

Punjab's Jasnoor Kaur Makes Waves with Remarkable Performance; achieves Gold in 50m Freestyle

CHANDIGARH : In a spectacular showcase of skill and determination, Punjab's rising star, Jasnoor Kaur, dazzled audiences at the recent swimming championships, earning a gold medal in the fiercely contested 50m freestyle for Group I girls. Jasnoor's exceptional achievements not only rewrote records but also served as an inspiration to the nation.

During the preliminary rounds held earlier in the day, Jasnoor surged ahead by breaking the previous national record of 27.11 seconds, establishing an electrifying new record with a lightning-fast time of 27.01 seconds. Undeterred by the competition, she demonstrated her mettle once again in the final race, securing the gold medal with an impressive time of 27.28 seconds. Her triumphant victory showcased her remarkable consistency as she outshined her rivals, including Alefiya SD of Maharashtra, who completed the race in 27.40 seconds.

The success story of Jasnoor Kaur wouldn't be complete without acknowledging the guidance of her dedicated coach, Johnny Bhatia. Johnny Bhatia's unwavering commitment and relentless effort played a pivotal role in molding Jasnoor into the remarkable athlete she has become. With extra attention to detail and a genuine passion for nurturing young talent, Coach Bhatia's coaching approach not only hones the physical



skills of his athletes but also fosters mental strength and confidence. His dedication to producing extraordinary results for Punjab is evident in Jasnoor's exceptional performance.

As the spotlight continues to shine on Jasnoor Kaur, it's important to note that her victory is one among many extraordinary performances at the champi-

onship. In the Boys' Group I category, Rishabh Anupam Das from Maharashtra emerged victorious in the 100m freestyle with a time of 52.84 seconds. Meanwhile, Hashika Ramachandra from Karnataka displayed her prowess in the Girls' Group I 400m freestyle, setting a new record with a time of 5:08.50.

Pb CM congratulates Indian girls contingent for bagging gold medal in Archery World Cup at Paris

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CHANDIGARH, AUG 19:

Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann on Saturday congratulated the Indian Girls Compound squad for bagging gold medal in the ongoing Archery World Cup at Paris.

In a congratulatory message, the Chief Minister said that it is a matter of great pride and satisfaction that these girls have brought laurels for the country by bagging the gold medal in this World Cup. He said that in a rare feat Indian Girls compound team has won the gold medal by defeating Mexico by 234-233. Bhagwant Singh Mann said that these girls have created history by winning this medal for the first time in these games.

The Chief Minister said that it is also a matter of great immense pride that

Says player from Punjab Parneet Kaur has brought laurels for the state



Parneet Kaur a girl from village Mandali in Mansa district is an important part of three member team. He said that it is a proud moment for us that the girl has led the team to victory after train-

ing by his coach Surinder Singh Randhawa. Bhagwant Singh Mann lauded the entire team for making country proud and extended best wishes to them for future.

Punjab police involve four states & UT Chandigarh to conduct 'OPS SEAL-III' in border districts to check drug trafficking

POLICE TEAMS CHECKED 5726 VEHICLES, OF WHICH 329 WERE CHALLANED AND 25 WERE IMPOUNDED

SHASHI PAL JAIN
CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 19:

In order to make Punjab a crime-free and drugs-free state as per the vision of Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann, Punjab Police on Saturday carried out a special operation 'OPS Seal-III' aimed at checking all the vehicles entering the border state of Punjab to keep tab at drug trafficking, liquor smuggling and movement of gangsters and anti-social elements.

The operation was conducted in a synchronised manner from 8am to 2pm, jointly with the police forces of four neighbouring states— Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Rajasthan and Jammu & Kashmir— and Union Territory Chandigarh on the directions of Director General of Police (DGP) Punjab Gaurav Yadav.

Special DGP Law and Order Arpit Shukla said that ADGP Bathinda Range, IGSP Rupnagar/Patiala Range and DIGS Border/Jalandhar/Ferozepur/Faridkot Range were asked to coordinate with their counterpart Range IGSP of the Bordering states to ensure effective Naka-bandi as part of 'OPS Seal-III'. All the SSPs of Border districts were directed to mobilise the maximum number of officers and manpower for this operation to lay strong 'nakas' at sealing points under the supervision of Gazetted officers/SHOs, he added.

He said that well-coordinated strong nakas involving 1500+ Police Personnel



were set up under the supervision of Inspectors/DSPs at all the entry/exit points of 10 districts, which share boundaries with four border states and UT Chandigarh. The 10 inter-state border districts include Pathankot, Sri Muktsar Sahib, Fazilka, Ropar, SAS Nagar, Patiala, Sangrur, Mansa, Hoshiarpur and Bathinda.

He said that during the operation, a thorough search of suspected vehicles/persons was conducted, while ensuring minimum inconvenience was caused to the general public. "We had strictly instructed all the Police Personnel to deal with every commuter in a friendly and

polite manner while checking their vehicles during the course of this operation," he added. The Special DGP said that as many as 5726 vehicles entering the state were checked, of which 329 were challaned and 25 were impounded. The Police have also registered 40 first information reports (FIRs) after arresting 49 persons.

The police teams have also arrested two proclaimed offenders. Apart from this, the Police teams have recovered Rs 45 lakhs cash, 30kg poppy husk, 374 grams heroin, 500 grams charas, 350 litres lahan and 263 litres illicit liquor.

Panipat painted green, grand celebration of Hariyali Teej sets new record



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
PANIPAT, AUG 19

The city of Panipat came alive in vibrant hues as the grand celebration of Hariyali Teej took centre stage. The event organized at Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur/Huda ground in Panipat witnessed an unprecedented turnout of 50,000 women hailing from various corners of the state. This historic gathering has now etched its name in the prestigious Limca Book of Records, adding an enduring feather to the cap of Panipat and the state's cultural heritage.

With a surge of enthusiasm, women and young children alike donned traditional Haryana attire, infusing the festival with a deep sense of cultural pride. The Teej festival, renowned for its symbolic representation of unbroken prosperity, saw Panipat transform into a canvas of Haryana culture, with culinary delights, exquisite clothing, and a palpable collective identity taking the forefront.

Gracing the occasion as the Chief Guest, Chief Minister, Sh. Manohar Lal felicitated 101 exceptional women from diverse fields. Their indelible contributions and re-

markable achievements were acknowledged in a gesture that underscored the significance of their presence in shaping a progressive society, he said. The Hariyali Teej celebration in Panipat stands not only as a record-setting achievement but as a testament to the unity and cultural richness. The city resonated with the fervour of tradition and the spirit of progress, making this year's celebration an unforgettable spectacle. Like 'Sudama' I have also brought a 'Kothli' for you, I urge my sisters to accept it as a token of my blessings, CM.

G20 Health Ministers' Meeting begins in Gandhinagar

CHANDIGARH : Under India's G20 Presidency, the Health Working Group and Health Ministers meeting is being convened from 17-19 August, in Gandhinagar, Gujarat. The meeting saw participation from the health Ministers of the G20 member countries as well as representatives of invited countries and international organizations.

The meeting was addressed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi through a special video message. During the video message, Prime Minister underlined that "The COVID-19 pandemic has reminded us that health should be at the center of our decisions." He said that "time has also made us understand the importance of international cooperation,



whether it is distribution of medicines and vaccines or bringing our people back home." Prime Minister said, "We must be prepared to prevent, prepare and respond to the next health emergency. This is especially important in today's interconnected world." He added, "As we saw during the pandemic, health problems spread in one part of the world can affect all other

parts of the world in a very short time."

Further, Additional Secretary of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Lav Agarwal, delivered the welcome address, while Union Health Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya delivered the inaugural address during the opening session. The first session of the meeting witnessed de-

liberations on 'Prevention, Preparedness, and Response to Health Emergencies'. The G20 Health Ministers' meeting focused primarily on the three key priorities of the G20 Health Track.

These include pharmaceuticals with a focus on access and availability of safe, effective, quality, and affordable medical interventions (vaccines, therapeutics, and diagnostics), including prevention, preparedness and response to health emergencies with a focus on anti-microbial resistance and a health framework strengthen cooperation in the region; and digital health innovations and solutions to aid universal health coverage and improve healthcare delivery.

Uttarakhand: Parts of Karnaprayag-Gwaldam National Highway washed away

CHAMOLI : Amid heavy rains in Chamoli district in Uttarakhand, parts of the Karnaprayag-Gwaldam National Highway got washed away by the Pindar River, which is in spate, officials said on Saturday. Commuters on the route have been left stranded route.

Due to the flow of the river, the soil of the lower parts of the road is continuously being eroded. According to Chamoli district administration, efforts are on to clear the debris and reopen the road.

Further details are awaited. Earlier, traffic was suspended on the Rishikesh-Badrinath National Highway-58 following a heavy landslide from the mountain in the Totaghati area of Tehri Garhwal district, as per the officials.

State Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami had on Monday had conducted an aerial survey of flood-affected areas in the state and also reviewed the increasing water level of the Ganga river in Rishikesh.

On the instructions of Chief Minister Dhami, SDRF and NDRF personnel were deployed in places badly affected by rain-related incidents. Heavy rains in Uttarakhand this monsoon have triggered landslides and flash floods in several places.

Hry govt to introduce spirulina-based product to combat malnutrition in Nuh

CHANDIGARH: The Haryana Government will introduce a spirulina-based product under the Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS) for severe acute malnourished (SAM) and moderate acute malnourished (MAM) children on a pilot basis in Nuh for a duration of 6 months. Spirulina, an algae that grows in fresh or saltwater, is rich in nutrients and possesses antioxidant properties. A study conducted by the Institute of Health Management and Research (IHM), Bangalore, demonstrated a 46% and 67% reduction in malnutrition by administering spirulina for 6 months to children.

This was disclosed by the Chief Secretary, Mr. Sanjeev Kaushal, after presiding over the 5th meeting of the State Convergence Committee under POSH-AN Abhiyaan here. He said that three nutrition-rich programmes will be implemented across all blocks of the aspirational district Nuh under Nutrition Campaign-2. These programmes aim to alleviate malnutrition and anemia among children and women. Nutritional support in the form of ready-to-eat food items, nutritional packets, and antioxidant-rich foods will be provided to children and women in all blocks of the Nuh district.

Badrinath NH shows fresh signs of subsidence after crack appear

GOPESHWAR: A stretch about 50 metres long on the Rishikesh-Badrinath National Highway near Pursari village is showing signs of land subsidence with cracks appearing on it.

J-K LG urges universities to adapt to new tech to make students future ready

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Lt Governor Manoj Sinha on Saturday advised universities to recalibrate, reform and re-adjust themselves to adapt to new technologies and help students succeed in the uncharted future.

Be more sensitive, give patient hearing to people: Haryana DGP to officers

Chandigarh: Haryana Director General of Police, Sh Shatruijeet Kapur directed the senior field functionaries of the police department to be more sensitive towards the people, give them a patient hearing and resolve their complaints in a transparent and time bound manner. Sh Shatruijeet Kapur gave this and several other directions while presiding over the first meeting of senior police officers of the State through video conferencing from Police Headquarters, Panchkula. While describing police as the face of the government, Sh Kapur emphasized the need for prompt redressal of complaints so as to ensure speedy, fair and efficient delivery of justice and at the same time eliminate corruption.

Chandigarh : Adarsh Public School Sec-20B (APS-20) celebrated Hariyali Teej in school campus. The environment of school was upbeat. Students and teachers came in colourful Punjabi traditional dresses. Tiny tots and students of senior wing performed Gidha, Bhangra, folk dances on this occasion. Principal Sunita Thakur wished all teachers and students. A quiz was conducted related to the culture of Punjab and Teej winners were given gifted. Trophy was also given to Miss Teej of APS.

SHORT TALKS

Teej celebrations in Budha Dal Public School Patiala



RAWEL BHINDER PATIALA, AUG 19. Teej festival is the well known event of celebrations in Punjab region. Keeping the tradition alive, Budha Dal Public School, Patiala celebrated Teej festival with great enthusiasm. To show a glimpse of a Punjabi culture, the School corridors were decorated with phulkaris, chhaj and chati. The traditional colourful attire of the teachers and students enhanced the charm of the celebration. On the occasion, Students showcased their art by presenting folk songs, Sammi and giddha. Students danced to the tune of dholidhamaka and were delighted to apply Mehandi on teachers' hand. Students and teachers also enjoyed taking the swings. School President Mrs. Sukhvinderjit Kaur sent her wishes on the joyous occasion of Teej. The School Principal Mrs. Harpreet Kaur appreciated the efforts of students as well as staff. The fun and frolic of the day culminated with wonderful moments of remembrance and everlasting memories.

My motive was to provide access of heritage building to Common man: Guv

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA: Himachal Pradesh Raj Bhavan has been thrown open for the general public from today. Earlier known as 'Barnes Court', the huge building has been constructed in Tudor style architecture. This site was first occupied by the British Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Army, Sir Edward Barnes in 1832, after whom it was named. It was the residence of various British Commanders-in-Chief.

It was in 1972, that the historic 'Shimla Agreement' between India and Pakistan was signed here by the then Prime Ministers, Smt. Indira Gandhi and Shri Zulfikar Ali Bhutto. On the first day of its opening, the Governor welcomed around 60 children from local schools viz: Portmore and Government School Chotta Shimla, who visited Raj Bhavan and were given a tour of the heritage building, explained about the importance of the events that took place in Raj Bhavan. The Children also interacted with Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla and the Lady Governor, Janaki Shukla. A short documentary based on the history of Raj Bhavan was also



shown on the occasion. While interacting with the media, the Governor said that Raj Bhavan was a historical and a heritage building. "I took the initiative to throw Raj Bhavan open to general public so that the common man could come and learn more about this heritage building besides enjoying its magnificence," said Shukla. I have taken this decision based on the analogy of opening of Rashtrapati Niwas to the general public by President of India,

Droupadi Murmu, he said, adding that he was confident that everyone would agree with this decision of mine. For visiting Raj Bhavan, one can contact on WhatsApp number 94183-16617 or landline 0177-2624152 and can apply through email: visit.rajbhavan@gmail.com. Sh. Shukla said that he had come to Shimla for the first time only after becoming the Governor. He was also aware of the historical importance of this place. Earlier, the protocol of the Governors house prevented the

tourists and locals from entering Raj Bhavan. The opening of the building will not only give access to the general public but will be now an added attraction for the visitors in the list of Shimla's heritage monuments. Besides the historical 'Shimla Agreement' table, valuable artifacts of pre-independence era have also been preserved here, said he. Expressing deep sorrow over loss of life and property due to heavy rains in Himachal Pradesh, the Governor stated that we all should be united to help those in distress and affected by the monsoon fury. Raj Bhavan has so far sent 11 vehicles of relief material through the State Red Cross, he said adding that he visited disaster affected areas and also met the affected families and shared their agony. He said that from time to time, the central government was also being informed about the situation in the state. I am confident that adequate assistance would be given by Union government on the basis of the assessment of loss as per the past practice.

TPAS showcases its members' exemplary creativity on World Photography Day



RAJIV JAIN CHANDIGARH: Tricity Photo Art Society (TPAS) celebrated the World Photography Day with style. Once again it showcased the creativity of its members by organizing its landmark annual exhibition - DRISHTI 2023. On display are 58 works by 21 artists, including some who have achieved international and national level certifications. TPAS is the only photography club, north of Delhi, that is affiliated to national body the Federation of Indian Photography (FIP). This year's displays include various genre like environment, nature, wildlife, portraits, architecture, street, landscape, tourism, photojournalism, composites, conceptual art and macro photography. The show has been on since August 17 and

shall continue till August 20, at the Sobha Singh Art Gallery within the Punjab Kala Bhawan complex at Sector 16, Chandigarh. The special feature for the World Photography Day celebrations included a workshop on Cinematic Lighting by ace cinematographer and founder of Shootguru, Kshitij Sheetak. He detailed how lighting was one of the important components to make short films, vlogs, etc., more attractive. He explained that lighting also played a vital role in depicting the mood of the character. He held the attention of the audience by revealing technical details as well as small tips that governed good lighting. The same principles could be used in photography.

Two persons arrested in murder case

AJAY MALHOTRA FATEHGARH SAHIB: Two persons have been arrested by the police of Badali Ala Singh police station in the murder case of a 24-year-old youth of village Haripur. Giving information in this regard, DSP Bassi Pathana Mohit Kumar Singla said that Rachpal Singh, a resident of village Haripur, told the police that his son Manpreet Singh, who ran a hair salon shop in village Sandhar, went to the shop on August 10 but did not return home, after this his son's body was found near village Dhakansu in Rajpura city police

limits with injuries on his head. On investigation, it was found that on August 10, Gurwinder Singh alias Guri and Baljinder Singh alias Gona took his son Manpreet Singh on a motorcycle from the bus stand of village Haripur. After the murder of his son, they dropped his son Manpreet Singh's body near the village of Dhakansu. DSP Singla said that while investigating the case, Badali Ala Singh police arrested the perpetrators of the murder, Gurwinder Singh alias Guggi, a resident of village Harna and Baljinder Singh alias Gona, a resident of village Bhagrana.

Reliance Jewels Unveils Aabhar Collection 2023

GAGAN SOLAN: Reliance Jewels, a name synonymous with trust and excellence in the jewellery industry, is delighted to mark its 16th anniversary with the launch of its much-awaited Aabhar Collection 2023. This special anniversary collection is a tribute to the remarkable 16 years of success and carving a niche for Reliance Jewels in the hearts of its patrons. Over the years, Reliance Jewels has established itself as a brand that sets benchmarks in the jewellery industry with its exquisite designs and impeccable craftsmanship. Aabhar Collection has become an expression of gratitude for our esteemed customers. The exquisite designs in gold and diamond earrings are an ode to the long fruitful 16-year relationship that Reliance Jewels shares with their customers. With this collection, Reliance Jewels strives to express heartfelt gratitude and say "Thank You" to its patrons. Each earring design is thoughtfully crafted to make a subtle yet powerful statement, exuding confidence, personality, and uniqueness. From minimalist looks for understated elegance to extravagant styles for grand occasions, the Aabhar Collection offers versatile styling options to suit every taste. This collection boasts a diverse range of earring designs in both gold and diamond with different styles like Studs, Sui Dhaga, J-hoops, Danglers & Front and Back, meticulously crafted to enhance the style quotient and serve as a perfect adornment for women of all age groups. Mr. Sunil Nayak, CEO at Reliance Jewels, expressed his excitement on the 16th Anniversary celebrations and the launch of the Aabhar Collection stated, "We are elated to complete 16 years in the industry, and we owe our success to the immense love and trust of our valued patrons."

Arvind Kejriwal and Bhagwant Mann unveil 'Guarantee Card' in Chhattisgarh

CHANDIGARH: The Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) National Convenor and Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal and the Chief Minister of Punjab Bhagwant Mann reached Chhattisgarh on Saturday and addressed a townhall meeting, where they unveiled 'Guarantee Card' for the people of Chhattisgarh.

Addressing a large gathering on this occasion, Bhagwant Mann said that Arvind Kejriwal gave a new direction and frame to Indian politics. Before, political parties used to launch Election Manifestos where they made huge promises to the people. These manifestos are full of lies. But Arvind Kejriwal gives Guarantees, hence this 'Guarantee Card' which has 10 Guarantees of Kehriwal. He added that we have already fulfilled these guarantees in Delhi and Punjab. In Punjab AAP government was formed just a year and five months back, but we have fulfilled all major election guarantees there. Speaking of guarantees of health and education, Mann said that in Punjab, revolution in both the sectors is in full swing. We are building schools of eminence in Punjab and opened 660 mohalla clinics where people get free treatment, tests and medicines. The third batch of principals is in Singapore for their training. 2.5 lacs more students enrolled in Government schools this year. The services of 12,710 teachers were regularised. Taking a dig at BJP Mann said that we do what we say. We don't tell 'jhumble' Someone else owns a 'jhumla' factory where they manufactured jhumlas like 15 lacs in bank accounts and 2 crore jobs. He said that the AAP government in Punjab gave 31,910 government jobs and lacs of private jobs.

Chandigarh's Balreet Mann wins 1st Runner Up title of Glammonn Mrs. India

C.S.JOLLY CHANDIGARH: Chandigarh's Balreet Mann who is an established fitness trainer, has made the City proud by winning 'Mrs. India 1st Runner Up' title in the coveted Beauty Pageant - Glammonn Mrs. India, held in Dubai recently. The 37-year-old fitness and fashion enthusiast is also a doting mother of a 9-year-old daughter. A never-ending hunger for growth is what made Balreet bag the position amongst many talented contenders. Balreet also won two sub-titles, Mrs. Fitness and Mrs. Popular. During a media interaction, at the Chandigarh Press Club, Balreet Mann said, "I always wanted to participate in a beauty pageant ever since I was a little girl, however, because I lived in a small city in Punjab, I did not get the opportunity. But when I married Guradesh Mann who is a renowned fitness consultant and contest prep coach I got encouraged by him to pursue my passion. Without his help and support, I wouldn't have come this far in life. Earlier I was overweight, but my husband helped me greatly in getting back into shape." Talking about the contest Mann said, "The competition was tough as women from all over India had participated. Twenty-five ladies were in the fray. I remained confident, and performed all rounds without inhibitions as I wanted to prove that I can do well on my own, without support - that's the reason I didn't take any family member along though many women had brought some or the other family member with them for support."

Indian Oil Punjab State Ranking Badminton Championship concludes

BUNNY SODHI JALANDHAR: The Indian Oil Punjab State Ranking Badminton Championship organized by Olympian Dipankar Academy concluded at Raizada Hansraj Badminton Stadium. Hony. Secretary of District Badminton Association and former national player Mr. Ritin Khanna said that 350 players from different cities of Punjab participated in this four-day championship. Singles, doubles and mixed doubles events were organised for both boys & girls in Under 15 and Under 17 age groups. Jagsher Singh of Patiala and Samridhi of Jalandhar won the singles title in boys & girls under 17 categories respectively. The winners of this championship will represent Punjab in the National



Championship to be held in Hyderabad next month. In today's prize distribution ceremony the chief guest Mr. Rajan Berry (Head Jalandhar Division, Indian Oil) and Mr. Sumit Sharma (Li-Ning North

India Head) distributed the prizes to the winners. Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Rajan Berry said that Indian Oil has always been proactive in encouraging sports persons and supporting

such mega events. While praising the organizers of this championship, he said players are the future of our country. Sports teach us to be disciplined and help in improving personality. He also assured all possible help to the players. Punjab Badminton Association General Secretary Mr. Anupam Kumar, Vice President Mr. Rakesh Khanna, Mr. Naresh Budhia, Mr. Chittaranjan Bansal, Shamsheer Dhillon, Dheeraj Sharma, International player Sachin Ratti and others were present. The organizers also felicitated the chief referee of the tournament Varun Kumar and the match controller Mr. Vilas Hans.

HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT E-PROCUREMENT NOTICE INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

1. The Executive Engineer, Nerchowk Division, H.P.P.W.D., Nerchowk H.P. on behalf of Governor of H.P. invites for the online bids on percentage rate in electronic tendering system in 2 cover system for the following work from the eligible and approved Contractors/Firms registered with H.P.P.W.D., Department.

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost	EMD	Cost of Tender	Eligible Class of Contractor	Time Limit
1.	Routine day-to-day repair and maintenance of Civil Works under the jurisdiction of HPPWD Division Nerchowk in respect of SLBS Govt. Medical College & Hospital at Nerchowk Distt. Mandi for the Year 2023-24 (SH: Carrying out routine day-to-day repair and maintenance activities of Civil Works in SLBS Govt. Medical College & Hospital Mandi at Nerchowk for the Period 08.09.2023 to 31.03.2024.	Rs. 40,23,308	Rs. 80,500	Rs. 1500	"D & C"	Two Hundred Six days
2.	Restoration of rain damages on Rewalsar Dhundhar road km 0/00 to 6/00. (SH: - Construction of Retaining wall in wire crate at RD. 0/200 to 0/210).	Rs. 21,79,152	Rs. 43,600	Rs. 500	"D & C"	Three Months

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Haryana School Shiksha Pariyojna Parishad launches Self-Defense Training for girls in Govt Schools



CHANDIGARH: In a move to promote safety and empower young girls, the Haryana School Shiksha Pariyojna Parishad has announced the introduction of self-defense training in government schools across the state. The Rani Lakshmi Bai Ata Raksha Parikshikshan (Self Defense) 2023-24 project, spearheaded by Shastrang Indian Modern Martial Art, will commence in the first week of September. Grandmaster Bikram S Thapa, the 9th Degree Black Belt General Secretary and CEO of Shastrang Indian Modern Martial Art, revealed the details of the project. The primary objective of the initiative is to motivate and empower girls to protect themselves.

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Name Of Co-borrower And Guarantor Name / Address	Description of Property	Date Of Demand Notice
Mr. Jatinder Singh Slo Harbir Singh R/o Village Saphera, Post Office Pikhani, Near Ols Shiv Mandir, Tehsil Jagadhri, District Yamuna Nagar, Haryana- 133103	All that part and parcel of the Property EM Part of Equitable mortgage of Non-Agri Commercial, property shop bearing shop no. 3, measuring 02 marlas comprising in khewat no./Khatuni no. 537/729, khasra no. 4/25/2/1/1 & 25/3/1/2, Situated at village Salarheri, Tehsil Ambala, which is bounded as under: Boundaries (As Per Document): North-41'- other Owner Plot, South-41'-Other Owner Plot, East-11'- Roadrasta, West-11'-Other Owner Plot.	18-Aug-2023
Mr. Rajesh Kumar Slo Balbir Singh R/o Village Katha Majra, Ward No.3 Near Guga Maadi, Tehsil-Naraingarh, District Ambala, Haryana -134203. 2. Mr. Balbir Slo Balak Ram R/o Village Katha Majra, Near Guga Maadi, Tehsil-Naraingarh, District-Ambala, Haryana-134203	All that part and parcel of the Property EM Part of Equitable mortgage of Non- Agri, Residential property khewat 122 khatuni 138 khasra no. 76/2(1-3) of 8/33 share i.e. 00K-08M, situated at village Majra H.B.No.81 Tehsil Naraingarh, District Ambala. In Favor of Sh. Balbir Singh Slo Balak Ram, which is bounded as under: Boundaries (As Per Document): North-66'-0" House Of Ranbir Singh, South-66'-0" Street, East- 33'0" Main Road Katha Majra, West-33'-0" Prop. Of Ranbir Singh & Mahi Pal,	12-May-2023

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/ co-borrower(s) / guarantors(s) are hereby given a 30 days' Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold on the expiry of 30 days' from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rules 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date: 18-08-2023
Place: Karnal
Authorized Officer,
Axis Bank Ltd.

CHANDIGARH: Interpol has issued a Red Notice to all member countries to take action against the most wanted criminal Himanshu alias Bhau if he is traced in any of their countries. He is absconding from India and living abroad. While giving details, a spokesperson of Haryana Police said that Rohtak Police, under the guidance of Superintendent of Police, Rohtak Sh Himanshu Garg, has succeeded in getting issued a Red Notice of Interpol of the most wanted and rewarded accused Himanshu alias Bhau, who is absconding from India and living abroad. He is wanted in cases of murder, attempt to murder, forgery, extortion, criminal conspiracy, cheating etc. A reward of Rs 1.55 Lakh has been declared on the accused Himanshu alias Bhau by Haryana Police.

Mario ropes in Diljit Dosanjh as their Brand Ambassador



BATHINDA: The market leader Mario Rusk, is thrilled to announce its collaboration with the incredibly versatile Indian actor and singer, Diljit Dosanjh. He is now the brand ambassador for Mario Rusk. Mario's decision to rope in Diljit Dosanjh was driven by his wide appeal and his ability to connect with diverse audiences across generations and regions. His popularity cuts across cultural boundaries, making him a relatable and beloved figure for people from all walks of life. As a fun-loving personality, Diljit perfectly resonates with the essence of Mario Rusk, which embodies the spirit of togetherness, joy, and a sense of belonging. This alignment of values and characteristics makes Diljit Dosanjh the ideal choice to represent the brand and forge emotional connections with Mario's consumers. This strategic alliance showcases Mario's commitment to excellence and delivering authentic flavours, while also marking the launch of an engaging TV commercial (TVC) showcasing the irresistible allure of Mario Rusk, aptly summed up as #RusksJoDilJitLe!

Monsoon diet: Eat right with these 3 immunity-boosting foods

Attributable to Dr Rohini Patil, Nutritionist CHANDIGARH/ LUDHIANA: As the monsoon season approaches, it's essential to fortify your immune system to fend off seasonal illnesses. Incorporating immune-boosting foods into your diet can provide a natural defense against infections. Let's explore three powerful monsoon superfoods that can enhance your immune response. Get ready to revitalize your health this rainy season!



Almonds: Almonds are a nutrient-dense powerhouse that offers a wide range of health benefits, making them an excellent choice for boosting immunity during the monsoon season. Almonds are rich in vitamin E, which supports the proper functioning of the immune system.[1] They also contain minerals like zinc, which are crucial for immune cell development and function. The antioxidants in almonds help neutralize harmful free radicals, reducing oxidative stress and supporting immune health. They contain dietary fibre that nourishes beneficial gut bacteria, which play a key role in strengthening the immune system.[2] You can snack on a handful of almonds daily or use them as a topping in yogurt, smoothies, salads, or desserts. You can also enjoy almond butter as a healthy spread option.

Turmeric: Turmeric is a must-have during the monsoon due to its potent antioxidant and anti-inflammatory properties. This vibrant yellow spice contains curcumin, a compound with numerous health benefits. Curcumin activates various immune cells, helping to strengthen the body's defense mechanism against infections.[3] Turmeric's anti-inflammatory properties can alleviate inflammation associated with monsoon-related ailments such as colds, coughs, and sore throats.[4] You can add turmeric powder to warm milk or incorporate it into curries, soups, stews, and even smoothies for an immunity-boosting twist.

Citrus Fruits: Citrus fruits like oranges, lemons, amla (Indian gooseberry), guava, and grapefruits are packed with essential vitamins and minerals, making them ideal for monsoon consumption.[5] They are rich in vitamin C, a powerful antioxidant that plays a vital role in immune health. Vitamin C supports the production and function of immune cells.

Jat Aarakshan Sangharsh Samiti office bearers meet Home Minister Anil Vij

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA CHANDIGARH, AUG 19

The office bearers of the All India Jat Aarakshan Sangharsh Samiti met with the Home and Health Minister of Haryana, Anil Vij at his residence in Ambala today. During the meeting, the Samiti office bearers presented their demand for the revocation of registered cases. In response, Home Minister Anil Vij has assured them that affirmative steps are being taken to address their demands.

At the meeting, Pratap Dahiya, the National President of the Jat Aarakshan Sangharsh Samiti, joined other office bearers in asserting their request for the revocation of cases during the Jat Aarakshan agitation. The members of the Samiti acknowledged that they had previously met with the Home Minister regarding this issue. They expressed their appreciation for his constructive attitude, which has con-



tributed to the ongoing process of withdrawing the registered cases.

In addition to discussing the registered cases, the office bearers also raised the issue of including appointments made under the Special Backward Category (SBC). This matter was also presented to the Home Minister during the meeting.

In the meeting, the office bearers

also raised the demand of joining the appointments made under the Special Backward Category (SBC) before the Home Minister. On this occasion, National President of Jat Aarakshan Sangharsh Samiti Pratap Dahiya, Haryana in-charge Azad Lathwal, Kaithal District President Shamsher Singh and others were present.

More than forty-one thousand cleft surgeries in Hry have been supported by NGO Smile Train India

BUREAU CHANDIGARH: Smile Train, the world's largest cleft focussed NGO, announced that they have supported more than forty-one thousand surgeries for children with cleft lip and palate in Haryana, in partnership with hospitals across the state.

Announcing this landmark achievement in the state, Smile Train acknowledged the crucial support received from National Health Mission's Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) in identifying children with clefts across the state and referring them to Smile Train partner hospitals for free treatment. The partnership with RBSK has enabled Smile Train to extend free cleft treatment to children in need, even in remote regions of the state. Speaking about the



achieved milestone, Mamta Carroll, Senior Vice President & Regional Director for Asia, Smile Train said, "Our success in reaching this remarkable milestone is a result of the collective efforts and support from our partner hospitals and the RBSK team in the state. Each cleft surgery represents a life transformed, and we are deeply grateful for the trust placed in us by the state government which has allowed us to work seamlessly." Shri Rajnarayan Kaushik IAS, Mission Director NHM, Government of Haryana said, "Smile Train has made great impact in the lives of children with clefts. Their approach of upskilling regional medical capacity in cleft care is unique and sustainable. We see this partnership as a two-way street to reduce neonatal mortality and ensure health for all."

Tynor's Hosted Mega Blood Donation Camp to Boost Health and Community Well-Being

MOHALI: In lieu of Tynor's Founder Dr. P. J. Singh's birthday, the company organised a blood donation camp in an effort to recognise the importance of donating blood, while simultaneously reaffirming its commitment to holistic well-being through this initiative. Mr. Singh aims to transform Tynor, India's largest orthopaedic appliance manufacturer into a global health-care brand that is not only recommended by doctors across the country, but also across the globe. Giving back to the society is at the core of Mr. Singh's values and in sync with his values, Tynor, gives back to the society by way of its various CSR initiatives in education, environment, sustainability, vocational training and more. The Mega Blood Donation Camp was held on August 19, 2023 at Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar (Mohali) in collaboration with the esteemed Inner Wheel Club of Chandigarh. Tynor acknowledged the critical shortage of blood supply in hospitals and stepped forward to bridge this gap. Beyond this immediate objective, the blood donation camp also helped to propagate a culture of health and well-being with active participation from the company's employees. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. P. J. Singh, Founder, Tynor, the visionary force behind Tynor's relentless pursuit of excellence, said, "It gave me immense pleasure in organising this blood donation camp in Mohali, and I am even happier to share that all the blood collected will be used to maintain the status quo of blood supply during emergencies where needed."



Felicitation ceremony of newly appointed office bearers of JJP held

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA

KARNAL: The felicitation ceremony of newly appointed office bearers of Jannayak Janata Party was organized at PWD Rest House. All the office bearers congratulated each other. The workers loaded the office bearers with flower garlands.

On this occasion, State President of Kisan Cell, Nafe Singh Mann, State President of SC Cell, Ramesh Khatak and State President of Panchayati Raj Cell, Sunil Manood said that the responsibility of the workers who have been made office bearers in all the cells including the Chief Executive has now increased. Time to time guidance will be given by the high command to publicize the policies of the party. The workers should start preparing for the elections to be held next year. District head Gurdev Ramba congratulated and best wishes to the new office bearers appointed from Karnal. District spokesperson Yashkaran Rana gave detailed information about this meeting.

On this occasion District President Gurdev Ramba, State President of Kisan Cell Nafe Singh Mann, State President of SC Cell Ramesh Khatak, State President of Panchayati Raj Cell Sunil Manood, District Spokesperson Yashkaran Rana, Office Secretary Rakesh Sandhu, District Convener of Panchayati Raj Cell Vinod Raipur,



Business Cell District Coordinator Subhash Gupta, Women District Coordinator Madhu Baliyan, SC Cell District Coordinator Bhim Jalala, Legal Cell District Coordinator Dharamvir Kharkali, Intellectual Cell District Coordinator JP Duhann, Employee Cell District Coordinator Ishwar Dahiya, Arbal Local Body K District Coordinator Indrajit Goldi, Youth State General Secretary Rahul Tomar, Former State Secretary Prem Shahpur, Former State Secretary Dharamveer Padma, Maya Ram, Halka Assandh Pradhan Satish Balhara, Karnal Pradhan Rama Madan, Nilokhedhi Pradhan Naresh Rana, Indri Pradhan Bhim Madhan, Gharaunda Pradhan Rajpal Kamla, Nilokhedhi Halka Yuva Pradhan Ashok Kenwal, Assandh Yuva Pradhan Ashok Batan, Praveen Sikri and Hakam Singh etc were present.

G20 Digital Economy Working Group Ministers meeting concludes in Bengaluru

CHANDIGARH: Under India's G20 Presidency, the ministerial meeting of the Digital Economy Working Group concluded in Bengaluru on 19 August 2023, Saturday. The meeting was addressed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi through a video message.

The Prime Minister during his address said, "India's digital public infrastructure provides viable, secure, and inclusive solutions to global challenges". Noting the security threats and challenges posed by the global spread of the digital economy the Prime Minister said "It is important to build a consensus on the G20 High-Level Principles for a secure, reliable and resilient digital economy." He added, "The way we are currently engaging with technology, it assures inclusive and sustainable development for all."

"The G20 countries have a unique opportunity to lay the foundation for an inclusive, prosperous and secure global digital future." "Financial inclusion and productivity can be enhanced through digital public infrastructure." During his address he called for promoting the use of digital technology by farmers and small businesses, setting a framework for creating a global digital health ecosystem, and safe and responsible use of artificial intelligence. The Prime Minister emphasized that an entire ecosystem of technology-based solutions can be created to meet the challenges faced by humanity.



Neeti Mohan helps Amritsar's Aakarshit Wadhwan tide over his fear of cameras, sharing her own experience!

CHANDIGARH: After the raging success of its previous season last year, Zee TV's iconic singing reality show, Sa Re Ga Ma Pa, returns on August 26, 2023, featuring Himesh Reshammiya, Neeti Mohan, Anu Malik as judges and Aditya Narayan as the host.

While candidates from across the country are auditioning for a spot in the top twelve, a select few have captivated the judges with their distinctive voices and passion for singing. One such contestant is Aakarshit Wadhwan from Amritsar whose rendition of 'Dil Haara' mesmerised one and all. As Neeti Mohan listened to him, memories of her own audition days resurfaced, reminding her of the challenges she once faced, including overcoming her fear of cameras. Neeti Mohan said, "Since you are the first contestant, we could sense a slight nervousness at the beginning of your performance, but I must say, you managed to overcome your fear and performed the rest of the song with all your heart. I love your voice and it is evident that you have been learning music since your childhood. Missing a beat or two at the beginning is something I completely understand, because everyone has a fear of presenting themselves in front of cameras on stage for the first time. Just like you, I have given auditions at the start of my career and sometimes when you miss a song's beats, it doesn't mean you are not a good singer."



NAVNEET TOPTECH to transform 500+ CBSE schools in Punjab with Digital Transformation & New-Age Digital Learning Solutions

CHANDIGARH: With a steadfast dedication to advancing education through inventive digital solutions, NAVNEET TOPTECH, a rapidly emerging edtech company, is set on forming collaborations with over 500 CBSE and CBSE-pattern schools in Punjab by 2025. By combining digital transformation and new-age learning solutions, Navneet TopTech aims to catalyse schools to improve the teaching & learning experience for students and teachers. This endeavour is poised to redefine modern education through the introduction of TopSchool, an intelligent Learning Management System (LMS) aligned with NEP 2020 & NCF 2022. Designed to streamline administrative functions, boost teacher productivity, and elevate student learning experiences, TopSchool is positioned to spearhead a transformative shift in educational paradigms.

TopSchool, designed for CBSE & CBSE-pattern schools (grades 1-10), offers a comprehensive solution, addressing academic and managerial demands. The intelligent platform streamlines workflow for school admin, empowers teachers to effortlessly create and share content, conduct assessments, and gain valuable insights through intuitive dashboards and analytical reports. TopSchool equips teachers to create and share content, manage their classrooms, and track student progress & helps students learn more effectively by providing engaging and interactive content, as well as assessments and analytics. Harshil Gala, CEO of NAVNEET TOPTECH, stat-



ed, "At NAVNEET TOPTECH, our aim is to leverage technology for enhanced, engaging, and effective education. We're dedicated to crafting learning solutions that enrich both student and teacher experiences. As a trusted eLearning partner for 4000+ schools, we're extending our reach to on-board 500+ CBSE & CBSE-pattern schools in Punjab, impacting teachers and students by 2025. TopSchool, our smart LMS, goes beyond traditional grading, offering a holistic 360° report card reflecting cognitive, affective, and psychomotor growth, along with 21st-century skills." Harshil Gala further elaborated during the Conclave, a pioneering event empowering educators, organised by the EdTech in Chandigarh. The NAVNEET TOPTECH Conclave serves as an extensive platform uniting principals, educators, and esteemed panelists.

Hry govt nominates non official members to grievances committees

CHANDIGARH: The Haryana government has nominated non-official members to the District Public Relations and Grievances Committees in Hisar, Panipat, Kurukshetra, and Nuh. A notification to this effect was issued by the Chief Secretary here today.

The members nominated for the District Public Relations and Grievances Committee in Panipat include Sh. Rafal Singh Kashyap, Sh. Prem Balmiki, Sh. Lajpat Mohalla Malhotra, Sh. Bimal Kumar Bansal, Sh. Deepak Saluja Sh. Rajendra Bhardar, Sh. Krishan Chokkar, Sh. Sunil Pardhana, Smt. Anita Chawla, Sh. Krishna Arya, Sh. Balwinder Arya, Sh. Mahavir Adiyana, Sh. Gangaram Swami, Sh. Rafakat Khan, Smt Indu Kukreja, Sh. Ranveer Pal, Sh. Lekhraj Khattar, Sh. Surendra Dhola, Sh. Jaidev Nolta, Sh. Bijender Karhans, Sh. Suresh Saini, Sh. Gajender Saluja Sh. Parmod Vij, Sh. Sunil Soni, Sh. Devendra Dutt 26 Sh. Lokesh Nagru, Dr Surendra Tuteja, Dr. Rajbir Arya, Sh. Dharampal Jaglan, Sh. Shashikant Kaushi, Sh. Kuldeep Kaushik, Sh. Vinod Chhokar, Sh. Ajmer Malik, Sh. Anil Bajaj, Sh. Raj Pal Harijan, Sh. Rammehar Malik, Sh. Sanjay Bhatia, Sh. Ravinder Bhatia, Sh. Raghunath Tanwar Kashyap, Sh. Satyawan Shera, Sh. Surender Punia Sh. Tejbir Singh, Sh. Anil Madan, Sh. Dharmender Singh Adhivakta (SC), Sh. Meghraj Gupta, Dr. Archana Gupta, Sh. Sanjeev Dahiya, Sh. Ashok Kataria, Sh. Sachin Kansal, Sh. Dushyant Bhatt, Sh. Ravinder Phoolle, Sh. Sajjan etc.

'Video Call a Friend'? Kaun Banega Crorepati dials Xiaomi India

CHANDIGARH: Xiaomi India, the country's most trusted Smartphone X AIoT brand has joined hands with one of India's most iconic television shows - Kaun Banega Crorepati, which airs on Sony Entertainment Television. Bringing in technology integration that enhances the show's technology quotient, this collaboration will introduce a new way for contestants to seek the "Video Call a Friend" lifeline.

In the newest season of Kaun Banega Crorepati, the 'Video Call a Friend' lifeline will be powered by Xiaomi's 5G devices including the latest Redmi 12 5G. This lifeline enables contestants to connect with their friends through video calls, helping them make an informed decision during the game. Commenting on the partnership, Mr. Anuj Sharma, Chief Marketing Officer at Xiaomi India stated, "Kaun Banega Crorepati has been an integral part of Indian households for years. Like the show, Xiaomi India has been touching millions of hearts in its 9 years of journey in India. Both are rooted in authenticity and dedicated to connecting with the masses. Through this collaboration, we are delighted to introduce a fresh dimension to the 'Video Call a Friend' lifeline through our 5G technology." Prateik Das, Head- Marketing Partnership & Alliance, Xiaomi India said, "A robust partnership is the driving force behind a brand's progress and ingenuity. This partnership exemplifies the power of collaboration that resonates deeply with audiences, creating an impact that goes beyond boundaries."



'Made in India' Galaxy Z Flip5, Z Fold5 Go on Sale

CHANDIGARH: Galaxy Z Flip5 and Galaxy Z Fold5, Samsung's 'Made in India' foldable smartphones, will go on sale starting today. Galaxy Z Flip5, with its all-new Flex Window is the ultimate pocketable self-expression tool, while Galaxy Z Fold5 is the ultimate productivity powerhouse with a large screen, delivering unrivaled foldable experiences to customers.

Both Galaxy Z Flip5 and Galaxy Z Fold5 have seen strong demand in India, with 100,000 consumers pre-booking the smartphones in the first 28 hours. The robust demand for Samsung's fifth generation of foldable smartphones reflects the growing confidence of Indian consumers in the foldable category. Galaxy Z Flip5 delivers a stylish, unique foldable experience from a pocket-sized device built for self-expression. The Galaxy Z Flip5's outer screen is now 3.78 times larger and offers more usability than ever before. Galaxy Z Fold5, the ultimate productivity powerhouse with a large screen delivers the most powerful performance in the Galaxy Z series because it is the thinnest, lightest Galaxy Fold yet. Both Galaxy Z Flip5 and Galaxy Z Fold5 are equipped with IPX8 support, aircraft grade Armor Aluminum frames, and Corning® Gorilla® Glass Victus® 2 applied to both the Flex Window and back cover. Galaxy Z Flip5 and Galaxy Z Fold5 come with new integrated hinge module that features a dual rail structure for diffusing external impacts. Starting Friday, Galaxy Z Flip5 and Galaxy Z Fold5 will be available across retail outlets near you. Consumers can also buy the phones on Samsung.com, Amazon and Flipkart.



Licious, now serving juicy delicious chicken & seafood, with a side of infinite benefits

CHANDIGARH: Licious, the one-stop shop for all your meat and seafood requirements, recently completed 8 years of serving meaty delights. Gratifying consumers for their continued love and patronage, the brand today announced the launch of Licious Infiniti - an exclusive rewards based program for Licious consumers. As the name suggests, the program offers infinite benefits to users, with absolutely no terms & conditions attached! Subscribers to the program can now enjoy an assured 10% cash-back on all orders, irrespective of order value. Making the deal 'meatier' is free delivery on all orders, along with a money back guarantee. Why wait - join in the Licious 8-year celebration and let the Infiniti benefits roll! Sharing about the brand's journey and gratifying consumers with Licious Infiniti, Vivek Gupta, Co-founder, Licious said, "8 years on, we continue in our endeavour to redefine the category, powered by our strong belief that India deserves better meat. One key learning in our journey has been how distinct this category is from everything else in the consumer's grocery cart. Meat & seafood witness high engagement with consumers feeling personally involved right from buying to preparation & consumption. Even coming together over a meal of choicest meat & seafood dishes is a celebration in itself. Licious is humbled to be a part of such special occasions & moments with our consumers; with 90% of our business coming from repeat consumers."



Dolphin Dubey to play a materialistic bahu in Zee TV's 'Kyunki... Saas Maa, Bahu Beti Hoti Hai'

CHANDIGARH: Having narrated stories that have resonated beautifully with Indian audiences over the last three decades, Zee TV is all set to present viewers with yet another thought-provoking fiction offering - Kyunki... Saas Maa, Bahu Beti Hoti Hai.

The story takes viewers to Gujarat where amidst a vibrant Navratri celebration, a storm begins to brew within the Rajgaur family of Palanpur when the youngest bahu - Hetal seeks separation, challenging the traditional role of a bahu. This unexpected turn of events leaves Ambika, the eldest bahu and the matriarch of the Rajgaur dynasty devastated as it has been her top-most priority to keep the family together. Portraying the character of Hetal is the acclaimed television actress Dolphin Dubey. Hetal's principles clash with Ambika's, resulting in a family split. As the family's youngest daughter-in-law, Hetal believes every member has equal rights to the family's wealth. She believes the family perceives her solely as a daughter-in-law, never truly accepting her as a daughter. Holding firm to the belief that 'Saas kabhi maa, aur Bahu kabhi beti nahi ban sakti', Hetal demands her rightful share of the property and wants to separate. Hetal said, "I feel excited to be a part of this unique television show that offers a fresh concept to the viewers. My character, Hetal, is unlike any other member of the Rajgaur family. Her opinions and ideas often clash with the family members, including her husband, which leads to misunderstandings and conflicts."



Editorial

Of trans rights and gay norms in the age of a cancel' culture

"In love's vast symphony two hearts entwined
A melody of passion, beautifully designed,
Like Bachchoo's verse with grace and flair
Love's harmonies untold, beyond compare
With tender notes and gentle strains
Loves music plays, erasing all pains
Like Bachchoo's lyrics, weaving their spell
Love's language transcends, all else it quells...."
From *Kaboothar Ka Geet*, accessed by Bachchoo

A friend tells me that an academic acquaintance began a lecture to a Canadian university audience with the words "Ladies and gentlemen..." Before he could go on, the audience, or at least a section of it, erupted in objections. They said that the phrase offended those humans who didn't believe in the binary distinction of gender, and it excluded those who didn't identify as either male or female.

Perhaps he should have started his address with "Dear Persons..." Or he could have confounded the potential objectors with a Joycean obfuscation and started with "Ladles and Jellyspoons..."

One has to be so careful these days. I draw attention to this incident as it strikes me as merely curious. There are those, for instance the head-bangers who write columns for the right-wing British weekly *The Spectator* who characterise such incidents as the "end of civilisation". Over the top? After all, Charles III and Camilla are on their thrones, the Tories rule, Donald Trump is the Republican front-runner, the Taliban are curtailing women's right to live, God is in his heaven and all's wonky with the world.

If the same lecturer were invited to Kandahar University (Is there such an institution?) and addressed the crowd in the same way, he would certainly meet with very strong objections, but not for the same reasons. There would certainly be no "ladies" in the audience and to imply that they should or could be is perhaps a jailable offence?

In countries such as Afghanistan, Qatar and Saudi Arabia, homosexuality is illegal and carries nasty, even capital sentences. I don't know if such countries have passed laws relating to the gender question. I mean the sort that the Scottish Assembly passed enabling anyone to "choose" their gender. So, if a man says he is a woman, he has to be afforded that status. It is extremely unlikely that an Afghan woman can assert that she is a man and claim the right to go to university and walk the streets alone and uncovered.

Govt's multi-pronged policy might work against inflation

India is not immune to the inflationary winds blowing across the world. Price rise has emerged as a global economic concern, transcending boundaries. But the Narendra Modi government orchestrating a series of strategic measures to confront mounting pressures of inflation to shield the economy from its adverse repercussions is welcome.

The consequences of inflation are many — eroding purchasing power, disrupting consumer spending and disrupting the economy's equilibrium. India, like its global counterparts, has grappled with factors ranging from escalating fuel costs, disruptions in supply chains, and spikes in global commodity prices.

In response, the Modi administration has adroitly embraced a multi-pronged strategy to tackle inflation head-on and mitigate its reverberations across the economic landscape. A central tenet has been an emphasis on fiscal discipline, curbing superfluous expenditures and directing resources to areas of vital significance.

In his Independence Day address, Prime Minister Modi spotlighted several pertinent aspects, and underlined India's comparative stability. While some progress has been achieved in grappling with inflation, Mr Modi cautioned against complacency and affirmed his unwavering commitment to alleviate burden on citizens. Swiftly, government insiders unveiled discussions about a substantial plan, totalling Rs 1 lakh crore, to quell the upswing in



July's inflation. This allocation will be orchestrated without straining the exchequer. The specifics and final verdict on this undertaking are anticipated in ensuing weeks, with potential measures encompassing tax reductions on fuel, relaxed import tariffs on essential commodities like cooking oil and wheat, among others.

This move would mark a second consecutive year of such manoeuvres, harking back to the Rs 2.1 lakh crore (\$26 billion) initiative unveiled last year to mitigate costs for consumers. Recent reports indicate that retail inflation surged to a 15-month pinnacle of 7.44 per cent in July. Nevertheless, the finance

ministry asserts the current inflationary surge is poised to experience rapid fall.

The Reserve Bank of India opted to leave borrowing rates untouched, flagging inherent risks associated with soaring prices. India's standing as one of the world's fastest-growing economies lends credence to the notion that there is ample scope for addressing inflation. The government, earlier this year, laid out its intent to curtail the fiscal deficit to below 4.5 per cent of GDP by 2025-26, given a fiscal deficit estimate of 5.9 per cent of GDP in 2023-24. The RBI August monthly bulletin highlighted that global economic resurgence has be-

gun to decelerate post a robust initial quarter, while India's economic momentum has gathered steam in second quarter of 2023-24. The Centre introduced the "PM Vishwakarma" central sector scheme, with a financial outlay of Rs 13,000 crores over a five-year span from 2023 to 2028. This initiative seeks to bolster artisans and craftspeople, aiming to enhance quality and accessibility of their products and services. Notably, the scheme provisions credit support up to Rs 1 lakh (first tranche) and Rs 2 lakhs (second tranche), coupled with a concessional interest rate of five per cent. Additional provisions encompass skill enhancement, toolkit in-

centives, support for digital transactions, and marketing assistance.

A multi-faceted strategy is needed to tackle inflation. A price stabilisation scheme will be key. This entails establishing a target price and guaranteeing to pay farmers this price. If market prices surge above this guarantee, market dynamics prevail. However, should market prices plummet below the threshold, the guaranteed price comes into play.

The twin pillars of manufacturing and infrastructure continue to stand as robust foundations supporting the economy and government policy continues to be the light-house in a stormy ocean.

Literature & Health

Living alone puts people with cognitive decline at high risk: Study

Living alone puts people with cognitive decline — a group whose numbers are predicted to swell as the population ages globally — at high risk as they forget appointments, mix up medications and have no one to contact in an emergency, according to new research.

For such patients, living alone is a social determinant of health with an impact as profound as poverty, racism and low education, according to the study published in *JAMA Network Open*.

An estimated 1 in 4 older Americans with dementia or mild cognitive impairment lives alone and is at risk of practices like unsafe driving, wandering outside the home, mixing up medications and failing to attend medical appointments.

"These findings are an indictment of our health care system, which fails to provide subsidised home care aides for all but the lowest-income patients," said Elena Portacolone of the University of California-San Francisco (UCSF) Institute for Health and Aging. In this study, researchers interviewed 76 healthcare providers, including physicians, nurses, social workers, case workers, home care aides and others.

The providers raised concerns about patients missing medical appointments, failing to respond to follow-up phone calls from the doctor's office and forgetting why appoint-



ments were made, leaving them vulnerable to falling off the radar. "We don't necessarily have the staff to really try to reach out to them," said a physician in one interview.

Some patients could not assist their doctor with missing information on their chart, leaving the providers uncertain about the pace of their patient's decline.

Many had no names listed as emergency contacts, "not a family member, not even a friend to rely on in case of a crisis", according to a case manager.

These patients were at risk for untreated medical conditions, self-neglect, malnutrition and falls, according to the providers. One consequence of the shaky infrastructure supporting these patients was that they were not identified until they were sent to a hospital following a crisis, like a fall or reaction to medication mismanagement, the study noted.

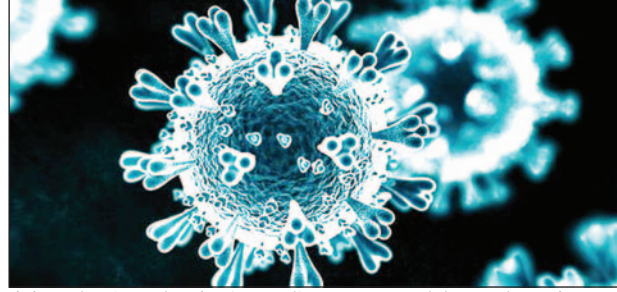
COVID-19 still a global health threat, new variant under scanner: WHO chief

Director-General of WHO Dr Tedros Ghebreyesus on Friday said though COVID-19 is no longer a health emergency for the world, it is still a 'global health threat' and a new variant of coronavirus is already under the scanner.

The chief of the World Health Organisation (WHO) was speaking at the inaugural ceremony of the G20 Health Ministers' Meeting at Mahatma Mandir Convention centre in Gujarat's capital Gandhinagar.

"Although COVID-19 is no longer a global health emergency, it remains a global health threat. WHO has recently classified a new variant with a large number of mutations. The BA.2.86 variant is under monitoring at present, highlighting once again the need for all countries to maintain surveillance," he said.

On the occasion, he urged all the countries to speed up the process of final-



ising the 'Pandemic Accord' so that it can be adopted in the World Health Assembly scheduled to be held next year.

"COVID-19 has taught us all an important lesson that when health is at risk everything is at risk. The world is learning the painful lessons of the pandemic," said Dr Ghebreyesus in his address to the G20 member countries.

Beginning with the presidency of Saudi Arabia, he said, discussions led to the establishment of a joint "Finance Health Task Force" under the interim presidency

supported by Indonesia and now India under their respective presidencies.

The WHO head said negotiations on the Pandemic Accord and amendments to the international health regulations are making good progress. He said both are essential for creating the legal and operational framework for inclusive, coherent and equitable global health security architecture. "I seek your commitment for negotiating a comprehensive Pandemic Accord that encompasses all the essence of pandemic so that we never repeat the same mistakes again."

POEMS

Defamation

Where are those tears in your eyes, my child?
How horrid of them to be always scolding you for nothing!
You have stained your fingers and face with ink while writing—is that why they call you dirty?
O, fie! Would they dare to call the full moon dirty because it has smudged its face with ink?
For every little trifle they blame you, my child. They are ready to find fault for nothing.
You tore your clothes while playing—is that why they call you untidy? O, fie! What would they call an autumn morning that smiles through its ragged clouds? Take no heed of what they say to you, my child.
They make a long list of your misdeeds.

Animal instincts: Future of Quad in a multipolar world

The four friends are back in the news. As a strategic dialogue that was first started in 2007 between India, Australia, Japan and the United States, the initial focus of the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue, otherwise known as the "Quad", was on enhancing economic, diplomatic and military cooperation. Thus, as an example, the bilateral Malabar naval exercises between India and the United States, begun in 1992 to increase interoperability between the two countries' armed forces, was scaled up to include the other strategic partners in 2007. For the first time that year, the exercise was also shifted from the Indian to the Pacific Ocean, subtly signalling a pivotal place for the Quad in a broader Indo-Pacific security agenda. Australia participated in 2020 following the invitation of India, and Malabar is being held off the coast of Sydney this month.

A major criticism of the Quad has been that it is an "Asian Nato" to contain Chinese expansionism in the Indo-Pacific. While the decision taken at the 2017 Asean summit to revive the Quad was influenced by Chinese actions in the South



China Sea and the importance of a rules-based maritime order, the member countries have denied the allegation that the Quad mimics a Nato logic, pointing out that there was no reference to China in its first joint statement and no mutual defence pact. Instead, they emphasise the partnership's multi-dimensional activities, such as global health security for improving vaccine preparedness and

strengthening members' capacities to respond to infectious disease outbreaks through multilateral organisations like WHO, as well as the humanitarian assistance and disaster relief (HADR) during the Indian Ocean tsunami that was later expanded as a joint mechanism and signed in Tokyo in 2022 to coordinate HADR operations while promoting gender equality and socio-economic inclu-

sion.

Yet the Quad continues to be in the news primarily as a military alliance, whether it be an American general's recent emphasis on the India-US military-to-military dialogue and security challenges in the maritime domain during his confirmation hearings for the Joint Chief of Staff, or plans for US military stockpiling and a joint intelligence centre in Australia just announced, or Australia hosting the Malabar exercise for the first time this month. What, then, is the future of the Quad, its pitfalls and possibilities?

Many schoolchildren are fascinated when they first learn about the national birds of different countries; for the Quad partners, they are the peacock (India) and the pheasant (Japan), the eagle (US) and the emu (Australia). The peacock is known for its resplendent colours, and those who have witnessed this beautiful bird move rhythmically to attract potential partners during the mating season (which often coincides with the monsoons) will seldom see a sight more gorgeous in the animal kingdom. The peacock is not a creature of shadows and si-

lence; it makes a noise. A lover of larger spaces to explore, it dislikes being boxed or caged. Nor does it shy away from tackling stealthy attackers, as many a snake has learned. Then there is the green pheasant — industrious, also omnivorous, with dark plumage and great ecological range, blending gracefully into woodlands, grasslands, and human habitats. Meanwhile the emu, flightless but long-legged, can run as fast as 50 km per hour, kicking hard and even killing with its big-toed, long-nailed feet. Booming loudly in the mating season, it mates for life.

The majestic eagle is from a different realm, soaring high. Peacocks and pheasants will quickly spot an insect or a worm which an eagle, used to feasting on larger animals, sometimes cannot.

Four very different birds, like the countries they represent, with layered, distinct histories and visions. Any alliance between the four, let alone a friendship, requires mutual respect. As I have earlier noted in an article on international friendship relations, mutuality has been a challenge for superpowers used to dictate terms. Russia's invasion of Ukraine is an

example, where some nonaligned nations' refusal to be forced militarily and economically into a war that, while a clear violation of the Budapest Memorandum, was not their creation, led to global shaming by the United States. While the India-US relationship was fortunately not derailed, do we forget Western allies' own record of wars and conquests, of toppling democratic governments and supporting "friendly" military regimes, including in South Asia? Have those who preach against not taking sides in this war curbed their own animal instincts, running with several hares while hunting with the hounds? Here an important role can be played by Japan which, its own imperialist past and present economic interests notwithstanding, has in the postwar decades pushed back against both Chinese and American aggression, instead promoting peace-building in Asia and working diplomatically to strengthen regional autonomy through Asean. The same is true for Australia, which provides regional security infrastructure and whose role would grow further as it strengthens relations with other member nations.

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023

Govt's priority to rehabilitate the homeless: CM Meets affected families in Sirmaur district

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, AUG 19

Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu today visited the disaster hit areas of Paonta, Shillai and Nahana of Sirmaur district where thousands have been affected due to the rain triggered catastrophe. The Chief Minister inspected all the places where major devastation has occurred due to the recent spell of cloudbursts, floods and landslides and interacted with the people besides listening to their problems. He also announced rupees one lakh each to the 22 affected families of Ambaun in Shillai, whose dwellings were severely damaged due to floods.

The Chief Minister met Vinod Kumar, a resident of Sirmauri Tal by visiting him in person and consoled him, as five members of his family were buried alive. He also provided a financial assistance of Rs. 20 lakh to Vinod and his extended family. Besides, the Chief Minister also met the other 17 families of Sirmauri Tal who were rendered homeless and



were sheltered in relief camps and interacted with each one of them. He directed the administration to provide financial assistance to all the homeless. The Chief Minister directed to construct a bridge at Kachhi Dhank for permanent solution of mud sliding on Paonta-Shillai Highway.

The estimated loss during the last 55 days, due to rain rage has been assessed around Rs. 10,000 crore yet it will take time to make up for the loss, said the

Chief Minister, further assuring that adequate compensation would be given to the families whose crops and homes have been completely destroyed. He said that financial aid will also be given to those families whose houses have been affected by silt. The government was committed to rehabilitate the affected people despite financial constraints, he reiterated.

A policy would be formulated for permanent

rehabilitation of the affected families adding that he well understands the agony of the people who have lost their homes and livestock. He said that an increased provision has been made by the government on the death of livestock.

He directed the officers to ensure transparency in distribution of relief fund. Instructions have been issued to all the officers to ensure that affected people get as much help as possible. He said that the state government stands with all sufferers in this hour of crisis and he was reviewing the relief operations every minute.

The Chief Minister also visited Kande Wali hit by the cloudburst causing significant damage to the houses and standing crops. The Chief Minister presented cheques of Rs 3.45 lakh each, to the next of kin of Imran and Bindro Devi, who died after being swept away in the flood. Industries Minister Harshvardhan Chauhan informed the Chief Minister that a total loss of Rs. 372 crore has been incurred in Sirmaur district so far.

Minister and CPS thanks Chief Minister for taking decisions benefitting Orchardists

DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA, AUG 19

Education Minister, Rohit Thakur, and Chief Parliamentary Secretary (CPS) Mohan Lal Brakta, had all praise for Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu for his landmark decisions to revolutionize the apple industry in Himachal Pradesh and additionally add to the economy of the orchardists. They said that the Chief Minister's unwavering commitment to the welfare of the apple growers was evident from the remarkable decision of increasing the support price of apples from Rs. 10.50 to Rs.12. Besides, the decision to introduce per kilogram-based sale system for apples, replacing the traditional box-based method, will pave the way for streamlining the marketing process besides enhancing the transparency while selling the produce, said Rohit Thakur, thus fulfilling a longstanding demand of the growers. In light of the severe crisis stemming from this year's calamity, the government has substantially increased the relief amount granted to farmers and horticulturists. Additionally, the



government has reinstated subsidized pesticide purchases for apple growers, said the duo. The state government's initiative to strengthen the Chhaila to Yashwant Nagar road via Neri Bridge with an outlay of Rs. 70 crore from the Central Road and Infrastructure Fund (CRIF), will ensure smooth transportation of apple produce thus alleviating challenges faced by orchardists, remarked the duo and thanked the Chief Minister for the same.

Additionally, the proposal to establish Controlled Atmosphere (CA) stores at strategic locations such as Bhawanagar, Sandasu, Anu, Chopal, Jabli, Sundernagar, Duttanagar, and Kharapathar highlights the government's commitment to advancing post-harvest storage capabilities.

Governor flags off vehicles with relief material



DINESH AGARWAL SHIMLA : Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla today flagged off three vehicles with relief material from Raj Bhavan to district Red Cross branches. These relief materials have been sent through the State Red Cross to the branches of Kullu, Hamirpur and Kangra. On the occasion, the Governor said that in view of the natural calamity in the Himachal, the State Red Cross was making efforts to provide relief to the affected families. He said that sanitation kits, tarpaulins, blankets and tents etc. have been made available in the relief material. He said that the entire state was with the affected families in the hour of disaster and all efforts would be made to provide relief to them. He also urged people to contribute for relief and rehabilitation in these difficult times. Secretary to the Governor, Rajesh Sharma was also present on the occasion.

Himachal Pradesh declared as 'Natural Calamity Affected Area'

SHIMLA: In wake of heavy loss to both life and property due to the recent spell of incessant rains triggering landslides and floods, Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu stated that a decision has been taken to declare Himachal Pradesh as 'Natural Calamity Affected Area'. The normal life in the state was thrown out of gear by torrential rains, floods including landslides in which around 330 people have lost their life and over 12000 houses have been damaged. The state has suffered enormous loss of over Rs. 10000 crore. Immense damage has been caused to the roads, including the National Highways and rural roads and numerous water and power supply schemes were badly hit, besides agriculture and horticulture sectors have also suffered huge losses said he. The communication system in the state has also been adversely affected. People who were evacuated were provided shelter in the relief camps. In view of the prevailing danger, many people have been safely evacuated from their homes and shifted to safer places. Sukhu said that the state government was working on a war footing for relief, rescue and rehabilitation. All possible help is being provided to the people affected adversely. He said that directions have been issued to the concerned districts and departments to assess the loss of property and livestock, the infrastructure and other damages and present the same to the government. The Chief Minister urged the Central Government to provide wholehearted assistance to the state in this hour of disaster so that the activities of normalizing the system could be expedited by bringing life back on track in the state.

Poor mindset of BJP for not declaring Barsaat tragedy as national disaster: Dr. Rajesh Sharma

SANJAY AGGARWAL DHARAMSHALA, AUG 19

This monsoon has wreaked havoc on Himachal Pradesh, which is already under the burden of debt. Himachal has suffered a loss of about ten thousand crores due to the havoc of natural calamity. The Himachal Congress government is working hard to serve the people with its limited resources. Himachal Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu and all the ministers, MLAs and office bearers are continuously helping the people by reaching the spot, but Himachal BJP leaders are busy in misleading the people. State Congress treasurer Dr.



Rajesh Sharma has made this allegation in a statement issued to the press. Taking a dig at the BJP, he said that despite the presence of the BJP government at the Centre, the state BJP has failed to declare such a huge tragedy of Himachal as a national calamity. He asked the BJP leaders that if the central government declares a

national disaster then what is wrong with it. The people of the state can get better and better relief. He said that there is a BJP government at the center and the national president of that BJP is also from Himachal, apart from this, the sufferings of the people of Himachal Pradesh are being sidelined even though the cabinet minister in the center is also from Himachal, there should not be such a poor mentality. Dr. Rajesh said that it is everyone's right to do politics, but when there is a crisis on the lives of our own people, then as humanity, everyone should come forward together and help the people. Taking a jibe at the negative attitude of

the BJP, Dr. Rajesh Sharma said that if it was an election year, the Center would have declared such a huge tragedy as a national calamity only for the sake of vote bank and the people of my state would have got relief. Sharma said that nothing can be done in front of natural havoc, but it is the duty of the government to help the affected families. The Congress government of Himachal is engaged in serving the people of Himachal in this sad hour. He said that the former BJP government has already drowned the state under debt, then the state government is engaged in providing relief to the people with its limited resources.

HP Govt receives financial assistance from Rajasthan

SHIMLA, AUG 19

Rajasthan government provided Rs 15 crore for disaster-hit Himachal on Saturday; earlier, the Chhattisgarh government also provided Rs 10 crore in rain relief to Himachal Pradesh.

Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu said here on Saturday that the Rajasthan government has provided Rs 15 crore towards the Disaster Relief Fund to deal with the disaster caused by heavy rains, floods, and landslides in Himachal Pradesh. Sukhu and the people of the state expressed their gratitude to Ashok Gehlot, the Chief Minister of Rajasthan, for providing assistance in this hour of calamity, which will go a long way in providing succour to the disaster-hit families. He also urged various organisations and the general public to contribute generously to this fund so that adequate help can be provided to the affected people.

On Friday, the Chief Minister also announced that the State Government of Chhattisgarh has provided Rs 11 crore towards Aapda Rahat Kosh. He also expressed gratitude to Chhattisgarh's Chief Minister, Bhupesh Baghel.

Due to heavy rains, there has been a loss of more than Rs 10,000 crore in the state. The state government has undertaken relief and rehabilitation work on a large scale and is committed to provide relief to the affected people.

Celebrations of 'Teeyan: DhiyanNaal' at RR Bawa DAV College for Girls, Batala

VERMA BATALA: Under the patronage of Dr.Ekta Khosla, Principal, RR Bawa DAV College for Girls, Batala and under the able guidance of Dr.Indra Rani (Dean Youth Welfare Dept.), festivities of Teej 'Teeyan: DhiyanNaal' was celebrated with full zeal and enthusiasm in the college premises. At this juncture, Mrs. Rajbir Kaur Kalsi (w/o) Sh. Amansher Singh Sheri Kalsi, Vice President Punjab (Aam-Aadmi Party) graced the occasion as the chief guest while Mrs. AnuKawatra, Dr. Jasmine Dhaliwal and Mrs. Kamal Kahlonwere special guests. Principal Dr.Ekta Khosla formally welcomed the eminent personalities with green planters and traditional Phulkari. While sharing her views on this occasion,



Principal Dr.Ekta Khosla stated that these festivities provide a platform to the young generation for connecting with their heritage and vira.She stressed upon empowering women through education.

On this occasion, the students presented Punjabi culture through folk-songs, folk dance, Giddha and many other cultural items.KumariSimranjit Kaur was selected as Miss Teej. The Chief Guest Mrs. Rajbir Kaur congratulated the

Principal, faculty and students for organizing such a wonderful event for reviving the cultural heritage of Punjab. At this juncture, all the gathering enjoyed PeenghDaHulara, Tonga ride, tasted various traditional cuisines, enjoyedat Mehandi& Nail art stallsthat were the center of attraction in this event. There was joy and excitement everywhere. At this event Dr. Lucky Sharma, Mrs. Baljit Kaur and Ms. UdesheKumari were also present.

Lamrin Tech skills University organizes 3 day orientation program for new students

DALJEET AJNOHA HOSHIARPUR, AUG 19

Lamrin tech Skills University Punjab organized 3 day Orientation program and interactive session named ' Abhisankaran' with newly admitted students along with parents for the session 2023-24.During the session audience was briefed about the Lamrin Tech Skills University (LTSU) as it is first of its kind ' Industry incubated Skill University in India on the land of martyrs ,in the feet of shivalik hills on the bank of river Satluj near Ropar in SBSNagar. Program was started with reciting 'Saraswati Vandana' and lighting the sacred lamp. Dr Sandeep Singh Kaura ,Chancellor LTSU,Punjab and Advisor NSDC Govt. Of India ,was the chief guest on the occasion . In his Address Dr. Sandeep Singh Kaura



,Chancellor LTSU, Punjab sensitized the students about the need of skill education and the outcome of the same. He further elaborated about the unique academic framework of the university by explaining the three exit points as Finishing School (for job aspirants), School of Startup (for buddy entrepreneurs) and School of International curriculum (for higher education in India/abroad). He further said skill education can make India super power and fill the skill shortage in the world which is in line with the

Hon'ble PM Modi's vision to make India as a skill capital of the world. LTSU is the classic example for academic -industry collaboration as We have the partnership with industries tech giants in the world that was the robotics idea of Dr.APJ Abdul Kalam Dr. Suresh Kumar , Secretary, APTI Pb made their presence as Guest of Honour in the program appreciated the initials taken by the University said skills are the back bone of the Pharmacy as India is the biggest manufacturer of medicines in the world.

Seminar on India's Partition organised at Post Graduate Government College-46

AVTAR SINGH BHANWARA CHANDIGARH: The Department of History of Post-Graduate Govt. College, Sector- 46, Chandigarh organised a Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi sponsored, one day national seminar on the theme "1947: India Partition-Story, Ravages and Settlement". The seminar was organized to commemorate the horrors and dislocation of a large number of masses due to cross migration and the resultant fatal effects on polity, economy and society of the country. Dr. Abha Sudarshan, Principal, of the college accorded a warm welcome to all the dignitaries. In her address, Dr Abha Sudarshan advocated the need to reorient the modern generation to read and understand the colonial legacy and freedom movement of India and remember thousands of revolutionaries sacrificing their lives for the sake of Bharat Mata. The distinguished guests Prof. KC Agnihorti, Vice-Chairman, Haryana Sahitya and Sanskriti Academy, Panchkula, Prof. Sanjay Kaushik, Dean College Development Council,



Panjab University Chandigarh, Prof. Mukesh Arora, Social Activist and Fellow Panjab University, Chandigarh, Sh. Krishnanand Sagar, eminent author, Dr. Priyatosh Sharma, Chairperson, Dept of History, Panjab University Chandigarh, Dr. Kunwar Chandenderp Singh, Chairperson, Dept of History, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Prof G.C Chauhan, Dept. of Evening Studies, Panjab University Chandigarh, Dr A.K. Singh, Dept of History, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla, Dr. Sanjay Sharma, Principal and many teachers and research scholars across the region attended the seminar.

Orgy of hooliganism in Jandiala, murder of young man due to illegal relations

KULJIT SINGH JANDIALA GURU: The incidents of looting and theft are increasing day by day in Jandiala Guru city. Mohalla Shaikhpora, Manowala Khooh, Tarn Taran Bypass, Navi Abadi, Verowal Road and Jyotisar area have become dangerous areas of Jandiala Guru where illegal weapons and drugs are found. Even though the police administration and the ruling government are adopting many tactics to stop the sale of drugs and smuggling of illegal weapons, but seeing the current situation, it seems out of their control. The latest case is the cremation ground in Jandiala Guru area. The case of murder took place last night at around 12 o'clock. In which the wife of the deceased, a resident of Ramsharan, near Ashu Club Gaushala Road, Jandiala Guru, told that she is a resident of the above lease and does domestic work. She has 5 children, including 4 sons. And there is a 3-year-old daughter, her



husband used to work as a laborer, who took his younger daughter to his brother Satpal Singh's house last night at around 12 o'clock in his car number HR 2 P2842 Jane color gray. When her husband returned after some time to his house at the door. In front of the car, her daughter was also with her. When she opened the door after hearing the horn of the car, she saw two unknown persons on two motorcycles with pistols, her husband Ramsharan The bullets hit the car. 5-6 bullets passed through the front and side mirrors of the car. Her husband had already pulled the daughter down towards her feet. When she raised an alarm, the accused fled from the spot. The wife told that the murder happened due to enmity because her husband had fallen in wrong company, who had a lot of trouble with wrong people and he himself had executed the incident. Jandiala police murder case against unknown 4 people has been registered.

IMD sounds alert of inundation & flash flood in three districts

AGENCY SHIMLA, AUG 19

The South West Monsoon is likely to wreak further havoc in the state as three districts were kept on high alert by the Indian Meteorological Hydro met Division for moderate to high flash flood risk over a few watersheds and neighborhoods in Shimla, Sirmaur, and Chamba districts of Himachal Pradesh. A special bulletin issued by the IMD hydro met division said that surface runoff or inundation (water logging) may occur at some fully saturated watersheds and low-lying areas due to expected persistent rainfall in the next 24 hours. The alert was sounded at 1200 hrs on Saturday, and it would be effective after 1300 hrs onwards. In the Weather forecast for the next two days, six districts, including Knagra, Mandi, Shimla, Sirmaur, Bilaspur, and Solan, are kept on orange alert, while barring Kinnaur, the rest of the district is on yellow alert. Six districts that are in orange alert may have heavy to very heavy rainfall, and in the rest, five that are in yellow alert may have moderate to heavy rainfall.



NEWS AT A GLANCE

HP Gov declares Raj Bhavan open for general public

SHIMLA: Himachal Pradesh Governor Shiv Partap Shukla on Saturday formally opened the Raj Bhavan here to the general public. He also interacted with media persons after declared open the Raj Bhavan. The Governor said that public can visit the Raja Bhavan on Saturday and Sunday from 1000 to 1700 hours. It is first time that Raj Bhavan was opened for the general public. Shukla said that the move would establish the goodwill between the institution of the Governor and the public at large.

HP High Court orders transfer of 12 judicial officers

SHIMLA: Himachal Pradesh High Court on Friday ordered the transfer of 12 judicial officers in the state. A spokesperson of Himachal Pradesh High Court said Rajesh Kumar Tomar, Presiding Officer, Labour Court-cum-Industrial Tribunal, Shimla, was being transferred as District and Sessions Judge, Mandi. Krishan Kumar, Registrar, Himachal Pradesh State Human Rights Commission, has been transferred as Presiding Officer, Labour Court-cum-Industrial Tribunal, Shimla. Hans Raj, Presiding Officer, Labour Court-cum-Industrial Tribunal, Kangra at Dharamshalahas been transferred as District and Sessions Judge, Sirmour at Nahan.

Raj Kumar receives letter of appreciation on the occasion of I-Day



VERMA GURDASPUR: Senior Clerk Raj Kumar, posted at City Improvement Trust, Gurdaspur, was felicitated by Chief Guest State Cabinet Minister Laljit Singh Bhullar for his excellent services during the function organized in Gurdaspur on Independence Day. Apart from district administrative officials, Raman Behl, chairman of Punjab Health System Corporation, Rajeev Sharma, chairman of Gurdaspur City Improvement Trust, were also present on the occasion.

UP govt transfers 9 senior IPS officers

LUCKNOW: The Uttar Pradesh government on Saturday transferred 9 senior Indian Police Service (IPS) officers, including Police Commissioner of Kanpur BP Jogdand, official sources said here. Police sources said that Police Commissioner Kanpur BP Jogdand has been transferred as Additional Director General of Police (ADG) Woman and Child Safety Organisation. ADG UP Police Recruitment and Promotion Board Dr RK Swarnakar has been posted as new Police Commissioner of Kanpur. ADG Agra zone Rajiv Krishna has been transferred as ADG Vigilance Organisation, Lucknow. ADG Traffic and Road Safety Anupam Kulshrestha has been posted in Rajiv Krishna's place. ADG Technical Services Mohit Agarwal will swap places with ADG Anti Terror Squad Naveen Arora. Secretary (Home) BD Paulson has been transferred as ADG Traffic and Road Safety. Inspector General of Police (IG) Law and Order Dr Sanjiv Gupta has been posted as Secretary (Home). DIG Vigilance Establishment LR Kumar has been transferred as DIG Law and Order.

2024 LS polls: K'taka govt reverses orders to ensure Hindu sentiments are not hurt

BENGALURU, AUG 19

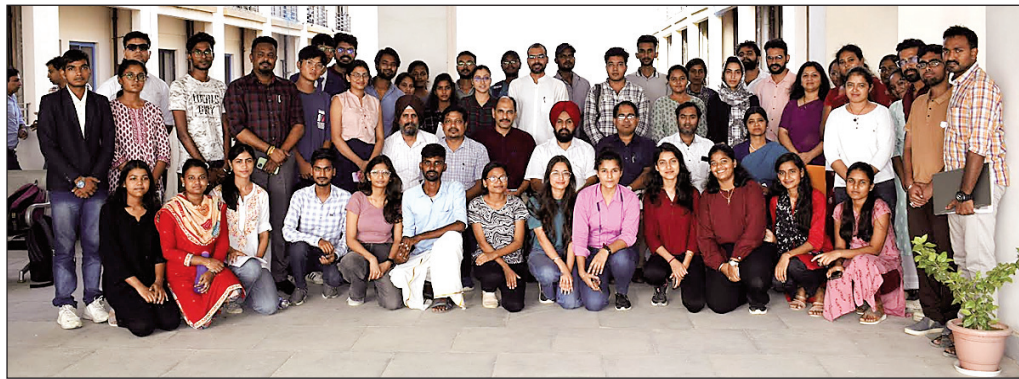
Political pundits in Karnataka believe that the Congress government with an eye on 2024 Lok Sabha election, have reversed two important decisions. The recent decisions of Congress party to reverse the order of stoppage of funds to renovate Hindu temples and the statement on Soujanya rape and murder case that there is no proposal to reinvestigate the case before the government indicated the strategy, political pundits believe. Government's decision to stop releasing funds for renovation and development work of temples had led to widespread condemnation by Hindu organisations and the BJP. An order was also passed by the state's Hindu Religious Institutions and Charitable Endowments Department and issued to all the District Commissioners. The order said that funds will not be released if renovation work is not undertaken in temples, as well as if the administrative approval is given for releasing of 50 per cent of the funds, it should also be withheld. If there is any proposal for administrative approval, it should also be withheld. However, the state's Hindu Religious Institutions and Charitable Endowments Department had withdrawn the order after backlash.

IIC and CU Punjab Research and Development Foundation organizes National Symposium

BUREAU BATHINDA, AUG 19

In a fervent display of India's commitment to fostering innovation and entrepreneurship during its G20 Presidency, the Institutions' Innovation Council (IIC) and the CU Punjab Research and Development Foundation orchestrated a one-day National Symposium under the banner "Celebrating India's Presidency of the G20: Unveiling India's focus on Innovation and Entrepreneurship to Enable Start-up Ecosystem." The symposium aimed to shed light on India's efforts to integrate innovation and entrepreneurship into the core agenda of the G20 presidency. In conjunction with the symposium, the university also organized Ideathon 3.0, an innovation challenge, to catalyze creative solutions and inspire transformative ideas.

Distinguished speakers spanning various sectors, including experts in incubation, intellectual property rights (IPR), start-up promotion, and



academia, congregated to explore the pivotal role of innovation in shaping a dynamic and sustainable global economy. The inaugural speaker of this programme Dr. Atharva Poundarik, Faculty Incharge, IIT Ropar Technology Business Incubator Foundation, delivered an insightful discourse on "Nurturing Start-ups in a Higher Education Institute: Opportunities and Challenges." Dr. Poundarik underscored that incubating start-ups within Higher Education Institutes enables them to scale up their laboratory-based R&D and

innovation, generate additional revenue, job creation, and the establishment of a strong alumni network. He also highlighted how incubation at HEIs facilitates start-ups in leveraging campus R&D facilities and receiving expert guidance from faculty mentors in their respective disciplines, in addition to seed funding support. The subsequent speaker Prof. Kashmir Singh, Coordinator, DST-Centre for Policy Research, IPR Chair-Professor, Panjab University delved into Start-ups policies to

Entrepreneurship. Prof. Singh pointed out that just after the inception of Start-up India Programme in 2016, Indian Startup Ecosystem has witnessed exponential growth, currently ranking 3rd globally in terms of Start-Up ecosystem and the number of Unicorns. He further stated that Science, Technology and Innovation Policy (STIP) 2020 of India aims to position India among the top three scientific superpowers in the next decade by building a 'people centric' STI and Innovation ecosystem in India.

Demand letter given to MLA Sidhu for new recruitment of sanitation workers in the city



KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA RAMPURA PHUL: Due to the large area of the local city, there has been a shortage of cleaners for a long time. To solve this, a delegation of cleaners Raji Pradhan, Block President Deepak and Dr. Under Vicky's leadership, the Constituency Rampura Phool MLA met Balkar Singh Sidhu. Due to the decrease in the number of cleaners in the city, they gave a demand letter to MLA Sidhu regarding new recruitment. Taking this seriously, Balkar Singh Sidhu said that the role of these cleaners is the biggest to make any city beautiful, he will definitely convey the demand for their new recruitment to Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Maan. He also said that during the previous government, the salaries of these employees used to be suspended for several months. When the Aam Aadmi Party government came, we are paying the salary of these cleaners on a monthly basis. Golu, Kishore, Deepak and Rahul etc were present.

Magnificent session at Jatindera Greenfield School

HARPREET LADDI SIDHU RAIKOT, AUG 19

Jatindera Greenfield school hosted a momentous event that brought together luminaries from various fields, illuminating the campus with wisdom and inspiration. The event, graced by IRS Commissioner Mr. Rohit Mehra and S. Charanjit Singh (Channi) Chancellor of CT University, featured a constellation of exceptional personalities.

The event's itinerary was meticulously designed to encompass a range of enlightening activities. Sudagar Ali Ji, PCR incharge and Amandeep Tangri Ji, director CT university set the stage with an enchanting lecture followed by an enlightening knowledge on Traffic Awareness. S. Amandeep Tangri's motivational session uplifted spirits, setting a positive tone for the day. The revered Commissioner and S. Charanjit Singh were warmly welcomed, proceeding to engage in a meaningful plantation drive, aligning with the event's emphasis on environmental consciousness. Nest installations and balloon activities underscored the importance of nurturing our surroundings. The formal proceedings commenced with the introduction of key figures, leading to a radiant lamp



lighting ceremony. This symbolic gesture marked the start of a vibrant recitation of Shahab followed by an extensive videography session that captured the essence of the event. Respected Chancellor addressed and the Commissioner's Session offered invaluable insights. A dynamic Q&A session touched upon education and environmental concerns, fostering interactive learning. A felicitation ceremony recognized exceptional contributions. The event culminated on a joyful note with a spirited Bhangra and giddha performance and a sumptuous lunch for the esteemed guests. This event served as a crossroads of erudition and inspiration, promoting a confluence of ideas between luminaries and the academe.

Army and NDRF teams rescue 150 more persons from mand areas

ASHISHPURI/PAWANKALIA KAPURTHALA, AUG 19

Army and NDRF teams today rescued 150 more persons from the mand areas of village Baupur falling under Sultanpurlodhi. The rescue operation is still continued to save the lives of more than 60 marooned persons living in the deras inside dhussi bund said Deputy Commissioner Captain Karnail Singh adding that both the teams have rescued 450 persons within three days. He told that six teams of Army and NDRF were also doing relief work and supplying cooked food with the help of motorboats to the marooned persons in the mand areas. He further told that there are 50 to 60 persons mostly male adults are reluctant to leave their houses in the mand areas of Sultanpurlodhi despite the persuasion by the district authorities for the reasons best known to them. Punjab Government Irrigation Principal Secretary Krishan kumar along with a team of the officers of drainage department today visited the Goindwal bridge to assess the damage caused by floods and later went to hari ke pattan to check the discharge of Beas river. Forty five villages have been affected by the flood



waters of Beas river and paddy crops sown in the affected villages have been submerged under four to five feet of water. DC Claimed that flood water of Beas river is started receding and Beas river is flowing below 2 lakh cusecs. He also claimed that flood situation in the district was under control and would further improve in the next two days. Meanwhile Environmentalist Balbir Singh Seechewal and his followers are making all out efforts to save 900 foot wide breach plugged by them with help of villagers at village Jatta Mundi near village lohian as fresh floods in the Sutluj river is posing a threat to it.

Trouble breaks out after objectionable comment, 2 teenagers arrested

BAREILLY, AUG 19

Two teenagers were arrested and two dozen trouble-makers were detained after trouble broke out over objectionable comments on a social media platform in Shishgarh town in Bareilly district here in Uttar Pradesh, police sources said here on Saturday. Police sources said that two teenagers of different communities made objectionable comments on Instagram. "Agitated by this, members of one community gheraoed the police station demanding action against the teenager of the opposite community late on Friday night, they said. Police sources said that despite the assurance by the police of taking action after inquiry, the protesters staged a demonstration in front of the teenager's house and pelted stones. "As the trouble escalated police force from neighbouring Pilibhit district along with Rapid Action Force (RAF) and PAC was summoned on the spot," they said. Police sources said that the situation came under control after teenagers from both sides were arrested. After inspecting the spot, Inspector General of Police (IG) Bareilly Dr Rakesh Singh said that on the basis of the complaints given by both the sides a case was lodged against the two teenagers and they were arrested late at night. "Around two dozen trouble-makers were detained on Saturday morning. Bareilly police along with forces from Pilibhit and PAC have been deployed in Sheeshgarh," he said. Police sources said that Divisional Commissioner Saumya Agarwal along with IG Dr Rakesh Singh and District Magistrate Shivakant Dwivedi reached the spot. SP (Rural) Raj Kumar Agarwal, who is camping in Sheersgarh said that objectionable comments were made from both the sides on a social media platform.

Uttarakhand HC orders DoP&T to file specific affidavit for IFS officer's deputation application

NAINITAL, AUG 19

The Division Bench of Uttarakhand High Court has directed the Department of Personnel & Training (DoP&T) to file a specific affidavit mentioning the date of delivery of the envelope containing the petitioner's application in the Central Registry of D.O.P.T., following a Writ Petition filed by Uttarakhand cadre Indian Forest Service Officer Sanjiv Chaturvedi. The dispute dates back to 2020 when DoP&T published an open advertisement for a Member in Staff Selection Commission. Chaturvedi claimed his application was forwarded and recommended by the Uttarakhand Government and reached the Central Registry on 20.03.2020.

The officer's application was received on 20.03.2020, as substantiated by affidavits from the Department of Post and a stamp from the Central Registry of DoP&T in the Postman's book. However, DoP&T in its reply an earlier writ on



the same matter, had claimed that application of the officer had reached only on 29.05.2020 which was beyond last date and hence it was rejected. Other issues of dispute are claim of DoP&T that Forest Research Institute (FRI), at Dehradun from which the officer had claimed a post graduate degree, is a 'non-recognized institution' and also about Date of Birth and Work Experience of the Officer. Officer has also cited certain other 'fabrications and forgery' to call 'in eligible candidates' for interview and relaxation given in favour of a particular candidate to relax his cooling off period.

Years of mismanagement reduce Jadavpur Univ to suicide hotspot

KOLKATA, AUG 19

Coming under the national scanner for all the wrong reasons seems to have become a regular affair for West Bengal. The latest is the mysterious death of a fresher student of Jadavpur University (JU), allegedly because of mental harassment and ragging by a group of senior students. With arguments and counter-arguments flying thick over this tragedy, academic circles in the state feel that it is utter mismanagement on the part of the JU authorities to end the menace of ragging by adopting some simple applications following the example of several reputed universities and educational institutes at the national level who have brought down incidents of severe ragging to almost zero. The first application point should be the students' hostel of the university where the victim, who was yet to cross the age of 18, had to undergo such ragging. His body was found in front of the hostel on August 10. The anti-ragging committee at the national level which was constituted under the chairmanship of former Central Bureau of Investigation director R.K. Raghavan had suggested a number of measures to prevent such incidents of ragging and harassment of junior students in the university campuses. As per the guidelines issued by the University Grants Commission (UGC) based on the recommendations of the Raghavan Committee, separate hostel accommodation for first-year students from that of senior students should be organised.

Complete construction works in Ayodhya as per schedule: Yogi

AYODHYA, AUG 19

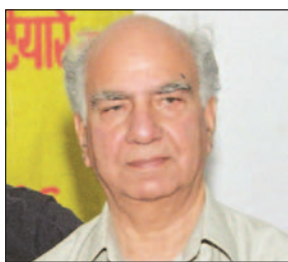
Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Saturday emphasised that all the construction projects being carried out in Ayodhya should be completed within the specified time frame with high quality. During a meeting to review ongoing development works at the Sarayu Hotel, Yogi discussed the progress of construction projects with senior officials. The Divisional Commissioner briefed him about the ongoing works. During the meeting the CM directed the officials regarding preparations for the upcoming Deepotsav festival and better facilities for the devotees arriving in Ayodhya should be ensured. Prior to this, he reached Digambar Akhada, where he performed puja at the temple and offered his respects at the statue of Saketvasi Mahant Paramhans. Yogi also participated in the Mahanti ceremony of Pramukh Mahant Suresh Das and the new Mahant Ram Lakhan Das. During the meeting with the saints, he discussed various developmental aspects related to Ayodhya. Mahant Dharmadas, Mahant Avadesh Das, Maithilisharan Das, Bharat Das, Vaidehi Ballabh, Ramdas, Kamal Nayan Das, the main organizer of the event Mahant Suresh Das, Mahant Jairam Das, Mahant Balaram Das, Ashutosh Das, and others were present on the occasion.



Join hands together irrespective of any alliance to help victims of natural disaster in HP: Shanta Kumar

BUREAU PALAMPUR, AUG 19

Himachal Pradesh has suffered loss of 330 lives following 113 landslides in the state during the last 55 days and state incurred a loss of Rs. 10,000 crores. Himachal Pradesh has declared it as a state disaster and is waiting for the interim relief from the centre and for declaring it as National Disaster. Shanta Kumar, former Chief Minister on Friday said this is just not a disaster in Himachal Pradesh but it is a great disaster. He was practically on tears while talking to UNI at his Palampur residence Saturday. He said tears came to his eyes after



reading the newspaper. Former Union Minister said his heart and soul trembled when he heard about how people of the state were suffering. Shanta Kumar further said it was very difficult to see the victims shedding tears after being robbed of everything by this natural calamity. He said, "I am happy that the Prime

Minister is personally paying attention to this situation this hill state is facing. The state government and the entire public are fighting the disaster unitedly". He said, "I have written a letter to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda, urging them to provide maximum assistance from the Central Government". Shanta Kumar appealed to the brothers and sisters of Himachal with folded hands and urged that in this hour of great crisis, every Himachali, leaving aside the victims, donate money to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund and make holistic sacrifices in this Hawana and serve the suffering

people. He asked people to remember drop by drop, the ocean is filled. He said Himachal Pradesh has a population of 75 lakhs but leaving aside the victims and the very poor people, if remaining 60 lakh people give an average contribution of Rs. 100/- then Rs. 60 crores will be collected in the relief fund. Some can even give thousands and lakhs. He asked the brothers and sisters of Himachal, to create a new history of help by joining hands together irrespective of their alliance of caste, politics and religion and help the needy people who have suffered due to the unprecedented natural calamity.



Northern Railway Premium League Cricket Championship was held in Karnail Singh Stadium from 12 Aug 23 to 18 Aug 23. Five teams of NRCH participated in this. The final match was played between Radio11 and NRCH DRs and was won comprehensively by team Radio 11. MD NRCH graced the finalists by handing over the winner's trophy & runner's up cup to the respective team captains Madhusudan and Dr Diideep.

PUNJAB

YUGMARG, CHANDIGARH, SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023

Arora distributes 116 allotment letters to rehri vendors

SUMER GARG SUNAM, AUG 19

Punjab Cabinet Minister, Mr. Aman Arora today while dedicating the retail vegetable market (RVM) constructed at the cost of Rs. 1.25 Cr to the residents of Sunam said that under the leadership of Chief Minister of Punjab, Bhagwant Mann, AAP Govt is committed to complete every project with good intentions and honestly for the regeneration of Sunam assembly segment.

While inaugurating the RVM, Cabinet Minister, said that this retail vegetable market was his dream project and it was completed just within 8 months and would give relief to hundreds hawkers of Sunam city, who from the past several decades were forced to work for hours by standing on the roadsides from Mata Modi Chowk to Shiv Niketan Dharamshala Chowk. He said that the previous governments had never taken into account the prob-



lems being faced by the people and the street vendors, by renovating the old vegetable market, due to which the place remained deserted and deserted for many years, but now in a planned manner, this market has been converted into an excellent RVM. Now, for the customers, parking & washrooms facility is available in this RVM and the

process of instal sheds on the allotted space for Rehri-Phadhi will be started very soon. On this occasion, Mr. Arora also distributed allotment letters to 116 rehri vendors. He also bought vegetables from the vegetable seller. On this occasion, Hanghi Khan, the leader of the Rehri-Phadhi Union, while thanking Cabinet Minister Aman Arora said

that the Rehri-Phadhi are very happy with the generosity of the government and this will surely relieve the traffic problem and stray animals in the market. Cabinet Minister Aman Arora and Chairman of Market Committee Sunam Mukesh Juneja were honored for making this project a reality by all the market shopkeepers.



BHAGTA BHAI (PARVEEN): Students are getting good scores in IELTS exam under the able guidance of New Oxford Visa Hub instructors. Giving information, MD of the organization, Lakhveer Singh Kalyan said that his student Sovandeep Kaur got 7.5 bands in this exam. He said that in the institution, the children are tested daily by experienced teachers and cabin speaking is done twice. He wished Sovandeep Kaur all the best for a bright future.

'The female teachers celebrated Teej festival with pomp in KLM International School'



VERMA GURDASPUR, AUG 19

KLM Hariyali Teej festival was celebrated with great enthusiasm in International School today. In which the teachers participated enthusiastically and spread their colors all around dressed in colorful clothes.

On this occasion, Principal Mrs. Sunaina Sambial threw light on the importance of Teej and the teachers made the time more colorful by dancing on boli and tappa. School Chairman Surendra Mahajan wished all the teachers on this occasion and said that India is a country of festivals and we should celebrate all the festivals together with pomp. In her address, Principal Sunaina Sambial

said that we should never forget our Punjabi heritage because Punjabi heritage is the pride and pride of Punjabis. Wherever Punjabis go, they create a lot of fanfare. Seeing the style, lifestyle and Punjabi culture of Punjabis, foreign people have also started liking it very much and foreign women have started adopting Punjabi culture by wearing Punjabi suits, which is a matter of great pride for our Punjab.

He said that it is a matter of deep concern that while foreigners are adopting Punjabi heritage, our Punjabis are getting influenced towards western culture. In the end, all the teachers congratulated each other on the festival of Teej and enjoyed the festival very much.

VB arrests absconding ASI in bribery case

SUMER GARG CHANDIGARH: Punjab, Vigilance Bureau (VB) today arrested an Assistant Sub Inspector (ASI), Sukhdev Singh, posted at Police Station, Sudhar in district Ludhiana, in a bribery case. Notably, FIR No. 48 dated 16.06.2023 under section 7 of Prevention of Corruption Act was registered at Police Station, Sudhar and the investigation of the case was transferred to Vigilance Bureau, Ludhiana Range.

While divulging the details here today, an official spokesperson of the VB said that the complainant alleged that ASI Sukhdev Singh had taken bribe of Rs.1500 to release his impounded auto-rickshaw and the accused police official earlier had also taken Rs 2500 as a bribe from him. The complainant also produced a video of the ASI while taking Rs 1500 bribe from him. spokesperson further said that the ASI was absconding and his anticipatory bail was dismissed by the court of Additional Session Judge, Ludhiana.

Womania Fit organized Jago, Giddha and Bhangra on eve of Teej



SURINDER DAMDAMI KOTKAPURA: Teej festival was celebrated with great fanfare under the leadership of Rajini Malik by Womania Fit located near local Jodi Chakkia. On this occasion, a large number of gathered women performed jago in a traditional manner and during this, songs related to jago were also presented. During the event, in addition to presenting songs depicting Punjabi culture, Punjabi folk dance Giddha and Bhangra were also performed by well-dressed young women in Punjabi dress. On this occasion, the young women present in this program danced and danced on the speeches related to the culture dedicated to the festival of Teej by Rajini Malik, Sonia Arora, Alka Arora, Neena Arora, Seema Bansal, Jeanees Arora, Himani Narang and Simran Bansal. On this occasion, apart from Punjabi songs, a colorful program was also presented by Sheetal, Preeti, RV, Goldie, Sonia Goyal, Neeru, Shama and Alisha etc. On this occasion, Rajini Malik said that to promote Punjabi culture and create a sense of confidence in women, it is very important to organize programs like Teej.

20 kg poppy, 1260 tablets, 25 grams of intoxicants, 100 bottles of liquor recovered



PATIALA (RAKESH JINDAL): Under the 'Operation SEAL-3' conducted by the Punjab Police, the Patiala Police kept a close eye on those coming to Punjab through cars, vehicles and other means by blocking the interstate at 8 places on the border with the neighboring state within the district. SSP Varun Sharma, leading the inter-state blockade, said that the Patiala Police is keeping a sharp eye on drug smugglers and bad elements with full urgency. He said that 20 kg of poppy, 1260 tablets, 25 grams of Intox, 100 bottles of liquor have been recovered during these checkpoints. The district police chief said in an informal conversation with the media at Rohar Jagir that Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann and DGP. Under the guidelines of Gaurav Yadav, Operation SEAL-3 has been conducted by the Punjab Police today. He said that under this operation, Patiala Police has strictly checked the vehicles coming to Punjab by blocking the interstate at 8 different places in the district.

Varun Sharma said that the purpose of this operation SEAL is to put pressure on the drug traffickers to stay away from black businesses like smuggling and to control the person who does this and bring him under the custody of the law. He said that the Patiala Police has recently seized property worth crores of rupees from 5 smugglers by taking strict action against drug smugglers. He said that the Patiala Police has given a big blow to the smugglers by seizing the property made with drug smuggling while fulfilling their responsibility with full vigilance.

29 National Level, state level sports winners felicitated at YSPublic School, Handiaya



KULDEEP SOOD BARNALA, AUG 19

29 sportspersons were felicitated at YS Public School, Handiaya. Giving information in this regard, Sports Director Jatinderjit Singh said that the athletes who got medals in national level and state level games were honored in front of their parents. 29 winners won medals in archery, rope skipping, kick-boxing, netball etc. In the sports of 'Khedan Watan Punjab', Players of Y.S. Public School received Rs1,72,000 from the Punjab government in the account of winning. In archery under-17, Jashanpreet Singh won gold medal

and Sahib Sharma, Husanpreet Singh, Prabhleen Singh won bronze medals in national games.

In kick-boxing under-17, Anureet won the bronze medal in the national games. Ishmeet Singh, Gagandeep Singh, Amarinder Singh and Ekamveer Singh won the gold medals in the state level netball games. Similarly, Prabhjot Kaur, Anmolpreet Kaur, Husanpreet Kaur, Shanvi Bhargav, Harmanveer Kaur, Dilpreet Kaur, Randeep Kaur, Shine Akhtar and Ridham Sharma won the silver medal and Mehpreet Kaur, Jasmin Kaur, Khushpreet Kaur, Jashandeep Singh won the bronze medal.

Navjot Sharma, Daman Kumar, Khushpreet Singh, Supreet Kaur and Kamalpreet Kaur won bronze medals in kick boxing. The president of the organization Prof. Darshan Kumar, College Principal Dr.Gurpal Singh Rana, Madam Sarbjit Kaur Chahal and Sports Director Jatinderjit Singh honored all the players and awarded them with certificates and medals.

The main purpose of this event was to boost the courage of the players so that they can shine their names and make their parents, the school and the district proud with more hard work and dedication.

Canal dept, admn directly responsible for devastation caused by Beas river dam break:Ravi Mohan

GURDASPUR (VERMA): Around 20 to 25 nearby villages have been devastated due to the breach of Beas river dam near Jagatpur-Tanda village. In this devastation, where people's animals have suffered heavy losses, their houses have also been badly damaged. Expressing deep anger in this regard, senior Akali leader Ravi Mohan said that the high officials of the canal department and the administration are directly responsible for the loss caused to the people as the said dam has been broken because of them. He told that last year also there was a big crack in the said dam, which was not taken seriously after visiting by the officials, the result of which is now being seen in the form of said disaster on the people of this area.



Ravi Mohan said that this situation has arisen due to non-survey of the banks of the river. He said that the canal department is responsible for this because they released such a huge amount of water without thinking anything and the result had to be suffered in the form of a huge catastrophe. Ever since AAP's government came to power in Punjab, the arbitrariness of the officers has increased and they are taking decisions on their own, listen to their mind and act. As a result of which innocent people have to suffer.

Teej Festivities held at St. Mahapragya's School



SUKH NAHAR JAGRAON: Teej Festival was celebrated with great fervour in Mahapragya School on August 19,2023. On this occasion, a string of activities such as Hope Talent 2023 for classes 6th to 12th wherein Drawing and Composition Competitions, Mehandi Competitions for classes 6th to 12th organized. Dance Auditions for little Champs, sub junior, junior, and senior were also organized. On the occasion, the girls showcased their art by presenting folk songs, dialects, dance, gidha. To show a glimpse of a Punjabi village, phulkaris, chhaj, chati, madhanis were decorated in the programme. The students were made aware of the grandeur of Punjabi Culture depicting the significance of Teej. On the auspicious occasion the Principal Mrs Prabjeet kaur congratulated the students on Teej and sensitised them about Punjabi culture and further added that such cultural programmes will be organised to keep the students attached to the Punjabi culture.

Lamrin Tech Skills University organises orientation programme for new admitted students



BAHADURJEET SINGH RUPNAGAR: Lamrin Tech Skills University Punjab organized 3 day Orientation programme and interactive session named 'Abhisankaran' with newly admitted students along with parents for the session 2023-24. During the session audience was briefed about the Lamrin Tech Skills University (LTSU) as it is first of its kind 'Industry incubated Skill University in India on the land of martyrs, in the feet of shivalik hills on the bank of river Satluj near Ropar in SBSNagar. Program was started with reciting 'Saraswati Vandana' and lightening the sacred lamp. Dr Sandeep Singh Kaura, Chancellor LTSU, Punjab and Advisor NSDC Govt. Of India, was the chief guest on the occasion.

AAP, Lal Chand doing dirty politics to tarnish Kataruchak's image: Raman Bahl

VERMA GURDASPUR, AUG 19



Punjab Health System Corporation Chairman Raman Bahl has termed the accusations leveled by the opposition parties against Punjab Cabinet Minister Lal Chand Kataruchak as very low politics. He said that Kataruchak is such a leader born in a simple family. Who have spent their entire life fighting for public interest.

He said that Kataruchak, who lived a very simple life, fought for a long time to protect the interests of the people and in the past also worked for the welfare of the people in various organizations without caring about his personal interests.

He said that this leader who was born in a poor family and raised the voice of the people has become a part of the Punjab cabinet today. Which the opposition parties are not able to tolerate. He said that in Punjab, where the Aam Aadmi Party government has done great things for the welfare of the people. Along with him, Lal Chand Kataruchak

has also worked day and night for the welfare of his constituency and the entire people of Punjab after becoming a cabinet minister. He said that the growing popularity of Lal Chand Kataruchak, who is a staunch defender of the interests and rights of the people, and the rising graph of the Aam Aadmi Party are being maligning by the opponents at a very low level. He said that despite being a cabinet minister, Lal Chand Kataruchak is a down to earth leader. who spend their time with the people every day but the opposition parties are trying to tarnish the image of the Aam Aadmi Party government by excluding them from the cabinet.

The Unirise World school signs MOU with Jamestown University, USA



JAGRAON (SUKH NAHAR): It was truly a delighted moment when a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed between the Unirise World School and the Jamestown University, USA. For signing the memorandum, the school had Mr. Russell Boris, Director International for Jamestown University USA, Mr. Paul Olson Vice-President and Provost, University of Jamestown USA accompanied by Mr. Akaljit Gill, Partner and National Leader with MNP-a Canadian accounting and advisory firm, Daphne Olson and Mr. Harpreet S. Gill- a global entrepreneur. It embarks on a significant milestone in the journey of education and collaboration. It symbolises the beginning of a partnership that holds great promise, not just for the institution but for the advancement of knowledge, the enrichment of students' experiences and the pursuits of excellence in education.

During the meeting, Mr. Russell Boris informed all the students present there about the handsome scholarship, the university is offering the students of TUWS. Also, the students will be entitled for Direct Admission in Jamestown University along with the hostel prerogatives, further opening the doors to get better jobs overseas, after receiving their degrees.

Anti ragging week observed at MRSPTU



BATHINDA (ANIL VERMA): To create awareness among students against ragging, Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University (MRSPTU) observed anti-ragging week from 12th - 19th August 2023. As per directions of University Grants Commission (UGC), various activities like poster-making, essay writing and logo designing competitions were organized at the MRSPTU.

On the concluding day, Dean, Student Welfare, Dr. Paramjeet Singh apprised students about the menace of ragging, various anti-ragging laws and the steps taken by the University to completely curb the ragging.

The Certificates were given to the winners of various competitions. The documentary films provided by UGC were also shown to the students.

Special honour to Cheema Public School Kishankot's student Jasmeet Kaur on occasion of Independence Day

GHOMAN (VERMA): On the occasion of Independence Day, a girl student of Cheema Public School of nearby village Kishankot was honored. Giving information



in this regard, school principal Mandeep Kaur and chairman Amarinder Singh alias Ammu Cheema said that Jasmeet Kaur had brought laurels to the school and the district by winning gold medal in the Nepal Athletics School Meet last day.

For the achievement of student Jasmeet Kaur, Cabinet Minister Punjab Laljit Singh Bhullar, District Magistrate Dr. Himanshu Agarwal honored her by presenting her a certificate. On this achievement of student Jasmeet Kaur, the chairman of the school, Amarinder Singh alias Ammu cheema, while congratulating her parents, also appreciated the school staff and students for this inspirational achievement. He said that it is a matter of pride for the school that our students are bringing laurels to the school along with studies as well as in sports. School Principal Dr. Mandeep Kaur also congratulated the student and his parents for this achievement and asked other students to take inspiration from Jasmeet Kaur.

For the achievement of student Jasmeet Kaur, Cabinet Minister Punjab Laljit Singh Bhullar, District Magistrate Dr. Himanshu

Festivals give message of mutual harmony, solidarity, brotherhood: Bram Shankar Jimpa



HOSHIARPUR (DALJEET AJNOHA): Cabinet Minister Bram Shankar Jimpa said that our traditional festivals give us the message of togetherness, that is why our culture is getting stronger day by day. He said that such occasions give us the message of mutual love, harmony and brotherhood. He was talking to reporters today during the Teej fair organized at Government High School Kamalpur. During this, his wife Vibha Sharma, Mayor Surinder Kumar, Senior Deputy Mayor Praveen Saini and Deputy Mayor Ranjit Chowdhary were also present with him.

Singer Jyoti Gill's bhajan "Maa Da Mela" released

RAMPURA PHUL(KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA): On the auspicious occasion of famous singer Jyoti Gill's funeral, Mata Di Bhent Ma Mela has been released. This bhajan brand has been launched under the label of maker Yar Canadian company.

This bhajan has been penned by lyricist Kala Sekhe Wala. While the musical touches have been given by music director Ravi Shankar. Maa Da Mela Bhajan has been filmed by Rudra Movies at various locations. Singer Jyoti Gill said that our entire team is being encouraged by the love of the audience for Maa Da Mela Bhent. Singer Jyoti said that in the future too, she will appear in front of the audience with cultural songs that will be able to touch the hearts of the audience.





“This accidentally happened to me”: Ayushmann Khurrana on his role in ‘Dream Girl 2’

Actor Ayushmann Khurrana is all set for the release of his film ‘Dream Girl 2’, bringing ‘Pooja’ back with more drama. He has received an overwhelmingly positive response from the fans for the movie.

The Dream Girl series offers a story that is very distinct from the films that Ayushmann usually does.

Talking about his role Ayushmann Khurrana shared, “I had never planned that I will have a hit comedy franchise in my filmogra-

phy. This, honestly, has accidentally happened to me. As luck would have it, I have only scouted for disruptive projects that are entertaining and engaging to as many people as possible. I chanced upon the Dream Girl franchise and it ticked all the right boxes for me because it is truly a break-out concept that hasn't been explored by heroes of my generation.”

He added, “I like to always be original as an artiste and bring out-of-the-box concepts

to people. You can't get any more different than the Dream Girl franchise which is why I feel people have loved the first film so much and now the trailer reaction for Dream Girl 2 suggests that we are on the right track to deliver a solid entertainer to audiences. Every promotional material of this franchise has been loved by people. So, I hope they truly love Dream Girl 2. We have worked hard to bring people an entertainer that should make them fall off their seats.”

Will Pushpa be able to save herself from the kidnappers in Sony SAB's Pushpa Impossible?

CHANDIGARH : Sony SAB's Pushpa Impossible narrates the remarkable story of Pushpa (Karuna Pandey), a single mother, who embarks on an extraordinary journey to establish a life of respect and honor for herself and her children. Her unwavering determination and bravery serve as a beacon of inspiration, not just for her kids but also for those in her vicinity.

In the previous episodes, Pushpa's family convinces her to not let go of her tiffin business and delegate the responsibility, she thus decides to continue her tiffin service with the help of the Bapodra chawl ladies. Now in the coming episodes, Pushpa decides to go to Raanki during the Janmashtami festival and convince the women weavers there to join her in her entrepreneurial journey of making Patola. While they are on their way, Pushpa and two other women get kidnapped by mysterious people. Pushpa feels helpless and clueless as to what is happening and wonders who can be behind this.

Who is the person behind Pushpa's kidnapping? Will she be able to save herself?

Karuna Pandey, who plays the character of Pushpa, said, “As an actor playing Pushpa on-screen allows me to experience many situations and emotions which one goes through in life. While on her journey to set up her Patola venture, Pushpa ends up getting kidnapped. This will definitely leave the viewers shocked as they will see some intense and thrilling moments coming up in the story.”



Yogesh Tripathi captures life's memories in photo albums!

CHANDIGARH : Today, people often grab selfies using fancy phone filters and share them on social media. But the actor, Yogesh Tripathi, believes there is something special about old-fashioned photos that digital ones can't capture. On World Photography Day, Yogesh, who essays 'Daroga Happu Singh' in &TV's Happu Ki Ultan Paltan, shares his fondness for preserving cherished memories through the timeless art of old-fashioned photography. He lovingly crafts exquisite photo albums, carefully maintaining the highlights of his life's journey. Over time, Yogesh has cultivated a delightful tradition of capturing the precious moments of his children's growth, from their first breaths and tentative steps to their triumphant achievements in school. Gazing back at his upbringing, a time when photographs were scarce, the actor reiterates that these captivating compilations not only revive memories but also allow him to fully reexperience the heartfelt emotions they encompass.

Talking about his love for capturing moments, Yogesh, aka Doroga Happu Singh,



exclaims, “Photography is an art of keen observation – a journey of uncovering captivating elements within ordinary surroundings. It's a revelation extending beyond mere sight, delving into how we perceive our surroundings. In today's age, the quest for the perfect picture often consumes us, from meticulously selecting backgrounds to applying the right filters. As an actor, I, too, am attuned to this approach. However, I embrace an old-fashioned sentiment, prioritising capturing memories over picture-perfect moments. I vividly recall catching the nine-month journey of my wife's pregnancy, a



cherished chapter lovingly preserved within my photo album. From my toddler's first tentative stand to my son's proud moment of crafting a sandwich for school, each snapshot signifies a treasured milestone. Every life moment allows one to freeze time, ensuring no precious moment slips unnoticed. Seeing my son's school achievements immortalised in photographs fills me with an overwhelming sense of pride. This photo album is a vibrant narrative of my life's odyssey, an evocative journey through the corridors of memory.

Mohit Raina on working with Anupam Kher : “I feel lucky”



A man on an extraction mission, a young girl held captive in a war-torn hostile environment of Syria, how will she escape this world of death? Disney+ Hotstar is all set to release the biggest extraction series of the year, ‘The Freelancer’. The series is based on the book - A Ticket to Syria by Shirish Thorat, directed by Bhav Dhulia, produced by Friday Storytellers and Neeraj Pandey is the Creator and Showrunner. Set to release on September 1, 2023 on Disney+ Hotstar, The Freelancer is helmed by popular actor Mohit Raina and veteran actor Anupam Kher along with Kashmiri Pardeshi. The series also features talented actors like Sushant Singh, John Kokken, Gauri Balaji and Navneet Malik, Manjiri Faddnis, Sarah Jane Dias amongst others. When actors work together, they share a great camaraderie on-set. One such duo is Mohit Raina and Anupam Kher. Mohit learnt a lot from the evergreen Anupam Kher on The Freelancer and was all praises for him. Talking about this, Mohit Raina said, “Though Anupam sir is a legend for actors like me, he doesn't like to be called one. Getting to work with him is obviously a great opportunity, I feel lucky. You always learn from a senior even just by observing them.” Witness the mission of ‘The Freelancer’ to save Aliya, September 1, 2023 onwards, only on Disney+ Hotstar.

Filmmaker Robbie Grewal opens up about casting Tamannaah Bhatia and Abhishek Banerjee in a spine-chilling thriller - Aakhri Sach



One Night, one family, multiple deaths, an investigating officer and various theories! Disney+ Hotstar announced their upcoming investigative thriller ‘Aakhri Sach’, inspired by true events. The series will open many mysteries and delve into the lives of each character. Produced by Nirvikar Films, directed by Robbie Grewal, and written by Saurav Dey, Aakhri Sach will stream from August 25, 2023 exclusively on Disney+ Hotstar. ‘Aakhri Sach’ takes you on an emotional journey with a talented ensemble of Tamannaah Bhatia, Abhishek Banerjee, Shivin Nang, Danish Iqbal, Nishu Dikshit, Kriti Vij and Sanjeev Chopra. Set against the backdrop of simmering tension, the series will have you on the edge of your seat!

For actors to expand their horizon, they need impactful stories that push their boundaries. A show like Aakhri Sach that is inspired by the events that shook the nation required faces that could bring that effect on screen. National Award winner Robbie Grewal opens up about his thoughts behind casting Tamannaah Bhatia as an intense cop and Abhishek Banerjee as an emotionally complex character. Talking about the same, director Robbie Grewal said, “As storytellers, we all yearn to go beyond the obvious, get actors to play parts which they have never played before. With Tamannaah, I did just that. As far as casting Tamannaah and Abhishek Banerjee, it was pretty straight forward; I met them, they loved the material and they were on. Tamannaah has done such glamorous roles in big films with big stars but here I have presented Tamannaah very differently with a character that goes against the grain of what she has typically done in the past. All in all, she is a wonderful performer who surrenders to the character she is playing. And Abhishek Banerjee... What a talent! I had been seeing his work and wanted to work with him. When we finished writing the show, we instinctively felt Abhishek would be perfect for this, and he was.”

Royal Stag Boombox in partnership with Viacom18 unveils their third original song ‘Mohabbat’

CHANDIGARH : Royal Stag Boombox, in collaboration with Viacom18, is all set to bring a completely new genre of music where the melody of Bollywood meets the gully of hip hop creating the original sound of generation large. Music evokes

emotions in people across generations, making it a significant passion pillar for Seagram's Royal Stag. In this modern era, the younger audience is more inclined towards exploring exciting new forms of music.

Celebrating the spirit of ‘Living it Large’ and having enthralled thousands of music lovers in Manipal, Bhubaneswar, Pune, Indore & Dehradun with its unique on-ground experiences, Royal Stag Boombox enters its next phase with launch of 4 original music tracks. The third original music track to be released is a unique collaboration between music maestro, Amit Trivedi and the punky rapper SlowCheeta. The new song ‘Mohabbat’ reinforces our belief in the most powerful emotion ever known to us - LOVE. Amit Trivedi plays the love guru (philosopher) and coaxes a nervous fresher, SlowCheeta, to express his love freely. This song is a perfect blend of Desi melody and Hip-Hop beats and showcases the different phases of falling in love. It's the third original song under the series of Melody x Hip Hop music tracks to be released across platforms, as part of Royal Stag Boombox's unique, phygital format. Rapper SlowCheeta shared, “Royal Stag Boombox is an incredible platform where artists like us can come together to collaborate and express ourselves. The opportunity to work with an icon like Amit Trivedi and create something as special as this track is priceless. I am going to cherish this for a long time.” Music composer and singer Amit Trivedi added “I had a lot of fun making Mohabbat with SlowCheeta. It's a lovely song that captures the entertaining vibe of Bollywood music combined with the energy of rap. Royal Stag Boombox is doing a great job bringing such fresh new sounds to the audience.”



Dhruv's life takes an intriguing turn after Maharaj's murder in Sony SAB's Dhruv Tara



CHANDIGARH : Sony SAB's captivating time-travel romance drama ‘Dhruv Tara - Samay Sadi Se Pare’, starring Ishaan Dhawan as Dhruv and Riya Sharma as Tara, continues to enthral viewers with its engaging storyline and unexpected twists, leaving the audience eagerly hooked. Dhruv's recent discovery about his father's identity has shattered his relationship with Tara, as he believes she and her family intentionally concealed the truth. Despite Tara's persistent efforts to explain her side of the story, Dhruv remains unconvinced, leading to heated conflicts between the once inseparable couple. This week, the series takes an intense turn as Dhruv finds himself at the center of a shocking murder investigation involving Maharaj (Yash Tonk). As misunderstandings escalate, the growing distance between Dhruv and Tara becomes apparent, pushing them towards the brink of chaos. With each passing moment, they continue to struggle with challenges that could separate them. Will Dhruv be able to prove his innocence and mend the broken bond with Tara, or will this tragedy forever alter their lives? Viewers can't help but anticipate the intriguing drama that lies ahead in this narrative.

