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NEWS BRIEFS

Face-off in Srinagar: NC, BJP hit the streets with rival protests

SRINAGAR: In the first major political protests after the abrogation of Article 370 in 2019, the ruling National Conference and the opposition BJP came out on the streets on Wednesday accusing each other of failing to deliver on promises made to the people of Jammu and Kashmir.

The National Conference (NC) accused the BJP-led Centre of not fulfilling its promise to restore statehood to J-K, while the BJP alleged that the NC government failed to deliver on its electoral promises. Police stopped the NC protesters from marching towards the BJP headquarters in Jawahar Nagar to press for the restoration of statehood after its ministers, MLAs, leaders and workers assembled in large numbers near the Gindun Sports Complex in Rajbagh.

Pb govt tells SC its employees earn more than Centre counterparts

NEW DELHI: The Punjab government has moved the Supreme Court against a high court order over the grant of Dearness Allowance to its employees, saying that its employees in several key categories already draw higher overall salaries than their central government counterparts.

The state government, in its plea, has said that the DA should be assessed on the basis of the total salary package rather than by mechanically matching the Centre's DA percentage.

Kargil gets second passport seva kendra

KARGIL/JAMMU: Union Minister of State for External Affairs Kirti Vardhan Singh and Lieutenant Governor Vinai Kumar Saxena on Wednesday inaugurated a post office passport seva kendra (POPSK) here, expanding passport services closer to people in the remote district and adjoining areas. The POPSK, established by the Ministry of External Affairs in association with the Department of Posts at the sub-post office, Kargil, is the second passport seva kendra in Ladakh after Leh and the 457th POPSK in the country, officials said.

Nepal flood death toll dimbs to 1,127

KATHMANDU: The death toll from Nepal's devastating flash floods rose to 1,127 on Wednesday, with nearly 4,900 still missing, as rescuers battled rain and debris, while Prime Minister Balendra Shah said the disaster's link to climate change must be strongly raised with the international community. The flash floods, triggered by an ice-rock avalanche near the Nepal-Tibet border on August 26,

Three new trustees also inducted

Retd Air Marshal Jeetendera Mishra named new CEO of Ram Temple Trust

AGENCY
AYODHYA, SEPT 2

The Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust in Ayodhya has appointed retired Air Marshal Jeetendra Mishra as its new CEO, with three new trustees also inducted.

The new CEO is expected to take charge of key administrative responsibilities at the Ram Temple shortly.

The appointment was finalised at an important trust meeting held on Wednesday, where the selection of Mishra was discussed and approved.

Ahead of the CEO announcement, three new members were appointed to the trust. They are Madan Mohan Pandey from Ayodhya, Mahesh Bhagchandka from Delhi and Nirmala Yadav from Shikohabad.

The vacancies arose following the resignations of Champat Rai and Anil Mishra and the death of Vimlendra Mohan. Bhagchandka is related to former RSS leader Ashok Singhal, while Pandey has previously represented the temple side as a lawyer in the High Court. The three newly appointed trustees joined the trust meeting online. The CEO appointment followed a selection process that attracted 5,585 applications from across the country.

A screening committee headed by retired Justice Pramod Kohli interviewed 16 candidates before placing the final three



names in a sealed cover before the trust chairman. Mishra's name was ultimately approved. The meeting also considered amendments to the trust deed, marking the first such major change since the Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust was established on February 5, 2020. The appointment of a full-time CEO comes as the Ram Temple administration expands and the trust continues to handle growing operational responsibilities in Ayodhya.

Who is Jeetendra Mishra?

Air Marshal Jeetendra Mishra, SYSM, AVSM, VSM, retired from the Indian Air Force on April 30, 2026, after superannuation. According to the service details, Mishra belonged to the Fighter stream and served under service number 18575 F(P). He was commissioned into the Indian Air Force on December 6, 1986, as part of the 138 Course. His service career saw him rise through several ranks before becoming an Air Marshal and subsequently taking charge as Commander-in-Chief. Mishra was promoted to Flight Lieutenant on December 6, 1991, and later became Wing Commander on May 5, 2003. He was promoted to Group Captain on March 2, 2009, and Air Commodore on June 17, 2013. He became Air Vice Marshal on July 1, 2019, and was promoted to the rank of Air Marshal on January 1, 2023. Mishra took charge as Commander-in-Chief of the Western Air Command.

No FIR without concrete evidence, Aman Arora lashes out at ED

YUGMARG BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, SEPT 2

Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) Punjab President and Cabinet Minister Aman Arora on Wednesday has made it clear that no FIR will be registered without concrete evidences on behalf of Enforcement Directorate in Punjab. He tore into the ED pointing out that the central investigative agency is using repeated letters, selective media leaks and unclear allegations to malign the AAP leadership instead of providing substantive evidence. He said the Punjab Police had already sought complete documents and electronic data from the agen-



cy, but the ED had failed to provide clear and usable evidence.

The AAP Punjab State President Arora affirmed that the BJP's larger aim is to create chaos, intimidate political leadership and

keep government officers under pressure so that the elected Punjab Government could not function effectively. Aman Arora said Prime Minister Narendra Modi had been right in his earlier criticism of the CBI (Central Bureau of Investigation), asserting that the ED and CBI had today become "BJP's parrots."

Addressing the media, AAP Punjab President and Cabinet Minister Aman Arora said, "The repeated communications sent by the ED to the Punjab DGP, including its latest letter seeking registration of an FIR under Section 66(2), reflected the 'desperation and frustration' of the BJP-led Central Gov-

ernment. The Punjab Police had already written to the ED on August 28, seeking complete documentary and electronic evidence in support of the allegations."

The AAP Punjab President pointed out, "The Punjab Police has clearly told the ED that the material provided so far is either unclear or not readable and that complete evidence, documents and electronic data seized during searches should be provided so that a proper investigation can be conducted."

The ED was asked to send an officer with the relevant material on September 1, but no such officer has appeared."

Jaipur school building razed after exposed by CJP



JAIPUR: A government school building whose rickety condition was exposed by the Cockroach Janata Party (CJP) members last month was razed, officials said on Wednesday.

The old building of Government Primary School, Rampura (Kanwarapura), was bulldozed in the presence of district administration and education department officials. "The building has been demolished," an official said.

After the clash, the Chief Minister announced that on September 1 construction would be started. As per the plan, cleaning began at the school yesterday, and demolition of the old building to make way for new construction is underway today. Last year the Rajasthan High Court took suo motu cognisance of dilapidated school conditions after an accident at a school in Peepalodi, Jhalawar. In its response the government submitted a five-year action plan costing Rs 12,500 crore; following recent development the government has decided to accelerate the plan and implement it over three years. After the construction announcement, CJP spokesperson Ashutosh Ranka thanked the government in a video, saying the party's objective was simply that the school be built. The BJP MLA claimed he had already secured the funds and said the government is sensitive to school issues. Amid the accusations, counter-claims, and credit-seeking, the most positive development is the start of the new school building. Two rooms will be constructed with Rs 12 lakh, and additional works are planned with Rs 6 lakh.

Haryana: SGST collections grow 29 pc in first 5 months of 2026-27

CHANDIGARH:

Haryana recorded a 29 per cent growth in state Goods and Services Tax (SGST) collections - the highest expansion among the states - in the April-August period of the current fiscal, an official statement said on Wednesday.

During the first five months of the financial year 2026-27, the state collected Rs 24,662 crore in SGST, as against Rs 19,174 crore during the corresponding period of the previ-



ous financial year, registering a growth of 29 per cent. This is nearly double the national growth rate of 16 per cent, it said. In August 2026, Haryana generated revenue of Rs crore from SGST (post-settlement),

compared to Rs 4,119 crore in the corresponding month of the previous year. This represents a 21 per cent growth rate, higher than the national average of 13 per cent for August 2026.

CM Saini announces major expansion of healthcare infrastructure at KCGMC Karnal



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, SEPT 2

Haryana Chief Minister Sh. Nayab Singh Saini said providing better, modern and specialised healthcare facilities closer to the people is a priority of the State Government.

The government is continuously strengthening healthcare services as well as medical education facilities in medical colleges and hospitals across the State so that people have access to better treatment, particularly in cases of serious illnesses and medical emergencies.

The Chief Minister was chairing a meeting of the State Finance Committee at the Secretariat on Wednesday, where the

Phase-II expansion of Kalpana Chawla Government Medical College and Hospital (KCGMC), Karnal, was discussed. Health Minister Smt. Arti Singh Rao was also present at the meeting.

Under Phase-II, the medical facilities and capacity of the hospital will be expanded substantially, enabling people from Karnal and adjoining areas to access better specialised and super-speciality healthcare services.

At present, KCGMC has an annual admission capacity of 120 MBBS students and 64 postgraduate seats, while the hospital has a bed capacity of approximately 600, with an average bed occupancy of around 80 per cent.

SCO condemns strikes on Iran, backs Palestine settlement, opposes unilateral sanctions

AGENCY
BISHKEK, SEPT 2

The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO), in its 'Bishkek Declaration', condemned military strikes on Iran, backed a "comprehensive and just settlement" of the Palestinian question, called for an inclusive government in Afghanistan and opposed unilateral coercive economic measures, as the grouping reaffirmed its commitment to a multipolar world order. Prime Minister Narendra Modi, along with the other heads of state of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) members, on Tuesday signed the Bishkek Declaration at the summit, which is celebrating the 25th anniversary of the establishment of the 10-member bloc. In the joint statement, the leaders, including Russian President Vladimir Putin and Chinese



President Xi Jinping, agreed to continue efforts to further consolidate the SCO in fulfilling the objectives set out in the organisation's Development Strategy until 2035, as per the text of the declaration. The SCO's supreme decision-making body is the Council of Heads of State (CHS), which meets annually on a rotational basis. The SCO consists of Russia, China, India, Pakistan, Iran, Belarus, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan and the Kyrgyz Republic. At the conclusion of the 26th meeting of the Council of Heads of State summit held in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, between August 31 and September 1, the 'Bishkek Declaration' was adopted, reaffirming their commitment to a representative, democratic, and equitable multipolar world order while sounding a stern warning against the militarisation of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT).

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I Ranka Singh S/o Gurmair Singh R/o Village Raisar Patiala Tehsil And District Barnala Have Changed My Name From Ranka Singh To Jagdeep Singh 514467 I Ayesha Parveen, W/o Imran Khan, R/o Flat No-40-b, 2nd Floor Sunrise Complex Lohgarh Zirakpur Punjab. 140603 Have Changed My From Ayesha Parveen To Ayesha 60013 I, Bhushan Kumar Garg S/o Sh Manohar Lal Resident Of House No. 81, Ward No 9,near Mc Park, Bhucho Mandi, District Bathinda, Punjab, 151001 Have Changed My Name From Bhushan Garg To Bhushan Kumar Garg. 60013 I, Manmohanjeet Kaur W/o Kulwant Singh R/o Near Sunny Hotel Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur. I have changed my name from Manmohanjeet Kaur to Manmohanjit Kaur. Please concerned note. 10005 I Vansh Raj Yadav S/o Ram Dayal R/o H.No. 405 A, Adarsh Nagar Kharar, Distt. SAS Nagar (Mohali) have changed my name from Vansh Raj Yadav to Banish Raj. 100071 I, Ranjeet Kaur w/o Kuldip Kumar r/o H.No. 1898, Mohalla Rehman Pura Nakodar district Jalandhar I have changed my son name from Damandeep to Damandeep Kumar. 100066 I, Indero Devi W/o Hoshiyar Singh R/o Barsola (1), Jind, Barsola, Haryana-126115 have changed my name from Indra Devi to Indero Devi. 78645

PUBLIC NOTICES

I, Nitin Goyal, son of Megh Nath alias Megh Raj, resident near Shiv Mandir, Amargarh, Tehsil and District Malerkotla, declare that my father has passed away. In some of my documents, my father's name is recorded as Megh Nath, and in some documents as Megh Raj. Both these names, Megh Nath and Megh Raj, belong to my father, and my father should be known by both names. 63372 I, Jashanpreet Kaur, daughter of Tarsem Singh, resident of Village Jainpur, Tehsil Balachaur, District SBS Nagar, state that my father's name is recorded as Tarsem Singh in his Aadhaar Card, Voter card and bank accounts. Whereas, on my school's 10th and 12th class certificates, my father's name has been written in English as Tersem Singh. Therefore, kindly make the correction in my school certificates and record my father's name as Tarsem Singh. 63372 I, Dinesh S/o Prabh Dayal R/o Radha Swami Colony Hanumangarh Road Abohar Teh-Abohar Distt. Fazilka declare that i have changed my name from Dinesh Girdhar to Dinesh and my wife name changed from Aarti Girdhar to Aarti and my daughter name changed from Muskan Girdhar to Muskan. 63372 I, Rameshwar Parshad S/o Kedar Dutt R/o Mohalla Rani Mata, Samrala, Machhiwara Khas Ludhiana PB 141115 declare that In my educational documents my name mentioned wrongly Rameshwar Parshad Vijalwad and my father name also mentioned wrongly Kedar Dutt Vijalwad. But my correct name is Rameshwar Parshad and my father correct name is Kedar Dutt. So amended my name and my father name in my educational documents. 63372 I Rakesh Kumar Sharma, son of Sh. Anant Ram R/o House no.B-34/5097-9B, Street no.1, Near Spice Tower, Anand Nagar, Ludhiana declares that I known with both names i.e. Rakesh Kumar Sharma and Rakesh Kumar. Both are my name and is one and the same person. 63372 I am Rachna mittal W/o Sandeep mittal R/o House No. 306, S.T No. 1/3 Sarabha Nagar, Bhatti Road Bathinda. In my Husband's Pass Port, my name is misspelled as RACHANA, whereas my actual name spelling is Rachna. All my official documents have the spelling Rachna Mittal Please correct this. 63372

I, KALPANA MOTHER OF RANK C F N NAME SONAWANE PARITOSH RAMESH R/O PLOT NO.25, NEAR AMBAD LINK ROAD, GANESH COLONY, NASHIK, PO: AMBAD KHURD, DISTT. NASHIK, MAHARASHTRA-422010 have changed my Name from KALPANA exiting in my son service record to KALPANA RAMESH SONAWANE as per Aadhar card/Pan Card 900028 I, SONAWANE FATHER OF RANK C F N NAME SONAWANE PARITOSH RAMESH R/O PLOT NO.25, NEAR AMBAD LINK ROAD, GANESH COLONY, NASHIK, PO: AMBAD KHURD, DISTT.NASHIK, MAHARASHTRA-422010 Have changed my Name from SONAWANE exiting in my son service record to RAMESH VANAJI SONAWANE as per Aadhar card/Pan Card 900028 I, Mandeep Singh Pawar S/o Harnek Singh R/o Vpo Gharuan, Teh Kharar, Distt SAS Nagar Mohali Have Changed My Name To Mandeep Singh 666554 I, Sushma Bansal W/o Yogesh Garg R/o House No 194 Model Town , Jind Road Kaithal Distt. Kaithal (Haryana) Have Changed My Name From Sushma Bansal To Sushma Garg . Concerned Please Note. 84451 I, Neetu W/o Sanjeev Kumar, resident of House No. 14, Ward No. 9, Tulsi Nagar, Dhuri (Sangrur) have changed my name to NITU GARG. 98724 I, Rajesh, S/o Randhir singh R/o Village Kharak Pandwa, Tehsil Kalayat, Distt. Kaithal (Haryana), have changed my name to Rajesh Saharan for all future purposes. 100039

PUBLIC NOTICES

I, Puran Chand S/o Sarup R/o Village Dohar Sub. Tehsil Siwan Distt. Kaithal (haryana) Declares That My Daughter Kavita Is Out Of My & My Family's Control. I Disown Her From My Movable- Immovable Properties. I Won't Responsible For Any Work & Dealing Of Her In Future. 84451

ਮੇ ਬਲਵਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਬੋਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਗਲੀ ਨੰਬਰ 24/12/1, ਵਾਸੀ ਲਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਬਸਤੀ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਬਠਿੰਡਾ ਦਾ ਰਹਿਣ ਵਾਲਾ ਹਾਂ। ਇਹ ਕਿ ਮੇਰਾ ਲੜਕਾ ਗੁਰਦੀਪ ਸਿੰਘ ਅਤੇ ਨੌਰ ਕਿਰਨਜੀਤ ਕੌਰ ਜੋ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹਨ ਅਤੇ ਆਪਣੀ ਮਨਮਰਜੀ ਕਰਦੇ ਹਨ। ਮੈ ਇਹਨਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੋਲ ਅਚੋਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਇਹਨਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। 63372

ਮੈਂ ਕਮਲਜੀਤ ਕੌਰ ਪਤਨੀ ਬਾਵਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਮ.ਨੰ. 360 ਵਾਰਡ ਨੰ. 6 ਜ਼ਿਲਾ ਪੁਰੀ ਕਰਤਾਰਪੁਰ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਜਲੰਧਰ ਖਿਆਨ ਕਰਦੀ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰਾ ਲੜਕਾ ਸਤਨਾਮ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੋ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹੈ। ਮੈਂ ਇਸ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੋਲ-ਅਚੋਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦੀ ਹਾਂ। ਇਸ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਮੇਰਾ ਜਾਂ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦਾ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਤਾਲੁਕ ਵਾ ਵਾਸਤਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। 63372

I, Satish Satija S/O Shri Narayan Das, Resident Of House No. 85/17, Bulepur Road, New Khanna City, Khanna, Tehsil Khanna, (Ludhiana), Have Disowned My Son Nikhli Satija And His Wife Neha Luthra From All My Movable And Immovable Properties As They Are Out Of My Control. I Shall Not Be Responsible In Any Manner For Any Act, Deal, Loan, Or Financial Liability Committed Or To Be Committed By Them In The Future. 63372

I, Satpal S/o Nand Lal R/o Vill: Fatehgarh Korotana Teh-Dharamkot Distt. Moga declare that my son Sunil Kumar alias Gora and my second son Sahil Kumar alias Kala and his wife Shalu Rani is out of my control. So I disown with them from my moveable/immovable property. If anybody dealing with them is his/her own risk. 63372

I SHIVANSHU, S/o AZAD SINGH R/o Village Kharak PANDWAN, Distt. Kaithal (Haryana), have changed my name to SHIVANSHU SAHARAN for all future purposes. 100039 I, Suhani Oberoi W/o Tushar Saini R/o #342, Adarsh Nagar, P.o. Grain Market, Jalandhar, 144008, Punjab, India, have changed my name from Suhani Oberoi to Suhani Saini.(After Marriage). All concerned Please Note. 461257 I Harshdeep S/o Manjinder Pal R/o H.no. 159, Vill. Johal Po Bolina Doaba, Jalandhar-144101, Punjab have changed my name from Harshdeep to Harshdeep Bagha in which given name Harshdeep and Bagha as surname. All concerned may note. 900026 I, Baljeet Kaur W/o Ragbhir Singh R/o H.No.533 W.No.11 Near Gurudwara Vill: Khanpur Kharar Distt. SAS Nagar, Mohali have changed my name to Manjeet Kaur. 63372 I, Rakesh Kumar S/o Baldev Raj H.No.624 Ward No.20 Tilak Nagar Ludhiana PO: Central Post Office Distt. Ludhiana Punjab 141008 have changed My name from Rakesh Kumar to Rakesh Kumar Malhotra. 63372 I, Mandeep Singh Khosa S/o Darshan Singh R/o Kot Karor Khurd, Distt Ferozepur, have changed my name to Mandeep Singh. 63372 I, Suraj S/o Charan Singh R/o Vill: Chak Guru Po. Kultham Teh-Banga Distt. SBS Nagar Pb, have changed my name from Suraj to Suraj Singh. concerned note. 63372 I Shivsharanjot S/o Kulwinder Singh Sidhu R/o Kot Dharmu Distt Mansa Have Changed My Name Shivsharanjot Singh. 63372

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is to put the General Public on notice that Smt.Gurbir Kaur w/o Gurnpreet singh s/o Gurcharan singh, R/o Village Fero-ke, Tehsil Zira and Distt.Ferozpur is owner of the Residential Property measuring 10 Marlas 00 sarsahi, Situated at, Zira, Tehsil Zira and District Ferozpur, as per which he got from Sale deed no.1692, dated-16-12-2024 And the previous title deed no.2461, dt-18-12-2017 of the above said property has missing somewhere, so now the applicant Approached to my client bank Au Small Finance Bank Ltd. Moga with a request to extent Loan against the mortgage of the above property. Anybody having any objection in respect of the said property or regarding creation of mortgage with My client, or regarding missing title deed, may raise their objections within 15 Days from the date of this publication, to the below mentioned, Pavitar Singh Advocate, Legal Advisor, His mobile no is 99888-29655. That no objection is accepted after the above given period.

PAVITAR SINGH ADVOCATE
Chamber no.41
District Court Moga
Mob.no.99888-29655

LOST & FOUND

Deed No. 1418 (dated 23-05-2013) and Will No. 764 (dated 13-02-2015) originally in the name of Malkit Kaur, wife of Pira Singh (resident of Maheshwari Colony, near Mehna, Bathinda) have been lost. A report regarding these lost documents has been lodged with the concerned police station. If anyone finds the said documents, please kindly return them to mobile number 98154-26263 or to the aforementioned address. 63372

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Hem Chander Sood S/o Hans Raj R/o H.No 113 Ward No.15 new Ward No. 38 Street No.1 Opposite old post office Bagh Gali Moga Punjab Mobile No.94645-02271 declare that some Persons Residents of moga or other places want to deceive & play fraud with the people in my name & on my behalf by telling wrong facts. I have not signed any document and not given my photographs to anyone. I warning if any person dealing with you for any purpose in my name & on my behalf be careful & do not deal with them. That if any one connect with you then give me information at above Noted my address and phone number. 63372

I, Jagdeep Singh S/o Karnail Singh R/o Vill: Hans Kalan Teh-Jagraon (Ludhiana) have changed my minor son name from Iksanjhveer Singh Jassi to Iksanjh Singh. concerned note. 63372 I, Sunny S/o Meet Ram R/o Vill: Bharoli Teh-Banga Distt. SBS Nagar have changed my name from Sunny to Sunny Kataria. 63372 I, Jaskaran Singh S/o Sarwan Singh R/o Saide Shahwala (Moga) have Changed My Name To Singh Jaskaran. 63372 I Harnam Chand S/O Chanan Ram R/O Village Auliapur P/O Kangna Bet Tehsil Balachaur, Distt S.B.S Nagar Have Changed My Name To Harnam Chand To Harnam Singh. 63372 I, Baljinder Singh S/O Surjit Singh R/O Kurali (Sas Nagar Mohali) Changed My Minor Son Name Samarpreet Singh Bains To Samarpreet Singh. 63372 I, Kuldeep Singh S/o Raghvveer Singh R/o Vill. Kameli, Po. Babarpur, Teh. Nabha, Distt. Patiala, 147201, Punjab, India have changed my name Kuldeep Singh to Kuldeep and Singh as Surname. 63372 I Savita Bansal W/o Jatinder Kumar R/o Budhlada, District Mansa, Has Changed My Name To Shweta Goyal. 63372 I, Naunita W/o Mohit Singla R/o Maheshwari Street Bhucho Mandi Distt. Bathinda have changed my name to Naunita Singla. 63372 I, Rohit S/o Satish Garg R/o H.No. 1061 Phase-4 Near Shri Ram Mandir Green City Bathinda have changed my name to Rohit Garg. 63372 I, hitherto known as Lakhwinder Kumar S/o Madan Lal R/o Moh. Sarhandian Vpo. Rahon Teh-Nawanshahr Distt. SBS Nagar Pb-144517 have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Kumar Lakhwinder. 63372

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is to put the General Public on notice that Sh. Gurbachan Singh S/o Bachittar singh s/o Jagir singh R/o Village Daulatpura Nawan, Tehsil and Distt. Moga, is the owner of the Residential Property measuring 06 Marlas, which he got from Sale deed no.2025-26/21/4858, dt-21-11-2025, Situated at, Daulatpura Nawan, Tehsil and District Moga, and the previous Title deed no.4983, dt-11-10-2013, and Title deed no.1598, dt-29-09-2004, of the above said property has missing somewhere, so now the applicant Approached to my client bank Au Small Finance Bank Ltd. Moga with a request to extent Loan against the mortgage of the above property. Anybody having any objection in respect of the said property or regarding creation of mortgage with My client, or regarding missing title deed, may raise their objections within 15 Days from the date of this publication, to the below mentioned Pavtar Singh Advocate, Legal Advisor, His mobile no is 99888-29655. That no objection is accepted after the above given period.

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ਮੈਂ ਅੰਗ੍ਰੇਜ਼ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਗਗਨ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਹੀਰਾ ਨਾਲ ਵਾਸੀ ਨਿਹਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਲਾ ਤਹਿ: ਨਿਹਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਲਾ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਮੋਗਾ ਖਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਇਹ ਰਜਿਸਟਰੀ ਬੇਨਾਮਾ ਵਸੀਲਾ ਨੰ. 17 ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ 07-04-2004 ਨੂੰ ਬੋਲੀ ਕੇਰਨ ਰਾਣੀ ਪਤਨੀ ਸਨੀਲ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਫ਼ਿਜ਼ਨ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਵਾਸੀ ਫਲੋਟ ਨੰ. 701 ਟਾਵਰ 68ੀ ਸੈਕਟਰ-20 ਪੇਰਬੁੱਲਾ ਤਹਿ ਵਾ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਪੇਰਬੁੱਲਾ (ਹਰਿਆਣਾ) ਵਾ ਹੇਠੂ ਬਾਲਾ ਪਤਨੀ ਵਿਥੇਕੇ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਫ਼ਿਜ਼ਨ ਨਾਲ ਵਾਸੀ ਨਿਹਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਲਾ ਤਹਿ: ਨਿਹਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਲਾ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਮੋਗਾ ਬਾਰਡਰ ਸੁਰਬੀਰ ਕੋਰ ਪਤਨੀ ਹਰਬੰਸ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸੁਖਦੇਵਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਮਹਿਦੇਵਕੋ ਭਰਿ: ਨਿਹਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਲਾ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਮੋਗਾ ਵਾ ਪ੍ਰਵੀਨ ਰਾਣੀ ਪਤਨੀ ਰੂਪ ਲਾਲ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਦੇਵ ਰਾਜ ਵਾਸੀ ਨਿਹਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਲਾ ਤਹਿ: ਨਿਹਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਲਾ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਮੋਗਾ ਦੇ ਖੇਕ ਵਿੱਚ ਹੋਈ ਸੀ। ਇਹ ਰਜਿਸਟਰੀ ਬੇਨਾਮਾ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ 18/22-08-2026 ਨੂੰ ਨਿਹਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਲਾ ਵਿਥੇ ਬਾਜਸਾਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਾਸੇ ਗ੍ਰੇਮ ਹੋ ਗਈ। ਜਿਸਦੀ ਮੈਂ ਬਹੁਤ ਭਾਲ ਕੀਤੀ ਪਰ ਮੈਨੂੰ ਨਹੀਂ ਲੱਗੀ। ਇਹ ਰਜਿਸਟਰੀ ਬੇਨਾਮਾ ਦੇ ਗ੍ਰੇਮ ਹੋਣਾ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਪਹਿਲਾ ਕਿਸੇ ਹੋਰ ਪੁਲਿਸ ਸਟੇਸ਼ਨ ਵਿੱਚ ਗੁਪਤ ਦਰਜ ਨਹੀਂ ਕਰਵਾਈ। ਉਕਤ ਰਜਿਸਟਰੀ ਬੇਨਾਮਾ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਸਰਕਾਰੀ ਅਥਾਰਟੀ ਜਾਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਚਾਹਨ ਪਾਸ ਜਮ੍ਹਾਂ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋ। ਉਕਤ ਰਜਿਸਟਰੀ ਬੇਨਾਮਾ ਬੇਕ ਪਾਸ ਮਰਦੇਸੀਜ਼ ਡੀਓ ਨਹੀਂ ਲਗੀ ਅਗਰ ਮਰਦੇਸੀਜ਼ ਡੀਓ ਵਗ਼ੈਰਾ ਕੀਤੀ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ ਤਾਂ ਮੈਂ ਉਸਦਾ ਖੁਦ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਗ੍ਰੇਮ ਹੋਏ ਰਜਿਸਟਰੀ ਬੇਨਾਮਾ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਗੁਪਤ ਦਰਜ ਕਰਕੇ ਗਪਟ ਦੀ ਨਕਲ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ ਤਾਂ ਜੋ ਕੀ ਕੁਪਲਾਇਡ ਜਾਂਗੀ ਕਰਵਾ ਸਕਾਂ। 63372

I Sarbjot Singh S/o Dilbag Singh R/o Vpo Bhamipura Tehsil Jagraon Distt Ludhiana declare that my given name is Sarbjot and Surname is Singh. 63372 I, Hitherto Known As Ramandeep Singh S/O Surinder Singh. Residing At Sidhwan Kalan, Ludhiana, Punjab- 142024, Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Ramandeep Singh Sidhu. 63372 I, Suhag Rani W/o Tavinder Singh R/o W.No.1, Near N.J.S.A. Public School Rahaun, Khanna, Teh- Khanna, have changed my name from Suhag Rani to Sudarshan Kaur. 63372 I Jagjit Singh alias Jagjeet Singh S/O Gian Singh R/O Phul Distt Bathinda Have Two Name Of One Person. 63372 I Sourav Kumar S/O Mohinder Pal Mohalla Dharampura Qadian Teh. Batala District Gurdaspur Have Changed My Name Sourav To Kumar Sourav Consart Note Please. 63372 I Gurcharan Singh S/O Jit Singh R/o Gill Kalan (Bathinda) have changed my name to Gurcharan Singh Gill. 63372 I, Rajwinder Kaur Dhillon W/o Ramandeep Singh R/o St.No.1, Dashmesh Nagar, Teh-Zira, Distt Ferozpur, Punjab 142047, have changed my name after marriage from Rajwinder Kaur Dhaliwal to Rajwinder Kaur. 63372 I Ramandeep Singh Dhaliwal S/o Makhn Singh R/o St.No.1, Dashmesh Nagar, Teh-Zira, Distt Ferozpur, Punjab 142047, have changed my name from Ramandeep Singh Dhaliwal to Ramandeep Singh. 63372 I, Sukhdeep Singh Dhillon S/o Tarlok Singh R/o Vill-Pheroke, Teh-Zira, Distt Ferozepur, Punjab-142047, have changed my name from Sukhdeep Singh Dhillon to Sukhdeep Singh. 63372

I, am Mandeep Singh Bajwa son of Harmandir Singh son of Haqiqat Singh, resident of House No. 20, Ward No. 2 Darpan Enclave Morinda, Tehsil Morinda, District Rupnagar. That a registration deed No. 2983 dated 17-12-2024 Rachpinder Kaur daughter of Sucha Singh son of Mangal Singh, now wife of Ranjit Singh, resident of Village Khuddapura, Tehsil Samana, District Patiala Khovatar Saidpura, Tehsil and District Fatehgarh Sahib and a deed No. 1107 dated 12-06-2025 Mahinder Kaur wife of Sucha Singh son of Mangal Singh, resident of Village Saidpura, Tehsil and District Fatehgarh Sahib Bahak both are registered in my name. Which were lost on the way from Fatehgarh Sahib to Morinda on 13-07-2026. Despite our best efforts, no trace of them has been found. If anyone finds these registrations, please contact us at 97816 54616.

AAM SUCHNA

ਵੱਡੇ, ਸਰਸੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਅਮਰੀਕ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਫਤਿਹ ਉੱਲਾ ਸਾਹ ਵਾਲਾ ਬਾਟਾ ਫਤਿਹਗੜ੍ਹ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਮੋਗਾ (2) ਤੀਰਥ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਹਰਨਬੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਬਘੋਲੇਵਾਲਾ ਬਾਟਾ ਸਦਰ ਜੀਹਾ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਮੋਗਾ ਅੰਦਰ ਆਈ ਆਰ. ਨੰ. 34, ਜਿਤੀ 10-08-20 Uls 420, 120-ਬੀ, IPC & 13 of Punjab Travel Professionals (Regulation) Act 2014, ਬਾਟਾ ਫਤਿਹਗੜ੍ਹ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਨਿਹਾਲ ਦਾ ਪਰ ਸਾਡਾ ਮੁਦਾਈ ਨਾਲ ਰਾਜਨੀਤਮਾ ਹੋ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ, ਇਸ ਤੋਂ ਇਲਾਵਾ ਉਕਤ ਮੁਦਾਈ ਸੁਕੱਚਮ ਨਾਲ ਸਾਡਾ ✓ ਕੇਸ ਸੁਕੱਚਮ ਨੰ. 71/2023 ਅ/ਧ 323, 325, 295-ਏ, 379-ਬੀ IPC ਬਾਟਾ ਫਤਿਹਗੜ੍ਹ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਮੋਗਾ ਦਰਜ ਹੋਇਆ ਸੀ। ਜਿਸ ਵਿੱਚੋਂ ਅਸੀਂ ਮਾਨਯੋਗ ਅਦਾਲਤ ਵਿੱਚੋਂ ਬਰੀ ਹੋ ਚੁੱਕੇ ਹਾਂ। 63372

I Paramjit Kaur Gill W/O Malkit Singh Gill R/O Vpo Kokri Kalan ,Tehsil Moga, Distt Moga ,Punjab, India Have Changed My Name To Paramjit Kaur. 63372 I Mohinder Babbar S/O Chander Bhan R/o H.Plot no.14-A,Block B-8/3 Near NTC School, Rajpura Town, Tehsil Rajpura Distt Patiala have changed my name from Mohinder Babbar to Mohinder Kumar. 63372 I, Maan Singh S/o Sunder Singh R/o H.No. 845, Basti Mithu, Jalandhar declare that I have changed my name from Maan Singh To Mann Singh. 63372 I, Mamta Verma D/o Jagannath and now W/o Balwinder Singh Sekhon R/o Sangrur Teh and Distt Sangrur have changed my name from Mamta Verma to Mamta Sekhon. 63372 I, Malkheet Singh S/o Darsan Singh R/o Vpo. Munshiwala Teh-Sunam Distt. Sangrur have changed my name from Malkheet Singh to Malkit Singh. 63372 I Harmanpreet Thapar S/o Balwinder Singh R/o Lodhi Bhulana Po: Bhulana Dist: Kapurthala, Punjab have changed my name to Harmanpreet Thaper. 63372

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It hereby informs to general public at large that Mr Kundan Kumar Ray S/o Ram Sinar Ray intends to Purchase property detailed as under from Mrs Sandeep Kaur W/o Jawsant Singh. Further Mr Kundan Kumar Ray is taking a loan of said property from Axis Finance Ltd Jalandhar Branch. Mr Kundan Kumar Ray S/o Ram Sinar Ray (Purchaser) has entered into agreement with Mrs Sandeep Kaur W/o Jawsant Singh Further Mrs Sandeep Kaur W/o Jawsant Singh has stated that following documents in respect of said property has been Lost of which a U/R report has been done vide LAR-2026-KPT-763888 Dated 03/08/2026. Original Transaction Deed no 2019-20/301/3438 Dated 04-03-2020 Executed by Chandan Sharma In favor of Veena Kumara. Through this notice public at Large it is informed that All PERSONS claiming any share, interest or right in the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, transfer, assignment, mortgage, charge, lease, license, lien, tenancy, trust, gift, easement, possession, inheritance or otherwise regarding Original Transaction Deed no 2019-20/301/3438 Dated 04-03-2020 Executed by Chandan Sharma In favor of Veena Kumara is hereby required to make the same known to the undersigned in writing, within (10) Ten days from the date of publication of this notice, with all supporting documents, failing which mortgage over the said property shall be created without reference to all claims if any, and the same shall be deemed to be waived and or abandoned and will not be binding on my/our clients and baseless claim and shall have no value in the eyes of law. THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO (Detail description of the property: Property Building NA Measuring 5 Marla At Vekia Abadi Lodhi Bhulana Tehsil And District Kapurthala Khersa no 233 140 5 KAPURTHALA Punjab-14401) Bounded as East-Street 11° West 158°6" West-Plot 854/0, North: House No.1 of Gurbachan Singh 131°8" South: Road 22/Wide /17°6".

Contact to Under signed: Mr. Vikas Sood (Advocate), Jalandhar (Mob:-98814094356). Email ID:- Vikassood02@gmail.com For behalf of Axis Finance Limited Shanti Tower, SCO No 37 and Floor, PUDA Complex, Opposite Tehsil Complex, Jalandhar, Punjab-144001

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ਦਰਬਾਰ ਸਭ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਾਰ ਰਾਬੋਵੇਟ ।
ਵਿਆ:- ਕੀਤੇ ਜਾਂਦੇ ਖਾਨਗੀ ਵਸੀਲੇ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਾਰ ਜੋਰ ਵਾਲਾ 40/41.

ਨੌਟਿਸ ਵਾਚਮ ਅਸ ਨਜ਼ਾਰਾ
ਹਰ ਆਮ ਦੇ ਆਮ ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਨੌਟਿਸ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਇਹ ਦੁਆਰਮਾਰ ਕਲਵੀਰ ਕੋਰ ਪਤਨੀ ਬੰਸ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਪਿੰਡ ਲੀਲ, ਤਹਿ: ਰਾਬੋਵੇਟ, ਜ਼ਿਲਾ ਰਾਜੀਪੁਰਾ ਨੇ ਬਾਬਰ ਫਿਰ ਰਾਜੀਪੁਰੀ ਐਗਰਿਕੋ ਮਿਤੀ: 07-06-2025 ਜੋਰੇ ਧਾਰਾ 40/41, ਰਜਿਸਟਰਾਰ ਕਲਰ ਲਈ ਕੀਤਾ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਇਸ ਨੌਟਿਸ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਹਰ ਆਮ ਅਤੇ ਖਾਸ ਨੂੰ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਅਗਲੇ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਵਿਆਹਵਾਲੇ ਨੂੰ ਕਿਸਕ ਸਿੰਘ ਦਾ ਮਾਲ ਜ਼ਿਕਾਰਕ ਵਿਚ ਨਾਮ ਕਿਸਕ ਸਿੰਘ ਦਰਜ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਉਸਨੇ ਹੇਠਾਂ ਮੁਲਮਾਲ ਅਪਣਾਉਣ ਕਾਰਨ ਨਾਮ ਪ੍ਰੰਪ ਖਾਨ ਬੰਸ ਲਿਆ ਸੀ। ਦਰਬਾਰਮ ਦਰਿਆ ਨੇ ਕੇਨਤੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਕਿਸਕ ਸਿੰਘ ਦਾ ਨਾਮ ਮਾਲ ਜ਼ਿਕਾਰਕ ਵਿਚ ਕਿਸਕ ਸਿੰਘ ਉਕਤ ਪੰਪੁ ਖਾਨ ਦਰਜ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਇਸ ਨੌਟਿਸ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਹਰ ਆਮ ਅਤੇ ਖਾਸ ਨੂੰ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਅਗਲੇ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਵਿਆਹਵਾਲੇ ਨੂੰ ਕਿਸਕ ਸਿੰਘ ਦਾ ਮਾਲ ਜ਼ਿਕਾਰਕ ਵਿਚ ਨਾਮ ਕਿਸਕ ਸਿੰਘ ਉਕਤ ਪੰਪੁ ਖਾਨ ਦਰਜ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਕੋਈ ਉਸਤ ਹੋ ਜਾਵੇ। ਜਿਸਦੀ ਮੈਂ ਬਹੁਤ ਭਾਲ ਕੀਤੀ ਪਰ ਮੈਨੂੰ ਨਹੀਂ ਲੱਗੀ। ਇਹ ਰਜਿਸਟਰੀ ਬੇਨਾਮਾ ਦੇ ਗ੍ਰੇਮ ਹੋਣਾ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਪਹਿਲਾ ਕਿਸੇ ਹੋਰ ਪੁਲਿਸ ਸਟੇਸ਼ਨ ਵਿੱਚ ਗੁਪਤ ਦਰਜ ਨਹੀਂ ਕਰਵਾਈ। ਉਕਤ ਰਜਿਸਟਰੀ ਬੇਨਾਮਾ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਸਰਕਾਰੀ ਅਥਾਰਟੀ ਜਾਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਚਾਹਨ ਪਾਸ ਜਮ੍ਹਾਂ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋ। ਉਕਤ ਰਜਿਸਟਰੀ ਬੇਨਾਮਾ ਬੇਕ ਪਾਸ ਮਰਦੇਸੀਜ਼ ਡੀਓ ਨਹੀਂ ਲਗੀ ਅਗਰ ਮਰਦੇਸੀਜ਼ ਡੀਓ ਵਗ਼ੈਰਾ ਕੀਤੀ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ ਤਾਂ ਮੈਂ ਉਸਦਾ ਖੁਦ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਗ੍ਰੇਮ ਹੋਏ ਰਜਿਸਟਰੀ ਬੇਨਾਮਾ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਗੁਪਤ ਦਰਜ ਕਰਕੇ ਗਪਟ ਦੀ ਨਕਲ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ ਤਾਂ ਜੋ ਕੀ ਕੁਪਲਾਇਡ ਜਾਂਗੀ ਕਰਵਾ ਸਕਾਂ। 63372

Akal Galaxy Convent school students perform brilliantly in Punjab State District Level School Games



ARVIND PATHAK
SULTANPUR LODHI: In the 70th Punjab State District Level School Games 2026-2027 organized by the Punjab Government the students of Akal Galaxy Convent School Sultanpur Lodhi performed brilliantly in various games of Under-17 and Under-19. On this occasion, Managing Director of Akal Group of Institutions S. Sukhdev Singh Judge, Vice President S. Kulwinder Singh Judge, Assistant Managing Director S. Pargat Singh Judge, Principal Mona ghai, Principal Gagandeep Kaur Akal Academy Sultanpur Lodhi congratulated the winners and wished them a bright future. Principal Madam Madhu Sharma (Junior Wing) informed that The Under-19 boys team won the silver medal by securing the second position in the football competition and the Under-17 girls team won the bronze medal by securing the third position and the Under-19 girls team won the bronze medal by securing the third position in the volleyball competition.

Facilities for voter services will be available at all polling booths during special camps on Sept 6



SURINDER DAMDAMI
KOTKAPURA: Deputy Commissioner-cum-District Election Officer Faridkot Rahul Chaba, IAS, while giving information as per the instructions of the Election Commission of India, said that special camps will be set up at all the polling booths of the district from 10 am to 4 pm on September 6, 2026 (Sunday). He said that the District Administration Faridkot has made necessary arrangements to provide services related to electoral rolls to the voters. The objective of SIR is to ensure that all eligible citizens are included in the electoral rolls and no eligible voter's name is left out. He said that during this time, booth level officers will be present at their respective booths and will provide necessary information and assistance to the voters regarding electoral services. He said that during the camp, voters will be provided assistance regarding Form-6, Form-6-A and Form-8. New eligible voters will be guided to get their names registered in the voter list, existing voters will be guided to get necessary corrections done and other election services.

VMC meeting held at Kendriya Vidyalaya SLIET



RAVI GARG
LONGOWAL : The first meeting of the Vidyalaya Management Committee (VMC) meeting of Kendriya Vidyalaya SLIET, Longowal was held at the Vidyalaya premises with the objective of reviewing the academic progress, co-curricular activities, infrastructure, and overall development of the school. The meeting was chaired by Prof. Surita Maini, Chairperson of the VMC. Sh. Hari Har Yadav, Principal, Kendriya Vidyalaya SLIET Longowal, welcomed the Chairperson and other members and briefed the committee about the functioning and achievements of the Vidyalaya. Sh. Hanuman Singh, Teacher Member, participated in the deliberations and presented relevant inputs regarding academic and school-related matters. The committee held detailed discussions on various aspects of school development, with particular emphasis on enhancing the quality of education, strengthening infrastructure, promoting co-curricular activities, and ensuring the holistic development of students.

Swaraj tractors and Mahindra Susten commission one of Punjab's largest group captive solar projects

TILAK RAJ MOHALI, SEPT 2

Swaraj Tractors, part of the Mahindra Group, and Mahindra Susten, the Group's renewable energy platform and Independent Power Producer, today announced the commissioning of a 42 MWp group captive solar project in Bathinda, Punjab. The project is among the largest group captive solar installations of its kind in the state. The project is expected to meet around 50% of the electricity requirements of Swaraj Tractors' manufacturing facilities, marking a major milestone in the company's broader strategy to build a future-ready, low-carbon manufacturing ecosystem aligned with the Mahindra Group's sustainability commitments. Developed and commis-

Punjab government working at grassroots level to eradicate drugs: Mohinder Bhagat

JS SODHI
JALANDHAR, SEPT 2

Punjab Horticulture, Freedom Fighter and Defence Services Minister Mohinder Bhagat today reiterated the Punjab government's firm commitment to complete eradication of drugs from the state during a district-level review meeting under the 'War Against Drugs' campaign.

At the local District Administrative Complex, the Cabinet Minister, while presiding over a meeting with Police Commissioner Satinder Singh, Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development) Amarjit Bains, Chairman Punjab State Safai Karamcharis Commission Chandan Grewal, Chairman Punjab State Khadi Board Gagandeep Singh Kaku Ahluwalia, Mayor Vineet Dhir, AAP leaders Rajwinder Kaur Thiara, Nitin Kohli, said that the Punjab government is working at the grassroots level to eradicate the dreaded disease of drugs, which is showing positive results. He said that the gov-



ernment led by Chief Minister Mr. Bhagwant Singh Mann has made plans to eradicate drugs, under which besides sending thousands of drug smugglers behind bars, serious efforts are being made to rehabilitate drug addicts by sending them to de-addiction centers. Shri Bhagat appreciated the role being played by the Nasha Mukti Morcha in the fight against drugs and called upon them to work more resolutely. He said that these committees are not only making a significant contribution in spread-

ing awareness against drugs, but also playing an important role in identifying suspects and supporting the police and administration in making the areas drug-free. He instructed the police officers to work in better coordination with the civil administration and local people to implement this campaign more effectively at the grassroots level. He said that at the assembly constituency level, regular meetings should be held with DSPs, constituency coordinators of the Nasha Mukti Morcha and public

Vasant Valley Public school hosts Science Myth buster competition, turning myths into scientific discoveries

DHURI (VIKAS VERMA): Vasant Valley Public School, Ladda Sangrur organised an engaging Science Myth Buster Competition for students of Classes XI and XII from the Medical and Non-Medical streams. The event provided an intellectually stimulating platform for senior students to question commonly held beliefs and uncover the scientific facts behind them. During the competition, students presented a variety of popular myths and misconceptions, exploring them through logical reasoning, scientific principles, research, and evidence. Rather than merely identifying a myth as true or false, the participants delved into the science behind each belief, explaining the concepts and phenomena that helped distinguish fact from fiction.



Patiala head teacher turns school uniform into lesson in equality, honoured with education excellence award

TAPINDER SINGH
PATIALA, SEPT 2

For Dr. Inderjit Kaur, teaching is not confined to textbooks, classrooms or instructions. She believes that the most powerful lessons are those a teacher demonstrates through personal example. Living up to this philosophy, the Head Teacher of Government School, Daana Mandi, Patiala, wears the same school uniform as her students every Monday—an initiative that has become a symbol of discipline, equality, unity and belonging. A 48-year-old Ph.D. holder in Social Sciences from Panjab University, Chandigarh, Dr. Kaur has been striving to bring innovation, enthusiasm and a sense of inclusiveness into the school environment. With more than 200 students, many of whom belong to economically weaker families, the school presents its own set of challenges. Dr. Kaur, however, chose to address these challenges not merely through instructions, but by setting an example herself. She noticed that some students initially came to school without properly following the prescribed dress



code. Rather than repeatedly telling them to wear the uniform, she decided to become the first person to follow it.

Thus began her Monday ritual of wearing the students' school uniform. What appeared to be a small gesture soon created a noticeable change.

Seeing their head teacher dressed just like them, students began taking greater pride in their uniforms and developed a stronger sense of identity with their school. "When students asked me why I was wearing the uniform, I told them that we are a team, and a team wears the same colours to demonstrate its strength," Dr. Kaur said. The initiative gradually went beyond the issue of dress. It helped create an atmosphere in which students felt more connected to their

teacher and more comfortable sharing their thoughts and ideas.

Dr. Kaur regularly interacts with students, sits among them and encourages open discussions, thereby narrowing the conventional gap between a head teacher and her students.

For her, the uniform has now become much more than a dress code—it represents equality, friendship, discipline and team spirit. Her innovative approach and commitment to creating a positive learning environment have also received recognition at the state level. Punjab Governor Gulab Chand Kataria honoured Dr. Inderjit Kaur with the Education Excellence Award in recognition of her contribution and innovative approach to education.

4th CHRS horse show 2026: Best rider trophy awarded to Saavia Kaur Sidhu

CHANDIGARH, SEPT 2

The Chandigarh Horse Riders Society (CHRS) successfully concluded the 4th CHRS Horse Show 2026, bringing together approximately 55 horses and nearly 90 participants from Chandigarh and across Punjab for three days of competitive equestrian sport.

The horse show featured a diverse programme designed to provide opportunities for riders across different age groups and levels of experience. The competition included Dressage and Show Jumping, giving participants an opportunity to demonstrate their riding skills, horsemanship, discipline and partnership with their horses. The programme included a number of events such as a jumping programme featuring 60 cm, 80 cm, 95 cm and 105 cm classes, including and Sahiba 4-Bar competition and EVOQ dressage. Tournament Best Rider Trophy One of the highlights of the show was the



presentation of the prestigious Best Rider Trophy, which was awarded to Saavia Kaur Sidhu for her outstanding overall performance throughout the competition.

The event also placed considerable emphasis on developing young riders and encouraging participation across different categories. Riders competed individually as well as representing established riding institutions and teams from the region. The CHRS Horse Show was supported by its sponsors and partners, including EVOQ Group, Oasis Enterprises and Trident Group and Apni Kheti, whose contribution helped make the event possi-

ble. The Chandigarh Horse Riders Society continues to promote equestrian sport and provide riders with opportunities to train, compete and develop their skills in a structured and competitive environment.

Events such as the CHRS Horse Show play an important role in encouraging young riders and strengthening the equestrian community in Chandigarh and the surrounding region. The 4th CHRS Horse Show 2026 concluded on a positive note, celebrating not only competitive achievement but also sportsmanship, horsemanship, discipline and the spirit of equestrian sport.

Saint Soldier International school celebrates Janmashtami with devotion



CHANDIGARH: Saint Soldier International School, Sector 28-B, Chandigarh, celebrated the auspicious festival of Janmashtami through a special morning assembly presented by the students of Grade IX. The assembly was anchored by Soumya Rathi and Madhav Ahuja, who welcomed the dignitaries, coordinators, teachers, and students and guided the proceedings.

The programme began with the Word of the Day, presented by Vedanshi, followed by the Thought of the Day, presented by Shruti. Prabhgunjot Kaur presented the news, while Harshita delivered a speech highlighting the significance of Janmashtami and the timeless teachings of Lord Krishna. The celebration con-

tinued with a musical presentation, followed by a skit showcasing the relevance of Krishna's teachings in our lives. The programme concluded with a vibrant dance performance by the students of Grade IX. The presentations highlighted the values of courage, compassion, wisdom, righteous action, and devotion, reminding everyone of the enduring relevance of Lord Krishna's teachings. The celebration concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks to the esteemed dignitaries, coordinators, teachers, and students for their gracious presence and enthusiastic participation. The sincere efforts and confident performances of the students made the Janmashtami celebration a memorable occasion.

Admin issues strict directions for cleanliness in city



RAKESH JINDAL
PATIALA, SEPT 2

Taking serious note of the risk of diseases arising from garbage, filth and stagnant rainwater accumulating in vacant plots within Patiala district, Deputy Commissioner-cum-District Magistrate Dr. Himanshu Aggarwal has issued strict orders under Section 163 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

The Deputy Commissioner made it clear that the action would not remain confined to paper orders. To ensure the cleaning of private as well as government-owned vacant plots, the heads of the concerned departments would as-

sign senior officers to oversee the work and monitor compliance. He directed the concerned officials to ensure that the entire exercise is completed by September 20, 2026, without fail. If, after the stipulated date, the cleaning of any private plot is carried out by the Municipal Corporation, Municipal Council or Panchayat, the cost incurred on the cleaning would be recovered from the occupant/owner of the plot. In case the amount is not recovered, necessary entry would be made in the revenue records. As per the orders issued by the District Magistrate, owners of vacant plots in Patiala city must immediately get garbage, filth and stagnant contaminated water removed from their plots at their own level. In addition, it will be mandatory to construct a permanent boundary wall or provide suitable fencing around vacant plots to prevent them from being used as dumping grounds and to protect public health from potential hazards.

Govt should hold talks with sanitation workers to end strike: Garg



SUMER GARG
HISAR, SEPT 2

A meeting of trader representatives was held under the chairmanship of Haryana Pradesh Vyapar Mandal State President and former Chairman of Haryana CONFED, Bajrang Garg. The meeting expressed serious concern over heaps of garbage accumulating at various places across Haryana due to the ongoing strike by sanitation workers. Addressing the traders, Bajrang Garg said that huge piles of garbage had accumulated in different parts of the state because of the sanitation

workers' strike, posing a serious threat of the spread of diseases among the people. Garg said that the government should immediately hold talks with the sanitation workers and resolve their grievances to end the strike.

He warned that if the garbage was not cleared from markets, streets and residential areas across Haryana at the earliest, the Vyapar Mandal would consider giving a call for a Haryana bandh. He said that an agreement had been reached between the government and sanitation workers on May 13 regarding 17 demands.

Transfer-for-bribery racket being run from CM's office, alleges Kewal Singh Dhillon

PARAMJIT SINGH
JALANDHAR, SEPT 2

Punjab BJP president Kewal Singh Dhillon today launched a sharp attack on the AAP government, alleging that a transfer-and-posting racket was being operated under the patronage of the Chief Minister's Office.

Referring to a detailed report submitted by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) before the Punjab and Haryana High Court, Dhillon said the "fake honesty model" propagated by the AAP leadership in Delhi had now been exposed in Punjab as well.

Dhillon said Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal had for years projected himself as "staunchly honest", but ended up behind bars in connection with the Delhi excise policy case. "The same



fake honesty model is now being replicated in Punjab. According to the ED report, close OSDs of the Chief Minister were allegedly overseeing a racket involving transfers and postings of IAS and IPS officers.

Liquor in Delhi and transfers in Punjab — the game remains the same," he alleged. He said the ED report contained serious allegations relating to the leakage of con-

fidential government documents, facilitating arms licences in exchange for money, manipulation of government tenders and irregularities in land deals.

"The entire racket was allegedly being run under the direct patronage of the Chief Minister's Office. Such a network could not have functioned without high-level political protection," Dhillon alleged.

Uproar over encroachment removal in front of Trishla City

VICKY BHABAT
ZIRAKPUR, SEPT 2

An uproar broke out today in front of Trishla City on Air Force Road when the Zirakpur Municipal Council's anti-encroachment team, along with Air Force officials, was carrying out a drive to remove alleged illegal encroachments.

When the team reached the area in front of Trishla City, an argument reportedly broke out between Municipal Council employees and the owners and staff of Trishla City. The situation escalated to such an extent that the Municipal Council employees staged a protest at the spot. After receiving information, police officials also reached the location. Following discussions with both sides and necessary action by the police and Air

Force officials, the situation was brought under control. Speaking at the spot, an official of the Municipal Council's anti-encroachment team said that the team was carrying out an encroachment removal drive from Gopal Sweets to the Air Force Gate.

He alleged that tiles had been installed on government land in front of Trishla City, amounting to an encroachment. When the team began removing the tiles, the owners and employees of Trishla City allegedly abused the Municipal Council staff and attempted to assault them.

After receiving the information, the police reached the spot. Following nearly half an hour of efforts, the police managed to pacify both sides and restore traffic movement.

17th grand bhandara to commence on Dec 29 at Maa Vaishno Devi Dham

GIDDARBAHA, SEPT 2

The annual meeting of the Maa Vaishno Devi International Foundation Trust will be held on the upcoming Sunday, September 6, at 'Hotel Saffron' in the holy city of Kurukshetra, under the presidency of National President Rajesh Jain. Office bearers, members, and volunteers from various branches of the trust will primarily participate in this meeting.

The proceedings will begin with the lighting of Mata Rani's sacred flame (Jyot), after which all devotees will collectively sing praises of Mata Rani. Trust's National President Rajesh Jain and Secretary Gagan Goyal stated that individuals associated with the Maa Vaishno Devi International Foundation Trust hail from

Haryana (Cheeka, Kaithal, Pandori, Pehowa, Kurukshetra, Karnal, Jind, Uchana, Narwana, Tohana, Panipat, Sonipat, Jakkhal, Panchkula, Pinjore, Gurugram, Yamunanagar, Sirsa, Faridabad, Kalka, Hisar, Rohtak), Punjab (Patiala, Giddarbaha, Patran Mandi, Samana, Malout, Kharar, Ludhiana, Sangrur), Rajasthan (Jaipur, Jodhpur, Churu, Deoli), Gujarat (Surat, Gandhidham), Jammu & Kashmir (Jammu), Himachal Pradesh (Baddi, Paonta Sahib, Parwanoo), Uttarakhand (Haridwar, Baijpur, Rudrapur, Kashipur), Sitaranj, Dhehradun), Uttar Pradesh (Saharanpur, Meerut, Ghaziabad), Madhya Pradesh (Indore), as well as international branches in Canada, the UK, New York, and Dubai.

Concrete slab for the first floor of 'Mata Sita Rasoi' at Shri Ram Mandir cast amidst chanting of mantras



SHASHI PAL JAIN
KHARAR, SEPT 2

The concrete slab for the first floor of the 'Mata Sita Rasoi' being constructed for devotees visiting Shri Ram Mandir located near the banks of Maharaja Aji Sarovar (associated with the

grandfather of Shri Ram Chander ji) was cast today following traditional rituals and the chanting of mantras.

Kulwant Chaudhary, Jatinder Arora, Ashok Sharma, Rakesh Aggarwal, Madan Gopal, Anand Bansal, Vinay Sood, Husan Lal Kataria, and others were

present on the occasion. It is noteworthy that the basement slab of this kitchen had already been completed and opened for use, and today, the slab for the first floor was cast. The management plans to use this kitchen to prepare Bhandara and Prasad for the devotees visiting the temple.

FATEHGARH SAHIB (AJAY MALHOTRA): The ongoing political debate in the Bassi Pathana Assembly constituency has intensified, with several Congress leaders coming out in strong support of senior party leader Dr. Manohar Singh and rejecting the recent statements made against him by Congress leader Dr. Amandeep Kaur Dholewal. Congress leaders Onkar Singh Sohi, Sandeep Sharma, Harjinder Singh, Satpal Singh and Rajinder Kumar said that Dr. Manohar Singh has made a sustained contribution towards strengthening the party and remains closely connected with its workers and supporters.

They described him as a senior Congress leader and the younger brother of former Punjab Chief Minister Dr. Charanjit Singh Channi. The leaders also highlighted Dr. Manohar Singh's social initiatives, particularly his efforts to assist needy families by supporting children's education and healthcare. They said his public service activities have earned him goodwill among sections of the local community.



NEWS BRIEF

Two elderly women injured by stray cattle few days ago: Atma Singh Dhurkot

JAGRAJ SINGH SANGHA
MOGA: A large number of stray cattle roaming near the Government Senior Secondary School in Bilaspur during the morning hours have become a serious concern for schoolchildren and elderly residents. Students going to school in the morning, as well as elderly people



stepping out for their morning walks, remain at risk because of the stray animals. President of the Sere-A-Punjab Union, Atma Singh Dhurkot, has urged the government and administration to take immediate steps to control the stray cattle roaming around the school. He said the problem of stray cattle was becoming increasingly serious and that a permanent solution was necessary before any major mishap occurred. Atma Singh Dhurkot said that a few days ago, two elderly women were also injured after being confronted by stray cattle. He expressed concern that if the animals continued to roam freely near the school, an unfortunate incident involving schoolchildren could also occur.

Krishna Janmashtami beautiful Krishna Palki and Radha-Krishna Jhankis remain major attraction



AMRISH ANAND DORAHA: A grand Shobha Yatra was taken out in Doraha to mark the sacred occasion of Shri Krishna Janmashtami, jointly organised by Sanatan Dharam Mandir and Shiv Mandir Purana Bazar with the support of city residents and religious organisations. The yatra began from Shiv Mandir Purana Bazar and passed through the Main Bazaar and various parts of the city before concluding at Sanatan Dharam Mandir. A beautifully decorated palki of Lord Krishna and colourful Radha-Krishna jhankis presented by renowned artists remained the centre of attraction. Devotees enthusiastically participated in bhajan-kirtan, creating a vibrant and devotional atmosphere as the city echoed with "Radhe-Radhe" chants. Payal MLA S. Manwinder Singh Giaspura and former MLA S. Lakhvir Singh Lakha attended the procession. Nagar Council DoraHa President Anmol Sharma, former President Sudarshan Kumar Pappu, Chairman Bant Singh Doburi, Sanatan Dharam Mandir President Dr. J.L. Anand, A.K. Tandon, Vinit Asht, Anish Ablish, Bobby Tiwari, Ricky Bector, Sanjeev Bhanot, Anil Bhanot and several other prominent personalities were present.

Krishna's love for gopis, liberation of demons: Saint Gaurdas Ji narrates Bhagavat Katha in Hoshiarpur



DALJEET ANOHA HOSHIAHPUR: In a spiritually charged discourse at the Radha Krishna Mandir here today, Vrindavan-based saint Shri Gaurdas Ji Maharaj, speaking in the holy presence of National Sant Baba Bal Ji Maharaj, elucidated how Lord Krishna bestowed the essence of divine love and devotion upon the gopis while simultaneously granting liberation to demons through his childhood pastimes. Divine discourse at Radha Krishna Mandir. The ongoing Shrimad Bhagavat Katha, which began at 1 p.m. under the spiritual guidance of National Sant Baba Bal Ji Maharaj, witnessed a profound narration by Param Shradhey Sant Shri Gaurdas Ji Maharaj from Vrindavan. Addressing the devotees, Maharaj Ji explained that Lord Krishna's first two-and-a-half years of divine play (leela) unfolded in Gokul Mahavan, after which he accompanied Nand Baba to Vrindavan. "In Vrindavan, the Lord showered the gopis with the nectar of prem (divine love) and bhav (spiritual emotion), while also orchestrating the liberation of various demons who appeared before him," Maharaj Ji stated, drawing parallels between Krishna's pastimes and the obstacles faced by devotees on the path of bhakti. Symbolism of demons in spiritual journey Maharaj Ji elaborated on the symbolic significance of the demons slain by child Krishna, relating each to a specific impediment in devotional practice: Vrittsura (bull demon): Representing ignorance (ajnan), this demon appeared when Krishna was grazing cows in the forests.

BJP has no mass base in Punjab, using ED as political weapon: Dhaliwal

GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, SEPT 2

Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) Punjab Chief Spokesperson and MLA Kuldeep Singh Dhaliwal on Wednesday launched a blistering attack on the BJP-led Central Government and the Enforcement Directorate (ED), pointing out that the BJP is using the central agency as a political weapon after failing to build any mass base in Punjab. Calling the ED the BJP's "parrot", he pointed out that repeated letters and media-driven actions were aimed not at any genuine investigation but at creating an atmosphere to defame the Punjab Government and AAP leaders.

The AAP Punjab Chief Spokesperson said that despite the Punjab Police asking the ED to send an officer to clarify unreadable documents, no ED officer appeared on the scheduled date.

He declared the BJP as being responsible for the martyrdom of over 750 farmers during the farmers' movement and said that attempts to intimidate AAP leaders by



sending them to jail had failed, as the party remained united and would not bow before the BJP's pressure tactics.

Addressing a press conference, AAP Punjab Chief Spokesperson Kuldeep Singh Dhaliwal said, "On August 28, the DGP, Punjab, clearly wrote to the ED that the documents sent by it were not readable.

The police administration asked the ED to send one of its responsible officers to Police Headquarters on September 1 with the documents. But no officer came. This

clearly shows that the ED's aim is not to conduct an investigation, but solely to defame the Punjab Government and its leaders in the media." Kuldeep Singh Dhaliwal said the conduct of the ED demonstrated that the agency was being used as a political instrument against the AAP.

"The sole objective of the ED and BJP is to stop the unprecedented development works taking place in Punjab and to mentally harass and defame AAP leaders.

But the BJP should not forget that it has already tried to imprison our senior lead-

ers, and the AAP stood united like a rock," he said. The AAP Punjab Chief Spokesperson warned the BJP that repeated use of the ED and CBI would not weaken the AAP or its leadership.

"No matter how many attempts the ED and CBI make, the people of Punjab will once again form an Aam Aadmi Party Government in the 2027 elections. AAP leaders accepted going to jail, but they did not bow before the BJP's dictatorship," he said.

Calling the BJP "Punjab's number one enemy", Kuldeep Singh Dhaliwal said, "The BJP caused the martyrdom of more than 750 farmers from Punjab during the farmers' movement, withheld Punjab's development funds and created obstacles at every step in the development of the state. The people of Punjab have seen all of this and will give their answer through the ballot." Kuldeep Singh Dhaliwal said, "We are not going to be afraid of these false cases. Just as truth prevailed in Delhi and false cases were exposed, truth will prevail in Punjab as well and the BJP's conspiracies will be completely exposed."

Majithia should first explain his 'Vast Wealth' before pointing fingers at others: Baltej Pannu



TAPINDER SINGH
PATIALA, SEPT 2

Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) state secretary Baltej Singh Pannu on Wednesday launched a sharp attack on senior Shiromani Akali Dal leader Bikram Singh Majithia, urging him to first explain his alleged vast wealth and property to the people of Punjab before levelling allegations against others.

Addressing the media in Patiala, Pannu questioned how Majithia, who he claimed once had little more than a green Qalis vehicle, had accumulated such extensive property and wealth over the years. He said Majithia

CHANDIGARH, SEPT 2

Punjab Social Justice, Empowerment and Minorities Minister Dr. Baljit Kaur today announced that the Punjab Government will launch a statewide awareness and facilitation campaign to remove misconceptions regarding Backward Class (BC) Certificates and ensure that every eligible citizen receives the benefits and entitlements guaranteed under the prescribed rules.

Addressing a press conference at Punjab Bhawan here today, the Cabinet Minister Dr. Baljit Kaur said that the Government has noticed that, at several places, eligible applicants have been facing difficulties in obtaining BC Certificates due to incorrect interpretation of the prescribed guidelines. She said that the Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann-led Punjab Government is committed to ensuring the uniform, transparent and effective implementation of BC Certificate rules across the State so that no eligible applicant is denied his or her rightful entitlement. Dr. Baljit Kaur clarified that eligibility for a BC



Certificate is determined solely on the basis of the status of the applicant's parents. The employment, income or social status of the applicant's spouse has no bearing on eligibility.

Likewise, the status of an uncle, aunt or any other relative cannot be taken into consideration while determining eligibility.

She further explained that applicants whose parents fall under the categories of constitutional functionaries, specified Class-I or Class-II officers, certain professionals, or the prescribed property or creamy layer criteria

are not eligible for BC category benefits. However, she emphasized that denying BC Certificates solely because an applicant's parents are Class-III or Class-IV employees on the basis of annual income is contrary to the prescribed rules.

The Minister also clarified that an application cannot be rejected merely because no BC Certificate had previously been issued to the applicant's parents or family. Every person who fulfills the prescribed eligibility conditions has the right to apply for a BC Certificate, even for the first time.

Health Minister Dr Balbir Singh formally launches Pehchaan Portal

CHANDIGARH, SEPT 2

In a landmark humanitarian and technological initiative, Punjab has become the first state in India to launch a statewide public identification portal, 'Pehchaan', for the digital identification of unidentified and unclaimed deceased persons admitted to government mortuaries across the state. The state-level portal was formally launched by Punjab Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr Balbir Singh here on Wednesday.

Under the 'Pehchaan' initiative, facial photographs, permanent identification marks including tattoos, birthmarks, and deformities, and detailed physical descriptions of every unidentified, unclaimed deceased person will be uploaded to the portal within 48 hours of post-mortem at any government mortuary in Punjab. The por-



tal is publicly accessible free of charge through all official websites of the Health Department and can be searched by families from anywhere in India or abroad. Once a claimant submits an online claim, the concerned Investigating Officer is automatically notified to proceed with formal identification under competent legal authority without requiring families to visit mortuaries or police stations. Describing the initiative as a moral and civilisational commitment, Dr Balbir Singh said, "Every year, ap-

proximately 5,000 to 6,000 human beings die as unknown and unclaimed in Punjab alone.

They were someone's son, daughter, spouse, or parent, and somewhere a family is still waiting for them. In our tradition, every soul is equal, and dignity is non-negotiable. No person, no matter how poor or migrant, will be denied the dignity of being found. The dignity of the dead is as much our responsibility as the health of the living, and Pehchaan ensures every family gets that crucial closure."

Students interact with star cast of 'Bol Bhale Na Bol' at Aryabhata Group



BALWINDER AZAD
BARNALA, SEPT 2

The star cast of the upcoming Punjabi film 'Bol Bhale Na Bol', Sidak Gill and Janiya Joshi, made a special visit to Aryabhata Group of Institutes, Barnala. Their arrival on the campus created a wave of excitement among the students. On the occasion, Chairman of the institute Dr. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Director Dr. Ajay Mittal and Dean Academics Dr. Bhavet Garg welcomed the artistes. During an interactive session with the students, the star cast shared their experiences related to their film journeys, acting,

struggles and success. During the session, students asked questions about filmmaking, shooting, character preparation and acting. Sidak Gill and Janiya Joshi said that success in the entertainment industry requires not only talent but also continuous hard work, patience, discipline and dedication.

They encouraged the youth not to be discouraged by failures and to keep making consistent efforts to achieve their dreams. They informed the students that 'Bol Bhale Na Bol' has been written and directed by Rakesh Dhawan, while Karaj Gill and Darshan Sharma are its producers.

Religious exhibition organized by Miri Piri Khalsa college Bhadaur at Takht Sri Damdama Sahib

BALWINDER AZAD
BHADAUR, SEPT 2

Special religious programs were organized at Takht Sri Damdama Sahib, Talwandi Sabo, to commemorate the 320th Completion Day of Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji. On this occasion, Miri Piri Khalsa College, Bhadaur, organized a special religious exhibition based on Sikh history and Gurmata.

The exhibition highlighted the life, services, and significant contribution of Baba Buddha Sahib Ji to Sikh history through various models, photographs, and historical information. As per the directions of S. Sukhminder Singh, Vidya Secretary, Directorate of Education, educational institutions functioning under the Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee and various religious personalities had been encouraged to organize



religious exhibitions dedicated to the 320th Completion Day of Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji. As part of this initiative, Miri Piri Khalsa College, Bhadaur, organized the exhibition at Takht Sri Damdama Sahib.

The exhibition featured various models, photographs, and historical events related to the life of Baba Buddha Ji. In addition, models depicting the construction of the Harmandir Sahib, Gurdwara Sanh Sahib, and Thara Sahib, which hold an important place in Sikh history, were also prepared. Through these models, an effort was made to acquaint the

Sangat and the younger generation with significant events in Sikh history and historical memories associated with the Sikh Gurus. During the exhibition, the Sangat and people interested in history showed keen interest.

The college staff also provided information to visitors about the models and photographs displayed at the exhibition. Members of the Sangat appreciated the college's initiative and said that such exhibitions play an important role in connecting the younger generation with the rich Sikh history and heritage.

SSP Daljinder Singh Dhillon discharged his duties admirably during his 34-month tenure

SHARANJEET
PATHANKOT, SEPT 2

SSP Daljinder Singh Dhillon, who vigilantly helmed the border and highly sensitive district of Pathankot for 34 months, was given an emotional farewell, with Pathankot Vapaar Mandal President Maninder Singh describing his tenure as outstanding. Maninder Singh remarked that SSP Dhillon discharged the responsibilities of the police administration amidst a challenging environment with utmost integrity, determination, and courage.

During his tenure of approximately three years, SSP Daljinder Singh Dhillon played a pivotal role in strengthening security arrangements and fostering a sense of security among the



general public. Maninder Singh stated that SSP Dhillon performed his duties at the forefront during every challenging situation, ranging from natural disasters to critical security-related events.

The efforts made by the police to safeguard the lives and property of the people during the district's severe rains and floods were commendable. Similarly, the police administration acted with utmost vigilance in the security environment that prevailed during 'Operation Sindoor'.

Trade ties with neighbour countries vital for Punjab's economic revival : Mann



MEHARJOT SINGH SHAHKOT: Shiromani Akali Dal (Amritsar) acting president Emaan Singh Mann on Wednesday stressed that restoring trade linkages with neighbouring countries is crucial for reviving Punjab's sluggish economy, asserting that opening the Wagah border route to Central Asia could boost the nation's gross domestic product (GDP) by 1%. He was accompanied by senior party leader Jatinder Sukhthar Singh Shahkot and local functionaries. Addressing a press conference here, Mann noted that cross-border trade would yield direct benefits to farmers and industrialists while creating employment avenues for local youth, thereby curbing substance abuse and illicit activities in the border state.

Health dept organises workshop in collaboration with World Health partners and SAATHII to strengthen paediatric TB notification

HARPAL SINGH
AMRITSAR, SEPT 2

In accordance with the directions of Civil Surgeon Dr. Rashmi Vij, a Child Stakeholder Consultation Workshop was organised at the Civil Surgeon Office, Amritsar, under the leadership of District TB Officer Dr. Vijay Gotwal. The workshop was organised by the World Health Partners and SAATHII team with the objective of further strengthening the timely identification, referral and notification of tuberculosis (TB) cases among children in the district.

On this occasion, District Family Welfare Officer Dr. Neelam Bhagat stated that the main objective of the workshop was to establish better



coordination and collaboration among various government departments and relevant stakeholders to increase paediatric TB notification. As per the target set by the Government of India, TB notification among children should be approximately 11 percent of adult TB notifications. At present, paediatric TB notification in Amritsar district is around 7 percent, highlighting the need for greater efforts towards the active identifica-

tion, timely referral and testing of children with presumptive TB. Dr. Narinder Kumar shared his views on further strengthening TB services for children during the workshop. Dr. Neha, Nodal Officer, RBSK, assured that continuous support would be provided through the School Health Programme and Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) for the identification and referral of children showing symptoms of TB.

Tarandeep Singh Sunny appointed National Vice President of Youth Akali Dal



SARBJIT SUFI
LUDHIANA, SEPT 2

Considering his longstanding services and dedication to the party, Youth Akali Dal President Sarabjit Singh Jhinjer has appointed Tarandeep Singh Sunny as the National Vice President of the Youth Akali Dal.

Following the appointment, a wave of happiness was witnessed among party workers across the Central Assembly constituency. On the occasion, Prabhjot Singh

Gora, General Secretary of the Trade Wing of the Shiromani Akali Dal, and Kanwaljit Singh Marwaha welcomed the appointment and also honoured Sunny.

Speaking on the occasion, Tarandeep Singh Sunny expressed his heartfelt gratitude to party president Sukhbir Singh Badal and Sarabjit Singh Jhinjer for the appointment.

He said that he would now work with even greater dedication and commitment for the party.

Young generation should be encouraged towards sports to stay away from drugs: Navaldeep Singh



RAKESH JINDAL
PATIALA, SEPT 2

70th District School Tournament Aam Aadmi Party District President Navaldeep Singh and Deputy Mayor Jagdeep Singh Jagga specially arrived at the program being held at Aditya Badminton Academy.

On this occasion, he met the players and encouraged them. Today was the last day of the tournament and prizes were also distributed to the winners. On this occasion, he said that

the Punjab government is taking various steps regarding sports. That large-scale efforts are being made to connect the youth with sports and keep them away from drugs. During which competitions are being organized in different categories of boys and girls. Modern sports facilities like those in cities are being provided in the villages of Punjab and magnificent playgrounds have been developed across the state, so that the youth of the villages can get better opportunities to hone their sports talent.

Government ensuring welfare schemes benefit reaches eligible persons: CM

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, SEPT 2

Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu today chaired a meeting of the Himachal Pradesh Rajput Welfare Board here and said that the state government was working with commitment for the welfare of every section of society. He said that over the past three and a half years, several schemes have been formulated and implemented on the ground in this direction and efforts were being made to ensure that their benefits reach all eligible persons. Sh. Sukhu said that the state government was going to launch the ‘Mukhyamantri



Ka Apna Parivar Sukhi Parivar Yojana’ in the state from 2nd October, 2026. Under the scheme, around 2 lakh extremely poor families will be provided 300 units of free electricity, while women will receive Rs. 1,500 per month. He said that 90,000 of these families have so far not received benefits under any government scheme.

The Chief Minister said that the state government was promoting natural farming in Himachal Pradesh. The state government was providing Minimum Support Price (MSP) on agricultural produce obtained through natural farming. He said that the government was providing an MSP of Rs. 80

per kg for wheat, Rs. 50 per kg for maize and Rs. 150 per kg for raw turmeric. He added that, for the first time, an MSP of Rs. 30 per kg for ginger was also being provided. He said that among the states, Himachal Pradesh was providing the highest support price for milk as well. Cow milk is being procured at Rs. 61 per

litre, while buffalo milk is being procured at Rs. 71 per litre. He said that the state government has launched the Dr. Y. S. Parmar Vidyarthi Rin Yojna for meritorious students, under which loans of up to Rs. 20 lakh at an interest rate of one per cent were being provided for higher education. He said that the government has also increased the annual family income eligibility limit under the scheme from Rs. 4 lakh to Rs. 12 lakh, so that more people could avail benefits. Sukhu said that the Indira Gandhi Sukh Shiksha Yojana has been launched to ensure that children of widowed women do not remain deprived of education.

Jairam Thakur alleges 90% Sahara pension beneficiaries declared ineligible

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA: Jairam Thakur said that during the previous government, more than 37,000 people were receiving benefits under the Sahara pension scheme. He alleged that the present government had declared more than 90 per cent of them ineligible for the pension. He further alleged that many beneficiaries had even been shown as deceased in government records. “We frequently meet people who tell

us that the government has declared them dead in order to stop their pension. Some of them are bedridden and completely incapacitated and cannot even perform their daily activities without assistance. The attitude of the Sukhu government towards such people is extremely unfortunate,” he said. He said that helping needy people is the responsibility of the government, but the present government had completely failed in this regard.

Anurag Thakur reviews centrally sponsored schemes in Una

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA, SEP 2

BJP MP Anurag Thakur on Wednesday reviewed the implementation of various Centrally sponsored schemes and major development projects in Una district and directed officials to ensure that their benefits reach the maximum number of poor and needy people. Chairing a meeting of the District Development Coordination and Monitoring Committee (DISHA), Thakur asked officials to set clear targets and timelines for their departments and regularly assess progress. He also stressed timely and effective utilisation of available funds. Reviewing MPLAD works, the MP directed Block Development Officers to complete all pending projects within 45 days, by



October 15, and submit compliance reports. Thakur asked the Agriculture, Horticulture, Agricultural Marketing and Panchayati Raj departments to conduct awareness campaigns at the panchayat level about the eligibility criteria, benefits and application procedures of various government schemes. He also directed authorities to strengthen action against illegal mining and make greater use of modern technology, including drones, for

monitoring sensitive areas. Reviewing road projects, Thakur stressed the need to pay special attention to road alignments, keeping future traffic requirements and local conditions in mind. The MP expressed displeasure over delays in the construction of the PGI Satellite Centre at Malahat and sought details from the executing agency and PGI management. The agency assured that the project would be completed and handed over by December 2026.

Under-19 Girls winners welcomed upon their arrival at school



AVINASH CHAUHAN

AMB: The girl students of Government Senior Secondary School Bharwain hoisted the flag in the sports competition of Amb Zone. Upon reaching the school after the victory, the school Principal Nirmal Kumar, Pradhan Gram Panchayat Upper Lohara Sangeeta Bala, School Management Committee President Ritika Kaushal and all the SMC members, teachers and all the students of the school welcomed the Lecturer of Physical Education Rajneesh Kumar and the winning players. The trophy was won by defeating Rapoh Misran School in the thrilling final match of badminton. Simran, Nikunj, Radhika and Ankita were part of the team. The Principal informed that the winning players will now participate in the district level competition to be held from 3rd to 5th September at Government Senior Secondary School Thana Kalan.

Governor meets ex-servicemen in Hamirpur, takes up their concerns



DINESH AGARWAL

SHIMLA: Governor Kavinder Gupta interacted with ex-servicemen at Hamirpur, yesterday and took note of the issues concerning their welfare and well-being. Director, Sainik Welfare Department, Brigadier Madan Sheel Sharma, apprised the Governor of various issues being faced by ex-servicemen and their families, besides the status of the pending construction of the Shaheedi Smarak at Hamirpur. The Governor assured the ex-servicemen that their genuine concerns would be taken up with the state government for appropriate action. He also announced a contribution of Rs.5 lakh towards the Shaheedi Smarak. Emphasising the need to complete the memorial at the earliest, the Governor appealed to the Members of Parliament and MLAs to come forward and contribute towards its construction, so that the Shaheedi Smarak could be completed at the earliest as a fitting tribute to the valour and supreme sacrifices of the martyrs.

India is the world’s largest and strongest democracy: Kuldeep Pathania

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, SEPT 2

Around 210 students from Government College Chuwari, Chamba district; Government Senior Secondary School Spattu, Solan district; Government Senior Secondary School Tutikandi, St. Bede’s College, Sanjauli; and Government Senior Secondary School Baldian, Shimla district, visited the Himachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly Secretariat at 10:30 AM today and interacted with Himachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly Speaker Kuldeep Singh Pathania outside the Council Chamber. During the interaction, the Speaker apprised the students in



detail about the parliamentary system, the democratic framework of the country, and the functioning of the Legislative Assembly, Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha. He informed the students that Legislative Councils are also provided for in some larger states. However, Himachal Pradesh, being a small state, does not have a Legislative Council.

Pathania said that the Lok

Sabha and State Legislative Assemblies are among the most important institutions of democracy. He explained that elected Members of Parliament constitute the Lok Sabha, and the political party securing a majority forms the government at the Centre. The majority party elects its leader, who becomes the Prime Minister, following which the Council of Ministers is constituted.

He further explained that members of the Rajya Sabha are elected indirectly by the elected members of State Legislative Assemblies. At present, the Lok Sabha has 543 members, while the Rajya Sabha has 245 members, including 233 representatives of the States and Union Territories and 12 nominated members appointed by the President of India. The Lok Sabha has a tenure of five years, while members of the Rajya Sabha have a six-year term. The Rajya Sabha is known as the Upper House and the Lok Sabha as the Lower House.

Interacting with the students of St. Bede’s College, Pathania said that the historic building in which they were standing is known as the Council Chamber.

Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile marks 66th Anniversary, raises Tibet rights concerns

SANJAY AGGARWAL

DHARAMSHALA: Marking the 66th anniversary of the establishment of Tibetan democracy, the Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile in Dharamshala highlighted that since the Chinese Communist government began its invasion and interference in Tibet in 1949—and subsequently established full control over Tibet’s political authority in 1959—various regions of Tibet have witnessed large-scale mineral extraction, deforestation, river water diversion, the construction of power projects, and the damming of rivers to obstruct or alter their natural flow. These activities have caused severe damage to Tibet’s natural environment, a process that continues to this day. Furthermore, over 6,000 monasteries and religious institutions—vital centers of Tibetan religion and culture—were destroyed, inflicting grave harm on Tibetan religion, culture, traditions, and values. It is reported that more than 1.2 million Tibetans lost their lives as a result of various forms of inhumane atrocities. Even today, Tibetans living in Tibet lack adequate freedom, and many face severe hardships, including killings, arrests, imprisonment, and detention. Consequently, peaceful protests against the Chinese government have frequently taken place, demanding the restoration of human rights in Tibet, the return of His Holiness the Dalai Lama, and Tibet’s freedom and independence.



Green revolution: Electric buses transform travel in Kangra

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, SEP 2

The state government’s electric transport initiative, aimed at making Himachal a ‘Green Himachal,’ is now becoming a reality on the ground. Currently, 45 electric buses are serving passengers across various routes in Kangra district. HRTC Divisional Manager Engineer Pankaj Chadha stated that these CCTV-equipped electric buses offer a safe, comfortable, and eco-friendly travel experience with minimal noise. The buses only begin moving once both doors are fully closed. Electric buses have also led to a significant reduction in operating costs; while diesel buses cost approximately Rs. 25–26 per kilometer to operate, electric buses cost



around Rs. 11–12 per kilometer. E-charging stations have been established in Kangra district—specifically in Dharamshala, Nagrota Bagwan, Dehra, Palampur, Pathankot, Baijnath, Jasur, and Kangra—at a cost of approximately Rs. 6.35 crore. Additionally, new charging stations will be set up in Jaysinghpur and Shahpur at a cost of about Rs. 1.26 crore. Drivers have received specialized training to

operate these electric buses. Route planning is being carried out to ensure each bus can operate effectively over a range of approximately 170 to 250 kilometers. Passenger preference for electric buses is growing due to their quiet operation, comfort, and eco-friendliness. An increase in passenger numbers has been recorded on the routes where these buses operate. The deployment of electric buses on inter-state routes is also proving convenient for tourists. The Divisional Manager noted that under the able leadership and guidance of Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu and Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri, the state government is moving towards making Himachal a model state in the electric vehicle sector.

BioAI Lab to advance Biotechnology and Bioinformatics research inaugurated at Shoolini University

DINESH AGARWAL
SOLAN, SEPT 2

Shoolini University has strengthened its research capabilities with the inauguration of the BioAI and Advanced Bioinformatics Lab at its Cancer Research Centre. The new facility brings together Artificial Intelligence (AI), high-performance computing, bioinformatics and biotechnology to support advanced research and innovation in biology and healthcare. The laboratory was inaugurated by Dr Anthony Callanan, Senior Lecturer and Director of Internationalisation, and Dr Rhiannon Grant, Chancellor’s Fellow, University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom, in the presence of Chancellor Prof. Prem Kumar Khosla, Vice



Chancellor Prof. Atul Khosla, Prof. Dinesh Kumar, Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Biotechnology, Prof. Pankaj Kumar Chauhan, Head, School of Bio-engineering and Food Technology, and Prof. Julka, Director, Planning, along with senior university officials, faculty members and students. Speaking on the occasion, Vice Chancellor Prof. Atul Khosla highlighted the growing role

of Artificial Intelligence in scientific research and its potential to transform work across disciplines. He further added that “AI is changing the way research is conducted across disciplines. With the BioAI laboratory, we aim to strengthen the use of computational intelligence in biotechnology and biomedical research and provide our students and researchers with the skills needed for the future.

JUIT hosts Auckland House School students for technology exposure

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, SEPT 2

Jaypee University of Information Technology (JUIT) hosted 21 students from Auckland House School for Boys, Shimla, for a day-long programme aimed at providing exposure to emerging technologies and hands-on learning. Organised by the Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE), Drobotics Lab, Technovatorz Club and IEEE JUIT Student Branch, the programme introduced students to areas including artificial intelligence (AI), robotics, industrial automation, Internet of Things (IoT) and modern electronics. ECE department head Dr Shweta Pandit welcomed the students and encouraged them to explore innovation and technology-



related learning opportunities. A key attraction of the programme was a session on “Agentic AI and Autonomous Task Execution”, where students were introduced to AI systems capable of reasoning, decision-making, planning and executing multi-step tasks with limited human intervention. The students also visited the Mitsubishi Factory Automation Lab, established under a memorandum of understanding between JUIT and Mitsubishi Electric India

Pvt Ltd. They received practical exposure to industrial automation, programming, simulation tools and robotic systems. At the Drobotics Lab, students explored technologies including drones, quadruped robots, AI-powered edge computing platforms and autonomous systems. The sessions were conducted by faculty members Dr Vikas Baghel, Dr Aman Sharma and members of the Drobotics Lab.

BJP protests in Assembly, Jairam Thakur opposes lottery promotion

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, SEPT 2

The BJP Legislature Party staged a protest in the Assembly premises under the leadership of former Chief Minister and Leader of Opposition Jairam Thakur, raising slogans against the Sukhu government. The BJP legislators demanded that the government stop promoting drugs, lotteries and gambling and instead provide employment opportunities to the people of the state. Talking to mediapersons, Jairam Thakur said it was a matter of shame that the Sukhu government was seeking to legally promote a social evil like lottery in the state in the name of increasing revenue. He said lotteries had existed in the state earlier as well, but the previous BJP had



discontinued them because families were being ruined. People were becoming addicted, land and jewellery were being sold, and people’s salaries were being spent on lotteries. He said it was unfortunate that the government was glorifying such a social evil in the name of increasing the state’s revenue. Jairam Thakur said the Chief Minister claims that lottery is a matter of luck. “Instead of leaving the people of Himachal to their luck, the government should

immediately withdraw this decision and protect them from the evils associated with lotteries and gambling,” he said. The Leader of Opposition said people of the state need jobs and opportunities for self-employment. However, the government, which came to power promising “Vyavastha Parivartan” (systemic change), has completely failed to provide adequate employment opportunities.

BJP leader Malkit Singh raises questions over MLA Bablu’s assets

AVINASH CHAUHAN

AMB: During a press conference in Amb, BJP SC Morcha State Secretary Malkit Singh targeted Chintpurni Assembly constituency MLA Sudarshan Singh Bablu, raising several questions about his alleged changing lifestyle, property, and family business matters. He said the public should receive clear answers to these questions. Citing the MLA’s statement submitted to the Election Commission during the election, Malkit Singh claimed that Sudarshan Singh Bablu and his wife were shown to have a debt of approximately Rs. 10.30 crore at that time. He questioned how his lifestyle had allegedly changed so drastically within two to three years of becoming an MLA. The BJP leader alleged that the MLA currently drives around in cars worth crores of rupees. He questioned the sources of income behind this alleged change in his wealth and lifestyle. Malkit Singh demanded that the MLA disclose the facts regarding his income, assets, and financial situation to the public. He also alleged that contracting licenses had been granted to members of the MLA’s family. He also alleged that government funds were allegedly used to beautify the MLA’s home, demanding an investigation into the entire matter. Malkit Singh said that if his allegations are unsubstantiated, MLA Sudarshan Singh Bablu should provide a clear explanation with documents. He also demanded an impartial investigation by the relevant departments and administration into the use of government funds and contracting matters involving family members. He said that transparency is very important in matters related to the property of public representatives and public money and the public should be informed about the actual situation.



NEWS BRIEF

HP Governor meets former CM Prem Kumar Dhumal



DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA: Governor Kavinder Gupta today met former Chief Minister Prem Kumar Dhumal at his residence at Samipur in Hamirpur district and enquired about his health and well-being. During the meeting, the Governor had a warm and cordial interaction with Shri Dhumal and discussed various matters of public interest. He also conveyed his best wishes for Shri Dhumal's continued good health and well-being. The Governor prayed for the long life and good health of the former Chief Minister.

Body of 18-year-old man missing found on roadside



MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI: A tragic incident has occurred in Indri area. Body of an 18-year-old man, missing since Tuesday afternoon, was found lying on roadside on Jainpur-Tapri Wali road today. Discovery of body caused a stir in surrounding area. Upon receiving information, a Dial-112 team arrived at scene and informed police. Dial-112 in-charge Balbir stated that deceased has been identified as 18-year-old man from Jainpur. According to reports, man used to ride his motorcycle to Badarpur area of Ladwa to work as a daily wage laborer.He suddenly went missing around 3 pm on Tuesday afternoon. His family had been searching for him. On Wednesday, people spotted man's body lying on roadside on Jainpur-Tapri Wali road. Dial-112 was immediately informed.Team reached spot and identified body after which family members were informed about incident. It is suspected that young man died in a road accident.

Fallen tree blocks Thammad-Barara road; power department staff restore traffic promptly

JAIBIR RANA
BARARA: A road connecting Thammad and Barara was blocked early Tuesday morning after an old tree suddenly fell across the route at around 5 am. The obstruction threatened to disrupt travel for commuters, workers and railway passengers from several nearby villages. The route is used daily by residents of Thammad,



Mahmoodpur, Manu Majra, Malikpur,

Alawalpur and other surrounding villages travelling towards Barara. Many commuters also use the road in the morning to reach railway stations and workplaces. On receiving information about the obstruction, Haryana electricity distribution department employees Rajesh Kumar and Manish promptly reached the spot and began clearing the fallen tree.

Bombay High Court orders CBI to register FIR in Disha Salian death case

AGENCY
MUMBAI, SEPT 2

In a major development in the Disha Salian death case, the Bombay High Court has ordered the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) to register an FIR and conduct a thorough probe into the matter.Disha was found dead on June 8, 2020, days before actor Sushant Singh Rajput was found dead in his flat in Bandra, Mumbai.Advocate Nilesh Ojha, representing her father and petitioner Satish Salian, expressed confidence that justice would be served in the case.

Advocate Nilesh Ojha says, "The Court has directed the CBI to record the statement of Satish Salian, register an FIR, appoint a senior officer to conduct the investigation, and the Malvani Police Station to hand over all records to the CBI.

Furthermore, action will be



taken against anyone against whom evidence is found.

No one will be named as an accused if there is no evidence against them. Additionally, if the CBI submits a negative report, we have the right to raise objections and file a protest petition. The court has explicitly stated this in its order. I thank the court'Ojha

had earlier alleged, "It was simple: influential accused were involved, and some senior police officers were also involved. As we have provided proof on record. All these things were affecting the situation.

There were Supreme Court guidelines, Home Ministry guidelines, and directions from the

Constitution Bench; an FIR was mandatory, yet they didn't do it."He further alleged discrepancies in the post-mortem report. "Post-mortem report prima facie looks bogus because the face is completely intact--lips intact, nose intact--she falls from the 14th floor on her face and nothing happens? Only one or two internal teeth are shown as broken. So the court said this isn't right, and they caught many of their false records."

During an earlier hearing in the case, a Division Bench of Justice Bharti Dangre and Justice Manjusha Deshpande raised concerns over the registration of only an Accidental Death Report (ADR) and not an FIR despite the family's allegations of murder.

The court also observed that copies of the post-mortem report and the ADR had not been provided to Disha Salian's family even after five years of her death.

Agrawal Sabha launches Janmashtami campaign at Chulkana Dham

RAKESH BHAYANA
PANIPAT, SEPT 2

The Agrawal Sabha has launched a special campaign to mark Janmashtami, with its members seeking the blessings of Lord Krishna and Baba Shyam at the historic Chulkana Dham.

Speaking at the launch, organisation vice-president Atul Gupta said devotion to Baba Shyam was deeply rooted in every household of the Agrawal community in Panipat. "The Agrawal community of Panipat does not need any publicity to promote devotion to Baba Shyam. Every child is deeply devoted to him," he said.

Trustee Harish Bansal said the organisation had resolved to facilitate visits to Chulkana Dham for elderly members who had not yet had the opportunity to seek



Baba Shyam's blessings. He also appealed to members to take their visiting guests to the shrine.

Organisation president Vikas Goyal and treasurer Sanjay Goyal said the objective of the initiative was to ensure that Baba Shyam's blessings reached every member's household on Janmashtami. As part of the programme, peacock feathers, Baba Shyam's itr (perfume), panjiri and other prasad will be distributed among members.

The prasad was ceremonially worshipped at Chulkana Dham by renowned temple priest Hawa Singh. Chulkana Dham is associated with the Mahabharata-era legend of Barbarik, the son of Ghatotkacha. According to popular belief, Lord Krishna, disguised as a Brahmin, tested Barbarik's strength before the Mahabharata war. Barbarik is believed to have offered his head to Krishna at this sacred place.

500 families in Faridabad society without public water supply for 20 years

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR: The Haryana Human Rights Commission has taken serious note of a complaint alleging that nearly 500 families living in Achievers Society, Kalindi Hill, Sector 49, Faridabad, have been without regular public drinking water supply for more than two decades. Commission Chairperson Justice Lalit Batra has directed the authorities to ensure free and uninterrupted water supply through government tankers as an interim measure until a permanent solution is put in place. The Commission has sought detailed reports from the Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Faridabad, and the Chief Executive Officer, Faridabad Metropolitan Development Authority (FMDA). The reports are to be submitted at least a week before the next hearing, scheduled for November 12. According to the complaint, the society was developed under the TP-3 Scheme in 2004-05. Initially, residents depended on borewells within the society, with private tankers being used whenever required. With the borewells drying up over the years, residents have allegedly been forced to purchase water from private suppliers to meet their daily needs. The Commission observed that access to safe and adequate drinking water was essential for human survival, health, sanitation and dignity. It said prolonged deprivation of drinking water could raise serious human rights and constitutional concerns under Article 21 of the Constitution. The Commission also referred to Section 267 of the Haryana Municipal Corporation Act, 1994, regarding the provision of adequate and wholesome water supply. It observed that if the allegations were found to be correct, the statutory responsibility of the concerned authority would require examination.

RBU honours students for outstanding social initiatives



LK BANSAL

MOHALI: Rayat Bahra University (RBU) honoured students with certificates and cash prizes at the Education, Social Responsibility & Excellence (ESR) Awards 2026 for their outstanding performance in competitions focused on drug-abuse awareness and water conservation. Harjit Singh Grewal, Chairman, National Commission for Minorities, who was the chief guest, said leadership and public service must be rooted in social equity, harmony and a strong sense of responsibility. He urged students to actively participate in social welfare initiatives and channel their energy towards nation-building. Former Punjab DGP Ishwar Singh, the guest of honour, emphasised the importance of discipline, integrity and dedication in public service. He encouraged students to launch campaigns on water and electricity conservation and environmental protection on the campus. Former MP Avinash Rai Khanna said the ESR Awards provided a meaningful platform for young people to combine their career aspirations with social responsibility.

TIMT organises practical workshop on Affiliate Marketing and Meta Ads

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR, SEPT 2

Tilak Raj Chadha Institute of Management & Technology (TIMT), Yamunanagar, organised a practical workshop on "Affiliate Marketing and Meta Ads" for the students of BBA and MBA. The workshop aimed to familiarise students with emerging digital marketing practices and provide them with industry-oriented knowledge and practical skills. The session was conducted by Mr. Krishna Gupta, Founder and CEO, and Ms. Krishna Chambial, HR Executive, ESTREET, Chandigarh who provided valuable insights into the rapidly evolving field of digital marketing.

He explained the concept of affiliate marketing, product promotion through digital platforms, customer targeting, content creation and strategies for generating revenue through affiliate partnerships. A significant part of the workshop focused on Meta Ads, where students learned about audience targeting, advertisement creation, campaign planning, budgeting and performance analysis on platforms such as Facebook and Instagram. Mr. Gupta also



highlighted important advertising metrics and explained how businesses can optimise campaigns to achieve better reach, engagement and conversions. Dr. Shailei Gupta, Director, (Offg.) appreciated the initiative and emphasised the importance of practical, industry-oriented learning for students. The interactive session witnessed enthusiastic participation from the students and provided them with valuable exposure to career and entrepreneurial opportunities in digital marketing.

Horticulture Training Institute Uchani holds counseling process for one year diploma in Horticulture

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, SEPT 2

Counseling process was conducted for admission to One Year Diploma in Horticulture Course at Horticulture Training Institute, Uchani. There was a lot of enthusiasm among the students for admission to this professional and skill based course run by the institute. A total of 48 candidates have applied for 30 seats. Of these, 28 seats have been earmarked for general candidates, while two seats have been reserved for departmental employees. The admission process is based on the educational qualification of the candidates as well as the interview. Course Coordinator Dr. SonuYadav said that this one-year Diploma of Horticulture course was being conducted by the Horticulture Training Institute, Uchani with the aim of providing technical



and practical training to the youth in the field of horticulture. In today's time, the horticulture sector is rapidly becoming an important area of employment and self-employment. In view of the increasing demand for fruits, vegetables, flowers, ornamental plants, nursery management, plant protection and modern gardening techniques, such skill-based courses are proving useful for the youth. Dr. SonuYadav said that a total of 30 seats are earmarked for the Garden

course in the institute. A total of 48 candidates have applied for admission to these seats. There was also competition among candidates for admission due to more applications being received than the number of seats. As per the prescribed procedure, 28 seats have been kept open for general candidates and two seats are reserved for departmental employees. For admission, importance is being given to the academic achievements of the candidates in class 12th.

Angels World School secures 2nd position in Healthy Tiffin competition

SANJEEV TEJPAL

MORINDA: Students of Angels World School, Morinda, brought laurels to the school by securing second position among 12 participating schools in a 'Healthy Tiffin Competition' organised by Fortis Hospital, Mohali, for school students from the Tricity. The students participated in the competition with great enthusiasm, confidence and creativity. They prepared and presented a variety of tasty, healthy and nutritious dishes including chole chaat, kebabs, uttapam and rajma-chawal. The dishes were presented in an attractive and well-organised manner, reflecting the students' creativity and understanding of healthy eating. School Principal Deepika Sharma expressed happiness over the achievement and congratulated the students for their commendable performance. She said healthy and balanced food was essential not only for children's physical well-being but also for their mental development, concentration and learning ability. She said such competitions provided students with an opportunity to develop healthy eating habits while also encouraging their creativity, teamwork and self-confidence. She added that the school would continue to encourage students to participate in such activities, which contribute to their overall development.



84 flats for Panipat cops inaugurated at Rs. 27 crore



RAKESH BHAYANA
PANIPAT: In a major step towards improving residential facilities for police personnel, 84 flats constructed at a cost of Rs. 27 crore were inaugurated in the city today. Karnal Range ADGP Mamta Ravi Kiran and Panipat Superintendent of Police Bhupender Singh inaugurated the newly constructed flats in the City Police Station Highway area. The project was executed by the Haryana Police Housing Corporation and was completed in a record time after construction began in 2024. The new residential facility is expected to provide better accommodation to police personnel and their families. Officials described the project as an important initiative for the welfare of the police force. Speaking on the occasion, ADGP Mamta Ravi Kiran said police reforms and strengthening law and order remained among the department's priorities. The process of separating investigation from law-and-order duties has already been implemented at some police stations and would be extended further, she said.

Sahitya Akademi Secretary Varun Gulati releases Dr Bhalla's new book

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR, SEPT 2

Sahitya Akademi Secretary Shri Varun Gulati released the latest book, Manzil Di Kashish: Raahan Di Kasak, authored by Dr Arvinder Singh Bhalla, Principal of Guru Nanak Khalsa College, Yamunanagar, at his office here. Dr Bhalla, a noted writer and academician, has authored 25 books in Punjabi and English. His writings cover diverse subjects, including education, Sikh religion and philosophy, and Punjabi prose. His literary journey reflects sustained creativity, scholarship and a deep engagement with contemporary life and human experiences. Speaking on the occasion, Shri Varun Gulati said Dr



Bhalla's literary work is marked by continuity, thematic diversity and depth of thought. He said the new book presents life, society and human experiences from the author's distinctive perspective, combining maturity born of experience with simplicity of expression. He congratulated Dr Bhalla and expressed confidence that the book would establish a meaningful

connect with readers. Dr Bhalla said writing, for him, is a process of observing and understanding life and expressing experiences through words. He said he strives to ensure that his writings not only engage readers but also encourage them to pause, reflect on their own experiences and look at life from a new perspective. Explaining the title, Dr Bhalla said the desire to reach one's destination motivates a person to move forward, while the struggles, experiences, relationships and pauses encountered along the way shape one's personality. He said the true meaning of life lies not only in achieving goals but also in the learning gained during the journey.

MAHENDER GOYAL
HISAR, SEPT 2

The 'Bhikh Nahi Kitab Do' Organization organized a student dialogue program on the topic of social responsibility at Adarsh Vidya Mandir School and Kasturba Gandhi Kanya Vidyalaya, Durjanpur. Students participated enthusiastically in both programs. Organization President Annu China, speaking in detail about social responsibility, interacted with the children as the keynote speaker. The children were told that social responsibility is a moral and legal duty, under which every individual, organization, or business should behave in a way that does not harm society and



the environment, but rather promotes their well-being. She urged girls to fulfill their responsibilities wisely to maintain their own and their families' honor. School children asked questions about the campaign and social responsibility and also offered some suggestions. The chief guest of this

program, Suresh Poonia, General Secretary of 'Bhikh Nahi Kitab Do' Organization and MD of Indic Solar, addressed the children on the subject of education, values and inner development. Suresh Poonia said that while fulfilling our responsibilities they should never did anything that others found offensive.

We should serve the society in as many ways as possible so that when the other person sees us, he gives us full respect. Snehlata, Principal of Kasturba Gandhi Girls School, Durjanpur, honored Annu China for her remarkable contribution to the society and expressed her gratitude for awakening the children towards their responsibilities.

582 ‘Village Knowledge Centres’ to be set up in state: CM

YUGMARG BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, SEPTEMBER 2

Haryana Chief Minister Sh. Nayab Singh Saini said the State Government aims to provide rural residents with better and essential facilities on a par with those available in urban areas. The government is continuously working for the development of villages, and it endeavours to ensure that all kinds of facilities are available in rural areas as well.

The Chief Minister was chairing a meeting of the State Finance Committee at the Secretariat on Wednesday. During the meeting, officers placed a proposal for setting up 582 Village Knowledge Centres across the State with the support of NABARD. A total amount of Rs. 514.53 crore will be spent on the project, with approximately Rs. 88.33 lakh to be spent on each Village Knowledge Centre. Development and Panchayats Minister Sh. Krishan Lal Panwar was also present on the occasion.

Sh. Nayab Singh Saini directed the Finance Department to accord the necessary financial approval for the project on priority at the earliest so

that its implementation can be ensured in a time-bound manner.

The Village Knowledge Centres will be developed as ‘all-in-one’ assistance centres in villages, where officials of the Development and Panchayats Department, along with officials of other departments, will also be available. This will enable rural residents to conveniently access essential facilities and services related to different departments at a single location. The centres will also have facilities such as a meeting room, Sarpanch office, Common Service Centre (CSC) room, digital library and caretaker room.

The Chief Minister directed officers to ensure that a tree, along with a chabutra (traditional raised platform), is provided within the premises of every Village Knowledge Centre. He said that chabutras and trees have traditionally been an integral part of social interaction, conversations and community life in villages. Carrying forward this traditional rural culture and heritage, arrangements should be made in the premises of the Village Knowledge Centres so that these centres do not remain merely places for



accessing government services, but also serve as convenient community spaces where villagers can sit, interact and socialise with one another.

The Chief Minister said better basic amenities are essential for the development of villages. He directed officers to make appropriate provisions for the repair of streets in rural areas. He said complaints are often received from villagers regarding the level and maintenance of streets. It should, therefore, be ensured that wherever

only a particular portion of a street requires repair due to subsidence or damage, only that portion is repaired as required instead of unnecessarily dismantling the entire street. This would ensure proper utilisation of government funds while also saving rural residents from unnecessary inconvenience.

The Chief Minister also directed officers to pay special attention to improving the phirni (village peripheral road) in rural areas and ensuring that street lighting remains in proper condition. He said small issues relating to basic amenities in villages should be resolved on time so that rural residents get better facilities and the maximum benefit of development works reaches the people.

Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Sh. Arun Kumar Gupta, Additional Chief Secretary, Development and Panchayats Department, Sh. Vijayendra Kumar, Commissioner and Secretary, Finance Department, Sh. C.G. Rajini Kaanthan, Director, Development and Panchayats Department, Sh. Anish Yadav, and other senior officers of the department were present during the meeting.

35 garbage-sensitive points cleaned, around 300 metric tonnes of waste sent to processing plant: Municipal Commissioner Saloni Sharma

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, SEPTEMBER 2

The Municipal Corporation continued its special sanitation drive on Wednesday to strengthen the city’s cleanliness arrangements. Sanitation teams collected around 300 metric tonnes of waste from various locations and garbage-sensitive points across the city and transported it to the solid waste management plant.

Municipal Commissioner Saloni Sharma said that available resources were being effectively utilised to improve sanitation arrangements. Around 35 garbage-sensitive points were cleaned, while door-to-door waste collection continued regularly across the city. Teams were also promptly clearing waste from locations where garbage accumulation was reported.

Cleanliness drive conducted at several locations

The sanitation covered areas including behind Sector 6, near Shiv Temple and the green belt, Sector 6 Market, Phusgarh Road, Sector 7 Market and the area behind the police station, Sector 8 market area, near BSNL Quarters and Gymkhana Club, ITI Chowk, near Adarsh Public School, Manglora village chowk, Kambohpora village, GT Road and near Madhuban Academy.

Approximately 25 tractor-trolleys were used to collect and transport around 300 metric tonnes of waste. The Municipal Corporation is also working to eliminate garbage-sensitive points permanently to prevent repeated dumping and improve the city’s sanitation.

Door-to-door collection continues

The Municipal Commissioner appealed to residents to cooperate with the Municipal Corporation and hand over their waste only to authorised door-to-door collection vehicles. She noted that garbage is often being dumped along roadsides, in vacant plots, markets and other public places, affecting sanitation arrangements.

She also appealed to trade organisations and market associations to encourage shopkeepers and commercial establishments to maintain cleanliness and prevent littering in market areas.

Action against those obstructing sanitation work

Sharma said the Municipal Corporation was working with full commitment to maintain and restore normal sanitation arrangements. Appropriate legal action would be taken, as per rules, against anyone obstructing sanitation



workers or municipal resources engaged in cleanliness operations.

She added that the special sanitation drive would continue, with additional resources being deployed wherever necessary. The Corporation remains committed to ensuring a clean, beautiful and healthy Karnal and will continue making every possible effort to provide better sanitation services to residents. The waste collection work was carried out under the supervision of Additional Municipal Commissioner Ashok Kumar, Sanitation Officer Mahavir Sodhi, Chief Sanitary Inspector Surendra Chopra, Sanitary Inspectors Mandeep Singh and Sandeep Kumar, and Assistant Sanitary Inspectors Pravesh Kumar and Gulab Singh.

Farmers stage protest in Karnal, submit nine-point demand charter

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, SEPT 2

Members of the Bharatiya Kisan Union Sir Chhotu Ram staged a protest in the city on the call of the Haryana Kisan Mazdoor Sangharsh Morcha and submitted a nine-point memorandum addressed to the Chief Minister.

The farmers marched towards the District Secretariat raising slogans and handed over the memorandum to the Tehsildar, according to union spokesperson Bahadur Mehla Baldi.

Among their key demands, the farmer leaders called for the commencement of government procurement of paddy from September 15 and a legal guarantee for the Minimum Support Price (MSP).

They also raised demands related to an increase in milk and sugarcane prices, loan waivers, and the resolution of



issues concerning livestock farmers and labourers.

Demand for higher milk prices

The farmer leaders alleged that adulterated milk was being sold to consumers and expressed concern over its potential impact on public health. They said livestock farmers had long been demanding an increase in milk prices and called for the minimum price of milk to be fixed at Rs 100 per litre.

They also demanded that the Meri Fasal Mera Byora portal be reopened immediately,

claiming that several farmers were unable to complete their registration due to technical issues.

Paddy procurement and sugarcane prices

The union demanded that government procurement of Parmal paddy at MSP should begin from September 15, considering its arrival in markets across the state.

The memorandum also sought an increase in the permissible moisture limit for paddy procurement to 20 per cent.

Mayor interacts with citizens, hears grievances and ensures on-the-spot resolution

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, SEPT 2

Mayor Renu Bala Gupta interacted with citizens who visited her office at the Municipal Corporation on Wednesday and heard their various grievances, complaints and suggestions.

During the public hearing, the Mayor issued necessary directions to the concerned officials after reviewing the issues raised by residents. Several problems were resolved on the spot, while officials were instructed to take priority action for the early resolution of other pending matters.

Mayor Renu Bala Gupta said that the true meaning of public service lies in staying connected with the people, understanding their con-

cerns and ensuring effective solutions.

She said providing better and convenient civic services to every resident of Karnal was a priority and that negligence in addressing public grievances would not be tol-



erated.

Focus on civic amenities
The Mayor said the Municipal Corporation was continuously working to improve sanitation, roads, drainage, street lighting and

other basic civic facilities across the city.

She directed officials not to wait for complaints before taking action and asked them to conduct regular field visits in their respective areas, assess the condition of civic services and ensure timely resolution of problems.

She said public participation and feedback were among the biggest strengths in Karnal’s overall development. Necessary improvements were being made to city services based on suggestions and feedback received from citizens.

Appeal for public cooperation

The Mayor also appealed to residents to cooperate with the Municipal Corporation in keeping Karnal clean, beautiful and well-organised.

Bhagwat Katha instils devotion, positivity and spiritual energy in life: Renu Bala Gupta



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: Representatives of Shri Khatu Shyam Kirtan Mandal met Karnal Mayor Renu Bala Gupta at her residence in Chaudhary Colony on Wednesday and invited her to attend an upcoming Shrimad Bhagwat Katha.

The Mayor accepted the invitation and extended her best wishes for the successful organisation of the religious event. Speaking on the occasion, Renu Bala Gupta said that the Shrimad Bhagwat Katha is a valuable part of India’s spiritual and cultural heritage, inspiring people towards self-reflection and positive change in life. She said listening to the Katha not only brings peace of mind but also strengthens the values of devotion, service, good conduct and positive thinking. The Mayor said religious events are not limited to rituals and worship alone but also serve as an important medium for bringing society together and connecting the younger generation with its culture and values. “Such events promote mutual brotherhood, social harmony and a positive spiritual environment,” she said.

Representatives share details of the programme
Renu Bala Gupta thanked the representatives of Shri Khatu Shyam Kirtan Mandal for the invitation and expressed her wishes for the well-being of all devotees. She prayed that the Shrimad Bhagwat Katha would bring happiness, peace, prosperity and positive energy into the lives of people in the region and enable a large number of devotees to benefit spiritually from the event. The representatives of the mandal thanked the Mayor and shared details regarding the preparations and programme schedule for the religious event.

Banto Kataria visits Geetu Tanwar’s home to offer condolences

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: Banto Kataria, Chairperson of the Haryana Scheduled Castes Commission, arrived at the PWD Rest House here this afternoon. She sought details regarding the entire sequence of events from administrative officials concerning the suicide case of Geetu Ram Tanwar, a suspended Superintending Engineer of the Electricity Corporation (Sonapat Circle).

She instructed the officials to ensure there were no lapses in the documentation process related to the case, affirming that the government stands with the aggrieved family. Later, she visited Geetu Ram Tanwar’s residence in Sector 9 and expressed deep condolences to the bereaved family. She met with Tanwar’s family members and offered them solace during this difficult time. Earlier, while speaking to journalists at the Rest House, she stated that she had come to Karnal to meet the affected family and share in their grief; she noted that Mr. Tanwar belonged to her community and was like a younger brother to her.

Mayor Renu Bala Gupta, Additional Deputy Commissioner Dr. Rahul Raiya, District BJP President Praveen Lathar, DMP Meena Kumari, Welfare Officer Krishna Bhardwaj, and others were present on the occasion.



HALSA launches two major initiatives to strengthen access to justice and to facilitate redressal of grievances of persons with disabilities



YUGMARG BUREAU
CHANDIGARH : In a significant step towards making justice more accessible, inclusive and citizen-centric, Justice Deepak Sibal, Judge, Punjab and Haryana High Court and Executive Chairman, Haryana State Legal Services Authority (HALSA), today launched two major initiatives ‘Nyay Mitra – Justice at Your Doorstep’ and an ‘Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Complaint Redressal, Legal Aid and Protection of Persons with Disabilities, including Prisoners with Disabilities. The two initiatives reaffirm HALSA’s commitment to the vision of ‘Access to Justice for All’ by taking legal services closer to citizens and strengthening institutional mechanisms for protection of vulnerable persons.

Under ‘Nyay Mitra – Justice at Your Doorstep’, Justice Deepak Sibal flagged off four Mobile Legal Services Vans, conceived as mobile extensions of Legal Services Institutions to provide last-mile access to justice. The vehicles will operate as Mobile Legal Services Clinics through planned ‘Justice Circuits’ covering the entire State. Special focus will be given to remote and difficult-to-access villages, rural areas, aspirational blocks, industrial clusters, educational institutions and other underserved areas. The Mobile Legal Services Vans will provide citizens with free legal aid, legal guidance, pre-litigation counselling, assistance in victim compensation claims, ADR services, Tele-Law consultations and assistance in accessing welfare schemes.

Sports Minister Gaurav Gautam targets Congress over alleged remarks on Brahmin community in assembly

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
CHANDIGARH, SEPT 2

Haryana Sports and Law Minister Gaurav Gautam has strongly reacted to an alleged objectionable remark made by a Congress MLA regarding the Brahmin community during the ongoing Assembly session.

Gautam targeted the Congress and its senior leadership, stating that Leader of Opposition Bhupinder Singh Hooda was present in the House when the alleged objectionable words were used against the Brahmin community. Despite this, he said, the Congress leadership did not immediately object to the remarks.

The minister said the Brahmin community had supported the Congress for a long time and had given Hooda the opportunity to serve Haryana as Chief Minister for 10 years. He said it was unfortunate and condemnable if a Congress leader used such language against any com-



munity.

Gautam said Congress leaders needed to introspect on their political language and approach, adding that politics cannot be pursued by insulting any section of society. Haryana’s people respect all communities, he said, and remarks that could weaken the state’s social unity would not be accepted.

Targets Congress over ‘scripted politics’

Accusing the Congress of what he described as “scripted politics”, Gautam alleged that political statements were being

planned in Delhi and subsequently made by different leaders against various sections of society.

He said Haryana was strengthened by the social unity of its diverse castes and communities, and targeting any community for political gain was neither in keeping with democratic traditions nor Haryana’s culture.

The minister said Congress leaders should publicly clarify their position and apologise if the sentiments of any community had been hurt.

‘Politics of dividing society will not succeed’

Gautam said the BJP government was working on the principle of respecting and ensuring the development of all sections of society. Under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini, he said, the state government was taking all sections along.

He said Haryana’s people

would not accept attempts to pit one community against another for political purposes. Political differences could exist, he added, but the dignity of any community should not be compromised.

Gautam further said the Assembly was the highest forum of democracy and elected representatives were expected to maintain dignified language and conduct. The use of derogatory words against any community, he said, was not in keeping with the dignity of the House.

Congress should apologise to the Brahmin community

The Sports Minister said the Congress leader who allegedly used objectionable words against the Brahmin community should clarify the remarks. He added that the Congress leadership should also make its position clear and apologise to the Brahmin community.

Chancellor Mahant Balaknath Yogi launches BMU Rohtak mobile app

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
ROHTAK: Baba Mastnath University has launched its official mobile application, ‘BMU Rohtak’, as part of an initiative to strengthen digital education and make academic and administrative services more accessible, secure and convenient.

University Chancellor Mahant Balaknath Yogi launched the app and said it was an important step towards connecting students, teachers and employees with various university services through modern technology. He said the application had been developed keeping in mind the specific requirements of Baba Mastnath University students and employees. The app will also enable parents to monitor their children’s academic performance.

Academic services on a single platform
Through the BMU Rohtak app, students will be able to access important academic information through a secure login. This includes their personal and academic profiles, course details, semester, section and subject-related information.

Students will also be able to access class timetables and schedules, examination results and fee-related information through the application.



The app will additionally provide access to the university’s library services and Learning Management System (LMS), enabling students to conveniently access study material and other academic resources. Important notices, updates and announcements issued by the university will also be communicated directly to students through the app.

Separate login for faculty and employees

The application also provides a separate and secure employee login for teachers and staff members.

A dedicated faculty dashboard has been de-

veloped to allow teachers to access information related to their scheduled classes, timetables and other academic activities. Faculty members will also be able to digitally manage student attendance, facilitating more organised classroom and academic administration.

Secure digital attendance system

One of the key features of the app is its digital attendance system, designed to help ensure genuine classroom attendance and reduce the possibility of unauthorised attendance or irregularities.

Punjab’s AAP government has failed; BJP government in the state is inevitable: Minister Vipul Goel

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
AMBALA, SEPT 2

Haryana’s Revenue, Urban Local Bodies and Civil Aviation Minister Vipul Goel on Wednesday criticised the Aam Aadmi Party government in Punjab, claiming that it had “failed badly” and that the BJP was set to form the government in the state in 2027.

Speaking to mediapersons at the Sector 1 residence of Anti-Terrorist Front India and Vishva Hinduk Takht national president Viresh Shandilya, Goel said the Nayab Singh Saini government in Haryana was functioning transparently and pursuing development without discrimination.

He said that, as during the tenure of former Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar, the “wheel of development” was moving equally across all sections and regions under the present government as well.

No tolerance for corruption, says Goel



Goel said that after taking charge of the Revenue and Urban Local Bodies departments, he had made it clear that corruption would not be tolerated in his departments.

He said officials who unnecessarily delayed public work would not be spared and that efforts were being made to ensure transparency and accountability in governance.

Comments on Punjab government

Commenting on Punjab, the minister alleged that the Aam Aadmi Party government had failed and that corruption was widespread in the state. He expressed confidence that the BJP would form the government in Punjab in 2027, attributing the party’s prospects to the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Visit to Shandilya residence

During his visit, Goel was welcomed by Viresh Shandilya, his family members and supporters, along with former Mayor Shailja Sachdeva, former councillor Sandeep Sachdeva and other local residents. Shandilya honoured the minister with a turban and a shawl.

Goel praised Shandilya’s social and public activities, including his campaigns against terrorism and Khalistani separatism, and commended his efforts towards national unity and the promotion of Sanatan traditions.

EDITORIAL

Interest rates set for roller-coaster ride

Veteran banker and founder and non-executive director of Kotak Mahindra Bank, Uday Kotak, has cautioned markets to brace for a “roller-coaster ride” in interest rates as benchmark sovereign bond yields rise across major global economies. “Japan’s 10-year bond crosses 3% and US 4.8%,” Kotak said in a post on X, highlighting the sharp movement in global bond markets. At the time of reporting, the US 10-year Treasury yield stood at 4.81 per cent, up 0.01 percentage point, while Japan’s 10-year government bond yield was at 3.02 per cent, gaining 0.02 percentage point. Kotak attributed the rise in yields to widening fiscal imbalances and growing pressure on central banks to support government finances. He noted that rising government debt and deficits could force central banks to expand their balance sheets, potentially increasing money supply and inflation. “If so, inflation goes up, short end rates go up,” Kotak said, outlining the possible chain of economic reactions. Rising US and Japanese bond yields could also affect Indian markets by encouraging foreign investors to shift capital towards relatively safer and higher-yielding global assets. This could put pressure on foreign institutional investment flows into Indian equities and debt markets. In India, the 10-year benchmark government bond yield stood at 6.96 per cent, while the five-year yield was at 6.59 per cent. The 30-year bond yield stood at 7.56 per cent. Other major sovereign bond markets also recorded notable movements. The UK 10-year gilt yield stood at 5.22 per cent, down 0.04 percentage point. Germany’s 10-year yield rose to 3.34 per cent, while France’s increased to 4.21 per cent. China’s 10-year government bond yield stood at 1.69 per cent. The combination of elevated government borrowing, fiscal pressures and changing monetary policy expectations could keep global interest-rate markets volatile in the coming months.



President Donald Trump ruled out any immediate push to bring Iran back to the negotiating table, saying he prefers the United States’ current position, with Washington claiming “almost total control” of the strategic Strait of Hormuz and Iran’s economy “totally collapsing.” The renewed exchange of fire has dashed hopes that the latest escalation could be contained, raising fears of a wider conflict that

could disrupt global energy supplies and put further pressure on economies worldwide. “I’m not trying to force Iran to the bargaining table, as ABC Fake News reported,” Trump said in a post on Truth Social. “I couldn’t care less if they sign a worthless, to them, agreement.” He said the United States was in a stronger position with “almost total control of the Hormuz Strait” and Iran’s economy “totally

collapsing.” “They are just playing out the inevitable,” Trump added, before directly calling on Iranians to challenge their government: “When are the Iranian people going to rise up and fight?” Trump’s remarks came hours after the US military launched a fresh wave of strikes against Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps targets in Iran. US Central Command said the operation targeted air-defence systems, radar

installations, maritime assets, mine-laying capabilities and communications sites, citing recent attempted attacks by the IRGC against commercial shipping in the Strait of Hormuz and US forces in the region. In response, Iran launched missile and drone attacks against US-linked targets across the region, including Jordan, Bahrain and Kuwait, according to regional authorities and Iranian state

media. Jordan said it intercepted 13 ballistic missiles, while Kuwait said its air defences were responding to Iranian missile attacks. The escalation has centred on the Strait of Hormuz, one of the world’s most important energy-shipping chokepoints. Trump has repeatedly claimed Washington has gained control over the waterway, while Iran has rejected those claims and maintained that it controls passage through the strait. Trump’s latest comments also marked a rejection of reports that Washington was seeking to use military and economic pressure to force Tehran back into negotiations. Instead, he said he was satisfied with the current pressure on Iran and warned that Tehran would face an even harsher military response if it retaliated against the latest US strikes. The renewed fighting follows the collapse of a US-Iran ceasefire arrangement reached in June. The two sides have since resumed attacks and intensified their confrontation over maritime access, sanctions and control of the Strait of Hormuz. The Iranian Red Crescent said four people, including a four-year-old child, were killed and more than 50 wounded when shrapnel from a US strike hit a home where a wedding celebration was taking place in Sirik in southern Iran. Iranian authorities also reported strikes and explosions around the southeastern port cities of Chabahar and Konarak, Qeshm Island and Bandar Abbas, as well as an explosion in Asaluyeh, a major gas and petrochemical hub. In view of the resumption of attacks, oil prices rose as concerns grew that continued fighting could further disrupt crude shipments through Hormuz, through which a significant share of global oil supplies normally passes.

Govt halves sugar stock limit for dealers

The government has reduced the maximum quantity of sugar that dealers can hold to 2,000 quintals from 4,000 quintals from September 15, as it steps up measures to curb hoarding and keep sugar prices under control. The revised stock limit will remain in force until November 30, according to a release by the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution on Tuesday. “Government of India has reduced the stock holding limit for sugar dealers from 4,000 quintals to 2,000 quintals, effective from 15th September, 2026 till 30th November, 2026, to ensure adequate availability of sugar in the domestic market and to prevent hoarding and speculative trading of sugar,” the ministry said.

Under the revised rules, dealers will not be allowed to hold sugar stocks for more than 30 days from the date of receipt and cannot keep more than 2,000 quintals of sugar at any time or place across the country. However, the stock limit will remain at 4,000 quintals for Kolkata and its extended metropolitan areas

because the region acts as a distribution hub for sugar sourced from Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra and supplied to eastern and northeastern India. The government said physical verification of sugar stocks at mills, dealers and traders has found instances of excess holding, non-disclosure and irregularities in the movement and



sale of sugar. “The measure is aimed at further curbing hoarding, discouraging speculative trading and preventing excessive accumulation of sugar stocks,” the ministry said, adding that it would help maintain the movement of sugar through the supply chain and its availability to consumers at reasonable prices. The latest move comes after

sugar prices rose sharply in recent weeks. Retail sugar prices increased from Rs 48.18 per kg on July 20 to Rs 55.70 per kg on August 20, a rise of around 15.6 per cent in one month, according to an earlier PIB release. The government attributed the rise to lower-than-expected production, higher festive demand, weather-related crop damage, tightening global supplies and speculation and hoarding. Sugar production during the current season is estimated at around 306 lakh metric tonnes (LMT), lower than the initial estimate of around 343 LMT. The government has said production was affected by Red Rot and Top Borer disease in sugarcane and waterlogging caused by excess rainfall.

The Centre has taken several measures to increase domestic supplies. It had imposed a stock limit of 4,000 quintals on dealers from August 1, restricted bulk consumers from holding more than 15 days of consumption from September 1 and permitted duty-free imports of 10 LMT of raw sugar.

Two-wheelers, passenger vehicles to outperform industry expectations

For FY27E, Two-wheelers (2Ws) and passenger vehicles (PV) space is expected to outperform, with industry players guiding for positive 8-10 per cent volume growth. The projection comes on the back of broad-based sales acceleration across segments, according to a research report released by ICICI Direct. The report noted that wholesale dispatches maintained strong traction through the latest monthly cycle, aided by macro policy drivers and improving underlying demand conditions. “India’s automotive OEMs posted healthy volume prints for August 2026 with volumes growing double digit on YoY basis across vehicle categories and OEMs,” the ICICI Direct report stated. “GST 2.0 tailwinds continue to drive underlying



demand,” the report added, highlighting that retail activity mirrored the wholesale trend, as Vahan registrations for August 2026 totalled approximately 24 lakh units, up 16 per cent year-on-year from 20.7 lakh units registered in August 2025. In the two-wheeler domain, Bajaj Auto

outperformed the segment after posting a 30 per cent year-on-year expansion, supported primarily by a 53 per cent surge in exports while domestic volumes grew around 10 per cent. TVS Motor registered an increase of roughly 20.5 per cent at 5.9 lakh units with 29 per cent export growth, while Eicher Motors’ Royal Enfield division

reported an 11 per cent rise at approximately 1.26 lakh units. Across passenger vehicles, Tata Motors PV outperformed the broader peer group with an overall growth of 56 per cent year-on-year to around 68,000 units on a low base, alongside electric vehicle volumes of 16,549 units that marked a 94 per cent increase. Maruti Suzuki posted volumes of around 2.16 lakh units, representing a 21 per cent rise. Mahindra & Mahindra recorded a 50 per cent jump to approximately 59,000 units, while Hyundai volumes stood at roughly 66,000 units, up 9 per cent amid logistical constraints on outbound shipments. Commercial vehicles also delivered solid prints, led by medium and heavy commercial trucks alongside initial signs of revival in passenger buses. Tata Motors

CV led the segment with dispatches rising 49 per cent to around 44,000 units. Ashok Leyland registered a 38 per cent increase to roughly 21,000 units, and VECV rose 18 per cent to approximately 8,400 units. “Industry outlook is cautiously optimistic in the near term with underlying growth levers of revival in domestic capex cycle & ageing fleet (driving replacement demand),” the report noted. In the tractor segment, Escorts Kubota led the growth charge with a 19 per cent rise to around 10,000 units, while Mahindra & Mahindra recorded an increase of 5 per cent at roughly 29,500 units. The report observed that the tractor industry faces moderate single-digit expansion in FY27E due to the high base of FY26 and forecasts of a below-normal monsoon at 90 per cent of the long-period average.

Why mediation must become India’s primary dispute resolution system



should become one of the principal gateways to dispute resolution in India. The objective is not to weaken courts, but to enable courts to concentrate their precious judicial time on disputes that genuinely require adjudication. What is Mediation? Mediation is a voluntary and confidential process in which an independent and neutral mediator assists disputing parties in communicating with each other, identifying their real areas of disagreement and arriving at a mutually acceptable settlement. Unlike a judge or arbitrator, a mediator does not impose a decision. The parties themselves remain in control of the outcome. This distinction is fundamental. Litigation generally produces a winner and a loser; mediation seeks a solution that both sides can accept. It can therefore be particularly valuable in disputes where the parties have an ongoing relationship—family disputes, commercial relationships, neighbourhood conflicts, employment matters and

partnership disagreements. Why India Needs a Mediation-Centric Justice System First, mediation can substantially reduce the time required to resolve suitable disputes. A matter that may otherwise remain pending for years can, in appropriate circumstances, be resolved through a few focused sessions. Speed is not merely a matter of convenience; for many citizens, timely resolution is justice itself. Second, mediation is generally less expensive than prolonged litigation. The costs of repeated appearances, documentation, travel and legal proceedings can impose a significant burden on individuals and businesses. A successful settlement can bring finality while reducing these expenses. Third, mediation preserves relationships. A courtroom contest often creates an adversarial environment in which parties become increasingly hostile. Mediation encourages



communication and allows parties to consider practical solutions that a court may not always be able to grant within the strict boundaries of pleadings and legal relief. Fourth, mediation empowers the parties. In ordinary litigation, the final outcome is determined by the court. In mediation, the parties design the settlement themselves.

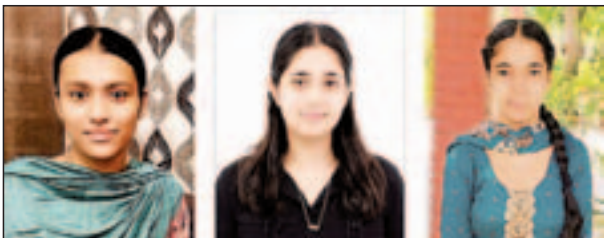
This ownership often increases compliance and reduces the likelihood of future disputes. Fifth, wider adoption of mediation can reduce the burden on the judiciary. Courts should remain the ultimate guardians of rights and justice, but not every disagreement requires a full adversarial trial. If appropriate matters are resolved at

an early stage, judicial resources can be devoted to serious constitutional, criminal, commercial and civil disputes requiring authoritative determination. The Mediation Act, 2023: An Important Step The enactment of the Mediation Act, 2023 represents an important step towards creating a structured mediation framework in India. The legislation seeks to promote institutional and community mediation and encourages the resolution of disputes through consensual mechanisms. Its success, however, will depend upon effective implementation, public awareness, trained professionals and confidence among litigants and lawyers. The Way Forward India now needs a nationwide cultural shift from a litigation-first approach to a resolution-first approach. Pre-litigation mediation should be strengthened wherever

legally and practically appropriate. Mediation centres must be adequately staffed, professionally managed and easily accessible at the district level. Mediators should receive high-quality training not only in law but also in negotiation, communication and conflict management. Lawyers also have a crucial role to play. An advocate’s responsibility is not limited to winning a case; it includes advising a client on the most effective and appropriate method of resolving a dispute. Where settlement is genuinely possible, lawyers should help clients evaluate mediation as a serious legal strategy rather than viewing it as a sign of weakness. At the same time, mediation must not be imposed blindly. Cases involving serious criminality, grave violence, coercion or matters affecting rights that cannot lawfully be compromised require appropriate judicial determination. Mediation should complement the justice system, not replace the rule of law. Conclusion

Mediation is not about avoiding justice. It is about delivering justice in a manner that is faster, less expensive, more participatory and, where possible, less destructive of human relationships. India needs strong courts, but it also needs a strong culture of settlement. The future of Indian justice cannot depend solely upon increasing the number of judges or courtrooms. It must also depend upon reducing the number of disputes that require a full trial. If India can successfully make mediation the first serious option for appropriate disputes, it can move from a litigation-driven system towards a resolution-driven justice system. The time has come to recognize mediation not as an alternative sitting outside the justice system, but as an essential part of the justice system itself. By Varun Garg, Advocate Punjab and Haryana High Court, Chandigarh

KARANPREET KARAN
BARNALA: Shashi Bala, Principal of Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Arya Mahila College, informed that it is a matter of great pride to inform that our BBA second year (third semester) students have shown excellent academic performance. First place – Gursimran Kaur – 9.42 SGPA, Second place – Mehru Rani



– 9.33 SGPA, Third place – Gurdeep Kaur – 9.17 SGPA These three students have brought glory to the college with their hard work, dedication and hard work. The Principal, Managing Committee and all the staff of the college congratulated these talented students. The achievement is a matter of pride for our college and is a source of inspiration for other students.

NEWS BRIEF

Wildlife Dept seizes 15 quintals of illegally transported Khair wood in Kalesar



PREETI SAINI
SADHAURA: As part of the ongoing campaign against illegal logging, transportation, and smuggling of forest and wildlife resources, the team of the Wildlife Department, Kalesar, acting on a tip-off, seized approximately 15 quintals of Khair wood. A preliminary investigation has revealed that the recovered Khair wood was harvested from the Darpur Chicken Forest. A thorough investigation is underway. The Wildlife Department, Kalesar, received a tip-off that a silver Santoro car loaded with khair wood would be taken from the house of Majid, son of Roshan, a resident of Kasli village, for sale. Based on the information, a checkpoint was set up by the Wildlife Department team near Meghwal bridge. At around 2 am, a silver Santoro car was seen approaching.

District Red Cross Society provides ambulance to Barnala Jail worth Rs 7.5 lakh



KARANPREET KARAN
BARNALA: District Red Cross Society Barnala has provided an ambulance to District Jail Barnala at a cost of about Rs 7.5 lakh. This ambulance was handed over to the Jail Administration by Deputy Commissioner Barnala Mr. Harpreet Singh IAS. On this occasion, the Deputy Commissioner said that the facility of ambulance will help in providing timely health facilities to the prisoners in the district jail and in taking them to the hospital safely. He said that the continuous efforts being made by the Red Cross Society in the field of human welfare and public service are commendable. He said that the district administration is continuously making efforts to ensure the health, welfare and basic facilities of the prisoners in the jail. On this occasion, Additional Deputy Commissioner (General) Mr. Vivek Kumar Modi, SDM Tapa Mr. Ayush Goyal, Jail Superintendent Mr. SS Nandgarh, Secretary of Red Cross Society Mr. Sarwan Singh and other officers and staff members were present.

Devotees offer Rs 1,57.893 to Manokamna temple Sadhaura



PREETI SAINI
SADHAURA: In the Manokamna temple falling under Sadhaura Nagar Palika, the money of two piggy banks of the temple was counted under the chairmanship of Nagar Palika Administration Duty Magistrate Naib Tehsildar Kuldeep Singh, in which an amount of Rs. 1,57,893 was found in the donation account. This amount was handed over under the chairmanship of Nagar Palika Secretary Duty Magistrate. This amount will be used for the development works of the temple. Municipal councilors Mukesh, Sarjivan, Lakhwinder, Sunita were present on the occasion. The donation amount was counted from the first piggy bank of Radha Krishna temple, and the second piggy bank of Bajrangbali temple.

Declining sex ratio is major social problem facing country: Dr Anu



NIRMAL SAINI
RADAUR: An awareness program was organized at Ayushman Arogya Mandir, Khurdi to improve declining sex ratio and curb evil practice of female foeticide. Villagers participated enthusiastically. Dr. Anu presided over event. During program, villagers were sworn in to abstain from female foeticide, respect daughters and adopt positive attitude. Dr Anu said that declining sex ratio is a major social problem facing country.To address every problem, we all need to be socially aware. She also provided information about government's state-level welfare schemes such as Beti Bachao Beti Padhao and Lado Laxmi, to ensure education and social security of girls. She said that the sex ratio in this area has significantly declined and needs improvement. If anyone in vicinity is conducting fetal screening, please inform us immediately. Informant's name will be kept confidential and a reward of Rs 1 lakh will also be provided.

CM Yogi distributes cheques for increased remuneration to outsourced personnel

YUGMARG BUREAU
LUCKNOW, SEPT 2

Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Wednesday gave a major gift to outsourced personnel in Uttar Pradesh. Along with launching the Uttar Pradesh Outsource Service Corporation to hear and resolve all problems related to these personnel, the CM also launched the UPCOS portal and website and unveiled its logo. On the occasion, he handed over cheques for increased Remuneration to outsourced personnel and also provided accident insurance cover of up to Rs. 40 lakh. The Chief Minister said, "With the formation of the Corporation, not only more than 3.5 lakh outsourced personnel, but 17-20 lakh people, including their family members, will benefit from it." In his address, the Chief Minister credited Uttar Pradesh's development journey over the past nine and a half years to urban local body personnel, pump operators, personnel in secretariats and hospitals, and permanent, contractual, and outsourced



personnel associated with the governance system. He said, "It is the responsibility of the government to ensure that every person receives respect in accordance with their dignity. Through the Uttar Pradesh Outsource Service Corporation, our government is making an effort to establish this dignity and pride." The Chief Minister stated, "The earlier system was divided into 3 camps. On one side were the personnel, on the other the agency, and on the third side was the

government department. Employees would approach different doors with their problems, but there was no hearing. There was no guarantee regarding salary, social security, or service-related security. At that time, these personnel would ask, "Who would listen to my pain, and who would care for my family? We believe that the relationship between the government and an employee cannot be limited to salary and work. It is a relationship of trust and responsibility."

He further added, "An employee's life should not be spent going around in circles between paperwork and offices. They should feel that the record of their good work and their rights are being protected. They are not alone, and there is also a mechanism to hear their problems. Timely salary, provident fund, insurance rights and Remuneration commensurate with hard work are the rights of every employee, and the government has ensured all of this." The CM said, "When employees were asked about their Remuneration, some would say Rs. 8,000, while others would say Rs. 11,000. Even those who reported Rs. 9,000 were receiving only Rs. 6,000. We believe that economic discrimination must also be eliminated to eliminate social discrimination. Giving a person proper Remuneration for their hard work is itself respect for labor. They should be guaranteed social security, and should also receive insurance cover in case of an incident or accident.

Serious discussion on issues faced by Rice Millers at general house meeting of Rice Industry Association



BALWINDER AZAD
BARNALA: A General House meeting of the Bamala District Rice Industry Association was held at Radiant Plaza under the leadership of the Punjab Rice Industry Association to discuss various important issues confronting rice millers and industry stakeholders in Punjab, including difficulties at the government level and shortage of storage space ahead of the paddy season. A large number of rice millers and office-bearers of the association from across Punjab participated in the meeting. Punjab Rice Industry Association State President Bharat Bhushan Bitta (Muktsar), along with Hari Om from Jagraon, Jolly Ji from Nihal Singh Wala and Bal Krishna 'Bali' from Bagha Purana, besides other office-bearers, attended the meeting. The leaders shared their views on the present condition of the rice milling industry, the upcoming paddy season and the practical difficulties being faced by rice millers. Detailed discussions were held on several important issues related to the rice milling industry. Special emphasis was laid on the shortage of adequate storage space for paddy, coordination with government agencies, issues related to rice milling and delivery, administrative difficulties faced by the industry and preparations for the upcoming season.

NF Railway GM meets Governor and Chief Minister of Manipur

YUGMARG BUREAU
MALIGAON, SEPT 2

General Manager of N. F. Railway, Chetan Kumar Shrivastava, called on the Governor of Manipur, Shri Ajay Kumar Bhalla, at Lok Bhavan, Manipur, on 01st September 2026. During the meeting, discussions were held on strengthening rail connectivity in the state, improving passenger convenience and freight movement, enhancing security infrastructure and further advancing railway services and infrastructure in Manipur. Shri Chetan Kumar Shrivastava also met the Chief Minister of Manipur, Shri Yumnam Khemchand Singh, at the CM Secretariat. The meeting was attended by senior officials from the State Government and N. F. Railway, and focused on key issues concerning railway connectivity, infrastructure and passenger services in the state. Discussions included measures to ensure the smooth and



regular operation of passenger train services between Jiribam and Khongsang, with a focus on providing reliable and convenient rail services to the people of the region. The feasibility of establishing direct rail connectivity between Manipur and Guwahati was also discussed, which would further enhance connectivity with the state's major urban and commercial centre and provide greater convenience to passengers.

Old and unusable items sold through e-auction for Rs. 30.66 lakh: Saloni Sharma

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: Municipal Corporation has disposed of old and unusable items stored in Karna Park store for a long time through e-auction as per regulations. This process generated revenue of Rs. 30,66,085 from sale of various types of scrap items. This item was auctioned through Metal Scrap Trading Company (MSTC) app available on 800-meter e-auction portal, according to Municipal Commissioner Saloni Sharma. She stated that Municipal Corporation sold old and unused items through an e-auction process in accordance with government-prescribed rules and standards. Entire process was conducted transparently through an online portal, ensuring proper disposal of corporation's unused items and generating revenue for corporation. She said that total weight of old and unused items included in e-auction was 77,335 kilograms.



This included various types of unused items, primarily iron, tin, plastic and black plastic. These items were put up for sale on e-auction portal as per established procedures. He stated that total of five types of items were proposed for sale on portal. Four of these items were successfully sold, while mixed wood scrap was not purchased by any buyer. Thus, 4 categories of items sold have been disposed of as per rules. She informed that MC used MSTC app to sell old and unused items. Through online process, various authorized/registered scrap buyers participated in auction and purchased items as per established procedures.

Janmashtami celebrated at SD Sr Secondary School, Jagadhri



RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR: Sacred festival of Shri Krishna Janmashtami was celebrated with great joy and devotion in the premises of SD Senior Secondary School, Jagadhri. Entire school campus was decorated with beautiful tableaux for occasion. Program began with anointment of Laddu Gopal Ji. Tableaux depicting life of Shri Krishna were presented to convey his ideals, love, truth and message of righteousness to masses. Highlights of today's program included a tableau depicting the eighth incarnation of Lord Shri Hari, a tableau depicting Krishna's birth and his journey to Gokul, Damodar Leela, Lord's donation of scales by Rukmini and Satyabhama, killing of Shishupal, life of devotee Raskhan and more. Entire atmosphere became Krishna-filled with devotional music and kirtan. Secretary of Sanatan Dharma Sabha, Abhishek Mittal, Vice-President of School Management Committee, Praveen Kumar Gupta, Secretary, Manoj Gupta, Nidhi Goyal, Principal Usha Sharma, Head Teacher, Mrs. Anu Dhawan, Director of SDIMT, Shaili Gupta, Principal Geetanjali Sharma and Vice Principal Pooja Tarikha were present.

Kalka underpass breakthrough: Residents' long-standing demand met

MAINPAL
KALKA, SEPT 2

An important initiative has been taken to fulfil the long-standing demand of the residents of Shiv Nagar (Khila Colony) in Ward No. 6 of the Kalka Assembly constituency for a 10-foot-wide railway underpass. Kalka MLA, Mrs. Shakti Rani Sharma, prioritized this serious problem for the residents and urged Rajya Sabha MP, Mr. Kartikeya Sharma, to raise the issue prominently with Union Railway Minister, Mr. Ashwini Vaishnav. On the request of MLA Shakti Rani Sharma, MP Kartikeya



Sharma has written a letter to Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnav requesting him to give early approval for the construction of the proposed 10 feet wide railway underpass in Shiv Nagar and to take the construction process forward. MP Kartikeya Sharma has also requested a personal

meeting with Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnav regarding this important public interest issue. He will personally meet with the Railway Minister to present the entire matter of the Shiv Nagar underpass and personally advocate for its speedy resolution and the progress of construction.

Disability Groups demand Welfare Board, Rs 3,000 monthly pension in Himachal

AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY
BILASPUR: Representatives of organizations for persons with disabilities alleged that despite the announcement of numerous welfare schemes by the central and state governments, persons with disabilities are struggling for livelihood opportunities, mobility, and basic amenities. Addressing a press conference at Bilaspur Circuit House, Advocate Lagnesh Kumar, President of 'Samarthya Hamari Pechan', and Vinod Kumar, District Head of the District Divyang Kalyan Sangh, demanded immediate constitution of a Divyang Kalyan Board, a clear roadmap for the Sahara Pension Scheme, and a special allowance for persons with disabilities. They said nearly a decade after enactment of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, Himachal Pradesh still lacks an independent welfare board, leaving disability-related concerns without a dedicated platform. The representatives also sought effective implementation of provisions related to rehabilitation and employment. They said a proposal requesting stalls or designated spaces at busy locations and roadsides for livelihood opportunities had been submitted to Deputy Commissioner Rahul Kumar. Though the matter was forwarded to the Welfare Department, no further progress has been reported.



Janmashtami celebrated with cultural activities at Maharaja Agrasen School



NIRMAL SAINI
RADAUR: Maharaja Agrasen Senior Secondary Public School, Gumthala, organized a program on the auspicious occasion of Lord Krishna Janmashtami. Special cultural activities were organized for the children. Principal Dr. Sudesh Bansal inaugurated the program by lighting a lamp. Children from nursery to fourth grade arrived at school dressed as charming Radha and Krishna. The children's beautiful costumes, charming make-up, and sweet smiles captivated everyone. Dr. Sudesh Bansal, while wishing everyone a Happy Janmashtami, said that the life of Lord Krishna inspires us to follow the path of truth, love, duty, courage, and righteousness. We should strive to become good and cultured citizens by adopting his ideals in our lives. On this occasion, staff members like Nisha Saluja, Khushboo Mehta, Archana, Ambika, Bhavna, Sushma, Rajneesh, Suman, Kiran and Soni were present.

Heavy rain batters Bilaspur, causes nearly Rs 3 crore loss; Roads, water schemes hit

AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY
BILASPUR: Heavy rainfall has caused widespread damage across Bilaspur district, with preliminary losses estimated at nearly Rs 3 crore, Deputy Commissioner Rahul Kumar said on Wednesday. The district administration has intensified relief and restoration operations in affected areas. According to the initial assessment, the Public Works Department suffered the highest loss of around Rs 2.70 crore, while 11 drinking water schemes of the Jal Shakti Department were damaged, causing losses of nearly Rs 31 lakh. The Electricity Department also reported damage worth about Rs 1.5 lakh. Seven residential structures were affected by the rain. One kutcha house was completely destroyed, while one pucca house and two kutcha houses suffered partial damage. Three cattle sheds were also damaged. The administration has initiated the process of providing immediate relief to affected families, with compensation to be released after completion of formalities. Six roads — Gangloh-Malraun, Dholg Chaknad-Gah, Swarghat Manjhed-Matnoh, Theh-Buhad, Chaunta-Dhani and Marotan-Dhani — were temporarily blocked following the downpour. The Deputy Commissioner said traffic was restored swiftly after directions were issued to the concerned agencies.



Berger Paints' Construction Chemicals Business Crosses ₹1,500 Crore Milestone

CHANDIGARH: Berger Paints India Limited has crossed the ₹1,500 crore milestone in its construction chemicals business, including waterproofing, in FY26, reinforcing the company's growing presence beyond its core paints portfolio. Commenting on the milestone, Abhijit Roy, MD and CEO, Berger Paints India, said, "We see construction chemicals as a natural extension of our role in building and protecting the spaces that matter to consumers. Over the years, we have invested in understanding evolving construction needs, developing differentiated products and building greater awareness around the category. As the market continues to formalise and adoption deepens, our focus will be on scaling the business responsibly, strengthening our presence across geographies and creating solutions that address the needs of both construction professionals and consumers."

This Raksha Bandhan, Instamart teams celebrate the people who keep communities moving

CHANDIGARH : This Raksha Bandhan, the festive spirit travelled beyond homes and into Instamart's seller warehouses across multiple cities in North India, where teams came together to celebrate with colleagues, delivery partners and members of their local communities. In Chandigarh, officers from local police stations joined Instamart's warehouse teams for the celebrations, where female colleagues tied rakhis to the officers. The exchange brought together two groups that are part of the everyday fabric of the neighbourhood - teams working behind the scenes to keep daily essentials moving and police personnel serving the local community. Across warehouses, teams marked the festival with celebrations that brought colleagues together during the workday.

IndiGo Strengthens Connectivity to Hanoi: Announces Daily Direct Flights from Mumbai Starting 25 October 2026

CHANDIGARH | LUDHIANA: IndiGo, India's preferred airline and one of the world's fastest growing carriers, has announced the launch of daily, direct service between Mumbai and Hanoi, effective 25 October 2026. This new route further expands IndiGo's international network, enhancing connectivity to Vietnam's capital city and offering customers greater flexibility, choice, and convenience when travelling between the two countries. Customers can plan and book their travel through IndiGo's official website www.indigo.in, mobile app, IndiGo eEsaki – the airline's AI chat assistant – or authorised travel partners. Hanoi is a dynamic metropolis that beautifully balances its rich cultural heritage with contemporary economic advancement. While its centuries-old architecture, vibrant cultural landscape and distinctive culinary traditions make it an attractive leisure destination, Hanoi is also an important centre for trade and commerce, driving growing demand for business travel.

Amway Backs India's Viksit Bharat Vision with Expansion in Ayurveda

CHANDIGARH — In a decisive move aligned with India's nation-building priorities and the Viksit Bharat 2047 vision, Amway India, a leading health and wellbeing company, today announced a landmark strategic push into Ayurveda with the launch of Nutrilite Ayurveda. Driven by the growing consumer demand for plant-based, preventive healthcare, and supported by Government of India's sustained focus on strengthening the AYUSH ecosystem, the company unveiled nine new Ayurveda innovations under the portfolio and aims to build Nutrilite Ayurveda into an INR 100 crore category over the next two years. Developed using Ayurvedic botanicals responsibly sourced from organically cultivated, NutriCert-certified farms, these products are manufactured at Amway's state-of-the-art facility in Tamil Nadu. Speaking to the media at the launch, Mr Rajneesh Chopra, Managing Director, Amway India, said, "India is witnessing a significant transformation in traditional wellness, driven by the Government of India's visionary focus on strengthening the AYUSH ecosystem and advancing Ayurveda.

Amazon India creates over 160,000 seasonal work opportunities nationwide as festive season approaches

SHIMLA: Ahead of the upcoming festive season, Amazon India today announced that it has created more than 160,000 seasonal work opportunities across its pan India operations network that supports its ecommerce and quick commerce business. These include direct and indirect work opportunities across 400 cities in India, spanning large metros as well as tier 2 and 3 cities like Varanasi, Kochi, Jalandhar, Ghaziabad, Ranchi, Salem, Gorakhpur, and others. Amazon has created opportunities for thousands of women and associates with disabilities in its network. The new associates will join Amazon's existing pan-India operations network helping pick, pack, ship, and deliver customer orders safely and reliably while supporting the growing demand during the festive period. Amazon has already onboarded the majority of these associates in preparation for the festive season and has begun providing them with the necessary training.

Sonalika Clocks Highest-Ever August Overall Sales of 12,581 tractors

CHANDIGARH: Sonalika Tractors has continued with its formidable FY27 momentum, clocking its Highest-Ever August Overall Sales of 12,581 tractors in Aug '26. This is powered by a staggering 1.9X growth against the overall industry performance which also reflects its strong position among leading players in the Indian market - the world's biggest tractor market. Adding an incredible milestone to its glorious 30th anniversary year, the company has also recorded its highest ever Monthly production of 18,067 tractors at its World No. 1 tractor manufacturing plant in Hoshiarpur, Punjab, reinforcing its preparedness to cater to farmer demand during the upcoming festive season. The twin milestones underline the strength of Sonalika's integrated business ecosystem, where manufacturing muscle, product strength and market agility are operating in perfect sync.

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ROTTTO North, PGIMER Organises Organ Donation Awareness Session at the Office of the Controller of Communication Accounts



CHANDIGARH: The Regional Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation (ROTTTO) North, PGIMER, Chandigarh, organised an Organ Donation Awareness Session at the Office of the Controller of Communication Accounts (CCA), Department of Telecommunications (DoT), Ministry of Communications, Government of India, Chandigarh, under the nation wide campaign f India's Jug Jug Jiyo Abhiyan'. The programme received an overwhelming and encouraging response, with 30 out of 50 participants, representing 60 per cent of those attending the session,

coming forward to pledge their organs for donation. The impressive participation reflected the commitment of the CCA office towards supporting the noble cause of organ and tissue donation and demonstrated how workplaces can play a significant role in building awareness and inspiring meaningful public participation in the organ donation movement. Leading by example and becoming the first person to pledge his organs, Sh. Vijendra Narain Tandon, Controller of Communication Accounts, Punjab, Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of

Communications, Government of India, appreciated the initiative undertaken by ROTTTO North, PGIMER and shared that the cause of organ donation had personally inspired him and that he felt strongly about encouraging his officers and staff to understand the importance of donation and come forward to support this noble humanitarian cause. Speaking on the occasion, Sh. Tandon said,"Organ donation is one of the noblest forms of service to humanity. I was personally inspired by this cause and felt that our staff should also have an opportunity to

understand its importance and come forward. The response today has been extremely encouraging. With 30 out of 50 participants pledging their organs, our office has demonstrated that when awareness is combined with collective commitment, it can make a real difference." The fact that 60 per cent of the participants came forward to pledge their organs emerged as the defining highlight of the programme. The response from the CCA office demonstrated how government institutions and workplaces can lead from the front in creating awareness, dispelling misconceptions.

2-day orientation programme concludes for D.Pharmacy and B.Pharmacy students at NIILM University



SANJAY SHARMA
KAITHAL: The School of Pharmaceutical Sciences (SPS) at NIILM University, Kaithal, successfully organized a two-day orientation program on September 1 and 2 for newly admitted D.Pharmacy and B.Pharmacy students for the academic session 2026-27. The objective of the programme was to familiarize the new students with the university's academic environment, pharmacy education, discipline, professional responsibilities, and career opportunities in the pharmaceutical sector. Chairman Sandeep Chahal, Managing Director Dr. Balraj Dhanda, and Vice-Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) R.C. Kuhad congratulated the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences on the successful organization of the event. The first day began with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp and a prayer to Goddess Saraswati (Saraswati Vandana). Managing Director Dr. Sandeep Chahal graced the occasion with his presence. Pro-Vice-Chancellor Dr. Davinder Singh Dhull and Registrar Dr. R.K. Gupta welcomed the new students and wished them a bright future. Dean (Commerce and Management) Dr. Rekha Gupta and Controller of Examinations Dr. Sanjeev Narwal motivated the students to seize opportunities with discipline, honesty, and dedication. As part of the cultural segment, B.Pharmacy fourth-semester students performed a dance to a Haryanvi song.

Felicitation ceremony will be organized to Dr Archana Gupta BJP state president of Mahila Morcha on September 4



Archana Gupta will be given a civic felicitation on behalf of the people of the area in this program to be held at Bansal Palace Barara on Friday at 10 am. There is a lot of enthusiasm regarding the program among the BJP workers as well as the area residents. Richa Pahwa herself will host the ceremony and felicitate Dr. Archana Gupta. This program, which is being organized after getting the responsibility of Mahila Morcha State President, is also considered important from the organizational point of view. A large number of BJP workers, officials and supporters from various villages and surrounding areas of Barara area are expected to attend the function. The workers have started preparations in full swing for the event. From arrangements at the venue to transportation of workers to the function, preparations are being finalized. During the civic felicitation ceremony, there will also be an opportunity for dialogue between the state BJP leadership and local workers and area residents. Party workers say that such events infuse new energy into the organization and the workers get an opportunity to communicate directly with the state leadership. After Richa Pahwa became the state president of Mahila Morcha, enthusiasm has increased among BJP workers in the area. Efforts are being made by the workers to ensure participation of maximum people in the function.

Kia India Records Best-Ever August Wholesale at 29,042 Units as Customers Embrace New Mobility Solutions; Registers 48.1% YoY Growth



CHANDIGARH: Kia India, one of the country's leading mass-premium automakers, today announced its wholesale numbers for August 2026, recording a growth of 48.1% over the same month last year. The company dispatched 29,042 units in August 2026, as against 19,608 units in August 2025, reflecting sustained customer preference for the brand's expanding range of vehicles across body styles and powertrains. This marks Kia India's best-ever August wholesale performance since its inception. The momentum carried through the year, with Kia India's year-to-date wholesales for 2026 standing at 220,991 units, up from 183,882 units in the corresponding period of 2025, a growth of over 20.1%. The company attributes this consistent performance to its continued focus on understanding and responding to the evolving mobility needs of Indian customers, from first-time SUV buyers to those seeking premium, feature-rich, and increasingly electrified options. Sales through the year continue to be anchored by the Seltos, which is consistently averaging over 10,000-unit sales every month since launch in January; and Sonet – which remain customer favourites within Kia India's mass-premium portfolio. Both models have built their appeal on offering customers a combination of design, technology, and value across the compact and sub-compact SUV segments and continue to be the primary drivers of the brand's volumes in India. The company has also received encouraging response from its electric vehicle line-up, led by the recently launched Syros EV.

Road safety awareness drive at Gita Modern Senior Secondary School

KAMAL SHARMA
TARAORI: A road safety examination was organised at Gita Modern Senior Secondary School, Taraori, in collaboration with the traffic police to raise awareness among students about road safety. The examination was conducted in three levels. Students from classes 3 to 5 participated in the first level, classes 6 to 8 in the second level, and classes 9 to 12 in the third level. The exam was held under the supervision of teachers. In the first level, Jasgun (Class 5) scored 20 marks, Gurnawaz (Class 5) scored 19, and Deepansh (Class 4) scored 18. In the second level, Devansh Mittal, Sahibpreet, and Mayank Verma (all from Class 8) each scored 25 marks. In the third level, Bhavya (Class 11) and Satvinder (Class 12) scored 30 marks, while Manpreet (Class 12) scored 29 marks. School Manager Balkrishna Tripathi and Principal Ragini Rai congratulated the successful students. Principal Ragini Rai emphasised the importance of the exam, stating that adhering to road safety rules is mandatory for everyone to curb the rising number of accidents in the country. She noted that being well-informed about road safety regulations is crucial for collectively preventing accidents. Dimple Tripathi, Lecturer Karamjit Kaur, Rajbir, and the entire school staff were present on the occasion.



True face of BJP which champions 'Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao' campaign has been exposed: Satpal Sharma

DALBIR MALIK
KURUKSAHETRA: Congress leader Satpal Sharma strongly condemned the treatment meted out by the police to female sanitation workers in Hissar. These are the workers who rise early—while the rest of the country sleeps—to clean villages, cities, and neighborhoods across the nation. Yet, when these women were protesting for their legitimate demands, the Haryana Police—acting on the instructions of the BJP Chief Minister—not only assaulted them but even kicked them. This is not the first instance of such conduct; the entire country witnessed how the Delhi Police treated our young women when they were protesting against paper leaks at Jantar Mantar, yet the BJP government at the Centre felt no shame. The Congress party, under the leadership of Rahul Gandhi, protested against this issue from the streets to Parliament, but the Modi government remained unmoved; now, the government in Haryana is repeating the same actions. Sharma has demanded that the government apologize for this conduct and suspend the police personnel involved, warning that otherwise, the state Congress will take to the streets in protest.



Tandon Shares Leadership Insights with Young Audience, Says Wisdom Helps Shape Real Leaders

CHANDIGARH: Senior BJP leader Sanjay Tandon on Wednesday called upon young people to go beyond merely acquiring information and focus on developing wisdom through experience, deep study and interaction with senior and experienced people. Tandon also shared his views on On 'One Nation, One Election' (ONOE) and Special Intensive Revision (SIR). Tandon was interacting with participants of 'Netritva Sadhana – XVIII', a six-day residential certificate course on socio-political leadership being organised by Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini – Institute for Inclusive Policy and Governance, in association with the National Institute of Technical Teachers Training & Research (NITTTR), Chandigarh. Sharing his views on leadership, Tandon, also a National Council Member of BJP and Co-incharge of Himachal Pradesh BJP said, "Today,

information is available at the click of a button, but information alone does not make a leader. Wisdom comes from experience, from working with one's own hands, studying subjects deeply and, importantly, listening to the experiences of elders and senior people," he said. Tandon shared anecdotes with the young audience which made the interaction engaging for the attendees. On One Nation, One Election (ONOE), Tandon said simultaneous elections could help reduce the disruptions to development caused by frequent elections, besides lowering election expenditure and administrative burdens. "The larger objective should be to take the nation forward. Frequent elections result in repeated enforcement of the Model Code of Conduct, increased expenditure and the deployment of teachers and government employees for election duties. ONOE can help minimise these disruptions and allow governments to focus more consistently on development," he said.

Manan abd Angad tons put UT boys in command, Mumbai fight back

CHANDIGARH: Mumbai staged a determined fightback on the second day of the Dr Capt K Thimmiah Memorial Tournament being organised by Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA) but Chandigarh remained firmly in control after posting a mammoth 426/5 (declared) at stumps at the Indian Air Force Ground, Bengaluru on Wednesday. The highlight so far of the match is Chandigarh's impressive first innings with two centuries Manav Vohra and Raj Angad Bawa. Captain Manav Vohra led from the front with a brilliant 163 off 254 balls including 20 boundaries and two sixes while Raj Angad looked attacking with the knock of 103 off 121 balls, laced with six fours and six sixes. Earlier Opener Nehal Pajni also laid the strong foundation with 61 runs. Later unbeaten Chitanya Sharma contributed a patient 38, For Mumbai, left-arm spinner Atharva Ankoekar was the most successful bowler claiming three wickets for 112 runs. Facing a daunting task, Mumbai responded positively in their innings. At stumps on Day 2, they had reached 144/1 in 56 overs as the team is still 282 runs behind Chandigarh. Openers Diyaansh Skseena and Angkirsh Raghuvanshi put on 84 runs before Skseena was dismissed for 24. Raghuvanshi then anchored the recovery with a patient 71 not out off 179 balls, while wicketkeeper-batter Akash Anand joined him to remain unbeaten.

5 Kidney Transplant Myths Busted: What Every Patient Should Know

PATIALA: For people with advanced kidney disease, a kidney transplant can offer a new lease on life by restoring health and improving quality of life. However, despite significant advancements in transplantation, many patients continue to delay or avoid transplantation due to myths, misinformation, and fear. Dr. Sandeep Kumar, Consultant - General Surgery & Renal Transplant Surgery, Manipal Hospital Patiala, five common myths about kidney transplantation: Myth 1: Older people cannot undergo a kidney transplant.Fact: Age alone is not a deciding factor. Overall health, heart function, and fitness for surgery are far more important. Myth 2: A transplanted kidney won't last long.Fact: Transplanted kidneys can function effectively for many years, delivering excellent long-term outcomes with proper care and regular follow-up.Myth 3: Life after a kidney transplant is very restricted.Fact: Most kidney transplant recipients can return to work, travel, exercise, and lead active, fulfilling lives with proper medication, regular follow-ups, and a healthy lifestyle.Myth 4: Everyone with kidney failure can undergo a kidney transplant.Fact: Not every patient is immediately eligible for a transplant. Doctors evaluate overall health, heart function, infections, and other medical conditions before determining whether transplantation is the safest and most appropriate treatment option.Myth 5: Living kidney donation is unsafe for the donor.Fact: Living kidney donors undergo extensive medical evaluation before donation. Healthy individuals can live normal, active lives with one kidney, provided they continue regular health check-ups and maintain a healthy lifestyle.



Swine Flu Alert: Don't Wait for Breathlessness Before Seeing a Doctor

JALANDHAR : Every year around this time, hospitals see the same pattern: high fever, body aches, sore throat, and a cough that won't go away. Most people



assume it's a routine seasonal viral infection, take an over-the-counter medicine, and hope to get well at home. But a few days later, many are back at the hospital emergency room struggling to breathe. That second visit is often when

the test comes back positive for H1N1, and by then, it's no longer a simple flu. H1N1 (commonly known as Swine Flu, and formally designated as seasonal influenza A (H1N1)pdm09 by the National Centre for Disease Control) behaves like a regular flu initially, but it can escalate far more rapidly. Doctors emphasize that the main danger isn't just the virus itself, but it's how ordinary it looks at first. 'Almost every patient I see with a serious case tells me the same thing: they thought it was nothing for the first two or three days,' says Dr. Preeti Salhan, Consultant in Internal Medicine at Fortis Hospital, Jalandhar. 'By the time they present with breathlessness, the infection has already spread to the lungs. That initial delay often determines whether someone recovers comfortably at home or ends up needing oxygen support in a hospital bed.' H1N1 rarely looks serious in its first few days, which is precisely why it is so easily underestimated. Get your annual flu shot early, don't ignore worsening symptoms, and consult a doctor at the first sign of difficulty breathing.

Lok Bhalai Welfare Society Dedicates 2 Free Ambulances and 2 Dead Body Freezers to Public Service

ZIRAKPUR, (MUKESH CHAUHAN) : Lok Bhalai Welfare Society (Regd. 0066) organised a special colourful programme on Sunday at Sethi Dhaba, Zirakpur. On the occasion, two free ambulances and two dead body freezers were dedicated to public service. A large number of dignitaries, social workers, members of the Royal Club team and Zirakpur Press Club attended the programme. The chief guest, Padma Shri awardee and member of the Punjab State and Chandigarh (JT) Human Rights Commission Jitender Singh Shunty, appreciated the initiative of Lok Bhalai Welfare Society. He said that providing free ambulance services and facilities related to the final journey to needy families during difficult times is a highly commendable service. He said that there is no greater religion than serving humanity, and such initiatives are a true example of social service. He congratulated the organisation and encouraged its members to continue undertaking similar welfare activities. Sonu Sethi, Founder of Lok Bhalai Welfare Society and noted social worker, said that for the past nearly 19 years, Sethi Dhaba has been providing free ambulance services to needy people in Zirakpur, Dera Bassi and Lulu. The organisation has consistently worked to ensure that economically weaker families receive timely assistance during emergencies. Sonu Sethi said that taking this commitment to social service forward, two more free ambulances and two dead body freezers have now been dedicated to public service. He said the objective of the organisation is to ensure that no needy family feels helpless during difficult times. He added that the organisation will continue its efforts to support underprivileged and needy sections of society in the future as well. The Royal Club team and members of Zirakpur Press Club were also present on the occasion. They appreciated the social initiatives being undertaken by the organisation and said that free ambulance services and dead body freezers would provide valuable support to needy families in the region.



HYBE INDIA returns with hybe india audition: final call, expanding its search across India

CHANDIGARH : HYBE INDIA today announced HYBE INDIA Audition: Final Call, expanding its search for the next generation of Indian talent following an overwhelming response to the initial round of auditions. HYBE INDIA Audition has already attracted applications from across India, with participation spanning 28 states and 6 Union Territories, while also drawing strong participation from the global Indian diaspora. Applications were received from more than 1,650 cities across 116 countries, highlighting the breadth of interest among aspiring artists seeking an opportunity to enter HYBE's global artist development ecosystem. The Final Call reflects HYBE INDIA's belief that talent can be found anywhere. The search will now go deeper into cities, towns and communities across the country, reaching young women who are dreaming bigger, developing their voices and finding new ways to express who they are. By further extending the audition across the country, HYBE INDIA aims to create more opportunities for aspiring artists to be seen, heard and supported with opportunities to take their first step toward a global stage. HYBE INDIA Audition: Final Call will open for online applications on September 2, 2026, with the application window remaining open until October 31, 2026. HYBE INDIA AUDITION: Final Call will expand its on-ground search to eight additional cities across the country—Lucknow, Dimapur, Kohima, Shillong, Jaipur, Indore, Goa and Kochi—presenting aspiring performers from diverse regions and backgrounds with further opportunities to showcase their potential. Damien Woochang Lee, CEO, HYBE INDIA, said, "The response to the HYBE INDIA Audition has demonstrated the depth of talent and ambition across India. We have received applications from a remarkable range of regions and backgrounds, reinforcing our belief that there is still significant talent to be discovered. With HYBE INDIA Audition: Final Call, we are expanding our search to reach aspiring artists across the country. Our aim is to discover, nurture and develop talent with the potential to represent India on a global stage, and we look forward to seeing the voices, talent and stories that emerge from this next phase."

Tata Play Binge Shots expands its micro-drama offering with Klip

CHANDIGARH: Tata Play Binge Shots, a destination dedicated to micro-dramas, has expanded its content portfolio with the addition of Klip, a micro-drama platform founded by filmmaker Vicky Bahri and producer-actor Harman Baweja. Klip brings around 60 shows and over 3,000 episodes, comprising more than 6,000 minutes of content, primarily in Hindi. The partnership adds to the growing selection of micro-dramas available on Shots, giving viewers more stories and genres to choose from on one platform. With Klip, viewers on Tata Play Binge Shots can access a range of romance, drama, thriller, mystery, comedy and fantasy titles. Its catalogue includes shows such as Dhundh, Tasveer, Mastermind, Khabardar, Ek Raat, Hadsa, Lamho Ki Guzarish, Naagmani Ka Shrap, Bhoot Bangla, Raju Ban Gaya Raja and Pi Girl, among others. Klip joins Tata Play Binge Shots' growing micro-drama library, which brings together platforms such as STAGE, Pocket Films, Bullet, BhaktiFlix and Vertigo TV under one destination. Klip's content is built around high production values, celebrity talent and serialised storytelling. The platform currently adds around 15 new shows every month, with new episodes and titles continuing to expand its catalogue. Its upcoming slate includes titles such as Aakhri Daawat, Tabahi, 72 Hours, The SituationShip, Engagement, Snip, The Adventures of Kanta Bai, Katputli, Feel in Love with Genie, Khara Sona, Hawala, Kavach, Operation Trinetra, Ishq Switch and Satyakar.

Melissa Leo joins Will Smith in action-thriller 'Supermax'

Oscar winner Melissa Leo will be seen sharing screen space with Will Smith in Amazon MGM Studios and Miramax's action-thriller 'Supermax'. David Gordon Green directs the film, which follows two FBI agents investigating a seemingly impossible murder within the impenetrable walls of a maximum-security prison, as per Variety. Lee, whose role remains under wraps, joins the previously announced ensemble cast, led by Smith, AnnaSophia Robb, Jason Clarke, and Jaafar Jackson. The film also stars Nicholas Alexander Chavez, Andres Almeida, Martin Bats Bradford, and Enika Ringor. 'Supermax' is currently in production in New South Wales, Australia, with Gordon Green ("Halloween") directing from a script by David Weil and David J. Rosen ("Hunters," "Invasion"). In May, Amazon MGM acquired the worldwide rights to the movie from Miramax for USD 70 million, with the film slated for release on Prime Video. The Picture Company's Andrew Rona and Alex Heineman are producing the film with Smith and Adam Fishbach for Smith's company Westbrook Studios. Weil and Rosen will also serve as executive producers alongside Miramax CEO Jonathan Glickman, president of film Alexandra Lowmy, COO Thom Zadra, and senior VP Spencer Ela. James Lassiter and Miguel Melendez will also executive produce for Westbrook Studios.



Janmashtami Special: COLORS' stars open up about their faith in Lord Krishna

CHANDIGARH: Eisha Singh, playing the role of Juhi in COLORS' 'Juhi Mui', shares, "Janmashtami has always been a special festival for me, especially growing up in Delhi. I have fond memories of celebrating it with my family, dressing up, listening to bhajans, and visiting temples to seek Krishna ji's blessings before anything important in my life. Over the years, I've come to connect more deeply with the values he represents, faith, kindness, courage, and standing by what is right. These values also resonate throughout my acting journey whether it's a crucial career decision I have to make or whether I'm playing Juhi, who continues to face challenges with strength and determination while holding on to the people she loves. This Janmashtami, I hope Krishna ji blesses everyone with happiness, courage, and the faith to keep moving forward." Aishwarya Khare, playing the role of Aarambhi in COLORS' 'Dr. Aarambhi', shares, "Janmashtami has always been a very special festival for me. Growing up in Bhopal, I remember stepping out with my friends to enjoy the celebrations, soaking in the festive energy, listening to bhajans, and watching the excitement around Dahi Handi. As I've grown older, I've started connecting more with the faith, strength, and wisdom that Krishna imparts. His teachings are timeless, and I see them come alive in reality and every day on set. Right now,



my character Aarambhi is facing people who threaten her dignity. Sri Krishna taught us that protecting your self-respect and standing up against injustice is the highest form of Dharma. That is exactly what Aarambhi is doing in this current track. This Janmashtami, I'm grateful for this show that has been touching so many hearts." Pravisht Mishra, playing the role of Krishna in COLORS' 'Bareilly Ke Bacchan', shares, "Janmashtami has always been a very special festival for me, and this year, it feels even more special and almost like a beautiful coincidence. Janmashtami is celebrated on the fourth night at midnight, marking Krishna ji's birth, and just a day later, on September 5, I celebrate my birthday. So, with me playing Krishna Bacchan this year, it feels like a rather special connection, almost as if the timing has come together with his bless-



ings. Growing up, I remember celebrating Janmashtami with my family, listening to bhajans, visiting temples, and enjoying the festive atmosphere with so much excitement. As a child, Krishna ji was someone I associated with innocence, mischief and all the joy of childhood, but as I grew older, I began to understand the wisdom and compassion behind his teachings. This Janmashtami, I hope Kanha's blessings bring happiness, strength and positivity to everyone, and that we continue to carry his teachings with us."

Karan Wahi from COLORS' 'Khatron Ke Khiladi' shares, "My relationship with spirituality has evolved beautifully over the years, and Krishna ji has become a very important part of that journey. I find a lot of comfort and positivity in his teachings and in the simple act of having faith. For me, Janmashtami



is not just about celebrating Krishna ji's birth, but also about celebrating everything he represents: joy, love, wisdom and the strength to believe in yourself. Even during my journey on 'Khatron Ke Khiladi', I found myself drawing on that sense of faith and inner calm before taking on a challenge. That experience also made me realise how much strength can come from trusting yourself and staying grounded. This Janmashtami, I pray that with his blessings, everyone finds the courage to conquer their fears and find the divine within. Sneha Wagh, playing the role of Vidya in COLORS' 'Mahadev & Sons', shares, "Shri Radhe Thakur ji has been very close to my heart, and over the years, my relationship with him has only become much deeper and more personal. I am a Vrindavan bhakt at heart, and his presence in my life gives me peace,



contentment and sense of belonging. While Vidya, my character in 'Mahadev & Sons', and I may have different journeys, but I connect with the character with sincerity, devotion, surrender and emotional strength she brings to the relationships in her life, which is something I truly enjoy portraying. Janmashtami holds a very different kind of joy for me because it brings that feeling of endearment to life. I love the energy of celebrating Thakur ji's birth in this mortal world, the devotion around it and, of course, the excitement of Dahi Handi in Mumbai, where everyone comes together in the spirit of celebration. This Janmashtami, I pray that Thakur ji blesses everyone with love, happiness and the sense of devotion that makes life meaningful. Radhe Radhe!" Stay tuned to COLORS for more updates.

Esha Deol to return in comedy genre with 'Malamaal Weekly 2'

Actor Esha Deol is set to return to comedy with 'Malamaal Weekly 2' joining the film's cast, which also includes Rajpal Yadav, Paresh Rawal, Riteish Deshmukh, Elvish Yadav and others. According to the press note sent by the team of Esha Deol, the actress is returning to a genre she has always enjoyed with Malamaal Weekly 2, a comic caper that comes at the right time for the actor after horror-comedy 'Ghungat' and the Telugu film 'SYG'. "This is exactly what I needed something fun, light-hearted and full of laughter. Having just completed two very different films, the horror-comedy Ghungat and the Telugu film SYG. I was really looking forward to doing a complete comic caper, and Malamaal Weekly 2 came along at just the right time," said Esha Deol as quoted in a press note. Having previously featured in comedies such as 'No Entry', 'Shaadi No.1' and 'One Two Three', Esha says the genre has always been close to her heart. The film's script was a key factor in drawing her to the project. "Having done films like 'No En-

try', 'Shaadi No.1' and 'One Two Three', comedy is a space I've always loved and really wanted to come back to. The script is absolutely hilarious, and I genuinely think everyone is going to love it. I'm just so happy to be part of a film that's all about fun, laughter and pure entertainment," she adds as quoted in a press note. Released in 2006, 'Malamaal Weekly' featured a strong cast including Paresh Rawal, Om Puri, Riteish Deshmukh, Rajpal Yadav, and Asrani. The story follows Lilaram, played by Paresh Rawal, a lottery ticket seller in the poor village of Laholi. When one of the lottery tickets he sells wins a huge jackpot, Lilaram comes up with a plan to claim the prize for himself. What follows is a chain of funny situations and misunderstandings that keep movie buffs in stitches. The film was based on the 1998 Irish movie 'Waking Ned'. Over the years, the story also inspired remakes in other languages, including the Telugu film 'Bhagyalakshmi Bumper Draw' (2006), the Kannada film 'Dakota Picture' (2012), and the Malayalam film 'Aamayum Muyalum' (2014).



Rituparna Sengupta hails Uttam Kumar's legacy ahead of his birth centenary

Actor Rituparna Sengupta hailed legendary Bengali actor Uttam Kumar on his 100th birth anniversary, saying that the iconic star remains relevant even a century after his birth and that "nobody can replace his aura." "Uttam Kumar is someone who, after 100 years also, he's so relevant. And he's one of the biggest icons, the biggest superstar, the 'Mahanayak'. Nobody can replace his aura," she told ANI. Sengupta added, "We are very thankful to our Prime Minister and, of course, our Chief Minister that they have put so much heed and so much respect to our beloved actor." Sengupta, who is the president of Shilpi Sansad, an organisation founded by Uttam Kumar, said she felt proud and happy that the actor's centenary was being celebrated widely. "Since I am the president of Shilpi Sansad, which Uttam Kumar once started, I feel very much proud and happy that today, 100 years of Uttam Kumar is being celebrated so nicely, so widely, and so affectionately," she said. She said a week-long series of programmes was being organised to celebrate the actor's life and contribution to cinema. "We have got a full week of programmes with Uttam Kumar's everything, you know, his films, his book launches, his poster launches, and everything. You know, even the post office is doing a program for him," Sengupta said. Recalling her admiration for



the legendary actor, she said she felt inspired as an artist despite not having had the opportunity to work with him during his lifetime. "I feel very charged as an artist because I have not been able to be with him in his days, but we always have that inspiration inside us, alive always and forever," she said.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi paid tribute to legendary Bengali actor Uttam Kumar in the 137th episode of 'Mann Ki Baat', ahead of the actor's birth centenary

on September 3. PM Modi described Kumar as a versatile performer who captivated audiences and earned a lasting place in their hearts. "On September 3, we will mark the birth centenary of legendary actor Uttam Kumar. A versatile performer, he captivated audiences with his remarkable portrayals and earned a lasting place in the hearts of people," the Prime Minister said. Born Arun Kumar Chattopadhyay on September 3, 1926, Uttam Kumar is fondly remembered as 'Mahanayak' of Bengali cinema. His career spanned more than three decades, during which he worked as an actor, director, producer, screenwriter and composer. PM Modi also referred to the enduring connection between Uttam Kumar and filmmaker Satyajit Ray. Film lovers have long believed that Ray wrote his 1966 film 'Nayak: The Hero' with Uttam Kumar in mind. "Uttam Kumar ji was a versatile actor who won hearts with his acting. Film lovers believe that Satyajit Ray wrote the entire script of the film 'Nayak: The Hero' keeping the great hero Uttam Kumar ji in mind. Mr Satyajit Ray had said that he had dignity along with amazing emotional depth. He worked very hard to bring the character to life," PM Modi said. Uttam Kumar's portrayal of the complex matinee idol in 'Nayak' remains one of the defining performances of his career.

'Sardar 2' trailer: Karthi, SJ Suryah lock horns in this action thriller, to hit theatres on September 10

The trailer of Karthi and SJ Suryah starrer 'Sardar 2' is finally out, offering a glimpse into an action-packed drama which travels across borders this time. Directed by PS Mithran, the film also stars Malavika Mohanan, Ashika Ranganath, Rajisha Vijayan, Nassar and others in prominent roles. The movie is a sequel to Sardar, which was released in 2022. The two-minute and fifty-eight-second trailer opens with Karthi going on a mission in Japan, which he completes successfully but suffers PTSD, leading to mental trauma from the mission. SJ Suryah is the new addition to the cast of the movie, playing an antagonist in the film. His arrival marks the return of Karthi to save the world. Karthi is expected to play a double role in the movie. SJ Suryah shared the trailer on his Instagram handle on Sunday. "Sardar 2' is the sequel to Sardar, a spy action thriller that featured Karthi in dual roles as a father and son. In the first film, Rajisha, Raashii Khanna, Chunky Pandey, Laila, Ritvik, Munishkanth, Avinash, Yugi Sethu and Balaji Sakthivel were there. The sequel is produced by S. Lakshman Kumar and Ishan Sakseena. It is slated to release in theatres worldwide on September 10, 2026. Earlier, actors Karthi and SJ Suryah, along with actress Ashika, visited the Tiruchendur Subramanya Swamy Temple and offered prayers for the success of their upcoming film 'Sardar 2'. During their visit, Karthi, S.J. Suryah and Ashika offered prayers at various shrines, including those of Lord Subramanya Swamy, Valli, Deivayanai, Lord Shanmugam, Lord Perumal, Lord Sathru Samhara Moorthy and Lord Dakshinamurthy.



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