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NEWS BRIEF

Haryana announces 80 pc subsidy on organic fertilisers

CHARKHI DADRI: The Haryana Government has reopened the crop compensation portal until November 14 to allow farmers in 11 villages of Charkhi Dadri district to register crop losses caused by the October 23 hailstorm. The government has also announced subsidies of up to 80 per cent on organic fertiliser purchases to promote natural farming. Deputy Commissioner Mandeep Kaur said the decision to extend the registration deadline followed requests from farmers who could not upload details of their damaged crops due to poor internet connectivity.

ICSE, ISC : Class 10 exams from Feb 15, Class 12 from Feb 9

NEW DELHI: The Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations (CISCE) on Tuesday announced the examination timetable for the ICSE (Class X) and ISC (Class XII) Year 2027 examinations, with the Class 10 examinations scheduled to begin on February 15 and the Class 12 examinations on February 9.According to the schedule, the ICSE examinations will conclude on March 31, while the ISC examinations will continue until April 8.A total of 3,79,980 candidates will appear for the two examinations. Of these, approximately 2.70 lakh candidates from 3,106 affiliated schools will take the ICSE examination, while 1,10,025 candidates from 1,651 schools will appear for the ISC examination.

Sonia Gandhi's memoir sparks row over Op Blue Star, Babri

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The release of Sonia Gandhi's memoirs "Belonging: A Journey of Love" ignited a sharp political row on Tuesday, drawing simultaneous attacks from both the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) and the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) over its framing of Operation Blue Star and UPA-era governance.The memoir, published by HarperCollins in India, went on sale on Tuesday. It traces Sonia Gandhi's journey from her childhood in post-war Italy and her romance with Rajiv Gandhi at Cambridge to her life in India and the personal losses that shaped her bond with the country, including the assassinations of Indira Gandhi and Rajiv Gandhi.Reacting to Gandhi's account of Indira Gandhi's post-Operation Blue Star reflections, Union Minister Giriraj Singh accused Sonia Gandhi of selective empathy, questioning her reactions to events like the Babri demolition and Batla House encounter while remaining silent on others such as the Pahalgam terror attack and violence against Hindus. "Sonia Gandhi is now attempting, in her own way, to help people move past these wounds. However, had Indira Gandhi herself expressed such remorse at the time, it would have carried far greater significance. This sentiment, coming from Sonia Gandhi, is merely hearsay—it cannot be independently verified. It should be viewed as a political statement tailored to the current political climate," Bharadwaj told ANI. Bharadwaj said Sonia Gandhi had "probably now come to realise" that the deployment of the army into the Golden Temple, an operation involving cannons and artillery, along with the "open massacre of Sikhs on the streets of Delhi," casts serious doubt on the Congress party's secular credentials.

Rajya Sabha MP Satnam Singh Sandhu questioned Sonia Gandhi recalling that Indira Gandhi was filled with remorse seeing the aftermath of operation Blue Star"This is a dark chapter in history that Sonia Gandhi has mentioned in her book. Now she has said that when Indira Gandhi found out, when she saw the pictures of the Golden Temple, she felt remorse and she had tears in her eyes. But my question is, after seeing this scene of devastation, those tears in Mrs. Indira Gandhi's eyes, who will take responsibility for that devastation? Who is responsible for it? To date, Congress has not taken responsibility for it. And the perpetrators of that, the aftermath of that, the massacre of the Sikhs, who is behind them?

If there were remorse, like Sonia Gandhi has said that before Indira Gandhi passed, she had the realization, the feeling that her death was imminent. And she had told her family how they have to handle themselves.

So, firstly, my question is, was that remorse for the injustice that happened to the Sikhs? Was it for the attack on the Golden Temple, or was it about her own political decision? " he said.June 6, 1984, marked the day when the Indian Army, under Operation Blue Star, stormed into the Golden Temple on orders of the then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi to contain Sikh militancy under the leadership of Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale in Punjab. It was reported that Bhindranwale had stashed large quantities of arms on the Golden Temple premises.Bhindranwale was the head of the radical Sikh outfit Damdami Taksal.

Pranab Mukherjee's daughter hits back at Cong leader

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NEW DELHI: What's wrong with it, asks Sharmistha Mukherjee, Pranab Mukherjee's daughter, about her father's prime ministerial ambition, and how it "shocked" Sonia Gandhi when the veteran leader suggested it was time for a "change at the top". Defending her late father, she said his prime ministerial ambition was supported by "decades of experience" and a "brilliant mind". Sonia Gandhi, in her memoir 'Belonging: A Journey Of Love', which released worldwide today, references a 2010 conversation with Pranab Mukherjee and writes "he



shocked me with the suggestion that perhaps it was time for a change at the top which I understood as a hint of his long-held desire to become prime minister".

Punjab inks two MoU's to boost industry-ready skill jobs for youth



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In a major push to make Punjab's youth industry-ready and job-ready, the Punjab Skill Development Mission (PSDM) signed two landmark MoUs- one with the State Institute of Automotive & Driving Skills (SIADS), Mahuana for high-demand automotive and driving trades and a tripartite MoU with the Northern India Institute of Fashion Technology (NIIFT), Industries & Commerce department (GoP) and the Footwear Design & Development Institute (FDDI) for specialised footwear and fashion manufacturing roles. Congratulating the PSDM team on the strategic importance of these partnerships, Punjab Employment Generation, Skill Development and Training Minister Mr. Aman Arora stated, "These collaborations mark a new chapter in Punjab's skill development landscape. By aligning our training programmes with the specific needs of high-growth sectors like automotive and footwear, we are not just creating job seekers, but building a future-ready workforce. The integration of premier national institutes like FDDI and NIIFT with our state machinery ensures that our youth receive world-class training, directly translating into better career prospects and contributing to the industrial growth of Punjab." Highlighting the key objectives of the collaborations, Mr. Aman Arora said that the partnerships would leverage FDDI's expertise as a premier institute of national importance in the footwear sector, NIIFT's domain expertise in apparel and fashion and SIADS' expertise in automotive and driving. The partnerships aim to strengthen institutional collaboration, promote industry-aligned skill training, enhance employability and meet the skilled workforce requirements of industry, with a focus on NSQF-based programmes, placements, apprenticeships and entrepreneurship development. The MoUs were signed by PSDM Director Ms. Amrit Singh, who said the collaborations will deliver NSQF-aligned training, placements, apprenticeships and entrepreneurship support to bridge the skill gap, enhance employability and create better career opportunities for Punjab's youth. Ms. Amrit Singh informed that the first MoU between PSDM and the State Institute of Automotive & Driving Skills (SIADS), Mahuana will power vocational training in the high-demand automotive and driving sectors, equipping trainees with the technical skills needed for the evolving transportation industry.

Six held with 14 pistols in Amritsar

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AMRITSAR, NOV 10



In a major breakthrough amidst the ongoing drive to make Punjab a safe and secure state as per the directives of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, Amritsar Commissionerate Police has dismantled two separate illegal arms supply networks with the arrest of six individuals and recovered 14 sophisticated pistols from their possession, said Director General of Police (DGP) Punjab Gaurav Yadav here on Tuesday. Those arrested have been identified as Bobby Singh and Ravinder Singh alias Manna, both residents of Village Talwandi Shoba Singh in Tarn Taran; Gurpreet Singh alias Preet, a native of village Khohala and currently residing at Max City Jandpeer Colony in Amritsar; Kamal, a resident of Sandhu Colony in Amritsar; Ajay Singh alias Kaka, a resident of Essma Estate in. Amritsar; and Swaran Singh, a resident of Sector 17 in Panchkula, Haryana.

Wrestler shot dead in Kapurthala

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A 27-year-old wrestler was shot dead while bursting firecrackers outside his home in Punjab's Kapurthala district on Monday night, police said, prompting senior Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) leader Bikram Singh Majithia to allege that young people are unsafe even on festival days under the Bhagwant Mann government. The victim, identified as Mani, also known as Pehalwan, was shot in the chest in Mohalla Mehtabgarh at around 8 pm. His friends rushed him to hospital on a scooter, but doctors declared him dead on arrival. Police said preliminary investigations suggested that Mani might not have been the intended target of the shooting and could have been struck by a bullet fired at someone else. Deputy Superintendent of Police Sheetal Singh said the suspects have been identified and several police teams are conducting raids to arrest them. According to the initial police account, two youths allegedly opened fire in the locality while Mani was bursting firecrackers near his residence.

Jailed Laljit Singh Bhullar not to contest assembly polls 2027

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Jailed former Punjab minister and Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) legislator Laljit Singh Bhullar has announced that he will not contest the 2027 Punjab assembly elections, months after his arrest in connection with the alleged suicide of a senior government official, in a development that raises questions about the party's political plans in the Patti constituency. Bhullar, who represents Patti in Tarn Taran district, made the announcement in a Facebook post on Tuesday, expressing gratitude to his constituents for their continued support. "I have heard the sentiments expressed by the brothers and sisters of the Patti constituency regarding the party fielding me once again in the upcoming elections. However, I have decided not to contest," Bhullar wrote in Punjabi, according to an English translation of his post. He thanked the people of Patti for their affection and support, saying he would remain indebted to them throughout his life. The announcement marks a significant development in Bhullar's political career, which has been overshadowed by criminal proceedings following the death of Gagandeep Singh Randhawa, a district manager with the Punjab State Warehousing Corporation.

Peace talks resume as Russia, Ukraine and US meet in Abu Dhabi

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ABU DHABI, NOV 10



Trilateral peace negotiations involving Russia, Ukraine and the United States have resumed in Abu Dhabi, as Washington steps up efforts to broker an end to Moscow's full-scale invasion of Ukraine.

The talks come at a challenging moment for US President Donald Trump, whose political position has been weakened by bruising midterm election results.

The negotiations will test Washington's ability to bring both Moscow and Kyiv closer to a settlement, while broader international tensions and domestic political pressures could complicate efforts to secure a lasting peace. The negotiations, stretching for two days, bring together senior representatives from all three countries, with Trump's administration hoping to secure progress towards ending the war, which began on February 24, 2022. The US delegation is being led by special envoy Steve Witkoff and Jared Kushner, Trump's son-in-law. Russia is represented by presidential aide Vladimir Medinsky, while Ukraine's delegation is led by Rustem Umerov, head of Ukraine's Foreign Intelligence Service.

Trump, who came to office pledging to end wars within 24 hours, contradicted his promise by starting another war in Iran and failing to bring it to an end. US President Donald Trump said war could 'end soon' as renewed negotiations focus on territorial disputes, security guarantees and Europe's role in a potential peace deal.



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Haryana CM to visit Dasuya on Nov 13; BJP Leader Susheel Kumar Sharma Pinki appeals for grand welcome



HOSHIARPUR (DALJEET AJNOHA): Haryana Chief Minister Shri Nayab Singh Saini will visit Dasuya on November 13, 2026 (Friday), where he will be accorded a warm welcome by BJP leaders, party workers and supporters. The visit is expected to witness enthusiastic participation from BJP activists and people from the surrounding areas. On this occasion, Susheel Kumar Sharma (Pinki), BJP leader from Dasuya Assembly constituency, has extended a cordial invitation to party workers, supporters and residents of the region to participate in the welcome programme and make the occasion memorable through their presence.

Punjab records nearly 95% drop in stubble burning incidents this year: Arora

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SANGRUR, NOV 10



AAP Punjab President and Cabinet Minister Aman Arora on Tuesday challenged the BJP to explain how stubble smoke from Punjab could reach Delhi in just 20 minutes, accusing the party of deliberately maligning the state's farmers over Delhi's pollution.

Citing data from the CREAMS laboratory of the Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI), Arora said stubble-burning incidents in Punjab had declined from 83,002 in 2020 to 5,114 in 2025 and further to 4,657 so far this season, marking a reduction of nearly 95%. Referring to SAFAR and IITM data, he said stubble smoke contributed only 5% to Delhi's PM2.5 pollution on November 9, compared with 7.8% on November 8. He asserted that local sources were the major contributors to Delhi's pollution and accused the BJP of ignoring scientific evidence to target Punjab's farmers. Arora credited farmers' cooperation and the Bhagwant Mann Government's efforts for the decline, stating that over 1.62 lakh crop residue management machines had been provided at subsidised rates since 2022, including 25,917 during the current year. Highlighting initiatives to utilise paddy residue, he said 83 stubble-fired industrial boilers and 78 pellet projects were operational, while 11 biomass power plants and nine compressed biogas plants were also functioning. Several additional projects were under implementation.

Targeting BJP leaders Kapil Mishra and Manjinder Singh Sirsa over their remarks against Punjab's farmers, Arora challenged state BJP leaders Sunil Jakhar and Kewal Singh Dhillon to clarify their stand. He demanded an unconditional apology from the BJP for allegedly defaming farmers and questioned the need for drone surveillance when satellite technology was already monitoring farm fires.

On paddy procurement, Arora said the Centre-approved Cash Credit Limit (CCL) of approximately Rs 40,000 crore had been exhausted and demanded its immediate enhancement to ensure uninterrupted procurement and timely payments to farmers. He assured that the state government was committed to procuring every grain of paddy and preventing illegal entry of paddy from neighbouring states.

On the 1984 Sikh massacre, Arora said the military assault on Sri Darbar Sahib and the massacre had left deep wounds in Punjab's history. He accused the Congress of failing to adequately support the affected families and said their suffering could never be forgotten. Commenting on former Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi's cycle yatra, he said internal divisions within the Congress would prevent it from making any significant difference to the party's political fortunes.

Joginder Pal holds key meeting with MP Charanjit Singh Channi, chalks out strategy for mission 2027

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GURDASPUR, NOV 10



Political activities in Punjab have begun gaining momentum ahead of the upcoming Assembly elections. In this regard, former MLA and Congress Halqa In-charge of Bhoa, Joginder Pal, held a special meeting with Member of Parliament from Jalandhar and former Punjab Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi.

During the meeting, detailed discussions were held on the strategy for the upcoming Assembly elections, strengthening the Congress organisation, Mission 2027 and the prevailing political situation in Punjab. The proposed 'Naujawani Sambhal Yatra', scheduled to commence on November 12, also remained a key subject of discussion.

Cycle Rally to Connect Youth with Congress Ideology

Former MLA Joginder Pal informed that the 'Naujawani Sambhal Yatra' will commence on November 12 under the leadership of MP and former Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi. The cycle rally will cover different Assembly constituencies across Punjab. Its primary objective is to establish direct communication with young people, understand their concerns and connect them with the ideology of the Congress Party. He said that the youth are the greatest strength of Punjab, but over the past few years they have been facing serious challenges, including drug abuse, unemployment and uncertainty about their future. In such circumstances, providing proper guidance to young people and securing their future has become an urgent necessity. He added that through this campaign, the Congress Party would not merely convey a political message but would also listen to the voices of young people and endeavour to incorporate their concerns into the party's agenda.

Demand to Include Bhoa's Development Issues in Election Manifesto

Joginder Pal further informed that an important meeting regarding the forthcoming Assembly election manifesto was organised by the Congress Party in Chandigarh, during which he prominently raised several key issues concerning the Bhoa Assembly constituency before the Manifesto Committee.

He stated that Bhoa is a border constituency with geographical conditions and public concerns that are different from those of other parts of the state. Therefore, issues relating to regional development, basic amenities, road connectivity, healthcare, education, employment, farmers' concerns and the future of young people must be given appropriate representation in the election manifesto.

He said that the requirements and development-related demands of the constituency were heard seriously during the meeting. The Manifesto Committee assured that if the Congress Party forms the government, these issues would be considered on priority and necessary steps would be taken towards their resolution. Development Works Carried Out Without Discrimination from 2017 to 2022: Joginder Pal Referring to his tenure as an MLA, Joginder Pal said that from 2017 to 2022, he served the people of the constituency and ensured development works without any discrimination. He considered the entire constituency his family and always made efforts to resolve people's problems above political considerations. He stated that during his tenure, development works relating to bridges, roads, sports stadiums, educational institutions, healthcare facilities and other basic infrastructure were undertaken. Several important projects were completed, while completing certain remaining works would continue to be among his priorities.

Classified

I , Suresh Kumar Urf Suresh Pal S/o Mange Ram R/o Village Manas Tehsil & Distt. Kaithal (Haryana) Have Changed My Name From Suresh Kumar Urf Suresh Pal To Suresh Pal. Concerned Please Note.

84451

I , Virender Urf Balinder S/o Nafe Singh R/o Hno. 520 , Bhagu Patti , Village Harsola Distt. Kaithal (Haryana) Have Changed My Name From Virender Urf Balinder To Balinder. Concerned Please Note.

84451

I, Deepo W/o Gurdev R/o Village Kurar Tehsil Kalayat Distt Kaithal (Haryana) Declares That Deepo & Birmati Both Are My Names. I Known As Deepo For All Future Purpose. Concerned Please Note.

84451

I, Harjeet Singh Chak s/o Baldev Singh r/o Village Chotte Bille, Po Umarwal Billa tehsil Nakodar District Jalandhar declare that my name wrongly entered as Harjeet Singh in my wife Manpreet Kaur passport No.U9026955. My correct name is Harjeet Singh Chak which may be amended in my wife passport.

100066

PUBLIC NOTICES

I, Sanjay Sah R/o H.no-B-31/12257 Street No 2, Jamalpur Road, Bachhitar Nagar, Kuliewal road, Jamalpur, Focal Point Ludhiana declare that my daughter Laxmi Sah 10th class certificate her name wrongly recorded as Laxmi Kumari. But her correct name is Laxmi Sah. So amended her name Laxmi Sah and father name will be Sanjay Sah and mother name will be Rina Sah in my daughter 10th class certificate.

63372

The Alto Car No. PB 31P 6398 belonging to charnkaur Singh S/o Jagroop Singh R/o Mansa was Stolen from Maur Mandi on January 13, 2023 I have no connection Whatsoever with this vehicle.

63372

I, Balwinder Singh Rao S/o Nirmal Singh R/o Vpo Majri Tehsil jagraon District Ludhiana declare that my name is recorded as 'Balwinder Singh Rao' on my Aadhaar card, which is incorrect.But my correct name is Ram Chand.

63372

I, Mohan Lal Singla S/o Ram Lal, resident of House No. 29, Ward No. 7-B, Near Telephone Exchange, Dhuri (Sangrur) have changed my name to Mohan Lal.

98724

I, Rohit, son of Shri Pawan Goel, resident of Ward No. 3, Dharamveer Colony, Gharaunda, Tehsil Gharaunda, District Karnal, declare that I have changed my name from Rohit to Rohit Goel. In future, I will be known as Rohit Goel.

100046

I, Shruti, wife of Mr. Rohit Goel, resident of Ward No. 3, Dharamveer Colony, Gharaunda, Tehsil Gharaunda, District Karnal, declare that I have changed my name from Shruti to Shruti Goel. In future, I will be known as Shruti Goel.

100046

I, Maya Ram S/o Sh. Kura Ram R/o # 138, Sector-8, Urban Estate, Thanesar, P. O. Kurukshetra, Distt Kurukshetra, Haryana- 136118 have changed my name from Maya Ram Hari to Maya Ram. In future i will be known as Maya Ram.

78645

PUBLIC NOTICE

Guru Nanak College of Allied Healthcare Dhahan Kaleran, District Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, Punjab (Run by Guru Nanak Mission Medical and Educational Trust). Urgently required: Applications are invited for the following posts in disciplines of, Medical Laboratory Sciences, Medical Radiology & Imaging Technology, Anaesthesia & Operation Theatre Technology.
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Email: gnmpmc@gmail.com
Contact 91155-60260
Principal
Guru Nanak College of Allied Healthcare
Dhahan Kaleran, SBS Nagar Punjab

63372

I Dinesh Chhabra, S/o Bharat Bhushan Chhabra, resident of H.No-41, adjoing rich square, near railway station kharar, sector 115, khuni majra,SAS Nagar (Mohali), punjab, 140307, hereby declare that I have changed my name from DINESH to DINESH CHHABRA and henceforth I shall be known as DINESH CHHABRA for all purposes.

100071

I, Priya D/o Joginder Pal and W/o Sukhbir Singh resident of VPO Jaito Sarja, Tehsil Batala, District Gurdaspur, have changed my name from Priya to Priya Kaur. Concerned please note.

10005

I Suvarna Madhukar Surve Spouse of No JC-385840N SUB MAJ Surve Madhukar Dinkar R/o Village Antravali, Post Antravali, Tehsil Sangameshwar, District Ratnagiri (MAHARASHTRA) Pin-415610.Declare that in My husband army service Record My Name Mentioned SUVARNA M SURVE which is incorrect My Correct Name is SUVARNA MADHUKAR SURVE.

9000A

I No JC-385840N SUB MAJ Surve Madhukar Dinkar R/o Village Antravali, Post Antravali, Tehsil Sangameshwar, District Ratnagiri (MAHARASHTRA) Pin-415610.Declare that in my Army Service Record My Son Name Mentioned ARYAN Which is incorrect his Correct Name is ARYAN MADHUKAR SURVE.

9000A

PUBLIC NOTICE

I Shivam Sharma S/O Om Parkash Sharma R/O H.No 54 Ward No 10 Ram Nagar (Hamirpur Himachal Pardesh) Declare That Have Lost My Original Vasika No 8161 Date 05-03-2019 And Vasika No 5301 Date 12-9 -2016. Lost On 01-08-2026. Which Police DDR NO 012 Date 04-11-2026 Pls Contact No 9015067274

63372

I No JC-385840N SUB MAJ Surve Madhukar Dinkar R/o Village Antravali, Post Antravali, Tehsil Sangameshwar, District Ratnagiri (MAHARASHTRA) Pin-415610.Declare that in My Army Service Record My Daughter Name Mentioned SHRUTI M SURVE Which is incorrect her Correct Name is SHRUTI MADHUKAR SURVE.

9000A

I, Aditya S/O Shri Satish Kumar R/O Village Mehra Tehsil ladwa District kurukshetra have changed my name from Aditya to Aditya Kumar

989666

I, Neeraj S/O Shri balinder Kumar R/O Village boji Khalsa Tehsil Indri District Karnal have changed my name from Neeraj to Neeraj Narwal

989666

I, Govind S/O Shri Sanjeev Kumar R/O Village boji Khalsa Tehsil Indri District Karnal have changed my name from Govind to Govind Jogi

989666

I, Padmanabham Father of Suman Samalla Presently residing at Village: Jagathi PO:Jagathi Tehsil: Kaviti District: Srikakulam State: Andhra Pradesh Pin Code: 532322 have changed my Name from Padmanabham to Samalla Padhamanabam and date of birth From 01-07-1959 to 01-01-1960 vide affidavit dated 09 Nov 2026 executed before Notary Public District: Courts Kapurthala, Punjab

98706

I, Sujatha Mother of Suman Samalla Presently residing at Village: Jagathi PO:Jagathi Tehsil: Kaviti District: Srikakulam State: Andhra Pradesh Pin Code: 532322 have changed my Name from Sujatha to Shamalla Sujatha and date of birth From 01-07-1966 to 01-07-1967 vide affidavit dated 09 Nov 2026 executed before Notary Public District: Courts Kapurthala, Punjab

98706

LOST & FOUND

I, Shiv Charan S/o Mohan Lal R/o Village Thandian Tehsil Banga District Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, hereby inform that I have purchased a plot of land measuring area Thandian, Tehsil Banga bearing the name Voucher No. 309 of which the Registry Name is verification in my name has been Lost. Which I looked for but Could not find.

63372

I, Narender Kumar (Aadhaar No. 279098389106), S/o Sh. Raj Kumar, R/o H.No. 520, Sector 30, Urban Estate, Thanesar, District Kurukshetra, hereby declare that my son's name is recorded as 'Aarav' in his birth certificate, whereas it is recorded as 'Aarav Kaushik' in his Aadhaar card. Both names—'Aarav' and 'Aarav Kaushik'—refer to my son, i.e., the same individual. All concerned note please.

100074

I, Seema Bohra w/o Dinesh Bohra r/o H.No. 29, Behind New Grain Market, Bhiwani, Haryana 127021 have changed my name from Seema Bohra to Seema.

989752

I, Gagandeep Mahawar s/o Ramjas Mahawar R/o House No 132, Sector 20-D, Mandi Gobindgarh, Tehsil Mandi Gobindgarh, District Fatehgarh Sahib, Have Changed My Name From Gagandeep Mahawar to Gagan Mahawar.

63372

I, Kiran Bala W/o Harjinder Kumar, Saroa R/o Saroa Teh.Balachaur Distt. Nawanshar have changed my name Kiran Bala to Kiran Sharma Please Take Note.

63372

I Ramjan S/o Karamdeen. Village Khanpur. Teh Baba Bakala District Amritsar . I declare that I have Change My Name From Ramjan To Ramjandeen. All Concerned Please Note.

63372

I Karamdin S/o Sohandeen Village Khanpur Teh Baba Bakala District Amritsar I declare that I have Change My Name From Karamdin To Karamdeen. All Concerned Please Note.

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Public Notice

This is general public notice that Jaspal Singh and Paramjit Kaur have approached Piramal Finance Ltd., Barnala for availing loan on Property area measuring 00 Kanal 07 Marlas i.e. 00 Kanal 02 Marlas being 1/80 Share of 08 Kanal 00 Marlas bearing Khata No.1266/1736, Khasra Nos.178/14/8-0 AND 00 Kanal 03 Marlas being 3/281 Share of 09 Kanal 11 Marlas bearing Khata No.1267/1737, Khasra Nos.178/7/9-11 AND 00 Kanal 02 Marlas being 1/160 Share of 16 Kanal 00 Marlas bearing Khata No.1268/1738, Khasra Nos.159/17/8-0, 24/8-0 situated at within the revenue limits of Village Barnala-B, Tehsil & District Barnala, in favor of Jaspal Singh Son of Sh. Surjan Singh Son of Sh. Kaka Singh resident of Patti Sekhwan, Tehsil & District Barnala vide Sale deed no.3026-27/86/1/824 dated 04.05.2026 registered at the office of Sub-Registrar Barnala, Tehsil & District Barnala. That earlier in the chain title of the property, original Sale deed no.3183 dated 31.10.2012 in favour of Manjit Singh Son of Sh. Inder Singh Son of Sh. Mitt Singh resident of Village Bakhatgarh, Tehsil & District Barnala is lost and not in possession with the borrower. If any person have any objection to the title of said property, then he/she will submit his/her objection me within 7 days from the date of publish of this publication and thereafter no objection will be entertained or considered in any manner.
Kamaldeep Goyal, Advocate,
District Courts Barnala. M: 98763-00937

63372

I Mohinder Singh S/o Amrik Singh VPO.Karimpur.SBS Nagar 144516 have changed my name Mohinder Singh to Mohinder Singh Gill.

63372

I Jasvir Kaur W/O Lakhbir Kumar R/O Vpo Kandola Kalan Tehsil Phillaur Distt Jalandhar Punjab India Have Changed My Name From Jasvir Kaur To Jasbir Saharan All Concerns Please Note.

63372

I Lovepreet S/o Somvir R/o Village Dulchi Majra Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib Distt. Rupnagar Punjab 140103 have Changed My Name From Lovepreet To Lovepreet Malik.

63372

I, Sukhman Singh S/o Lakhvir Singh Vill. Jullah Majra PO KharKowal Distt. S.B.S Nagar have changed my name Sukhman Singh to Singh Sukhman.

63372

I Puneet S/o Sh. Vashu resident of Ward No. 07, Cinema Road, Sirhind, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib (Punjab) have changed my name Puneet to Punit Kumar.

63372

I Rahul S/O Amrik R/O Vill Mallah Sodhian Distt Sbs Nagar Have Changed My Name To Rahul Kumar. In My Name Rahul Is My Real Name And Kumar Is My Surname.

63372

I harmanjeet singh vaid S/o Hakam singh R/o tehsil dhuri Palasaur PO Bhalwan Distt Sangrur have changed my name Harmanjeet Singh.

63372

I Lachhmi Kaur W/o Khaleel Mohd. Village Dehliz Khurd Tehsil Ahmedgarh District Malerkotla Have Changed My Name Lachhmi Kaur to Sehnaz.

63372

I, Sohan Lal S/o Singhara Lal R/o Vill Dhandauri PO Isharwal Tehsil Adampur Distt. Jalandhar have changed my name Sohan Lal to Lal Sohan.

63372

I, Paramjit Ram S/o Gurmit Lal R/o Vill Dhandauri PO Isharwal Tehsil Adampur Distt. Jalandhar have changed my name Paramjit Ram to Ram Paramjit.

63372

I Kulvir Singh S/o Harjinder Singh R/o VPO Moranwali Tehsil Garhshankar Distt. Hoshiarpur have changed my name Kulvir Singh to Singh Kulvir.

63372

I, Sandeep Singh S/o Sukhdev Singh Ramdasia Agwad Raunta Moga Punjab-142045 have changed my name Sandeep Singh Galaut to Sandeep Singh.

63372

I, Kirti W/o Rohit Bajaj R/o # 117, Dhandra Road, Ekta Vihar, Dhandra, Ludhiana have changed my name to Kirti Doomra Bajaj.

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I,Polo Ram S/o Ram Chand R/o Village Gochar Kubaheri, SAS Nagar Mohali have known by both names Polo and Polo Ram one and same person.

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I Paramjit Singh S/o Mahinder Singh, R/o Mohalla Dalichi, Sirhind City, Tehsil and District Fatehgarh has changed my son's given name is Tajinderpal & Surname is Singh.

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I, Gurpreet Singh S/o Gurdev Chand R/o VPO Labangarh, Tehsil Samrala (Ludhiana) declare that my name be read as given name GURPREET and surname SINGH.

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I, Mohan Singh Gill S/O Balwant Singh Gill R/O House No 301, Bector Street, Old Grain Market Doraha, Tehsil Payal, Distt Ludhiana Have Changed My Name To Mohan Singh.

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I, Bhinder Kaur W/o Gurdev Singh R/o Village Mehmoodpura District Tarn Taran have changed my name from Bhinder Kaur to Bhupinder Kaur.

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I, Pawandeep Singh S/o Amarjit Singh R/o Village Jawandpur Tehsil Khadur Sahib District Tarn Taran have changed my name from Pawandeep Singh to Singh Pawandeep.

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I Chand Rani Sachdeva Alias Sito Devi W/O Manohar Lal Sachdeva R/O H.No.112, Near Old Cinema, Rampura Phul, Distt Bathinda Have Changed My Name To Chand Rani Sachdeva.

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I, Gurjant Singh son of Satnam Singh Village Boparai Tehsil Patti District Tarn Taran have changed my name from Gurjant Singh to Surname as Singh and my given name is Gurjant Plz note it.

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I Jatinder Singh S/o Kuldeep Singh R/o Village Aitiana, Tehsil Raikot, Distt. Ludhiana declare that my given name is Jatinder and Surname is Singh.

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I Nancy Sharma D/o Shashi Kumar Sharma R/o H. No 5333, Mohala Balochan Jagraon Distt Ludhiana have changed my name to Nancy Uppal. After Marriage.

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I, Baljit Kaur Virk W/o Balhar Singh House No. 127 Jania Patti, Karyal PO Karyal Distt. Moga Punjab 142042 have changed my name Baljit Kaur virk to Baljit Kaur.

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I, Gurvinder Singh Gill S/O Darshan Singh R/O Sidhwan bet Road,VPO Malak, Distt. Ludhiana have changed my name from Gurvinder Singh Gill to Gurvinder Singh.

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I, Saruj Sharma W/o Dharampal Sharma R/o Ward No. 03, Bhucho Mandi, Distt. Bathinda have Changed my name to Saroj Bala.

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India's women's 25m pistol team strikes gold, men win bronze at ISSF World Championship 2026



AGENCY

DOHA : Esha Singh, Manu Bhaker and Divya Thadigol Subbaraju won the women's 25m pistol team gold at the ISSF World Championship 2026 in Doha, giving India their second gold of the championship.

The Indian trio finished with a combined score of 1761-68x, ahead of the Republic of Korea (1748-66x) in silver and Vietnam (1745-54x) in bronze. Esha top-scored for India with 590-25x, followed by Manu with 587-24x and Divya with 584-19x, according to a release.

Esha and Manu also qualified for the individual final, where Manu finished fourth with 27 hits, just short of the podium, while Esha ended eighth with 11 hits.

Earlier in the day, the men's 50m Rifle 3 Positions team of Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar, Akhil Sheoran and Niraj Kumar claimed bronze with a combined score of 1751-91x. Czechia won gold with 1754-92x, while Norway took silver with 1752-81x. Aishwary led with 587-33x, followed by Niraj (582-31x) and Akhil (582-27x).

India will be in action again on November 11, with the final of the men's 50m Rifle 3 Positions event.

India has enjoyed a strong campaign at the ISSF World Championships, with Niveditha Veloor Nair winning bronze in women's 25m standard pistol, Jaypal Malviya securing silver in men's 10m air pistol, and Ravinder Singh, Saurabh Chaudhary and Amanpreet Singh clinching gold in the men's 50m pistol team event.

Ravinder also won individual silver in the same discipline, while Elavenil Valarivan, Sonam Maskar and Shambhavi Kshirsagar secured silver in the women's 10m air rifle team event.

India finishes 5th among 65 nations at World Armwrestling Championships 2026

AGENCY

NEW DELHI : India has concluded the 47th World Armwrestling & 28th World Para Armwrestling Championship 2026 in fifth position overall among 65 participating nations. It was a landmark result achieved before a home crowd in New Delhi.

The People's Armwrestling Federation of India (PAFI) and Pro Panja League had set two goals: a top-ten finish for 2026 and a top-five finish within three years. India has reached the top five three years ahead of schedule.

The Indian contingent won 59 medals (9 Gold, 19 Silver and 31 Bronze), with contributions across every age group and division. Para athletes led the tally with 26 medals (2 Gold, 10 Silver, 14 Bronze), which placed India fifth in the para standings. Sub-junior, junior and youth athletes added 20 medals (3 Gold, 8 Silver, 9 Bronze), masters and grand masters won 12 (4 Gold, 1 Silver, 7 Bronze), and the senior category contributed 1 Bronze. Jincymol Sebastian won gold on both arms in Grand Master Women 80 kg, while Yogesh Choudhary and Shoukath VT each won right-arm gold and left-arm bronze. Madhura K N won bronze in Senior Women 70 kg (Right). Preeti Jhangiani and Parvinn Dabass founded Pro Panja League to professionalise armwrestling in India and build a structured pathway from grassroots competition to the international stage. Under the leadership of Jhangiani, President of the People's Armwrestling Federation of India (PAFI) and Vice President of the Asian Armwrestling Federation (AAF), India hosted the 47th World Armwrestling & 28th World Para Armwrestling Championship for the first time in the nation's history. On home soil, Indian athletes competed against the world's leading armwrestling nations, including Russia, Kazakhstan, Bulgaria, Türkiye, Georgia, Ghana and Australia Parvinn Dabass, Co-founder, Pro Panja League, said.

U19 Asia Cup: Sehwag smashes 160 as India post tournament-high 309 against UAE

Al Amerat, Nov 10 (UNI) Aaryavir Sehwag produced a magnificent 160 off 168 balls, surviving a couple of close calls and a dropped catch, as India U-19 posted the highest total of the ongoing ACC Men's U-19 Asia Cup, scoring 309 for seven against the United Arab Emirates in their Group A encounter here on Tuesday.

After UAE won the toss and elected to field, Sehwag anchored the India innings with a commanding knock featuring 17 fours and seven sixes, laying the foundation for an imposing total. The young opener shared a 62-run opening partnership with captain Lakshya Rajesh Raichandani, who contributed 17 off 32 balls before falling to Noorullah Ayobi in the 14th over. Sehwag then joined hands with VK Vineeth to take control of the innings. The duo added a massive 193 runs for the second wicket, taking India from 62 for one to 255 before the partnership was broken in the 45th over. Sehwag brought up his half-century in the 18th over and completed his century in the 34th over. He accelerated considerably after reaching the three-figure mark, taking on the UAE bowlers with an array of boundaries and sixes.

However, the innings was not without its share of fortune. Sehwag survived a couple of reprieves, including a dropped return catch off Zainullah Rehmani in the 39th over when he charged down the track and hit the ball back towards the bowler, who failed to hold on.

Sports programme for Brisbane 2032 Paralympic Games to be decided in 2027

AGENCY

BERLIN: With the International Olympic Committee (IOC) set to finalise the sports programme for the 2032 Games in April 2027, the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) Governing Board has decided to fix the sports programme for the Brisbane 2032 Paralympic Games in 2027, and not late 2026 as originally anticipated. The decision-making process for the sports programme of the Paralympic Games is separate from the International Olympic Committee's (IOC) Sports Programme process.

Though the Olympic sport programme and associated venue masterplan may impact factors the IPC Governing Board may consider in its decision-making on the Paralympic sport programme -- such as cost and complexity, and impact on the Organising Committee, the IPC Governing Board will make its decision during 2027. This follows the recent International Olympic Committee (IOC) announcement of a revised timeline, approved by the IOC Executive Board to confirm the Brisbane 2032 Olympic sport programme in April 2027.

The IPC initiated the Brisbane 2032 Paralympic sport programme process in late 2025, inviting International Federations and Recognised International Federations to apply.

Colleen Wrenn, the IPC's Executive Director, Paralympic Games, said: "For each edition of the Paralympic Games, we start with a blank canvas when building the sport programme and Brisbane 2032 is no different.

STORES E-PROCUREMENT

E-Procurement Tender Notice No. 08/2026; Dated: 06-11-2026.
E-tenders are invited for the following work:-

Description of works	Tender Quantity	Tender Due Date
SN. 1, Tender No. 02265617		
Vehicle Van	4 Nos	30-11-2026
Annexure-I Integrated PSI Mobile Testing Van with Measuring Instruments & other Accessories.	4 Nos	

NOTE:- For full details of Tender Notice and Tender Documents, Tenderer may log on to the website (www.ireps.gov.in) prospective bidder who intend to participate in above tenders are required to log in themselves with the above website and submit their offer electronically, if they are already registered with IREPS. In case they are not registered with IREPS, they are advised to obtain class-III Digital Signature Certificate from the certifying agencies under Govt. of India IT Act 2000 and participate in the above tender.

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NORTHERN RAILWAY
e-TENDERING
OPEN TENDER NOTICE No. NIT-35/UMB-2026-27 DATED 09.11.2026

Open tenders through e-tendering are invited on & behalf of president of India by Sr. Divisional Engineer/Coordination, Northern Railway, Ambala from the willing contractors for following work upto 15.00 hrs. on the date of closing shown against the work and will be opened thereafter.

S. N.	Name of work	Approx. Cost (Rs.)	Bid Security (Rs.)	Period of Completion	Date of Closing & Opening
1	Provision of Relay Hut for Gate Signallig at Non Interlocked L-xing gates over Ambala Division (TVU between 10000 and 20000) (For 32 nos. L-xing. BTI-SGNR LC No. 18, 21, 23, 25, 26, 28, 36, 44, 54, 60, 64, 79, 97,99 and RPJ-BTI 30, 37, 46, 47, 57, 66, 73, 74, 77, 79, 82, 99, 109, 111, 112, 121, 125, 127).	4,95,58,698	9,91,200	12 Months	02.12.2026
2	Soft Up gradation/improvement of Shimla Railway Station under Amrit . Bharat Station Scheme on KLK-SML Section under ADEN/SML.	6,95,13,712	13,90,300	12 Months	02.12.2026
3	(01) CTR(P) 20.327 Kms & TSR 16.221 Tkm with Contractors's own-SQRS machine in the section of Sr.DEN/I/UMB & (02) TSR(P) of 12.799 Kms with Contractors's own SQRS machine in the section of Sr.DEN/III/UMB.	8,06,34,732	16,12,700	12 Months	02.12.2026
4	Construction of 1 Nos. LHS (3 m x 2.5 m) for 2-wheelers near ROB at closed LC-115 by pushing at KM 140/ 34-36 on DUI-BTI section.	5,82,22,798	11,64,500	10 Months	02.12.2026
5	Provision of Relay Hut for Gate Signalling at Non-Interlocked L-xing gates over Ambala Division (TVU between 10000 and 20000) (SIR-DLPC Section:- LC No. 26, 36, 41, 57, 58, 59, 64, 65, 66, 67, 74, 75, 81 & 84, NMDA-SNL section:- LC No. 12 & 14, HNC-SRE section:- LC No. 540C and CNDM-KLK section:- LC No. 137C, Total 18 LC)	2,78,76,839	5,57,500	09 Months	02.12.2026

1. Tenderers are required to upload scanned copies of all related eligibility documents including PAN/TIN/GST as per conditions. 2. The required Bid Security will be acceptable On-line payment through Net Banking/or Payment Gateway payment /Bank Guarantee bond (Annexure-VIIA) well before & upto 15.00 hrs. of closing date & time of tender. 3. Tenderers should have Class-III Digital Signature Certificate to participate in e-Tendering of works tenders. 4. For detal, please log on IREPS website www.ireps.gov.in 5. GST will be levied as per GST Act. 2017. 3924/26

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NORTHERN RAILWAY
E-Tendering
OPEN TENDER NOTICE No. NIT-13/2026-27 Dated 09.11.2026

Open tenders through E-tendering are invited on & behalf of President of India by Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer/G, Northern Railway, Ambala from the willing contractors for following work upto 15.00 Hrs or the date of closing shown against the work and will be opened thereafter.

S. No.	Tender No	Name of work	Approx. Cost (Rs.)	Bid Security (Rs.)	Period of Completion	Date of closing & opening
1	30-Elect/ T-14/ 2026-27	Electrical work in c/w Extension and raising of existing Platforms to High Level at various NSG class stations i.e. Bulluana, Pakki, Panj Kosi, Hindumalkote and Fatuhi, dismantling shifting, re-installation, testing and commissioning of SCADA & SEMC control equipments from existing RCC to newly constructed RCC building at DRM office, Ambala Cantt., Provision of Ramp with existing FOB to make the station divyangjan accessible at Kauli, New Morinda, Morinda, Kurali, Bhanupali stations under Sr. DENIV/UMB.Raising of PF no. 1 from Rail Level to High Level and extension upto 600m alongwith provision of 3 Meter wide FOB(Foot over Bridge) to connect PF no. 1 & 2 at SMU(shambhu) station on UMB-LDH section and upgratation of crew lobby SRE over Ambala division.	Rs. 1,66,32,273.60	Rs. 3,32,700.00	06 Months	01.12.2026
2	30-Elect/ T-15/ 2026-27	Electrical work in c/w Improvement of service building by providing fire fighting arrangement at control office Ambala and Divisional railway hospital Ambala over Ambala division	Rs. 2,50,88,140.86	Rs. 5,01,800.00	06 Months	01.12.2026

1. Tenderers are required to upload scanned copies of all related eligible documents including PAN/TIN/GST as per conditions. 2. The required Bid security will be acceptable On-line payment through Net Banking/or Payment Gateway only well before & upto 15.00 Hrs of closing date & time of tender. 3. Tenderers should have class-III Digital Signature Certificate to participate in e-Tendering of works tenders. 4. For detail, please log on IREPS website www.ireps.gov.in 5. GST will be levied as per GST Act.2017. 3925/2026

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FESTIVAL SPECIAL TRAINS-2026

In order to clear extra rush of passengers during Chhath Puja Festival, Northern Railway, in association with other zonal railways, has planned to run the following Festival Special Trains as per schedule given below:-

LIST OF FESTIVAL SPECIAL TRAINS ORIGINATING/TERMINATING IN NORTHERN RAILWAY

Spl. Train No.	Station From	Dept. Time	Station to	Arr. Time	Frequency / Day	Period
02252	New Delhi (VANDE BHARAT FESTIVAL SPECIAL)	08:35	Patna Jn.	21:30	Tri-weekly Mon, Wed, Sat	Upto 25.11.26
02251	Patna Jn. (VANDE BHARAT FESTIVAL SPECIAL)	10:00	New Delhi	23:30	Tue, Thu, Sun	Upto 26.11.26
02254	New Delhi (VANDE BHARAT FESTIVAL SPECIAL)	08:35	Patna Jn.	21:30	Tri-weekly Sun, Tue, Thu	Upto 26.11.26
02253	Patna Jn. (VANDE BHARAT FESTIVAL SPECIAL)	10:00	New Delhi	23:30	Sat, Mon, Wed	Upto 28.11.26
02258	New Delhi (VANDE BHARAT FESTIVAL SPECIAL)	05:00	Patna Jn.	18:30	Date wise Wednesday	11.11.2026
02257	Patna Jn. (VANDE BHARAT FESTIVAL SPECIAL)	08:00	New Delhi	21:30	Thursday	12.11.2026
02436	New Delhi (VANDE BHARAT FESTIVAL SPECIAL)	08:35	Patna Jn.	21:30	Date wise Friday	13.11.2026
02435	Patna Jn. (VANDE BHARAT FESTIVAL SPECIAL)	08:00	New Delhi	21:30	Saturday	14.11.2026
06597	Yesvantpur Jn.	07:00	Yog Nagari Rishikesh	10:15	Date wise Thursday	12.11.2026
06598	Yog Nagari Rishikesh	17:55	Yesvantpur Jn.	19:45	Saturday	14.11.2026
04028	Anand Vihar(T.)	09:15	Muzaffarpur Jn.	04:30	Bi-weekly Tuesday, Friday	Upto 24.11.26
04027	Muzaffarpur Jn.	06:15	Anand Vihar(T.)	05:30	Wednesday, Saturday	Upto 25.11.26
04010	Delhi Jn.	23:05	Sitamarhi Jn.	23:30	Weekly Thursday	Upto 19.11.26
04009	Sitamarhi Jn.	00:45	Delhi Jn.	20:30	Saturday	Upto 21.11.26
04014	Anand Vihar(T.) (Via LUCKNOW (NR))	15:40	Laukaha Bazar	20:15	Daily Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed,	Upto 29.11.26
04013	Laukaha Bazar (Via LUCKNOW (NR))	22:30	Anand Vihar(T.)	03:40	Thu, Fri, Sat	Upto 30.11.26
04314	Yog Nagari Rishikesh	15:20	Muzaffarpur Jn.	11:45	Bi-Weekly Thursday, Sunday	Upto 29.11.26
04313	Muzaffarpur Jn.	13:15	Yog Nagari Rishikesh	11:15	Friday, Monday	Upto 30.11.26
04096	Anand Vihar(T.)	00:05	Patliputra Jn.	23:00	Daily Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed,	Upto 29.11.26
04095	Patliputra Jn.	00:45	Anand Vihar(T.)	21:30	Thu, Fri, Sat	Upto 30.11.26
04072	New Delhi	21:35	Supaul	06:35	Daily Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed,	Upto 28.11.26
04071	Supaul	07:45	New Delhi	15:00	Thu, Fri, Sat	Upto 30.11.26
02309	Rajendra Nagar (T)	20:10	New Delhi	15:00	Tri-weekly Wed, Fri & Sun	11 to 20.11.26
02310	New Delhi	19:00	Rajendra Nagar (T)	14:00	Thu, Sat & Mon	12 to 21.11.26
04062	Anand Vihar(T.)	12:00	Bhagalpur Jn.	13:30	Daily Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed,	Upto 27.11.26
04061	Bhagalpur Jn.	16:30	Anand Vihar(T.)	20:00	Thu, Fri, Sat	Upto 29.11.26
04312	Yog Nagari Rishikesh (Via MORADABAD)	22:20	Kolkata	08:00	Weekly Friday	Upto 20.11.26
04311	Kolkata (Via MORADABAD)	13:55	Yog Nagari Rishikesh	23:30	Sunday	Upto 22.11.26
04624	Amritsar Jn.	20:10	Kolkata	15:00	Weekly Wednesday	Upto 25.11.26
04623	Kolkata	04:45	Amritsar Jn.	21:05	Saturday	Upto 28.11.26
07083	Bidar	10:00	Hazrat Nizamuddin Jn.	20:40	Date wise Thursday	19.11.2026
07084	Hazrat Nizamuddin Jn.	10:30	Bidar	04:00	Sunday	22.11.2026
04090	New Delhi	23:30	Danapur Jn.	15:00	Bi-weekly Friday, Wednesday	Upto 27.11.26
04089	Danapur Jn.	16:40	New Delhi	09:45	Saturday, Thursday	Upto 28.11.26
04098	Shakur Basti	09:20	Darbhanga Jn.	11:45	6 Days a week Except - Tuesday	Upto 29.11.26
04097	Darbhanga Jn.	14:00	Shakur Basti	18:00	Except - Wednesday	Upto 30.11.26
04076	Delhi Jn.	00:30	Kamakhya Jn.	21:15	Weekly Saturday	Upto 28.11.26
04075	Kamakhya Jn.	05:00	Delhi Jn.	20:40	Monday	Upto 30.11.26
04064	Delhi Jn.	11:00	Gaya Jn.	07:15	6 Days a week Except- Saturday	Upto 30.11.26
04537	Barauni Jn.	06:30	Chandigarh	13:20	Date wise Thursday	12.11.2026
04088	New Delhi	15:50	Patna Jn.	12:45	Daily Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed,	Upto 30.11.26
04087	Patna Jn.	15:10	New Delhi	13:30	Thu, Fri, Sat	Upto 01.12.26
04634	Firozpur Cantt.	17:30	Purnea Jn.	03:00	Weekly Thursday	Upto 26.11.26
04633	Purnea Jn.	06:00	Firozpur Cantt.	16:35	Saturday	Upto 28.11.26
04652	Amritsar Jn. (Via LUCKNOW (NR))	10:55	Jaynagar	20:00	Tri-weekly Wed, Fri, Sun	Upto 29.11.26
04651	Jaynagar (Via LUCKNOW (NR))	04:15	Amritsar Jn.	15:00	Fri, Sun, Tue	Upto 01.12.26
04406	Shakur Basti	19:10	Mansi Jn.	02:30	Date wise Wed, Thu, Fri & Sat	11, 12, 13 & 14.11.26
04405	Mansi Jn.	04:30	Shakur Basti	11:30	Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun & Mon	12, 13, 14, 15 & 16.11.26
04638	Amritsar Jn.	19:40	Chhapra Jn.	20:45	Weekly Monday	Upto 30.11.26
04637	Chhapra Jn.	22:15	Amritsar Jn.	00:20	Tuesday	Upto 01.12.26
04640	Chheharta	08:35	Muzaffarpur Jn.	13:10	Weekly Monday	Upto 30.11.26
04639	Muzaffarpur Jn.	16:00	Chheharta	21:30	Tuesday	Upto 01.12.26
04404	Shakur Basti	15:15	Patna Jn.	14:30	Date wise Wed, Thu, Fri & Sat	11 12, 13 & 14.11.26
04403	Patna Jn.	15:40	Shakur Basti	15:00	Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat & Sun	11, 12, 13, 14 & 15.11.26
04410	Shakur Basti	13:00	Jhanjharpur Jn.	16:00	Date wise Wed, Thu, Fri & Sat	11, 12, 13 & 14.11.26
04409	Jhanjharpur Jn.	18:15	Shakur Basti	01:40	Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat & Sun	11, 12, 13, 14 & 15.11.26
04536	Chandigarh Jn.	23:45	Barauni Jn.	00:30	Weekly Friday	Upto 27.11.26
04535	Barauni Jn.	02:35	Chandigarh Jn.	03:35	Sunday	Upto 29.11.26
04656	Ludhiana Jn.	17:35	Saharsa Jn.	23:50	Date Wise Wednesday	11.11.2026
04655	Saharsa Jn.	03:50	Ludhiana Jn.	08:35	Wednesday & Friday	11 & 13.11.2026
04662	Ludhiana Jn.	06:30	Darbhanga	10:00	Date Wise Wednesday	11.11.2026
04661	Darbhanga	13:00	Ludhiana Jn.	17:10	Wednesday & Thursday	11 & 12.11.2026
04664	Ludhiana Jn.	06:30	Gaya Jn.	08:00	Date Wise Thursday	On 12.11.2026
04663	Gaya Jn.	11:00	Ludhiana Jn.	12:50	Friday	On 13.11.2026
02569	Darbhanga Jn.	06:30	New Delhi	04:00	Daily Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed,	Upto 30.11.2026
02570	New Delhi	12:15	Darbhanga Jn.	10:00	Thu, Fri, Sat	Upto 01.12.2026
04528	Sirhind	11:25	Saharsa Jn.	17:00	Date Wise Thursday	12.11.2026
04527	Saharsa Jn.	19:15	Ambala Cantt.	22:20	Friday	13.11.2026
04022	New Delhi (Via LUCKNOW (NR))	14:30	Gorakhpur Jn.	04:10	Weekly Friday	13.11.2026
04021	Gorakhpur Jn. (Via LUCKNOW (NR))	07:00	New Delhi	23:10	Saturday	14.11.2026
04058	Anand Vihar(T.)	00:20	Chhapra	19:20	Bi-Weekly Friday & Tuesday	Upto 17.11.2026
04057	Chhapra	22:10	Anand Vihar(T.)	17:20		
04066	Anand Vihar(T.)	05:00	Sabour	07:00	Date Wise Wed & Thu	11 & 12.11.2026
04065	Sabour	11:00	Anand Vihar(T.)	13:45	Thu & Fri	12 & 13.11.2026
05579	Purnia Court	16:30	Anand Vihar Terminal	01:05	Bi-Weekly Friday, Sunday	Upto 29.11.2026
05580	Anand Vihar Terminal	05:15	Purnia Court	13:45	Sunday, Tuesday	Upto 01.12.2026
04054	New Delhi	18:15	Howrah	23:40	Date Wise Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday	11, 12 & 14.11.2026
04053	Howrah	01:40	New Delhi	08:20	Friday, Saturday & Monday,	13, 14, & 16.11.2026
05575	Saharsa Jn.	20:00	Anand Vihar Terminal	01:05	Weekly Tuesday	Upto 24.11.2026
05576	Anand Vihar Terminal	05:15	Saharsa Jn.	10:30	Thursday	Upto 26.11.2026
05088	Anand Vihar T.	19:15	Mau	14:00	Date Wise Wednesday	11.11.2026
04077	Darbhanga Jn.	21:00	Delhi Jn.	23:55	Wednesday	11.11.2026
02456	New Delhi	07:45	Kanpur Central	13:15	4 days a week Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat	Upto 30.11.2026
04657	Saharsa Jn.	03:50	Ludhiana Jn.	08:35	Date Wise Thursday	12.11.2026
04209	Varanasi Jn. (Via LUCKNOW (NR))	22:15	Delhi Jn.	13:45	Tri-Weekly Mon, Wed, Fri	Upto 27.11.2026
04210	Delhi Jn. (Via LUCKNOW (NR))	18:50	Varanasi Jn.	09:50	Tue, Thu, Sat	Upto 28.11.2026
04213	Ayodhya Cantt. (Via LUCKNOW (NR))	18:20	Anand Vihar(T.)	06:10	Bi-Weekly Sunday, Thursday	Upto 29.11.2026
04214	Anand Vihar (T.) (Via LUCKNOW (NR))	09:00	Ayodhya Cantt.	22:00	Monday, Friday	Upto 30.11.2026
04227	Varanasi Jn. (Via LUCKNOW (NR))	11:05	Chandigarh Jn.	04:20	Bi-Weekly Thursday, Sunday	Upto 29.11.2026
04228	Chandigarh Jn. (Via LUCKNOW (NR))	06:00	Varanasi Jn.	00:55	Friday, Monday	Upto 30.11.2026
04604	Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra	18:15	Varanasi Jn.	18:30	Weekly Sunday	Upto 29.11.2026
04603	Varanasi Jn.	04:30	Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra	04:40	Tuesday	Upto 01.12.2026
04610	Jammu Tawi (Via LUCKNOW (NR))	05:15	Varanasi Jn.	05:10	Weekly Thursday	Upto 26.11.2026
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Punjab Chemist's Association meeting at Chandigarh with Health Minister at chandigarh



KHANNA (GURMINDER SINGH GREWAL): Punjab Chemists Association at chandigarh with health minister was held at the Secretariat , Chandigarh, with Balbir Singh, Minister for Health and Family Welfare, DMRI . The meeting was attended by Rakesh Kumar Bhikhi, along with other prominent office-bearers and members of the Association. During the meeting, the Association expressed its gratitude to the Health Minister for his positive approach and support towards the chemist community. Following the recent incident in Mansa, certain misunderstandings and misconceptions have arisen among the general public regarding medical stores and chemists. Addressing these concerns Health Minister clarified that the general public would not face any unnecessary difficulty in purchasing medicines.

NEWS BRIEF

EVMs and VVPATs to undergo first level checking in all districts of Punjab from Nov 12 ahead of VS elections-2027

ANIL VERMA

BATHINDA: In view of the forthcoming General Elections to the Punjab Vidhan Sabha-2027, the First Level Checking (FLC) of Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) and Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT) machines will commence in all districts of Punjab from November 12, 2026. Chief Electoral Officer, Punjab, Mrs Anindita Mitra, IAS, informed that the First Level Checking of EVMs and VVPATs is an essential process prescribed by the Election Commission of India (ECI) to ensure that only fully functional and election-ready machines are used during the elections. She said as per the guidelines of the Election Commission of India, First Level Checking of EVMs and VVPATs to be used in every General Election and Bye-Election is conducted under the supervision of the District Election Officer by authorised engineers of Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL).

CEO stated that only those EVMs and VVPATs which successfully pass the First Level Checking Will be used in Vidhan Sabha elections. The detailed procedure for FLC will be conducted as per instructions of Election Commission of India. The process will be conducted in accordance with the extant instructions of the Election Commission of India. All necessary arrangements have been made to ensure the smooth, transparent. and systematic conduct of the FLC process.

Bone, joint, skin and blood vessel and digital X-ray facilities started at Community Health Bazaar



JAGDEEP SINGH GILL

FARIDKOT: It is a great relief for the residents of Bajakhana town and its surrounding areas that under the leadership of Civil Surgeon Faridkat Dr. Ramandeep Singla and Senior Medical Officer Dr. Navpreet Grewal, the health facilities and health services provided to the patients at the Community Health Center Bajakhana are continuously increasing. On this occasion, Dr. Navpreet Grewal informed that at the Community Health Center Bajakhana, expert Dr. Aman Chhabra is providing his services for the treatment of bone, root and spine problems, which will provide special facilities to the residents of the area and especially the elderly. Along with this, every Friday, skin diseases expert Dr. Arsh Sidhu provides his services for treatment. He informed that the facility of digital X-ray has been started at this institution, which will enable better treatment. He said that the patients are already being provided with the services of Dr. Kirandeep Kaur, a specialist in women's diseases. Along with this, a refractometer is also available for eye check-up. He said that the main objective of this institution is to ensure that every patient who reaches the hospital can get all kinds of facilities easily without any hassle. He said that the patients are also provided with the facility of free treatment under the Chief Minister's Health Scheme. He said that there is availability of medicines in the hospital and emergency services are also fully functional so that the patients can get the right treatment on time. Now, there will be no need to travel far and wide for treatment and advice from expert doctors. All the residents of the area have been appealed to reach CHC Bajakhana whenever they are in need and take maximum benefit of these new health services.

NRI promoter Sinku Nabha remains connected to soil even while living in Melbourne



RAKESH JINDAL

NABHA: Among the personalities who have achieved success in foreign lands due to their hard work, dedication and hardworking thinking, the name of prominent NRI promoter Sinku Nabha is also specially recorded. Sinku Nabha, who is living a comfortable life with his children and mother in the famous city of Melbourne, Australia, is living abroad today, but his heart is still connected to his native city Nabha.

Born and raised in Nabha, Sinku Nabha has a special attachment to his city. Even while living abroad, he always rmembers the people of Nabha, his friends and his old colleagues. The memories associated with Nabha and his love for the people here reflect his attachment to his own soil.

Another important aspect of Sinku Nabha's personality is his vast social and personal contacts. He has good relations with prominent personalities from various fields, from Punjab to abroad. His acquaintance and interaction in government and non-government circles is also quite good.

The most special thing about his nature is that he is a very sociable, cheerful and cheerful person. Treating everyone with love and respect and maintaining friendly relations is a characteristic of his personality. This is the reason why he has maintained his bond with the people of his hometown even while living abroad.

Personalities like Sinku Nabha are an example of the fact that no matter where a person settles in the world, their true identity lies in their connection to their birthplace, their roots, and their people.

Mann govt upgrades infrastructure across nearly 600 govt schools

GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, NOV 10



Under its flagship initiative Punjab Sikhiya Kranti, the Bhagwant Mann Government has launched a statewide School Infrastructure Inaugural Drive from October 27 to November 14, 2026, marking a major milestone in the transformation of government school infrastructure across the state.

The Bhagwant Mann Government has undertaken a large-scale effort to upgrade school infrastructure, reimagining government schools as modern, well-equipped and student-friendly learning spaces. As part of this drive, infrastructure upgrades in nearly 600 government schools, benefiting over 2 lakh students, are being formally inaugurated and celebrated. On this, CM Bhagwant Mann stated, "We are committed to transforming government schools into institutions that every child and parent can be proud of. Along with improving learning outcomes, we are ensuring that our schools provide the best possible environment for students. These infrastructure upgrades are a step towards that vision."

The upgradation works include the construction and renovation of additional classrooms, science laboratories, libraries, art and craft rooms and other essential school facilities, aimed at improving both access to and the quality of education.

The initiative reflects a shift from basic infrastructure to quality infrastructure that supports learning outcomes. Improved classrooms, functional laboratories and better facilities are enabling schools to create more engaging and effective learning environments. The inaugural ceremonies have begun across districts with active participation from Cabinet Ministers, MLAs, local representatives, community leaders, School Management Committees (SMCs) and parents, making it a community-driven celebration of educational transformation. By creating safe, inclusive and resource-rich school environments, the government will improve student attendance, participation and the overall learning experience. Amarjit Singh Chahal, a government school teacher at GSSS Ranghrial, Mansa, stated, "With improved classrooms, laboratories and learning spaces, we are able to deliver lessons more effectively. Students are more engaged, and we can focus better on teaching and learning." Lavjeet Grewal, a teacher at GPS Chananwala, Fazilka, added, "The transformation in infrastructure has made schools more welcoming and functional. It has improved attendance and created a more positive learning environment for children." Under Punjab Sikhiya Kranti, the Bhagwant Mann government will continue to focus on upgrading classrooms, laboratories, libraries and other essential school facilities, while creating safe, inclusive and student-friendly learning environments. The initiative also places emphasis on community participation by engaging parents, School Management Committees (SMCs) and local leaders to strengthen ownership of government schools, while ensuring that infrastructure improvements translate into better student attendance, participation and learning outcomes.

Dr Balbir Singh hands over appointment letters to 11 candidates on compassionate grounds

CHANDIGARH, NOV 10



Reaffirming the Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann led Punjab government's commitment to support the families of deceased government personnel, Punjab Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr Balbir Singh handed over appointment letters to 11 candidates on compassionate grounds across various cadres in the Department of Health and Family Welfare, at his office here on Tuesday.

The newly inducted candidates include five Clerks, three Peons, two Ward Attendants, and one Medical Laboratory Technician Grade-2. Among those appointed to clerical posts are Prathamdeep Singh, Renu Bala, Ritu, Divjot, and Kamaljit Kaur. Gagandeep Kaur received appointment as Medical Laboratory Technician Grade-2, while Madhu, Sahil, and Hargurlal Singh were appointed as Peons, and Anuj Thakur and Jatinder Kaur as Ward Attendants. Extending heartiest congratulations to the newly appointed candidates, Dr Balbir Singh exhorted them to dedicate themselves to their roles, working tirelessly with utmost professionalism, honesty, and empathy towards the public.

Emphasising that the Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann-led Punjab Government stands shoulder-to-shoulder with the families of government employees who lost their lives during service, the Health Minister stated that while the loss of a family member is irreparable, providing timely government employment on compassionate grounds offers vital financial stability, security, and a respectable livelihood to grieving families.

The Health Minister stated that the induction of these candidates across district civil surgeon offices, community health centres, and primary health centres will further bolster administrative and grassroots healthcare delivery. Wishing the candidates a bright and fulfilling career ahead, Dr Balbir Singh urged them to discharge their official responsibilities with compassion and dedication, ensuring that visiting patients and citizens in government healthcare institutions receive prompt and hassle-free assistance.

Later, the Health Minister chaired a meeting with different unions to understand their grievances. Unions including Berozgar Ayurvedic D. Pharmacy Upvaid Union, Punjab; Corona Yodhe Darja-4, Patiala; Para Medical Sehat Mulajam Sangharash Committee Punjab; Corona Yodhe, Rajindra Hospital, Patiala; and Punjab Chemists Association (Regd.) attended the meeting.

'Wonderfest 2026' annual event at Pathfinder Global School organised with a grand show

KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA
RAMPURA PHUL, NOV 10



The annual event 'Wonderfest 2026' was organized with great enthusiasm and pomp at Pathfinder Global School Rampura Phul. In this grand event, the students displayed their art, talent, self-confidence and creativity.

The special feature of this event was the performances based on different themes. The students presented Ganesh Vandana, Nava Durga, Follow Your Passion, Parenting, Puppet Show, Giddha, Bhangra and many other captivating cultural and educational programs. Each performance was beautifully prepared, which mesmerized the audience. The students presented a beautiful blend of Punjabi culture, Indian traditions, social values ??and modern thinking through their hard work and artistry. During the event, while honoring the achievements of the students, prizes were also distributed to the meritorious students of the session 2025-26.

On this occasion, the elaborate arrangements of the school and the decorations made according to the theme also attracted everyone's attention. Special preparations were made to give each theme a unique look.

The coordination of the students' attire, stage decorations, music and performances made the event even more memorable. This event proved that education is not limited to books only, but its important objective is also to make children proficient in every field of life. School Chairman Sunil Bansal and Managing Director Sumit Bansal and Vice Chairman Punjab Development Commission Seema Bansal appreciated the efforts of the students, teachers and the entire team.

They said that such events play an important role in the all-round development of children, self-confidence and enhancement of hidden talents.

Drug control dept. cracks down on medical stores; licences of 16 firms suspended or cancelled



TAPINDER SINGH
PATIALA, NOV 10

Intensifying its crackdown on the illegal sale and misuse of habit-forming drugs under the Punjab Government's anti-drug campaign, the Drug Control Department has taken action against 16 pharmaceutical firms in Patiala district following inspections of 85 retail and wholesale drug establishments.

Of the 16 firms found violating prescribed regulations, the licences of 13 have been suspended, while those of three firms have been cancelled, marking a significant enforcement drive aimed at curbing the illegal supply of medicines with addictive potential.

Zonal Drugs Licensing Authority, Patiala, Navjot Kaur, said that drug control officials conducted inspections at medical stores and wholesale drug outlets across different parts of the district under the state government's 'Yudh Nashean Virudh' (War Against Drugs) campaign.

Opposition MCs boycott meeting of house of MC Barnala



KARANPREET KARAN
BARNALA, NOV 10

The meeting of the House of Municipal Corporation Barnala was held at 12 o'clock at the office of the Mayor, Municipal Corporation Barnala.

In the meeting, while there were proposals to inform about the formation of various committees of the Municipal Corporation, resolutions have been put forward to approve development works worth about Rs 11 crore to be carried out in the city, regularize sanitation workers. Apart from this, many colonies of the city were to be handed over/takeover. All the facilities in the colonies such as all the works in the colonies and roads, street lights, sewage treatment plants and other works were to be completed and made public by the Municipal Corporation, Barnala! But after a while, the opposition MCs boycotted the meeting of the Municipal Corporation Barnala House, raising slogans. The MC came out angry over the takeover of colonies and the non-placement of wards' work on the agenda. On this occasion, giving information to the media, Dharam Singh Fauji MC Ward No. 28, Sukhdial Kaur MC Ward No. 27, Deepinder Kaur Gakhi Ward No. 15, Sneh Lata Ward No. 41, Priyanka Ward No. 47, Raju Chaudhary Ward No. 30, Baru Singh Ward No. 40.

Pannu begins political campaign, stakes claim to Congress ticket from Sardulgarh



KULWINDER KARWAL
SARDULGARH, NOV 10

Political activities have begun gaining momentum ahead of the 2027 Punjab Assembly elections, with leaders from various political parties stepping up efforts to stake their claims for party tickets. In Sardulgarh Assembly constituency, Congress youth leader Dharam Singh Pannu has also entered the political race, launching his election campaign from his native village, Ahlupur, on Tuesday. A large gathering of villagers assembled in his support on the occasion. Addressing the gathering, Pannu said that being born and brought up in the village and the region, he was well aware of the problems faced by local residents and considered them his own. He said his political journey was aimed at serving the people and giving fresh impetus to the development of the constituency. He appealed to the people to extend their support and blessings to him. It is worth mentioning that Pannu had earlier secured a significant lead in the Zila Parishad elections. Now, while staking his claim to the Congress ticket from Sardulgarh for the 2027 Assembly polls, he expressed confidence before the gathering.

Inter-State police coordination strengthened ahead of state polls; DIG Kuldeep Chahal chairs high-level meet

TAPINDER SINGH
PATIALA, NOV 10



With preparations gathering momentum for the 2027 Punjab Legislative Assembly elections, the Patiala Range Police has stepped up inter-state coordination with Haryana Police to strengthen security arrangements, prevent criminal activities and ensure free, fair and peaceful elections.

In this regard, an inter-state police coordination meeting was convened under the chairmanship of DIG, Patiala Range, Kuldeep Singh Chahal, IPS, in Patiala on Tuesday. Senior police officers from Punjab and Haryana participated in the meeting and discussed a comprehensive joint strategy to effectively tackle organised crime, prevent illegal activities and maintain law and order, particularly in areas adjoining the Punjab-Haryana border. The meeting was attended by Patiala SSP Harmandeep Singh Hans, IPS; Sangrur SSP Dr Ravjot Kaur Grewal, IPS; Ambala SP Ajit Singh Shekhawat, IPS; Fatehabad SP Nikita Khattar, IPS; Jind SP Upasana, IPS; Kaithal SP Manpreet Singh Sudan, IPS; Sangrur SP (H) Sukhamrit Singh Randhawa, PPS; and DSP Pehowa, Kurukshetra, Randhir Singh, HPS. Addressing the officers, DIG Kuldeep Singh Chahal emphasised the need for close coordination, timely intelligence-sharing and coordinated action between the police forces of both states. He directed the Haryana police officers to ensure the regular exchange of information regarding anti-social elements, proclaimed offenders, wanted criminals and other individuals involved in unlawful activities who may operate across state boundaries.

Rs 16-crore bridge to be built over Jalalia drain in Bamial



SHARANJEET PATHANKOT, NOV 10

Residents of the border area of Bamial are set to get relief from decades-old transportation problems, with a 150-metre-long and 44-foot-wide bridge to beconstructed over the Jalalia drain at a cost of ?16 crore. Cabinet Minister Lal Chand Kataruchak formally inaugurated the construction work amid celebrations by local residents, who welcomed him with drum-beats and fireworks. Kataruchak said the Punjab Government, under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann, was committed to strengthening infrastructure in border areas. The bridge, to be constructed by the Public Works Department through Associate Engineering Company, will improve connectivity for residents of Bamial and adjoining villages, as well as people travelling towards Jammu and Kashmir. It will also facilitate the movement of the Army and the BSF.

Gauri Shankar Seva Samiti organises grand deepotsav on Dhanteras, 11,000 diyas lit in reverence to Lord Shri Ram

YUGMARG BUREAU
SUJANPUR, NOV 10



Gauri Shankar Seva Samiti (Regd.) organised a grand Deepotsav on the auspicious occasion of Dhanteras in front of the Truck Union on Saili Road, under the leadership of its founder and president, Sanjeev Malhan. The event was celebrated with immense devotion, enthusiasm and fervour. Thousands of lamps were lit in the name of Lord Shri Ram, with prayers for peace, prosperity, happiness and well-being in the region. The illuminating sight of the diyas and the devotional atmosphere filled everyone present with spiritual joy.

Sharing details of the event, Sanjeev Malhan informed that Jagroop Singh Sekhwan attended the occasion as the Chief Guest, while Gurdeep Singh Randhawa, MLA Dera Baba Nanak, Saurabh Behal, Yograj (Shiv Sena), Rishu Pradhan, Rachit Bansal, MD of Power Earth Movers, Purushottam Bhajura, Rajiv Gupta, Akshit Gupta, Sunil Mahajan, Harsh Tarnach and Rajiv Mahajan were among the special guests. Several other prominent personalities also participated in the celebrations and inaugurated the programme by lighting traditional lamps. On the occasion, Chief Guest Jagroop Singh Sekhwan highly appreciated the social welfare and public service initiatives undertaken by Sanjeev Malhan. He stated that the dedication and commitment with which Malhan was working for society through Gauri Shankar Seva Samiti were truly commendable.

Gurmail Singh Pehalwan and Advocate Vikramjit Singh hold meeting to strengthen Congress



SARBJIT SUFI
LUDHIANA, NOV 10

Sardar Gurmail Singh Pehalwan and his son, Advocate Vikramjit Singh Pehalwan, held a special meeting to strengthen the Congress party at Krishna Colony, Ward No. 6, Rahon Road, Ludhiana East. The meeting was organised at the office of former Sarpanch and Punjab Congress Secretary Sardar Jaimal Singh Chauhan. During the meeting, they expressed concern over the rising drug menace, incidents of robbery and deteriorating law and order in Punjab. They said they were reaching out to people door-to-door to create awareness and discuss Congress policies and programmes ahead of the 2027 Assembly elections. They also stressed the need for concrete steps to make Punjab drug-free and curb criminal activities. The meeting also discussed local issues and ways to intensify party activities. Several local leaders and prominent residents, including Jang Singh Chauhan, Surinder Singh Moscow, Roshan Singh Sagar, Sarwan Singh etc.

2 suspects who opened fire on Moga police party arrested



JAGEAJ SINGH SANGHA
MOGA, NOV 10

Moga Police were continuously patrolling and checking to maintain law and order in Moga district and to keep an eye on the activities of suspicious persons. Meanwhile, the police party of police station Mehna was patrolling the area. When the police party was present on Mehna-Nathuwala link road, two suspicious persons were seen coming from the Nathuwala side on a motorcycle. The police party signaled them to stop, but instead of stopping, they turned their motorcycle around and tried to run away, during which their motorcycle skidded and fell. After this, both the youths started firing at the police party, the police returned fire in self-defense, in which both the youths were injured. The injured have been identified as Gursewak Singh, son of Angrez Singh, resident of Dosanjh Road, Moga, and Akashdeep Singh, son of Amrik Singh, resident of Dharamkot.

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CM Sukhu mourns death of senior journalist

DINESH AGARWAL

SHIMLA: Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu has mourned the death of Arun Dogra, senior journalist of Bilaspur district who passed away at AIIMS Bilaspur last night. The Chief Minister said that Arun Dogra upheld the ethics of journalism while performing his professional duties. He said that he worked with impartiality, devotion and dedication, making a significant contribution to the society through his journalism career. He said that with the demise of Arun Dogra, the journalistic fraternity has lost an experienced, devoted and sensitive journalist. He said that he stands in solidarity with the bereaved family members in this hour of grief. Sukhu prayed to the Almighty to grant peace to the departed soul and strength to the bereaved family to bear this irreparable loss.

State government to strengthen fisheries sector through risk fund for trout farmers

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, NOV 10



The State Government has approved two ambitious schemes to strengthen the fisheries sector and safeguard the economic interests of fish farmers and fishermen by introducing the Risk Fund for Trout Farmers and Minimum Support Price (MSP) mechanism for reservoir fish. These initiatives aim to provide financial security to trout farmers affected by natural calamities and ensure remunerative prices to reservoir fishermen, thereby improving their livelihoods. Under the Risk Fund for Trout Farmers scheme, a corpus of Rs. one crore has been provided by the State Government to extend financial assistance to registered trout farmers who suffer losses due to floods, cloudbursts, landslides and other natural calamities. Farmers will be required to contribute an annual subscription of Rs. 500 to avail the benefits of the scheme. Eligible farmers will receive compensation of Rs. 25,000 per raceway for the complete loss of 2,000 or more fingerlings/yearlings, with proportionate compensation for lesser losses. The maximum assistance will be limited to two raceways, subject to an overall ceiling of Rs. 50,000 per beneficiary. The claims will be verified through field-level inspections and scrutiny by a State-level committee, while the approved compensation will be transferred directly to beneficiaries' Aadhaar-linked bank accounts. In another major initiative, the State Government has introduced a Minimum Support Price of Rs. 100 per kilogram under Mukhya Mantri Machhuara Sahayata Yojna for reservoir fish to protect fishermen from market fluctuations and distress sales. If fish is sold through the authorized auction system below the stipulated MSP, the Government will provide a subsidy upto Rs. 20 per kg. The subsidy will be transferred directly to eligible fishermen through Direct Benefit Transfer. The scheme, fully funded by the State Government, is expected to benefit approximately 6,000 to 6,300 active licensed reservoir fishermen annually across the State. The State Government had also launched Mukhymantri Machhuara Samman Nidhi Yojna in the State under which Rs. 3500 annually was being provided to fishermen during the annual fishing ban period imposed for conservation and breeding of fish.

Bikram Thakur slams state govt over unfulfilled promises, lack of development

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, NOV 10



Senior BJP leader and former Industries Minister Bikram Thakur launched a scathing attack on Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu and the Congress government while addressing a press conference in Shimla. He said that after nearly four years in power, the Congress government has no concrete achievements to present before the people of Himachal Pradesh.

Thakur alleged that the government's entire tenure has been spent making false promises, indulging in political theatrics, claiming credit for decisions rooted in decades of efforts, and blaming the BJP for its own failures. "The Chief Minister's politics has become centred around 'I, Me and Myself' rather than the development of Himachal Pradesh. The people are now asking a simple question: What exactly has this government accomplished in four years?" he remarked. How Many Industries Have Come to Himachal and How Many Youths Have Secured Employment? Bikram Thakur challenged the Chief Minister to disclose how many new hydropower project MoUs have been signed during the last four years, how many projects have actually been implemented, and what financial benefits they have generated for the state. He further questioned how many major industrial units have been established in Himachal Pradesh and how many employment opportunities have been created for the youth. "I challenge the Chief Minister to publicly name even one major industrial unit that has been established in Himachal Pradesh due to the efforts of his government," Thakur said. He recalled that when the previous BJP government worked to attract industrial investment, Congress leaders accused it of handing over the state to industrialists.

Sukh-Aashray Scheme helps Una youth set up businesses, earn Rs 20,000-25,000 monthly

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA, NOV 10



The Himachal Pradesh government's Mukhyamantri Sukh-Aashray Yojana has helped a 27-year-old youth from Chururu village in Una district become self-reliant by setting up two small businesses with financial assistance of Rs. 2 lakh under the scheme. Sanjay Bharwal, a resident of Chururu in Amb subdivision, used the financial assistance to establish a car washing service station. With savings from the business, he subsequently ventured into automobile electrical repair work, earning a combined monthly income of Rs. 20,000 to Rs. 25,000 from the two activities. He has also employed another young person at his service station and is training him in the work.Sanjay lost his father when he was just four years old. His father worked as a driver, while his mother took up work at an Anganwadi centre and also did daily-wage labour to support the family and raise Sanjay and his sister. His mother later suffered paralysis and had to give up work. After remaining bedridden for nearly three years, she passed away in 2023. Following her death, Sanjay's sister and brother-in-law took responsibility for looking after him. Although they extended full support, Sanjay wanted to become financially independent rather than remain dependent on his relatives. He learned about the Sukh-Aashray Yojana through a woman who had earlier worked with his mother at an Anganwadi centre.

Giripar celebrates Diwali differently: Men take out torchlight procession at 4 am

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Diwali celebrations in the Giripar region of Himachal Pradesh's Sirmaur district are held differently from those in other parts of the state, with centuries-old traditions, religious rituals and community participation marking the festival.

Diwali is not limited to lighting lamps and fireworks rather a most attractive aspect of this special Diwali in the Giripar region is the torchlight procession, which takes place in the early morning. A traditional torchlight procession was taken out in Barol village at around 4 am on Monday, witnessing the participation of a large number of villagers. As part of the age-old tradition, villagers first assemble at the temple premises and offer prayers to their local deities. Thereafter, men carrying burning torches in their hands circumambulate the entire village. Notably, only men participate in this early-morning procession, which continues to be observed with devotion and discipline. The ritual is believed to bring prosperity, peace and well-being to the village and the surrounding region. Despite changing lifestyles, residents have continued to preserve the tradition as an important part of their cultural and religious identity. Local Panchayat head Anil Sharma said the tradition of celebrating Diwali in Giripar dates back several centuries and is still followed in its traditional form. He explained that the torchlight procession is the first event held as part of the Diwali celebrations. During the procession, prayers are offered to the gods and goddesses for the prosperity of the region. Following the procession, traditional Siya songs are sung within the temple premises, forming an important part of the festival's religious and cultural identity. The Diwali celebrations then continue in the village for the next two to three days,with various religious and cultural programmes organised across villages. Diwali also provides an opportunity for families to reunite, as people living outside the region for education, employment and other reasons return to their native villages to celebrate the festival.

Senior journalist Arun Dogra Ritu's demise leaves journalism fraternity mourning

AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY



BILASPUR: The demise of senior journalist Arun Dogra Ritu has sent a wave of grief across the journalism fraternity and various sections of society. His passing has been widely mourned, with colleagues and members of the media fraternity describing his death as an irreparable loss to the field of journalism. His contributions will always be remembered, they said. Several political leaders, journalists and prominent personalities expressed their condolences over his demise. Those who mourned his passing included Union Minister Jagat Prakash Nadda, Mallika Nadda, Harish Nadda, former Chief Ministers Shanta Kumar, Prem Kumar Dhumal and Jai Ram Thakur, Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu, MP Anurag Thakur, former MP Suresh Chandel, MLAs Trilok Jamwal and Rakesh Jamwal, former MLA Hoshiyar Singh, BJP Bilaspur district president Krishan Lal, Swatantra Sankhyan, former district treasurer Prem Gautam, Sudarshan Sankhyan, editor Arvind Goyal, Shashi Jain, Navneet Sharma, Pankaj Katna, Ajay Pakil, Ashish Patial, Ajay Surya, Vipin Sajan, journalists Jai Kumar, Kuldeep Chandel, Banshidhar Sharma, Vijay Raj, Ajay Upadhyay, Ramesh Rana, Shanti Swaroop, Sunil Sharma and Balbir Thakur. Office-bearers of Hindu organisations, including Kismat Kumar, Omkar Singh, Kamal, Inder Thakur, Sita Ram and Sanjeev Dogra, also expressed their condolences.

Promoting sports is key to keeping youth away from drugs: Suresh Kumar

ANIL KUMAR
HAMIRPUR, NOV 10



Today's youth are the greatest strength of any nation and the foundation of its future. A country with healthy, energetic, disciplined and positive-minded youth can achieve sustained progress. However, the growing prevalence of drug abuse has emerged as a serious challenge, with addiction threatening not only the future of young people but also causing concern for their families and society. Promoting sports can prove to be one of the most effective social interventions in the fight against drug abuse. This was stated by Bhoreanj MLA Suresh Kumar while addressing a public gathering at Jamli in his constituency. He said it would not be wrong to say that the more active sports grounds were, the fewer young people would fall prey to drug addiction. He emphasised that sports were not merely a means of physical exercise or entertainment but also a powerful platform for instilling discipline, perseverance, confidence and a positive outlook towards life. Young people who participate in sports learn the value of time, how to learn from defeat and how to work consistently towards victory. Sports also help develop teamwork, mutual cooperation and leadership qualities alongside a healthy spirit of competition. He said sports provided young people with the energy and purpose needed to stay away from negative influences and social evils such as drug abuse. Merely delivering speeches or conducting awareness campaigns was not enough to tackle the problem; young people needed better alternatives and opportunities. He called for the development of sports grounds at the village and panchayat levels, greater encouragement for sporting activities in schools and colleges, and adequate facilities to engage youngsters in cricket, football, kabaddi, volleyball, athletics and other sports.

BJP credits Shanta Kumar, Dhumal for BBMB rights victory: Sanjay Sharma

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, NOV 10



Launching a sharp attack on the state's current Congress government, BJP spokesperson Sanjay Sharma stated that the administration is engaged in an unnecessary and unethical race to claim credit regarding the sensitive issue of the Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB) dues and the rightful entitlements of Himachal Pradesh. It is an old habit of the Congress to mislead the public by concealing facts. At the time of the Punjab Reorganization on November 1, 1966, it was determined that Himachal Pradesh should receive a share of assets and liabilities proportionate to its 7.19 percent population; however, due to the negligence of the then-Congress government, the state was denied its legitimate due. In 1977, when the Janata Party government—led by Shanta Kumar—came to power in the state, the issue of the injustice faced by Himachal during the Punjab Reorganization was raised for the first time, alongside the assertion of the state's rights over its natural resources. In 1990, when a BJP government was formed in the state under the leadership of former Chief Minister Shanta Kumar, this matter was firmly presented before the Central government. Approval in principle was secured from the Centre for a 12% royalty on electricity generated in Himachal Pradesh. In 1994, under the leadership of Shanta Kumar, an 'Adhikar Yatra' (a march for rights) was organized, reaching Delhi; top leaders such as Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Lal Krishna Advani, and Madan Lal Khurana extended their full support to this claim. In the mid-1990s, the government led by Virbhadra Singh did file a case in the Supreme Court regarding Himachal's share, but the legal proceedings and the overall process moved at such a sluggish pace that no concrete outcome was achieved for years.

Dhumal calls BBMB verdict a historic victory for Himachal Pradesh

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, NOV 10



Former Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Prof. Prem Kumar Dhumal welcomed the Supreme Court's decision regarding the outstanding dues of the Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB), describing it as a historic achievement for the people of Himachal Pradesh and the culmination of a decades-long struggle to secure the state's rightful share. Prof. Dhumal stated that the credit and benefits of this landmark decision belong to the entire population of Himachal Pradesh rather than to any individual or political party. He emphasised that the historical facts surrounding the BBMB dispute must be placed before the public so that the contributions of successive governments are clearly understood.

Recalling the history of the dispute, Prof. Dhumal said that following the reorganisation of Punjab on November 1, 1966, a decision was taken to distribute assets and liabilities among Punjab, Haryana and Himachal Pradesh in proportion to their populations. At that time, Congress governments were in power in all three states. However, when crucial decisions concerning BBMB were being taken, no representative of the Himachal Pradesh government attended the important meeting.

He alleged that the Congress leadership failed to recognise the significance of these decisions, resulting in substantial losses to Himachal Pradesh and depriving the state of its legitimate rights for decades.

Prof. Dhumal further stated that when the Janata Party formed governments at the Centre and in Himachal Pradesh in 1977, the then Prime Minister Morarji Desai decided to provide 15 MW of electricity to Himachal Pradesh and constituted a committee to examine the remaining issues. However, after the Congress returned to power in 1980, the matter was once again neglected.

Central University of Himachal Pradesh shines on global stage with QS Asia ranking debut

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The Central University of Himachal Pradesh (CUHP) has achieved another milestone by making its debut in the QS Asia University Rankings 2027, securing a place in the 791-800 band in Asia and 239th position in the Southern Asia sub-regional rankings. With this achievement, CUHP has emerged as the top-ranked government university in Himachal Pradesh in the latest rankings, marking a significant step towards strengthening its academic profile and international visibility. The university has secured a higher ranking band than several established institutions, including the Central University of Jammu (801-850), Kurukshetra University (951-1000), Himachal Pradesh University (1001-1100), Guru Jambheshwar University of Science and Technology (1101-1200) and Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya (1201-1300). CUHP shares the 791-800 band with the Central University of Haryana, while the Central University of Rajasthan is placed in the 711-720 band. NIT Hamirpur is ranked at 800. Vice-Chancellor Prof Sat Prakash Bansal described the university's maiden entry into the QS Asia rankings as a significant milestone in its journey towards academic excellence and international recognition. He said the achievement reflected the growing research visibility, scholarly impact and emphasis on qualified academic faculty, besides the collective commitment and sustained efforts of the university community.

Jai Ram Thakur claims BJP set road construction records to ease public burden

ASHISH SHARMA
KULLU, NOV 10



Former Chief Minister and Leader of the Opposition Jai Ram Thakur, who arrived in Ani to attend a ceremony honoring newly elected public representatives, said that there is a unique joy in alleviating the suffering of loved ones. We were born and raised in these valleys. We have fallen and risen here again and again. Therefore, we understand the suffering of our people. We know their hardships and their sorrows. We promised not only our people, but also ourselves, that when we got the chance, we would do everything we could to alleviate the burden on our people. We tried and succeeded. Despite COVID, we broke all road construction records under the previous government. The records we set during our government will never be easy to break.

Addressing the public meeting, he said, "We began our government with the blessings of our elders. I made an effort in my first cabinet to ensure that every elderly person receives a pension. However, Sukhu Maharaj, the system-changer, began his tenure by closing more than 1,000 institutions that shared people's sorrows and pains without even forming a cabinet. Sukhu Maharaj closed everything in the Ani assembly constituency—schools, hospitals, and offices. More than half a dozen veterinary hospitals were closed in Ani. We opened so many veterinary hospitals because Ani plays a leading role in animal husbandry and milk production in Himachal. When there are more animals, they will need hospitals for treatment. But the Chief Minister didn't even understand the pain of the animals." He said that only the Chief Minister is eager to take credit. Whether it's the BBMB or the Wildflower Hall, he takes credit for every victory, but he forgets that the BBMB's final victory came in 2011 during Dhumal's government, and the Wildflower Hall victory came in October 2022, two months after Sukhu became Chief Minister.

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Special health check-up camp organised under Prime Minister Safe Motherhood campaign

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LADWA: A special health check-up camp was organized on Tuesday at the Community Health Center, Ladwa, under the Prime Minister's Safe Motherhood Campaign, chaired by Senior Medical Officer Dr. Krishnakant. Pregnant women, especially those with high-risk and severe conditions, were screened



for health and treatment and counseling were provided as needed. On this occasion, high-risk pregnant women were identified and provided with necessary medical care on the spot. In addition, pregnant women were provided with free medicines, ultrasounds and other necessary testing facilities.

Congress leaders defend Sonia Gandhi's memoir amid backlash over Babri Masjid remark

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, NOV 10



Congress leaders on Tuesday defended Parliamentary Party chairperson Sonia Gandhi's newly released memoir, Belonging: A Journey of Love, rejecting BJP criticism over her reflections on the 1992 Babri Masjid demolition and noting that BJP leaders Atal Bihari Vajpayee and LK Advani had expressed similar regret at the time.The release of the book on Tuesday ignited a sharp political row, with the BJP accusing Gandhi of "whitewashing" historical wrongs, while Congress leaders accused the ruling party of trying to give the memoir a political angle.Speaking to ANI, Congress leader Salman Khurshid said the Congress was in government when the Babri Masjid was demolished, and there was "very deep regret among everyone," including BJP leaders. "Advani ji had also said that they did not want this to happen. Atal Bihari Vajpayee had said they didn't want this," he said, adding that nobody accepted that "in Gandhi's heart."When Babri Masjid was demolished, Atal ji had heavily criticised it. Did Babar live in his heart? Advani ji had called it a grave mistake. Did Babar live in his heart? Jaswant Singh strongly condemned it. Did Babar live in his heart?" Shukla said."This should not be turned into a controversy... BJP is trying to give this a political spin. What is the need for this?" he said. On the BJP's attacks, Khurshid also said, "Let them play politics. Even Sonia ji acknowledged that there would inevitably be a democracy, someone should attempt to alter the course of democracy through sheer force."Congress MP Rajeev Shukla said the BJP was trying to turn the memoir into a controversy, and referred to an alleged remark by a BJP leader asking whether "Babar" lived in Sonia some uproar. But they should read the book and try to understand it, rather than starting to shout right away."Earlier, BJP National Spokesperson CR Kesavan criticised Sonia Gandhi over her memoir, saying it could have been titled 'Whitewashing' as he alleged that the book sought to sugarcoat historical wrongs committed by the Nehru-Gandhi family and the Congress party."Sonia Gandhi could have titled her memoir 'Whitewashing', instead of 'Belonging' because the motive of this book appears to be sugarcoating the historical wrongs perpetrated by the Nehru-Gandhi family and camouflaging the cardinal sins committed by the Congress party," he said.Questioning Sonia Gandhi's references to the Babri Masjid, the 1984 anti-Sikh massacre, the Batla House encounter and the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks, Kesavan asked whether she had expressed similar grief over the deaths of innocent people and security personnel.

Haryana Human Rights Commission orders statewide review of police storeroom security after theft of 32 firearms

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR, NOV 10

The Haryana Human Rights Commission has directed the state police chief to conduct a statewide review of security arrangements in police station storerooms following the theft of 32 licensed firearms from a police station in Faridabad. In an order dated November 2, Commission Member Deep Bhatia directed the Director General of Police (DGP), Haryana, to review arrangements for the safe custody of licensed firearms, restrict access to police storerooms and strengthen supervisory mechanisms across the state.The Commission took up the matter following a complaint filed on July 16 by Advocate Gitanjali, a resident of Panchkula, who raised concerns over the theft of 32 licensed firearms deposited by their owners at the Sector-8 police station in Faridabad. According to a report submitted by Faridabad Deputy Commissioner of Police Monu, an apprentice undergoing training at the police station was assisting in maintaining daily diary records and performing storeroom-related duties. During the investigation, suspicion arose regarding his involvement. Subsequently, he and 28 other accused were arrested.The police informed the Commission that all 32 stolen firearms had been recovered and the challan in the case was presented before the court on August 6, 2026.The Commission observed that allowing apprentices, trainees or other non-regular personnel access to sensitive items, including licensed firearms, raised serious concerns over security protocols and supervisory control.It noted that citizens deposit their licensed weapons at police stations, particularly during elections and the enforcement of the Model Code of Conduct, with the expectation that these would remain in safe custody. Any lapse could threaten public safety and cause anxiety and legal complications for the rightful owners, it said. The Commission directed the DGP to ensure that apprentices, trainees and other non-regular personnel are not given unauthorised access to firearms or other sensitive articles kept in police storerooms. It also sought instructions to all police stations on restricted access, security protocols and effective supervision.

BJP's anger against garbage dumps in Moga, strong protest against govt

JAGRAJ SINGH SANGHA

MOGA: The deteriorating condition of the sanitation system in the city has now spread beyond the main roads to the small streets. On Tuesday, the anger of the Bharatiya Janata Party erupted at Basti Gobindgarh against the piles of garbage piled up at various places and the foul smell emanating from them. BJP leaders and colleagues, as per the directions of District President Dr. Harjot Kamal and under the leadership of Circle President Sanjeev Sonu Sharma, protested against the Municipal Corporation administration by staging a strong protest. On this occasion, Maninder Kaur, Kamaljit Kaur, Manjit Buttar, Rudar Sharma, Naveen Kohli, Krishan Saini, Satinderpreet Singh, Harman Singh, Nirmal Singh, Gurcharan Ganu, Hardeep Deepi, Rohit Bansal, Kanwardeep Singh, Jaspal Happy, Harpreet Singh, Laddu, Gurpreet Singh and Mani along with other BJP colleagues were present. The protesters said that a large pile of garbage has been lying on the main road right next to Glorious School for a long time. This road is a major route for thousands of children going not only to Glorious School but also to Sacred Heart School. Apart from this, the residents of Ward No. 4 and 5, especially the people of Neemubaali Gali and Basti Gobindgarh, are also forced to pass through this road daily. The most worrying situation is that of small innocent children, who have to walk to school every day through the strong stench emanating from the garbage heaps. The locals allege that despite repeated complaints, neither the local councilors are paying attention to this serious problem nor have any steps been taken by the municipal corporation officials to resolve the problem.

Congress leaders discuss Punjab Poll preparations, party strengthening

AJAY MALHOTRA
FATEHGARH SAHIB, NOV 10

Dr. Sukhjot Singh held a courtesy meeting with Haryana-based Rajya Sabha MP Shri Karamveer Boudh and extended warm Diwali greetings to him. The meeting featured an extensive discussion on Punjab's prevailing political scenario, organisational strengthening of the Congress party and preparations for the upcoming Punjab Assembly elections. The leaders discussed strategies to strengthen the party at the grassroots level, expand public participation and ensure greater political representation for marginalised and underprivileged communities. Emphasis was also laid on strengthening the organisational network and maintaining better coordination among party leaders and workers.

Shri Karamveer Boudh is currently serving as an observer for four Scheduled Caste-reserved Lok Sabha constituencies in Punjab. In this capacity, he is expected to visit Fatehgarh Sahib shortly to interact with local party leaders and workers and review the political and organisational situation in the district. Appreciating his political



journey, Dr. Sukhjot Singh said that Shri Boudh had built his political career through grassroots-level involvement and possessed considerable organisational experience and understanding of public issues. He observed that his experience and dedication would contribute to the party's organisational activities in Punjab. Jassi Talwara, State Secretary of the Punjab Youth Congress from Amloh, was also present at the meeting. Highlighting the importance of youth participation, he expressed his commitment to connecting students from colleges and universities with the Congress party's ideology and encouraging their active involvement in mainstream politics.

Lord Vishwakarma Jayanti celebrated in Kurukshetra; 60 units of blood collected

HANS RAJ
KURUKSHETRA, NOV 10



Lord Vishwakarma Jayanti was celebrated with religious fervour and enthusiasm at Shri Vishwakarma Temple and Dhiman Dharamshala on Railway Road here, with around 60 units of blood collected at a donation camp organised as part of the celebrations.

The event was organised by the Dhiman Brahmin Panchayat Sabha (Regd.) and featured religious ceremonies, a blood donation camp, felicitation of meritorious students and senior citizens, and a community feast.Sahil Sudha, President of the BJP Yuva Morcha, attended the programme as the chief guest, representing former Haryana Minister of State Subhash Sudha. Pradeep Dhiman, Executive Engineer, Panchayati Raj Department, Karnal, presided over the function, while Ashutosh Dhiman, BDPO, Shahabad, attended as a special guest.

The programme began with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp, followed by traditional worship and a Havan Yajna amid Vedic chants. A blood donation camp was jointly organised by the Sabha and Shanti Narayan NGO, in which community members and young volunteers participated enthusiastically. Around 60 units of blood were collected.Students who secured 80 per cent or above marks in their Class 10 and Class 12 examinations were honoured with silver coins and medals to recognise their academic achievements and encourage them to excel further.

YS Public School girls win gold at state-level Netball Championship

KARANPREET KARAN BARNALA, NOV 10



YS Public School, recognised among the Top 50 Schools of India, has added another glorious achievement to its sporting journey as its Under- 14 girls ; netball team clinched the Gold Medal at the State-Level Netball Games held in Bathinda. The winning team comprised three talented players, Sukhmanjit Kaur 9th class, Sukhjot Kaur 9th class and Parneet Kaur 7 th class, who showcased exceptional teamwork, determination, discipline and sportsmanship throughout the competition. The players achieved this remarkable feat under the expert supervision and guidance of their coach, Mr Jasvir Singh. With this latest victory, the total number of medals won by YS Public School students has reached an impressive 6,946, reflecting the schools consistent commitment to promoting sports and nurturing young talent. This achievement further strengthens the school & sporting legacy and highlights the dedication of its students and coaching staff. Congratulating the achievers, Principal Mr Mohit Jindal said, "We are extremely proud of our girls for bringing laurels to the school at the state level. Their dedication, discipline and team spirit have translated into this wonderful achievement. At YS Public School, we firmly believe that sports are an integral part of education, as they build confidence, leadership, resilience and a spirit of healthy competition among students. Such accomplishments inspire other students to pursue their passions and strive for excellence.

Administration takes strict action against farmers burning stubble, FIR registered against two farmers

YAGYA DUTT SHASTRI
PEHOWA, NOV 10



Civil Sub-Divisional Officer Rahul Kanwaria IAS said that the district administration was taking strict steps to stop the incidents of stubble burning. As per the orders of Deputy Commissioner Kurukshetra, teams of Agriculture Department and related departments are continuously monitoring the villages. In this connection, FIR has been registered against two farmers after cases of stubble burning were reported in Harigarh Borakh and Arunay villages of Sub-Division Pehowa. Along with this, action has also been taken to register red entry in the revenue records of both the farmers. Further legal and departmental action is going on in the related cases as per rules. SDM Rahul Kanwaria said that the administration had instructed the officers and field staff of the Agriculture Department to visit their designated villages regularly and made personal contact with the farmers and made them aware about crop residue management. Apart from this, instructions have also been given to run awareness campaigns in rural areas with the help of Sarpanch, Numberdar and Chowkidar and to keep special vigil on possible incidents of stubble burning. He has appealed to the farmers not to burn crop residues, because apart from polluting the environment, it also has an adverse effect on the fertility of the land. Farmers should manage the stubble properly by using Super Seeder, Happy Seeder, Mulcher and other modern agricultural equipment. The administration has clarified that incidents of stubble burning will not be tolerated under any circumstances and strict legal action will be taken against those who violate the rules.

Lado Laxmi Yojana empowers women, promotes financial independence: Rajni Sharma

DALBIR SINGH MALIK

KURUKSHETRA: Thanesar Block Committee Chairperson Rajni Ram Mehar Sharma Acharya said that the Lado Laxmi Yojana launched by the Haryana government was a commendable initiative to empower women financially and make them self-reliant. Through this scheme, eligible women are receiving financial assistance, which helps them meet their needs. He said that under the leadership of Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini, the state government was implementing numerous public welfare schemes, prioritizing the respect, security and self-reliance of women. The Lado Laxmi Scheme aims to provide economic strength to women, so that they are not dependent on others for their needs, large or small, and can live their lives with confidence. Rajni Ram Mehar Sharma Acharya said that true progress in any society or state was possible only when women were economically and socially empowered. Financial assistance to women not only improves their quality of life but also contributes significantly to the well-being of their families. He appealed to eligible women to learn about the scheme's rules and eligibility requirements, complete the necessary procedures and take advantage of this government welfare scheme. He said the state government was striving to ensure that the benefits of government schemes reach the last eligible person in line, ensuring that no needy person deprived of the benefits.

Lord Vishwakarma Day celebrated with devotion and enthusiasm at Saraswati ITI Kurukshetra



HANS RAJ

KURUKSHETRA: Lord Vishwakarma Day was celebrated with great devotion, enthusiasm and religious fervour at Saraswati ITI, Kurukshetra. On this occasion, students and staff members jointly cleaned all the machinery, tools, plants and workshop equipment across the institute premises. The machinery and tools were then purified with holy Ganga water. Thereafter, lamps were lit throughout the workshops, followed by a special prayer and aarti dedicated to Lord Vishwakarma. Everyone prayed for the prosperity of the institution and a bright future for the students. The programme commenced with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp by the institute's Chairman, Rakesh Saini, followed by the traditional aarti of Lord Vishwakarma. Extending his heartfelt greetings to the students and staff members, Chairman Rakesh Saini said that Lord Vishwakarma is regarded as the symbol of creativity, construction, technology, craftsmanship and innovation. His teachings inspire everyone to work with dedication, sincerity and commitment.

BJP Kurukshetra president Ramesh Saini greets CM Nayab Saini on Diwali

KARAMBIR
LADWA, NOV 10



Bharatiya Janata Party's Kurukshetra District President Ramesh Saini paid a courtesy visit to Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini at his official residence, Sant Kabir Kutir, in Chandigarh. During the visit, District President Ramesh Saini extended his heartfelt greetings and best wishes to the Chief Minister on the auspicious occasions of Diwali, Lord Vishwakarma Jayanti, and Bhaiya Dooj. An atmosphere of warmth and cordiality was evident during the meeting. On this occasion, Ramesh Saini, while wishing the Chief Minister good health, happiness, prosperity, and long life, said that festivals hold special significance in Indian culture. These festivals not only keep our religious and cultural traditions alive, but also strengthen mutual love, brotherhood, unity and goodwill in society. The festival of Diwali symbolizes the victory of light over darkness and truth over falsehood, while Vishwakarma Jayanti conveys the message of the importance of labor, skill and construction. Bhaiya Dooj is a festival that strengthens the sacred relationship of brother and sister and family affection. The District President wished that all festivals bring happiness, peace, prosperity and prosperity to the people of the state. He said that festivals promote positivity and a spirit of mutual cooperation in society. Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini cordially welcomed Ramesh Saini and the BJP officials accompanying him. He extended his best wishes to everyone for the festive season. A spirit of mutual understanding, social harmony, and organizational coordination was also evident during this time. BJP District Vice President Devi Dayal Sharma, District Vice President Sanjeev Sikri, and District Media Incharge Narendra Panchal were also present on this occasion.

Board exam readiness takes centre stage at Ladwa School heads meet

KARAMBIR
LADWA, NOV 10



An important meeting of the principals and headmasters of all the government senior secondary and high schools in the block was held under the chairmanship of Ladwa Block Education Officer Dr. Rishipal Bhardwaj. Preparations for the upcoming Class 10th and 12th annual board examinations were discussed in detail at the meeting. The Block Education Officer stated that a systematic approach is needed to ensure students achieve good scores in board exams. He directed that special attention be paid to weak students. He urged teachers in each school to identify weak students and develop a special master plan for them, so that they can be provided with additional academic support and passed the board exams with good scores. He also directed that all students be regularly tested based on the curriculum taught each week to determine their subject knowledge. This process will help assess students' academic progress and address their shortcomings in a timely manner. The Block Education Officer directed all the Principals and Headmasters to organize separate meetings of all the PGT teachers in their respective schools and have detailed discussions on preparation for board examinations, special strategies for weak students, weekly evaluation and ensuring better exam results. He said that all the school heads and teachers should work with mutual coordination and responsibility, so that the result of Block Ladwa was better in the upcoming board examinations and Block Ladwa can create its own unique identity in the state of Haryana.

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Bhai Dooj is symbol of unbreakable bond and trust between siblings: Preksha Goyal



TARAORI (KAMAL SHARMA): Preksha Goyal, Director of 'Double Chabi' Basmati Rice, stated that the festival of Bhai Dooj symbolises the sacred bond, mutual trust, and unbreakable love between siblings. Beyond highlighting the importance of familial ties, this festival fosters a sense of respect, affection, and responsibility toward one another. Preksha Goyal shared this message while extending her best wishes to the nation on the auspicious occasion of Bhai Dooj. She noted that in Indian culture, festivals are not merely about observing traditions; they also serve as opportunities to further strengthen relationships. Bhai Dooj revives childhood memories and reinforces the commitment between siblings to support each other throughout their lives. She remarked that in today's fast-paced world, festivals provide a chance to spend quality time with loved ones and breathe new life into family connections. She expressed her hope that this sacred festival brings happiness, prosperity, and mutual love into the lives of every family.

NEWS BRIEF

Vishwakarma Day celebrated with devotion at Hansi Auto Market



DINKAR GAWRI
HANSI : Baba Vishwakarma Day was celebrated with devotion and enthusiasm at the Auto Market in Hansi, where a grand programme was organised on the auspicious occasion. The programme began with a yajna and havan conducted by Arya Samaj priest Satyadev Shastri, who recited Vedic hymns. Members present at the ceremony offered oblations and prayed to Lord Vishwakarma for happiness, prosperity and progress in their businesses. Following the yajna, devotional songs dedicated to Baba Vishwakarma were presented, and prasad was distributed among the devotees. On the occasion, Auto Market patron Parvind Lohan said that Lord Vishwakarma is regarded as the deity of creation, construction and craftsmanship. His life inspires people to remain committed to their work, skills, hard work and the spirit of creation.

Beware of QR codes, fake customer service numbers, mobile apps: Police call to help avoid cyber fraud



MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI: In light of the rising number of cyber fraud cases, the Karnal District Police are conducting ongoing awareness campaigns for the general public. Under the expert guidance and direction of Superintendent of Police (SP) Karan Goel, IPS, the Cyber Crime Police Station organised an awareness drive at the Old Bus Stand in Karnal. The initiative aimed to educate the public—including youth, children, and the elderly—about new methods used by cybercriminals and how to protect against them. Led by Inspector Satish Kumar, in-charge of the Cyber Crime Police Station, a team headed by Assistant Sub-Inspector (ASI) Devender Kumar explained that cybercriminals are constantly devising new ways to commit fraud. They ensnare victims using tactics such as QR codes, fake customer service numbers, screen-sharing requests, remote-access applications, malicious APK files, and fraudulent government notices. The police team warned that scammers often send QR codes under the pretext of "refunding" money or facilitating a payment. Scanning an unknown QR code can lead to money being deducted from one's account rather than being credited.

May the blessings of Lord Shri Govardhan Ji continue to shower upon devotees: Sanjay Bansal



KAMAL SHARMA
TARAORI: A 'Shri Govardhan Annakoot Bhandara' was organised with great devotion and reverence at the Aggarwal Dharamshala, where a large number of devotees partook in the prasad. Social workers Rinku and Sanjay Bansal expressed their gratitude to all those who attended. A multitude of devout followers arrived at the event, bowed before Lord Shri Govardhan Ji, and received prasad. Throughout the proceedings, the devotees displayed immense enthusiasm and a deep sense of devotion. An offering (bhog) was presented to Lord Shri Govardhan Ji, following which the distribution of prasad to the devotees commenced. The Bansal family made arrangements to welcome and serve the attendees. The event saw enthusiastic participation from the public, contributing to its overall success. On this occasion, Sanjay Bansal remarked that such religious gatherings strengthen the bonds of mutual love, brotherhood, and the spirit of service within society. He noted that it is a great privilege to have the opportunity to organise such an event through the grace of Lord Shri Govardhan Ji. He thanked all the devotees who attended the bhandara and partook in the prasad. Surendra Bansal 'Rinku' and Sanjay Bansal stated that the Bansal family's objective is to uphold religious traditions while fostering a spirit of service and harmony in society.

Kapal Mochan mela to be organised at Bilaspur from November 20 to 24

CHANDIGARH, NOV 10



Haryana Chief Minister Sh. Nayab Singh Saini has directed officials to give a grand, divine and attractive outlook to the State-Level Kapal Mochan Mela, to be organised at Bilaspur in Yamunanagar district. He said that lakhs of devotees visiting the fair should be provided with a spiritual atmosphere along with better facilities so that they do not face any inconvenience. He said that this historic fair is a symbol of the state's rich religious, cultural and spiritual heritage. All preparations should be completed in a time-bound manner, keeping in view its dignity and historical significance.

The Chief Minister was chairing a high-level meeting on Tuesday to review the preparations for the State-Level Kapal Mochan Mela. He said that the five-day fair, scheduled to be held from November 20 to 24 over an area of approximately 122 acres at Bilaspur, should accord the highest priority to the convenience, safety, cleanliness and smooth movement of devotees. Chief Secretary Sh. Anurag Rastogi, Deputy Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister Dr. Yashpal Yadav, OSD to the Chief Minister Sh. B.B. Bharti, Director of Information, Public Relations and Languages Department Dr. Aditya Dahiya, Yamunanagar Deputy Commissioner Smt. Preeti, Additional Director of the Department Sh. Vivek Kalia and Yamunanagar Additional Deputy Commissioner Sh. Naveen Ahuja, along with other senior officers, were present at the meeting. Chief Minister Sh. Nayab Singh Saini said that a grand and attractive exhibition should be organised at the Kapal Mochan Mela, showcasing the glorious history, life philosophy, teachings and contribution of all ten Sikh Gurus to society through photographs and visual displays. Information about various development and public welfare schemes of the Central and State Governments should also be disseminated to the public. He said that the historical significance of the Shaheedi Smarak (Martyrs' Memorial), constructed in Ambala in memory of the First War of Independence of 1857, should also be prominently highlighted in the exhibition so that devotees can learn about the sacrifices and struggles of the country's great freedom fighters. In addition, short films highlighting the state's development journey and various public welfare schemes should be screened through LED displays.

Mayor offers prayers to Lord Vishwakarma, wishes prosperity and well-being for all

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, NOV 10



Mayor Renu Bala Gupta said Lord Vishwakarma symbolised creation, construction, labour and technical skills. His life and teachings inspired people to contribute to the progress of society and the nation through hard work, dedication and creativity. She urged people to follow his ideals by performing their duties with sincerity and honesty.

The Mayor attended a religious programme organised by social worker Pramod Arora in Sector 3 on Tuesday to mark Lord Vishwakarma Day.

The programme included worship, a havan and a community feast. She participated in the religious rituals and sought the blessings of Lord Vishwakarma, praying for happiness, prosperity, peace and good health for people across all sections of society.Speaking on the occasion, Renu Bala Gupta said Lord Vishwakarma held special spiritual and social significance in Indian culture. He was regarded as the presiding deity of architecture, craftsmanship and technical excellence. She said the true way to express reverence for him was to respect labour and contribute to social development through one's skills and professional abilities.She further said such religious and social gatherings helped preserve cultural traditions while strengthening mutual affection, brotherhood and unity in society.

The Mayor extended her best wishes to event organiser Pramod Arora and others involved in organising the programme. She expressed hope that Lord Vishwakarma's blessings would bring happiness, peace, prosperity and progress to every family. She also extended greetings to everyone on the occasion of Lord Vishwakarma Day.

Former chairperson Megha Bhandari and several other dignitaries and devotees were also present. Following the worship and havan, devotees participated in the community feast and received prasad.

Future generations should imbibe Lord Vishwakarma's ideals: Bhagwandas Kabirpanthi



KAMAL SHARMA
TARAWARI, NOV 10

Shri Vishwakarma Day was celebrated by the Vishwakarma Sabha at Municipal Road in Tarawari. Hundreds of people from all 36 communities participated in the programme, reflecting social unity and mutual brotherhood.

The religious programme began with a havan and yajna. Dheeraj Jangra, along with his wife Pooja, performed the rituals by offering oblations amid the chanting of Vedic mantras.

Nilokheri MLA Bhagwandas Kabirpanthi attended the event as the chief guest and was accorded a grand welcome by members of the community. Addressing the gathering, Kabirpanthi said that society could be guided towards progress by following the path shown by Lord Vishwakarma and other great personalities. He urged people to adopt their ideals in their lives and resolve to impart good values to future generations.

Emphasising the importance of education, he said that progress was not possible without it. Every individual should, therefore, pay special attention to ensuring quality education for their children.

Expressing concern over the growing tendency of substance abuse among young people, he said addiction not only destroys the life of an individual but also affects the entire family.

He called for collective action against this social evil and urged everyone to make concerted efforts to protect children from substance abuse.

Farmers need water, power and timely payments, not portals and promises: Kumari Selja

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
CHANDIGARH , NOV 10



Kumari Selja, Sirsa Member of Parliament, Former Union Cabinet Minister, General Secretary of All India Congress Committee, Congress in-charge of Uttarakhand and member of the Congress Working Committee, has expressed concern over the decline in government paddy procurement in Haryana and questioned the agricultural policies of the BJP government.

She alleged that the government was busy with portals, announcements and publicity, while farmers continued to struggle for basic facilities such as irrigation water, electricity, crop procurement and timely payments. Selja said the published figures showed that the state had set a paddy procurement target of 58 lakh metric tonnes, but approximately 44.93 lakh metric tonnes had been procured so far. Describing the decline compared with previous years as worrying, she said the government should clarify the extent to which weather conditions, irrigation facilities, electricity supply and procurement arrangements had contributed to the situation. She said farmers in several areas were not receiving adequate canal water or electricity according to their requirements.

Registration, verification and technical glitches on the portal were also creating difficulties for farmers in mandis. The government, she said, should simplify the digital system so that technical problems did not obstruct farmers' rights.Kumari Selja said delays in payments after paddy procurement affected farmers' financial condition. Timely payments were essential for the next sowing season and for meeting expenses on fertilisers, seeds and other agricultural requirements. She demanded an impartial review of the reasons behind the decline in paddy production and government procurement. The remaining paddy in mandis should be procured, pending payments released immediately, and complaints concerning canal water and electricity resolved on priority. She said farmers' welfare would not be ensured through government announcements alone, but through adequate water, regular electricity, fair prices and timely payments. The government, she added, should focus on practical solutions rather than publicity.Sonia Gandhi's Concerns on Democracy Need Serious Consideration:- Kumari SeljaSirsa MP and General Secretary of All India Congress Committee Kumari Selja has supported the concerns expressed by Congress Parliamentary Party chairperson Sonia Gandhi regarding democracy and constitutional institutions.

If UGC law is not withdrawn, BJP's downfall certain: Ved Rana

PRITI SAINI
SADHAURA, NOV 10



Ved Prakash Rana (Vedi Rana), a state executive member of the 'Sawarn Samaj Ekta Sangh' (Upper-Caste Unity Association), stated that if the central government does not withdraw the UGC law in time, the BJP's exit from the national political landscape is inevitable.

Speaking to journalists, he asserted that the UGC law is not in the interest of the 'Sawarn Samaj'. He argued that this law will fuel caste-based sentiments within society. On one hand, the BJP government talks about social harmony, while on the other, by introducing this UGC law, it is actively working to divide society. He declared that his organization's struggle will continue on the streets until the government revokes this law. Vedi Rana claimed that the rally held by Union Home Minister Amit Shah in Ambala was a failure, as the 'Sawarn Samaj' chose to stay away. He noted that the 'Sawarn Samaj' has traditionally been a core vote bank for the BJP, but this law is causing them to drift away from the party.

He added that efforts are underway to raise awareness among members of the 'Sawarn Samaj' regarding the need to get this law repealed, and meetings will soon be organised in various locations. He emphasised that the 'Sawarn Samaj' is completely united against this law. Vedi Rana urged the government to focus on fostering social cohesion rather than introducing laws that fragment society. He remarked that while the BJP claims to be a nationalist party, its actions through this law are effectively tearing society apart.

Losing leg after being run over by train did not break his spirit; he emerges champion through determination



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, NOV 10

The story of Nitesh Kumar from Karnal—a winner of over a hundred medals in national and international competitions, including gold and silver at the Paralympics and the Asian Para Games—is truly like something out of a movie. Eleven years ago, at the Visakhapatnam railway station, Nitesh lost his leg after being run over by a train. Instead of letting himself fall apart, he transformed this adversity into his greatest strength. Prime Minister Narendra Modi himself has described his story as an inspiration. In a conversation, Nitesh shared that he chose sports as the first stepping stone toward his success a decade ago. He mentioned that he had the support of his father and that he was also a student at IIT.

He has now secured nearly 100 medals across various national and international sporting events. Recounting his experience at the Asian Para Games, he described a neck-and-neck contest where his prosthetic leg broke; undeterred, he pressed on, fought hard, and ultimately emerged victorious. He remarked that those who possess a soaring spirit are the ones who achieve victory, adding that a physical impairment should never be viewed as a shortcoming. He emphasised the importance of collective effort.

'Rangoli-Making' competition held during eco-friendly festival at Narsingh Das Public School



KAMAL SHARMA
TARAORI, NOV 10

Diwali festival was celebrated at Narsingh Das Public School, Taraori, with a variety of cultural programmes. Students and teachers collaborated to create vibrant, colorful rangolis and decorated the school premises with earthen lamps and strings of flowers. Competitions in diya decoration, greeting card making, and rangoli-making were organized. The festivities commenced with a 'Lakshmi Stuti' (hymn to Goddess Lakshmi), which filled the atmosphere with a spirit of devotion. Following this, the students presented a programme themed "Don't Burst Firecrackers, Save the Environment," conveying a strong message against the use of firecrackers and encouraging everyone to celebrate a pollution-free Diwali. School Manager Madhu Gupta extended Diwali greetings to all and distributed gifts and sweets among the staff. School Director Dharmendra Khera also conveyed his Diwali wishes to the teaching staff and students, while shedding light on the mythological significance of festivals such as Dhanteras, Diwali, Govardhan Puja, and Bhai Dooj. He emphasised that Diwali symbolizes the victory of truth over falsehood.

CM flying inspection finds doctor, four employees absent from duty at Hisar PHC

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
HISAR, NOV 10



A team of the CM Flying Squad, Hisar, conducted a surprise inspection at the Primary Health Centre (PHC) in Hasangarh village on Tuesday under the leadership of Range In-charge Sunaina. During the inspection, a doctor and four other employees were found absent from duty despite their attendance being marked in the register.

The team also found the medicine stock register incomplete, with discrepancies between the recorded quantities and the actual stock. The physical stock was found to contain more medicines than those reflected in the records.According to information, a resident of Hasangarh village had lodged a complaint alleging that although the PHC served several surrounding villages, the doctor and other staff members frequently remained absent despite marking their attendance in the register. The complaint also alleged that employees reported late for duty in the morning and left early in the evening.It was further alleged that patients questioning the staff's absence were subjected to rude behaviour. Due to the staff's frequent absence, patients were forced to make repeated visits to the health centre to receive treatment.Five employees found missing despite marking attendance-Acting on the complaint, the CM Flying Squad team reached PHC Hasangarh on Tuesday afternoon. The team was led by Hisar Range Incharge Sunaina and included Dr Akshay Kumar, ASI Surender and Head Constable Vijay.

The team first examined the attendance register and found that Dr Ravi, Sunita, Ravi, Sunita Rani and Narender were marked present but were not found performing their duties at the health centre.Incomplete medicine register, stock discrepancies detectedThe team subsequently inspected the available medicines and the corresponding stock records.

'Sansad Khel Mahotsav' in Cheeka from November 11–13; Ravindra Dhiman reviews preparations

AVNI SHARMA
GUHKA/CHEEKA, NOV 10



The 'Sansad Khel Mahotsav', organised at the initiative of Member of Parliament (MP) Naveen Jindal, is set to be a significant step toward engaging the region's youth in sports and steering them away from substance abuse. Preparations for this three-day festival, scheduled from November 11 to 13, are now complete. Competitions across 11 different sports will be held at two venues, where local athletes will showcase their talent and prowess. Ravindra Dhiman, the incharge for the Kaithal region, visited the sites to review the preparations. He stated that MP Naveen Jindal's objective is not only to encourage youth to take up sports but also to foster discipline, hard work, and team spirit among them. Sports serve as a powerful medium to provide a positive direction to the youth and refine their talents. He added that the 'Sansad Khel Mahotsav' will provide an excellent platform for young people to demonstrate their sporting abilities. He further explained that hockey matches will be hosted at the PM SHRI Government Senior Secondary School, while the Cheeka Stadium will host events for boxing, wrestling, judo, tug-of-war, football, volleyball, cricket.

Eligible voters get another opportunity to enrol their names in electoral rolls: DC

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, NOV 10



Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer Dr Anand Kumar Sharma said the Election Commission of India has provided another opportunity to eligible voters whose names could not be included in the draft electoral roll under the Special Intensive Revision (SIR)-2026.

Voters categorised as absent, shifted, deceased or having duplicate entries, as well as those whose enumeration forms were not received and whose names were consequently left out of the draft electoral roll, can now fill out their enumeration forms again and submit them to the concerned Booth Level Officer (BLO). He directed officials to ensure wide publicity about the initiative so that no eligible person is left out of the electoral roll.

Dr Sharma was addressing a meeting of officials at the District Secretariat auditorium. Earlier, Haryana Chief Electoral Officer A. Srinivas reviewed the progress of the SIR exercise with all Deputy Commissioners in the state through a video conference and issued necessary directions.

Grand event 'Moda Mystique 2026' fashion show held at NIILM University



KAITHAL (SANJAY SHARMA): A grand celebration of fashion, creativity, and artistic expression, 'Moda Mystique 2026,' was hosted at NIILM University. Organised by the university's 'Hunar Fashion Society,' the event served as the highlight of the annual festival, 'Rang-e-Noor 2026,' and saw enthusiastic participation from prestigious educational institutions across the region. Through group fashion shows and solo modeling competitions, participating teams vied for and secured a total of 11 titles across various categories. In the group fashion show category, K.R. Mangalam University delivered an outstanding performance to claim the winner's title. Hansraj College (University of Delhi) secured the position of first runner-up, while Lovely Professional University (LPU) finished as the second runner-up.

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Nothing in life is to be feared, it is only to be understood. Now is the time to understand more, so that we may fear less.

Marie Curie

EDITORIAL

AI could eliminate up to 70% of manual risk tasks in banks

Artificial intelligence could eliminate 60-70 per cent of manual operational tasks in banks' risk functions, allowing lenders to redirect resources towards deeper risk analysis, strategic decision-making and AI development, according to a report by McKinsey.The report said banks could use AI to automate routine activities such as data gathering, documentation, compliance checks and monitoring, while retaining human oversight for complex assessments and important decisions.McKinsey said banks could reinvest half of the capacity released through automation into stronger analytical capabilities, strategic risk advisory and faster portfolio decisions. The remaining capacity could be directed towards specialised AI engineering, data governance and platform development.The report said, "We estimate that AI-enabled workflows could eliminate 60 to 70 percent of manual operational tasks, depending on the process and degree of automation."It added that selected risk workflows could achieve structural efficiency gains of 30-60 per cent after accounting for human validation and oversight.

Some leading banks are targeting productivity improvements of significantly more than 30 per cent across their risk functions over the next two to three years, compared with the 5-10 per cent annual targets common under traditional approaches.AI is already being used in areas such as credit assessment, financial crime monitoring, regulatory compliance and risk management. In wholesale lending, early implementations have delivered productivity improvements of 30-50 per cent across the credit process, with output quality rates of around 95 per cent, the report said.The technology can also help banks identify potential borrower stress earlier by continuously monitoring financial information, credit ratings and sector developments, allowing lenders to reassess exposure before problems become more serious.However, McKinsey cautioned that scaling AI would require changes in workforce planning, technology systems and governance. Banks would need skilled employees who understand both risk management and AI, along with clear rules to check the accuracy and reliability of AI-generated outputs.The report said fragmented AI projects could fail to deliver wider benefits unless banks build shared technology platforms and common governance standards."The transition to an AI-enabled risk operating model is not a speculative question of if, but an operational mandate of when and by whom," McKinsey said, adding that early adopters could gain cost and productivity advantages through faster and more informed decisions.

Air pollution from Northern India accelerates Himalayan glacier melt



Air pollution originating in northern India, particularly due to dust storms and agricultural stubble burning, is accelerating the melting of Himalayan glaciers and permafrost, potentially increasing the risk of devastating floods, landslides and other climate-related disasters, according to a new international scientific study.

"Air pollution is not merely a problem of urban health or visibility. Its impact extends far beyond city boundaries, reaching the high Himalayas and accelerating the melting of snow and glaciers," said Professor Ramesh P Singh of Chapman University, California, one of the key authors of the study.

The new international study published in Atmospheric Environment provides definitive evidence that long-range atmospheric transport of dust and agricultural crop residue burning significantly accelerates the melting of Himalayan snow and permafrost, triggering catastrophic regional disasters such as the 2021 Chamoli event and the recent 2026 Nepal flash floods.

The research, titled "Integrated Assessment of PM2.5 in the Central Himalaya using Satellite, Reanalysis, and a new In-situ CUPI Sensor network," was conducted by an international team of scientists from the United States, India, and Japan.

Key authors include Professor Ramesh Singh of Chapman University; Dr. Vikas Rawat and Dr. Narendra Singh of the Aryabhatta Research Institute of Observational Sciences (ARIES) in Nainital, India; Dr. Surendra Dhaka of Delhi University; and collaborating researchers from Japan.

Deploying scientific instruments across the high-elevation Central Himalaya presented immense logistical challenges due to rugged terrain, harsh weather, and limited power access. Despite these hurdles, ARIES researchers Dr. Narendra Singh and Dr. Vikas Rawat successfully deployed and maintained a network of 15 Compact Useful PM2.5 Instruments (CUPI) across 13 districts of Uttarakhand.

The sensors supplied by Japanese researchers under the AAKASH project of the Research Institute for Humanity and Nature (RIHN) in Kyoto, Japan-recorded continuous, high-resolution data from May 2021 to May 2022.

Key Findings of the Study:

The one-year observation dataset uncovered critical pollution pathways linking the densely populated Indo-Gangetic Plains (IGP)-home to approximately 900 million people-to the fragile mountain cryosphere:

* Pre-Monsoon Dust Intrusions (May-June): Dust originating from the Thar Desert, the Rann of Kutch, and the Arabian Peninsula elevated state-wide PM2.5 levels by 50% to 70% above baseline, reaching even high-elevation glacial sites.

* Post-Monsoon Biomass Burning (Mid-October-Mid-November): Crop residue burning in Punjab generated sustained nocturnal smoke enhancements () over plains and valleys, with measurable smoke plumes extending deep into the Himalayas.

* Seasonal & Diurnal Contrasts: Winter particulate concentrations in the plains and valleys reached (two to three times higher than summer levels), influenced by nocturnal inversions and mountain-valley wind systems.

Implications for Climate Change and Disasters: When black carbon and dust particles are deposited onto snow and glacial surfaces, they lower surface albedo, trapping more solar radiation and accelerating melt rates.

This rapid thawing destabilizes high-elevation snow and permafrost layers, which can suddenly collapse to trigger glacial lake outburst floods (GLOFs), severe landslides, and deadly flash floods-such as the Chamoli disaster of February 2021 and the 2026 Nepal disaster.

While global climate drivers like industrial emissions, coal power plants, and brick kilns remain primary concerns, regional practices like post-harvest rice stubble burning in northwestern India and neighboring regions exacerbate the crisis.

"The scientific team hopes this comprehensive dataset will serve as an urgent wake-up call for policymakers to implement targeted mitigation strategies, protecting both the vulnerable mountain cryosphere and the health of millions living downstream," said Professor Ramesh P Singh of Chapman University, California.

Although the Government of India has banned crop residue burning, the Punjab Government has struggled with enforcement, often deflecting blame onto the Delhi Government for the region's deteriorating air quality.

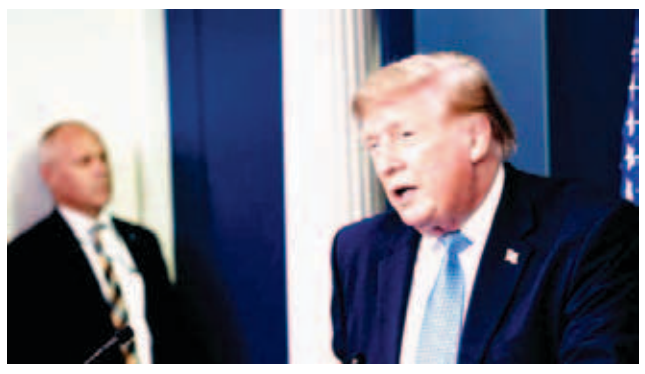
To effectively protect citizens from severe health hazards, Delhi, Punjab, and neighboring states must foster collaborative governance rather than playing the blame game.

Furthermore, emissions from dust and stubble burning extend far beyond local boundaries, eventually reaching and polluting the fragile Himalayan ecosystem which is clearly reflected from the recent studies by the scientists from ARES Nanital, Delhi University, Chapman University and scientists from Japan.

The MOES should ask scientists from ARES Nanital to extend their studies further.

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Trump open to immigration deal, rules out amnesty



US President Donald Trump has expressed a willingness to pursue an immigration agreement with Democratic legislators while firmly ruling out any form of amnesty, alongside endorsing a bipartisan permitting measure while rejecting wind energy infrastructure.

Addressing journalists during an impromptu White House press conference, Trump provided minimal specifics regarding a potential immigration compromise. The remarks formed part of a wide-ranging dialogue that also addressed military operations, electoral disputes and developments involving Cuba.

When queried on whether a legislative accord concerning immigration could be forged with Democrats, Trump stated: "We're not going to have amnesty or anything."He insisted that individuals must adhere to established legal procedures, maintaining that bypassing standard pathways would be inequitable to others. The president omitted any outline regarding eligibility criteria, implementation schedules or specific negotiating terms.The exchange followed inquiries concerning senior adviser Stephen Miller and his policy contributions. Trump lauded Miller, noting his enduring loyalty and asserting his capacity to collaborate effectively with the political opposition.Describing his aide, Trump remarked: "He's smart, he's tough, he's fair, and he actually will get along, I think, very well with the Democrats."Prospects for cross-party cooperation likewise emerged during questions regarding a permitting bill slated for a legislative vote that evening.

Expressing full backing for the initiative, Trump stated: "The permitting bill is a great bill that's supposed to be bipartisan. We -- we are behind it 100 per cent."While expressing confidence that Democrats desired the legislation equally alongside Republicans, he acknowledged potential shifts in opposition positioning. His endorsement, however, was accompanied by a clear caveat regarding renewable energy infrastructure when asked whether he would authorise wind turbines.Responding to the inquiry, Trump declared: "No, I will not approve wind turbines."Challenged regarding potential legislative friction, he observed that negotiations surrounding the bill remained incomplete while omitting details on how his stance would be accommodated.Pivoting to defence matters, Trump defended Secretary of War Pete Hegseth against mounting criticism, crediting the Pentagon chief with decisive military successes in Venezuela and Iran. He characterised the Venezuelan operation as having concluded within 48 minutes with zero fatalities.Regarding the conflict in Iran.

2026 on course to become hottest year on record



The world is on course for its hottest year on record in 2026, as human-driven global warming combines with the effects of El Niño to push temperatures higher, scientists have warned. The warning comes as world leaders and climate negotiators gather in Antalya, Türkiye, on Monday for the opening of the 31st United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP31).

According to BBC, the US-based research organisation Berkeley Earth said it was 95% confident that 2026 would surpass the previous temperature record set in 2024, despite two months remaining in the year.

The effects of rising temperatures have been felt across several countries in recent months, with extensive wildfires in Europe and a sudden glacier collapse in Nepal that killed more than 1,000 people.

"We have had a run of record warm years," said Dr Robert Rohde of Berkeley Earth. "That is what we expect as global warming progresses… glaciers collapsing, record-breaking heatwaves and droughts."

The EU's Copernicus Climate Change Service confirmed on Friday that October had been the hottest on record.

Rohde warned that the current trend could be followed by even more severe changes. "There is potential for much larger and much more dramatic changes down the line," he said.

The principal driver of rising global temperatures is the increasing concentration of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, largely caused by the burning of fossil fuels.

The UN's World Meteorological Organisation (WMO) published its own assessment on Monday, forecasting that 2026 would rank among the four warmest years on record. It also warned that an unusually strong El Niño could continue into 2027, pushing temperatures higher.

WMO Secretary-General Celeste Saulo said the latest findings gave new meaning to the phrase "off the charts".

The warnings underline the challenges facing negotiators at COP31, where discussions are increasingly shifting beyond reducing greenhouse gas emissions towards helping countries adapt to the extreme weather already accompanying a warming planet.

"No single COP is a silver bullet. No single conference can bridge the chasm between the science and reality," UN climate chief Simon Stiell told delegates on the summit's opening morning.

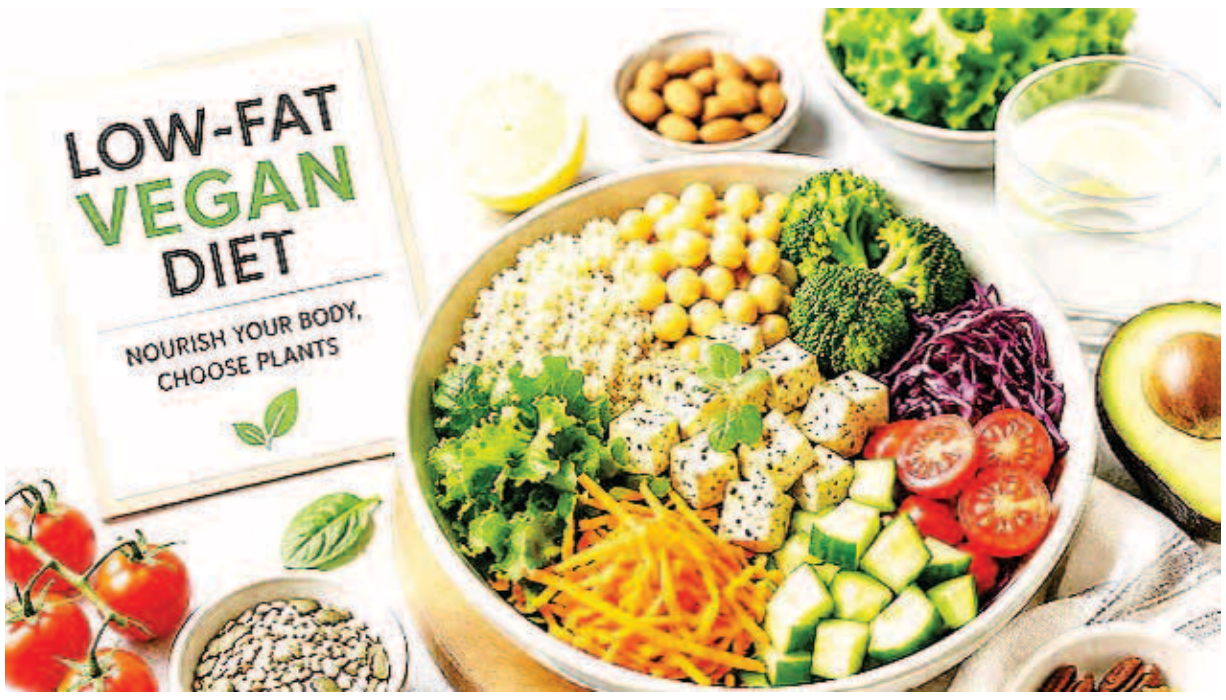
"But the urgency of this moment must drive us forward. Global heating is already costing the Earth," he added.

The growing risks have also prompted warnings about the need for governments, businesses and households to prepare for more frequent and severe natural disasters.

Last month, UK Defence Secretary Wes Streeting urged the public and businesses to consider how they would cope with worsening extreme weather, including the possibility of stockpiling food.

He pointed to this summer's wildfires and record temperatures, which the Met Office said had been made 130 times more likely by climate change, as well as the increased risk of flooding during the winter because of El Niño.

Low-fat vegan diet may help people lose weight



A low-fat vegan diet may support weight loss without the need to count calories, reduce portion sizes, or constantly battle hunger. In a 16-week clinical trial, participants following a diet centred on fruits, vegetables, grains and legumes consumed around 357 fewer calories per day, despite eating nearly the same amount of food overall.A low-fat vegan diet can reduce the energy density of the foods people eat by about 30%, helping them consume fewer calories while still eating satisfying amounts of food. The approach was also associated with weight loss, even though participants were not instructed to restrict calories, according to new research published in JAMA Network Open.In a randomised clinical trial involving adults with overweight, participants who followed an ad libitum low-fat vegan diet substantially reduced the number of calories per gram of food they consumed. Researchers found that greater reductions in energy density were tied to lower calorie intake and greater weight loss, despite the absence of any instructions to eat less."This helps answer a question people often have about plant-based eating: How can you lose weight without counting calories or going hungry?" said Hana Kahleova, MD, PhD, director of clinical research at the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine and lead author. "The answer is energy density. Plant foods are rich in water and fibre, so you can fill your plate, feel full, and still take in fewer calories," as quoted on the Science Daily website. How the Low-Fat Vegan Diet Was TestedAccording to the website, the findings come from an analysis of a 16-week randomised trial involving adults with overweight. Participants were assigned either to an ad libitum low-fat vegan diet centred on fruits, vegetables, grains, and legumes, or to a control group that continued eating as usual without making any dietary changes.Neither group was given a calorie target or told to limit how much they ate. Researchers measured each participant's dietary energy density by comparing total daily energy intake with the total weight of food consumed, expressed as total energy (kcal per day) divided by total food weight (grams per day).The study produced several notable findings:The total weight of food consumed did not change significantly in either group, meaning those following the vegan diet continued eating about the same amount of food by weight.Calorie intake declined in both groups, but the decrease was larger among those following the vegan diet, at about 357 kcal/day.Energy density remained essentially unchanged in the control group but fell by about 30% in the vegan group.Larger reductions in energy density were associated with greater weight loss, and that relationship remained even after researchers accounted for changes in calorie intake.Same Amount of Food, Fewer Calories

The difference came largely from changes in the types of foods participants were eating. The vegan diet removed calorie-dense animal foods including meat, dairy, and eggs while increasing consumption of foods that provide more volume for relatively few calories, particularly vegetables and legumes.Because these plant foods generally contain fewer calories per gram, participants could continue eating generous portions while taking in less energy overall."This isn't about willpower or smaller portions," Dr. Kahleova said. "It's about choosing foods that naturally deliver fewer calories in every bite. A 30% reduction in energy density is a substantial shift that would be very hard to achieve and sustain through portion control alone."Why Energy Density Can Affect Weight LossEnergy density refers to the number of calories contained in each gram of food. Scientists have studied it for years because it can influence how much people eat and how satisfied they feel after a meal.Controlled feeding studies have shown that reducing the energy density of meals can help people feel full while lowering the amount of energy they consume. Importantly, the physical volume of food can remain similar even when the calorie content drops."When the foods you eat are lower in energy density, your body's natural appetite signals work in your favor," Dr. Kahleova said. "You eat until you're satisfied, and you simply end up with fewer calories. That's a sustainable way to manage weight," as quoted by Science Daily. A Different Approach to Weight ManagementWeight-loss advice often emphasises calorie restriction and smaller portions.

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Amazon Pay Announces 'Impossible Travel Deals 2026' with Up to 65% Off on Hotels and 30% Off on Flights

SHIMLA: Amazon Pay today announced the return of its flagship sale, 'Impossible Travel Deals', offering customers savings on domestic and international flight and hotel bookings from November 12 to November 26, 2026. The 15-day mega sale brings together the biggest discounts of up to 30% on flights and up to 65% on hotels.Customers can explore attractive fares across popular international destinations, including Delhi to Bangkok starting at Rs-12,299, Mumbai to Dubai from Rs-13,999, and Kolkata to Ho Chi Minh City from Rs-15,599. For domestic travel, customers can book fares starting at Rs-3,099 for Mumbai to Goa, Rs-4,199 for Bengaluru to Kochi, and Rs-6,099 for Mumbai to Delhi.For hotel bookings, customers can choose from 5-star properties at discounts of up to 65%. Featured deals include stays at the Dusit Thani Dubai from Rs-6,649, the Carlton City Hotel Singapore from Rs-15,089, and hotels in Goa from Rs-4,899 and Kochi from Rs-3,549.Girish Krishnan, Director Payments Experience and Rewards, Amazon Pay. said, "Indian families are travelling more than ever, and with Impossible Travel Deals 2026, we want to make those trips more affordable. Whether it's a weekend in Goa or a flight to Dubai, customers can book with significant savings on flights and hotels—all through a simple experience on Amazon Pay.

NEWS BRIEF

HDFC Bank Now Offers Deposits under the Capital Gains Accounts Scheme, 1988

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: HDFC Bank, India's leading private sector bank, has received authorisation from the Government to offer deposits under the Capital Gains Accounts Scheme (CGAS), 1988. CGAS provides a facility for taxpayers to hold their unused capital gains for a maximum of three years in a bank account. Ms Sunali Rohra, Head - Government & Institutional Liabilities, New Economy Group and Alternate Banking Channels & Partnership, HDFC Bank said, "We are grateful to the Government of India for reposing faith in us as a reliable partner for implementing the CGAS. With this offering, customers can both earn interest and avail tax exemption on their unutilised capital gains. We invite customers to leverage our extensive branch network and digital prowess to securely park their unutilised capital gains."

Purushottam Das Rungta Charitable Trust Celebrates Diwali in a Unique Way by Organising Ann Bhandara

PANCHKULA: Spreading the message of service, compassion and humanity on the auspicious occasion of Diwali, the Purushottam Das Rungta Charitable Trust organised its 240th Ann Bhandara, distributing free meals among the needy. Through this initiative, the Trust celebrated Diwali in a unique way by sharing the joy of the festival with those in need. Highlighting the significance of food donation (Ann Daan) during Diwali, Amitabh Rungta, Founder of the Trust and social worker, said, "Diwali is a festival of sharing happiness, spreading light and bringing hope into the lives of others.

Sacred Souls School, Kauriwara's Proud Achievement in Kickboxing



KULWINDER KARWAL

SARDULGARH: Sacred Souls School, Kauriwara, takes immense pride in announcing that Abhijot Kaur won the Silver Medal in the Under-14 category (32 kg weight category) at the 70th School Games Kickboxing State Tournament, held at Play Way School, Patiala, from 2nd November to 4th November 2026. This remarkable achievement reflects her hard work, dedication, perseverance, and sporting spirit. The school congratulates Abhijot Kaur on her outstanding performance and wishes her continued success in future competitions. The school also extends its heartfelt appreciation to Coach Mr Rahul for his sincere guidance, dedicated training, and continuous efforts in nurturing the sporting talents of the students and bringing laurels to the school.

Energetic Children Are the Nation's Precious Asset: Darshan Arora



SARBJIT SUFI

LUDHIANA: A delegation of the Ludhiana Citizen Council, a prominent social organisation, led by its Chairman Darshan Arora, visited Government High School, Badi Ayali, Ludhiana. The council has been engaged in serving underprivileged sections of society for the past 40 years. As part of its annual winter welfare initiative, the council distributes blankets among 1,000 children from economically weaker sections. The campaign was launched at Government High School, Badi Ayali, where around 100 children were presented with blankets.

The council members were warmly welcomed by Principal Jeevan Singh and the teaching staff. Deputy Chairman Dr Kamaljit Soi delivered an inspiring speech and motivated the students. Vice Chairman Ashok Dhir, President Surinder Makkar and senior member Avtar Singh also encouraged the children to work hard and wished them a bright future. Dharampal Bindra, Sukhjit Singh Azad, Sunil Jasuja, Dr Aditi Bector, Gopi Arora and Jitender Thakur were also present on the occasion.

Akal University Commemorates Punjabi Suba Day with Inter-Departmental Poetry and Declamation Contest

TALWANDI SABO: To commemorate Punjabi Suba Day, the Department of Liberal Arts and the Department of History at Akal University, Talwandi Sabo, jointly organized an inter-departmental poetry recitation and declamation contest themed "Punjab, Punjabi, Punjabiyat." The event commenced with the welcome address delivered by S. Akashbir Singh (ADSW), after which 14 students from various departments captivated the audience with poetic and oratorical tributes to their mother tongue. The event was judged by a panel comprising of Department of Punjabi Assistant Professors Dr. Harjinder Singh and Dr. Amandeep Kaur. The winners in poetry were Amandeep Kaur (Department of Social Sciences) and Jaspreet Kaur (Department of Punjabi), while Prabhjot Kaur (Department of Liberal Arts) and Janjot Singh (Department of Sri Guru Granth Sahib Studies) earned top honours in declamation. Chief Guest Dr. Gurjeet Singh, Head of the Department of Punjabi, felicitated the winners and exhorted students to nurture pride in their Punjabi heritage.

Newborn Baby Girl Found in Amritsar Administration's Cradle; Total Number of Children Reaches 198

AMRITSAR (HARPAL SINGH): The cries of another newborn baby have echoed at the cradle facility established by the District Administration in Amritsar, with a baby girl being received on November 5. With this, the total number of children received through the initiative has reached 198.Taking immediate steps to ensure the newborn's health and safety, the Red Cross Society arranged her medical examination, treatment and necessary care at Parvati Devi Hospital under the leadership of Deputy Commissioner-cum-President, Red Cross Society, Dalwinderjit Singh, IAS. Following medical examination and treatment, the baby girl was declared completely healthy.The Deputy Commissioner appreciated the hospital staff for providing proper medical attention and care to the newborn. The Child Protection Committee subsequently named the baby girl 'Sita'.To ensure her protection, proper upbringing and a secure future, the child has been shifted to Swami Ganga Nand Bhuri Wale Foundation Dham at village Talwandi Khurd in Ludhiana district.On the occasion, Harpreet Kaur, Lady President.

Bhagwant Mann Govt's historic push for canal irrigation with 2 major projects to take water to over 90,000 acres: Barinder Goyal



CHANDIGARH: Punjab Water Resources Minister Barinder Kumar Goyal on Tuesday announced two major canal irrigation initiatives worth a combined ₹100.65 crore to provide assured surface-water irrigation to over 90,000 acres of agricultural land, reduce farmers' dependence on groundwater and strengthen Punjab's irrigation infrastructure. The initiatives include a ₹64.11 crore concrete lining project for the 1-R Distributary System and a ₹36.54 crore Kapuri Lift Irrigation Scheme, which will bring canal water to 20,719 acres across 20 villages in Patiala district for the first time. Addressing a press conference at Punjab Bhawan, Water Resources Minister Barinder Kumar Goyal said, "The Bhagwant Mann Government has prioritised the restoration, modernisation and expansion of the canal irrigation network to ensure reliable water supply to farmers while addressing the critical challenge of groundwater depletion. The farmers of Punjab have been feeding the nation for decades. Our responsibility is to ensure that they receive assured water for their fields. The Mann Government is restoring the canal network and taking surface water to areas which have remained dependent on groundwater for generations." The Water Resources Minister said the Government has approved the 1-R Distributary System Concrete Lining Project, estimated at ₹64.11 crore, to reconstruct and enhance the carrying capacity of the approximately 60-year-old distributary. The project will restore and ensure adequate irrigation water supply to its existing Culturable Command Area of 69,967 acres, benefiting approximately 80 villages across Fatehgarh Sahib and Patiala districts. He said the existing carrying capacity of the distributary would be increased from 154.50 cusecs to 248.69 cusecs through concrete lining. The project provides for side lining along the initial stretch and both side and bed lining along the remaining length. An allocation of ₹40 crore has been made for executing the project during the current financial year. "The 1-R Distributary was designed around six decades ago for a water allowance of 2.04 cusecs per 1,000 acres. With the Government increasing the water allowance to 3.05 cusecs per 1,000 acres, strengthening its carrying capacity has become essential," said.

BJP Leader Sanjeev Khanna Joins Govardhan Puja at Bhajan Singer Kanhaiya Mittal's Residence



MUKESH CHAUHAN

ZIRAKKPUR : BJP leader Sanjeev Khanna attended a special Govardhan Puja ceremony at the residence of renowned devotional singer Kanhaiya Mittal following a personal invitation from the singer. The occasion brought together religious devotion, traditional rituals and a spirit of togetherness. Khanna joined Mittal in offering prayers to Lord Krishna and Govardhan Maharaj, seeking peace, prosperity, happiness and well-being for everyone. The religious ceremony was marked by traditional Govardhan Puja rituals, including the offering of Annakut Bhog, comprising a variety of traditional dishes and sweets. Devotees performed prayers and aarti, seeking divine blessings. Govardhan Puja symbolises gratitude towards nature, respect for cows and the spiritual teachings of Lord Krishna. Speaking on the occasion, Sanjeev Khanna described his visit as a memorable and spiritually enriching experience. He expressed heartfelt gratitude to Kanhaiya Mittal for personally inviting him to participate in the sacred ceremony. "Meeting Kanhaiya Mittal Ji brought immense peace to my heart. Offering prayers alongside him was a truly fulfilling experience. I sincerely thank him for giving me this wonderful opportunity to be part of Govardhan Puja at his home," Khanna said. He further stated that religious celebrations play an important role in preserving cultural traditions and strengthening bonds of affection, harmony and mutual respect within society. Khanna also prayed for the happiness, prosperity and progress of all families, emphasising that the message of Govardhan Puja inspires people to protect nature, respect traditional values and promote social harmony. He described the warmth and affection extended by Kanhaiya Mittal as particularly meaningful and said the moments spent in devotion would remain a cherished memory.

MCM NSS units hold Anti-Cracker Campaign

CHANDIGARH: Eco-Club 'Parivesh' and NSS Units of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, under the aegis of National Green Corps and in collaboration with Mission LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment), conducted an Anti-Cracker Campaign. Organised in accordance with the directions of the Department of Environment, Chandigarh Administration, with the theme "Green Diwali, Swachh Diwali" and the message "Nashe se door, prakriti ke paas", the campaign encouraged students and community members to celebrate Diwali responsibly and understand the environmental and health impacts of firecrackers.

The campaign commenced with an oath-taking ceremony, wherein staff and students pledged to celebrate a cracker-free Diwali, reaffirming their commitment to a cleaner, greener environment. The activities conducted as part of the campaign included a 'Rangotsav'- Rangoli Making Competition, 'Vasundhara'- Green Walk, 'Chaupal'- group game session, and a stall featuring herbal-scented and earthen diyas, saplings and pottery. The activities promoted creative, nature-friendly celebrations and encouraged participants to avoid crackers and intoxicants. Volunteers distributed organic diyas and green indoor purifying plants among staff and students. The events witnessed enthusiastic participation and served as creative avenues for spreading awareness about the environmental and health impacts of firecracker use.



To sensitise the school children of ill-effects of noise and air pollution and build empathy for voiceless animals, a nukkad natak was staged at Government Model High School, Sector 41-D, Chandigarh. An oath for not using crackers was administered to the school students. To sensitise the school students of celebrating a pollution-free Diwali, an anti-cracker rally was also organised in the school premises. Holding placards and chanting slogans, the participants encouraged school students to embrace the spirit of a "Green Diwali" and to contribute towards building a cleaner and healthier community. Besides, student ambassadors created awareness about ill effects.

Alokmoy Kolkata: Shyam Metalics Brought the City Together for a Four-Day Celebration of Light, Art and Festive Spirit



SHIMLA: This Diwali, Shyam Metalics brought Kolkata together through 'Alokmoy Kolkata', a four-day festive celebration held at Acropolis Mall from 6 to 9 November 2026. Bringing together the city's love for lights, colours and culture, the initiative celebrated Kolkata's festive energy and artistic spirit through creativity, cultural expression and community participation. Speaking on the initiative, Nirmal Uday, Chief Operating Officer, Shyam Metalics, said,"Kolkata is not just a city; it is an emotion shaped by its people, traditions, creativity and an extraordinary spirit of togetherness. Through Alokmoy Kolkata, we wanted to celebrate this very spirit and create an experience where people were not merely spectators but an integral part of the festivities. It was particularly special for us to see our SEL Tiger TMT Bars and SEL Tiger Roofing Sheets take on creative forms inspired by the city we call home.

In a Remarkable Act of Humanity, Kiran Jindal's Family Donates Her Eyes, Giving New Hope to the Visually Impaired



AJAY MALHOTRA

FATEHGARH SAHIB: In a heart-touching gesture of compassion and selfless service, the family of Late Smt. Kiran Jindal set an inspiring example by donating her eyes following her demise on November 7, 2026, offering the precious gift of sight and bringing hope into the lives of visually impaired individuals. Motivated by the initiatives of Vishav Jagriti Mission and Guru Kirpa Seva Sansthan, the family members of the deceased, including her husband, Sh. Vijay Jindal, son Sh. Deepak Jindal and grandson Sh. Raghav Jindal, voluntarily consented to the eye donation and handed over the eyes to the collection team from Sankara Eye Hospital, Ludhiana.

The eye collection team comprised Dr. Misba, Ms. Rupinder Kaur, Ms. Shivani and Sh. Avtar Singh, who reached the bereaved family and completed the eye collection procedure. The noble initiative was facilitated through the dedicated efforts of Sh. Parveen Gupta, Sh. Ashwani Garg and Sh. Vinay Gupta, associated with Vishav Jagriti Mission and Guru Kirpa Seva Sansthan. They have been actively motivating families to embrace eye donation and participate in humanitarian initiatives for the welfare of society. The family's decision has highlighted the importance of eye donation and demonstrated that the spirit of humanity can continue to serve others even after death.

Amit Singh Mantu Strengthens Grassroots Connect During Village Visits in Sujanpur

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SUJANPUR: 10 Senior Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) leader Amit Singh Mantu, associated with the Sujanpur Assembly constituency, visited several villages in the region and interacted with party workers and supporters through a series of family meetings.During the visits, Mantu met party workers at their residences, enquired about their well-being and spent time with their family members. He also participated in their celebrations and extended his greetings and best wishes on various happy occasions.Emphasising the importance of personal relationships in public life, Mantu said politics should not be limited to elections and organisational activities. Maintaining personal connections, mutual trust and standing by people during important moments of their lives are equally essential.He described party workers as the backbone of the organisation, adding that their dedication, hard work and cooperation are instrumental in strengthening the party at the grassroots level.Mantu further said his association with the people and party workers of Sujanpur goes beyond political considerations and is rooted in family-like relationships. He assured workers that he would always stand alongside them in their moments of happiness and sorrow.He added that meeting people personally and spending time with them gives him renewed energy and motivation to continue working among the public.During the visits, local party workers warmly welcomed Mantu and shared their views and concerns with him.



Flipkart Minutes powers festive celebrations across India with 3X order growth driven by Festivals

CHANDIGARH : From Dhanteras and Diwali to Bhai Dooj gifting, Flipkart Minutes, Flipkart's quick commerce offering, recorded 3X order growth between October 30 and November 5, driven by festive essentials, home and kitchen, décor and gifting. Diyas led with 12X growth, while torans, rangoli powder, rice lights and cotton wicks were also popular items. Home décor grew 5X, with dinner sets and floor lamps in demand. Gold coins and bars grew over 2X for the auspicious occasion of Dhanteras, while kitchen appliances such as juicer mixers, air fryers and induction cooktops grew 10X, showing customers turning to quick commerce beyond everyday essentials. As Diwali celebrations gathered pace, Pooja essentials such as chowkis, altar cloths, havan items, pooja thali sets, incense sticks and dhoop grew 4X, and gifting essentials like deodorants, perfumes and gift hampers grew over 2X. Sweets and savoury snacks remained an integral part of festive shopping, with customers exploring both traditional favourites and healthier alternatives. Flipkart Minutes expanded its sweets assortment 2.5X, featuring regional favourites such as Chheda's, Om Sweets and Balram Mullick.

Ujjivan Small Finance Bank introduces an industry first initiative

CHANDIGARH : Ujjivan Small Finance Bank (Ujjivan SFB) today announced an industry first initiative in Indian banking - opening of Savings Account directly through its WhatsApp Banking Channel 900 208 2121. The journey enables eligible new customers to open a Savings Account with Ujjivan SFB through a WhatsApp led experience without downloading a separate banking application.The journey follows a simple step-by-step process. A new Customer says 'Hi' on 900 208 2121 and chooses 'Open Savings Account'. Post mobile & PAN verification, customer's CKYC or Aadhaar is verified, prefilling personal details. Customer selects the savings account variant, funds the account and completes Video KYC. The customer can start using the account post verification.The new journey advances Ujjivan SFB's strategy of bringing digital banking and customer service to a conversational platform that the customer already is familiar with and feels safe and secure. By making onboarding and routine banking services available within WhatsApp, Ujjivan SFB now gives customers another way to bank without the need to learn or navigate a new interface or install a separate application. Over 15 lakh customers of the bank have currently adopted Ujjivan SFB's WhatsApp Banking platform. Customers can also access more than 50+ banking services, including balance enquiries, recent transactions, account statements, deposit services, loan information, service requests, Branch & ATM locators and more.WhatsApp Banking is fast emerging as an important customer-acquisition channel for the bank. Ujjivan's WhatsApp Banking now manages 22% of service requests of the bank. These figures demonstrate how a conversational channel can support both everyday service and deeper engagement with the bank. Commenting on the initiative, Ms. Carol Furtado, Interim CEO and Executive Director, Ujjivan Small Finance Bank, said, "Innovation is most meaningful when it makes banking simpler and more accessible for customers. Ujjivan's WhatsApp Banking journey gives the customers the ability to access the bank on a platform that already is part of their daily lives. By introducing digital opening and onboarding of Savings Account through WhatsApp, customers can experience a more convenient, intuitive, and safe banking beyond conventional channels.

Senior BJP leader Sanjay Tandon offers prayers at ISKCON temple on Govardhan Puja



CHANDIGARH: Senior BJP leader Sanjay Tandon along with his wife Priya Tandon and family members visited the ISKCON Temple in Sector 36, Chandigarh, on the auspicious occasion of Govardhan Puja and offered prayers to Lord Shri Krishna, seeking blessings for the well-being and prosperity of all. Speaking on the occasion, Tandon said, "Govardhan Puja holds immense religious and spiritual significance. It reminds us of our deep connection with nature and teaches us the importance of expressing gratitude towards it and protecting the environment. The festival also inspires us to live in harmony with nature and respect all forms of life." He further said, "May the divine blessings of Lord Shri Krishna always remain upon everyone, bringing happiness, peace and prosperity to every family. Such festivals strengthen our cultural and spiritual values while reinforcing the message of harmony, compassion and collective well-being." Tandon also extended his greetings to the people of Chandigarh on the occasion of Govardhan Puja, wishing happiness, good health and prosperity to all.

Amazon Pay Announces 'Impossible Travel Deals 2026' with Up to 65% Off on Hotels and 30% Off on Flights

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CHANDIGARH: Amazon Pay today announced the return of its flagship sale, 'Impossible Travel Deals', offering customers savings on domestic and international flight and hotel bookings from November 12 to November 26, 2026. The 15-day mega sale brings together the biggest discounts of up to 30% on flights and up to 65% on hotels.

Customers can explore attractive fares across popular international destinations, including Delhi to Bangkok starting at ₹12,299, Mumbai to Dubai from ₹13,999, and Kolkata to Ho Chi Minh City from ₹15,599. For domestic travel, customers can book fares starting at ₹3,099 for Mumbai to Goa, ₹4,199 for Bengaluru to Kochi, and ₹6,099 for Mumbai to Delhi.

For hotel bookings, customers can choose from 5-star properties at discounts of up to 65%. Featured deals include stays at the Dusit Thani Dubai from ₹6,649, the Carlton City Hotel Singapore from ₹15,089, and hotels in Goa from ₹4,899 and Kochi from ₹3,549.

"Indian families are travelling more than ever, and with Impossible Travel Deals 2026, we want to make those trips more affordable. Whether it's a weekend in Goa or a flight to Dubai, customers can book with significant savings on flights and hotels—all through a simple experience on Amazon Pay. With more airline and hotel partners on board this year, we're making it easier for customers to turn dream destinations into real plans this holiday season," said Girish Krishnan, Director Payments Experience and Rewards, Amazon Pay.

Customers will receive instant discounts of 15% on flights and up to 45% on hotels throughout the sale period. Amazon Pay ICICI Bank Credit Card holders earn an additional 5% cashback on flights and hotels for Prime members, and 3% for non-Prime members. Customers can also get up to 17% off on bus bookings, along with a flat ₹100 cashback.

The sale kicks off with an early bird window on 12–13 November, open to all customers, with 10% cashback up to ₹500 on flights, 10% cashback up to ₹10,000 on hotels, and ₹100 cashback on bus bookings over ₹250. From 14 November, flight and hotel cashback offers will be available exclusively for first-time Amazon Pay travel customers.

Ninth annual barsi of Sant Baba Balbir Singh Naiki Wale to be observed on November 17

HOSHIARPUR/DALJEET AJNOHA: The ninth annual barsi of Brahmleen 108 Sant Baba Balbir Singh Ji Naiki Wale will be observed with devotion and reverence on November 17 at the Nirmal Kutia in Pandori Laddha Singh village of Hoshiarpur district. The programme is being organised by Sant Baba Ramesh Singh Germany Wale with the support of the entire sangat.

Giving details, Sant Baba Ramesh Singh said the Sri Akhand Path Sahib dedicated to the occasion will begin at 10 am on November 15, and the bhog will be offered at 9 am on November 17. Diwans will thereafter be held in an open pandal, where ragi, dhadi and kirtani jathas as well as katha vachaks will regale the congregation with Gurbani kirtan, katha vichar and dhadi vaars. Among those participating are Garja Singh Manak Sharif, Bhai Gurkeerat Singh, Hazuri Ragi of Darbar Sahib, students of Hari Darbar Sangeet Vidyalaya and Mahant Pandit Gian Dev Ji, Vedant Acharya. Saints and mahapurushs from Haridwar and Rishikesh, including Saints of Nirmal Bhesh Bhushan and the Sri Nirmal Panchayati Akhara of Haridwar and Rishikesh, are also arriving specially for the samagam.

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INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

The Executive Engineer Rajgarh Division HPPWD Rajgarh on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh invites the percentage rate bids, in electronic tendering system, for construction of roads under CRIF for each of the following works from the eligible and approved contractors registered with HPPWD. Non registered contractors may submit the bids; however successful bidder has to register in appropriate class with appropriate authority in HPPWD.

Sr. No.	Name of work	Name of Division	Estimated Cost (Exclusive of GST) (Rs)	Bid Security (Rs)	Cost of document (Rs)	Period of completion
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	C/O Chaila Neripul Yashwant Nagar Kumarhatti road km 0/00 to 84/825 (portion 18/655 to 54/655 (SH: F/C widening R/walls Sub-Grade and earthen shoulder, M/T, Parapets, Crash Barrier, Drain, road furniture & edge line, Hume pipe culvert, Slab culvert, Crate wall in dumping side :-Km 30/0 to 42/0) Under CRIF	Rajgarh	48,65,28,347/-	97,31,000/-	50,000/-	18 (Eighteen) Months

*Note: 1) The Estimated Project Cost is the Construction Cost of the work without GST and is used for Evaluation Purpose. The bid should also be quoted as per BoQ exclusive of GST.

1. Date of release of Invitation for Bids through e-procurement: 18.11.2026 at 1400 HRS
2. Cost of Bid Form: Rs 50,000/ per package/job (non-refundable) to be credited online only in favour of Executive Engineer, Rajgarh Division, HPPWD Raggarh (To be updated as per latest notifications of Govt. of HP)
3. Availability of Bid Document and mode of submission: The bid document is available online and bid should be submitted online on website www.hptenders.gov.in. The bidder would be required to register in the web-site which is free of cost. For submission of bids, the bidder is required to have valid Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from one of the authorized Certifying Authorities (CA). "Aspiring bidders who have not obtained the user ID and password for participating in e-tendering may obtain the same from the website: www.hptenders.gov.in. The bidders are required to submit the bids alongwith cost of bid document and bid security through online mode only and receipts to this effect shall be uploaded as pdf document.

Digital signature is mandatory to participate in the e-tendering. Bidders already possessing the valid digital signature issued from authorized CA scan use the same in this tender.

*Non-registered bidders may submit bids; however, the successful bidders must get registered in appropriate class with appropriate authorities before signing the contract.

4. Submission of Original Documents: The bidders are required to submit (a) Receipt of the cost of bid document submitted online and (b) Receipt of bid security deposited online and (c) original affidavit regarding correctness of information furnished bid document as per provisions of Clause 4.4 of ITB with Executive Engineer Rajgarh Division HPPWD Rajgarh on a date not later than three working days after the opening of technical qualification part of the Bid, either by registered post or by hand.

Last Date /Time for receipt of bids through e-tendering: 07.12.2026 up-to 1030 Hours (time)

5. The site for the work is available.
6. Only online submission of bids is permitted, therefore, bids must be submitted online only on website www.hptenders.gov.in. The technical qualification part of the bids will be opened online at 1100.Hours (time) on 07.12.2026 (date) in the office of Executive Engineer Rajgarh Division HPPWD Rajgarh by the authorized officers. If the office happens to be closed on the date of opening of the bids as specified, the bids will be opened online on the next working day at the same time.
7. All the required material like cement/ Steel bitumen etc shall be arranged by the contractor at is own level.
8. The bids for the work shall remain valid for acceptance for a period not less than Ninety (90) days after the deadline date for bid submission.
9. Bidders may bid for any one or more of the works mentioned in the Table above. To qualify for a package of contracts made up of this and other contracts for which bids are invited in the same NIT, the bidder must demonstrate having experience and resources sufficient to meet the aggregate of the qualifying criteria for the individual contracts.
10. Other details can be seen in the bidding documents. The Employer shall not be held liable for any delays due to system failure beyond its control. Even though the system will attempt to notify the bidders of any bid updates, the Employer shall not be liable for any information not received by the bidder. It is the bidders' responsibility to verify the website for the latest information related to the tender.

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Accused arrested in cash theft case, sent on police remand



JAIBEER RANA

BARARA: Police have arrested an accused in connection with the theft of Rs. 50,000 in cash from a shop located in Ugala village. The arrested accused has been identified as Narendra alias Goli, a resident of Ugala village, under Barara police station limits in Ambala district. The police produced the accused before the Hon'ble Court, which granted his police remand for further investigation. Investigating Officer Sub-Inspector Ranbir Singh stated that Gulzar Singh, a resident of Ugala village, had lodged a complaint alleging that an unidentified person had entered his shop and stolen Rs. 50,000 in cash. Acting on the complaint, police registered a case under the relevant sections of law at Barara Police Station and initiated an investigation. During the investigation, police arrested Narendra alias Goli in connection with the case. He was subsequently produced before the court and taken on police remand. The police will conduct detailed questioning during the remand period and make efforts to recover the stolen cash.

Varanasi MC on alert for Chhath festival, robust arrangements for cleanliness and security

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Varanasi Municipal Corporation administration has prepared a complete roadmap for the convenience and safety of the millions of devotees expected to gather at the Ganga Ghats and various places of worship during the upcoming Chhath festival. To avoid any inconvenience during the festival, the corporation has directed strict arrangements for cleanliness, drinking water, lighting, and security in all zonal areas of the city.

City Commissioner Himanshu Nagpal has designated Additional Municipal Commissioner Durgesh Mishra as the overall nodal officer for this entire arrangement, ensuring timely completion of all tasks. In view of the influx of devotees during the Chhath festival, the corporation is conducting a special cleanliness drive at all ghats and places of worship. Zonal officers and sanitation officers have been assigned the responsibility to ensure proper cleaning of the ghats, silt removal, and immediate removal of debris and unwanted materials.

Instructions have also been given to prevent garbage from accumulating on entry and exit routes and connecting roads to ensure a clean environment for devotees and pilgrims. Keeping in mind the basic needs of devotees, the Jalkal Department has been directed to provide adequate quantities of clean drinking water and water tankers at all major ghats and places of worship.

The Illumination Department is repairing streetlights and high-mast lights along the ghats, access roads, and connecting roads, and ensuring temporary lighting.

Additionally, a sufficient number of changing rooms and mobile toilets are being installed for the convenience of women. Security arrangements are being given top priority during the festival.

Municipal Corporation has directed all concerned officials to assess the depth of water near the Ganga Ghats and other water bodies and identify dangerous spots. Strong barricades and warning signs will be installed at such vulnerable locations to prevent devotees or children from wading into deep water. Veterinary department teams have also been deployed to control stray animals to prevent any disruption.

Kalyan extends wishes on Vishwakarma Jayanti; Unveils 'Vishwakarma Chowk'

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Haryana Assembly Speaker Harvinder Kalyan stated that in Sanatan Dharma, Lord Vishwakarma is revered as the world's first architect, craftsman, and engineer. Today, there is a need to adhere to the guiding principles and precepts established by Him. He urged individuals to resolve to become 'role models' within their families, so that children may follow in their footsteps, grow into exemplary citizens, and contribute to the progress of society and the nation. He also unveiled 'Vishwakarma Chowk' in Gharaunda. Speaking as the chief guest at an event held at the Vishwakarma Temple in Gharaunda on the occasion of Vishwakarma Jayanti, Kalyan extended his greetings and best wishes to the public. He noted that Lord Vishwakarma is often referred to as the 'Engineer of the Universe.' He established specific guiding principles and rules for the creation of the universe, as well as for the seamless execution of architectural and technical endeavors—precepts that should be followed. He emphasised the need to address contemporary challenges, noting that development defined solely by bricks and mortar is insufficient. He encouraged people to commit to becoming role models within their own families; if one's own conduct is exemplary, children will naturally follow suit. It is essential not only to connect children with their cultural roots and instill values in them but also to foster the understanding that hard work is indispensable for success in life. He observed that some young people, despite being educated, hesitate to undertake certain types of work. The Assembly Speaker asserted that no work is 'small' or insignificant; it is the industrious individual who truly progresses. Citing the examples of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, President Droupadi Murmu, former President A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, and the architect of the Constitution, Bhimrao Ambedkar, Kalyan pointed out that all these eminent figures hailed from humble, impoverished backgrounds.

Youth Conference at Punjabi Dharamshala, Bhupendra Rathi to attend



RAHUL KOHLI

YAMUNANAGAR: Youth District President Gurjinder Kheri and INLD State Spokesperson Arjun Sudhail jointly announced that there is significant enthusiasm among youth for Youth Conference to be held at Jagadhri's Punjabi Dharamshala on Thursday at 4 pm.Youth Incharge Karan Chautala and Youth State President Bhupendra Rathi will be special attendees. Youth President Gurjinder Kheri stated that conference will focus on connecting youth with organization, raising their voices and discussing issues related to youth interests. Workers are excited about arrival of both young leaders and preparations are underway to make conference a success. He urged a large number of youth and party workers to attend conference. Youth State General Secretary Ravi Sheoran and Youth Circle President Arvind Kamboj were present.

Feast held at Jayaram Vidyapeeth Annakut with great faith and devotion

HANS RAJ

KURUKSHETRA: Govardhan Puja and Annakut Bhandara hold special significance after Diwali. Inspired by Brahmaswarup Brahmachari, supreme head of Sri Jayaram institutions operating in various states across country, a feast was held with great faith and devotion at Sri Jayaram Vidyapeeth on banks of Brahmasarovar. Feast was commenced after ritualistic worship by saints, brahmacharis and trustees of Sri Jayaram institutions. It is believed that just as Lord Krishna protected his devotees by lifting Govardhan mountain, similarly, God protects his devotees. Large number of devotees took part in feast. Trustees distributed prasad in feast with great faith and then consumed it themselves. Former District Education Officer Vinod Kaushik, Arun Aashri, KK Kaushik, Kulwant Saini, Surendra Gupta, Kharati Lal Singla, Gaurang Singla, Rajesh Sharma Amin, Tek Singh Lohar Majra, Sushil Kansal, Vikram Shyokand, Director of Shri Jayaram Educational Institute S.N. Gupta, Principal of DSB International Public School N. Singh, Satbir Kaushik, Rohit Kaushik, Yashpal, Jitendra Kumar, Vinod Kumar were also present.



Farmers should avoid burning stubble, help conserve environment: DSP Ramesh Chandra

AVNI SHARMA



GUHLA/CHEEKA: The police administration is actively raising awareness among farmers to prevent the burning of crop residues left in fields after the paddy harvest. As part of this initiative, the DSP and Station House Officers (SHOs) are engaging with farmers in villages and towns—often through local community leaders—to discourage the burning of stubble. DSP Ramesh Chandra has appealed to farmers to manage crop residues properly instead of setting them on fire.He advised farmers to incorporate the stubble into the soil—utilizing resources such as 'Custom Hiring Centers' and crop residue management machinery provided by the Agriculture Department—to help curb environmental pollution and preserve soil fertility. Proper management of crop residues is in the best interest of both the farmers and the environment. The DSP stated that, under the directives of SP Manpreet Singh Sudan, the police administration is keeping a close watch on incidents of stubble burning. The district administration is also monitoring such cases. He noted that 18 cases related to the burning of crop residues have been registered in the district to date.He urged farmers to fulfill their responsibility in maintaining a clean environment by refraining from burning stubble. Should any farmer be found burning crop residues, strict legal action will be taken against them in accordance with the law.

Adult vaccination as important as childhood immunisation: Dr. Anil Aggarwal

RAHUL KOHLI



YAMUNANAGAR: While parents are generally careful about getting their children vaccinated, adult and elderly vaccination often remains neglected. As a result, senior citizens continue to remain vulnerable to diseases such as influenza, pneumonia and shingles, many of which can be prevented through timely vaccination. This was stated by Dr. Anil Aggarwal, Senior Physician at Aggarwal Hospital, Jagadhri, on the occasion of World Immunisation Day. He emphasised that vaccination is not limited to childhood but remains important at every stage of life, particularly for people above 60 years of age. Referring to a multicentre study involving 4,998 people aged 60 years and above, Dr. Aggarwal said that only 1.4 per cent had ever received an influenza vaccine, while just 19.7 per cent were aware of it. However, vaccination uptake increased to 29.7 per cent when vaccines were provided free of cost at community health camps. He further highlighted that influenza among people aged 60 and above in India accounted for an estimated 5.3 million respiratory infections, 36,149 hospitalisations and 84,613 deaths in 2021. Influenza and pneumococcal infections together are estimated to cause around 1.2 lakh deaths annually. Dr. Aggarwal said annual flu vaccination can reduce hospitalisations by approximately 27 per cent and deaths by 34 per cent. Pneumococcal vaccination can also significantly reduce influenza-associated pneumonia cases and deaths. He advised senior citizens to consult their doctors regarding essential vaccines, including annual influenza, pneumococcal, shingles (particularly for those above 50), Td/Tdap, Hepatitis B, COVID-19 and RSV vaccines.

People remain attached to Khadi during winter season, it is beneficial: Satpal Saini

HANS RAJ



KURUKSHETRA: Satpal Saini, Secretary of Khadi Village Industries Association, Mirzapur Narad, Kurukshetra, says that Khadi benefits the body in every aspect during winter season. Khadi not only protects body from cold but also prevents skin diseases.He explained that his organization has also made special preparations keeping in mind winter season. He said that Khadi is most affordable fabric available for winter. Every year, Khadi Village Industries offers special varieties at beginning of winter and during winter season. He explained that people take special care of their health during winter season.According to him, Khadi Village Industries' clothing attracts most people because it has a unique shine and crispness. This is why people prefer to buy Khadi clothing. Khadi Village Industries' clothing, especially Khadi, is in high demand during winter season.

Spiritual fervor grips Sadar Bazaar as Kartik Mahatmya concludes

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, NOV 10



Devotees are continuously taking religious benefits from the holy story of Kartik month being held on the premises of Mata Rampyari Batra Durga Temple and Uttam Aushadhalaya located in Sadar Bazaar. During the story, puja-archana, havan-yagya and bhajan-sankirtan were organised. By offering oblations in the havan, devotees prayed for happiness, prosperity and well-being of the family. The religious event was concluded under the chairmanship of Gurudev Devendra Batra and Darshana Batra, the successor of Baba Kali Kamali Wale. Narrating the story of the churning of the ocean, Pandit Chetan Dev Sharma explained that after Lakshmi emerged from the ocean, she married Lord Vishnu. Pleased, the ocean asked the Lord for a boon that it, along with Lakshmi, should reside there. The story also described the tradition of worshipping one's son-in-law in the month of Kartik as virtuous. Pandit Chetan Dev Sharma then explained the significance of Govardhan Puja and Annakoot through a dialogue between King Prithu and Narada. He said that Govardhan Puja and Annakoot were traditionally celebrated on Kartik Sudi Ekam.

National Deworming Day to be observed in district on November 12: DC Aparajita

SANJAY SHARMA
KAITHAL, NOV 10



Deputy Commissioner Aparajita said National Deworming Day would be observed across the district on November 12, with a target of administering Albendazole tablets to 4,35,999 children, adolescents and women of reproductive age. She directed all concerned departments to work in close coordination to ensure the successful implementation of the campaign and ensure that no eligible beneficiary was left out. The DC was addressing a meeting of officials regarding the campaign at the conference hall of the Mini Secretariat on Tuesday. She said the primary objective of the campaign was to protect children and adolescents aged 1 to 19 years, along with women of reproductive age, from intestinal worm infections and improve their overall health. The campaign will be conducted through 595 government schools, 389 private schools and 1,270 Anganwadi centres across the district. Eligible children and women who miss the dose on November 12 will be covered during the mop-up round scheduled for November 19. She said Anganwadi workers, teachers and ASHA workers would assist in administering the tablets to beneficiaries according to their age groups. Children aged between one and two years will be given half a tablet, crushed and mixed with water, while those aged between two and three years will receive one full tablet. Children and adolescents aged between three and 19 years, along with eligible women, will be administered one full tablet to chew.

Bhai Dooj symbolises trust, affection and devotion in the bond between siblings: Vishal Chaudhary

KAMAL SHARMA



TARAORI: Bhai Dooj is a celebration of the unconditional love, trust and mutual respect shared between brothers and sisters. The festival reminds people of the importance of family relationships and inspires them to express affection and fulfil their responsibilities towards their loved ones, said Vishal Chaudhary, Director of BS Real Estate. Extending greetings to people on the occasion of Bhai Dooj, Chaudhary said festivals held a special place in Indian culture, with each celebration conveying a positive message. He said Bhai Dooj was dedicated to the precious bond between brothers and sisters, which was built on childhood memories, affection, trust and a deep sense of commitment towards one another. He emphasised that preserving family values and strengthening relationships remained equally important in changing times. The true joy of festivals, he added, lay in celebrating together with loved ones, sharing happiness and strengthening mutual affection.

Jurasi village awaits lifeline as road construction resumes

AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY
BILASPUR, NOV 10



For the residents of Jurasi village, a road is not merely a stretch of concrete and gravel. It is a lifeline they have waited years to see—a promise of easier journeys, timely medical care and an end to the hardships that have shaped their everyday lives.

Nestled in the hills of Solag Gram Panchayat under Bilaspur's Sadar Assembly constituency, Jurasi has endured years of inadequate road connectivity. While development reached many surrounding areas, villagers continued to struggle for something as basic as a motorable road to their homes.

The greatest ordeal came whenever someone fell seriously ill. With no road reaching the village, families were forced to carry patients on makeshift palanquins to the nearest accessible road before arranging transport to a hospital. Every such journey meant physical exhaustion, anxiety and precious time lost when medical attention was urgently needed. For elderly residents, schoolchildren and families carrying essential supplies, the absence of a road turned ordinary journeys into daily challenges. Construction had begun several years ago, raising hopes of relief. But when work stopped midway, disappointment returned.

Karnal to receive President's Award again for making it to Swachh Survekshan 2025 cleanest cities list

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, NOV 10



The Municipal Corporation Karnal is set to receive the prestigious President's Award once again for securing a place among the country's cleanest cities in the Swachh Survekshan 2025 rankings. The Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has announced the recognition. With this achievement, Karnal has become the first municipal corporation in Haryana to receive the award twice.

The Swachh Survekshan Awards ceremony will be held at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi on November 11, where President Droupadi Murmu will present the award. Mayor Renu Bala Gupta described the achievement as a proud moment for Karnal and congratulated the sanitation wing, Safai Mitras and residents for their contributions. She said the recognition was the result of the dedicated efforts of sanitation workers and the active cooperation of citizens.

She highlighted the significance of the Swachh Bharat Mission, launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on October 2, 2014, on the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. The initiative aims to make the country clean and free from litter. Besides promoting cleanliness, the campaign also plays an important role in preventing diseases and protecting the environment, she added. Municipal Commissioner Saloni Sharma said the achievement was the outcome of months of dedicated efforts, innovative approaches and the unwavering commitment of all stakeholders towards maintaining cleanliness.

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Police Commissioner issues orders imposing various restrictions

JALANDHAR (PARAMJIT SINGH): Exercising the powers vested under Section 163 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023, Police Commissioner Satinder Singh has imposed a ban on carrying any type of weapon—such as baseball bats, sharp-edged weapons, pointed objects, or any lethal weapon—inside vehicles within the jurisdiction of the Jalandhar Commissionerate Police. Similarly, restrictions have been imposed within the Commissionerate Police jurisdiction on taking out processions, carrying weapons during events or processions, the assembly of five or more persons, and the raising of slogans. Through another order, the Police Commissioner has prohibited the public from carrying weapons into marriage palaces, banquet halls of hotels, wedding functions, and other social events within the jurisdiction of the Jalandhar Commissionerate. Furthermore, owners of marriage palaces and banquet halls have been instructed that they are responsible for the installation of CCTV cameras on their premises. According to another order issued by the Police Commissioner, property owners (including those offering 'paying guest' (PG) accommodations) and the general public are prohibited from housing tenants, PG residents, domestic help, or other workers without first notifying the nearest Punjab Police 'Saanjh Kendra' (Public Facilitation Centre).

NEWS BRIEF

Karan multispeciality hospital to hold free medical camp from November 12 to 14

BALWINDER AZAD

BARNALA: With the objective of providing better healthcare facilities to people and creating awareness about the timely detection and treatment of diseases, Karan Multispeciality Hospital is organizing a three-day free medical camp from November 12 to 14. During the



camp, patients will be provided free medical consultations along with various essential health tests. Sharing details about the camp, the hospital's senior female physician, Dr. Shalini Sharma, MD (Medicine), Consultant Physician, said that free general and medical check-ups would be conducted during the camp. In addition, free tests for blood pressure, diabetes, liver, kidney and thyroid conditions would also be available. She further informed that facilities for testing anemia (iron deficiency), Vitamin D deficiency, cervical screening and BMI (Body Mass Index) assessment would also be provided. Dr. Shalini Sharma herself will examine the patients and offer necessary medical advice based on their individual health conditions.

She said that the camp would be organized daily from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM, from November 12 to 14, at Karan Multispeciality Hospital, Kacha College Road, near the Telephone Exchange, Barnala.

Mohinder Bhagat offers prayers at Baba Vishwakarma Bhawan



PARAMJIT SINGH

JALANDHAR: Punjab Horticulture and Defence Services Welfare Minister Mohinder Bhagat paid obeisance at Baba Vishwakarma Bhawan, Focal Point, Jalandhar, on the auspicious occasion of Vishwakarma Day, extending festive greetings and acknowledging the vital contributions of skilled artisans to the state's economic growth.

Addressing the gathering, the Minister emphasized that Lord Vishwakarma stands as the timeless symbol of craftsmanship, construction, and creative excellence. He highlighted that the celebration serves as an essential reminder of the dignity of labour and the need to carry out one's duties with honesty, dedication, and responsibility. Underlining the pivotal role played by the working class, Mr. Bhagat noted that skilled artisans form the backbone of Punjab's economy through their work in manufacturing agricultural machinery, constructing infrastructure, and maintaining industrial operations.

"The hard work of our skilled artisans is central to Punjab's economic progress," the Minister stated, encouraging the youth to combine traditional craftsmanship with modern technology to generate new employment and self-employment avenues.

Arora hands over home ownership documents to 1,338 families in SAC

SUMER GARG
SUNAM, NOV 10



Punjab Cabinet Minister Aman Arora today handed over home ownership documents to 1,338 families under the 'Mera Ghar Mere Naam' scheme at ceremonies held in Bharur, Namol, Kila Bharian, Lohakhera and Buggar in the Sunam Assembly constituency. He congratulated the families on receiving their documents.

Sharing the village-wise figures, Arora said that 133 families in Bharur, 585 in Namol, 260 in Kila Bharian, 213 in Lohakhera and 147 in Buggar received ownership documents. He said that holding a ceremony in each village allowed beneficiaries to collect their documents locally.

Addressing the gatherings, the Cabinet Minister said that many families had lived for generations within the Lal Lakir, the traditional boundary of a village's residential area. He said that many of these families had lacked formal proof of ownership and that the scheme aimed to provide eligible families with documents establishing ownership of their homes. Arora said that recording the details of both the property and its owner would help families establish ownership when needed. He added that future generations could also refer to these records for proof of ownership. The Cabinet Minister said that the Punjab Government was working to reach every eligible family under the scheme. He urged beneficiaries to check the names and property details in their documents and keep them safe. He added that families could contact the relevant office if they needed clarification about any of the recorded details. Office-bearers, local dignitaries and a large number of village residents attended the ceremonies.

Malvinder Singh Kang chairs meeting with GMADA chief to address long-pending issues of farmers and villagers

SHASHI PAL JAIN
MOHALI, NOV 10



Member of Parliament from Sri Anandpur Sahib, Malvinder Singh Kang, today chaired a high-level meeting with Greater Mohali Area Development Authority (GMADA) Chief Sandeep Rishi to discuss long-pending issues concerning land acquisition, compensation and development of villages in SAS Nagar district.

The meeting was attended by village Sarpanches and farmer leaders from different parts of the district, who raised issues concerning farmers, labourers, original landowners and economically weaker sections whose lands have been acquired for various development projects around Mohali. MP Malvinder Singh Kang emphasised that while planned development must continue, the rights and economic interests of the original landowners and affected villagers must be adequately protected.The meeting primarily focused on delays in compensation, particularly in Aerotropolis Sectors B, C and D, and the need to expedite the issuance of Letters of Intent (LOIs) and release of Rehabilitation and Resettlement (R&R) benefits to eligible landowners.

The delegation also stressed the need to prioritise basic civic amenities, including drinking water, sewerage, parks and parking facilities, in villages affected by land acquisition, so that residents do not face inconvenience due to development activities.A key demand was raised regarding the removal of the time-bound restriction on farmers seeking new agricultural motor connections after acquisition of their land. It was urged that farmers should be allowed to obtain agricultural motor connections whenever they purchase alternative agricultural land, without being constrained by the existing time limit.The issue concerning the takeover of Sector 125 of the Sunny Enclave mega project in Kharar was also discussed with a view to providing relief to affected residents. Other important matters included delays in payments, land clubbing issues and the need to ensure fair, transparent and non-discriminatory implementation of GMADA policies, safeguarding the interests of all affected landowners.During the meeting, GMADA officials resolved several issues on the spot. Matters falling within the jurisdiction of other departments and authorities will be taken up with the concerned Ministry and the Chief Minister for their early resolution.

Bal Vatika Public school celebrates Diwali with enthusiasm



KULWINDER KARWAL
SARDULGARH, NOV 10

Bal Vatika Public School, Tibbi Hari Singh, celebrated Diwali with great enthusiasm and devotion on Friday, highlighting the festival's religious and cultural significance in Hinduism and Sikhism.

Students were apprised of the significance of Diwali in Hinduism, which marks the return of Lord Rama, Mata Sita and Lakshmana to Ayodhya after 14 years of exile, symbolising the victory of good over evil. The festival's association with the worship of Goddess Lakshmi was also explained. The celebration also highlighted the Sikh significance of Diwali as Bandi Chhor Divas, commemorating the release of Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji, the sixth Sikh Guru, from Gwalior Fort along with 52 Hindu kings. Through various activities, students learned the values of truth, freedom, kindness, unity and brotherhood. The school also encouraged students to celebrate an eco-friendly Diwali by avoiding firecrackers and protecting the environment. The celebration concluded with warm festive greetings and a message of peace, harmony and togetherness.

Kharar CIA staff arrests 4 members of drug and arms smuggling gang linked to Pakistan-based handlers

SHASHI PAL JAIN
KHARAR, NOV 10



The CIA Staff team in Kharar, led by In-charge Inspector Pardeep Singh Bajwa, has arrested four individuals involved in a gang that smuggled narcotics via drones at the behest of Pakistan-based handlers. Five modern pistols and 100 grams of heroin were recovered from the suspects.

According to information provided by the police, the CIA Staff team was conducting patrols and checking suspicious individuals in the Kharar area on November 7. During this operation, the team received intelligence that four individuals Sukhchain Singh (alias Sukhi), Manpreet Singh, Sunil Singh, and Gurpreet Singh, all hailing from Ferozepur district were engaged in the smuggling of narcotics and illegal weapons.

The four aforementioned individuals were involved in supplying narcotics and weapons across various areas while traveling in a Creta car. Acting on this information, the police apprehended all four suspects and recovered 100 grams of heroin, 5 illegal pistols, and 'drug money' from their possession. In this connection, a case (FIR No. 388, dated 07-11-2026) has been registered at the Kharar City Police Station under the NDPS Act and the Arms Act.

Preliminary investigations reveal that the arrested suspects were in contact with Pakistan-based individuals (PIOs).

The suspects would retrieve heroin sent from across the border via drones from designated locations and supply it within the 'Tri-city' area (including Mohali and Chandigarh) for the purpose of making a high profit. Further legal action is underway, following the procurement of a 4-day police remand for the suspects.

Gurpratap Singh Padiala honors sanitation workers in Kurali on occasion of Diwali and Bandi Chhor Divas



SHASHI PAL JAIN
KURALI, NOV 10

On the auspicious occasion of Diwali and Bandi Chhor Divas, Congress leader from the Kharar constituency, Gurpratap Singh Padiala, shared the festive spirit with sanitation workers and their families in Kurali. During the event, they were extended festive greetings and honored. Speaking on the occasion, Gurpratap Singh Padiala stated that sanitation workers are an integral part of our society, contributing significantly every day through their hard work and dedication to keeping the city clean. It is our duty to honor their labor and service. The primary objective of this initiative is to share the joy of the festivals with them and bring smiles to their faces. He stated, "Every resident of the Kharar constituency is like a brother or sister to me. Standing by them through their joys and sorrows is my duty and responsibility. I will continue to fulfill this responsibility not merely through words, but through my service." Padiala mentioned that he is a resident of this very area and is well-acquainted with the problems, needs, and joys and sorrows of its people. He has been consistently dedicated to serving the public for many years and will continue to stand shoulder-to-shoulder with people from all walks of life in the future as well.

'Sikhiya Kranti' can't come by installing computers and painting school walls : Avinash Khanna

CHANDIGARH (SHASHI PAL JAIN): Former Punjab BJP State President and former Rajya Sabha MP Avinash Rai Khanna today stated that Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann must realize that a genuine "Sikhiya Kranti" cannot be achieved merely by dumping hardware and painting school buildings. Qualified teachers are fundamental to ensuring that educational infrastructure is put to effective use.

Reacting to the Chief Minister's self-congratulatory claims of installing 40,003 computers in government schools to usher in a digital revolution, Khanna challenged Bhagwant Mann to declare publicly how many computer teachers his government has recruited throughout its tenure. "The answer is not a single one," Khanna noted.



The senior BJP leader pointed out that before claiming an educational turnaround, the Chief Minister should look at the ground reality: middle schools across Punjab completely lack computer teachers. Teachers from senior secondary schools are being temporarily deputed to other institutions for three days a week merely to keep records on paper. Furthermore, these teachers are overburdened with non-teaching administrative duties, leaving them with practically no time to conduct actual classroom lessons. Khanna recalled that computer labs established in 2006–07 have now turned into unserviceable junk. "During the SAD-BJP government in 2016, 24 computers per school were operated efficiently using N-Computing technology.

Miri Piri Khalsa College holds educational tour to Delhi; students get insights into SC's functioning and historical monuments



BALWINDER AZAD
BHADAUR, NOV 10

Under the able guidance of Principal Malwinder Singh, Miri Piri Khalsa College, Bhadaur, organized a special educational tour to Delhi for the students of the Department of Political Science.

According to Professor Hardeep Kaur of the Department of Political Science, the educational tour was conducted from November 5 to 7, during which students visited prominent religious, historical and constitutional institutions in the national capital.

On the first day of the tour, students visited several famous historical and religious places in Delhi. They paid obeisance at Gurdwara Sri Rakab Ganj Sahib, Gurdwara Bangla Sahib and Gurdwara Sri Sis Ganj Sahib. Besides seeking blessings at these sacred Sikh shrines, the students learned about their rich historical significance and enthusiastically participated in voluntary service (Seva) with great devotion. In addition, the students visited prominent historical monuments, including India Gate, the Red Fort and Jama Masjid. The most significant highlight of the tour for the Political Science students was their visit to the country's highest judicial institution, the Supreme Court of India. During the visit, students gained detailed knowledge about the functioning of the Supreme Court, its glorious history and its magnificent building. On this occasion, students also visited the court's extensive library, observed important statues installed on the premises and explored historical artefacts preserved in the museum. They received detailed information about these exhibits, which will prove highly beneficial in enhancing their academic curriculum and practical knowledge. For the proper guidance and supervision of the students, Professor Hardeep Singh, Professor Jaspreet Singh.

Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University organises Diwali donation campaign at Shiv Mandir Kusht Ashram



AJAY MALHOTRA
FATEHGARH SAHIB, NOV 10

The Department of Sociology, Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University, Fatehgarh Sahib, organised a donation campaign at Shiv Mandir Kusht Ashram, Fatehgarh Sahib, to share the joy of Diwali with the underprivileged. The students actively participated in the initiative and donated essential items, including clothes, shoes, eatables, jackets and other useful articles for the residents of the Ashram. The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. (Dr.) Prit Pal Singh, appreciated the initiative and remarked that the University aims to nurture students not only through academic learning but also by instilling human values, ethical awareness and social responsibility. He emphasised that sensitivity towards societal concerns and support for underprivileged communities are essential aspects of meaningful education. The Dean Academic Affairs, Prof. (Dr.) Sukhwinder Singh Billing, appreciated the Department's efforts and observed that such activities help students understand social realities while fostering empathy, cooperation and a spirit of service. The campaign was conducted under the supervision of Dr. Nav Shagan Deep Kaur, Head, Department of Sociology, and the guidance of Assistant Professors Paramdeep Singh and Lovepreet Singh. The Head of the Department appreciated the students' enthusiastic participation and encouraged them to continue contributing towards community welfare.

Bhikhi police station arrests 2 accused of assault within 24 hours; dismisses reports of an 'attack by drug addicts' as rumor

RAM SINGH DHALIWAL
MANSA, NOV 10



Acting promptly under the directives of the honorable SSP of Mansa, Shri Bhagirath Chaudhary, the Bhikhi police have arrested two individuals within 24 hours in connection with the assault on Kulwant Singh—the husband of Charanjit Kaur, an 'AAP' (Aam Aadmi Party) councilor from Ward No. 7. Furthermore, both the police and the accused party have categorically denied reports circulating on social media that the assault was carried out by "drug addicts," clarifying instead that the incident stemmed from a long-standing personal enmity.

SHO Inspector Gurmel Singh of the Bhikhi Police Station stated that upon receiving a medical intimation from the Government Hospital, Mansa, on November 9, 2026, Assistant Sub-Inspector (ASI) Brich Bhan visited the hospital and recorded the statement of the injured, Kulwant Singh (son of Jugraj Singh, resident of Bhikhi). Based on this statement, a case (FIR No. 287) was registered at the Bhikhi Police Station under Sections 126(2), 115(2), 351(3), and 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS). Acting promptly, the police arrested the two named accused: Akashdeep Singh, alias Deepi/Jashan (resident of Ward No. 7/8, Bhikhi), and Harbhagwan Singh, alias Kalu (son of Hansa Singh, resident of Ward No. 7/8, Bhikhi).

Refuting misleading reports circulating on social media, SHO Gurmel Singh clarified that the preliminary investigation has not revealed any connection to drugs. Sharing the background of the incident, they explained that on October 25, these young men were sitting in a public park near Dera Gurdwara Sahib on Dhaipai Road in Bhikhi, looking at their phones. As Kulwant Singh passed by the park, he suspected that they were consuming drugs, which led to a verbal altercation between the two parties.

They stated that, at that time, a 'Dial 112' police vehicle—called by Kulwant Singh—brought the young men to the police station. However, Kulwant Singh himself arrived and clarified that they were local youths; once satisfied, he had them released. Subsequently, the police conducted a thorough verification under Section 174, which revealed no evidence of drug use.

Rs. 37000 crore credited into accounts of 3.82 lakh farmers: Lal Chand Kataruchak

CHANDIGARH: The Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Minister, Punjab, Lal Chand Kataruchak today revealed that paddy procurement in the State has crossed another major milestone, with total arrival of paddy in the mandis crossing the 173 Lakh Metric Tonnes (LMT) mark.

The Minister said that total procurement has also exceeded 169 LMT, which reflects the smooth, uninterrupted and well-coordinated procurement operations being carried out across all mandis in Punjab.



The Minister further added that lifting operations are also progressing at a good pace. Progressive lifting has reached 128 LMT so far, ensuring timely clearance of mandis and smooth movement of procured paddy.

Reiterating the commitment of the State Government towards the welfare of farmers, the Minister said that more than Rs. 37,000 Crore has been credited directly into the bank accounts of over 3.82 Lakh farmers.

He said that the Punjab Government, under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, is fully committed to ensure hassle-free procurement, timely lifting, procurement of every single bale of grain and prompt payment to every farmer.

Religious events play a vital role in preserving our ancient culture, traditions and values: Garg

HISAR (SUMER GARG): The Annakoot Mahotsav was celebrated with religious fervour and enthusiasm at Shri Prayag Giri Shivalaya Mandir Trust and Agroha Dham. The celebrations began with traditional prayers and worship performed in accordance with Vedic rituals and the chanting of sacred mantras. On the occasion, institution president Bajrang Garg offered the Annakoot bhog to the deity and prayed for the happiness, prosperity and well-being of all. Thousands of devotees attended the celebrations, offered prayers and partook of the Annakoot prasad.



Addressing the gathering, Bajrang Garg said that the Annakoot Mahotsav holds special religious and spiritual significance in Indian culture. The festival conveys the message of respecting food, serving the needy and strengthening the bonds of mutual love, brotherhood and cooperation in society. He said that sincere devotion to God and a spirit of service bring happiness, peace and prosperity into life.

He further said that religious events play a vital role in keeping ancient culture, traditions and values alive.

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"Koi jo marzi bole main aa rha hun 101%": Diljit

Punjabi singer Diljit Dosanjh on Tuesday went live on Instagram, addressing rumours that his upcoming Indore concert could be cancelled over reported security concerns. In his trademark humorous style, Diljit took a dig at news channels for sensationalising the reports, saying they had added their own "masala" to the story. He also reassured fans that he would definitely perform in Indore on November 15. "15 tareekh ko Indore aa rahe hain, 101 per cent aa rahe hain! Sabse pehle aakar poha khaayenge, phir energy lekar fir chak de phatte," Diljit said. "Koi jo marzi bole, main 15 tareekh ko zaroor milunga. Aap bas meri baat par vishwas rakho," he added. His upcoming Indore concert has also made headlines after reports emerged that the organisers and venue authorities had allegedly been instructed to ensure that Diljit does not perform songs that could negatively influence children. Speaking about the instructions, District Officer, Women and Child Development Department, Rajneesh Sinha said "... A concert by Diljit Dosanjh is scheduled to take place at Twenty One Business Park on 15 November. We received a letter from Chandigarh regarding songs that glorify drugs, intoxicants or weapons...

"One mysterious foreign national":

Kangana Ranaut targets Sonia Gandhi over Gandhi family history, calls her rise to power a "mysterious coincidence"

Actor and Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) MP Kangana Ranaut has launched a sharp attack on senior Congress leader Sonia Gandhi, questioning her rise to political prominence and describing the sequence of events surrounding the Gandhi family as a series of "way too many coincidences". In a strongly worded post on her Instagram Stories, Kangana alleged that Sonia Gandhi's entry into the Gandhi family and the subsequent deaths of several members of the political dynasty raised questions that, according to her, had not received enough public attention.

Kangana said her remarks were informed by research into Indian politics and the Gandhi family that she conducted while working on her 2025 directorial film 'Emergency.'

Referencing the ongoing global discussion around the Nvidia honey trap controversy, the actor-turned-politician began her post by writing, "Everyone is talking about the Nvidia honey trap controversy."

She then questioned the political developments surrounding the Gandhi family, writing, "For Emergency, I did a lot of research on Indian politics and the Gandhi family, and I must confess that one thing I could never wrap my head around is that one mysterious foreign national enters the Gandhi family."

In her post, Kangana referred to the deaths of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, Sanjay Gandhi and former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, linking these tragedies to the political succession within the Gandhi family. She wrote, "Indira Gandhi killed, Sanjay Gandhi, Rajiv Gandhi, all potential heirs to the throne killed, leaving just one and only sympathy choice for the throne: that one foreign national called Sonia Gandhi." Kangana further described the sequence of events as involving "way too many coincidences", suggesting that the circumstances deserved greater public scrutiny. Ranaut also criticised Sonia Gandhi's political influence and tenure, accusing the Congress leader of promoting foreign agendas.

In her lengthy Instagram post, she alleged that Sonia Gandhi had openly propagated foreign interests.

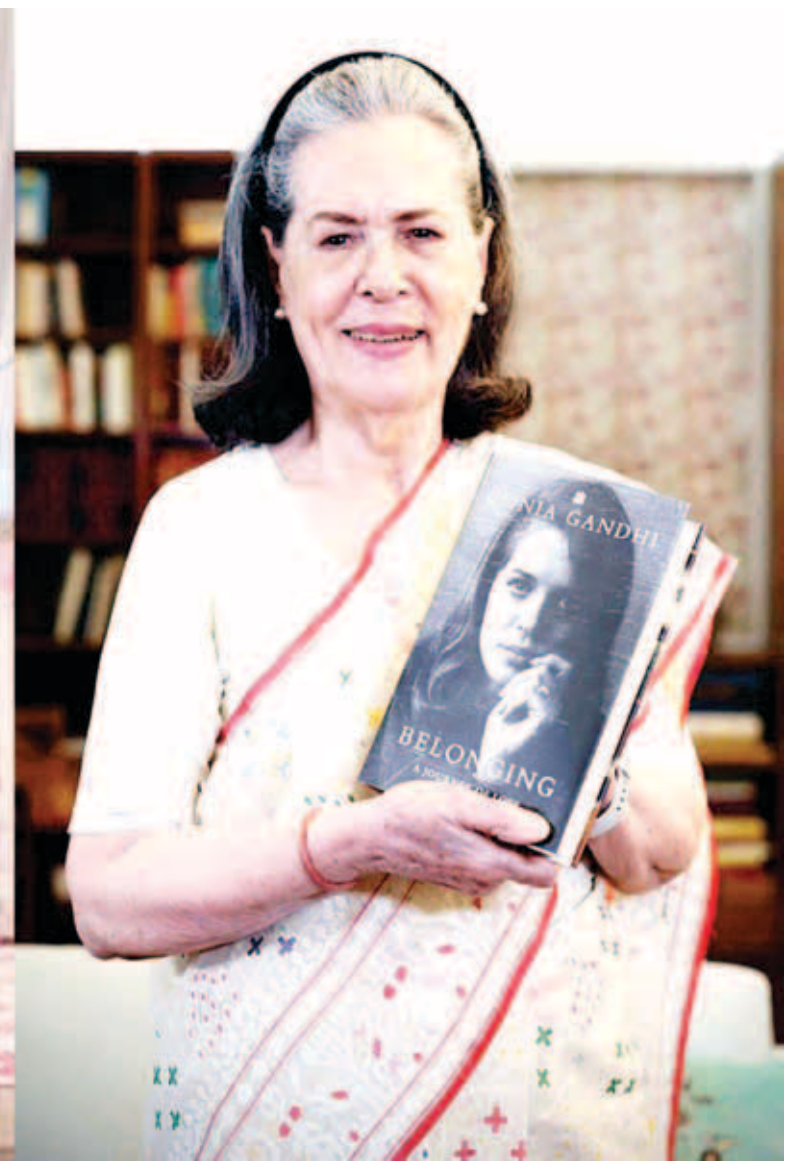
She also questioned the Congress veteran's political leadership over several decades.

She concluded her message by referring to the 2014 general elections, writing that Sonia Gandhi continued to head the government for decades "until of course 2014 happened."

The 2014 Indian general election was a major watershed moment in Indian political history, bringing a definitive end to ten years of United Progressive Alliance (UPA) rule led by the Indian National Congress.

The BJP, led by its prime ministerial candidate Narendra Modi, won a decisive 282 seats on its own. Indian National Congress (INC) suffered an electoral defeat, crashing down to just 44 seats.





Olivia Cooke says 'House of the Dragon' fandom led her to step away from social media

Actor Olivia Cooke has been consciously distancing herself from social media. In an interview with GQ, Cooke, who portrays the controversial Queen Alicent Hightower in HBO's House of the Dragon, recently revealed that she took a break from social media ahead of the show's third season, citing the increasingly toxic behaviour within the fandom, Variety reported. "I think some of those interpretations just catch fire, and they become something that bears no resemblance to what was shown on the screen at the time," said Cooke on the subject of the fanbases' theories and opinions (which include observations about Cooke herself as well as her relationship with the show's directors). The uber-passionate fanbase was, in part, why she went offline and deactivated her Instagram ahead of Season 3 dropping in June, she revealed. Cooke pointed out that the show's fandom can be deeply problematic, pointing to the prevalence of misogyny and racism "There's a lot of ugliness to that fandom as well. It's steeped in misogyny. There's a lot of racism. I try to let it take up minimal mental real estate." While viewers of the prequel series are well-acquainted with the taboo at this point, Season 3 saw Cooke's Hight ower in a number of story contentious shar lines, including her ing a kiss with in son that results day an incestuous later dream scene soci on. On her bre al media not ak, Cooke to a ed that it got she place where no felt it was "not urishing."



Promo for Sidharth Malhotra, Kiara Advani's episode of 'Koffee With Karan 9' out now

After Saif Ali Khan and Kareena Kapoor Khan, power couple Sidharth Malhotra and Kiara Advani will be seen as the next guests on Season 9 of Koffee With Karan. On Tuesday, the promo of a new episode was unveiled, and it features none other than Sidharth and Kiara. Serving major style goals, Kiara looks breathtaking in a stunning red dress, while Sidharth complements her effortlessly in an off-white pant suit featuring subtle black prints.

Sharing the promo, Karan Johar on Instagram wrote, "He manifested a bright future with her on this couch, and now we're catch ing up on their happily ever after! This Koffee date is e xtra special. Koffee with Karan Season 9, Episode 5, streaming Wednesday at 7pm, only on The Peacock Hub on JioHotstar."

In the promo, the couple can be seen reminiscing about their fairytale wedding and recounting how Karan Johar hilariously threw Shahid Kapoor off the stage when he tried to join in Karan's performance!

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The laughs and banter keep rolling when Karan asks the couple about any character of theirs they would want to roleplay. Sidharth jokingly mentions, "We don't want to bring our work home and certainly not to our bedroom." Sidharth and Kiara tied the knot in an intimate ceremony on February 7, 2023, at Suryagarh Palace in Rajasthan. The two apparently f ell in love while shooting for 'Shershaah', which was rele ased in 2021. Kiara and Sidharth, who are already parents to daughter Saraayah, are currently expecting their second child.

In October, the couple announced their pregnancy news with an adorable post. "Blessed once again with the greatest gift of all. Our hearts are so full of love and gratitude," Sidharth and Kiara's post read. The announcement was soon flooded with congratulatory messages from fans and members of the film industry. Sidharth's mentor and filmmaker Karan Johar was among the first to react to the post, writing, "Love love you," along with multiple red heart emojis. The couple welcomed their first child, daughter Saraayah, in 2025.



Divyanka Tripathi reveals fire broke out in her building on night before Diwali, expresses grief over security guard's tragic demise

The night before Diwali turned into a nightmare for actors Divyanka Tripathi and Vivek Dahiya when a fire broke out in their residential building. Tragically, a security guard named Dhanpat lost his life in the incident. On Tuesday, Divyanka took to Instagram to share details of the heartbreaking incident, recounting what exactly transpired. She also expressed grief over the loss of the security guard, whom she fondly referred to as Dhanpat Uncle. Sharing a video showing a section of the building engulfed in flames, Divyanka wrote, "Some losses leave behind a silence that never quite goes away. When we brought our babies home for the first time, one of the first people to welcome and bless them was our beloved Dhanpat Uncle, the guard of our building. We had imagined the years ahead... him watching our boys grow, the children playing with their Dhanpat Uncle, and countless little moments we unknowingly took for granted. We never imagined those moments would remain only dreams," Divyanka wrote.

"On the night before Diwali and Viv's birthday, a devastating fire broke out in our building. We had plans to step out that evening, but somehow, our plans kept getting delayed. We were home when the mishap occurred, which allowed us to spot the danger in time and evacuate with our babies, family and staff," she added.

"For a while, we thought we had escaped with only a frightening memory and material damage. Until we heard about Dhanpat Uncle. Vivek and I struggled to accept the news. Even as we took refuge at a friend's home, we kept hoping, praying that somehow it wasn't true. As Diwali arrived, electricity was gradually restored. The gas supply and lifts were reinstated the day after Diwali, following diligent safety checks. But normalcy didn't return with them," Divyanka further stated.

Divyanka also shared a video of Dhanpat Uncle blessing her twins when she brought them home for the first time.

"Our entire wing had come to a standstill, and not merely because of the infrastructural damage. The fire dimmed the lights of our home that Diwali, but the loss of a precious life left a darkness in our hearts that no amount of light can undo. It's taken us time to even find the words to speak about that night. Dhanpat Uncle, you were never just the guard of our building. You were part of our everyday lives, someone we trusted, someone we had imagined in our children's tomorrow," she wrote.

Divyanka further shared that she and Vivek would one day tell their sons about the kind-hearted man who welcomed them home and showered them with his blessings

"We will miss you deeply. And when our boys are old enough, we will tell them about the kind man who welcomed them home with his blessings, who was indispensable in our everyday life and that - we should never take anyone's presence for granted. May your soul rest in peace," Divyanka posted.

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