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NEWS BRIEFS

Sensex drops 330 points, Nifty down to 23,329 dragged by IT stocks

MUMBAI: Benchmark indices Sensex and Nifty ended lower on Tuesday despite a positive trend in global markets and easing crude oil prices, dragged by IT, financials and capital goods stocks. The 30-share BSE Sensex declined 329.91 points, or 0.44 per cent, to settle at 74,529.08. During the day, it lost 435.28 points, or 0.58 per cent, to 74,423.71. The 50-share NSE Nifty dipped 85.30 points, or 0.36 per cent, to end at 23,329.

BJP confident of hat-trick in UP in 2027, says Nitin Nabin

MUZAFFARNAGAR/MEERUT: Bharatiya Janata Party president Nitin Nabin on Tuesday expressed confidence that his party would retain power in Uttar Pradesh for a third consecutive term in the 2027 Assembly elections, citing the response of party workers and people during his ongoing visit to western Uttar Pradesh. "The sense I get from the ground is very positive. We are confident of BJP win in 2027," Nabin told reporters in Muzaaffarnagar after being given a welcome by party workers and leaders.

Hry ATS uncovers international narco-terror network, 7 arrested

PANCHKULA: The Haryana Anti-Terrorist Squad (ATS) on Tuesday said they have arrested seven accused who belong to Punjab after unearthing a case linked to an international narco-terrorism network. Two cars, one motorcycle, one US-made pistol, one 30-bore pistol, 3 cash counting machines, 5 mobile phones, 12 live rounds and 529 grams of heroin have so far been recovered from the possession and at the instance of the accused. This is the first case successfully solved by the ATS, the specialised agency within the CID department which was recently constituted.

White House launches Trump TV

WASHINGTON DC: US President Donald Trump has launched a 24/7 streaming platform to cater to presidential news televised from the White House, amid a ban on news outlets from the presidential grounds. The launch was advertised on the President's social media pages, along with a commercial consisting of a compilation of scenes from popular American sitcoms of the 2000s, including, Friends, Modern Family, Hannah Montana, and The Office. "Trump TV" flashes on the screen repeatedly whilst the 1970s pop song "Video Killed the Radio Star" plays on loop. "TRUMP TV IS STREAMING NOW. 24/7, updated in real time, with top past moments, announcements, and the latest and greatest from the administration all in one place.

India crush Sri Lanka to clinch Asian Games women's T20 gold

AGENCY
NISSHIN (JAPAN), SEPT 22

The Indian women's cricket team reasserted its continental dominance by clinching a second successive gold medal at the Asian Games, thrashing familiar foes Sri Lanka by 147 runs in the final here on Tuesday.

The Harmanpreet Kaur-led side's gold was India's first of the ongoing edition and was shaped by a brilliant batting performance that left Sri Lanka chasing a record target of 217.

Smriti Mandhana was regal as ever in her 79 off 45 before Richa Ghosh (48 off 22) came up with a brutal assault in the death overs to fire India to 216 for three, the highest total in Asian Games history.

Once India scaled that record total, the result was a foregone conclusion.

All Sri Lankan hopes were pinned on skipper Chamari Athapaththu (29 off 21) but she alone could not take the fight to the Indians. Sri Lanka capitulated to 69 all out in 15.4 overs as Indian spinners ran through the opposition.

Shafali Verma (48 and 2/3) produced an all-round performance while Deepti Sharma (3/6) and Shree Charani (2) chipped in with wickets as usual in a final devoid of a contest.

India were overwhelming favourites for the title and they certainly lived up to expectations with three dominant wins over the course of the competition.

Just like the Asia Cup earlier this month, Sri Lanka were at the receiving end in the final, unable to compete with their familiar rivals.

Pakistan won the bronze with a comfortable 31-run win over Bangladesh earlier in the day.

With script going as planned for the



Indian women's team, the men would also be expected to defend their title.

The side made the most of the power-play after winning the toss with Mandhana (79 off 45) and Shafali (48 off 29) firing the team to 59 for no loss in six overs.

Both openers have been in sublime touch since the Asia Cup, contributing significantly to the team's cause in the all-important final with a 99-run stand

off 60 balls.

Sri Lanka were ordinary with the ball allowing the openers to dictate terms. Bot Shafali and Mandhana were brutal against the spinners.

Mandhana smashed left-arm spinner Sugandika Kumari for back-to-back sixes in the third over, one was a straight off the back-foot before she unleashed the slog sweep.

PM Modi hails women's cricket team

NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday congratulated the Indian women's cricket team for winning the gold medal at the Asian Games 2026, describing their triumph as a "splendid" achievement for Indian cricket. India defeated Sri Lanka by 147 runs in the women's T20 cricket final on Tuesday to claim their second successive Asian Games gold medal. The victory also gave India its first gold of the ongoing edition, taking its medal tally to seven, comprising one gold, four silver and two bronze medals. "A splendid triumph for Indian cricket! Heartiest congratulations to our Women's Cricket Team on winning the Gold medal at the Asian Games. It was a commanding performance at the Games, marked by confidence, skill and wonderful teamwork. This victory also brings India its first Gold of this edition of the Games. The team has made the nation proud and will inspire countless young cricketers across the country. Best wishes to the entire squad: PM @narendramodi" the official X handle of PMO India, wrote on X.

CM Mann calls for stronger financial framework for urban & rural local bodies

YUGMARG BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, SEPT 22

Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann on Tuesday called for a stronger financial framework for urban and rural local bodies, stressing the need for a disciplined state fiscal path and durable fiscal institutions to ensure financial sustainability and effective grassroots governance.

Chairing a meeting with the newly constituted Seventh Punjab Finance Commission, CM Bhagwant Singh Mann said, "The Commission has been constituted to make specific recommendations for distribution of taxes, duties, road tax and others amongst the Panchayats/Municipalities and the state, besides making further recommendations for improving the fiscal health of these civic bodies."

The Chief Minister stated, "The Commission is a constitutional instrument for ensuring fiscal decentralization to Panchayati Raj institutions and Municipalities. It seeks to



ensure that the grassroots institutions created under the 73rd Constitutional Amendment have the financial capacity to discharge their responsibilities effectively."

Welcoming the Chairman and Members of the Commission, he said, "The State Finance Commission has an important responsibility to examine the financial position of Panchayati Raj Institutions and Municipalities and recommend a framework for strengthening fiscal devolution and financial sustainability of local governments."

SC dismisses PIL challenging 2018 Amendment to SC/ST Act

NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court on Tuesday dismissed a PIL challenging the 2018 amendment to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989, which restored stringent provisions governing arrest and anticipatory bail in cases under the law. A bench of Chief Justice of India Surya Kant and Justices Joydip Bagchi and V Mohana noted that the amendment had already been upheld by the Supreme Court in its 2020 judgment, which had also laid down safeguards against misuse of the Act. Advocate Hari Shankar Jain, appearing for petitioner Brijbhushan Saini, urged the bench to reconsider the 2020 ruling, arguing that Section 18A of the Act, which bars anticipatory

inquiry before registration of an FIR and prior approval for arrest, was discriminatory and susceptible to misuse.

The bench, however, declined to revisit the issue. Justice Bagchi said individual instances of alleged misuse could not be a ground to reconsider a law already upheld by a three-judge bench. The bench also noted that courts could intervene in cases where the statutory provisions were allegedly abused. The PIL was accordingly dismissed. The petition challenged the constitutional validity of several provisions of the SC/ST Act, alleging that they violate fundamental rights under Articles 14, 21 and 22.

Hry deploys five mobile food safety vans for on-the-spot adulteration tests

YUGMARG BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, SEPT 22

Consumers in Haryana will now be able to get everyday food items tested for possible adulteration for just Rs 20, with preliminary results available within 10 to 12 minutes, as five Mobile Food Safety Vans provided by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) have now been deployed across the state.

Additional Chief Secretary, Health and Family Welfare, Dr. Sumita Misra said here on Tuesday that the mobile laboratories would take food testing directly to public places, markets and educational institutions, combining on-the-spot screening with consumer awareness and enforcement against unsafe food.

The five vans, provided



by FSSAI, New Delhi, are being deployed on a rotational basis at bus stands, schools, colleges, markets and other high-footfall locations across Haryana.

Citizens can bring samples of commonly consumed food items, including milk, spices, pulses and edible oils, for primary testing. A nominal fee of Rs 20 will be charged per sample and the preliminary test result will generally be available within 10 to 12 minutes, officials said. "The objective is to make food safety testing easily accessible to ordi-

nary citizens and, at the same time, strengthen awareness about adulteration and safe food practices," Dr. Misra said. The mobile units will also serve as an enforcement tool during fairs, festivals and other large public gatherings, where temporary food stalls and vendors operate in large numbers. Food Safety Officers will be able to collect random samples and carry out preliminary testing on the spot. If a sample is found suspect or fails the preliminary test, officials will take further action in accordance with the prescribed food safety regulations. Officials said the mobile laboratories would help authorities conduct quicker field-level screening and identify potentially unsafe food products without having to wait for the initial stage of testing at a conventional laboratory.

5 IAS and 3 HCS officers transferred

YUGMARG BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, SEPTEMBER 22:

The Haryana Government has issued transfer and posting orders of 5 IAS and 3 HCS officers with immediate effect.

Among the IAS officers, Yash Garg, presently serving as Director General and Secretary, Industries and Commerce Department, and Director General, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Department, has been given the additional charge of Managing Director, Haryana State Electronics Development Corporation (HARTRON).

Mani Ram Sharma, presently serving as Secretary, Revenue and Disaster Management Department, and Chief Settlement Commissioner, has been given the additional

charge of Managing Director, Haryana Power Generation Corporation Limited.

Rajnarayan Kaushik, presently serving as Managing Director, HARTRON and Haryana State Warehousing Corporation, has been posted as Managing Director, Haryana State Warehousing Corporation and Secretary, Secretariat Establishment.

Dr. Munish Nagpal, presently serving as Special Secretary, Secretariat Establishment, has been posted as Special Secretary, Health Department.

Aniruddh Yadav, presently serving as Additional Managing Director, HSIIDC, and Chief Executive Officer, Global City Project, Gurugram, has been given the additional charge of Mission Director, Urban Challenge Fund Scheme.

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National Film Awards: Dadasaheb Phalke honour for Anant Nag; Yami Gautam, Mammootty best actors

AGENCY
EKTA NAGAR (GUJ), SEPT 22

President Droupadi Murmu on Tuesday conferred the 72nd National Film Awards for 2024 on top talents of Indian cinema, with veteran Kannada actor Anant Nag receiving the prestigious Dadasaheb Phalke honour, and Yami Gautam, Mammootty and Kartik Aaryan as best actors.

Hindi feature film 'Article 370', directed by Aditya Suhas Jambhale, received the Best Feature Film award.

The winners of the 72nd National Film Awards were announced earlier and received their awards from the President on Tuesday at Ekta Nagar in Gujarat's Narmada district, with the Statue of Unity providing a magnificent backdrop.

In an immense moment of pride, Rajkumar Rao starrer 'Srikanth' took home the prestigious National Film Award for Best Hindi Film, where producer Bhushan Kumar and

director Tushar Hiranandani took the stage to receive the National Film Award. Speaking on the same, producer Bhushan Kumar shared, "Receiving the National Award for 'Srikanth' is an incredibly proud and humbling mo-



ment. When we chose to tell Srikanth Bolla's story, we were deeply moved by his determination, resilience and refusal to let circumstances define his dreams. Tushar Hiranandani brought immense sensitivity and conviction to the telling of this story, while Rajkum-

mar Rao, Jyotika, Alaya F and Sharad Kelkar brought their characters to life with remarkable sincerity. To see the film receive this honour makes this moment truly special. This recognition belongs to the entire team who believed in the story and gave their best to bring Srikanth Bolla's extraordinary journey to audiences," as quoted in a press release.

The actor-director's National Award moment came with a double honour as Dhanush was recognised for both his work behind and in front of the camera at the 72nd National Film Awards. Actor, producer and director Dhanush was honoured with two National Awards at a ceremony held in Ekta Nagar, Gujarat, on Tuesday. President Droupadi Murmu presented the awards at the ceremony, which was held outside New Delhi for the first time. Dhanush received the National Award for Best Tamil Film for Raayan, which he directed and also starred in. The honour marks his first National Award recognition as a director.

Eight linked to illegal arms supply networks held with 13 pistols in Amritsar

HARPAL SINGH
AMRITSAR, SEPT 22

In a major breakthrough amidst the ongoing drive to make Punjab a safe and secure state as per directions of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, Amritsar Commissionerate Police has dismantled six illegal arms supply networks with the arrest of eight individuals and recovered 13 illegal pistols along with 23 live cartridges



from their possession, said Director General of Police (DGP) Punjab Gaurav Yadav here on Tuesday. Those arrested have been identified as

Gurdeep Singh alias Deep (24) and Dharminder Singh alias Bhinda (34), both residents of village Rangarh in Amritsar Rural; Amit (23), a

resident of Guru Ki Wadali in Amritsar; Harpreet Singh alias Happy Niana (26), a resident of Narayangarh in Amritsar; Chamkaur Singh (30), a resident of village Waan Tara Singh in Tarn Taran; Karanpreet Singh (22), a resident of village Noordi in Tarn Taran; Gaurav (26), a resident of Katra Karam Singh in Amritsar; and Varun Kumar alias Vicky Gill (33), a resident of Bhai Manj Singh Road in Amritsar.

DC, CP pay obeisance at Shri Sidh Baba Soda Mandir



PARAMJIT SINGH
JALANDHAR, SEPT 22

Deputy Commissioner Varjeet Walia and Commissioner of Police Satinder Singh today paid obeisance at the historic Shri Sidh Baba Soda Mandir and took stock of the arrangements being made for the upcoming annual fair at the

revered shrine. They also paid obeisance at the historic Gurudwara Sahib and prayed for Sarbat da Bhala. Both the officers visited the temple complex and reviewed preparations aimed at ensuring the smooth and hassle-free movement of devotees expected to arrive from different parts of the country and abroad.

Banawali conducts door-to-door campaign in Gehle, distributes government report card



KULWINDER KARWAL
SARDULGARH, SEP 22

Sardulgarh MLA Gurpreet Singh Banawali conducted a door-to-door outreach campaign in Gehle village, interacting directly with residents and distributing the Punjab

Government's report card highlighting its development and welfare initiatives over the past four-and-a-half years. Banawali said the Aam Aadmi Party government had focused on reducing the financial burden on ordinary families.

Classified

I Manoj Kr Goyal S/o Sh. Ashok Kumar R/o Flat No 101, First Floor, Sushima Chandigarh Grande, Landmark best price Zirakpur, Punjab- 140603 Declare that I changed my name from Manoj Kumar to Manoj Kr Goyal

100014

I Tarlok Singh S/O Sh. Mangat Ram resident of Village Ghanala PO Sandhol Tehsil Sandhol Distt. Mandi HP, 176090 declare that I have changed my name from TRILOK SINGH to TARLOK SINGH. All concerned please may note

445841

I, Anjani Kumari D/o Sh. A. K. Singh R/o H. No-84, Jaggi Colony, Near Gurnanak Aata Chakkai Kanwala Ambala City, Distt Ambala, Haryana- 134003 have changed my name from Anjani Kumari to Anjani Parasher for all purposes and future purposes.

78645

I, Jeevanveer Kaur D/o Santokh Singh r/o Village Kang Sahbu tehsil Nandiana district Jalandhar declare that I am also known as Jeevan veer Kaur. Both names belong to me and one and the same person. All concerned note please.

100066

I, Parmjit Ram s/o Surjan Ram r/o Village Seham tehsil Nakodar district Jalandhar have changed my name from Parmjit Ram to Parmjeet Singh. All concerned note please.

100066

I, Gurcharan Singh s/o Rasal Singh and Manjit Kaur w/o Gurcharan Singh r/o village Ram Tirath jagga Tehsil Talwandi Sabo District Bathinda Declare that our son Sarbjit Singh Sandhu and his wife Parminder Kaur is out of our control. So our disown with them from our moveable /immoveable property.If any body dealing with them at his/her own risk.

60018

मैं, गुरचरन सिंह सन्तु रसाल सिंह और मनिज कौर व/o गुरचरन सिंह र/o village Ram Tirath jagga Tehsil Talwandi Sabo District Bathinda Declare that our son Sarbjit Singh Sandhu and his wife Parminder Kaur is out of our control. So our disown with them from our moveable /immoveable property.If any body dealing with them at his/her own risk.

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60018

I, Madan Lal Gulati (Aadhaar No. 657726201050), S/o Sh. Kartar Singh, R/o H.No. 322, Sector 13, Urban Estate, Thanesar, District Kurukshetra, hereby declare that my son, Vishal Gulati, is out of my control. Therefore, I disown him from my movable and immovable property. Anyone entering into any transaction with him in the future shall be solely responsible; neither I nor my family members shall bear any liability.

100074

ਮੈਂ ਦਿਵਰਜੀਤ ਕੌਰ ਵਿਧਵਾ ਅਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਪਿੰਡ: ਸੁਰਜਿਤ ਤਹਿ: ਰਿੰਪੀਓਡ ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਭਰਨਾਤਰਨ ਬਿਅਨ ਕਰਦੀ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰਾ ਬੇਟਾ ਪੁਤਰ ਗੁਰਚਰਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਅਤੇ ਮੇਰੀ ਲੜਕੀ ਬਲਸਿੰਧ ਕੌਰ ਜੋ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਬਿਟੇ ਤੋਂ ਛਾਡ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਹੈ। ਮੈਂ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੋਲ-ਅਚੋਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦੀ ਹਾਂ। ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਸ਼ੇਡ ਦੇਣ ਭਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜ਼ਿੰਦਗੀ ਦੇਣਗੇ। ਮੇਰਾ ਜਾਂ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦਾ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਤਾੜਕ ਵਾ ਵਾਸਤਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ।

63372

I hitherto known as Bhupinder S/o Mahesh Chand reading at Dashmesh Nagar St no 1 opposite Vishal mega Mart Sri Muktsar Sahib, Punjab 152026 India, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Rinku. It is certified that I have complied with other legal requirements in this connection

90002

I hitherto known as Parwinder w/o Baldev Raj Puri reading at, Chak road Sri Muktsar Sahib, Punjab 152026 India, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Umila Rani. It is certified that I have complied with other legal requirements in this connection

90002

I hitherto known as MANJEET KAUR W/o BHUPINDER SINGH residing at House No. 11, Street No. 4, Rahon Road, Harkishan Vihar, Meharban, P.O. Basti Jodhpur, Ludhiana, District Ludhiana, Punjab-141007, India, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as PRASHUOT KAUR. It is certified that I have complied with other legal requirements in this connection

90002

I hitherto Known as KEWAL PATA W/O CHHOTE LAL residing at H.NO. 597, WARD NO. 02, SHEED BHAGAT SINGH NAGAR, GIDDERBAHA, PO GIDDERBAHA, DISTT. SRI MUKTSAR SAHIB- 152101 PUNJAB State of Punjab, Punjab have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as KEWLA DEVI. It is certified that I have complied with other legal requirements in this connection

90002

I, Asha Jyoti D/o Satish Kumar R/o Outside Chandana Gate, Kathal Tehsil & Distt. Kathal (Haryana) Have Changed My Name From Asha Jyoti To Asha Rani. Concerned Please Note.

84451

I Joginder Singh Pardesi S/O Rattan Chand, H. No 72, Park Avenue Colony, Near Lohara Chowk Fatehgarh Korotana Moga, I Have Changed My Late Father Name To Rattan Singh, Concerned Note.

63372

I Sukhchain Kaur Pardesi W/O Joginder Singh, H. No 72 Park Avenue Colony Near Lohara Chowk Fatehgarh Korotana Moga, I Have Changed My Husband Name Joginder Singh Pardesi, Concerned Note.

63372

I, Iqbal Singh, son of Bhag Singh, resident of House No. 1997, Agwa Gujran, Ward No. 15, Jagraon, Distt Ludhiana, hereby state that my wife's name is recorded as Bachan Kaur on my passport, which is incorrect; her correct name is Kulbir Kaur.

63372

I, Sawinder Kaur wife of Joginder Singh and mother of Army No. JC502679X Rank Sub Name Sukhbir Singh presently serving in 24 Sikh permanent Resident of Vpo Kairon Tehsil Patti Distt Tarn Taran, declare that I want to change my name from Jaswinder Kaur to Sawinder kaur and date of birth 08-04-1955 to 01-01-1952 in my son's service records.

63372

I, Karanvir Singh father of Hameer Kaur and I, Baljinder Kaur, mother of Hameer Kaur, resident of Vill: Haveli Post Office Mahilpur Distt. Hoshiarpur and presently residing at 12110 75A ave, Unit 8, V3W 1M1, Surrey, BC, Canada, do hereby change the name of our daughter from Hameer Kaur to Hameer Kaur Bains, with immediate effect.

63372

I Navdeep Singh Alias Harjit Singh S/O Himat Singh, Residing At VPO Mandhali, Distt SBS Nagar, 144501, Punjab, India, Do Hereby Notify That I Have Changed My Name From Navdeep Singh Alias Harjit Singh To Navdeep Singh For All Purposes. Henceforth, Shall Be Known Only As Navdeep Singh.

63372

I, Sudesh Rani Mother of No. 17041445A Rank CFN Anil Kumar R/o Village Sajuma Tehsil & Distt. Kailthal State Haryana Have Changed My Name From Sudesh Rani To Sudesh Vide Affidavit Dated 09.09.2026 (AA485826) Before Distt. Court, Kailthal.

84451

I, Sandeep Singh S/o Hoshiyar Singh R/o Village Prempura Distt. Kailthal (Haryana) Have Changed My Minor Son's Name From Fourth Baby Reena Devi To Raghav. Concerned Please Note.

84451

I, Yogitha Kumari W/o Ashwani Arya R/o 1841, Kranti Mohalla, PO Siwan Distt. Kailthal (Haryana) Have Changed My Minor Daughter's Name From Khavla Kumari To Jacqueline Arya. Concerned Please Note.

84451

I, Mohan S/o Surajbhan R/o Hno. 270, Ward No. 1, Indra Nagar, Pundri Distt. Kailthal (Haryana) Have Changed My Name From Mohan To Mohan Lal. Concerned Please Note.

84451

I, Anita w/o Ajay Kumar R/o Gali Gandhile Brahmano ki, Virwan, Bhiwani, Haryana 127021 have changed name of my minor daughter from JIVIKA to DEEPIKA.

989752

I, Randeep son of Sh. Mahipal R/o VPO Kaunt (18) Tehsil & District Bhiwani, Haryana 127021 have changed my minor son name from Twins second baby of Choti to KHUSOOP.

989752

I, Randeep son of Sh. Mahipal R/o VPO Kaunt (18) Tehsil & District Bhiwani, Haryana 127021 have changed my minor son name from Twins first baby of Choti to KHUS.

989752

I, Nishib Kumar s/o Dayanand Dhangar r/o Village Noswa Post Office Chiriyia (175) Tehsil & District Charkhi Dadri, Haryana- 127022 have changed my name from Nishib Kumar to Nishib Dhangar.

989752

I Pardeep Singh Kainth S/o Bara Singh R/o Near Talwandi Road, Maur Mandi, Distt. Bathinda. I have changed my name Pardeep Singh.

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I Kulwinder Singh Sidhu S/o Manjeet Singh W.No.10, Grewal Street, Mansa, Distt. Mansa. I have changed my name Kulwinder Singh.

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I Kuldeep Kaur W/O Balwant Singh R/O Dharan Singh Wala (Moga) Have Changed My Name To Kuldeep Kaur Kang And My Date Of Birth 01-04-1976

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I, Pardeep Singh Kainth S/o Bara Singh R/o Near Talwandi Road, Maur Mandi, Distt. Bathinda. I have changed my name Pardeep Singh.

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I Kulwinder Singh Sidhu S/o Manjeet Singh W.No.10, Grewal Street, Mansa, Distt. Mansa. I have changed my name Kulwinder Singh.

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I Kuldeep Kaur W/O Balwant Singh R/O Dharan Singh Wala (Moga) Have Changed My Name To Kuldeep Kaur Kang And My Date Of Birth 01-04-1976

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I, Pardeep Singh Kainth S/o Bara Singh R/o Near Talwandi Road, Maur Mandi, Distt. Bathinda. I have changed my name Pardeep Singh.

63372

I, Daksh s/o Krishan Kumar r/o 53, Bhagat Singh Marg, Vidya Nagar, Bhiwani, Haryana 127021 have changed my name from DAKSH to DAKSH JAKHAR.

989752

I, Vinay S/o Rajesh Kumar, R/o Ramgarh Pandwa, Tehsil Kalayat, District Kailthal, have changed my name from Vinay to Abhishek. Concerned Please Note.

100039

I, Umila Devi, W/o Vedpal, R/o House No. 426, VPO Sirta, Kailthal, Tehsil & District Kailthal, have changed my name from Umila Devi to Umila. Concerned Please Note.

100039

I, Kelo W/o Sh. Dhanpat Rai Resident of Aadu Patti, Village Kharak Pandwan, Tehsil Kalayat & District Kailthal, have changed my name from Kelo To Kevala Devi. CONCERNED PLEASE NOTE.

100039

I, Ravi S/o Sh. Shamsheer Resident of Village Naguran, Tehsil & District Jind, have changed my name from Ravi To Ravi Kumar. CONCERNED PLEASE NOTE.

100039

I, Nisha W/o Sh. Dharmender, Resident of Defence Colony, Tehsil & District Kailthal, have changed my name from Nisha To Nisha Rani. CONCERNED PLEASE NOTE.

100039

I Anil Kumar S/o Mange Lal R/o H.No. 29-C, Swaran Park, Randhawa Masandian, Jalandhar, have changed my minor son name from Driish to Drish Kumar. All concerned please note.

900026

I Harmesh Kumar S/o Sat Pal, R/o H.no. 579, Gali no 2, Abadpura, Jalandhar have changed my name from Harmesh to Harmesh Kumar

900026

I, Parmveer S/o Vinod Kumar R/o W.No.13 Mohalla Sarhandian Rahon Distt. Nawanshahr have changed my name as Parmveer Mehra.

63372

I, Vipanjit Kaur @ Manjinder Kaur W/o Nirmal Singh R/o Vill: Manak Teh-Shahkot Distt. Jalandhar have changed my name from Vipanjit Kaur @ Manjinder Kaur to Manjinder Kaur.

63372

I Pardeep Singh Kainth S/o Bara Singh R/o Near Talwandi Road, Maur Mandi, Distt. Bathinda. I have changed my name Pardeep Singh.

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I, Sham Lal S/o Jagan Nath R/o 13995, Street No.10, Ward No.19, Ganesh Nagar Bathinda have changed my name from Sham Lal to Sham Lal Jindal.

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I, Vanshpreet Singh Jaura S/o Gurpreet Singh R/o 15525 B, Ward No.3, Street No.1, Hazura Kapura Colony Bathinda have changed my name from Vanshpreet Singh Jaura to Vanshpreet Singh.

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I, Sukhjeet Kaur Jaura W/o Gurpreet Singh R/o 15525 B, Ward No.3, Street No.1, Hazura Kapura Colony Bathinda have changed my name from Sukhjeet Kaur Jaura to Sukhjeet Kaur.

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I, Gurpreet Singh Jaura S/o Lachhman Singh R/o 15525 B, Ward No.3, Street No.1, Hazura Kapura Colony, Bathinda have changed my name from Gurpreet Singh Jaura to Gurpreet Singh.

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I, Karanjit Singh S/o Avtar Singh R/o Vill: Chak Gujran Po. Sahungra Teh-Garhshankar Distt. Hoshiarpur have changed my name from Karanjit Singh to Singh Karanjit.

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I, Wadkar Abhay Shrikant S/O Shrikant Shankar Wadkar R/o H.No.83/707, St.No.1L, Chakki Wali Gali Jagraon Have Changed My Name To Abhay Wadkar S/O Shrikant Wadkar.

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I, Aditas S/o Bahadar Lal R/o Vill: Kaja Teh-Banga Distt. SBS Nagar have changed my name to Aditya. Please note.

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I, Ram Lubhaya S/o Banta Ram R/o VPO, Langroya, Teh. Nawansahr, Distt. SBS Nagar, have changed my name Ram Lubhaya to Ram Lubhaya Kajal.

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I, Bimla W/o Ram Lubhaya Kajal R/o VPO, Langroya, Teh. Nawansahr, Distt. SBS Nagar, have changed my name Bimla to Bimla Kajal.

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I, Surjit Singh S/o Gurbachan Singh R/o Vill: Ghakewal Hansron Po. Hansron Distt. SBS Nagar have changed my minor daughter name from Chetna to Chetna Kaur.

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I, Harpreet Kaur Brah W/O Gurinder Singh R/O Sarwarpur (Ludhiana) Changed My Name Harpreet Kaur.

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I Sukhjit Kaur W/o Parmjit Singh R/o Vpo Hiala Teh-Nawanshahr Distt S.B.S. Nagar Pb declare that my given name is Sukjit and my surname is Kaur.

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I Dharminder Rattan alias Parwinder Singh S/o Sewa Ram R/o Vpo Lodhipur Sub Teh Aur Distt S.B.S. Nagar Pb I have changed my name from Dharminder Rattan alias Parwinder Singh to Dharminder Rattan.

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I, Dharminder Sharma S/o Prem Sagar R/o H.No. 7496 St.No.12 Near Shiv Mandir Durga Puri Hasbawal Khan Ludhiana have changed my name from Dharminder Sharam to Dharminder Singh.

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I, Jaspreet Kaur Sarao W/o Jagwinder Singh R/o VPO Bhammadi, Tehsil Khanna (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Jaspreet Kaur.

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I, Gurmeet Kaur Mangat W/o Kuldeep Singh R/o VPO Kabba, Tehsil Samrala (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Gurmeet Kaur.

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I, Rekha Rani W/o Deepak Jain R/o H.No.5021, Guron Colony, Machhiwara, Tehsil Samrala (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Rekha Jain.

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I Harjinder Kaur Sandhu W/o Harcharan Singh R/o H.No.B-2-222 W.No.06 Sahnewal Kalan Distt Ludhiana declare as have changed my name as Harjinder Kaur Sandhu to Harjinder Kaur.

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I, Rajesh Kumar Garg S/o Hari Krishan Lal R/o Near Park Wali Gali Bhucho Mandi Distt. Bathinda have changed my name to Rajesh Garg.

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I, Reena Rai W/o Amarjit Singh R/o Vill: Naroor Po. Narur Distt, Kapurthala have changed my name from Reena Rai to Reena.

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I, Anshpreet Singh S/o Lal Singh R/o Vill-Butahari Distt Ludhiana Have Changed My Name From Anshpreet Singh To Arashpreet Singh.

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I, Jarmarpreet Singh Chahal S/o Harjinder Singh R/o Vill-Kanganwal Distt Malerkotla have changed my name to Jarmarpreet Singh.

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I, Gautam Monga S/o Janak Raj Monga R/o Mallanwala Teh-Zira Distt. Ferozepur changes my elder daughter name from Agamya to Agamya Monga.

63372

I Rachpal Kaur W/O Shinder Singh R/O Vill. Akalgarh Tehsil Raikot (Ludhiana) Pin-141104 Changed My Name To Raspal Kaur. My Date Of Birth Is 12/02/1970.

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I, Balwinder Kumar S/o Raj Pal R/o Vill: Rail Majra Teh-Balachaur Distt. SBS Nagar-144533 have changed my name from Balwinder Kumar to Kumar Balwinder. Please note.

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I, hitherto known as Anisha Rani D/o Rajinder Singh R/o Vill-Sappan Wali Distt- Ferozepur, Punjab- 142052 have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Aishdeep Kaur.

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MCM holds blood donation camp in collaboration with PGIMER



CHANDIGARH: The NSS Units, Red Ribbon Club/AIDS Awareness Committee and Health Committee of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, in collaboration with Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh, organised a Blood Donation Camp wherein 90 units of blood were donated. The camp, supported by Sukh Foundation, Chandigarh, aimed to encourage voluntary blood donation among students and staff and sensitise the college community towards the importance of contributing to the availability of safe blood for those in need. Dr. Vijay Tadia, Associate Professor and Joint Medical Superintendent, PGIMER, Chandigarh, was the Chief Guest. Mr. Vinay Kumar, District Level Youth Officer, MY Bharat, Chandigarh* graced the occasion as Guest of Honour. The camp witnessed enthusiastic participation from members of the college community. The initiative also provided an opportunity to promote awareness about the significance of voluntary blood donation and the role individuals can play in supporting patients requiring blood and blood components. Pledge for organ and blood donation was also administered on this occasion. Officiating Principal Ms Neena Sharma said that blood donation is a simple yet meaningful act of service that can make a vital difference to someone’s life.

Akal Degree College Mastuana Sahib students participate in PAU Kisan Mela-2026

BALWINDER AZAD BARNALA: The Department of Agriculture of Akal Degree College, Mastuana Sahib, organized an educational visit for its students to the PAU Kisan Mela-2026 held at Punjab Agricultural University (PAU), Ludhiana, with the objective of providing them exposure to modern agricultural technologies and practical knowledge. Students of B.Sc. Agriculture and Diploma in Agriculture participated enthusiastically in the visit. They visited various exhibitions and stalls, where they gained practical knowledge about modern agricultural machinery, new farming tools, improved crop varieties, allied agricultural activities and the latest scientific research in the field of agriculture. On the occasion, College Principal Dr. Amandeep Kaur said that connecting students with the latest technological advancements in agriculture, along with classroom education, is an important need of the present time. Such educational visits help enhance students’ knowledge and practical understanding. Akal College Council Secretary S. Jaswant Singh Khaira said that the Council is continuously making efforts to provide students with quality and modern agricultural education.

Journalist Ranjit Singh Rana loses father, Jagdev Singh passes away at 81

TILAK RAJ MOHALI: Senior Punjabi Jagran journalist based in Mohali, Ranjit Singh Rana, suffered a bereavement following the sudden demise of his father, S. Jagdev Singh, who passed away at the age of 81 on Monday. Known as a respected member of his family and community, S. Jagdev Singh is survived by his son Ranjit Singh Rana and two daughters, both of whom are settled in the United States. According to the family, the final rites of the deceased will be performed on Thursday, September 24, at 2 p.m. at the Balongi Cremation Ground in Mohali. The cremation will take place after his two daughters arrive from the United States. The news of S. Jagdev Singh’s demise has been met with grief across the local administrative and journalistic circles. Various administrative officials and members of the media fraternity have conveyed their heartfelt condolences to Ranjit Singh Rana and his family, praying for strength for the bereaved family during this difficult time.

AYUSH department, Chandigarh Administration organises Ayurveda Day and Poshan Maah health camp at Dadu Majra

CHANDIGARH, SEPT 22

As part of the ongoing Ayurveda Day celebrations and Poshan Maah, the Directorate of AYUSH, Chandigarh Administration, organised a comprehensive community health and awareness camp at the Composite Building, Dadu Majra, Chandigarh. The camp focused on maternal and child health, nutrition, anaemia prevention, yoga and promotion of healthy lifestyle practices. The programme was conducted under the guidance of Director AYUSH, Dr. Atul N. Dhakne, who interacted with beneficiaries and community members during the camp. A special focus was placed on Pregnancy Yoga, which was initiated by the Director AYUSH as part of the Poshan Maah programme. Pregnant women were guided on safe and beneficial yoga practices, healthy lifestyle habits and the importance of maintain-

AAP MLAs take ‘Mann De Munaffe’ campaign door-to-door, present ‘Guarantee Plus’ report card to Punjab

SHASHI PAL JAIN
CHANDIGARH, SEPT 22

Under the ‘Mann De Munaffe’ campaign launched by the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) Punjab, AAP MLAs on Tuesday conducted door-to-door outreach in their respective constituencies. During the campaign, AAP MLAs and leaders talked directly with the people and made them aware of the key facilities being provided by the Mann government, such as zero electricity bills, Aam Aadmi Clinics, better education and other pro-people schemes. The MLAs, citing figures, explained how these facilities were bringing significant savings to the monthly expenses of every family and how this was improving the economic condition of common people. MLA Lakhbir Singh Rai visited village Nalina Khurd, MLA Hakam Singh visited Raikot, Sujampur constituency in-charge Swaran Salaria visited village Gosaiapur, and AAP volunteers, under the leadership of constituency in-charge Rajwinder Kaur Thiara, conducted a door-to-door public outreach cam-



paign in Jalandhar Cantt. During this, they met people and informed them about the changes brought to Punjab through the work of the Mann government and the economic benefits accruing to them. MLA Daljit Grewal conducted door-to-door outreach in Ludhiana East, MLA Vijay Singla in Mansa, MLA Dr Jasbir Singh Sandhu in Amritsar West and MLA Dimpy Dhillon in Gidderbaha, meeting people and informing

them about the economic benefits from the schemes of the Mann government. MLA Balkar Sidhu, under the door-to-door public outreach campaign in Rampura Phul constituency, reached out to every household and met local residents, sharing information about the work done by the Mann government in the public interest during the last four years and the facilities provided in areas such as free electricity, healthcare and ed-

ucation. Besides this, MLA Manjit Singh Bilaspur in Nihal Singh Wala, MLA Dalbir Singh Tong in Baba Bakala, MLA Sarwan Singh Dhun in Khem Karan, MLA Manjinder Singh Lalpura in Khadoor Sahib, Principal Budh Ram in village Guraddi of Budhlada and MLA Kulwant Singh in Mohali and Jeevanjot Kaur in Amritsar East conducted extensive outreach and made people aware of government schemes.

Upcoming Punjab polls are not merely about party's victory, but of saving state's water, Youth, and honour: Ashish Sood



SHASHI PAL JAIN
KHARAR, SEPT 22

Addressing a large gathering at the ‘Nasha-Mukt Punjab Yatra’ (Drug-Free Punjab March) organized by the BJP in Kharar today, Delhi Cabinet Minister Ashish Sood stated that the upcoming Punjab elections are not a question of any single party’s victory or defeat; rather, they are crucial for safeguarding the state’s water, Youth, and honor. He urged that if we wish to secure our children’s future and protect our coming generations, we must step forward and form a BJP government in the state. Addressing the gather-

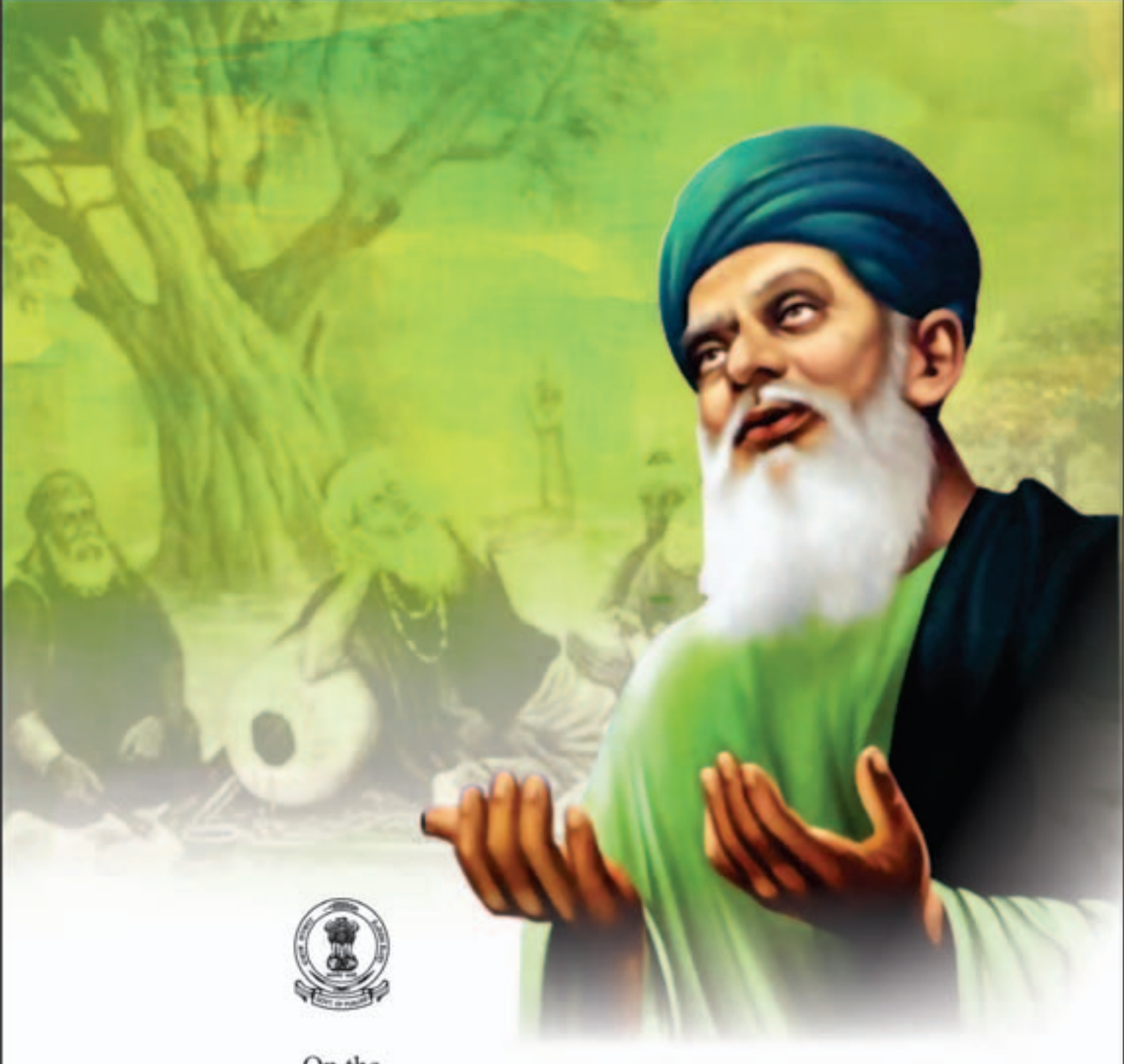
ing, Punjab BJP President Kewal Singh Dhillon said that with the people’s support, a BJP government would eradicate the scourge of drugs from its roots. Levelling serious allegations against the current government, he promised that once the BJP government is formed, this menace would be completely eliminated. BJP leader Ranjit Singh Gill stated that the family of a sitting MLA had engaged in rampant plunder during the tenure of the current government; he asserted that they would not let the accused escape and that, once a BJP government is formed, all the looted funds would be recovered.

Students showcase creative talent with strong message on cleanliness



CHANDIGARH: A Drawing and Poster Competition was organised for students at Maharishi Dayanand Public School, Daria, Chandigarh, under the Swachhata Hi Seva-2026 campaign launched by NHPC Limited, a Navratna public sector enterprise of the Government of India. The campaign is being observed from September 17 to October 2, 2026, with the message “Participation in Cleanliness, Clean India, Developed India.” Students showcased

their imagination and artistic talent through creative works highlighting cleanliness, environmental conservation, a clean society and responsible citizenship. The competition was divided into three categories—Junior, Middle and Senior—according to the age and class groups of the participants. In the Junior Category, Priya won the First Prize, Abhinandan secured the Second Prize, while Twinkle Kumari bagged the Third Prize.





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Three-day training programme for field trainers for Census 2027 Phase-II begins in SAS Nagar

LK BANSAL
MOHALI, SEPT 22

A three-day training programme for Field Trainers (FTs) in connection with Census 2027 Phase-II (Population Enumeration) commenced today at the Conference Hall of the Deputy Commissioner Complex, SAS Nagar, Mohali. The training programme is being organised under the supervision of the Principal Census Officer (PCO), SAS Nagar, with two Master Trainers, who were trained by National Trainers, imparting training to the participants. ADC-cum-District Census Officer Smt. Geetika Singh inaugurated the training programme and urged the Field Trainers to discharge their responsibilities with utmost sincerity, precision and team spirit to ensure the smooth and accurate conduct of Census 2027 Phase-II. In SAS Nagar district, 76 Field Trainers, including the required supporting staff, will be trained in two batches. The first batch commenced training today at the Deputy Commissioner’s Office, while the second batch will be trained at the Municipal Corporation Office. On completion of the training, these Field Trainers will further train the Enumerators and Supervisors,



who will constitute the front-line field-level workforce for carrying out Population Enumeration in the district. Smt. Geetika Singh said that the three-day training programme, being held from September 22 to 24, 2026, will cover all major aspects of Population Enumeration. The Field Trainers will be imparted detailed training on the 40 questions to be asked during the enumeration process, the appropriate manner of asking these questions, and the significance of each question in ensuring accurate and reliable Census data. The training programme will also include practical sessions on the use of the Population Enumeration (PE) Mobile App and preparation of layout maps of Enumeration Blocks, enabling the Field Trainers to effectively guide the Enumerators and Supervisors during the field exercise. Master Trainers Sh. Mukesh Kumar and Sh. Vishal Doomra are conducting the training sessions for the Field Trainers. Sh. Ranjit Singh, ARO, Mohali, also attended the programme along with the officials and staff members of the Census Cell at the PCO level, including Smt. Sarbjit Kaur, Smt. Rimpaldeep Kaur and Smt. Amritpreet Kaur. The Field Trainers’ training programme follows the two-day training programme for Charge Officers and other officials, organised on September 15 and 16, 2026, at the same venue. The ongoing three-day training programme will conclude on September 24, 2026.

NEWS BRIEF

Ganesh Chaturthi celebrated with devotion and enthusiasm at Swami Roop Chand Jain School



SUKH NAHAR
JAGRAON : Ganesh Chaturthi was celebrated with great devotion, enthusiasm, and joy at Swami Roop Chand Jain Senior Secondary Public School, Jagraon, under the able guidance of Principal Mrs. Rajpal Kaur and with the support of the school management. The beautifully decorated idol of Lord Ganesha was adorned with colourful flowers, balloons, and decorative lights. The celebration began with the enthusiastic chants of "GanpatiBappaMorya." Students showcased their creativity by preparing beautiful artworks. Teachers and students together offered prayers through devotional bhajans and mantra chanting. Members of the school management also graced the occasion and sought the blessings of Lord Ganesha. On the occasion, Principal Mrs. Rajpal Kaur familiarised the students with the religious and cultural significance of Ganesh Chaturthi.

Mata Harpal Kaur pays obeisance at Tilla Baba Farid



SURINDER DAMDAMI
FARIDKOT: Chief Minister Punjab Bhagwant Singh Mann's mother Mrs. Harpal Kaur today paid obeisance at Gurdwara Tilla Baba Farid on the occasion of Baba Sheikh Farid Aagman Purb. On this occasion, MLA Faridkot Gurdi Singh Sekhon, Chairman Improvement Trust Gagandeep Singh Dhalwal and a large number of leadership representatives were present. On this occasion, they paid obeisance and prayed for the welfare of all and mutual brotherhood. On this occasion, the organizers honored Mata Harpal Kaur with a siropa and shawl. Apart from this, they also honored MLA Gurdit Singh Sekhon by giving him a siropa. After this, he attended the three-day cattle fair dedicated to Baba Farid Aagman Purb and the district-level farmers' fair organized at the Agriculture Office.

Quick Visa Consultancy Services team celebrates Mayor Principal Inderjit Kaur's birthday



AMRISH ANAND
DORHA : The team of Quick Visa Consultancy Services organised a special gathering to celebrate the birthday of Ludhiana Mayor Principal Inderjit Kaur. Members of the team extended their warm wishes and greetings to the Mayor and conveyed their best wishes for her continued happiness and success. The occasion was marked by a warm and cordial interaction, with members of the consultancy team expressing their respect and affection towards Principal Inderjit Kaur. The team conveyed heartfelt birthday greetings and wished her good health, happiness and continued success in her public life. Expressing her gratitude, Principal Inderjit Kaur thanked the entire team of Quick Visa Consultancy Services for their warm birthday wishes, affection, respect and sense of belonging. She said that such gestures of goodwill and personal warmth make special occasions even more memorable. The members of the team said the birthday celebration was an opportunity to convey their greetings and share the occasion with the Mayor in a cordial atmosphere. The gathering concluded with the exchange of good wishes and a message of continued goodwill and mutual respect.

Expert lecture and poster competition held at SASE, MRSPTU to mark World Ozone Day

ANIL VERMA
BATHINDA: The School of Agriculture Sciences & Engineering (SASE), Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University (MRSPTU), Bathinda, organized an expert lecture and poster competition to mark World Ozone Day, with the objective of creating awareness among students about ozone-layer protection, climate change, atmospheric processes and environmental conservation. Dr. Simranjit Kaur, Assistant Professor, SASE and an expert in Agrometeorology, delivered the expert lecture and interacted with students on the significance of the ozone layer, its role in protecting life on Earth, and the impact of ozone depletion and changing atmospheric conditions on agriculture and the environment. She also highlighted the importance of sustainable agricultural practices in addressing environmental challenges.

SGPC President constitutes committee for detailed probe into Anandpur Sahib-related matter



AMRITSAR (CHARANJIT SINGH ARORA): The Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (SGPC) President Advocate Harjinder Singh Dhani has constituted a committee comprising SGPC members to conduct a detailed investigation into the matter related to Sri Anandpur Sahib. The committee comprises SGPC executive member Baldev Singh Qaimpur, members Gurmeet Singh Booha, Bhai Gurbakhsh Singh Khalsa and Bibi Gurinder Kaur Bholuwala. SGPC Secretary Balwinder Singh Kahlwan will serve as the coordinator of the committee. Giving details, SGPC President Advocate Harjinder Singh Dhani said that the SGPC had already been conducting a departmental inquiry into the matter. The newly constituted committee will examine every aspect related to the case and submit its report to the SGPC within 15 days.

Former Akali MLA Brahmpura joins AAP under leadership of Chief Minister



RAGHU NANDAN PRASHAR JAITO, SEPT 22

In a significant political development in Punjab, particularly in the Khadoor Sahib constituency of the Majha region, former MLA and heir to the Taksali political legacy, Ravinder Singh Brahmpura, formally joined the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) today under the leadership of Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann.

The induction ceremony took place at the Chief Minister's official residence in Chandigarh, with the special presence of the CM's Officer on Special Duty (OSD), Rajbir Singh Ghuman. On this occasion, Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann fondly remembered the late Jathedar Ranjit

Singh Brahmpura—a senior Akali stalwart, former Cabinet Minister, and former Member of Parliament—with immense warmth and deep respect. The Chief Minister stated that Jathedar Sahib's immense contributions to Punjab and Panthic politics can never be forgotten. Addressing the media and the people of his constituency, Ravinder Singh Brahmpura clarified his political move, stating, "I have not joined the Aam Aadmi Party today out of any greed for a position or power. My sole objective is to selflessly serve the common people of my area and work dedicatedly for the development of my constituency." Praising the pro-people decisions of the state government, Brahmpura said he was

deeply influenced by the 'Satkaar Act' introduced by the Punjab government to prevent incidents of sacrilege of Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji, as well as the decisive war waged against the drug menace that has been ruining Punjab's youth. He emphasized that Punjab currently needs honest and courageous leadership like that of Arvind Kejriwal and Bhagwant Mann, who are actively breaking the backbone of the mafia at the grassroots level. Remembering his father, the late Jathedar Ranjit Singh Brahmpura, he emotionally expressed, "My father spent his entire life serving the Panth, Punjab, and Punjabiyat as a humble Tak-sali leader on the soil of Majha.

Four Shobha Yatras planned ahead of 650th Parkash Purab of Sri Guru Ravidass: Cheema

GAURAV GOEL CHANDIGARH, SEPT 22

The Bhagwant Mann Government has decided to organise four massive Shobha Yatras connecting prominent spiritual and historic hubs across the country with Sri Khuralgarh Sahib as part of the extensive statewide commemorations dedicated to the upcoming 650th Parkash Purab of Sri Guru Ravidass Ji Maharaj. Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema announced this today.

Addressing a joint press conference at Punjab Bhawan alongside Tourism and Cultural Affairs Minister Tarunpreet Singh Sond and Advisor to the Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs Deepak Bali, Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema said these grand religious processions aim to disseminate the universal message and sacred Bani of Sri Guru Ravidass Ji Maharaj, while bringing devotees together in devotion and harmony ahead of the 650th birth anniversary arriving in February next year.

Elaborating on the wide-spread programmes already



underway across the state, the Finance Minister said that following the decisive roadmap initiated last year under the leadership of CM Bhagwant Singh Mann, events celebrating the philosophy and teachings of Sri Guru Ravidass Ji Maharaj are being organised across cities and rural areas alike.

"These multifaceted initiatives include captivating drone shows, academic seminars in colleges and universities, thematic essay competitions in schools, intellectual discussions on Guru Sahib's sacred verses, and continuous Kirtan Darbars organised in cities across Punjab to foster deep community engagement

with the divine teachings," he said. Detailing the comprehensive itineraries finalised during today's high-level preparatory meeting, the Finance Minister said, "The first Shobha Yatra will commence from the holy city of Varanasi (Kashi) on November 30 and travel through Kanpur, Delhi, Ambala, Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar and Rupnagar before concluding at Sri Khuralgarh Sahib on December 3."

"The second Shobha Yatra will flag off from Faridkot on December 2, passing through Ferozepur, Moga, Ludhiana, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar and Garhshankar to culminate at Sri Khuralgarh Sahib on De-

cember 3," he said. "The third Shobha Yatra is scheduled to begin on December 1 from Bathinda, traversing through Barnala, Mansa, Lehragaga, Sangrur, Patiala, Fatehgarh Sahib, Morinda and Rupnagar before arriving at Sri Khuralgarh Sahib on December 3," Minister Harpal Singh Cheema said. "Originating from the neighbouring region of Jammu on November 30, the fourth Shobha Yatra will progress through Pathankot, Gurdaspur, Amritsar, Tarn Taran, Kapurthala, Jalandhar and Hoshiarpur, culminating alongside the other processions at Sri Khuralgarh Sahib on December 3," he added.

Dr Balbir Singh outlines roadmap for rights-based mental healthcare

CHANDIGARH, SEPT 22

Following the recent induction of 11 non-official members to give fresh impetus to psychiatric care, the newly constituted State Mental Health Authority (SMHA) convened a review meeting on Tuesday in the presence of Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr Balbir Singh.

Presiding over the meeting alongside Principal Secretary-cum-Chairperson (Ex-officio) Kumar Rahul and Director Health Services Punjab-cum-Member (Ex-officio) Dr Hitinder Kaur, the Health Minister formally welcomed the newly appointed ex-officio and non-official members, several of whom attended the proceedings virtually.

The broad-based panel brings together seasoned psychiatrists, clinical psychologists, psychiatric social workers, mental health nurses,



NGO representatives, as well as nominated caregivers and individuals with lived experience of mental illness, ensuring that ground realities directly guide state policy.

Addressing the authority, Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr Balbir Singh reiterated that the Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann-led Punjab Government is steadfast in its resolve to uphold the core mandate of the Mental Healthcare Act (MHCA) 2017 by ensuring that high-

quality, humane, and stigma-free psychiatric services are easily accessible to every citizen without discrimination.

He underscored that mental healthcare cannot operate in isolation, and the revitalised authority will serve as the crucial statutory engine to monitor service delivery, enforce strict quality standards, and safeguard patient rights across government hospitals, medical colleges, and private clinics alike.

MLA Kala Dhillon attends wedding ceremony of Aastha colony MD Deepak Bansal Soni's son



BALWINDER AZAD BARNALA, SEPT 22

An atmosphere of joy and celebration was witnessed at the wedding ceremony of the son of Deepak Bansal Soni, Managing Director of the renowned Aastha Colony in the city. On this joyous occasion, District Congress Committee Barnala President and Barnala MLA Kuldeep Singh Kala Dhillon attended the ceremony and extended his heartfelt congratulations to the newlywed couple. MLA Kala Dhillon congratulated the newlyweds and wished them a life filled with

love, happiness, good health and prosperity. He also conveyed his best wishes to Deepak Bansal Soni and his entire family, saying that marriage is one of the most joyful and memorable occasions in family life. During the wedding ceremony, family members, relatives and well-wishers warmly welcomed MLA Kala Dhillon. The venue remained filled with celebrations, greetings and good wishes. Other dignitaries and guests present on the occasion also blessed the newlywed couple and wished them a bright and happy future as they embarked on a new chapter of life.

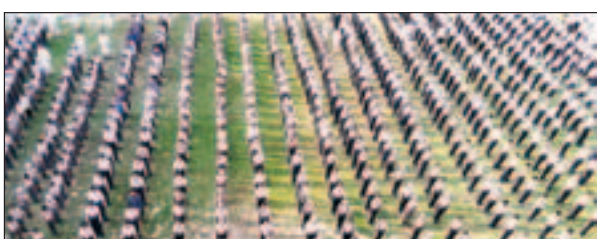
150th anniversary of Vande Mataram, collective singing will resonate across country

KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA RAMPURA PHUL, SEPT 22

Preparations have been completed for the special program being organized by Vidya Bharati Akhil Bharatiya Shiksha Sansthan, New Delhi at Lala Kasturi Lal Sarvhitkari Senior Secondary Vidya Mandir to mark the 150th anniversary of Vande Mataram.

This program is being organized under the guidance of the school's Principal Sanjeev Kumar.

The chief guest Manoj Kumar, DSP Rampura Phul, and special guest Gurpreet Singh Mahal, SMO, Civil Hospital, Rampura Phul will be specially present in the program. Preparations were being made enthusiastically by the students and teachers for the last several days regarding the program.



The students have been continuously practicing the group singing of Vande Mataram. Under the guidance of musicians and music teachers, special practice has been conducted to present the group singing in one tone and one rhythm.

The entire management committee including the school's managing committee president Prem Prakash and manager Gurpreet Singh are providing full support in the preparations for the program.

filled the atmosphere, devotees became immersed in devotion, and the entire pandal resonated with chants of 'Jai Mata Di'. A large number of devotees attended the event and continued to rejoice in the devotion of Maa Bhagwati till late at night.

On the occasion, Param Pujya Mata Satyam Deva Ji blessed the entire congregation and inspired devotees to follow the path of devotion and service to Maa Bhagwati. The pandal presented a captivating atmosphere of faith, devotion and spirituality throughout the programme.

AAP's Neetu Kapoor Singla questions SGPC, Akali Dal silence over woman's allegations

CHANDIGARH, SEPT 22

Aam Aadmi Party (Punjab) spokesperson Neetu Kapoor Singla on Tuesday demanded answers from the Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (SGPC), Shiromani Akali Dal (Badal) and opposition parties over the allegations raised by a woman from Bahrain, questioning how she came to stay at an SGPC sarai for six months and who was responsible for her stay and expenses.

AAP Punjab Spokesperson Neetu Kapoor Singla said she was not there to declare anyone guilty, but was seeking answers about the woman's stay at an SGPC sarai and the accountability of those responsible for its management. "If all this happened to a woman at an SGPC sarai, who was responsible for her there? Who brought her there? How did she stay there for six months? Who arranged her stay, her ticket and her expenses?" she



asked. Neetu Kapoor Singla said an FIR was registered against SGPC and SAD member Amarjit Singh Chawla in connection with allegations of rape, wrongful confinement and threats. She said the circumstances surrounding the woman's stay at the SGPC sarai raised serious questions about who facilitated her stay and who was responsible for her during those six months. Targeting Akali Dal leader and MP Har-simrat Kaur Badal, Neetu Kapoor Singla questioned her silence despite her recent protest on women's issues. "You speak loudly about others.

First musical foam training seminar organized at DAV School Jagraon



SUKH NAHAR JAGRAON, SEPT 22

The first Musical Foam Training Seminar was organized by the Punjab Kickboxing Association at DAV Centenary Public School, Jagraon. Principal VedVrat-PlaJi informed that Musical Foam has now been included as an event in the Kickboxing category of the Khednavan Punjab Diyan.

Therefore, the Punjab Kickboxing Association organized a Musical Foam Training Seminar at DAV

School, Jagraon. The two-day training seminar was conducted under the able guidance of Punjab Senior Kickboxing Coach Surinder Pal Vij, with coaches and players from 16 districts of Punjab participating. During the two-day seminar, Surinder Pal Vij taught the players and coaches various techniques of Musical Foam and also explained the scoring system. Mr. Jogi, Coach from Hoshiarpur, also provided the participants with information about the rules of Musical Foam.

Chabbewal MLA Dr. Ishank Kumar launches door-to-door campaign at village Ghumiala



DALJEET AJNOHA HOSHIARPUR, SEPT 22

Under the Aam Aadmi Party's statewide door-to-door awareness campaign, Chabbewal MLA Dr. Ishank Kumar today personally led the campaign in village Ghumiala of his constituency, carrying the message of "Mann Da Munafa" straight to people's doorsteps. The special drive was launched by Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann from Dhuri on September 21. During the campaign,

Dr. Ishank Kumar, along with his colleagues, walked door to door across Ghumiala village on foot, reaching every household. They sat with families and explained how the state government's welfare schemes—from free electricity, honor allowance to females and healthcare to education support—are changing people's lives. According to government estimates, an average Punjabi family is saving up to Rs 1.82 lakh annually through these schemes.

Punjab's five cooperative sugar mills bag national awards



CHANDIGARH, SEPT 22

Bringing national laurels to the state, Punjab's five cooperative sugar mills have won national awards for financial management, cane development and technical efficiency at the National Cooperative Sugar Industry Conclave-2026 in New Delhi. Punjab Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Minister S. Gurmeet Singh Khudian received the awards from Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways, Sh. Nitin Gadkari. During the conclave, under the Fi-

nancial Management (Other Recovery Area) category, The Batala Cooperative Sugar Mills Ltd. secured second position. In the Best Cane Development (Other Recovery Area) category, both The Fazilka Cooperative Sugar Mills Ltd. and The Budhewal Cooperative Sugar Mills Ltd. both secured second position. Similarly, The Nakodar Cooperative Sugar Mills Ltd. secured the second position, while The Bhogpur Cooperative Sugar Mills Ltd. bagged the third position in the Technical Efficiency (Other Recovery Area) category.

Tripartite MoU signed to strengthen air connectivity in Himachal Pradesh

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, SEPT 22

A Tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India and Airports Authority of India (AAI) at New Delhi, today. The MoU was signed under the modified Regional Connectivity Scheme-UDAN to strengthen air connectivity and aviation infrastructure in the State. Secretary Tourism and Civil Aviation Sandeep Kumar today informed that the MoU was signed the presence of Union Minister for Civil Aviation Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu and Union Minister of State for Civil Aviation Murlidhar Mohol. He said that the MoU provides a framework for cooperation on existing and new

UDAN routes and the development and operationalization of eligible aviation infrastructure. The agreement is valid for 10 years, with the state government contributing 20 percent of the viability gap funding (VGF) and the remaining 80 percent being borne by the Government of India under the present arrangement. Sandeep Kumar further informed that keeping in view the state's difficult geographical and topographical conditions and the higher costs involved in operating air services in a mountainous region Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu had recently urged the Union Minister for Civil Aviation to bring Himachal Pradesh under a revised 90:10 VGF contribution pattern, with 90 percent support from the Centre and 10 percent from the state.

Governor releases book on human rights in Kautilya’s Arthashastra

DINESH AGARWAL

SHIMLA: Governor Kavinder Gupta today released the book Human Rights in Kautilya’s Arthashastra authored by retired Principal Dr. Jayant Kumar Sharma at Lok Bhavan, Shimla. Appreciating the author’s efforts, the Governor said that Dr. Jayant Kumar Sharma had undertaken an in-depth study of human rights in various aspects relating to the state, governance and science and presented a comprehensive and meaningful analysis of the principles and measures for their protection. The Governor said that the book also highlights the status and evolution of human rights in the modern era. He



expressed hope that the book would contribute to a better understanding of the relevance of human rights in the context of governance and society. Kavinder Gupta lauded Dr. Jayant Kumar Sharma’s contribution to literature and academic discourse and expressed the hope that he would continue his literary and scholarly work with the same commitment in the future.

Kitaab Ghars to provide wider readership to Himachal’s Authors: Deputy CM

DINESH AGARWAL

SHIMLA: Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri today here said that the ‘Kitaab Ghars’ established across Himachal Pradesh would provide a wider platform for local authors and help promote the state’s rich literary, cultural and historical heritage. He said that seven Kitaab Ghars are currently operational at Gaiety Theatre Shimla, Dev Sadan Kullu, Kala Kendra Solan, Lata Mangeshkar Kala Kendra Una, Sanskriti Sadan Hamirpur, Bilaspur and Mandi. Similar Kitab Ghars would be opened in Nahan and Chamba after completion of the ongoing auditorium works. Agnihotri said the Kitaab Ghars would not only function as book outlets but also as centres for literary interaction, reading and cultural activities. Books and journals published by the Language, Art and Culture Department and the Himachal Academy of Art, Culture and Languages along with works by local authors and other publications on Himachal were being made available. Director, Department of Language and Culture, Reema Kashyap, said an author can provide up to four copies of one title and a maximum of five different titles for sale. After deduction of a 10 percent commission, the remaining sale proceeds would be transferred to the author’s bank account through RTGS at the end of every quarter. Authors may also decide the discount offered on their books.



Youth from UP detained for anti-national posts; Hamirpur Police act on central agency input

UNI

HAMIRPUR: Acting swiftly on an input received from a central investigative agency, the local Sadar Police in Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh, have detained a young man residing in the town. The case pertains to the alleged sharing of content linked to anti-national activities on social media and suspicions regarding his contact with a dubious network. According to the police, the central investigative agency had sent a complaint letter to the police administration on September 17, directing a detailed probe into the individual's activities. The input raised concerns that the man, active on social media, might be in contact with a suspicious network or individuals involved in anti-national activities. Based on the preliminary investigation, a case was registered at the Sadar Police Station, Hamirpur, on September 21. Shortly thereafter, late Monday night, the police took the accused into custody. Reports indicate that the detained youth has been working as a tailor in Hamirpur town for the past six months. He is said to be a native of Uttar Pradesh. The police are now scrutinizing the youth's social media accounts, online activities, contacts, and the network he established while living in the area. The role of the central investigative agency has also become significant in this matter. It is reported that a team from the agency has arrived in Hamirpur today. The team is expected to interrogate the detained youth and gather information regarding his social media contacts and activities. "A suspicious youth has been detained.

CISF-IIT Kanpur pact to fortify cyber and drone security at critical installations

AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY
BILASPUR, SEPT 22

In a significant step towards strengthening technology-driven security at the country’s vital and strategic installations, the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) has signed two major Memorandums of Understanding with IIT Kanpur, focusing on advanced cybersecurity and drone and anti-drone technologies. Sharing information received from CISF Headquarters, Deputy Commandant Vinod Kumar of the CISF unit deployed at NTPC Koldam said the agreements, signed on National Engineers’ Day, would help the force meet emerging security challenges through specialised training, research and indigenous



technological solutions. Under the first MoU with IIT Kanpur’s C3iHub, CISF personnel will undergo an intensive six-week residential cybersecurity training

programme. The curriculum will cover digital forensics, cyber incident response, Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, deepfakes, Internet of Things,

cloud technologies and Operational Technology. Special emphasis will also be placed on cyber threats confronting critical sectors such as aviation, power and nuclear installations, along with crisis-simulation exercises designed to improve preparedness for real-world emergencies. The second MoU provides for setting up a state-of-the-art Centre of Excellence for Drone and Anti-Drone Technology at the CISF training centre in Behror, Rajasthan.

Anurag Thakur-led PAC visits Central Railway HQ, CSMT in Mumbai

ANIL KUMAR

HAMIRPUR/MUMBAI: Member of Parliament and former Union Cabinet Minister Anurag Singh Thakur, along with members of the Parliamentary Public Accounts Committee (PAC), visited the Central Railway Headquarters and the historic Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus (CSMT), also known as Victoria Terminus, as part of their official study tour in Mumbai. During the visit, the committee interacted with senior railway officials and reviewed ongoing infrastructure development, operational efficiency, and modernization initiatives across the Central Railway zone. At CSMT, the members also assessed passenger amenities, measures for managing high-density commuter traffic, and efforts to preserve the architectural and structural heritage of the UNESCO World Heritage Site. Following the official inspections and administrative review, Anurag Singh Thakur and the PAC members visited the revered Lalbaugcha Raja pandal in Mumbai. The delegation offered prayers and sought blessings, embracing the city's rich spiritual and cultural traditions. The visit provided a meaningful conclusion to the committee's busy official itinerary, combining its parliamentary responsibilities with an appreciation of Mumbai's vibrant festive heritage. The study tour offered an opportunity for direct engagement with railway authorities and an assessment of key aspects of railway operations, passenger services, infrastructure development, and modernization.



Polytechnic student to develop advanced drone for Army with Rs 3.5 crore grant

ANIL KUMAR
HAMIRPUR, SEPT 22

A student of Government Polytechnic College Hamirpur (Baru) has developed a drone designed to address a key challenge related to border surveillance by the Indian Army. The project has received a grant of Rs 3.50 crore from the Defence Innovation Organisation (DIO) and Innovations for Defence Excellence (iDEX) under the Ministry of Defence.

Sarvesh Sharma, a fifth-semester Computer Engineering student at the institute, belongs to a financially disadvantaged family from Bahanwin village and completed his schooling at a government school. According to the report, the drone developed by Sarvesh is designed to



evade detection by enemy radar and remain operational despite attempts to disrupt it using jammers. Additional Secretary in the Department of Defence Production and CEO Dinesh Mahaur approved the project budget on Monday. Sarvesh's achievement has brought recognition to his family and institution and has also been described as a matter of pride for Himachal Pradesh. Sarvesh had participated in a national-level Open Card Board Drone Competition organised by IIT Jodhpur

and Konark Corps, in which 50 teams from reputed institutions across the country presented innovative ideas. During the competition, the issue of border surveillance by the Indian Army was also discussed. Sarvesh's team won the fourth prize of Rs 10 lakh in the competition. Inspired by the discussions, he began working on a drone-based solution for the Army's surveillance requirements and subsequently developed the prototype.

CITU submits memorandum to BDO Bhoranj seeking 125 days of employment



ANIL KUMAR

HAMIRPUR: The Hamirpur district committee of the Centre of Indian Trade Unions (CITU) submitted a memorandum to the Block Development Officer (BDO), Bhoranj, demanding 125 days of employment annually for one member of every job card-holding family under the Viksit Bharat Gramin Rozgar Aajeevika Mission (Guarantee) (VBGRAM(G)). In the memorandum, CITU said the Central government had replaced the MGNREGA framework with the Viksit Bharat Gramin Rozgar Aajeevika Mission (Guarantee). The organisation said the scheme provides for 125 days of employment in a year to one member of each rural job card-holding family. However, despite nearly a year having passed, several families in the Bhoranj area had still not been provided employment under the scheme. CITU said poor and working-class families in rural areas had long depended on employment schemes for their livelihoods.

Agri-machinery portal activated for farm equipment

SANJAY AGGARWAL

DHARAMSHALA: The Agriculture Department's Agri-Machinery portal became operational on September 22, aiming to provide subsidized farm equipment to farmers in Kangra district. Under the 'Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization,' farmers in the district can apply online for the purchase of agricultural machinery through the Government of India's DBT portal, agrimachinery.nic.in. The deadline for submitting applications has been set for September 30, 2026. Dr. Ashok Kumar, Deputy Director of Agriculture Kangra, stated that the application process via the portal has

commenced for the year 2026-27. He urged interested and eligible farmers to submit their applications online within the stipulated timeframe. He informed that under the scheme, a subsidy of up to 50 percent on the purchase of agricultural machinery will be provided to small, marginal, Scheduled Caste (SC), Scheduled Tribe (ST), and women farmers. He added that modern agricultural equipment, including power tillers and power weedeers, is being made available to farmers at subsidized rates. The use of this modern machinery will not only simplify farming operations particularly in hilly regions but also save time and labor.

Chamba-Killar route designated as 'Strategic Road'; Remote areas to benefit

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, SEPT 22

Rajya Sabha MP Harsh Mahajan stated that, following his persistent efforts and advocacy, the vital route connecting Chamba to Churah and Killar (Pangi) has been designated as a 'Strategic Road' by the Ministry of Defence. The responsibility for its construction and maintenance has been entrusted to the Union Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, with the work to be executed under the supervision of the Border Roads Organisation (BRO). Mahajan described this decision as a significant gift from the Central Government to the 'Aspirational District' of Chamba. The Chamba-Killar route is not merely a road but a crucial lifeline connecting extremely remote and tribal areas such as



Churah and Pangi-Killar to the mainstream; the route includes new bridges and passes, such as the Chaini Pass. Developing this route as a strategic road will strengthen connectivity, transportation, economic activities, tourism, health and education facilities, and security infrastructure in the region. For thousands of residents in the Churah, Pangi, and Killar areas, this decision is nothing short of a boon. These regions have long grappled with severe connectivity challenges due

to difficult terrain and harsh weather conditions; the Central Government assuming responsibility for this vital route will provide fresh momentum to the region's development. Additionally, the Pathankot-Chamba-Bharmour route which encompasses numerous important passes, tunnels, and bridges has been handed over to the NHAI; a detailed Detailed Project Report (DPR) is currently being prepared, ensuring that local residents will no longer face road-related issues.

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NEWS BRIEF

Special recruitment drive for persons with disabilities in Una on Sept 28

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA: The Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India, will organise a special recruitment drive for persons with disabilities at the National Career Service Centre (NCSC), Una, on September 28. The initiative aims to provide better employment opportunities to persons with disabilities in the private sector. Interested candidates can participate in the recruitment process by reaching the NCSC building, Chandralok Colony, Una, between 11 am and 3 pm on September 28. Assistant Director of the centre Ranjan Chankakati said the recruitment drive was being organised for various positions at ITC Ltd, Kapurthala, Punjab. Persons with disabilities between 18 and 50 years of age can participate in the drive. Candidates who have passed Class 10 or 12, or hold an ITI qualification, will be eligible to apply. Candidates have been advised to bring their educational qualification certificates, experience certificate, if available, disability certificate and biodata. For further information, candidates can contact the National Career Service Centre, Una, at 01975-227157.

Farmers should not burn crop residues, but should manage stubble: DC

HANS RAJ KURUKSHETRA: Deputy Commissioner Vishram Kumar Meena said that crop residue management is need of hour and crop residues are not just residues, but farmers' essential resources. By managing stubble in situ, we can increase soil's organic carbon which is a key factor in improving soil fertility. He urged farmers to manage stubble instead of burning it. This will increase their income and boost soil fertility. All farmers should pay special attention to this. Burning stubble can cause loss of life and property. DC said that to improve agricultural land, crop residues should be managed in situ to revive soil's declining fertility.

CM Dhami directs time-bound disposal of pending SC/ST atrocity cases

AGENCY
DEHRADUN, SEPT 22

Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami on Tuesday chaired a meeting of the State-Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee constituted for the effective implementation of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989, and directed officials to ensure time-bound disposal of pending cases. Reviewing cases registered under the Act since 2024 where investigations are still pending, Dhami directed officials to examine the reasons for delays and take action on priority. He also called for close coordination among the police, administration and prosecution departments in long-pending and serious cases. The Chief Minister directed regular review of cases pending before special courts and asked officials to ensure the availability of special



public prosecutors wherever required for effective prosecution. Dhami stressed that there should be no delay in disbursing prescribed relief to victims. He directed officials to separately review cases where relief payments have been delayed and said assistance to affected families should also extend, wherever required, to healthcare, education, security, rehabilitation and other eligible government schemes. The Chief

Minister also directed officials to accord the highest priority to the safety of victims and their families in serious and sensitive cases. He said the education of children from affected families should not be disrupted and that eligible children should be linked with scholarships and other educational assistance schemes. According to the Social Welfare Department, the state has provisions for financial assistance to victims of atrocities under the

SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, with assistance provided at different stages depending on the nature of the offence. Dhami further directed senior-level accountability in every district for monitoring cases under the Act and called for regular training of police personnel on its provisions, investigation of sensitive cases and appropriate conduct towards victims. He also instructed the Social Welfare, Police and Prosecution departments to jointly organise refresher training programmes and directed officials to work towards developing a digital monitoring system to track investigations, court proceedings, relief payments and other assistance. Districts where progress in investigation, disposal of cases or distribution of relief is unsatisfactory should be reviewed separately, Dhami said, adding that effective practices followed by better-performing districts should be shared with others.

No laxity in education and facilities provided to children in schools: Ashish Kumar



YAGYA DUTT SHASTRI
PEHOWA, SEPT 22

City Magistrate Ashish Kumar said that there should be no laxity in education provided to children in schools and they should have access to all basic amenities within their schools. PTMs should be held in schools and excellent work should be done under Nipun Haryana scheme. Special attention should be paid to cleanliness in schools and as many trees as possible should be planted under One Tree for Mother campaign related to environmental protection. He was interacting with school staff and students during a surprise inspection of Government Schools of Bherian and

Gumthala Gadhu on Tuesday. Prior to this, City Magistrate inspected Government Schools of Bherian and Gumthala Gadhu. Educational arrangements, basic facilities and quality of mid-day meal were closely examined. Mayor also motivated students to work hard in their field of interest, maintain discipline and move ahead by balancing both sports and education. Ashish Kumar also inspected ongoing classes in school and while appreciating teaching work being done by teachers, he motivated teachers to improve studies of students as well as pay special attention to communication skills, self-confidence, personality development and effective prayer meetings.

Sahitya Akademi approves book proposal by Dr. Arvinder Singh Bhalla

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNA NAGAR, SEPT 22

The Sahitya Akademi, New Delhi, has approved the book-writing proposal submitted by Dr. Arvinder Singh Bhalla, Principal of Guru Nanak Khalsa College, Yamunanagar. Dr. Bhalla will author a book titled "Sikh Gurus and Indian Civilizational Pluralism." The proposed book will examine the teachings and ideas of the Sikh Gurus and their broader influence on Indian society and civilization. It will also highlight the traditions of diversity, inclusiveness, coexistence, and mutual respect that have been integral to Indian civilization. Expressing his happiness and gratitude on receiving this important opportunity from the Sahitya



Akademi, Dr. Arvinder Singh Bhalla said that it was a matter of great honour and joy for him. He expressed his gratitude to the Sahitya Akademi and stated that, through the proposed book, he would attempt to understand the teachings and message of the Sikh Gurus in the wider context of India's diverse and pluralistic civilizational traditions. Dr. Bhalla informed that the Sahitya Akademi has asked him to complete the book

within one year. He said that he would undertake this important responsibility with utmost seriousness, dedication, hard work, and scholarly research. He expressed the hope that the book would provide readers with useful material for understanding the ideas of the Sikh Gurus and the pluralistic character of Indian civilization. It is noteworthy that Dr. Arvinder Singh Bhalla has been associated with writing and research on a wide range of subjects for many years. His writings on education, Sikh religion and philosophy, and Punjabi prose reflect his diverse literary interests and broad intellectual concerns. Alongside his administrative responsibilities, he has remained actively engaged in research and academic writing.

Roads under Dhanaula Municipal Council to be renovated at a cost of Rs 3.74 cr: Meet Hayer



KARANPREET KARAN BARNALA: Lok Sabha member Gurmeet Singh Meet Hayer formally launched the renovation project of various roads under Dhanaula Municipal Council at a cost of Rs 374.90 lakh. On this occasion, Mr. Meet Hayer said that under this project, about 10 roads under Dhanaula Municipal Council are to be renovated, out of which the work of 2 roads has been started. He said that the work of Gurdwara Baba Banna Sahib-Dhanaula Road has been started at a cost of about Rs 14 lakh and Fatehgarh Chhanna Road at a cost of about Rs 80 lakh. Apart from this, the work of the remaining roads will also start in the coming days. On this occasion, he thanked Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Singh Mann and said that the Punjab government is not allowing any shortage of funds for the development of the area. He said that all the roads under the Rs 3.74 crore project will be completed by the end of October. He said that apart from this, the issue of water drainage in Mana Pindi will also be resolved soon. On this occasion, Dhanaula Municipal Council President Dharmendra Singh, Executive Officer Harpreet Singh and other leaders were present.

Rakesh Kumar congratulates Sameer Sharda on appointment as Chairman of Market Committee Pathankot

VERMA SUJANPUR: Senior Aam Aadmi Party leader Sameer Sharda was congratulated by local businessman Rakesh Kumar following his appointment by the party high command as Chairman of the Market Committee Pathankot. Rakesh Kumar met Sameer Sharda and presented him with a bouquet while extending his warm wishes on his appointment to the new responsibility. Rakesh Kumar said that Sameer Sharda is a capable, hardworking and visionary leader who has been working with dedication and commitment for the party for a long time. He said that Sharda's hard work, dedication and commitment had earned him the responsibility of Chairman of the Market Committee Pathankot. He said that the people of the city have high expectations from Sameer Sharda and hope that he will discharge his responsibilities with dedication, sincerity and commitment. He further expressed confidence that issues concerning farmers, traders and the general public would be taken up on priority with the concerned authorities and sincere efforts would be made for their timely resolution. On the occasion, Sameer Sharda expressed his heartfelt gratitude to Rakesh Kumar for his greetings and good wishes. He said that the support and cooperation of well-wishers are essential for successfully carrying out public service responsibilities.



Seva Jyoti Kalash Yatras to cover Karnal Villages under Seva Sankalp campaign

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, SEPT 22

As part of the SevaSankalp campaign being conducted in the district to mark 25 years of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's public life and public service, Seva Jyoti Kalash Yatras are being organized in rural areas. Through these yatras, people in various villages of the district will be informed about public welfare schemes, development works and the 25 years of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's public life and public service. A block-wise route plan has been prepared to cover all rural areas of the district. As per the scheduled program, the Seva Jyoti Kalash Yatras will reach various villages and gram panchayats across the district's eight blocks. Through these yatras,



residents will be made aware of how to connect with the government's public welfare schemes, ensure that eligible beneficiaries receive the benefits of these schemes, and promote public participation. According to the schedule, various gram panchayats in the Assandh block will be covered from September 22 to 30. A program has been scheduled for about 44 gram panchayats in this block. In

the Indri block, the Seva Jyoti Kalash Yatra will be organized from September 21 to October 7, under which more than 70 gram panchayats will be covered. Similarly, in the Karnal block, the yatra will reach around 45 villages and designated locations from September 21 to October 7. Likewise, in the Nilokheri block, more than 70 gram panchayats will be connected with the yatra from September 23 to October 7.

SDM inspects govt school, Landerkima under Anemia-free Haryana campaign

AVNI SHARMA
GUHLA-CHEEKA, SEPT 22

SDM Manish Kumar Yadav stated that students' good health is crucial for their educational development. The administration is regularly inspecting government schools to improve the quality of education and provide students with all basic amenities. He stated that the health department and administration are fully alert regarding children's health. The SDM inspected the government school in Landerkima village. He expressed the need to check the students' Hb levels, considering their health. A team from the health department was then called to the school and the students were given hemoglobin (Hb) tests. The SDM said that



early identification of anemia in students can improve their health through appropriate treatment and dietary advice. He directed the concerned officials to ensure regular health checkups of students in schools. Students found to be hemoglobin deficient should be provided with timely treatment and appropriate counseling. He said that under the Anemia-Free Haryana campaign, awareness and

regular health checkups were essential to prevent anemia in children and adolescents. Students should also be encouraged to eat a balanced and nutritious diet. The SDM said that other administrative officials have also been given the responsibility of regularly inspecting government schools. Any deficiencies found during inspections should be documented and sent to headquarters for prompt resolution.

Ayurveda focus on preventive care, healthy lifestyle on Ayurveda Day

SANJAY SHARMA KAITHAL: The 11th Ayurveda Day is being observed with the theme "Ayurveda for a Healthy Future". The main national event this year will be held in Nagpur, Maharashtra. According to the Ministry of Ayush, this year's campaign focuses on connecting Ayurveda with modern healthcare needs, preventive healthcare, healthy lifestyles, nutrition, wellness, research and innovation. On the occasion, Dr Jitendra Gill, Ayurveda specialist at Civil Hospital, Kaithal, and a member of the Haryana Medical Council, sensitised people about the importance of Ayurveda and the need for a healthy lifestyle. He said the basic philosophy of Ayurveda was not limited to treating illnesses after they occurred, but also emphasised preserving health, preventing diseases and maintaining a balanced lifestyle. Dr Gill said changing lifestyles, unhealthy eating habits, lack of physical activity and stress were contributing to a rise in several lifestyle-related health problems. He stressed the importance of a balanced diet, regular routine, adequate sleep, yoga, exercise and maintaining harmony with nature. He added that Ayurvedic medicines and treatments should be used only under the guidance of a qualified practitioner. He said the three key focus areas of Ayurveda Day 2026 include integrated healthcare for improved health outcomes; evidence, research and innovation in Ayurveda; and community well-being and sustainable lifestyles.



Lord Vamana procession to be held in Kurukshetra today

HANS RAJ KURUKSHETRA: A grand procession of Lord Vamana will be taken out in Kurukshetra on Wednesday under the joint aegis of the Shri Brahmin and Tirthodhar Sabha and the Kurukshetra Development Board (KDB), organisers said. The procession will be held in the presence of Gita scholar Swami Gyananand Ji Maharaj, Param Pujiya Brahmawarup Brahmachari and Shri Mahant Bansi Puri, among other dignitaries. According to Sabha chief advisor Jaynarayan Sharma and head Yashendra Sharma, the procession will begin from Dukhbbhanjan Temple at 2 pm and pass through Railway Road, Geeta School, Arya Samaj Market, Ambedkar Chowk, Palika Bazaar, Sikri Chowk, Naya Bazaar, Kachho Gher, Ahluwalia Chowk and Gurudwara Chhathi Patshahi before reaching Sannihit Sarovar around 5 pm. The procession, accompanied by bands and tableaux, will be welcomed by various religious, social and business organisations at different points along the route. At Sannihit Sarovar, a bhajan evening will be organised, followed by a boat ride carrying the idol of Lord Vamana amid fireworks and a grand aarti. Thanesar MLA Ashok Arora and his supporters will welcome the procession at Sikri Chowk. Several organisations, including Jeevo Geeta, Shri Krishna Kripa Parivar, Shri Jayaram Institutions, Haryana Kala Parishad, Lions Club, Rotary Club and various social and religious bodies, will extend support to the event. Sabha general secretary Rampal Sharma said members of the Board of Trustees and former office-bearers of the Shri Brahmin and Tirthodhar Sabha would also be honoured for their services by presenting them shawls at the beginning of the procession.

Talent show 2026 at TIMT celebrates creativity and excellence

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR, SEPT 22

Tilak Raj Chadha Institute of Management & Technology (TIMT), Yamunanagar, organised a three-day Talent Show 2026 to provide students a platform to showcase their creativity, confidence and hidden talents. The event began on September 21 with Speech, Poetry and Painting competitions, followed by a vibrant cultural programme on Tuesday. The third phase, a Quiz Competition, will be held on September 24. The cultural programme commenced with the ceremonial lighting of the lamp and featured Solo Dance, Group Dance, Solo Singing, Group Singing, Mime, Mono Acting and



Play. Students from different courses participated enthusiastically and presented a variety of performances. In the Speech Competition, Riya (MBA) secured the first position, followed by Priyanshi (BCA) and Dishu (MBA). In Poetry, Palak (MBA) stood first, while Dishu (MBA) and Ananya (BCA) secured the second and third positions, respectively. In Painting, Preeti (BCA) won

the first position, followed by Geetika (BBA) and Komal (MCA). Group dance performances by Lavanya & Group, Ashmeet & Group, Kanak & Group, Lakshmi & Group, Jiya & Group, Jasmeet & Group, Isha & Group, Shalida & Group and Prabhjot & Group entertained the audience. Students also impressed the gathering with Hindi and Punjabi songs and energetic solo dance performances.

'Udaan Pratibha Ko Pranam' event in Assandh: Meritorious students receive laptops, tablets, and bicycles

JAGBIR UPLANA
ASSANDH, SEPT 22

The Sumit Narwal Welfare Foundation organized the 'Udaan Pratibha Ko Pranam' (Saluting Talent) event. Meritorious students from the Assandh region who excelled in the Class 10 examinations conducted by the CBSE and HBSE boards were honored at the ceremony. Gannaur MLA and social worker Devender Kadyan and BJP Karnal District President Parveen Lathar attended the event as chief guests. Students were presented with various awards to encourage them for their academic achievements. Vinayak (son of Praveen Kumar) from DAV Public Senior Secondary School, Assandh—who secured the top position in the CBSE



board with 493 marks—and Arju (daughter of Rajiv) from GGSS Bal Rajputan—who topped the HBSE board with 494 marks—were honored with laptops. Additionally, students who performed exceptionally well and made it to the merit lists of both boards were honored with tablets and bicycles. High achievers on the CBSE list included Nancy (491), Naman Deep (491), Udit (491), Hargun Kaur (486), and Chirag (485). Meanwhile, meritorious students on the

HBSE list, including Paramjit Sharma (492), Aarti (489), Pritika (484), Chaman Rani (483), and Kanika (483), were also honored. Speaking on the occasion, Sumit Narwal stated that children are the future of India. Their dreams are India's dreams, and their hard work is linked to the nation's progress. He urged students to dream big and work even harder to realize those dreams. He called upon the children to bring glory to their parents, teachers, and society.

Party workers must take PM Modi's 25 years of service to the people: CM

YUGMARG BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, SEPT 22

Haryana Chief Minister Sh. Nayab Singh Saini said that in the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), an organisational position is not merely a designation but a responsibility towards public service and the organisation. He said the BJP's 46-year journey has been shaped by the dedication, commitment and resolve of millions of party workers towards nation-building.

He said the ideology of serving the nation has continued to move forward from Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee and former Prime Minister Sh Atal Bihari Vajpayee to Prime Minister Sh. Narendra Modi. He urged party workers to take the message of Prime Minister Sh Narendra Modi's 25 years of public service and good governance to the people.

The Chief Minister was speaking on Tuesday at a programme held at 'Panchkamal' in Panchkula to mark the assumption of office by Engineer Sunil Sen as the newly appointed State President of the BJP's Backward Classes Morcha (OBC Morcha). The programme was presided over by BJP



State President Dr. Archana Gupta.

While extending his best wishes to Engineer Sunil Sen on assuming his new responsibility, the Chief Minister said that the Backward Classes Morcha should work to reach the last person in society and focus on further strength-

ening the organisation at the booth level. He said that October 7 marks the completion of 25 years of Prime Minister Sh. Narendra Modi's journey in public service and nation-building through governance. He said that the Prime Minister's tenure as Chief Minister and

Prime Minister has been a significant chapter of public life, marked by service, good governance, resolve and a commitment to nation-building.

The Chief Minister said that Prime Minister Sh Narendra Modi has transformed the concept of political power, making it a means of public service rather than personal comfort, and has consistently worked with the objective of serving the people and strengthening the nation.

The Chief Minister called upon party workers to actively participate in the 'Seva Sankalp Abhiyan', being observed from September 17 to October 17. He said that it is the collective responsibility of the organisation and the government to ensure that the benefits of public welfare schemes and development initiatives reach the person standing at the last mile.

Speaking on the occasion, BJP State President Dr. Archana Gupta said that since Prime Minister Sh. Narendra Modi and Chief Minister Sh. Nayab Singh Saini come from the OBC community, the role and responsibility of the community within the organisation assume even greater significance.

Mayor meets Chief Minister with invitation to Shrimad Bhagwat Katha



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, SEPT 22

Mayor Renu Bala Gupta met Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini on Tuesday, accompanied by a delegation from the Shri Khatu Shyam Kirtan Mandal, Karnal. On this occasion, she respectfully presented the Chief Minister with an invitation to the sacred Shrimad Bhagwat Katha being organized by the Mandal. The Mayor urged the Chief Minister to grace the religious event with his presence and boost the morale of the devotees.

Mayor Renu Bala Gupta stated that the Shrimad Bhagwat Katha is a significant medium for upholding Indian Sanatan traditions, values, and spiritual consciousness. Centered on the divine pastimes (Leelas) of Lord Shri Krishna, His message, and the spirit of devotion, the Katha inspires individuals to embrace love, harmony, service, and virtuous values in life. She remarked that such religious and spiritual events infuse positive energy into society and provide the younger generation with an opportunity to connect with their culture and traditions.

She noted that the participation of the city's devout citizens in the Katha organized by the Shri Khatu Shyam Kirtan Mandal would make the event even more expansive

and spiritually profound. The Mayor called upon the residents of Karnal and all devotees to attend the Katha in large numbers and partake in the nectar-like experience of listening to the Shrimad Bhagwat.

Meanwhile, Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini extended his best wishes for the organization of the Shrimad Bhagwat Katha, stating that religious and spiritual events play a vital role in strengthening values, harmony, and positive thinking within society. He remarked that the message of Lord Shri Krishna and the teachings of the Shrimad Bhagwat inspire society to move forward on the path of truth, righteousness (Dharma), service, and harmony. The Chief Minister conveyed his best wishes for the success of the event and the well-being of the devotees. Invitations Extended to Other Public Representatives

In this context, Mayor Renu Bala Gupta extended formal invitations to BJP State President Dr. Archana Gupta, Cabinet Minister Vipul Goel, former Assembly Speaker Ghan Chand Gupta, Mayor Rajiv Jain, and Mayor Komal Saini to attend the Shrimad Bhagwat Katha. The Mayor remarked that the Shrimad Bhagwat Katha is not merely a religious event but a sacred opportunity to connect with devotion to Lord Krishna, as well as with love, compassion, traditional values, and Sanatan culture.

Efforts made to connect general public to traditional medical systems through medical camps: Tarlochan

CHAMAN LAL
KARNAL, SEPT 22

Under the 'Seva Sankalp Abhiyan' and following the directives of Deputy Commissioner Dr. Anand Kumar Sharma and the guidance of District AYUSH Officer Dr. Ram Avtar Singh, the AYUSH Department organized a free AYUSH medical camp at the Guru Ravidas Temple in Sadar Bazar. The camp aimed to raise awareness among the public about adopting a healthy lifestyle through AYUSH systems. Speaking at the event, BJP leader Sardar Tarlochan Singh stated that such medical camps are an effort to connect the general public with our traditional medical systems and ancient health practices. The AYUSH system is a vital part of India's medical heritage. He urged people to gather information about AYUSH medical



systems and indigenous healing traditions and incorporate them into their lifestyles.

He added that the various activities organised under the 'Seva Sankalp Abhiyan' aim not only to serve the public but also to raise awareness about health, hygiene, and healthy living. The AYUSH medical camp represents a significant initiative in this di-

rection. At the camp, doctors and staff from the AYUSH Department conducted health check-ups and provided necessary consultations regarding AYUSH medical practices. Attendees were also informed about the importance of diet, daily routines, and traditional medical systems in maintaining good health.

Message of community unity and education resonates on Maharshi Kashyap Jayanti

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
JHINJHANA, SEPT 22

The birth anniversary of Maharshi Baba Kalu Kashyap was celebrated with reverence and enthusiasm at the Kashyap Dharamshala in Jhunjhana. Sadhvi Niranjani Jyoti, Chairperson of the State Backward Classes Commission, attended the event as the chief guest; she paid homage to Maharshi Baba Kalu Kashyap and urged the community to follow the path shown by such great figures. Sadhvi stated that the purpose of celebrating the birth anniversaries of great figures is not merely to hold an event, but to adopt their ideals in one's own life. She emphasized the need to focus on children's education to advance the community. She remarked that respect is not something one asks for; rather, it is earned through one's actions.

Citing her own life as an example, Sadhvi Niranjani Jyoti mentioned that she rose from an ordinary family background to her current posi-



tion. Her father worked as a laborer, and employment opportunities in the village were limited at the time. She recounted how, after a period of struggle, she contested elections for the Legislative Assembly

and the Lok Sabha three times each and fulfilled various responsibilities within the organization. She told the youth that regardless of the circumstances, one should strive to move forward through hard work and education. She appealed to the community to study their history and educate their children about these great figures. Citing the example of Vedavyasa, she noted that the community possesses a glorious history. A society that forgets its history and great figures risks losing its identity; therefore, it is essential to connect the new generation with their history and these eminent personalities. She stated that if an individual works hard, they will undoubtedly progress. She called upon the entire community—especially the youth—to make education the foundation of their lives and to stay away from substance abuse.

Additional Rs. 2,905.71 Lakh sanctioned for NCC academy in Gyanpura, Gharaunda, thanks to the Efforts of Assembly Speaker Harvinder Kalyan

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: The Haryana government has sanctioned an additional amount of ₹29 crore 5 lakh 71 thousand for the National Cadet Corps (NCC) Academy currently under construction in Gharaunda. This will facilitate the completion of the academy's pending works.

It is noteworthy that the construction of the NCC Academy near Gharaunda town in the district has been underway for quite some time. This is Haryana's first such academy and ranks among the major training academies in the country. NCC cadets from various states will be able to undergo training here, thereby gaining greater opportunities to join the defense sector. Previously, administrative approval for ₹5,694 lakh had been granted for this academy; however, the government has now issued a revised administrative approval, sanctioning an additional ₹2,905.71 lakh. In total, ₹8,599.71 lakh has been sanctioned for the academy. Harvinder Kalyan, the local MLA and Assembly Speaker, is working with great seriousness and dedication to ensure the academy becomes operational soon. Once functional, the academy will boost employment opportunities and open new avenues for development in the region. It will have the capacity to train 700 cadets simultaneously.



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, SEPT 22

Municipal Corporation Commissioner Saloni Sharma reviewed the sanitation efforts and improvement works in five municipalities—Ismaillabad, Siwan, Rajaund, Nar-naund, and Kalanwali—linked with the Karnal Municipal Corporation under the 'Clean City Pair' initiative. She held a meeting with the chairpersons and secretaries of the respective municipalities to gather detailed information on sanitation arrangements and instructed officials to ensure further improvements in the system.

Inquiry into various aspects of sanitation.

The Commissioner sought details from municipal secretaries regarding the number of sanitation workers, door-to-door garbage collection, waste disposal, compliance with solid



waste management rules, and the cleanliness of public spaces, main roads, parks, and markets. She also reviewed the maintenance of public and community toilets, Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) activities, beautification efforts, plantation drives, and best practices adopted by the municipalities. While inquiring about the challenges and issues faced in improving sanitation, she also invited sugges-

tions from the municipal chairpersons to further enhance cleanliness systems.

Ensure 100% door-to-door garbage collection.

She directed that 100% door-to-door garbage collection be ensured daily across all municipal areas. She instructed that this activity be regularly monitored via the solid waste management portal and that GPS tracking be implemented for garbage collection tipper vehicles. He stated that feedback

regarding sanitation and garbage collection should be sought from citizens periodically. He issued clear instructions that there should be no "garbage hotspots" anywhere within municipal areas. Regular special drives should be conducted to improve sanitation, and proper waste disposal must be ensured.

Perform better in the 'Swachhata League'.

He urged all municipalities to perform well in the 'Swachhata League' competition and work with full dedication and diligence to secure a top ranking for their respective areas. He also directed that effective sanitation drives be carried out under the 'Swachhata Hi Seva-2026' and 'Seva Sankalp Abhiyan' initiatives. He noted that sustained and systematic efforts would undoubtedly yield better results.

Saloni Sharma takes charge of sanitation operations in municipalities linked under 'Clean City Pair' initiative

Gadkari, Chauhan present trophies to DC & Chairman Karnal Sugar Mill Dr. Anand Kumar Sharma and MD Aditi

CHAMAN LAL
KARNAL, SEPTEMBER 22

In a historic first for Haryana's cooperative sugar mills, Karnal Sugar Mill has been honoured with the first prize for technical efficiency at the national level—for the fourth



After receiving the trophies, Managing Director Aditi and the Karnal estate office stated in a press briefing that this marks the fourth consecutive time Karnal Sugar Mill has been honored with prestigious trophies for technical efficiency in a low-recovery zone, alongside the first prize for sugarcane development. She further mentioned that for the year 2025-26, Karnal Sugar Mill has also been awarded the ISO 9001:2015 certification—an international standard for quality assurance—making it the first mill in Haryana to achieve this honor in the last 15 years. She reported that during the previous crushing season (2024-25), Karnal Sugar Mill crushed 48.10

lakh quintals of sugarcane, achieving a record capacity utilization of 98.55 percent. During this season, the mill produced 4.55 lakh quintals of refined sugar. Additionally, by fully utilizing the designated capacity and efficiency of its power turbines, the mill sold electricity worth ₹22.67 crore during the season—a feat unmatched by other cooperative sugar mills in Haryana.

Play Tulsidas': Dedicated to the service initiatives of Genesis and Divya Prem Seva Mission Trust, Haridwar

CHAMAN LAL
KARNAL, SEPTEMBER 22

During a press conference at the Karnal Club regarding the staging of the play "Goswami Tulsidas"—written and performed by Padma Shri Shekhar Sen and dedicated to the service projects of the Divya Prem Seva Mission Trust, Haridwar—Dr. Ashish Gautam (Bhaiya Ji), the Mission's founder, provided detailed information about the Mission's service activities and various projects undertaken for the public good. He explained that various activities are being conducted with the aim of propagating the values of service, "sanskar" (cultural ethos), and Indian culture within society. As part of this endeavor, the play "Tulsidas" is being used to convey the message of Goswami Tulsidas's life, his literature, and his devotion to Lord Shri Ram to the masses.

Speaking on the occasion, Jitendra Singh Ahlawat, founder of the Genesis Group, shared details about the event and emphasized that connecting the new generation with Indian culture, spirituality, and our glorious traditions is a crucial need of the hour. He remarked that the life and literature of Goswami Tulsidas inspire us with devotion, cultural values, a spirit of ser-



vice, and human ethics. Such cultural events play a vital role in strengthening positive thinking and Indian values within society. He urged media representatives to disseminate information about the event to as many people as possible and appealed to the residents of Karnal to participate in this special cultural presentation. Colonel Arun Datta, Chairman of Karnal International School, and Dr. Ranjana Sharma were also present on the occasion. Appreciating the efforts behind the event, they highlighted the importance of such programs—rooted in Indian culture and literature—for society and the younger generation. The play "Goswami Tulsidas," presented by Padma Shri Shekhar Sen, will be staged on Sunday, September 27, at 5:00 PM at the Mangalsen Auditorium, Karnal.

The brave heroes of Haryana who sacrificed their lives for the country will be remembered for ages: Teacher Dalip Singh

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

KARNAL: Rao Tularam was commemorated at the Government Girls' High School, Sector 13, on the occasion of 'Haryana Veer Shaheed Diwas' (Haryana Heroes and Martyrs' Day). Addressing the students during the morning assembly, Sanskrit teacher Dalip Singh stated that September 23rd is observed



annually in Haryana as 'Haryana Veer Shaheed Diwas'. On this day, tribute is paid to the great heroes and martyrs who sacrificed their all for the country's freedom and security.

In Haryana, this day is observed on September 23rd in memory of the great freedom fighter Rao Tularam. Rao Tularam fought valiantly against the British during the First War of Independence in 1857. His life inspires us with patriotism, courage, and the spirit of sacrifice.

Dalip Singh remarked that the land of Haryana is known as the land of heroes. Soldiers and freedom fighters from this state have made numerous sacrifices to uphold the honor, dignity, and glory of the nation. Drawing inspiration from their ideals, we should pledge ourselves to honesty, discipline, and service to the nation. This day reminds us that freedom was not easily attained; rather, it is the result of the struggles and sacrifices of countless heroes. Let us pay homage to all the martyrs and resolve to contribute towards building a strong, developed, and patriotic India. School Head Sapna Puri, along with Promila, Poonam, Hanskanwar, Neelam Bansal, Navjot Kaur, Renu, Nidhi, Rachna, Neelam, Anil, Monika, Anamika, Geeta, Suman, Anju, Kamlesh, and others, were notably present on this occasion.

De-addiction and awareness programme organised at Azad Nagar community centre

RAHUL KOHLI

YAMUNANAGAR: With the contribution of Ms. Preeti, Deputy Commissioner, and Shri Kamaldeep Goyal, Superintendent of Police, continuous efforts are being made to promote the de-addiction and awareness campaign across the city. As part of this initiative, the Health Department organised a De-addiction and Awareness Programme at the Community Centre, Azad Nagar, with the objective of creating awareness among the general public about the harmful effects of substance abuse and providing information regarding available de-addiction services. The programme was attended by Dr. Bulbul,



Deputy Civil Surgeon; Dr. Naveen, Medical Officer (Mental Health & Addiction); Smt. Kiran, Municipal Councillor (MC), Azad Nagar; and Dr. Pratyush, Medical Officer, Azad Nagar. During the programme, the general public was sensitised about the physical, mental and social effects of substance abuse. Information was also provided on prevention of substance abuse, ways to overcome addiction, and the importance of seeking timely treatment. An Awareness Lecture was also organised, during which important information related to de-addiction and rehabilitation was shared. Individuals affected by substance abuse and their families were guided regarding appropriate treatment options and available health services. During the programme, general health check-ups and laboratory tests were also conducted for the public. These included essential routine health tests, including Haemoglobin (Hb) testing. Screening of needy individuals was carried out, and appropriate guidance was provided according to their health status. The Health Department emphasised the importance of awareness, timely treatment and community participation in building a drug-free society.

Various awareness activities organized as part of Nutrition Month in village Kachhwa



MEGHA RAJ LUTHRA

KARNAL: Under Seva Sankalp Abhiyan, Women and Child Development Department organized Nutrition Month at Anganwadi center in village Kachhwa under guidance of supervisors Kiran and Manju. Pregnant women, lactating mothers, children and village women enthusiastically participated in program. Rangoli was created using millet and nutrition awareness was promoted through selfie points. Various activities were also organized for children aged 3 to 6 in which children participated enthusiastically. Supervisors Kiran and Manju informed women present about importance of nutritious and balanced diet during pregnancy and breastfeeding, proper nutrition and child health. They also raised awareness about importance of dietary diversity and provided information about various schemes and services offered by Women and Child Development Department. Main objective of the programme was to make women and children aware about nutrition, promote healthy lifestyle and motivate them to adopt nutritional behaviours.

EDITORIAL

Targeting Imran Khan's family a flagrant violation of their rights

Tensions have escalated in Pakistan ahead of the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) party's planned country-wide protests and march on September 27, following a series of preventive detentions targeting family members of former Prime Minister Imran Khan and party activists. Responding to these developments, Babu Ram Pant, Amnesty International's Deputy Regional Director for South Asia, stated, "The targeting of Imran Khan's family and PTI party activists is a flagrant violation of their rights to liberty, freedom of expression, association and peaceful assembly. Such actions speak to the severity of the current restrictions in Pakistan." Pant further noted, "The pre-emptive arrests of PTI members come ahead of planned country-wide protests by the party on 27 September, which government officials have openly vowed to stop. Roadblocks are already being erected in Islamabad. These developments do not bode well, especially given the authorities' long track record of reckless and unlawful use of force against protesters. A protest cannot be deemed violent before it has even started. Pakistan's authorities must uphold their obligations under international human rights law to facilitate peaceful assembly and refrain from unlawful measures to thwart these protests." Adding to the crackdown, local media reported that Uzma Khan and Noreen Niazi, sisters of the former Prime Minister, were detained for 30 days on Monday, following the detention of their sister Aleema Khan a day earlier. The detentions were carried out under orders issued by the Lahore Deputy Commissioner. According to a report by the Pakistan-based daily Dawn, the Lahore Deputy Commissioner's office issued an order directing the 30-day detention of Uzma Khan and Noreen Niazi under the Punjab Maintenance of Public Order Ordinance, 1960, citing that both individuals were "prejudicial to the public safety and maintenance of public order." The notification specified that Noreen Niazi and Uzma Khan would be held in custody under the superintendent of Central Jail, Kot Lakhpat. Prior to this, a Lahore Deputy Commissioner's directive on Sunday confirmed that Aleema Khan had also been placed under a 30-day detention order pursuant to the same ordinance. Another Pakistan-based daily, The Express Tribune, reported that authorities additionally ordered a 30-day detention for Aleema Khan's driver, Muhammad Ameer. Condemning these actions, PTI chairman Gohar Ali Khan described the apprehension as the "first step towards worsening the situation", demanding her immediate release while reiterating the party's peaceful stance.

White House ban on media outlets

In a rare show of unified resistance, major news networks, including members of the White House television pool, issued a joint statement condemning the US President Donald Trump administration's credential revocations, warning that no government has the right to block press access over critical reporting. Trump on Friday said he was banning CNN, MS NOW and Politico from the White House, accusing the outlets of what he described as "fake news." "While CNN is among the outlets pursuing legal action, fellow pool members, including ABC News, CBS News, Fox News Media, and NBC News joined the collective statement to defend press access and protest administrative bans targeting news organisations." The public has a vital interest in receiving accurate, independent information about its government. No administration should restrict a news organization because it objects to its reporting," the joint statement from the networks read. Additionally, the White House television pool has suspended coverage of President Donald Trump's pool-designated events after CNN was prevented from completing its assigned rotation, according to CNN. CNN reported that the decision was communicated in an email from Bryan Boughton, the Fox News Washington bureau chief who currently chairs the television pool. Under a longstanding agreement, five major networks rotate filming duties to provide shared video footage to global news organisations, local television stations, and newspapers. "This follows the White House's position preventing CNN from fulfilling its assigned pool duties," Boughton wrote to other pool subscribers, as reported by CNN. "There will be no replacement pool put in place." According to CNN, the operational pause directly halts the shared coverage model that media outlets worldwide rely on for presidential events. This is to advise that, effective today, the TV pool will not be covering events designated as pool coverage of the President," Boughton wrote in the email. CNN further reported that the suspension applies specifically to presidential events, while standard coverage of other government functions remains unaffected. All



other TV pool coverage "will continue as normal, including Congress, VIPs, and selected events in Washington and around the country," Boughton added. The show of solidarity from major broadcast and cable networks comes after CNN, MS NOW, and POLITICO launched a First Amendment lawsuit against the White House following the sudden revocation of press credentials for their journalists. The news outlets, calling the action a threat to press freedom, said that the action was taken to free independent journalism

from "government interference." "Without notice or process, the White House revoked our journalists' credentials because it objected to our reporting," the organisations stated. "Left unchallenged, this threatens press freedom and the public's right to independent journalism free from government interference." CNN has reported that the emergency filing is set for review by a federal judge in the DC District Court, with administration officials potentially facing hearings and legal arguments in the coming days. Trump banned the three news outlets

from the White House, and on Saturday the journalists from the affected organisations were denied access to the White House complex, and some had their press credentials confiscated. However, Trump defended his decision to bar the three news outlets from the White House, characterising the media access ban as an action against "fake news" rather than an attack on constitutional press freedoms. Trump's statement, posted on Truth Social, read, "The White House is not instituting an

assault on the Free Press, something which I cherish. It is instituting an assault on the FAKE NEWS, something that has grown like Cancer in our beloved United States of America." In his response to the joint legal challenge filed in the US District Court in Washington, calling the action a threat to press freedom and government interference in independent journalism, Trump strongly rejected allegations and doubled down on his criticism of the news outlets' coverage, instead calling it a "threat to National Security."

Nearly two million people issued evacuation orders in Japan

Almost two million people were under evacuation orders in Japan on Monday as Typhoon Dujan battered several prefectures, bringing torrential rain, strong winds, flooding and landslide risks. Japan's Meteorological Agency (JMA) had warned of an "imminent threat to life", although several alerts were later downgraded. The highest-level warning remained in force in Oshima Town in the Izu Islands, while level four warnings for heavy rain, flooding and landslides continued in several other areas. Dujan brought sustained winds of around 130km/h and gusts of up to 194km/h. More than 50,000 households were without power, while hundreds of flights were cancelled and some rail services suspended. The storm was the 25th typhoon of the year and moved along Japan's Pacific coast as the country marked the Silver Week holiday period. The JMA warned that the Kanto region and Izu Islands in particular could see more heavy rain, violent winds, high waves and landslides. The storm also disrupted major events, with concerts scheduled for Monday at the Rock in Japan festival being cancelled, while the Tokyo



Game Show called off its Monday programme. Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi also delayed her planned journey to the US to monitor the impact of the storm. She had been due to travel to New York for the UN General Assembly and meet US President Donald Trump. The Yokosuka City Fire Department told the BBC that a woman in her 60s was believed to have been swept away and buried after a landslide hit her home. In nearby Chiba prefecture, a man in his 50s was rescued after becoming trapped while clearing debris at a landslide site. He fell into a bamboo thicket along with heavy machinery and was taken to hospital.

Firefighters in Kanagawa also received a report from a man who said his house had been crushed by a landslide. The storm brought exceptionally heavy rainfall to parts of eastern Japan. More than 672mm of rain was recorded over 24 hours on Izu Oshima, while the Sakahata area of Kimitsu in Chiba received 324mm. Dujan is the latest in a series of Pacific storms during a strong El Nino period. Warmer ocean temperatures can provide storms with more energy, while a warmer atmosphere can hold greater amounts of moisture, potentially resulting in heavier rainfall.

RBI sells Rs 25,000 crore of G-secs to absorb surplus liquidity

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Monday sold Rs 25,000 crore of government securities through an Open Market Operation (OMO), as the central bank continues to absorb surplus liquidity from the banking system following large foreign currency inflows, including through Foreign Currency Non-Resident (Bank) deposits. The OMO sale received bids worth Rs 84,982 crore, more than three times the Rs 25,000 crore notified amount, with the RBI accepting the full amount offered. According to the RBI's detailed OMO auction results, the "Aggregate Amount (Face value) notified by RBI" was Rs 25,000 crore, while the "Total amount bid (Face value) by participants" stood at Rs 84,982 crore. The "Total amount accepted (Face value) by RBI" was Rs 25,000 crore. The operation is part of the RBI's Rs 1 lakh crore OMO sale programme announced earlier this



month to manage liquidity conditions. Announcing the programme on September 11, the central bank had said, "On a review of current and evolving liquidity conditions, the Reserve Bank has decided to conduct OMO sale auctions of Government of India securities for an aggregate amount of ₹1,00,000

crore. "The programme is being conducted in three tranches - Rs 50,000 crore on September 17 and Rs 25,000 crore each on September 21 and September 28. With Monday's auction, the RBI has completed Rs 75,000 crore of the planned sales. An OMO sale withdraws rupee

liquidity from the banking system as participants pay the RBI for the government securities. The liquidity-management operations come amid a sharp rise in foreign exchange inflows under the central bank's special USD-INR swap facility. Separate RBI data released on Monday showed

total inflows under the facility at USD 143.596 billion as of September 18, with FCNR(B) deposits accounting for the bulk at USD 132.98 billion. Overseas Foreign Currency Borrowings contributed USD 5.32 billion and External Commercial Borrowings USD 5.296 billion. The RBI said, "RBI had introduced a special USD-INR Forex Swap facility covering FCNR(B) deposits, ECB and OFCB inflows on June 08, 2026." The FCNR(B) deposits were mobilised till August 31, while the facility for ECB and OFCB inflows remains open till December 31. In Monday's OMO auction, the RBI accepted bids across five of the six government securities offered. It accepted Rs 11,512 crore in the 6.10 per cent GS 2031 and Rs 8,758 crore in the 7.95 per cent GS 2032, the two largest allocations. The RBI rejected all bids for the 8.28 per cent GS 2027. Twenty bids worth Rs 3,082 crore were received.

Scientists develop process that turns plastic waste into gasoline and diesel-like fuels

Scientists at Oak Ridge National Laboratory have developed a relatively simple method to convert polyethylene, the widely used plastic found in shopping bags and cutting boards, into gasoline- and diesel-like fuels. The process uses inexpensive aluminum-based molten salts to break down the plastic's long molecular chains into smaller hydrocarbons, yielding around 60% gasoline under relatively mild conditions. According to the ScienceDaily website, researchers at the Department of Energy's Oak Ridge National Laboratory have developed a new way to transform polyethylene, one of the world's most common plastics, into gasoline- and diesel-like fuels. Polyethylene is widely used in products such as shopping bags and white plastic cutting boards, and large amounts of it ultimately end up as waste. The ORNL team's method combines the plastic with molten salts containing aluminium chloride. These salts perform two jobs at once, acting as both the reaction medium and the catalyst that drives the chemical

conversion. The researchers have applied for a patent for the technology, and the findings were published in the Journal of the American Chemical Society. How Molten Salts Break Plastic Into Fuel To understand why the process works, the scientists closely tracked the chemical reactions that convert the polymer into fuel molecules. Using soft X-ray spectroscopy and nuclear magnetic resonance, the team found that charged aluminum atoms bind with three other atoms, creating highly acidic catalytic sites. These sites can attack the long molecular chains that make up polyethylene and split them into smaller hydrocarbon molecules, reported the ScienceDaily website. Additional experiments using isotopic labelling and neutron scattering showed how the structure of the starting polymer influences the resulting fuel. Simpler polymer chains tended to produce gasoline-like compounds, while more complex chains generated diesel-like fuels. If the method can eventually be scaled beyond laboratory experiments, the researchers say it could contribute

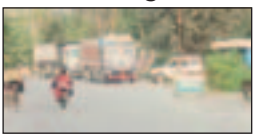


to U.S. energy security and strengthen industrial competitiveness. "We developed an efficient and selective polyethylene-to-gasoline conversion," said Liqi Qiu, a postdoctoral researcher at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, who performed most of the study's experiments in the ORNL laboratory of Sheng Dai, of ORNL and UTK. Dai, an ORNL Corporate Fellow and section head for separations and polymer chemistry, is a co-corresponding author of the paper. The experiments achieved a gasoline yield of about 60 percent under relatively mild reaction conditions. Plastic-to-Gasoline Conversion Below 200 Degrees Celsius One of the most notable features of the method is how little it requires compared with more conventional plastic-to-fuel technologies. "We converted polymer waste to value-added fuels by using commercially available inorganic salts as the reaction media to provide the catalytic sites," said Zhenzhen Yang, an ORNL staff scientist who was also a co-corresponding author of the paper, as quoted in ScienceDaily website.

"Unlike traditional techniques for converting polymer to fuel, the new process did not require noble-metal catalysts, organic solvents or external hydrogen. This is the first time molten salts were used as media to produce high-value-added chemicals from waste without any catalytic initiator or solvent and at a temperature below 200 degrees Celsius," added Zhenzhen. Researchers at the Department of Energy's Oak Ridge National Laboratory have developed a new way to transform polyethylene, one of the world's most common plastics, into gasoline- and diesel-like fuels. Polyethylene is widely used in products such as shopping bags and white plastic cutting boards, and large amounts of it ultimately end up as waste. The ORNL team's method combines the plastic with molten salts containing aluminum chloride. These salts perform two jobs at once, acting as both the reaction medium and the catalyst that drives the chemical conversion. The researchers have applied for a patent for the technology, and the findings were published in the Journal

NEWS BRIEF

Illegal mining checkpoints under scrutiny in Yamunanagar



PRITI SAINI SADHAURA: The checkpoints established by the administration to curb illegal mining in the Sadhaura and Bilaspur areas of Yamunanagar have themselves come under scrutiny. Allegations regarding the presence of outsiders and purported illegal extortion at these checkpoints—set up to monitor vehicles laden with mining material and ensure compliance with regulations—have raised questions about the functioning of the entire system. Locals allege that the very system designed to prevent illegal mining and transportation is being compromised, with rules being bypassed. Villagers allege that private individuals or outsiders, rather than departmental staff, are often seen manning some of the checkpoints located on routes connected to mining areas. The question arises: which official authorised these individuals to man the checkpoints, and what is their responsibility?

Trident Group partners with Panjab University for decarbonisation hackathon



KARANPREET KARAN BARNALA: Trident Group partnered with the University Institute of Chemical Engineering and Technology (Dr SSBUCET), Panjab University, Chandigarh, for DECARBONIX 1.0, a national-level hackathon focused on sustainability and industrial decarbonisation. The grand finale, held on September 18 and 19, brought together 23 finalist teams from leading institutions across the country to work on real-world industrial decarbonisation challenges. The finalists were selected from a nationwide preliminary round that saw participation from 174 teams representing 86 institutions across 21 states and Union Territories. Teams from IIT Roorkee, IIT Jammu, IIT Mandi, NIT Jalandhar, NIT Hamirpur, Anna University, Lovely Professional University and Panjab University, among others, participated in the competition. The hackathon challenged participants to identify decarbonisation opportunities at an integrated textile and paper manufacturing campus and develop practical, economically viable solutions with potential for implementation. DECARBONIX 1.0 was organised by UICET, Panjab University, while Trident Group supported the initiative as industry partner and prize money sponsor.

Katla Ramlila's 129th Shri Hanuman Dharma flag hoisting ceremony today

MAHENDER GOYAL HISAR: 129th Shri Hanuman Dharma Flag Hoisting Ceremony of Shri Ramlila Committee, Katla, dedicated to Lord Shri Ram, will be held on September 23. Vinod Gupta, President of Shri Ramlila Committee, Katla said that Dharma flag will be duly worshipped at Jai Siyaram Temple, Katla at 9:15 am on September 23. Afterward, Dharma Flag Hoisting ceremony will proceed from Katla, passing through city's main markets and reach Ramlila Ground at Old Government College Ground. Dharma flag will be hoisted there with due rituals.President Vinod Gupta said that Shri Ramlila Committee Katla's Secretary Lalit Goyal, Treasurer Ramesh Kumar Lohiya, Vice President Anoop Bindal, and Co-Secretary Rajkumar Jain will be present at flag hoisting ceremony.Along with them, executive members Vinod Kansal, Rajesh Bansal, Radheshyam Agarwal, Dinesh Jain, Praveen Singal and Chandrabhan Soni will be present specially. Life members and religious devotees will also attend the function and express their faith towards their deity. He told that with installation of Dharma Dhwaaja on September 24, preparations for Katla Ramlila and 129th Vijay Dashmi Mahotsav will begin.



Congress workers' meet in Balla on Sep 24

JAGBIR UPLANA ASSANDH: A block-level Congress workers' conference will be held in Balla on September 24, with Rohtak MP Deepender Singh Hooda scheduled to address the gathering, party leader Sher Pratap Sheri said. Hooda will attend the conference as the chief guest, while Congress Haryana in-charge Jitendra Baghel will be the guest of honour. Congress District President (Rural) Dr Rajesh Vaid will preside over the event, Sheri said. Sheri, former president of the Haryana Kisan Congress, said party workers would accord a warm welcome to Hooda and Baghel on their arrival in Balla. He said there was considerable enthusiasm among party workers ahead of the conference and urged them to participate in large numbers. Sheri said workers had a key role in strengthening the organisation and called upon them to work with responsibility and dedication. He also alleged that people from different sections of society were facing difficulties due to the policies of the BJP government and expressed confidence in the Congress' prospects in the state. Sheri appealed to party workers to make the conference a success through their active participation.



Total of 55 units blood collected in camp

NIRMAL SAINI RADAUR: A blood donation camp was organized at Government ITI Nachraun under the Seva Sankalp Abhiyan. The event was presided over by Principal Satish Kumar. A total of 55 units of blood were collected at the camp. Principal Satish Kumar said that blood donation was the greatest donation. There is no donation



greater than this. The blood given by us helps save someone's life. We all should resolve that no one loses the battle for life due to a shortage of blood. Everyone should participate enthusiastically in such camps and donate blood. He said that young people should stay away from fights and drugs and take part in noble acts like blood donation.

Those demanding money from appointees will have to rot in jail: CM Yogi



with the important responsibility of fulfilling the resolve of Prime Minister Narendra Modi for a self-reliant and developed India." Chief Minister stated, "Today, appointment letters are being given to 3,567 candidates and in the past one week, I have distributed appointment letters to 5,297 youths. In the past nine years, appointment letters have been distributed to 9.5 lakh youths. We have told the 'Saifai Syndicate' that we will keep giving appointment letters; let them keep

counting." The CM remarked sarcastically, "If they do not know how to count, let them sit in the company of Shivalp ji; they will learn counting very well." CM referred to an interview of a young man who recently received an appointment letter. He said, "His eyes were filled with tears and he told us that he had applied for this post in 2015-16 as well. They demanded 08 lakh rupees from him. He sold his field and brought the money, but by then another

person, ready to pay more, had come, and he was deprived of the job. Today, his dream has come true and he has been appointed to the same post for which he had applied. The entire process was canceled and that youth received an appointment letter." Chief Minister stated, "Government has provided cashless medical facilities to all teachers. This facility has also been extended to teachers and non-teaching staff of government-aided schools. In Basic Education, cooks, Shikshamitras and other related personnel have also been provided this benefit so that they can work without worry. No teacher should face any difficulty in joining. If any manager has any query, they may place it before the government. Still, after receiving the appointment letter, if anyone talks about any transaction with any Principal, Headmaster, Lecturer or teacher, that person will have to rot in jail. We will be forced to take very strict action." CM stated, "In nine years, 9.5 lakh youths have been given government jobs.

Special grievance redressal camp held at Samalkha MC office under Seva Sankalp Abhiyan

ARVIND KUMAR SAMLAHA, SEPT 22

Under the Seva Sankalp Abhiyan, the district administration, while advancing the initiative of taking the administration to the doorsteps of the people for resolving public grievances, organized a special grievance redressal camp on Tuesday at the Samalkha Municipal Council office. At the camp, SDM Samalkha Amit Kumar, along with officials from various departments, heard the problems of the public and directed the concerned officials to take necessary action on the spot. The camp took cognizance of the grievances of around 148 people. A large number of citizens who attended the camp raised issues related to various public welfare schemes, including the Lado Lakshmi Scheme, pension, Aadhaar card updates, BPL cards, pucca houses, the marriage gift scheme, and the Dr. B.R. Ambedkar scholarship scheme. Taking the complaints seriously, the officials initiated action on the spot in the related matters and forwarded the process of



ensuring that eligible beneficiaries receive the benefits of the schemes. SDM Amit Kumar said that the core objective of the Seva Sankalp Abhiyan was to reduce the distance between the administration and the general public. It is the administration's priority that eligible persons should not have to make unnecessary rounds of offices to avail their rights and government scheme benefits. He directed the officials to treat every complaint received at the camp seriously and ensure prompt action in accordance with the rules.

Two held for AePS fraud using Aadhaar biometrics in Panipat



RAKESH BHAYANA PANIPAT: The Cyber Police here have arrested two men for allegedly withdrawing money from Aadhaar-linked bank accounts using biometric data and fake banking correspondent IDs, police said. The accused have been identified as Sakib and Hariom. Police said a third person, Mohammad Ishtiaq, a resident of Bihar, is also allegedly involved in the racket. The arrests were made by a team of the Cyber Police Station under the supervision of Additional Superintendent of Police Harshit Goyal and SHO Ajay Kumar. The investigation began after a complaint was received about an unauthorised withdrawal of Rs 2,000 through the Aadhaar Enabled Payment System (AePS). The complainant told police that he had neither shared an OTP nor received any suspicious link. Police traced the transaction to a bank account in Vidyanand Colony, which they said had been opened by Sakib.

Sports teach discipline, team spirit, and patience: Gulab Saini



ARVIND KUMAR SAMALKHA: The CBSE National Girls' Archery Championship (Under-14, Under-17, and Under-19 categories) for the 2026-27 session was grandly inaugurated at Delhi Public School (DPS) Panipat City. Approximately 500 players from various schools across the country and abroad are showcasing their talent in this seven-day national-level competition, which runs from September 21 to September 27. The school campus witnessed a magnificent confluence of sporting talent and enthusiasm during the opening ceremony. Gulab Singh Saini—former Chairman (South Asia), current Chairman of the Asian Kabaddi Federation, and Advisor to the Opposition in Canada—attended the opening ceremony as the chief guest. He was accompanied by several dignitaries, including Satyendra Singh Boora (President of Boora Khap Rohtak, Junior President of EQRM AI Mart Pvt. Ltd., and social activist); Hisam Singh Saini (Chairman of Bhagwan Mahavir Sports Foundation Society, social activist, Director for South Asia, and Advisor to the Opposition); CBSE Observer Sumit Chaudhary; Technical Representative Laxman Verma; Tournament Director Nagesh; and Academic Head Naresh Sharma.

5-year-old boy rescued five days after abduction in Panipat



RAKESH BHAYANA PANIPAT: A five-year-old boy, who was allegedly abducted from a colony here on September 15, was rescued safely after a five-day search operation and two persons were arrested in connection with the case, police said. The accused have been identified as Shankar, a native of Shahjahanpur in Uttar Pradesh, and Suraj of Sitapur, they said. Superintendent of Police Medha Bhushan said teams of the Crime Investigation Agency (CIA), Old Industrial Area police station and cyber unit worked jointly to trace the child. More than 100 CCTV cameras were examined and around 30 police personnel were deployed during the operation, she said. The boy was reported missing from Purewal Colony around 7 pm on September 15, following which a case was registered at Old Industrial Area police station under FIR No. 418. Police initially tracked the child's movements forward from the spot where he was allegedly abducted. When this did not yield results, investigators examined CCTV footage backwards, scrutinising recordings from shops, banks, ATMs and intersections.

Panipat Cooperative Sugar Mill wins national award for technical efficiency

RAKESH BHAYANA PANIPAT, SEPT 22

The Panipat Cooperative Sugar Mill at Dahar has won the first prize at the national level in the technical efficiency category for its performance during the 2025-26 crushing season. The award was presented at a national awards ceremony held at the Dr Ambedkar International Centre in New Delhi on Tuesday. Panipat deputy commissioner and chairman of the Panipat Cooperative Sugar Mill, Dr Harish Kumar Vashisht, received the award from Union minister Nitin Gadkari. The mill recorded 94.61% capacity utilisation during the 2025-26 crushing season, earning the top honour for technical efficiency. During the season, the mill crushed 61.50 lakh quintals of sugarcane and produced 5.62 lakh quintals of sugar. It also generated electricity and sold power worth around Rs.



29 crore, officials said. The performance of cooperative sugar mills across the country was evaluated for the 2025-26 efficiency awards by the National Federation of Cooperative Sugar Factories. Based on the assessment, an awards selection committee headed by the chief director (Sugar), Government of India, finalised the results.

Kishau Dam Project agreement decisive and historic: Kewal Singh Pathania

SUBHASH MAHAJAN CHAMBA: Deputy Chief Whip Kewal Singh Pathania, in a press conference held on Tuesday, shared detailed information on the state government's various developmental achievements, pending financial authorizations, and important issues related to Chamba district. He said that under the leadership of Chief Minister Thakur Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu, the state government was continuously striving to protect the interests of Himachal Pradesh, strengthen financial resources, and give new impetus to development. Describing the agreement regarding the Kishau Dam Project as a decisive and historic



step for Himachal Pradesh, he stated that this project will provide significant economic benefits to the state. He stated that according to the agreement, Himachal Pradesh will receive 211 megawatts of electricity generated from the Kishau Dam. The estimated cost of generating this electricity was thousands of crores of rupees, but now Himachal Pradesh will not have to bear this expense. The respective states using the water will bear this expense. He stated that the state government gave

top priority to Himachal Pradesh's interests in the agreement regarding the Kishau Project and, after lengthy negotiations, ensured a significant decision in the state's favor. He stated that according to estimates, the Kishau Power Project was initially expected to generate approximately Rs. 600 crore in revenue, while after completion, according to current estimates, Himachal Pradesh is expected to receive approximately Rs. 1,200 crore annually.

Public awareness program organised in Dhanaura Jagir village as part of "Seva Sankalp" campaign



MAINPAL KASHYAP INDRI: A public awareness program was organized in Dhanaura Jagir village of Garhi Birbal Mandal under the chairmanship of Mandal President Sanjay Kamboj as part of the "Seva Sankalp" campaign. The program aimed to raise awareness among villagers about the ill effects of drug abuse and the importance of a clean and safe environment. Senior BJP leader Dharampal Shandilya and Block Committee Chairman representative Balinder Kataria addressed the villagers as keynote speakers. The speakers stated that drug abuse poses a serious challenge to society, especially the future of the younger generation. To keep youth away from drug abuse, families, society, and youth need to jointly launch awareness campaigns. Emphasizing environmental protection, they said that a clean environment was the foundation of a healthy life. Every individual should contribute to planting trees, caring for them, and maintaining cleanliness around them. On this occasion, Sarpanch representative Jagir Singh, General Secretary Balwan Kashyap, Amit Singhmar, Sanjay Sharma, Ravindra Tyagi, Neetu, Mahavir Sharma, Deepak Kashyap, Rajkumar Kashyap, Panchayat Samiti member Rajpal Kashyap, along with many other prominent citizens and villagers from the area were present.



Lieutenant Governor of Andaman and Nicobar Islands Dr Dinesh Sharma paid a courtesy call on Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi.

LG India Unveils New Range of Semi-Automatic Washing Machines
LUDHIANA - LG Electronics India Limited has launched a new range of semi-automatic washing machines, combining powerful washing performance, smart convenience, durable construction and bold premium design. The lineup comprises 15 models in 8kg to 12kg capacities, catering to varied family sizes and laundry needs. Exports of the AX Semi-Automatic Washing Machines are scheduled to begin in 2027, targeting more than 10 countries. Young Min Hwang, Head of the Home Appliances Solution Sales Division, LG Electronics India Limited, said, "The new range brings together trusted technology, durable engineering, premium design and smart features that make everyday laundry easier and more convenient."The new washing machines feature Dual Spin Shower, Roller Jet Pulsator+, Ultra Scrub Wall, Smart Lin Filter and Wind Jet Dry+. These technologies help rinse out detergent more effectively, remove stubborn stains and lint, and reduce excess moisture to help clothes dry faster.Select models come with a Toughened Glass Lid, soft-closing mechanism and premium colour options. The machines are manufactured at LG's smart factory in Greater Noida.

Croma Makes iPhone 18 Pro Accessible with Blackbuster Offers Starting at ₹1,24,900
GURUGRAM: Croma, India's leading omni-channel electronics retailer from the Tata Group, today announced launch offers on tacroess Apple Watch and AirPods. Available nationwide across Croma stores, croma.com, the Tata Neu app and Big Basket, customers can unlock meaningful savings through a combination of exchange benefits and up to 10% savings on HDFC Tata Neu card.he iPhone 18 Pro lineup, along with savings iPhone 18 Pro 256 GB available in stores at ₹1,24,900*. How to get this offer: Avail up to ₹7,000 bank cashback on select credit cards Exchange your old iPhone14 128GB for up to ₹24,000 (depending on condition and model) Avail up to ₹12,000* exchange bonus Similarly, the iPhone 18 Pro Max 256GB, is available in stores at ₹1,39,900*. How to get this offer: Avail up to ₹7,000 bank cashback on select credit cards.

BHIM Payments App Introduces MyUPI to Simplify UPI Support, Mandate Management and Safety Controls for Users
LUDHIANA: NPCI BHIM Services Limited (NBSL), a wholly owned subsidiary of the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), today announced the introduction of MyUPI, a conversational AI-powered assistant on the BHIM Payments App. MyUPI offers BHIM users simple, 24/7 multilingual support for their UPI-related needs, helping make payments safer, more convenient and easier to manage. Users can view transaction history, raise and track complaints, view and manage mandates set up through any UPI app, de-link their mobile number, and access fraud-awareness assistance in one place. MyUPI was launched by NPCI at Global Fintech Fest 2026. For users, MyUPI makes it easier to get assistance and take relevant action without having to look across multiple support channels.

OnePlus N6 Lite Launches in India, Bringing a 'Powerfully Big' Experience with 7,000mAh Battery, 120Hz Display and AI-Powered Features
LUDHIANA/ AMRITSAR : - Global technology brand OnePlus today launched the OnePlus N6 Lite, bringing its 'Powerfully Big' proposition to more users with a massive 7,000mAh battery, leading 120Hz display, 36-Month Fluency Protection, and military-grade durability. Effectively priced at INR 16,249*, the OnePlus N6 Lite is available in two stunning colour options, Midnight Hype and Neo Green. The open sale begins today, 22 September 2026, 12 PM IST onwards across OnePlus.in, the OnePlus Store App, amazon.in, OnePlus Experience Stores and select retail outlets across India. The battery supports up to 26.8 hours of video playback, 29.9 hours of Google Maps navigation and 55.5 hours of phone calling, giving users more time to stream, browse, navigate and stay connected.

Hero EcoMed launches its care premier outlets
LUDHIANA / PHAGWARA: Hero EcoMed, part of the Hero Eco Group, a trusted healthcare equipment brand focused on mobility and home-care solutions, is strengthening its retail presence across India with the launch of its Care Premier outlets across Delhi/NCR, Kolkata, Lucknow, Ludhiana, Phagwara, Kanpur, Moradabad and Agra to start with. Mr. Shivom Munjal, Company spokesperson, Hero EcoMed while commenting on the expansion said, "We believe mobility is about far more than equipment, it is about enabling people to go about their daily lives with independence, confidence and dignity. Trust is not something we ask for, it is something we work to earn with every family we serve. Our presence across these first eight cities is an endeavour to make access to the right mobility solutions personal and reassuring for families and caregivers. We want to ensure that everyone walking into our store feels heard, understood and cared for. They must walk out with the confidence of having made the right choice for their loved one."

Axis Max Life Insurance unveiled the findings of IRIS 6.0
AMRITSAR: Axis Max Life Insurance Limited unveiled the findings of the sixth edition of its annual Bharosa Talks India Retirement Index Study (IRIS 6.0), conducted in partnership with Kantar. The study reveals a fundamental shift in how urban India is imagining retirement: Indians increasingly want to retire earlier and are beginning to think about retirement sooner, but the financial journey from aspiration to preparedness remains substantial. India's overall retirement preparedness remained resilient this year, with the Bharosa Talks IRIS 6.0 score of 49 in 2026, compared with 48 in 2025 and 44 in 2022. Financial preparedness score improved marginally to 52 from 51, health preparedness score remained unchanged at 46, while emotional preparedness score stood at 57 compared with 58 last year.

LG India Introduces New Range of Semi-Automatic Washing Machines
SHIMLA: LG Electronics India Limited today announced the launch of its new range of Semi-Automatic Washing Machines, designed to deliver powerful washing performance, smarter convenience, durable construction and bold premium design. Available across 15 models in 8 kg to 12 kg capacities, the new lineup offers Indian consumers greater choice across family sizes, laundry needs and design preferences. Exports of AX Semi-Automatic Washing Machines are scheduled to begin in 2027, targeting over 10 countries globally. With this launch, LG is redefining expectations from the semi-automatic washing machine category by addressing everyday laundry challenges such as detergent residue, lint, stubborn stains, slow drying and fragile lids. The range brings together practical innovation and stylish design to make laundry simpler, faster and more effective. Young Min Hwang- Home Appliances Solution Sales Division Leader, LG Electronics India Limited said The new Semi-Automatic Washing Machine range is designed for consumers who expect more from everyday laundry.

AAP Government's Gift to Sanatani Devotees: 'Hamare Ram' to be Staged at PAU on September 25 & 26



SARBJIT SUFI
LUDHIANA: Punjab Government Cabinet Minister Hardeep Singh Mundian and Advisor for Culture and Tourism Deepak Bali announced that four shows of the play 'Hamare Ram' will be held at the Dr Manmohan Singh Auditorium of Punjab Agricultural University on September 25 & 26. Famous actor Ashutosh Rana will play the role of Ravana in the play. The show will be completely free of cost. Cabinet Minister Hardeep Singh Mundian said that there would be two shows of 'Hamare Ram' each day on September 25 & 26 at the Dr Manmohan Singh Auditorium of PAU, one at 2:00 PM in the afternoon and the other at

6:00 PM in the evening. Minister Mundian appealed to the entire people of Ludhiana to must watch this show as renowned artists are participating in it. He said that in the live show on the history of Lord Shri Ram and his life, famous actor Ashutosh Rana Ji will also play a role. Advisor for Culture and Tourism Deepak Bali, while giving detailed information about the 'Hamare Ram' show, said that Punjab is the birthplace of Sanatan and the entire intellectual journey of the Rigveda, Ramayana, Upanishads, Puranas and Mahabharata began from this land of Punjab. Bali said that just as the

government celebrated the 350th year of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib, the 650th year of Guru Ravidas Ji is being celebrated, and evenings dedicated to Lord Shiva, similarly, 'Hamare Ram' is now being organised. Bali said that the Ramayana is a better way of life that inspires us to live a good life. He said that for the first time, the complete Ramayana is being presented in this manner through the play 'Hamare Ram', in which all four chapters, Aranya Kand, Luv-Kush Kand, Sundar Kand and Yuddh Kand, have been shown. He said that the Ramayana tells us how a son should obey his father's command and fulfill one's

duty. Deepak Bali said that 41 shows of 'Hamare Ram' have been organised across Punjab by Hon'ble Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann. The first show began in Mohali and gradually, the show was held in different parts of Punjab. Bali said that India's renowned theatre artist and writer, a highly scholarly personality, Ashutosh Rana is playing the role of Ravana in it, while Rahul K. Bhuchar is playing the role of Lord Ram. He said that this is an extraordinary live show that one may never have seen before. He said that when Lord Ram meets Luv-Kush, when he goes into 14 years of exile, the dialogue between Maharaj Dashrath and Lord Ram, and when Ravana dies, the dialogue between Ravana and Lakshman, all these are very emotional moments that tell us what things are important and necessary in life. Bali said that in any part of India, a ticket for this play costs ₹10,000 per person, but here, for the promotion and propagation of Sanatan and to teach people a better way of life, Hon'ble Chief Minister Sardar Bhagwant Singh Mann is showing it free of cost.

LG India Unveils New Range of Semi-Automatic Washing Machines



CHANDIGARH : LG Electronics India Limited has launched a new range of semi-automatic washing machines, combining powerful washing performance, smart convenience, durable construction and bold premium design. The lineup comprises 15 models in 8kg to 12kg capacities, catering to varied family sizes and laundry needs. Exports of the AX Semi-Automatic Washing Machines are scheduled to begin in 2027, targeting more than 10 countries. Young Min Hwang, Head of the Home Appliances Solution Sales Division, LG Electronics India Limited, said, "The new range brings together trusted technology, durable engineering, premium design and smart features that make everyday laundry easier and more convenient."The new washing machines feature Dual Spin Shower, Roller Jet Pulsator+, Ultra Scrub Wall, Smart Lin Filter and Wind Jet Dry+. These technologies help rinse out detergent more effectively, remove stubborn stains and lint, and reduce excess moisture to help clothes dry faster.Select models come with a Toughened Glass Lid, soft-closing mechanism and premium colour options. The machines are manufactured at LG's smart factory in Greater Noida, where automation, robotics, artificial intelligence-based inspection and stringent quality testing are used to ensure reliable performance and consistent quality.

Kia India Launches Factory-Fitted Carens CNG at INR 12.11 Lakh and Carens Clavis CNG at INR 12.38 Lakh



CHANDIGARH: Kia India, one of the country's leading mass-premium automakers, today announced the prices of the Carens CNG and Carens Clavis CNG, further strengthening its multi-powertrain portfolio and offering customers greater choice aligned with their diverse mobility needs. Priced from INR 1,21,800 (ex-showroom), the new factory-fitted CNG variants combine the practicality and versatility of Kia's three-row portfolio with the convenience and efficiency of CNG mobility. The introduction of CNG options across

the Carens and Carens Clavis combines the everyday practicality and efficiency associated with CNG mobility with the space, comfort and versatility of Kia's three-row portfolio. With the CNG system integrated as a factory-fitted offering, Kia aims to provide customers with a convenient and reliable ownership proposition suited to everyday urban commuting as well as family mobility requirements. Commenting on the announcement, Mr. Atul Sood, Senior Vice President - Marketing & Sales, Kia India, said,

BHIM Payments App Introduces MyUPI to Simplify UPI Support

SHIMLA: NPCI BHIM Services Limited (NBSL), a wholly owned subsidiary of the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), today announced the introduction of MyUPI, a conversational AI-powered assistant on the BHIM Payments App. MyUPI offers BHIM users simple, 24/7 multilingual support for their UPI-related needs, helping make payments safer, more convenient and easier to manage. Users can view transaction history, raise and track complaints, view and manage mandates set up through any UPI app, de-link their mobile number, and access fraud-awareness assistance in one place. MyUPI was launched by NPCI at Global Fintech Fest 2026. For users, MyUPI makes it easier to get assistance and take relevant action without having to look across multiple support channels. MyUPI enables users to converse in everyday language, making it easier to explain what they need without filling

detailed forms or going through multiple back-and-forth interactions. MyUPI currently supports English, Hindi, Telugu, Tamil and Bengali, with more regional languages planned over time. It is available round the clock within the BHIM Payments App, with all payment-related actions continuing to require user authentication through the UPI PIN. Ms. Lalitha Nataraj, MD and CEO, NPCI BHIM Services Limited, said, "As digital payments continue to become more integral to everyday life, trust must remain at the heart of every interaction. MyUPI strengthens the BHIM Payments App with a proactive trust layer that enables users to seek information, resolve concerns and take timely action with greater clarity and confidence. By making this experience conversational, multilingual and accessible, we are advancing BHIM's mission of making digital payments easy to use and inclusive for every Indian."

AceVector Limited's IPO to open on September 25, 2026



GURUGRAM: AceVector Limited ("AceVector" or the "Company"), announces that the Bid / Offer Opening Date in relation to its initial public offering of its Equity Shares ("Offer") will be Friday, September 25, 2026. The Anchor Investor Bidding Date shall be Thursday, September 24, 2026 The Price Band is fixed at ₹30 to ₹32 per equity share of face value of ₹1 each ("Equity Share"). The Offer comprises a fresh issue of such number of Equity Shares by the Company aggregating up to ₹2,870.00 million (the "Fresh Issue") and an offer for sale of up to 41,562,500 Equity Shares (the "Offer for Sale") by certain existing shareholders of the Company (the "Selling Shareholders"). The Company proposes to utilise the net proceeds from Fresh Issuetowards (i) funding a portion of the marketing and business promotion expense of the Marketplace business of the Company, (ii) funding the technology infrastructure costs of the Marketplace business of the Company, and (iii) funding inorganic growth through acquisitions and general corporate purposes (the "Objects of the Offer"). The Offer for Sale comprises of up to 27,607,082 Equity Shares by Starfish I Pte. Ltd. ("Promoter Selling Shareholder"), up to 7,391,113 Equity Shares by Nexus India Direct Investments II, up to 1,740,528 Equity Shares by FIH Business Global Pte. Ltd. (formerly known as Wonderful Star Pte. Ltd.).

ASUS strengthens Chandigarh retail presence with the launch of its first Pegasus Hybrid Store in India



CHANDIGARH: As part of its continued efforts to strengthen its retail presence across India, ASUS India, the Taiwanese technology giant, today announced the launch of its new Pegasus Hybrid Store in Chandigarh. Located at SCO 27, Sector 20-D, Chandigarh, the new store spans 800 sq. ft. and introduces ASUS' new Hybrid Store design, marking the first such store format in India. The store will offer consumers an extensive portfolio of ASUS products across categories, including Vivoobook, TUF, Republic of Gamers (ROG), All-in-One PCs, Desktops, ASUS tablets and a wide range of accessories such as mice, keyboards, adapters and more. The new store further expands ASUS' retail presence in Chandigarh, taking the total number of ASUS stores in the city to three. The launch also marks an expansion of ASUS' retail network in the Punjab branch, which now comprises one ASUS Exclusive Store (AES), one Hybrid Store and the newly launched Pegasus Hybrid Store. The new store brings together ASUS' consumer, gaming and creator-focused portfolio under one roof, providing customers with an opportunity to explore and experience a diverse range of ASUS products in an immersive retail environment. The store also features dedicated gaming experience with six high-end ROG laptops, allowing customers to experience ROG gaming firsthand. Customers can reserve a gaming seat through ROGVerse or simply walk into the store and enjoy the gaming experience. Talking about the expansion Arnold Su, Vice President, Consumer & Gaming PC, ASUS India, said, "The launch of our first Pegasus Hybrid Store in India marks an important step in our retail expansion journey."

OnePlus N6 Lite Launches in India

CHANDIGARH : Global technology brand OnePlus today launched the OnePlus N6 Lite, bringing its 'Powerfully Big' proposition to more users with a massive 7,000mAh battery, leading 120Hz display, 36-Month Fluency Protection, and military-grade durability.Effectively priced at INR 16,249*, the OnePlus N6 Lite is available in two stunning colour options, Midnight Hype and Neo Green. The open sale begins today, 22 September 2026, 12 PM IST onwards across OnePlus.in, the OnePlus Store App, amazon.in, OnePlus Experience Stores and select retail outlets across India.The OnePlus N6 Lite packs a massive 7,000mAh battery, delivering up to three days of power use on a single charge. The battery supports up to 26.8 hours of video playback, 29.9 hours of Google Maps navigation and 55.5 hours of phone calling, giving users more time to stream, browse, navigate and stay connected. To make the most of the massive battery, the OnePlus N6 Lite supports Reverse Charging (wired), letting users share power with other devices, including their OnePlus audio products. Built for long-term reliability, the battery is engineered to retain over 80% health after six years, tested through 1,600 charge cycles.The OnePlus N6 Lite features a large 6.75-inch HD+ display with a leading 120Hz refresh rate, enabling smoother scrolling and more responsive interactions. With a brightness of up to 900 nits, the display offers clear viewing across indoor and outdoor conditions. Aqua Touch further helps maintain touch responsiveness.

Dual Recognition for Jindal Stainless at CII National Energy Management Awards 2026



HISAR: Jindal Stainless has received dual recognition at the CII National Award for Excellence in Energy Management 2026, with its Jajpur and Hisar manufacturing units being honoured for their contributions to energy efficiency and sustainable operations. The awards recognise the company's ongoing efforts to integrate energy-efficient technologies, process innovation, and resource optimisation across its manufacturing operations. The Jajpur unit was conferred the 'Excellent Energy Efficient Organization' Award, while the Hisar unit received the 'Excellent Energy-Efficient Unit' Award. Organised by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), the awards recognise organisations demonstrating excellence in energy management, conservation, innovation, and sustainable industrial practices. Commenting on the achievement Managing Director, Jindal Stainless, Mr Abhyuday Dindal, said, "At Jindal Stainless, sustainability and operational excellence go hand in hand. The recognition of our Jajpur and Hisar units at the CII National Awards reflects the commitment of our teams to responsible manufacturing, continuous innovation, and prudent resource utilisation."

Dreame Technology Launches Flagship X60 Ultra Complete Robot Vacuum in India

CHANDIGARH : Dreame Technology, a global leader in smart home innovation, today announced the launch of its flagship Dreame X60 Ultra Complete robot vacuum in India — Dreame's thinnest robot vacuum with the highest suction in its category, delivering a new generation of whole-home cleaning designed to be more intelligent, adaptive, and autonomous.The Dreame X60 Ultra Complete is engineered to understand its surroundings, reach spaces other robots may miss, overcome challenging obstacles, and adapt its cleaning approach in real time. The Dreame X60 Ultra Complete will be available at INR 1,34,999 across Amazon India from September 27, 2026 and the Dreame India official website from September 22, 2026. It will also be available on Croma and select retail stores. Manu Sharma, Managing Director, Dreame Technology India, said, "We are entering a new phase in the evolution of intelligent home technology, where the Dreame X60 Ult cleaning technol technology is not just aut future feel practical and effortless for consumers, beginning with the way they clean their homes. We are entering the future of Smart Living with our new launch."



Airtel enhances its Postpaid Offering by adding Apple's newly expanded iCloud+ with Apple TV and Apple Arcade

CHANDIGARH: Bharti Airtel, one of India's leading telecommunications service providers, has announced that it is further enhancing its ₹999 and higher family postpaid plans with Apple's iCloud+, which now also includes Apple TV and Apple Arcade, offering greater value and another reason for its customers to upgrade. Airtel's latest postpaid offering combines Apple's newly expanded iCloud+ offerings, which offers secure storage and sharing of personal content, as well as access to Apple TV's award-winning originals, and hundreds of incredibly fun games through Apple Arcade. The new offering is available for Airtel customers on family plans of ₹999 and above. With iCloud+, millions of Airtel postpaid customers will be able to store, sync and access their photos, files, passwords, contacts and other important information across their Apple devices. Their data will also be securely backed up, making it easier to set up a new device

while keeping their digital life connected and accessible. Apple TV gives access to Apple's premium original series and movies, while Apple Arcade offers unlimited access to a catalogue of games without ads or in-app purchases. The ₹999 family postpaid plan offers a family of three with unlimited data with Fastlane technology, spam protection and is loaded with access to entertainment subscriptions. With the addition of

Apple's iCloud+, Apple TV and Apple Arcade, the plan now brings even more value to families, combining connectivity, entertainment, gaming and cloud storage in a single postpaid plan offering one more reason for customers to upgrade and get greater value from their postpaid plan. Customers can easily upgrade to these plans through the Airtel App or by visiting any Airtel store. Amit Tripathi, Director Market Ops- Bharti Airtel, said: "At Airtel, we are constantly looking at ways to make our customers' lives simpler while creating more differentiated value through our propositions. Our family postpaid plans are designed around this belief — bringing together connectivity, entertainment and digital experiences that matter to the entire family, all through a single plan. With the addition of Apple's iCloud+, Apple TV and Apple Arcade to our family postpaid plan offerings, we are taking this proposition a step further, giving customers.

Sunil Dutt's niece Mamta Dutt joins JDU Punjab

CHANDIGARH: The Punjab unit of Nitish Kumar-led Janata Dal (United) on Tuesday announced a formal alliance with the Shiromani Akali Dal Sri Anandpur Sahib (SADSAS) and welcomed Mamta Dutt, niece of late actor and politician Sunil Dutt, into the party at a press conference at the Chandigarh Press Club. JDU Punjab president Malvinder Singh Benipal, SADSAS president Davinder Singh and general secretary Gurdarshan Singh said the alliance would work towards bringing together like-minded political forces and building a common platform in Punjab. They said the two parties would jointly raise issues concerning Punjab and its people and strengthen their organisational presence across the state.



Benipal said JDU Punjab, as of now, plans to contest all 117 Assembly seats in Punjab, with its main organisational focus on the Majha, Doaba, Ludhiana, GT Road and Rajpura-Patiala belts. Mamta Dutt, who has worked in the corporate sector and

Chandigarh register comprehensive 241-run win over J&K in U-23 multi-day match

CHANDIGARH: UT boys produced a commanding all-round performance to defeat Jammu & Kashmir by 241 runs in the U-23 multi-day match at the Sector 16 Cricket Stadium here. After posting 300 in their first innings, Chandigarh declared at 439/7 in the second innings and then bowled out J&K for 243 and 255 to complete a comprehensive victory. Put into bat after J&K opted to field, Chandigarh were anchored by a century from Nikhil Kumar (110) and Captain-wicket keeper Aarush Bhandari (73) Chandigarh were bowled out for 300. J&K's first innings revolved around Basil Nair (121) but Chandigarh's bowlers kept the rest of the batting line-up under control. Sahil Kumar (51/6) was the standout bowler, claiming six wickets as J&K were dismissed for 243, giving Chandigarh a 57-run first-innings lead. Chandigarh then took complete control in their second innings which witnessed - Raghav Verma (184) and Aarush Bhandari (128) as team declared at 439/7 setting J&K a daunting target. Chasing 497 for victory, J&K made a positive start but eventually bowled out for 255 in 53.3 overs. Aarav Gupta (44) and Kamakhsh Sharma (39) were the top scorers. Chetan Redhu led the attack in the second innings, taking four wickets for 82 runs resulting in a convincing 241-run victory for Chandigarh.

The legendary Tata Sierra now Available in iconic #dark

CHANDIGARH: TATA.CARS, India's leading SUV manufacturer, today announced the introduction of the Tata Sierra #DARK, a bold and exclusive expression of India's iconic Premium Mid-SUV. Starting at ₹13.99 lakh*, the Sierra #DARK pairs a specially curated Friesian Black exterior with a premium Violet Eclipse interior cabin theme and distinctive Purple Chrome detailing, creating a striking and unmistakable identity while preserving the feature-rich, indulgent experience that defines the Sierra. Building on the Sierra's role in



commanding presence and complete feature experience that define the Sierra, it also carries forward the celebrated legacy of TATA.CARS' #DARK range, which has earned a strong following for its bold design, distinctive character and exclusivity. Speaking on the introduction of the Tata Sierra #DARK, Mr. Vivek Srivatsa, Chief Commercial Officer, Tata Passenger Electric Mobility Ltd., said: "The #DARK range has become one of the most sought-after expressions in our portfolio, resonating strongly with customers who value exclusivity and distinctive design. As the SUV that created the Premium Mid-SUV segment in India, the Sierra has always stood apart through its iconic design and commanding presence."

Orient Cables (India) Limited IPO to open on September 25, 2026



GURUGRAM : Orient Cables (India) Limited (the "Company") shall open its Bid / Offer in relation to its initial public offer of Equity Shares on Friday, September 25, 2026, and close on Tuesday, September 29, 2026. The Anchor Investor Bid Offer Period shall be Thursday, September 24, 2026. The Price Band is fixed at ₹258 to ₹272 per equity share of face value of ₹1 each ("Equity Share"). The Offer comprises a fresh issue of such number of Equity Shares (face value ₹1 each) by the Company aggregating up to ₹3,200.00 million (the "Fresh Issue") and offer for sale of up to ₹2,320.00 million ("Offered Shares") by certain existing shareholders (the "Promoter Selling Shareholders"). The total offer size is aggregating up to ₹5,520.00 million. The Offered Shares comprises up to Equity Shares of face value of ₹1 each aggregating up to ₹2,320.00 million, comprising of ₹672.00 million by Vipul Nagpal, up to ₹157.00 million by Garima Nagpal, up to ₹520.00 million by Vipul Family Trust and up to ₹971.00 million by Garima Family Trust ("Promoter Selling Shareholders") The Company proposes to utilise net proceeds from Fresh Issue of Equity Shares, estimated at ₹3,200.00 million towards (i) funding of capital expenditure requirements of the Company towards purchase of machinery.

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