ₹3,400 crore. Construction of the AIIMS Satellite Centre in Kichha is in full swing, with 85% of the project already completed. Under the Vibrant Villages Programme, around 200 development projects are being executed across 51 border villages at a cost of over ₹270 crore.

Water Resources & Disaster Management

The Song River Dam Drinking Water Project has received approval from the Central Government. Being constructed at a total cost of ₹2,520.86 crore, this project will supply 150 Million Liters per Day of drinking water to Dehradun city and its suburban areas. For the mitigation of landslide-prone sites, Uttarakhand has received a central assistance of ₹113.90 crore under the ₹461 crore State Disaster Mitigation Fund.

National Achievements & Good Governance

Uttarakhand secured the 1st rank across the country in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) India Index 2023-24 released by NITI Aayog. On the occasion of National Startup Day, the Department of Industries, Government of Uttarakhand, was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for its outstanding performance in the startup ecosystem. The Central Government has sanctioned an incentive of ₹264.5 crore to Uttarakhand for implementing various reforms initiated by the Urban Development and Housing Department. Uttarakhand delivered an outstanding performance in mining sector reforms, securing the 2nd position in the country, for which the Central Government has released an incentive bonus of ₹200 crore."

Uttarakhand allocated ₹4,765 crore under the Rail Budget in the Union Budget 2024-27.

The shanisham shikras have been connected with an all-weather road built at a cost of over ₹12,000 crore, making travel across the mountains smooth and hassle-free.

Uttarakhand secured the first position among small states in the Export Preparedness Index 2024 released by NITI Aayog.

The Jawahar Dam project received approval from the Central Government. To be constructed at a cost of ₹2,678.22 crore, the project is slated for completion by June 2028.

To economically empower women, more than 2 lakh 54 thousand women in the state have successfully become "Lakshmi DiDi".

A dedicated Rafting Base Station will be built in Rishikesh, for which the Central Government has sanctioned ₹100 crore.

The National Games were hosted in the state for the very first time.

When we come from our hometowns to Devbhoomi for the Chardham Yatra, we do so with a resolve in our hearts. In the same spirit, I would also like to urge you to take five resolves: Narendra Modi

First Resolve - Cleanliness is paramount.

Second Resolve - Sensitivity toward nature and the environment.

Third Resolve - Depend on service, cooperation, & unity.

Fourth Resolve - Promotion of "local for local".

Fifth Resolve - Adherence to discipline, safety, & decorum.



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