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Money laundering case: Farooq Abdullah again skips ED summons

SRINAGAR: For the second time in the last one month, National Conference (NC) President and Member of Parliament Farooq Abdullah on Tuesday skipped the summons of the Enforcement Directorate (ED) in a money laundering case. The 86-year-old Abdullah was asked to appear before the ED office in Srinagar today. Official sources said that, the NC President informed the ED that he was not in Srinagar and therefore will not be able to appear in the case. On January 11, he had skipped the ED summon on health grounds. The agency had questioned the former Chief Minister several times in connection with the case. The case relates to alleged siphoning off the funds of the Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association.

Ashok Chavan joins BJP after quitting Cong

MUMBAI: Former Maharashtra Chief Minister Ashok Chavan joined the Bharatiya Janata Party at the party's office in Mumbai on Tuesday. Deputy Chief Minister Devendra Fadnis, party leader Ashish Shelar and Maharashtra BJP president Chandrashekhar Bawankule were also present at the occasion. Former Congress MLC Amar Rajurkar, who resigned from the party on Monday, also joined the BJP today. Asserting to make a new change in his 38-year political career Chavan said, "Today, I am making a new change in my 38 years of politics by joining BJP. To join the country's development journey under the leadership of Prime Minister Modi." "I will ensure that the BJP gets the full benefit of my experience and understanding in politics. After leaving Congress, some people criticized me, some people also supported me, some people also made different comments.

Rahul Gandhi assures support to farmers; announces legal guarantee of MSP

NEW DELHI: Amid farmers' 'Delhi Chalo' march towards the National Capital to press for their demands, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi announced on Tuesday that the party, if voted to power, will give a legal guarantee of Minimum Support Price (MSP) to every farmer as per Swaminathan Commission. In a post on X, Rahul said "Farmer brothers, today is a historic day! Congress has decided to give a legal guarantee of MSP to every farmer on crops as per the Swaminathan Commission. This step will change the lives of 15 crore farmer families by ensuring their prosperity. This is the first guarantee of Congress on the path of justice." Congress National President Mallikarjun Kharge slammed the Central government and said that the "dictatorial Modi government" is hell-bent on curbing the voice of farmers!

Chaos at Shambhu border Farmers break barricades, tear gas used



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The meeting of the farmers' leaders with the Central Government Ministers was inconclusive, after which the farmers left for Delhi on Tuesday.

Farmers tried to break the barricade at the Shambhu border, after which the Haryana police fired tear gas shells and a stampede broke out among the people.

The purpose of the Farmers' March to Delhi is to implement the recommendations of the Swaminathan Commission, apart from the legal guarantee of Minimum Support Price (MSP), Pension for farmers and farm workers, waiver

of Farm Loans, police withdrawal of registered cases, relief to Lakhimpuri victims, etc.

The farmers are demanding 'Justice', reinstatement of the Land Acquisition Act 2013, and compensation for the families of farmers killed during the previous Kissan Bills Agitation.

The protesting farmers were seen attempting to break the multi-layered barricades using their tractors and hand weapons.

Scenes of chaos filled the Shambhu border as the police tried to stop the protestors from entering the national capital.

Visuals from the border showed farmers running to

wards nearby farmland on the sides of the road as police fired tear gas and water cannons to disperse the protestors.

Farmers also faced tear gas shells and water cannons as police tried to stop large groups from entering Haryana through the Khanauri border in Jind district on Tuesday.

Earlier in the day, farmers participating in the 'Delhi Chalo' march to press the Centre to accept their demands, including the enactment of a law guaranteeing minimum support price for crops, faced similar police action at the Shambhu border in Haryana's Ambala.

The demonstrators claimed that a farmer was in-

jured in the tear gas shell firing at the Data Singhwala-Khanauri border. To ensure law and order, Delhi police have already enforced Section 144, restricting entry of tractor trolleys and large assemblies. DCP Dwarka Ankit Singh said, "Secc 144 CrPc is imposed in the city, tractor trolleys are not allowed in the city. Social media monitoring has also been done. Drone is an effective tool for security monitoring, we will use it"

Meanwhile, the Delhi-Noida-Delhi (DND) road witnessed heavy vehicular traffic from Noida towards Delhi following multi-layered barricading at the borders to restrict the protesting farmers from entering

Resolve issue amicably": HC

Hearing two differing petitions on farmers not being able to exercise their right to protest and the inconvenience caused to the people by their 'Delhi Chalo' march, the Punjab and Haryana High Court has called for an amicable settlement by all parties and said that law and order should be maintained. The court has sought a status report on the protest -- which has resulted in chaos on the borders between Punjab and Haryana, Delhi and Haryana and a traffic mess on the Delhi-UP border -- from the Centre and the governments of Punjab and Haryana. It has also made the Delhi government a party to the petitions and will hear its side during the next hearing on Thursday.

the national capital. Earlier in the day, Punjab Kisan Mazdoor Sangharsh Committee General Secretary Sarwan Singh Pandher said that all ef-

forts were made in the meeting to find a solution to avoid a confrontation with the government adding that they anticipated a positive result.

Traffic diversions cause inconvenience to villagers along border

NEW DELHI: As agitating farmers head to the national capital, villagers residing along the border with Haryana are facing inconvenience, with tight security arrangements and traffic diversions making daily commuting difficult. Many are also worried about possible face-off between protesters and police on the heavily barricaded entry roads.

Main accused in killing of two Punjab workers arrested in JK

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Days after two workers from Punjab were killed in a targeted attack here, J&K Police on Tuesday said that the main accused in the case has been arrested. Inspector General of Police, Kashmir Vidhi Kumar Birdi said the main accused Adil Manzoor Langoo of Zaldager in Srinagar, who was involved in the terror attack

has been arrested and the weapon used in the crime has been seized. On February 7, evening unknown terrorists opened fire on two persons at ShallaKadal and Shaheed Gunj in Srinagar in which Amritpal Singh of Chamaryari in Punjab succumbed to his injuries on the spot. Another person Rohit Masi also from the same village succumbed to his injuries the next day morning at SKIMS Soura here.

AAP offers one seat in Delhi to Congress, names candidates in Goa, Gujarat

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The INDIA bloc has been virtually confined to the history books, after the RLD walked out of the alliance in UP it was turn of the AAP to snub the Congress in Delhi. On Tuesday the Aam Aadmi Party offered the Congress Party a single Lok Sabha seat in Delhi. This is contrary to earlier reports that had suggested a 3-4 formula be-

tween Congress and AAP in Delhi.

Further, AAP MP Sandeep Pathak said that even though the Congress party does not merit even a single seat in Delhi, in the spirit of alliance, the AAP party is willing to offer one seat.

The AAP plans to field candidates in the remaining six seats in Delhi, Pathak added.

"You must have seen in the Delhi elections that the

Congress party has zero seats in the Lok Sabha, zero seats in the Vidhan Sabha, and in the MCD elections, out of 250, only 9 seats have come to the Congress party. If you look at this data on a merit basis, the Congress party does not get a single seat, according to this data. But data is not important; keeping in mind the dharma of the alliance and the respect of the Congress party, we offer them one seat.

AIIMS Jhajjar ready to provide cancer treatment at affordable cost

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The National Cancer Institute of All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) at Jhajjar is ready to provide high-end treatment for cancer patients at an affordable cost.

The hospital is charging Rs 140 per day for food and day-care facilities and Rs 700 for therapy. The hospital has completed its first phase and is ready to provide state-of-the-art facilities.

Dr Alok Thakar, who is a Professor of Otolaryngology and Head-Neck Surgery, at AIIMS, said, "This is a futuris-



tic cancer institution which is developed for every individual cancer patient with an India-centric focus. We have facilities for all cancer cases, to-

tally state of the art as it is for radiation for medical oncology, for surgery. Our team with surgeons, medical oncologists, radiation therapists every-

body we have more importantly facilities for the care of patients." "We have the lab which was donated to us by the Infosys foundation wherein we have the facilities for patients to stay in this hospital when they are having their treatment with their families," Dr Thakar added. Highlighting that the hospital is getting community support also for blood donation, Thakar said, "We are a unique hospital from the point of view that though cancer treatment can require a fair amount of blood requirements when patients need to be transfused blood. Our local community has supported us so well that rarely

do the families of the patients have to donate blood." "The donations that we get from our local community are so good, obviously supported by the enthusiasm of our colleagues who have been motivating them and it is very unusual for patients to need to donate blood for their relatives. They can focus on the care of their relatives and we look after the other aspects," he added. Referring to the beds operationalised in hospital, he said, "We are currently operationalized to phase one, it was decided that this institution would be operationalized in phases, we have operationalized phase one.

PM Modi holds bilateral talks with UAE President

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi and UAE President Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan held a bilateral meeting, and several Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) were exchanged in their presence here on Tuesday.

"Brother, firstly, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to you for your warm welcome. We have met five times in the last seven months, which is very rare. I have also got the opportunity to come here seven times... the way we have progressed in every field, there is a joint partnership between India and UAE in every field," said PM Modi in the meeting with the UAE President. External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar, National Security Advisor Ajit Doval, and Foreign Secretary Vinay Kwatra were among the Indian delegations present in the meeting.

Earlier, upon his arrival at airport, PM Modi was welcomed by UAE President Al Nahyan. The two leaders shook hands and hugged each other.



Indian diaspora gives warm welcome to PM in Abu Dhabi

ABU DHABI: Chants of "Modi Hai Toh Mumkin Hai" and "Ahlam Modi" resonated through the air as the Indian diaspora gathered in Abu Dhabi expressed their fervent excitement after meeting Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The atmosphere outside the hotel, where PM Modi will stay, echoed with chants of "Har Har Modi-Ghar Ghar Modi," reflecting the anticipation among the gathered crowd.

Lost and Found

I Rani Parmar W/o Hawa Singh R/o Ward No 5, Near Ganesh Mandir Assandh Distt. Karnal declare that I lost my original sale deed no 13184, Dated 20/02/2006, Kamal of R.K Puram, Gali no 8 Kamal on the date of 13/07/2023 at Kamal by pass. If anyone finds please contact me at above address.

PUBLIC NOTICES

I Manjeet Kaur W/o Guranditta Singh R/o Giddarbaha, Distt. Sri Muktsar Sahib have declare that before marriage my name in parents house was Bhuro and one FDR was conducted at State Bank of Patiala, Branch Kotbhai in my said name Bhuro. After marriage I changed my name to Manjeet Kaur. Bhuro and Manjeet Kaur are both my names and I am the only woman with both names.

I, Dalvir Kaur W/o Bahader Singh R/o Vill: Kalar Majri Teh-Nabha (Patiala) declare that in my husband Passport No. K1028467 my name wrongly entered Dalbir Kaur. But my correct name is Dalvir Kaur. So amended my name from Dalbir Kaur to Dalvir Kaur in my husband Passport.

I Amrit Lal S/o Piere Lal Previously R/o Vill Chhetran, Po Beedarwal, Teh.Haroli, UNA, Himachal Pradesh, Pin:176601 as per Passport No. L1974782 have changed to Present R/o Oladni, Mahitpur, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, Punjab, Pin:- 144521.

I Jaswinder Singh S/o Krishan Singh R/o Sekhupur Khudal Teh Budhlada Distt Mansa declare that in my son Sehajpreet Singh's school certificate and school records my son name wrongly entered as Sehaj Mogga, but my son correct name is Sehajpreet Singh. So amended my son's name from Sehaj Mogga to Sehajpreet Singh in my son's school certificate and School records.

I, Jagjit Kaur W/o Gurtej Singh R/o Vill: Lout Teh-Nabha (Patiala) declare that my Passport No. G-9628493 my name wrongly entered Jagjeet Kaur Sohah. But my correct name is Jagjit Kaur. So amended my name from Jagjeet Kaur Sohah to Jagjit Kaur in my Passport.

I, hitherto known as Dharm Singh Son of Boota Singh R/o Village Ghanshampur, post office chananke, tehsil baba bakala, distt amritsar, punjab, 143114. Have Changed My Name and Shall Hereafter Be Known As Dharam Singh. It is Certified That I Have Complied with Other Legal Requirements in this Connection.

I, hitherto known as Harpreet Singh Malhi S/o Bachitar Singh R/o Near Gurudwara Baba Jiwan Singh, Vpo Alam Wala, Tehsil Bagha Purana, Distt Moga, Punjab, 142038. Have Changed My Name and Shall Hereafter Be Known As Harpreet Singh. It is Certified That I Have Complied with Other Legal Requirements in this Connection.

I, Hitherto Known as Lakhwinder Singh Arora S/o Kuldip Singh R/o Old Sarswati College, Mahavir Park, Vpo Jaito, Tehsil Jaito, Distt Faridkot, Punjab, 151202. Have Changed My Name and Shall Hereafter Be Known As Lakhwinder Singh. It is Certified That I Have Complied with Other Legal Requirements in this Connection.

I, Hitherto Known As Jagjit Singh S/O Mehar Singh R/O Bariwala, Tehsil Bariwala, Distt Sri Muktsar Sahib, Punjab, 152025. Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Jagjit Singh Makkar. It Is Certified That I Have Complied With Other Legal Requirements In This Connection.

I Jasbir Gir s/o Bachna gir R/o near Guga Mari Kansal SAS Nagar Mohali have Changed my name from Jasbir Girt to Jasvir Gir.

I, Mukhtiar Ram S/O Chura Ram R/O Vill. Chahal Khurd, P.O. Kumam, Distt. Nawanshahr (SBS Nagar), PIN: 144513, Punjab, India., Presently residing at Elenis 22, Tavras, Athens 17778, Greece., have changed my name to: Mukhtiar, Surname: Ram. please note.

I, Sukhwinder Kaur D/O Mohinder Ram W/O Mukhtiar Ram, R/O VPO. Chahal Khurd, Distt. SBS Nagar, PIN: 144513, Punjab, India., Presently residing at Elenis 22, Tavras, Athens 17778, Greece., have changed my name to: Name: Sukhwinder, Surname: Kaur. please note

I SURINDER KUMAR @ SURINDER TULSIJA S/O AMAR NATH R/O H.NO. 2159, K.S.M Road, Rajpura, Distt Patiala Declare That SURINDER KUMAR @ SURINDER TULSIJA Is One Of The Same Person

I Sarbjeet Singh Pahwa S/o Sh. Bhopinder Singh Pahwa R/o House No. 180-A, Opposite Bal Vikas, Virat Nagar, Panipat Declare That Sarbjeet Singh S/o Sarbjeet Singh Pahwa both are the names of one and same person.

I, Harish Chander S/o Diwan Chand Chawla R/o 1386/11 , Kurukshetra Road , Model Town , Kaithal District Kaithal (Haryana) Have Changed my Name from Harish Chander to Harish Chander Chawla. Concerned Please Note.

I, Usha Kumari W/o Harish Chander Chawla R/o 1386/11 , Kurukshetra Road , Model Town , Kaithal District Kaithal (Haryana) Have Changed my Name from Usha Kumari to Usha Kumari Chawla. Concerned Please Note.

I am Gurmial Singh Alias Gurmial Singh alias Gurmial Singh S/O Bant Singh R/o VPO Mullowal, Tehsil Dhuri Distt Sangrur Declare that I know with the name of Gurmial Singh alias Gurmial Singh. Both names are mine Gurmial Singh alias Gurmial Singh is a same person. Concerned Note

I, MAYA DEVI is legally wedded spouse of No 15565287L Rank HAV Name RANJIT resident of Vill. Siroliya, Teh & Distt. Dewas (MP)- have changed my name from MAYA DEVI to MAYABAI MALVIYA vide affidavit dated 12-02-2024 Before Notary Public District Courts Bathinda

I, Service No. 15341297M Rank HAV Name Amar Nath S/O Kapil Dev R/o Vill Kanaila Khas Post Kanaila Khas Bahadur Pur Teh & Distt. Basti State UP-272301, Declare that in my service record my Mother name is Phoolmati Devi & DOB 08.07.1960 mentioned erroneously. Correct name of my Mother is Fulamati & DOB 01-01-1955 as per Aadhar Card

I, Hitherto Known as Lakhwinder Singh Arora S/o Kuldip Singh R/o Old Sarswati College, Mahavir Park, Vpo Jaito, Tehsil Jaito, Distt Faridkot, Punjab, 151202. Have Changed My Name and Shall Hereafter Be Known As Lakhwinder Singh. It is Certified That I Have Complied with Other Legal Requirements in this Connection.

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I hitherto know as Alpna Mahajan w/o Rakesh Mahajan ward no 7 Arun Nagar Post Office Sujanpur Tehsil & Distt Pathankot Punjab 145023 have changed My name and shall hereafter be known as Alpna

I Bindu Devi Is Legally wedded spouse of number 17006870M Rank Nk Name Abhay Kumar Rai Of Unit 422 (i) Engrs Sqn c/o 56 Apo presently residing at vill:Deputy Ganj Po Nil Matha Tehsil. Sadar Distt. Lucknow State(UP) Declare that i have change my Name From Bindu Devi To Vindu Devi vide affidavit No. IN-PB85220674438690W Dated-12-02-2024 before notary Pathankot, Punjab.

I Jagdish Kumar Pahwa S/o Sh. Sommath, R/o H. No 34, Jyoti Nagar, Opp. Sacred Heart Convent School, Jagadhri, yamunanagar, Haryana that I have changed my Name from Jagdish kumar Pahwa to Jagdish Pahwa.

I, Kamlesh W/O Pawan Kumar R/O VPO Alahar Tehsil Radaur Distt Yamuna Nagar do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that my old name is KAMLESH and I want to change my name to KAMLESH DEVI.

I hitherto known as NACCHATAR KAUW W/O Mewa Schulz R/O Village Mangat PO Pharala Nawanshahr Punjab-144503 have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as MANPREET KAUR.

I Priya w/o Sourav Sourav R/O Patti Bahodipur, VPO. Virk, Teh. Phillaur, distt jalandhar, Punjab after marriage I have change my name priya to priya kaur. All note.

I, Pratham S/o Sukhwinder Kumar R/O VPO Badla Teh. Dasuya Distt: Hoshiarpur, Teh. Dasuya, Distt: Hoshiarpur. (Pb) have Changed my name from Pratham to Pratham Attri. All Concerned please note

I, Pooja W/o Sunny Kumar , R/o- Vpo Chhokran, Tehsil Phillaur, Distt Jalandhar, Punjab (India) Declare That I Have Changed My Name Pooja To Pooja Bashal . All Concerned Please Note.

It is certified that I Tripta Devi had changed my name from Tripta Devi to Tripta Chauhan and my date of birth is 16 Jan 1958.

I Army No JC-170763H Sub Major (Hony Capt) Kishori Lal (Retired), certified that my wife Tripta Devi had changed her name from Tripta Devi to Tripta Chauhan and her date of birth is 16 Jan 1958.

I SAJJAN SINGH PARIHAR NO.15621250Y Rank - NK, is presently residing at VPO- SIKARI VYAS, Distt. JALAUN (UP), PIN- 285223 do hereby declare that in my army documents my father name is wrongly mentioned as Gajendra singh Parihar. which is incorrect. His correct name is Gajendra singh. Please note.

I, No 4484066L Ex Sep Lakhwinder Singh R/o Village Hakamwala, Tehsil Budhlada, Distt Mansa has changed my minor daughter's name from Agamnoor to Agamnoor Kaur.

I, No 4484066L Ex Sep Lakhwinder Singh R/o Village Hakamwala, Tehsil Budhlada, Distt Mansa has changed my minor daughter's name from Ekamnoor to Ekamnoor Kaur.

I, No 4484066L Ex Sep Lakhwinder Singh R/o Village Hakamwala, Tehsil Budhlada, Distt Mansa has changed my minor daughter's name from Ekamnoor to Ekamnoor Kaur.

I, Nandini D/o Sh Parveen Gupta R/o H. No. 44 Piplwala Town, Manimajra Chandigarh have changed my name Nandini to Nandini Gupta. All Concerned please noted.

I, Meenakshi Devi W/o Sh. Satish R/o village Sagga Distt Karnal. That I have changed my name from Meenakshi Devi to Meenakshi. In future I should be known and recognized by The name of Meenakshi.

I, Gurmit Kaur W/o Kuldeep Singh R/o VPO Sainsra Kalan Tehsil Ajnala Amritsar have Changed my name to Gurmeet Kaur

I, Swarn singh Dhotian S/o Tara singh R/o 1044, new partap nagar G.T Road Amritsar have changed my name from Swam Singh Dhotian to Swarn Singh

I, Vishal Bhasker S/o Joginder Pal Bhaskar R/o Hno-55 Green Field Majitha Road Amritsar Have Changed My Name From Vishal Bhasker To Vishal Bhaskar All Concerned May Please Note.

I, Kawaljeet Kaur W/o Amanpreet Singh R/o Village Bhakna Khurd Po Bhakna Kalan Amritsar I Change My Kawaljit Kaur To Kawaljeet Kaur

I, Mandip Kaur W/o Manpreet Singh R/o Hno 25-b New Tej Nagar Sultanwind Road Amritsar Have Changed My Name To Mandeep Kaur.

I Hitherto Known As Sukhpal Singh Sohah S/o Gurnam Singh Sohah R/o Block Verka, Vallah, Distt. Amritsar- 143501, Punjab, Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Sukhpal Singh

I hitherto known as DALJIT SINGH SANDHU S/O PIARA SINGH R/O PLOT NO.7, GALI NO.1, NEW RANJITPURA, DISTT. AMRITSAR, PUNJAB, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as DALJIT SINGH

I hitherto known as HARPREET KAUR W/O DALJEET SINGH R/O H.NO.831, GALI NO.9, MOHNI PARK, SATGURU RAM SINGH COLONY, DISTT. AMRITSAR, PUNJAB, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as DALJEET KAUR.

I hitherto known as PRABHA SHARMA D/o KESHAV CHANDER SHARMA W/O KARANGROVER R/O HNO. 131, GALI GURUDWARE WALLI, HUSSAINPURA WEST DISTT. AMRITSAR-143001, PUNJAB have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as PIYAGROVER.

I hitherto known as RESHAM W/o O M PARKASH MEHRA R/O 4807/2, SHASTRI NAGAR, DISTT. AMRITSAR, PUNJAB, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as RESHMA MEHRA.

I hitherto known as BABLI D/o KALA SINGH R/o NEAR FCI OFFICE, BUDHLADA, DISTT. MANSA-151022, PUNJAB, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as MANREET KAUR.

I hitherto known as KANWALJEET SINGH ALIAS KANWARJEET SINGH S/o HARBHAJAN SINGH R/o 226, MAJITHA ROAD BYEPASS, GREEN LAND AVENUE, DISTT AMRITSAR, PUNJAB, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as KANWARJIT SINGH.

I, Atpadkar Droupadi M/o name Atpadkar Chandrakant Hanmanmta Presently RESIDING OF AT/PO C H A B U K S W A R A D I CHABUKSWARWADI SALGARE SANGLI Maharashtra-416418 INDIA declare that I have Changed my name from Atpadkar Droupadi to Atpadkar Droupadi Hanmanata vide affidavit No. IN-PB85411354234081W dated 13-02-2024 best before Notary Public Amritsar

I, Manjit Kour W/o Manmohan Singh R/o 106B , Lawrence Road Amritsar have Changed my name Manjit Kour to Manjit Kaur allnoteit

I Preetam Kour Mother of No. 18001117A SPR Chatar Singh (Unit-236 ENGR REGT) S/o Sh. Ajit Singh R/o Village Dera Santpura (Lukhi) Post office - Lukhi, Tehsil Thanesar Distt Kurukshetra(Haryana), Pin code- 136119 have changed my name & date of birth from Preetam Kour (D.O.B 05 Sept 1962) to Preetam Kaur (D.O.B 07 April 1961) Vide Affidavit Before 1st class magistrate, Thanesar, Kurukshetra.

I Kuldip Kaur W/o Gurpreet Singh R/o #6274, Surjeet Singh Wali Gali, Ward No. 35, Bathinda, Punjab have changed my name to Kuldeep Kaur.

I Lucky S/o Dharm Pal Vpo. Bharta Khurd Teh. Nawanshahr, Distt. SBS Nagar, have add my name Lucky Dehar, Dehar my surname.

I Varinder Singh Sidhu S/o Gurdev Singh, R/o Siroywala (Bathinda) have changed my Name to Varinder Singh.

I Dimple Singh S/o Pargat Singh, R/o Jangiana (Barnala) have changed my Name to Dimple Singh Gill.

I, Kamaldeep Kaur W/o Jagdeep Singh Gondara R/o Jalal (Bathinda) have changed my name as Kamaldeep Kaur Gondara.

I Baljeet Kaur W/o Avtar Singh R/o Ward No. 12 Patti, Tehsil Patti (Tarn Taran) have changed my name from Baljeet Kaur to Baljit Kaur.

I Baldev Singh S/o Balbir Singh R/o Village Kairon Tehsil Patti District Tarn Taran have changed my name from Baldev Singh to Baldev as my Given name and Singh as my Surname.

I Baljinder Singh S/o Lakhbir Singh R/o Village Lakhna Tehsil Patti District Tarn Taran have changed my name from Baljinder Singh to Baljinder as my Given name and Singh as my Surname.

I Rajesh Kumar S/o Subhash Chander Kalra R/o H.No.7693/1B/3, St.No.16, ATI Road, New Guru Angad Colony, Ludhiana, 141003 have changed my name to Rajesh Kumar Kalra.

I Kamaljeet Kaur W/o Maghar Singh R/o Jalal (Bathinda) have changed my name to Kanwaljit Kaur.

I Lakhvir Pal Kaur W/o Surjeet Singh Brar R/o H No 856, Ward No 06, Gali No 03, Dosanjh Road, Apex Colony, Moga I want to changed my name Lakhvir Pal Kaur to Lakhvir Pal Kaur Brar.

I, Rupinder Kaur Chahal W/o Bhalwinder Singh R/o Village Gobindpura (Sangrur), Punjab, I Have Change my Name Rupinder Kaur Chahal to Rupinder Kaur.

I, Bhalwinder Singh Chahal S/o Kamail Singh R/o Village Gobindpura (Sangrur), Punjab, I Have Change my Name Bhalwinder Singh Chahal to Bhalwinder Singh.

I Karmjit Kaur W/o Mohan Singh Village Kanganwal Tehsil Ahmedgarh District Malerkotla have changed my name Karmjit Kaur to Karmjeet Kaur.

I Seema Rani W/o Lubhaiya Ram R/o Vpo Lakhpur Teh Banga (SBS Nagar) have changed the name of my minor son from Jaskaran to Jaskaran Chopra.

I Kamal S/o Raj Kumar R/o Vill Patti Akalpur Malsian Jalandhar have changed my name to Kamal Kumar.

I Akashdeep S/o Raj Kumar R/o Guru Teg Bhadur Nagar Nawanshahr have changed my name to Akashdeep Kumar.

I, Jesvinder Kaur W/o Kashmira Singh R/o Vpo. Alangir (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Jaswinder Kaur.

I, Krishan Dev S/o Sh. Nanak Chand R/o Vpo: Samundra Teh- Garhshankar, Distt. Hoshiarpur, Punjab India, I have change my name spelling from Krishan Devi to Krishan Dev.

I, Jaswinder Kaur W/o Manjit Kumar R/o Vpo. Kulam Teh- Nawanshahr (SBS Nagar) have changed my minor son name from Zoil to Zoil Kumar.

I, Suraj S/o Amarjit R/o 185, Mohalla Kayian Nawanshahr (SBS Nagar) have changed my minor daughter name from Nandini to Nandini Rani.

I, Suraj S/o Amarjit R/o 185, Mohalla Kayian Nawanshahr (SBS Nagar) have changed my minor son name from Garv to Garv Mehra.

I, Darshan Singh Sidhu S/o Gurtej Singh R/o #22772 St.No. 11/8 Guru Arjan Dev Nagar Power House Road (Bathinda) have changed my name to Darshan Singh.

I, Gurmeet Kaur Sidhu S/o Darshan Singh R/o #22772 St.No. 11/8 Guru Arjan Dev Nagar Power House Road (Bathinda) have changed my name to Gurmeet Kaur.

I, Krishan Kumar Garg S/o Radhe Sham R/o H.No. MCBZ5-05932 St.No. 10/5A Guru Gobind Singh Nagar (Bathinda) have changed my name to Krishan Kumar.

I, Sukinder Singh R/o Village Kharauri, PO - Roorki, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib changed my minor daughter's name Ravneet Kaur Jhinger to Ravneet Kaur.

I, Surjeet Singh Devgun S/O Onkar Singh R/O Hno. 2721, Ward Number 12, Mohalla Azad Nagar Shahkot Distt. Jalandhar Have Changed My Minor Daughter Name Deepjot Kaur To Deepjot Kaur Devgun.

I, Simran D/o Resham Singh R/o Vill: Talwandi Chaudhrian Teh-Sultanpur Lodhi (Kapurthala) Punjab, India, have changed my name from Simran to Simran Kaur.

I, Gurinderjit Singh/Gurinderjeet Singh S/o Avtar Singh R/o H.No.34 Guru Nanak Nagar W.No.2 Ahmedgarh Distt Malerkotla have changed my name to Gurinderjeet Singh Dhillon.

I Samuel John S/o Geja Singh R/o Changliwala, Distt. Sangrur (PB) have changed my name Samuel John to Sukhmander Singh.

I, Narinder Kumar Kaul S/o Hans Raj R/o H.No. 2301 Mohalla Ravidass Pura Nakodar (Jalandhar) Punjab, India, have changed my name from Narinder Kumar to Narinder Kumar Kaul.

I hitherto known as Veena Rani W/o Sh. Jagdev Singh R/o Vill Jhonowal, Po Garhi Mansowal, Teh Garhshankar, District Hoshiarpur, Punjab-144523, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Veena Kumari.

I, Vipra W/o Manoj Kumar R/o H.No.G-4/143 St.No.9-1/2 Santokh Nagar Shivpuri, Ludhiana Changed Name Vipra Juneja.

I, Sukhwinder Pal S/o Madan Lal R/o 24772A Gali No. 5 Baba Deep Singh Nagar (Bathinda) have changed my name to Sukhwinder Pal Sharma.

I, Jaspal Singh R/o Khosa Kotla (Moga) have changed my minor son name from Damanpreet Kaur to Damanpreet Kaur Gill.

I, Ritu Arora W/o Kamal Pahwa R/o H.No. DV2/69 W.No. 10 Moh Acharjan Phillaur (Jalandhar) have changed my name to Ritu Pahwa after marriage.

I Pawanpreet Singh Grewal S/O Joginder Singh R/O Dulay Distt Ludhiana Have Changed My Name To Pawanpreet Singh.

I Harminder Singh S/O Kirpal Singh R/O Link Road, Fateh Enclave Mandi Mullanpur Distt Ludhiana Have Changed Name My Minor Daughter Mehtab Kaur To Harmandeep Kaur.

I, Neelam Rani W/O Ramesh Kumar R/O Mohalla Ajit Nagar, Near Grewal Chowk, Malerkotla Tehsil & Distt. Malerkotla have changed my name to Neelam Verma.

I, Hardeep Singh S/o Gurmial Singh R/o Vill: Rosiana (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Gurdeep Singh.

I, Kamiker Singh Khangura S/O Chamkaur Singh R/O Vill. Zirakh, Po. Lehal, Tehsil Payal, Distt. Ludhiana Have Changed Name Kamiker Singh Khangura To Kamiker Singh.

I Ramanjit Kaur Khangura W/O Kamiker Singh Khangura R/O Vill. Zirakh, Po. Lehal, Tehsil Payal, Distt. Ludhiana Have Changed Name Ramanjit Kaur Khangura To Ramanjit Kaur.

I, Jaspreet Singh Gill S/o Surjit Singh R/o Vill: Chomon Teh-Payal (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Jaspreet Singh.

I, Ravinder Kaur Gill W/o Jaspreet Singh R/o Vill: Chomon Teh-Payal (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Ravinder Kaur.

I, Gheecher Singh S/O Hari Singh R/O Patti Baharfi, Ward No. 1, Vpo. Phul, Bathinda Have Changed My Name To Mana Singh.

I Hitherto Known As Gurdip Singh S/O Basant Singh, R/O Khosa Randhir, Moga, Punjab-152028, Have Changed My Name And Shall Hereafter Be Known As Gurdeep Singh.

I, hitherto known as Jagrup Singh S/o Virsa Singh R/o Mastewala Moga, Punjab-142043, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Jagroop Singh.

I, Jagdeep Singh Tung S/O Balkar Singh Village Shahabana Ludhiana Punjab Have Change Name Jagdeep Singh Tung to Jagdeep Singh.

I hitherto known as Kulwant Singh S/o Hardev Singh, residing at Vill. Bhandal Dona, P.O. Sidhwan Dona, Distt. Kapurthala-144625, Punjab, India have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Atma Ram.

I hitherto known as Prem Lata D/o Kashmiri Lal W/o Surinder Midha, residing at E.C.269, Dhikri Muglan, Khingra Gate, Jalandhar-144001, Punjab, India have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Kajal Midha.

I Kumud D/o Parshotam Lal Sabharwal W/o Harin Dhingra R/o H.No.16, Rajinder Nagar, Near Preet Nagar, Ladowali Road, Jalandhar, Punjab-144001 changed my name From Kumud to Kumud Dhingra after marriage.

I, Sunaina W/o Dharam Pal R/o H.no. 3346/12, Vill. Gazipur PO Adampur Doaba, Jalandhar-144102, Punjab have changed my name from Sunaina to Sunaina Basra, in which given name Sunaina and Basra is my surname.

I Heena Alias Priyanka Lekhi W/O Manik Lekhi Residing At H.No.60 East End Avenue, Near Baba Makhan Shah Lubana Nagar, Jalandhar - 144014, Punjab, India. Have Changed My Name From Heena Alias Priyanka Lekhi To Priyanka Lekhi.

I Paramjeet Kaur W/o Sukhwinder Singh R/o Green City, Block C, Tehsil Samana, Distt Patiala have Changed my name to Paramjit kaur.

I, Badal S/o Rampal Shile R/o # 2266, Phase 2 Ram Darbar Chandigarh have changed my name to Badal Shile.

I Mohinder Kaur W/o Angrez Singh R/o Vpo Kakar Tihara Tehsil Jagraon Distt Ludhiana have changed my name to Mohinder Kaur Gill.

I Angrej Singh S/o Mukhtiar Singh R/o Vpo Kakar Tihara Tehsil Jagraon Distt Ludhiana have changed my name to Angrej Singh Gill.

I Harinder Sehgal S/o Gobind Ram Sehgal R/o 822 Moti Bagh Jagraon (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Harinder Singh Sehgal.

I, Major Ram S/o Baksha R/o Vill: Garhi Po. Garhi Matton Teh- Garhshankar (Hoshiarpur) Punjab, have changed my name from Major Ram to Major Singh.

I, Balbir Kaur W/o Major Singh R/o Vill: Garhi Po. Garhi Matton Teh- Garhshankar (Hoshiarpur) Punjab, have changed my name from Balbir Kaur to Balvir Kaur.

I, Shiv Kumar S/o Rattan Dev R/o Sunam (Sangrur) have changed my name into Shiv Kumar Verma.

I Baljeet Singh S/o Puran Singh R/o Chungi no.5, Hardev Nagar, Kothe Khanjuran road Jagraon District Ludhiana have changed my name Baljeet Singh to Baljit Singh.

I Neelam W/O Onkar Dass R/o Vill: Lodhipur Po Musapur Teh: Nawanshahr Distt. S.B.S. Nagar, I have changed My Name from Neelam to Nelam Rani.

I Shaveta W/o Harpreet Mann R/o Vill: Siawalpur Teh: Nawanshahr Distt. S.B.S. Nagar, I have changed My Name from Shaveta to Shaveta Mann after marriage.

I Narinder Kaur D/O Jujhar Singh R/O Village Sona Tehsil Nawanshahr District Sbs Nagar 144514 Pb Have Changed My Name From Narinder Kaur To Kaur Narinder.

I, Hardeep Kaur W/o Jaswinder Singh R/o Rutia Singh Nagar Bagrari (Faridkot)-151208 Punjab, India, have changed my name from Hardeep Kaur to Kaur Hardeep, Hardeep is a given name and Kaur is a surname.

I Parvinder Pal Singh S/o Surjit Singh R/o Vill Brohli Teh Kharar (SAS Nagar, Mohali) have changed my name to Parvinder Pal Singh Dhanoo.

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Education Minister commends govt's efforts in enhancing school infrastructure

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, FEB 13




Minister, Sh. Kanwar Pal said that the 6 essential amenities such as drinking water, toilets, dual desks, boundary walls, paved approaching roads to school and other teaching resources should be evaluated on regular intervals. He emphasized that the government will spare no effort in addressing any deficiencies in school facilities across the state. He made it clear that ensuring adequate infrastructure in every school premises throughout Haryana is our top priority. He directed the officers that all pending civil works should be expedited.

Minister Kanwar Pal further directed to fill academic and non-academic vacancies in anticipation of the forthcoming academic session. Furthermore, Minister Kanwar Pal discussed the allocation of stations to JBT teachers and the internal adjustment of teachers against vacancies, along with double shifts in schools.

Sh. Kanwar Pal also met several unions such as Computer Lab Attendant Karamchari Sangh and the Samayojit Adhyapak Sangh etc., who put forward their concerns and demands. He assured them of the government's commitment to addressing their legitimate demands and concerns. He reaffirmed the government's stance on fostering a conducive environment for all stakeholders within the education sector.

Industrialists appeal farmers not to protest

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA SONEPAT, FEBRUARY 13



er brothers not to harm our employment by gathering in Bahadurgarh for their protest. Please let our employment continue for our family. First corona and the previous farmers' movement have caused a lot of loss to the industries. Employees have to face unemployment. Due to losses in industries, many problems arise in front of us and our employees. Garg said that there are large scale industries in Bahadurgarh and thousands of employees work here.

There is movement of employees and goods between Delhi and Haryana, but due to the farmers' protest, all this has once again come to a standstill. Praveen Garg said that the farmers' protest is having a huge impact on the industries here. We are not against the farmers, but due to their protest we are suffering direct loss. There is an appeal to the farmers that they should not disturb our industries. Garg said that the internet has been down for the last two days, due to which we are not able to do the mandatory e-invoice/e-billing.

Seminar organised on Women empowerment

NIRMAL SAINI RADAUR, FEBRUARY 13



A seminar on women empowerment was organised on the occasion of National Women's Day on Tuesday at Global Research Group of Institutions, Nacharoen. This seminar was organised by Event Coordinator Dr. Neha Yadav. On this occasion, NGO Director Dr. Anju Bajpai appeared as the keynote speaker on behalf of the NGO named Uthhan Foundation. He said that Sarojini Naidu was one of the great poets in literary history. For this reason she is also called the Nightingale of India. Her birth anniversary is celebrated as National Women's Day in India. Addressing everyone, Dr. Anju Bajpai said that we all have to together focus on women empowerment so that women can contribute as much as men to the economy of our country. Without women empowerment, it is very difficult for any family to develop completely. If women become empowered in our society, then our society will become completely empowered. The country where women are empowered is leaving its mark in the whole world. Today our society and country is lagging behind other countries in many things, one of the main reasons for which is women empowerment. He told that his NGO works for the upliftment of women. He said that women should also empower themselves i.e. first deserve. Act upon the given desire. Pharma Principal Dr. Ashwani Dhingra, while addressing the students, said that important contribution of both men and women is necessary in women empowerment.

Unique Shiksha Niketan wins overall champion trophy for second time in session 2023-24

LADWA (NARESH GARG): Unique Shiksha Niketan of Ladwa captured the overall champion trophy by winning maximum 22 prizes in the Vasantotsav program organized by Bharat Vikas Parishad Ladwa in a private school on the occasion of Basant Panchami. School Principal Brij Mohan Sharma said that similarly in August, Rotary, Rotract and Innerwheel Club had won the overall champion trophy by winning 25 prizes in the program artwork. Whereas in 2023-24, Unique Shiksha Niketan became the overall champion twice in the competitions related to extracurricular activities organized by various institutions in Ladwa. Principal Brij Mohan Sharma said that Activity Day is celebrated every Saturday in the school in which various types of activities are taught. In Vasantotsav, children of Unique Shiksha participated in Mock Test, Akshita in Fancy Dress, Bhavika in Best Out of Waste, Tia in Collage Making, Kunal in Kite Making, Sakshi and Shweta.

Vedic Yagya performed on Dayanand Jayanti at D.A.V. Police Public School

RAHUL KOHLI JAGADHRI, FEBRUARY 13



ated a new awakening in the society. Swami ji sacrificed his entire life to spread the knowledge, education and teachings contained in the Vedas and Puranas to the people. It is the result of Swamiji's efforts that the society was able to come out of the darkness of ignorance, superstition and ostentation and the society has found a new path to progress and prosperity. On the auspicious occasion of Maharishi Dayanand Jayanti, everyone prayed for the good results of class 8th and 10th students appearing for the board exams and the Principal of the school, Anoop Kumar Chopra showered flowers on the students as a blessing and asked the students to work hard. Advised to give board exams with dedication and without any mental stress.

National Womens' Day celebrated

DR ASHOK KUMAR KARNAL, FEBRUARY 13



great men for building one's character and developing personality. They inspire us to move forward. Dr. Kewal Krishna, while thanking everyone, said that NCC cadets are introduced from time to time to the lives of great men so that they can become good citizens and be useful to the nation. On this occasion, Associate NCC Officers Dr. Keval Krishna, Dr. Kaveri Chauhan, Bhavana Malik and Sunaina Gandhi and NCC cadets were present.

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Rupnagar
administration Initiates
'Evening Pathsala'



BAHADURJEET SINGH RUPNAGAR: Rupnagar District Administration initiated an 'evening pathsala' to address the issue of school dropouts and non-school going children at Gausihala Road. Giving details here today, Deputy Commissioner Dr. Preeti Yadav said that special classes are being organized with the aim of enhancing the personality and self-confidence of the children, enabling them to cope with the other children in school under this initiative. Dr. Yadav said that additionally, bridge courses are designed to ensure that the children start their classes in accordance with their age. These classes are designed to be two hours long, focusing on providing proper development and stimulation for both the body and mind of the children.

Sri Guru Harkrishan
Public School holds
farewell party for
12th class students



BUREAU PATHANKOT: Sri Guru Harkrishan Public School eleventh standard students gave a farewell party to the 12th standard students under the chairmanship of Vice Principal Gurpreet Kaur. Meanwhile, students of class XI presented a colourful program and various entertaining sports competitions were also organized for the students. Apart from this, modeling competitions were conducted for students of class 12th. In which Chhavi was chosen as Miss Elegant, Nikita as Miss Charming and Uneet Kaur as "Kour is Princess". Similarly, Prakul was chosen as Master Handsome, Sanyam as Master Personality and Fatehveer Singh as "Singh is King". Vice Principal Gurpreet Kaur honored the winning students by giving them bouquets, sashes and crowns. Students who won in various sports competitions were also honored during the event. Vice Principal Gurpreet Kaur sweetened the faces of the students by cutting the cake with the winning students and wished them all the best to reach the heights of success. On this occasion, the students of class XII received the blessings of the class four employees by giving them wonderful gifts.

SKM strongly
condemns repression
on farmers at
Shambhu Border



RAWEL BHINDER PATIALA: SKM strongly protested and condemned the Modi Government for resorting to Excessive Use of State Power and unleashed lethal charge, rubber bullet, tear gas shelling and mass arrest to prevent the Delhi Chalo March of farmers organisations. It is surprising that drones were used to drop tear gas shells over the farmers by the administration. SKM calls on all its member organisations and their units across India to strongly protest against the attack on farmers in Punjab on 16th February 2024 in all the villages across India and make the Grameen Bandh and Industrial/Sectoral Strike across India more massive, extensive and successful. Unleashing Police and armed security forces to attack the peaceful struggle of farmers reveals that the Modi Government has lost the confidence of the people. In a democratic society every citizen has the right to protest peacefully.

Beautician training
course is better
choice for girls:
Mahajan



VERMA GURDASPUR: After taking over the charge of DC Gurdaspur Dr Himanshu aggarwal, IAS has taken various projects for the overall development of children of the District at Bal Bhawan situated near Red Cross Bhawan Gurdaspur, one of which is Beautician training centre over there. Since its inception this Centre has enrolled 28 girls where the well qualified teacher Miss Harleen Kaur who is Bachelor in Cosmetology is providing training. Now under the guidelines of the honorable Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur the annual examination of the all the courses provided at Bal Bhawan Gurdaspur being run by District Child Welfare Council Gurdaspur was conducted. 85 students from across the district participated in the annual examination in various course including DCA, CCA, CCO, Tally and Diploma in Cosmetology examination was conducted under the supervision of Madam Bhupinder Kaur, Master of Cosmetology from R. R. Bawa College, Batala.

2121 km long roads completed during FY 2023-24: ETO

SHASHI PAL JAIN
CHANDIGARH, FEB 13

Punjab Public Works Minister Mr. Harbhajan Singh ETO on Tuesday said that during the financial year 2023-24, construction works of 2121 km long roads have been completed so far, and a total saving of 21 percent has been achieved due to the transparent bidding process adopted for these works.

Chairing the review meeting of the Public Works Department at the Punjab Civil Secretariat-2 here in the wake of re-summing the road construction works from February 15 which were stopped due to winter and fog season, Mr. Harbhajan Singh ETO appreciated the performance of the officials of the department. He also expressed confidence that all the remaining road works will also be completed as per the target by March 31 after reviewing the strategy being adopted by the department to complete the remaining 1954 km of road works as per the target fixed for this financial year.



During the meeting, Secretary PWD Mr. Priyank Bharti apprised the Minister in detail about the strategy of the department to achieve the targets set for the current financial year 2023-24. The Secretary said that the 2121 km of roads have been constructed so far at a cost of Rs. 1089 crores, and Rs 1066 crore

will be spent on the remaining 1954 km of roads in this financial year.

He said that the department has successfully saved Rs 263 crores which is 21 percent, by adopting a transparent bidding process for these works. Congratulating the Public Works Department for its success, Mr. Harbhajan Singh ETO said that

in the financial year 2022-23, 4292 km of roads were constructed at a cost of Rs.1432 crore, and in the financial year 2023-24, a target of 4075 km of roads was set at a cost of Rs.2155 crore, which will be achieved successfully by the department. He said that given these achievements of the department, a target of constructing 2270 km of

roads at a cost of Rs2089 crore is being set for the financial year 2024-25. The PWD Minister said that the Chief Minister Mr. Bhagwant Singh Maan led Punjab government is not only committed to developing the best basic infrastructure in the state but the people's money is also being spent honestly through a transparent process.

Two thousand students to be honoured with degrees: Dr Zora Singh

AJAY MALHOTRA
FATEHGARH SAHIB, FEB 13

Desh Bhagat University's Chancellor, Dr. Zora Singh, announced the arrangements for the university's 11th Convocation scheduled to take place at the Shri Guru Harbinder Sahib Auditorium on 14th February. He said that this year, approximately two thousand students from the academic year 2022-23 will be eligible for the award of degrees and diplomas.

Dr. Zora Singh said that the distinguished Chancellor of Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth, Pune, Dr. Deepak J Tilak, will grace the occasion as the chief guest of this convocation. Vice-Chancellor of DBU, Abhijit Joshi, highlighted that the university will confer Doctor of Literature (D. Lit) degrees upon five eminent personalities from the fields of academia and medicine. Vice President, Dr. Harsh Sadawarti, expressed, "The 11th Convocation of Desh Bhagat University promises to be a momentous occasion, celebrating academic excellence and honoring individuals who have made remarkable contributions to their respective fields."



Advisor to Chancellor, Dr. Virinder Singh, and Registrar, Dr. Col Pardeep Kumar, were also present in the press conference, further emphasizing the significance of the event.

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Dilsher Singh Uppal of Dholan Majra village becomes Lieutenant Colonel in Australia

RADHEY SHYAM
RUPNAGAR, FEB 13

Dilsher Singh Uppal, son of an ordinary farmer of nearby village Dholan Majra, has brought glory to village Dholan Majra as well as district Rupnagar by becoming a Lieutenant Colonel in Australia. Expressing happiness on this occasion, Jagdeep Singh Mander Morinda said that Dilsher Singh Uppal has achieved this big achievement at the age of 24.

He said that Dilsher Singh's father Balihar worked in Chandigarh Airport and he had only four acres of land. Earlier, when his family got a visa to Australia, Dilser Singh had to leave his studies and went to Australia.

He completed his studies there. Due to his hard work he was appointed Lieutenant Colonel by the Australian



Government. Jagtar Singh Amralli, Gurmeet Kaur Amralli, Arjinder Kaur Morinda, Deep Singh Mander Morinda were present on this occasion.

Second day of admission campaign Kunwar Vijay Pratap flags awareness van

KULJIT SINGH
JANDIALA GURU, FEB 13

Under the 'Enrollment Campaign' launched by the Department of Education Punjab under the name "Punjab Shiksha Kranti" for the new session from nursery to twelfth standard, MLA Kunwar to the awareness van going to different areas today for the second day. Vijay Pratap Singh flagged off from Government Elementary School Faipura.

MLA Kunwar Vijay Pratap Singh, who arrived as the chief guest on the second day of this 'admission campaign' started under the supervision of the District Education Officer, Amritsar Elementary and Secondary, said in his address that the Punjab government, as per its election promise, has made big efforts in the field of education. Improvements are being made at the level, under



which where there has been a big change in the appearance of government school buildings, the use of various modern teaching and learning techniques should also be implemented to make the students up-to-date in every aspect. has been He said that we all should trust the government schools because free education is being provided in these schools more than the private schools.

He appealed to the parents to enroll their children in government schools and encouraged the children to work hard

in their own country instead of going abroad. On this occasion, apart from the above, Block Education Officer Kulwant Singh Pannu, A.C. Smart School Manish Kumar Megh, Rajinder Singh, Sandeep Syal, Principal: Anu Bedi, Ravinder Randhawa, CHT, Monica Rana, Kanwar Sartaj Singh, Suresh Kumar Khullar, H.T. Hardyal Singh, Media In-Charge Manpreet Singh Sandhu, Kuldeep Singh Tolanangal, Baljit Singh Malli, Yadwinder Singh, Hatinder Singh, Malkit Singh Valla, Kuldeep Arora etc.

Aap di Sarkar Aap de Dwar- camps continue to receive good response



SACHIN MOUDGILL
LUDHIANA, FEB 13

Under the 'Aap di Sarkar Aap de Dwar' campaign launched by the Punjab government led by Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann to provide the benefit of citizen services at doorsteps, a total of 44 camps were organized by the district administration and received good response. Taking stock of the special camps, Deputy Commissioner Sakshi Sawh-

ney said that the Punjab Government was organizing camps in different villages and wards of the district daily at the doorstep of the people and this drive will continue for a month. She said that huge participation of the people was witnessed in these camps. She said that these camps were offering 44 kinds of government services on the spot to them and saving their precious time besides solving their grievances promptly.

IIT Ropar to host technical fest Adivitiya

BAHADURJEET SINGH
RUPNAGAR, FEB 13

The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Ropar is gearing up to host ADIVITIYA, a dynamic technical fest scheduled from February 16th to 18th. This three-day extravaganza promises an electrifying blend of competitions,

workshops, and discussions, showcasing the forefront of technology and innovation.

ADIVITIYA invites tech enthusiasts to participate in a diverse range of competitions, including Drone Racing, RC Car Racing, Hackathons, Coding Competitions, Fin-Tech Challenges, Maths Arena, and Trading

Arena. With challenges tailored to test both intellect and skill, participants are primed for an exhilarating experience.

Attendees can also immerse themselves in hands-on workshops covering Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Drone, and Rocket Building, led by industry experts.

One arrested by police for seeking extortion from industrialist



PARAMJIT SINGH
JALANDHAR, FEB 13

Jalandhar Commissionerate Police led by Commissioner of Police Mr Swapan Sharma has arrested a person for making extortion call to city based industrialist by posing as gangster Landa Harike.

Divulging the details, the Commissioner of Police said that a city based industrialist Balkar Singh s/o Surinder Singh, had filed a complaint with the Police that he had received a ransom call in February 4. He said that the caller had identified him as dreaded gangster Landa Harike and demanded Rs 2 crore extortion money from him. Mr Swapan Sharma said that the caller had threatened to harm industrialist and his family in case his demand was not fulfilled.

The Commissioner of Police said that the caller had again called the industrialist

on February 5 and 6 for making the same demand. Likewise, he said that the industrialist had then informed the Police which had started investigation into the matter. Mr Swapan Sharma said that during the investigation the Police traced the role of Amanjot Singh, son of Makhan Singh, and Makhan Singh, son of Mohan Singh, both residents of Kaidowal Mahilpur Hoshiarpur behind the calls.

The Commissioner of Police said that Police had lodged a FIR number 36 dated 11-02-2024 us 386,506 IPC at PS Sadar Jalandhar against both the accused. He said that while Makhan Singh has been arrested, Amanjot is still absconding adding that raids are being made to arrest him. Mr Swapan Sharma said that further investigation into the case is going on and details will be shared later.

New Sports nurseries will play important role in putting Punjab on sports map: Meet Hayer

GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, FEB 13

The new Sports Nurseries that are going to be established in the state will play an important role in bringing Punjab back on the Sports map. Under the leadership of Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Singh Mann, the work of setting up 1000 nurseries to be established under the new sports policy of the State Government, has started.

Divulging the details, Sports Minister Gurmeet Singh Meet Hayer said that out of 1000 Sports Nurseries, 205 are to be established in the first phase. The process has been started for the recruitment of 21 supervisors and 205 coaches for 205 nurseries of 14 sports. He said that with the establishment of sports nurseries, the level of sports will be raised at the ground level. For a sports



nursery, 60 players will be given a diet at the rate of Rs. 50 per day in addition to the facility of a coach by the sports department.

The Sports Minister further said that applications for the recruitment of 21 supervisors and 205 coaches have been invited till February 25. He said that out of 14 sports, 58 coaches for Athletics, 48 for Football, 35 for Volleyball, 22 for Hockey, 12 for Kabaddi, 9 for Handball, 7 for Wrestling, 4 both for Kho-Kho.

Instead of forcibly stopping protesting farmers, govt should solve their problems: Dhami

CHARNJIT SINGH ARORA
AMRITSAR, FEB 13

The Haryana government's forcible action of police firing large number of tear gas shells on the farmers protesting for their demands and suppressing them by using force is against the democratic structure, about which the Centre government should think seriously.

Expressing this, the Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (SGPC) President Advocate Harjinder Singh Dhami said that agriculture is the backbone of the country and the demands of farmers should not be ignored. Condemning the use of police force to stop the farmers, he said that it is everyone's right to demonstrate peacefully for their rightful demands in a democracy, so the government should immediately solve the problems of the farmers and not complicate the matter further by torturing them. He said that the farmers of the country have been on the path of struggle with their demands for a long time but the governments have remained ignorant.

Farmers of India are known as the breadwinner not only of the country but of the entire world and if these farmers are on the path of struggle today, then it is time for the governments to think. The SGPC President said that the government should focus on solving the farmers' issues instead of forcibly stopping them from peaceful protest. He also strongly condemned the targeting of journalists in the action taken by the Haryana Police.

KVK Hoshiarpur conducts training on natural farming



DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR, FEB 13

A two day training on Natural farming was organized by Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Hoshiarpur at its premises and village Birampur of district Hoshiarpur, recently.

While welcoming the trainees, Dr. Maninder Singh Bons, Associate Director (Training), KVK Bahawal (Hoshiarpur) shared various ongoing activities of KVK with them. He highlighted the importance and scope of

Natural farming and motivated them to embrace natural farming for better human, soil and environmental health and sustainability. Dr. Bons also encouraged the trainees to convert some portion of their land into Natural farming.

Dr. Prabhjot Kaur, Assistant Professor (Plant Protection), KVK, Hoshiarpur, imparted detailed knowledge on various aspects of natural farming and integrated pest management practices for rabi crops.

Kavi Sammelan to be held on Feb 14 now postponed

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA: It was proposed to organize a multilingual Kavi Sammelan on the occasion of Basant Panchamion February 14, 2024 in the auditorium of the District Welfare Officer office by the Language Culture Department Office, District Language Culture Officer, Una. And this will not be organized now on February 14, 2024 due to some reasons. All litterateurs, writers and artists of Una district will be informed about the upcoming date of the event through newspapers. This information is given by Neelam Chandel District Language Officer Una today.

Dr. Pushpendra informs public about policies of govt



RAJNEESH SHARMA
HAMIRPUR: The common people will strengthen the hands of Chief Minister Thakur Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu in the Lok Sabha elections. Senior Congress leader Dr. Pushpendra Verma said this in Gram Panchayat Amaned. He held street meetings with the people and discussed about the problems of the people and the development of the village. On this occasion, former Pradhan Brahmadas and Ward Panch Shabnam Negi first thanked Dr. Pushpendra Verma for coming to the village to know about their problems, and after that he informed about the problems of the village. On this occasion, Dr. Verma said that Chief Minister Thakur Sukhwinder Singh, who comes from a rural farmer family, is well aware of the sufferings of the common people. He said that despite the weak economic condition of the state, Chief Minister Thakur Sukhwinder Singh has given Rs. 4500.

Miss Earth India 2022 Vanshika Parmar calls on CM



SHIMLA: Miss Earth India 2022, Vanshika Parmar, a native of Dhaneta of Nadaun Sub Division in Hamirpur, called on Chief Minister Thakur Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu here today. She was crowned Miss Earth India at the age 19 at an event organised in The Philippines in November, 2022. The Chief Minister said that Vanshika was a source of inspiration for other girls and was excelling in various fields at the International level becoming idols for others. The Chief Minister asked her to work for women empowerment and collaborate with the State Government for the welfare of single girl child. Vanshika also remained the tourism ambassador of Ghana for the year of 2023 and has worked for the state of Philippines to promote eco tourism. Father of Vanshika Parmar, Group Captain Sushheel Kumar Parmar and mother Ritu Parmar also accompanied her.

Committee constituted to address the grievances of doctors: CM

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, FEB 13

Chief Minister Thakur Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu has directed to constitute a committee under the chairmanship of Special Secretary (Health) to look into the grievances and demands of the medical officers of the State. The Committee will be comprised of Director Health and Family Welfare, Director, Medical Education and representatives of Medical Officers Association. He said that this committee would also study the various aspects of promotions of the doctors and recommend guidelines for the betterment of medical officers.

The Chief Minister said that the State Government was considering all their genuine demands sympathetically, but the financial condition of the



State is precarious. Due to the efforts of the State Government, the economy of the State is coming back on the track gradually. My Government will surely provide the financial benefits of the government employees in due course, he assured. The Chief Minister urged the doctors to cooperate with the State Government and assist in improving the economy of the State.

Chief Minister said that

new medical officers and supporting staff. Furthermore, plans are underway to improve working conditions in health institutions and introduce fixed 8 hours shift for medical personnel.

He said that overseas exposure visits would also be conducted for the doctors on the latest techniques and skills in health care sector. He directed the Health Department to digitize the data of medical officers to streamline their functioning.

Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr. (Col) Dhani Ram Shandil, Secretary Health M. Sudha Devi, Special Secretaries, Health Neeraj Kumar and Dr. Ashwani Kumar Sharma, Director Health Services Dr. Gopal Berry and representatives of Medical Officers Association were also present in the meeting.

Navgaon water supply scheme will not have any adverse impact on villages in Bilaspur

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, FEB 13

The spokesperson of Jal Shakti department said here today that a joint action committee was constituted to resolve the doubts and apprehensions regarding rupees six crore Navgaon water supply scheme, under construction at Navgaon Khad in Arki sub-division of Solan district.

He said that few unsocial elements were giving misleading statements and spreading rumours that the water from the Navgaon rivulet drinking water supply scheme was only for some particular units, which he strongly refuted saying that it was for a population of around 9000 of 71 villages of eight gram panchayats of Solan district which will not cause an adverse effect on the villages downstream falling in bordering Bilaspur district.

He said that on the instructions of the state



government, scientific assessment of water flow was done in Navgaon ravine. He said that after conducting the survey of the source, it was reported that even during the decrease in rainfall, the underground water level of source will remain 380 LPS whereas the demand of water under the scheme was merely 10.53 LPS. As 89 percent of the area under the scheme falls in district Solan, it will not cause any type of water scarcity to the residents or villages falling in Bilaspur district. It was only after the survey it was decided that as the scheme under

construction on Navgaon khad was not affecting any of the villages and the existing water supply schemes located downstream and falling in district Bilaspur because of sufficient water at source. Taking into consideration the water needs of 71 villages of eight Gram Panchayats falling in district Solan, the work on the scheme can be executed. He said that this would solve the water crisis of Gram Panchayats Kashlog, Seveda Chandi, Parnu, Sanghoi, Mangu, Giana, Navgaon and Darlaghat of Arki and will also cater to the water needs of locals and assured that this won't have any adverse impact on of district Bilaspur. Even the senior hydro geologist of the Ground Water Cell of Jal Shakti Department has also clarified after inspection of the site that the construction of this drinking water supply scheme will not have any negative impact on Navgaon Khad.

50 drums of chemicals removed from perfume factory

SHANTI GAUTAM

BADDI: The work of removing flammable chemical waste from the NR Aroma Factory complex located at Jharnajri under the Industrial Town continued for the fourth consecutive day. About 50 drums of chemicals were removed from the factory premises, which were taken to the plant at Dabhota for scientific disposal. Let us tell you that within these four days, around 190 chemical drums have been taken out from the factory, many of which were empty while many of the drums contained chemical which is estimated to be around four thousand litres. The process of removing drums of chemicals has not stopped yet. The effort to remove chemical waste has started again on Tuesday. The surprising thing is that so far around 190 drums of chemicals of 200 liter capacity have been taken out from the NR Aroma factory established in 750 square meter area, in such a situation the question is being raised that there is more than the storage capacity inside the factory premises. A large number of chemicals were stored, but the concerned departments never took notice of it. It is noteworthy that according to the registration done in the Industries Department, it was manufacturing apparel perfumes, whereas according to the State Drug Control Authority, apparel perfume products do not come under the scope of cosmetics and no license is required under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act. Raw materials like Phenyl Ethyl Alcohol, Benzyl Salicylate, Benzyl Benzoate, Iso Propyl Palmitate, Amy Salicylate, Diethyl Phthalate etc. are used in it. DGM Surdashaan of Shivalik Solid Waste Management Plant said that the work of removing chemical waste continued on Tuesday also.

MLA Chaitanya Sharma welcomes DC on taking charge

KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA, FEB 13

Young MLA of Gagret assembly constituency Chaitanya Sharma on Tuesday welcomed Deputy Commissioner Jatin Lal on taking charge of District Una and honored him by giving him a photo of Jai Mata Bhadrakali, shawl, cap and flower bunch. During this, a meeting was also held with all the departmental officers of the district. In the meeting, discussions were held to give impetus to various developmental works of the district. Chaitanya Sharma said that the Deputy Commissioner plays an important role in giving impetus to the district development works. He said that Gagret is known as an industrial area. The MLA said that in the coming time, the industrial sector will be further strengthened in order to provide more and more employment opportunities to the unemployed youth in Gagret area so that employment opportunities can be provided to the local youth at their doorstep. He urged the departmental officers to ensure that the



various public welfare schemes being run by the government through the department reach the rural people of Gagret Vis so that more and more people can be benefited. Chaitanya Sharma said that with the cooperation of the government and the district administration, the infrastructure of temples, education, health, water, electricity and employment will be strengthened in Gagret assembly constituency so that the daily needs of the people can be easily fulfilled.

Students advised not to comment or forward false messages: Aditya Chauhan



AVINASH CHAUHAN
AMB, FEB 13

A lecture on the topic of legal rights and its effects was organized by the Career Placement Cell of Government College of Excellence, Daulatpur Chowk. In which High Court advocate Aditya Chauhan participated as the chief guest and explained the intricacies of law to the students. Whereas on this occasion, College Principal Dr. Yudhveer Singh presided over the program. Advocate Aditya Chauhan gave legal information to the students about PIL, RTI, Digital/Cyber Crime, Motor Vehicle Accident Act, Right against Exploitation, Free and Compulsory Education Act etc. Advocate Aditya Chauhan called for Use social media carefully. Do not comment or forward wrong messages like inflammatory, controversial comments, messages spreading rumours, otherwise your future may also be at stake. At the end of the session, the curiosities of the students were also responded to. On this occasion, Principal Dr. Yudhveer Singh Patial said that it is very important for students to have basic knowledge of law because only an aware student builds a good nation.

Joint coordination committee meeting related to Right of Way Policy 2021 held in Una



KISHORI LAL BAINS

UNA: A meeting of the Joint Coordination Committee related to Right of Way Policy 2021 was organized at District Headquarters Una. In this meeting held under the chairmanship of Additional Deputy Commissioner Mahendra Pal Gurjar, a detailed discussion was held regarding the delay in approval of applications made by various telecom service providers in district Una

regarding installation of mobile towers and laying of optical fiber cables. In the meeting, officials and representatives of telecom companies informed the Additional Deputy Commissioner about the difficulties being faced in obtaining the No Objection Certificate under the Right of Way Policy 2021. On this occasion, officials and representatives of local bodies also informed the Additional

Commissioner about the difficulties being faced by the people in receiving the dues related to various telecom companies. Mahendra Pal Gurjar directed all the departmental officers and their representatives to take immediate action to issue no objection letter under the Right of Way Policy 2021 so that the infrastructure development works related to telecommunication can be expedited.

Annual programs bring out talent of children: Vineet Gupta



VICHITRA PATIAL

BAROTIWALA: The annual function of Sunshine Public School, Nalagarh was organized with great pomp, in which local teacher K.L. Thakur participated as the chief guest and Vineet Gupta, director of Agriculture Best Seed, participated as the special guest. School Principal Meenakshi Sharma read the annual report and highlighted in detail the activities being carried out here. Saraswati Vandana, Himachali Nati, Bhangra and patriotic songs were grandly staged by the students. On this occasion, programs like drug addiction by youth and pressure of studies on children due to which they are forced to take steps like suicide were the center of attraction. Chief guest MLA Krishna Lal Thakur and Vineet Gupta awarded the meritorious students and students with special talent in various fields and also praised the colorful program. The chief guest praised the discipline and examination results of the school and stressed on the development of moral values in life. Social worker and young entrepreneur Poonam Chandel said that such events give children an opportunity to showcase their talent. He said that in such programs, it does not matter whether there is victory or defeat or winner or runner-up, but it is a matter to be seen how much hunger is there to learn among the students.

MC Dharamshala budget of Rs 141cr passed, Rs 60cr for sewerage system

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, FEB 13

The third budget of Municipal Corporation Dharamshala was presented by Mayor Neenu Sharma on Tuesday worth Rs 141 crore 23 lakh. Which was passed unanimously in the budget meeting. Commissioner Zafar Iqbal, Deputy Mayor Tejendra Kaur, Joint Commissioner Surender Singh along with former mayor and all the councilors were present in the budget meeting. At present no new tax has been imposed in the budget. However, now survey is being done in the old area along with the new one. After which house tax will be imposed. In the budget, a total budget of Rs 1 crore has been kept for all the wards, a total of Rs 17 crore. Whereas for sewerage, Rs 60 crore has been



earmarked to be received from the government for the merge area in MC. While giving information about the budget, Mayor Neenu Sharma said that now a provision has been made to upgrade Gausadan Sarah to a destitute animal shelter, for which an initial budget of Rs 1.5 crore has been kept. She said that along with this, a budget of Rs 7 crore has been kept for cleaning system, Rs 1 crore 20 lakh for parking, Rs 2 crore for Commissioner-Additional Commissioner residence, Rs

2 crore for shopping complex and Rs 30 lakh for toilet maintenance. Apart from this, Rs 1 crore has been kept for natural calamities, out of which a provision has been made to provide Rs 10 lakh to the councilor considering the situation. Mayor Neenu Sharma said that the government has proposed to provide a budget of Rs 5 crore for the solar project. Due to which the focus will be on increasing self-reliance by generating electricity.

Unique initiative of Gram Panchayat Barin, 16 stray animals sent to cowshed

RAJNEESH SHARMA
HAMIRPUR, FEB 13

Due to the unique initiative of Gram Panchayat Barin of Tauni Devi block of Hamirpur district, 16 destitute animals have got shelter in the cowshed. In a campaign run on Tuesday under the leadership of Panchayat Pradhan Ravindra Thakur, these animals were taken to Shri Guru Ravidas Gaushala Dham Ropri Galod. Let us tell you that this time the helpless animals have completely destroyed the wheat crop in many villages of Bamsan tehsil. The unhappy farmers contacted the operators of Shri Guru Ravidas Gaushala Dham



Ropri Galod regarding this. On Tuesday, villagers of villages Bari, Chhatrahal and Chahad gathered and collected about 16 destitute animals. The team of Animal Husbandry Department tagged the ears of all these animals and made arrangements to take the helpless animals to Shri Guru Ravidas Gaushala

Dham Ropri. Hans Raj, Desh Raj, Jai Raj, Harbans, Kartar Chand, Bhoomi Raj, Ashok, Surjeet, Rajneesh, Daljeet, Rajeev, and many villagers of Barin, Chhatrahal and Chahad villages participated in the campaign to collect the destitute animals and send them to the cowshed. Gram Panchayat head Bari Ravindra

Thakur has said that with the coordination of the Panchayat, villagers and the team of the Animal Husbandry Department, about 16 destitute animals have been sent to the Gaushala. He warned that now if any person is caught leaving abandoned animals in the Panchayat area, strict legal action will be taken. Ravindra Thakur said that for this, CCTV cameras have also been installed at many places. Regarding this, Surendra Pal Sharma, director of Shri Guru Ravidas Gaushala Dham, said that arrangements for fodder and accommodation of all these animals have been made with public cooperation.

Demand raised from government for early payment of outstanding allowances

SANJEEV MAHAJAN
NOORPUR, FEB 13

The monthly meeting of Himachal Transport Retired Employees Welfare Forum Noorpur Zone was held in the courtyard of Divisional Workshop Jasur under the chairmanship of State Vice President Kripal Pathania. In the meeting, first of all, grief was expressed by the members of Himachal Transport Employees Welfare Forum on the sudden demise of the wife of the Deputy Chief Minister of the state and two minutes silence was observed by the members present in the meeting for the



peace of her departed soul. In the meeting, it was discussed about postponing the proposed protest over non-payment of outstanding allowances and when it would be done in the future. All the retired employees expressed their

anger towards the state government for non-payment of due allowances and asked them to learn a lesson in the upcoming Lok Sabha Assembly. In the meeting, a resolution was unanimously passed that the proposed

protest demonstration by Himachal Transport Welfare Forum starting from 15th February has been postponed till further orders and the next outline on this will be held by the State Executive of the Forum on 26th February in Bilaspur. It will be decided in the state level meeting. In the meeting, the speakers expressed their views and expressed their anger over the lax attitude of the government and the corporation management on the allowances payable and also warned of launching a major movement in the near future against this stubborn attitude of the government.

Repair work done in Sector-40



CHANDIGARH: RWA Sector 40 A, Vice-President CA Sanjay Bhambri said that it's great to hear that the residents of sector 40 A are seeing positive changes with the repair of potholes and improvement in road conditions. The coordination between the RWA Sector 40 A and the field officers of road division of MC, Chandigarh, seems to be making a significant impact. The appreciation from the residents reflects the positive outcome of our collective efforts. In future also, we will be seeking more support from MC, Chandigarh to maintain the beauty of our City said Sanjay Bhambri.

PAU students clinch best poster presentation awards



AVTAR SINGH BHANWARA
CHANDIGARH: Punjab Agricultural University's (PAU) doctoral students shone at the International Conference on Climate Change & Agroecosystems (INAGMET-2024) at Banaras Hindu University. Ms Mangshatbani Annie and Ms Sony Bora, Ph.D. Scholars in the Department of Climate Change & Agricultural Meteorology, PAU, were honoured with Best Poster Presentation Awards for their outstanding research contributions. Ms Annie's paper titled 'Effect of weather parameters on cotton yield using crop simulation model', supervised by Dr R. K. Pal, Assistant Professor of Agricultural Meteorology, garnered recognition. Similarly, Ms Bora's paper on 'Sensitivity analysis of bio-physical parameters towards weather variables using a crop simulation model', under the guidance of Dr PK Kingra, Professor and Head of the Department, received acclaim. The awards were conferred during the prestigious conference, which focused on addressing the threats, opportunities, and solutions to climate change in agroecosystems. PAU's Vice-Chancellor, Dr SS Gosal, along with other esteemed faculty members, including Dr AS Dharti, Dr MS Bhullar, Dr MIS Gill, Dr CS Aulakh, Dr TS Riar, and Dr PK Kingra, expressed their heartfelt congratulations to the students and their advisors for bringing pride to the university through their exemplary achievements.

Hero Homes organises Entertainment night



TILAK RAJ MOHALI: Hero Homes Ludhiana team organised Entertainment night in Ludhiana. Giving A complete information about this event somendra sahu told lighting up the cold winter night, famous singer and composer B Praak and Hero Realty brought warmth to Ludhiana by organizing a grand concert at Hero Homes Ludhiana on Sidhwan Canal Road. Famous singer B Praak hosted over 5000 music lovers and fans from across the country ahead of the launch of Phase II of Hero Realty. He told hero homes organises such kind of event time to time for public.

MCM holds seminar on cervical, breast health



CHANDIGARH: The Women Development Cell of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh, organised a seminar on the topic 'Wellness Waves: Surfing through Cervical and Breast Health'. The resource persons for the seminar were Dr. Naval Bansal, Consultant- Breast and Endocrine Surgery and Dr. Shweta Tahlan, Consultant- Surgical Gynaecology Oncology, Fortis Hospital, Mohali. Dr. Bansal and Dr. Tahlan shared valuable insights about the significance of regular screenings, self-examination techniques, and lifestyle modifications that can significantly reduce the risk of developing breast and cervical cancer. Speaking on this occasion, Dr. Bansal highlighted, "Early detection is the key to combating breast cancer. Regular screenings and self-examinations can help in identifying any abnormalities at an early stage when treatment is most effective." Dr. Tahlan impressed upon the need for comprehensive awareness campaigns to educate women about the importance of cervical health. She said that cervical cancer is largely preventable with timely screening and vaccination against human papillomavirus (HPV), and it's crucial for girls to receive the HPV vaccine before the age of 26. The seminar concluded with an interactive session, wherein the attendees had the opportunity to seek clarifications and additional information from the experts. Lauding this endeavour, Principal Dr. Nisha Bhargava asserted that it reflects the institution's unwavering commitment towards raising awareness among students, aiming to bolster the well-being of women.

Delegation from Bhubaneshwar MC and GIZ welcomed

SHASHI PAL JAIN
CHANDIGARH, FEB 13

Chandigarh Smart City Limited hosted a two-day study tour for delegation from Bhubaneshwar Municipal Corporation and Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) to highlight the city's non-motorized transport (NMT) and cycling infrastructure. The visit aimed at fostering an exchange of knowledge and best practices in sustainable urban mobility.

Ms. Anisha Shrivastav IAS, Additional Chief Executive Officer, Chandigarh Smart City Limited, extended a warm welcome to Dr. Manoranjan Sahu, Deputy Commissioner (Sanitation), Daniel Moser, India, Transport Director GIZ and all delegates for the collaborative knowledge-sharing session.

A round of discussion was held where team Chandigarh Smart City Limited (CSCIL), Bhubneshwar Municipal Cor-



poration (BMC) and GIZ presented about their city's cycling infrastructure.

The best practices of CSCIL like launching the project in phase manner and PPP mode of implementation were appreciated by the BMC and GIZ team. The city has strategically implemented approximately

227 km of cycle tracks over the past 5 years along the V-8 roads, ensuring a segregated Non-Motorised Transport (NMT) lane on each sector dividing road (V3). This eco-friendly project has notably reduced pedestrian-vehicle conflicts and minimized fatalities. The project executed through a

Public-Private Partnership (PPP), showcases the power of collaboration. GIZ, known for providing technical assistance, is actively supporting government agencies. The study tour was planned to enable Bhubaneshwar Municipal Corporation to gain insights from Chandigarh's successful urban

mobility implementations under the Smart Cities Mission. The sites visits were planned to the key locations such as Urban Park, Underpass Sector 17, Public Bike Sharing Sites, Integrated Command & Control Centre (ICCC) to provide deeper understanding and insights into these projects.

Now daily wage earners do not need to waste their time to get ration: MLA

JAGDEEP SINGH GILL
JAITO, FEB 13

MLA Faridkot Gurdit Singh Sekho reached Mani Singh Wala village today and started the free ration scheme and said that now under this initiative daily wage earners can get ration without spoiling their daily wages.

He said that because this scheme is meant for the weak and economically backward people of the society, the benefits of this scheme are taken by the working class who go for daily wages, but they have to stand in long queues to get ration. had to He said that the state government led by Bhagwant Singh Maan has now started such schemes to free the people from hardship. Under this scheme, where people will get ration without



wasting time while sitting at home, they will not need to waste their daily wages. He said that there are continuous camps in the district under the campaign of the government.

He said that the work related to people's offices is being done in these camps. At present Chairman Improve-

mat Trust Gurtej Khosa, Baba Jaspal Singh President SC. Wing, Block President Kala Bajaj, Block President Simrat Sandhu, Block President Jagmohan Singh Lucky, Block President Resham Singh, Block President Uttam Dod, Pargat Khalsa, Harjinder Chauhan and Baljinder Bhullar were present.

State level function to mark 208th birth anniversary of Satguru Ram Singh on Feb 14



SACHIN MOUDGILL
LUDHIANA, FEB 13

To celebrate the 208th birth anniversary of Satguru Ram Singh Ji, the founder of the Namdhari sect and pioneer of the modern freedom movement, Punjab Government will organize a state-level function at Sri Bhaini Sahib on February 14.

Punjab Vidhan Sabha Speaker Kultar Singh Sandhwan will be the chief guest of the function. Presiding over a meeting to review preparations of function at Bhaini

Sahib, Additional Deputy Commissioner Major Amit Sareen said that the state-level function would be held from 12 pm to 3 pm on February 14. Apart from the Vidhan Sabha Speaker, several representatives of the state government, MLAs, senior leaders of Aam Aadmi Party (AAP), freedom fighters and thousands of followers are expected to attend the function.

Sareen also fixed the duties of officers/employees from other departments for the smooth conduct of the function.

Chairman of Planning Board distributes cheque of 2.50 lakhs to upgrade schools with modern equipment

JAGDEEP SINGH GILL
JAITO, FEB 13

Chief Minister Punjab. Under the mission of Bhagwant Singh Maan to upgrade education and health institutions with modern facilities, Chairman Planning Board Sukhjot Singh Dhillwan distributed cheques from his discretionary quota in the schools of Vidhan Sabha constituency Kotakpura today.

Govt Primary School Kothe Waring Rs 50000, Government Primary School Girls Kotkapura Rs 50000, Government Primary Ward No 11 Kotkapura Rs 50000, Govt Primary School Upgrade Kothe Waring Rs 50000, Govt Primary School Ward No 4 Kotkapura Rs 50000 by going to check schools. Presented He discussed with the teachers and the villagers about the outstanding works of the school and during this discus-



sion he also got very good suggestions from the villagers to raise the standard of education. He said that in the coming days, every possible effort will be made to make the education system of Punjab better, modern and qualitative in the whole country, and every school in district Faridkot

will not be left with any lack of facilities. On this occasion, Jasveer Singh Jassa, Mandeep Singh Mintu Gill, Gary Waring, Raja Waring, Jagjit Singh Superintendent, Master Parminder Singh and volunteers of Aam Aadmi Party and other dignitaries were present.

Brookfield International School launches robotics lab



LK BANSAL
MOHALI, FEB 13

Brookfield International School launched Robotics Lab for innovation and technological acumen in collaboration with STEMROBO. After the inauguration of a dynamic Robotics Lab, the school aims to empower students to become future problem solvers, innovators, and entrepreneurs. It was informed that the Robotic Laboratory has four levels, first is for begin-

ners where simple machines and powered machines are taught. Second level is advanced where students learn to develop complex machines and are also introduced to electronics circuits and electronic components. In the third level students are opened to the programming environment in a very creative manner. Here they understand the power of Information Technology and how to use it effectively for various applications.

Till now total of 9010 services applied for, 7573 settled on spot

DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR, FEB 13

Giving information about the camps organized under 'Aap Di Sarkar Aap De Duar' in Hoshiarpur, Deputy Commissioner Komal Mittal said that today a total of 31 camps were organized in all the sub-divisions of the district. He said

that till now people have applied for 9010 services through these camps and 7573 services have been settled on the spot. Similarly, till now 1801 complaints have been received out of which 1757 have been resolved. He said that pending services and complaints will also be resolved in a time bound manner. During this, he along with MLA

Sham Chaurasi Dr. Ravjot also took stock of the camp organized in Haryana. The Deputy Commissioner said that on behalf of the Punjab Government, under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, these special services are being provided to the people for government services through camps near their homes.

MC Chandigarh Celebrates "Swachh Basant Utsav"



RN KHERA
CHANDIGARH, FEB 13

Aiming to foster sustainability, the MC Chandigarh, in its commitment to promoting cleanliness and environmental awareness, joyously celebrated this year's Basant Panchmi as "Swachh Basant Utsav." The event aimed to inspire citizens to embrace sustainable practices and create a cleaner, greener future for all. A special symbolic kite dedicated to the pride of the city, Safaimitras, was also part of the event. It was hand-painted by the SHGs. This gesture recognized the invaluable contribution of Safaimitras in keeping the city clean and highlighted their role in maintaining the cleanliness of Chandigarh. MX Kajal Mangalmukhi,

Brand Ambassador of Swachh Bharat Mission, also graced the occasion and celebrated Swachh Basant Utsav while spreading the message of Swachhata.

Ms. Anindita Mitra, IAS Commissioner said that MC Chandigarh is committed to creating a cleaner, greener, and more sustainable environment for the citizens of Chandigarh. Through various initiatives, MC Chandigarh strives to promote cleanliness, environmental awareness, Community engagement and sustainable practices in the city.

Each kite that soared into the sky bore a Swachhata Message, emphasizing the importance of source segregation, avoiding littering, reducing plastic usage, and adopting home composting.

NSS Unit of Rayat College of Law Railmajra organises an orientation programme for new volunteers



DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR, FEB 13

Rayat College of Law, Railmajra organised an orientation programme for the new NSS volunteers today in the Moot Court room of the college. Dr. Monika Sharma, Principal, Dr. Mahinder Singh, Vice Principal; Dr. Sohnu, Programmer Officer and Assistant Professor; Mr. Ajitabh Mishra, Assistant Professor; Dr. Karan, Assistant Professor and all partici-

pating about 100 volunteers (students) were present and interacted about NSS. The orientation was conducted in 2 sessions: Introductory session and Motivating session.

In Introductory Session The welcome address given by Madam Principal, Dr. Monika Sharma with lighting the lamp. She highlighted the importance and ethics of life and social services and encouraged the students to participate in various services.

All staff including doctors of SMS Medical College, affiliated hospitals take oath against tobacco



JAIPUR, FEB 13

On Tuesday, all the employees including doctors, nursing staff of Sawai Mansingh Medical College and affiliated hospitals took an oath not to consume tobacco and other smoking products. Dr. Pawan Singhal, Nodal Officer of Tobacco Control Cell of Sawai Mansingh Hospital and Professor of ENT Department, said that under the Tobacco Free Youth Campaign under the chairmanship of Dr. Rajeev Bagrahatta, Principal and Controller of SMS Medical College and Controller, attached hospital, all the departments, Hospital personnel, administrators, nursing staff, doctors, students etc. together took an

oath at 12 noon not to consume tobacco in any form. After the oath, all the departments have also sent photographs. He told that at 12 noon everyone was administered an oath together with the personnel at their respective workplaces not to use tobacco in any form. During this period, the family members of the patients present in the hospital also participated in the oath taking ceremony at most of the places. Dr. Singhal said that in order to develop the medical institutions of the state as tobacco free zones as per 9 indicators determined by the Government of India, in the first phase the Medical College campus will be developed as a tobacco free zone.

Gharinda police nabs 2 smugglers



KULJIT SINGH
JANDIALA GURU, FEB 13

SHO Gharinda told that his police party was going from police station Gharinda to village Gharinda, Gharindi, Achintkot, when his police party was present patrolling bridge drain Gharindi, an informer informed the SHO that an Alto was white in color. Number PB 02 BG In the presence of Attari Sukhjinderpal Singh, blockade was done on Gharindi bridge.

The accused in the car, Sarwan Singh, son of Sukhdev

Singh, resident of Haveli Ladhewal, and Sukhdev Singh, resident of Bagaria Hall, Chheharta, Amritsar, tried to ram the car with the intention of killing the police party and They started fleeing from the spot. Then the police chased them by deploying vehicles.

Due to collision with a heap of mud near Satlani Sahib Gurdwara Sahib, the vehicle went out of control and hit a tree.

Then SHO and SP gave them water to drink. Took them out of the car.

Farewell party held at Baba Gandha Singh Public School



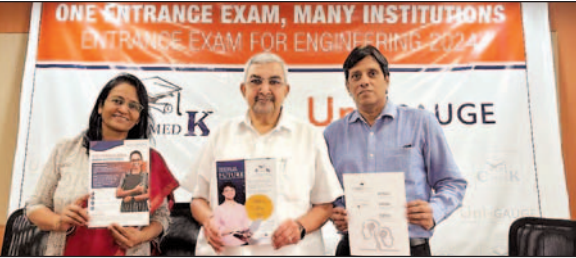
KARANPREET KARAN BARNALA : A farewell party was organized for the students of class 12 at Baba Gandha Singh Public School, Barnala. In this event, S.Satvir Singh (DSP Barnala) and S.Baljit Singh (Inspector) were the chief guests. Marked, School Principal Dr. Sandeep Kumar Lath welcomed the guests and while addressing his speech said that only an educated person can serve the country by becoming a civilized citizen. If the students work with determination towards their goal then they will definitely He said that along with school education, values are also imparted to the children. He appealed to the 12th class students to bring glory to their teachers, school and parents by getting good marks. On this occasion, Sardar Satvir Singh told the students that today he has completed one chapter of his life and now he is going to start a new chapter. Their journey so far will prove to be a milestone for them and they will remember their memorable moments. On this occasion, School MD S .Ranpreet Singh Rai extended his warm wishes to all the students and wished them a bright future. During this, the students created a lot of applause by presenting Gidha, Bhangra, choreography and skits. The school organizing committee of the program honored the students with mementos, gifts and prizes.

Congressmen should take 'Ghar Ghar Congress, Har Ghar Congress' campaign



DARSHAN SHARMA NILOKHEDI : 'Ghar-Ghar Congress, Har Ghar Congress' campaign has been started in the entire state from January 15 in Haryana and in this series.Even in Nirokheri today, Congress Sankalp Patra and With IYC App has been formally launched and all Congress workers will knock on every booth. The above idea was expressed by All India Congress Committee's Observer and Karnal Lok Sabha in-charge Uma Shankar Pandey in the senior session organized at Agawal Dharamshala today. Expressing this while addressing the meeting of Congress leaders, Pandey said that on the call of All India Congress Committee and Haryana Pradesh Congress Committee, Har Ghar Congress Ghar Ghar Congress campaign has been started from January 15, with the aim of taking Congress to every house and every voter. To highlight the policies and failures of the government. Before this, public anger rallies are being held continuously by the party, which are getting tremendous support from the public. Now one to one communication will be established with the voters through 'Har Ghar Congress' campaign.

Applications invited for COMEDK - Karnataka's Premier Engineering Entrance exam



CHANDIGARH: Over the last five decades, Karnataka has stood as a pillar of leadership in higher education. The COMEDK UGET and Uni-GAUGE entrance examination is scheduled to take place on Sunday, May 12, 2024, as a combined examination for admissions to over 150 Engineering colleges in Karnataka and 50+ reputed private and deemed universities across India, respectively. This unified examination is tailored for colleges affiliated with the Karnataka Unaided Private Engineering Colleges Association (KUPECA) and Uni-GAUGE member universities offering B.E/B.Tech programmes. The online exam will be conducted across 200+ cities in India, in 400+ test centers. This year, it expects over 1,00,000 students to appear for the examination. Candidates from across India can apply for the exam. Applicants can register at www.comedk.org or www.unigauge.com. The application process is open online from February 01, 2024 to April 05, 2024. In 2022, COMEDK introduced the COMED KARES innovation hubs, aimed at preparing students from participating institutions for the workforce through skill enhancement courses.

Sewerage work starts at Aman Colony, Sirhind

BIKRAMJEET SAHOTA SIRHIND, FEB 13

MLA of Fatehgarh Sahib constituency Lakhbir Singh Rai started sewerage work at Aman Colony Sirhind. A wave of happiness was seen among the residents of the area. MLA Lakhbir Singh Rai said that the foundation stones of development works are being laid daily to change the face of the constituency. Similarly, in Aman Colony Sirhind, the area which was deprived of sewerage, the sewerage work has also been started there. He said that every possible effort is being made to beautify the city. The Punjab government is working under the objective with which it came into power. Employment is being provided to the youth and new facilities are being provided to solve their problems. To change the face of the state, development work is also being conducted on a war footing. The promises made by the Aam Aadmi Party to the people before the elections are being fulfilled one by one. The people of Punjab are fully satisfied with the work being done by the Bhagwant Mann government. In



response to a question regarding the exodus of farmers to Delhi, he said that the demands of the farmers are legitimate, the Narendra Modi government at the center should resolve the problems by talking to them and accepting their legitimate demands instead of blocking the path of the farmers in this way. should do On this occasion, besides others, Chairman of Market Committee Sirhind Gurwinder Dhillon, Municipal Council Sirhind Working Officer Sangeet Kumar, Jagjit Singh, Gajan Singh, Pritpal Singh Jassi, Mohit Sood were also present.

Grand celebrations held on 200th birth anniversary of Swami Dayanand

RAHUL KOHLI JAGADHRI, FEB 13

DAV Public School Reverently Celebrated 200th Birth Anniversary of Swami Dayanand Ji on February 12,2024 and showered the blessings to Class X students who are to embark on Board exam. A joyous commemoration marked the 200th birth anniversary of Swami Dayanand Ji with fervor and devotion. The students, teachers, and staff participated in a series of events that included enlightening sessions- Bhajan, speeches, poems about Swami Dayanand Ji's teachings, emphasizing his contributions to education and societal reform. The celebrations reached their zenith with a traditional hawan ceremony, symbolizing purification and spiritual unity. Vijay Kapur-Chairman DAV institutions Yamunanagar, Dr M.C. Sharma-Vice Chairman cum treasurer DAV institutions, Dharmendra Shashtriji, Mr



Himanshu -Principal DAV Physiotherapy College, Mr V. K. Kashiv, Principal DAV Public School graced the occasion with their presence. Vijay Kapur accentuated to follow Swami Dayanand ji's ideals in life rather than mere recitation or chanting of the mantras.He highlighted an Indian sage, a follower of Swami Virjanand ji- Swami Dayanand Saraswati ji's role in the Indian Renaissance. He also remembered his father Sh.J.N. Kapur as a good follower of Dayanand ji's ideals.

Preparations completed for Haryana Budget session



BUREAU CHANDIGARH: Preparations have been completed for the budget session of Haryana Legislative Assembly starting from February 20. Draws for the 7-day Question Hour were held on Tuesday under the supervision of Assembly Speaker Gian Chand Gupta. During this, slips containing the names of 50 MLAs who asked starred questions were taken out. 334 starred questions of these MLAs will be part of the proceedings. During this, MLA Varun Chaudhary from Mulana, Surendra Panwar from Sonipat, Shishpal Keharwala from Kalanwali, Legislative Assembly Secretary Rajendra Kumar Nandal and other officials of the Secretariat were also present. Legislative Assembly Speaker Gian Chand Gupta said that so far 51 MLAs have sent starred questions for the budget session. Out of these, 334 starred questions of 50 MLAs have been found worthy of inclusion in the proceedings.



AAP govt in Delhi backs farmer protests, says won't convert Bawana stadium into jail

AGENCY NEW DELHI, FEB 13

The AAP led Delhi government on Monday backed the farmer protests and said that it cannot give consent to turn the Bawana stadium into a jail to prevent farmers from marching to Delhi. The AAP took on the Union Government claiming that the centre was anti-farmer and thus was going all out to prevent peaceful protests. "These nails and barricades are the biggest proof of Modi's hatred for the country's food providers. Annadata farmers who grow crops on the land to feed the country. Modi has laid a network of nails on the way to stop the farmers" the AAP said in a post on X. "The amount of force being used by the Modi government to stop the farmers from providing food to the country. With less



strength than that, MSP law can be made. But only if there is intention" another post on X from AAP stated. The Delhi Government further claimed that it had received a proposal from the centre to turn the stadium into a jail. A claim that sources in the Centre have denied. Asserting that it is the constitutional right of every citizen to make peaceful protests, Delhi Government Home Minister Kailash Gehlot said in an order, "The demands of the farmers are genuine. It is the constitutional right of every citizen to make a peaceful protest. It is therefore incorrect to arrest the farmers." "The Central Government, in fact, should invite them over for talks and try to find a solution of their genuine problems. Farmers of the Country are our "annadata" and treating them in this way by arresting them would be like rubbing salt

Modi to gift development projects on Feb 16

MAINPAL KASHYAP

INDRI: SDM Ashok Kumar, while holding a meeting of sub-divisional level officers in the municipal auditorium, said that on February 16, Prime Minister Narendra Modi will gift other development projects to Haryana including the country's 22nd AIIMS to be built in Rewari. After this, he will also address the foundation



stone laying ceremony of Developed India-Developed Haryana. He informed

that the live telecast of this foundation stone laying ceremony will be organized in all the sub-divisions of the state through video conference. SDM Ashok Kumar told in the meeting that in this series, live telecast of the foundation stone laying ceremony, video conference program will be organized in the local grain market on 16 February 2024.

5327 services provided in special camps under 'Aap Di Sarkar Aap De Duar'

RAKESH JINDAL PATIALA, FEB 13

Till now 5327 services have been provided to citizens during 24 special daily camps under 'Aap Di Sarkar Aap De Duar' in Patiala district since February 6. While 2500 to 2800 people are participating in these camps daily since the first day. Giving this information, Deputy Commissioner Showkat Ahmad Parray appealed to the district residents to take advantage of these camps located near them. The Deputy Commissioner said that under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, these camps are proving to be beneficial for the people to provide the benefit of government services to the people near their homes. He said that people's complaints are also being redressed in these camps. He said that Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh



Mann himself is supervising these camps. Showkat Ahmad Parray said that today 2718 people participated in 29 camps and benefited from 1659 services, out of which 1133 services were provided

on the spot. Apart from this, 7691 applications were received during these camps so far, for which 5327 civic services have been provided and the rest are being processed.

Sale of China plastic string continues unabated in Barnala: Vijay Marwari

KARANPREET KARAN BARNALA, FEB 13

Every year hundreds of human lives are in danger and thousands of birds get injured or die with China strings (Plastic Door), but despite this, the sale of this dangerous door is not stopping. Whereas in Barnala, it is openly sold in many localities including Government School, KC Road, Panchayati Mandir, Prabhat Cinema Road, Police should arrest and file a case under section 307. Every year, it is sold openly in the markets in more numbers than before. And people openly blow air on the rooftops of their houses. Expressing these views, Vijay Marwari, State President of Vishwa Hindu Parishad and former Chairman of Kite Door Association, Barnala, said that the National Green Tribunal has issued orders for strict prohibition of making, selling, handling and using such threads in kite flying. And the Punjab Government has also issued orders to the Deputy Commissioners of the state to impose a strict ban on the sale of China Door, but despite this, this flying death is being bought and sold openly in the markets. Vijay Marwari said that without any doubt this dangerous string is being sold with the connivance of some corrupt officials, it is these officials who wake up from Kumbhakarni sleep a few days before the festival of Lohri, Makar Shokranti and Vasant Panchami and recover the china string. Let's start raiding. He said that these officials should wake up from their sleep when these dangerous plastic cords come in the market and are kept in storage.



Dr. Ashok urges youth to unite against drug addiction

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA YAMUNANAGAR, FEB 13

Dr. Ashok Kumar Verma, Sub Inspector in-charge of Awareness Program and Rehabilitation of Haryana State Narcotics Control Bureau, is visiting different cities and villages of Haryana state and organizing awareness programs against drugs and making the youth aware to stay away from drugs. He often travels on a bicycle and makes the youth across Haryana aware not only against drugs but also about road safety, environment protection, cycle promotion, cyber crime as well as patriotism. Bureau's Additional Director General of Police Shri O.P. As per the guidelines of Singh Saheb and the orders of Superintendent of Police Mr. Shashank Kumar



Sawan Saheb, swift action is being taken against drugs. Efforts for drug-free Haryana are also continuing through awareness against drugs. Today, Bureau's Awareness Program and Rehabilitation Incharge/Sub Inspector Dr. Ashok Kumar Verma reached Government Senior Secondary School, Damla and organized the 73rd one-day awareness program against drug abuse. This program was completed

under the chairmanship of school principal Aarti Garg. While creating awareness against drug addiction, Bureau's awareness program and rehabilitation in-charge, Dr. Ashok Kumar Verma said that under the Drug Free Haryana campaign, Haryana State Narcotics Control Bureau has registered 3471 cases in the year 2023, in which 4670 criminals have been sent behind the bars.

KU VC honours members of KU NAAC Advisory & Steering committee



DALBIR MALIK KURUKSHETRA: The Vice Chancellor of Kurukshetra University Prof. Som Nath Sachdeva said that KU has the distinction of being the highest graded A++ University by NAAC. This is the result of hard work of KU teachers, staff, alumni and students. He was speaking while honouring the members of KU NAAC Advisor Committee, Steering Committee and other officers associated with NAAC evaluation process organized in the committee room of KU on Monday. Prof Som Nath said that now KU has joined the league of select universities of the country achieving A++ grade. He said that KU is committed to give the best education and values to its students so that they become the best human resource and discerning citizens. On this occasion, VC Prof Som Nath felicitated KU Registrar Prof. Sanjeev Sharma, Dean Academic Affairs and Coordinator NAAC Prof. Anil Vashishth, Dean Students' Welfare, Prof. AR Chaudhri, NAAC Coordinator and Director IQAC Prof. Dinesh Kumar, Dean of Colleges Prof. Anil Vohra, Director CDOE Prof. Manjula Chaudhary, Prof. Brajesh Sawhney, Prof. Sanjeev Aggarwal, Prof. Anurekha Sharma, Prof. Tejinder Sharma, Prof. Pradeep Kumar, Prof. Anil Mittal, Prof. Sanjeev Arora.

Chitkara screens CineMaestro shaped films with 'Panchayat' fame Jitendra Kumar

BUREAU CHANDIGARH, FEB 13

The eagerly anticipated awards ceremony of CineMaestro: Shaping Future Filmmakers-Take 5 unfolded in a dazzling spectacle. This year's event witnessed enthusiastic participation from 20 schools, all converging at Chitkara International School for an immersive journey into the world of cinema under the esteemed banner of CineMaestro. CineMaestro, powered by the pioneering social enterprise Cinevidya, aims to ignite and cultivate the filmmaking prowess of budding talents across the nation. Spearheaded by the renowned cinematographer and producer, Mr. Amitabha Singh, this visionary initiative strives to uncover young cinematic geniuses and foster the production of



children's cinema on a national scale. During the workshop held at Chitkara International School, Mr. Amitabha Singh and Mr. Pushkar Singh Bisht, experts in cinematography, led students through camera techniques and lighting. Ms. Sweetu Ruhel, specializing in screen acting, inspired on-screen performances. Ms. Santwana Bayaskar, a maestro in sound design, shared insights on sound recording and design. Ms. Kalyani Sawadkar empowered students with

choreography skills to infuse emotion and rhythm into storytelling through dance. The film screening and mega film event commenced with a buzz of anticipation as students and guests eagerly awaited the showcase of diverse cinematic creations. Following the screening, attendees were treated to an engaging interaction session with the esteemed chief guest of the event Mr. Jitendra Kumar, where insightful discussions on the nuances of filmmaking and storytelling unfolded.

Editorial

An ideal teacher

My friend, Reethu, died last month. She had been a pre-primary teacher most of her working life and the outpouring of grief among her students was quite overwhelming. Most little children adore their teachers unconditionally, unlike their seniors who learn to judge as they grow older. But Reethu Sarawgi’s influence on her students lasted well into adulthood.

What was the secret of her magical hold on young people? She had a phenomenal memory for names and faces. This, I believe, was not just a gift, it was the result of her concern about each and every child in her care — she was exceptionally kind and generous. Moreover, she pursued each student’s individual fortunes through the school years and even after. Since I used to be responsible for the other end of the school, that is the school-leaving years, we often compared notes as to whether a particular child had blossomed the way Reethu had predicted or investigated whether the pushy nursery mother had changed her ways. Parents would have long and deep conversations with Reethu about the finer aspects of parenting, even though they had to hear disturbing statements such as, “There are no bad children — only bad parents.”

Reethu’s understanding of her young students was evident. Astonishingly, she would spot a Class VIII student and ask colleagues, “Is she still a loner?” Sometimes she would exclaim, “I knew that she would turn out to be a captain — what a little manager she was in the nursery!” Her remarks made me ponder Freud’s thoughts on the cruciality of the first five years of life.

Reethu’s learning and knowledge made me question the strange belief that many school administrators have that highly qualified people are unsuited for the primary level. “Highly knowledgeable people can’t come down to children’s level,” they proclaim. I strongly believe that you need to have a very fine mind and an abundance of knowledge to deal with small children. They bombard you with questions and often share their worldviews with you, and you had better have the wherewithal (and the patience) to address complex issues in a meaningful way. However, I do agree that teaching little children is not meant for scholarly teachers whose sole goal is to get students to master their coursework and achieve high scores in exams. I admired Reethu’s many-faceted mind along with her skills and passions. I loved her sense of humour and ringing laughter. Her interests ranged from literature, films, handicrafts — she excelled at handwork herself — visual and performing arts to politics, environmental issues and gardening.

She would quote effortlessly from yesteryear poems and have me scurrying to google the relevant context of something she had mentioned. She read not only books on pedagogy but also contemporary novels, poetry, travelogues and essays.

China "Pushes the Boundaries" with its expanding borders

In late 2021, Chairman Xi Jinping famously told President Joe Biden, ‘Aggression or hegemony is not in the blood of the Chinese nation. Since the founding of the people’s republic, China has never started a single war or conflict, and has never taken one inch of land from other countries.’ However, such a claim is demonstrably false, as China recklessly pushes forward its boundaries on land and at sea.

Including Bhutan and India, along their shared rugged, mountainous frontier, China is pushing forward wherever it can to forge a fait accompli on the ground. It is doing the same with illegal territorial claims in the South China Sea and attempting the same in Japan’s Senkaku Islands.

The Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) in the USA provided an assessment of new People’s Liberation Army (PLA) infrastructure near the Indian border. It noted, ‘China is currently undertaking a major expansion of its infrastructure that is enhancing its ability to project military power along its western frontier’ in both Tibet and Xinjiang.

The CSIS report revealed China is constructing or upgrading dozens of airports and heliports, supplemented by new roads, rail and other infrastructure that enhance PLA logistics by permitting greater quantities of troops, weapons and supplies to be shuttled closer to the frontier. It added, ‘The pace of development in the region accelerated following



standoffs and skirmishes between China and India along disputed portions of their border in 2017 and 2020.’ The 2017 reference is to the Doklam Plateau, where PLA engineers attempted to build a road. Even more serious was the outbreak of bloody violence at Galwan Valley in Eastern Ladakh in 2020.

In the rugged and unforgiving high-altitude terrain of Tibet and Xinjiang, airports and heliports grow exponentially in importance. They are vital for moving personnel and equipment into the area, plus they serve as launch pads for reconnaissance assets and potentially strike missions.

CSIS assessed: ‘The airpower buildup taking place on China’s western frontier is sweeping in scale.

Based on analysis of satellite imagery and other open-source material, China Power has identified 37 airports and heliports within Tibet and Xinjiang that have been newly constructed or upgraded since 2017 ... At least 22 of these are identifiable as military or dual-use facilities, or are expected to be once they are completed. The pace of this activity sped up significantly in 2020. That year alone, China began constructing seven new air facilities and initiated upgrades at seven others.’

Much of the construction is occurring in Tibet. All five existing dual-use airports have received new terminals, hangars, aprons and runways since 2017, while four new airports have been constructed less than 60km from the Indian border.

For example, Lhuntse, Ngari-Burang and Shigatse Tingri Airports fill glaring gaps in the PLA’s coverage. The dual-use Shigatse Peace Airport is the closest to Doklam, and it has received a large underground facility that has at least three entrances.

CSIS added: ‘The PLA is also significantly scaling up its ability to conduct helicopter-based operations through the construction of at least five new heliports in Tibet, and the upgrading of two heliports. These heliports, which are operated by PLA Army aviation units, are dotted throughout Tibet, stretching from Rutog County in the west to Nyingchi City in the east. The addition of these heliports stands to significantly enhance PLA operations in the mountainous region, since helicopters are capable of manoeuvring in ways that aeroplanes and ground equipment cannot.’

As for Xinjiang, at least 15 airports have been upgraded since 2017, seven of which are military or dual-use. One example is Hotan, 240km from the Indian border. It has a new runway, additional tarmac areas and an expanded air defense complex.

Three new airports have started construction in Xinjiang since 2019, including Tashkorgan near the border junction with Pakistan, Afghanistan and Tajikistan.

Nonetheless, CSIS explained: ‘Despite the military benefits that China’s investments in the region have brought, the PLA faces several

notable disadvantages compared to India. Much of China’s side of the border is situated on the highest portions of the Tibetan Plateau, which is often described as the ‘roof of the world’, owing to its high elevation. Twenty of China’s airports and heliports within Xinjiang and Tibet are located more than 3,000m above sea level...’

Such altitudes present massive operational challenges for the PLA. Thin air affects the performance of aircraft taking off, which in turn requires longer runways and aircraft may not be able to carry full weapon, cargo or fuel loads. Cold and harsh weather adds its own challenges too.

Official Chinese figures reveal that Tibet’s highway system grew 51 per cent from 2015-20 to a total of 11,820km. In the same period, Xinjiang’s highway network grew from 17,830km to 20,920km. As well as enhancing economic development, these roads assist the PLA in moving supplies. For instance, at least eight roads stretching from the G219 highway towards the Indian border are being constructed. The PLA would be able to use them to quickly reposition troops if another Galwan Valley confrontation occurred, for example. Completed in 2021 and reducing travel time by eight hours, another new road connects Nyingchi to Medog County in eastern Tibet. Nyingchi hosts the headquarters of the PLA’s 52nd and 53rd Combined Light Infantry Brigades, showing how critical such new routes are in spreading the influence of the PLA.

Literature & Health

How fatty acids plays key role in creating memories



Researchers at the University of Queensland have demonstrated the vital role that saturated fatty acids play in the brain’s storage of memories.

A new cure for neurodegenerative illnesses may now be possible, thanks to research conducted by Dr Isaac Akefe of the Queensland Brain Institute at the University of Queensland. He has also discovered the genes that underlie the process of memory creation.

The findings were published in the EMBO Journal.

‘We’ve shown previously that levels of saturated fatty acids increase in the brain during neuronal communication, but we didn’t know what was causing these changes,’ Dr Akefe said.

‘Now for the first time, we’ve identified alterations in the brain’s fatty acid landscape when the neurons encode a memory.’

‘An enzyme called Phospholipase A1 (PLA1) interacts with another protein at the synapse called STXBP1 to form saturated fatty acids.’

The brain is the body’s fattiest organ, with fatty compounds called lipids making up 60 per cent of its weight. Fatty acids are the building blocks of a class of lipids called phospholipids.

The work done in Professor Frederic Meunier’s laboratory has shown that STXBP1 controls the targeting of the PLA1 enzyme, coordinating the release of fatty acids and directing communication at the synapses in the brain. ‘Human mutations in the PLA1 and STXBP1 genes reduce free fatty acid levels and promote neurological disorders,’ Professor Meunier said. ‘To determine the importance of free fatty acids in memory formation, we used mouse models where the PLA1 gene was removed.’

Does physical activity reduce pain intensity in cancer survivors?



People who have had cancer frequently feel persistent pain, but a new study suggests that staying physically active may help reduce its intensity.

The study is published by Wiley online in CANCER, a peer-reviewed journal of the American Cancer Society.

Although physical activity has been shown to lessen various types of pain, its effects on cancer-related pain are unclear. To investigate, a team led by senior author Erika Rees-Punia, PhD, MPH, of the American Cancer Society, and first author Christopher T.V. Swain, PhD, of the University of Melbourne, in Australia, analyzed information pertaining to 51,439 adults without a history of cancer and 10,651 adults with a past cancer diagnosis. Participants were asked, ‘How would you rate your pain on average,’ with

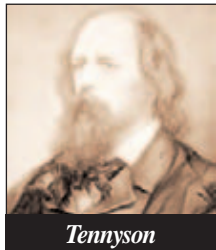
responses ranging from 0 (no pain) to 10 (worst pain imaginable). Participants were also asked about their usual physical activity.

U.S. guidelines recommend 150 minutes (2 hours 30 minutes) to 300 minutes (5 hours) a week of moderate-intensity, or 75 minutes (1 hour 15 minutes) to 150 minutes (2 hours 30 minutes) a week of vigorous-intensity aerobic physical activity. Based on participants’ responses, the investigators found that, for individuals who had cancer in the past as well as for those without a history of cancer, more physical activity was linked with lower pain intensity. The extent of the association was similar for both groups of individuals, indicating that exercise may reduce cancer-related pain just as it does for other types of pain that have been studied in the past.

POEM

Break, Break, Break

Break, break, break, On thy cold gray stones, O Sea! And I would that my tongue could utter The thoughts that arise in me.



O, well for the fisherman's boy,

That he shouts with his sister at play!

O, well for the sailor lad,

That he sings in his boat on the bay!

And the stately ships go on To their haven under the hill; But O for the touch of a vanish'd hand,

And the sound of a voice that is still! Break, break, break

At the foot of thy crags, O Sea!

But the tender grace of a day that is dead

Will never come back to me.

Alfred, Lord Tennyson

In USA Valentine's day is celebrated as National Organ Donor Day each year

PARVEEN KUMAR RATTAN

On Valentine’s Day, lovers always promise each other the moon, but my better half has defined this through commitment, by sharing a major part of her liver thereby saving my life. Ever since then, this bond of love & affection has grown stronger & stronger day by day.’, says Parveen Kumar Rattan, a senior Accounts Officer, working with engineering department of Chandigarh Administration.

Roopa Arora, a local government school teacher never thought of life beyond her family and school. 13 years back, in 2011, It was love that drove the school



teacher just at the age of 36 years to save her husband diagnosed with end-stage liver disease. ‘We both were shattered when doctors told, that liver transplant is the only cure to lead balance life. Ignoring risk to her own life, my wife took a bold decision

for saving my life” says Rattan. ‘‘I was found a perfect match when we approached Dr Arvinder Singh Soin in Medanta, the Medicity hospital Gurugram in July 2011” says Roopa Arora. She was then strong enough with her own stand to give a new lease of life to her husband & donated 65% of her liver.

‘‘Words can’t express how this decision has changed my journey of life.. I’m alive only because my life partner gave me major part of her liver. For me my hero is always my wife who gave me this precious gift of life on 5th July 2011.

Leading a normal life with someone else’s organ is a special privilege for me. So

many people remain on waiting list for an organ in hospitals and never get a second chance to life like me I am very lucky who got so much love from my wife through the gift of life. .. It was very difficult for me to regain this lost battle of life as I was always lying on bed. My wife’s courageous decision made it easy for me. I’m always thankful for her courage and affection by stepping up like this, is the real testament to our relationships which have grown stronger & stronger day by day.” ‘‘Everyday is a valentine day for us. Every day you live is a blessing but we ignore it. Extra ordinary things always happened to us since then. And this special love has now given a

different meaning to our lives in an extraordinary way. Ever since this major surgery was performed, we never looked back. We became the first Indian couple to participate in Transplant Games of America in 2018 & World Transplant Games 2019 held in UK. For which health minister Dr Harsh Vardhan awarded us too,” says Rattan.

‘‘I participated in Guinness Book of World record event held at Chicago for the largest gathering of living donors worldwide in April 2018. When someone asked why I did & what I did, I reply it is only the love,” says Roopa softly. ‘‘It has changed our motive of leading rest of our lives. Now serving the humanity seems to be a better

way. It is our passion now to return something back to the society. We together completed 2 post graduations together one in mass communication and journalism and another one master’s degree in social work in addition to doing government jobs” says Roopa Arora.

‘‘I always appreciate the decision of my wife risking her life insurance for partners help and well-being as her top priority. This not only save only my life but also our love give birth to another life our son born after transplant. Such miracles happen out of love and affection and when love conquers mind of both the partners”, says Mr Rattan.

Tata Motors and Bandhan Bank sign MoU

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: Tata Motors, India's largest commercial vehicle manufacturer, has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Bandhan Bank, one of India's fastest-growing private sector banks, to offer convenient financing solutions to its commercial vehicle customers. Under this collaboration, Bandhan Bank will offer financing across the entire commercial vehicle portfolio and customers will benefit from the bank's wide network and specially curated easy repayment plans. Commenting on this partnership, Mr. Rajesh Kaul, Vice President & Business Head – Trucks, Tata Motors, said, "We are delighted to announce our partnership with Bandhan Bank through this MoU, which represents a major milestone in our commitment to providing seamless financing solutions to our customers. This partnership reflects our commitment to providing accessible and efficient financial solutions, empowering our customers to achieve their business goals with ease. Together, we look forward to driving greater convenience and support for our valued commercial vehicle customers."

Tata.ev reduces EV prices up to Rs. 1.2 Lakh

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: Speaking about this price reduction, Mr. Vivek Srivatsa, Chief Commercial Officer, TPEM, said, "Battery costs constitute a substantial part of the overall cost of an EV. With battery cell prices having softened in the recent past and considering their potential reduction in the foreseeable future, we have chosen to proactively pass on the resulting benefits directly to customers. While EVs have grown rapidly over the last few years, our mission is to accelerate the mainstream adoption of EVs by making them more accessible nationally. Our portfolio already offers a wide choice of body styles, range and price points for our smart, feature rich EVs. We believe that at these accessible prices, the best-selling Nexon-ev and Tiago-ev become an even more compelling proposition to attract a larger pool of customers."EV have shown a strong growth momentum and are substantially outperforming the overall passenger vehicle industry growth.

NSDC launches Centre for Future Skills

CHANDIGARH: To impart outcome-driven and high-quality skill training to the youth and to make them catalysts in achieving the vision of Vision Bharat by 2047, National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) in collaboration with EthnoTech Academic Solutions Pvt Ltd, Bengaluru, launched the Centre for Future Skills in Kalaburagi, Karnataka – a visionary platform that elevates the capabilities of the youth in future skills. Shri. Subhas Sarkar, Hon'ble Minister of State for Higher Education, Government of India and Shri. Umesh Jadhav, Hon'ble Member of Parliament were the Chief Guest for the event. Shri. Ved Mani Tiwari, CEO, NSDC and MD, NSDC International; Dr. Pratap Singh Desai, President, Indian Society for Technical Information (ISTE); Dr. Kiran K. Rajanna, Chairman, EthnoTech Group of Companies; Dr. Bhimashankar C Bilgundi, President, HKE Society, Kalaburagi; R. Velraj, Vice Chancellor, Anna University, Chennai; Prof (Dr) Buta Singh Sidhu, Vice Chancellor, Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University, Bathinda; and Dr. S.N. Singh, Director, Indian Institute of Information Technology and Management.

Mahindra Finance & IBM collaborate to drive financial inclusion with Super App

CHANDIGARH: IBM (NYSE: IBM) and Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services Limited (Mahindra Finance) today announced a strategic collaboration to build a super app that would serve as a single digital interface for consumers to access multiple businesses within Mahindra Finance. Speaking on the development, Raul Rebelo, MD & CEO-Designate, Mahindra Finance said, "We at Mahindra Finance are keen to accelerate delivery of our digital financial solutions to better serve our customers. "Super apps have the potential to bring a paradigm shift in the financial services industry, enabling significantly superior customer engagement and unleashing new business models," said Rishi Aurora, Managing Partner, IBM Consulting India & South Asia. "Having worked with multiple financial organizations that are in different stages of their growth journeys in India and across the world, we are happy to collaborate with Mahindra Finance in their endeavor to build a seamless digital journey."

Amazon Music All Set to Ring in Valentine's Day with its Shades of Love Playlists

CHANDIGARH: It's the season of love, and Amazon Music just knows exactly how to kickstart the Valentine's month. Being one of India's leading music streaming services, Amazon Music is all set to share a few Shades of Love with its listeners. From old-school Bollywood to contemporary Hip-Hop, Amazon Music's Valentine's playlists cover all moods and genres that you could ask for with the following playlists. For all the die-hard romantics and the hopelessly new-in-love, this playlist is a perfect mix of all things you loved in the past and now. From your favorite International Pop hits to regional duets, this playlist is being offered in a variety of languages including Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Punjabi, Kannada, Marathi and Bengali. Enjoy the finest love songs ever created with this perfectly crafted 'Valentine's' playlist featuring the top 100 romance tracks in Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Kannada and Malayalam.

Indri Continues To Triumph As One Of The Best Whiskies In The World;

SHIMLA: India's proud homegrown single malt brand from the House of Picoally Distilleries, Indri has once again earned a spot among the best whiskies in the world. Indri Trini, India's first triple cask single malt, has bagged the Best New World Whiskey title by the famous US based all-bev platform, VinePair. The recognition further strengthens Indri's position as one of the fastest growing Indian single malt brands, both in India and overseas. This comes after Indri Divali Collector's Edition, being crowned as the Best Whisky in the World by winning "Best in Show, Double Gold" award at the prestigious Whiskies of the World Awards 2023. Since its launch in 2021, Indri-Trini has garnered over 14 international awards, propelling Indri to unparalleled heights in the realm of premium single malts. Based on consumer-oriented tastings of hundreds of whiskies from around the world during the last 12 months, VinePair selects one standout bottle from every category of whiskey. Considering that the final ranking delivers on flavour, balance, depth, and complexity for each of their respective price points, the platform releases a list of the World's Best Whiskies at the beginning of each year. This year, the list features Indri Trini as the Best New World Whiskey.

Vedanta Resources completes repayments to its bondholders

Amritsar : Vedanta Resources Limited (VRL/Vedanta) announces that it completed repayments to its bondholders on February 7, 2024 in line with the consents it received earlier in the year in which maturities of \$3.2 bn in bonds were successfully extended to 2029.VRL is pleased to note that with the completion of this exercise, the debt maturities at VRL are more evenly spread which was our main objective for the exercise.As you are aware, Vedanta Group announced a significant demerger and reorganization plan in September last year. This will recast the Vedanta Group across 17 major businesses. Each of the business has world-class management leadership, employs the latest cutting-edge technologies have import substitution and fulfillment of domestic demand as a core proposition. They also offer high quality and diversified investment opportunities to institutional and retail investors alike. We will update progress on the implementation on a timely basis.

CHANDIGARH, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024

Make this Valentine's Day about health with the goodness of almonds

Chandigarh/ Ludhiana, : As the season of love unfolds, let's consider a unique approach this Valentine's Day. Instead of following the traditional association with sweet treats and indulgent gestures, prioritize health and well-being. This change can offer a refreshing perspective on celebrating love by choosing healthier alternatives over indulgence. One of the few healthy yet unique gifts for your special someone could be a thoughtfully curated box of almonds, symbolizing your affection and emphasizing the importance of well-being in your relationship.

Almonds, known for their delightful and crunchy taste and numerous health benefits, serve as a meaningful and nourishing gesture. Packed with 15 nutrients, including zinc, folate, iron, vitamin E, magnesium, and protein, these powerhouse nuts contribute to a range of health advantages. They support heart health, promote skin health, aid in weight management, and help manage blood sugar control. Incorporating almonds into your diet allows you to enjoy a tasty snack while harnessing a wealth of nutrients that positively impact various aspects of your well-being.



Talking about the season of love and highlighting the significance of almonds in her daily diet, Bollywood actress Soha Ali Khan said, "For me, Valentine's Day goes beyond expressing love; it's about caring for the health of my loved ones. I make sure that my family and I maintain a healthy and balanced diet, consistently including almonds in our meals. Interestingly, my little one opts for snacking on almonds whenever she feels a bit hungry, favoring them over unhealthy options. Almonds, a source of 15 nutrients such as zinc, protein, vitamin E, and more, with their numerous health benefits, stand as my choice for a thoughtful and nourishing gift."

Speaking about the importance of incorporating a handful of almonds into the daily diet, Ritika Samaddar, Regional Head of Dietetics at Max Healthcare in Delhi, said, "I consistently advise my clients to include a handful of almonds in their regular diet. This recommendation is based on the fact that almonds contain 15 essential nutrients, including protein and dietary fiber, which play a significant role in effectively managing lifestyle diseases such as diabetes. According to a study, incorporating almonds into daily meals has the potential to mitigate the blood sugar impact of carbohydrate foods that they are eaten with, positively influencing fasting insulin levels. Additionally, the consumption of these nuts can contribute to weight management due to their satiating properties."

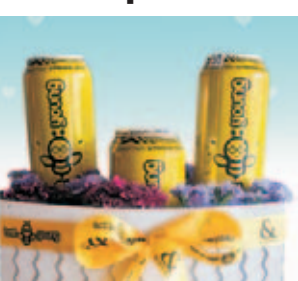
Emphasizing the profound impact of almonds on one's fitness journey, Yasmin Karachiwala, Fitness and Celebrity Instructor, said, "Almonds contain healthy fats that have a positive impact on energy levels and also are a rich source of protein, a nutrient that helps the growth and maintenance of muscle mass. Therefore, giving a

curated box of almonds to your loved ones is not just a gift but a health investment. Emphasizing the significance of a balanced diet, I recommend almonds as an ideal pre- or post-workout snack, offering good fats and satiating properties."

Sheela Krishnaswamy, Nutrition and Wellness Consultant, said, "Gifting a curated box of almonds is a step towards better health that everyone should take. Not only are almonds a delicious and nutritious snack, but they also promote heart health. Research indicates that daily consumption of 42 grams of almonds can help reduce belly fat, a well-established risk factor for heart disease. Regular intake of almonds has further been associated with lower total cholesterol, LDL-cholesterol, and blood sugar levels, while maintaining optimal HDL-cholesterol levels. Almonds serve as a convenient and satisfying snack that can be enjoyed anytime, anywhere. Consider gifting almonds – a thoughtful and healthy choice that your special someone can relish throughout the year."

Popular Kannada actress Pranitha Subhash shared that she relies on almonds on a day-to-day basis.

BeeYoung and Blooms Collaborate for Unique Valentine's Day Campaign



fully brewed BeeYoung craft beers nestled amidst Blue Aster flowers and purple daisies, creating a stunning visual and gustatory experience. As part of the campaign, BeeYoung and Blooms will host a social media giveaway, offering one lucky couple the chance to win the exclusive bouquet, with influencer gifting to spread the love further.

"What better than a beery bouquet for your loved ones this Valentine's Day!" said Mr. Abhinav Jindal, Founder and CEO of Kimaya Himalayan Beverages. "At BeeYoung, we are always looking for innovative ways to elevate the craft beer experience, and this collaboration allows us to do just that. We believe that the combination of fine, malty and citrusy craft beers and exquisite floral design is the perfect way to celebrate love and create lasting memories."

Ms. Shalini Dugar, Founder of Blooms, echoed Mr. Jindal's sentiments, saying, "At Blooms, we are passionate about creating floral experiences.

Counterfeit HP ink toners & cartridges valued close to INR 30 crore seized in India

CHANDIGARH — Counterfeit HP products valued at approximately INR 30 crore have been seized during Nov 2022-Oct 2023 in India, according to the HP Anti-Counterfeiting and Fraud (ACF) report. In this period, law enforcement authorities in India with support from HP's Anti-Counterfeiting initiatives have successfully removed nearly 4.4 lakh illicit items from the market. These items include several counterfeit toner and ink cartridges, preventing their circulation and potential sale to unsuspecting consumers. The majority of these operations occurred in Mumbai, where over one lakh illicit items were confiscated.

HP's Anti-Counterfeiting and Fraud (ACF) Program is aimed at protecting markets and consumers from counterfeiters of HP products, while also raising awareness about the scale and severity of the fraudulent printing supplies market in India. While counterfeit ink and toner cartridges might look like HP originals,

they are often of poor quality. They can come with many significant risks for end users, such as sub-standard printout quality, printer downtime and extra costs due to counterfeit cartridge leakage, and loss of money due to non-functioning counterfeit cartridges, among other things.

Sunish Raghavan, Senior Director, Printing Systems, HP India, said that they are committed to protecting their valued customers in India from counterfeit products through their Anti-Counterfeiting and Fraud Program. This initiative ensures that individuals receive authentic HP products, upholding quality standards and safeguarding consumer interests. Through initiatives like the Customer Delivery Inspection service, they empower customers to verify the authenticity of their printing supplies, instilling confidence and peace of mind. Collaborating with law enforcement agencies and ongoing awareness initiatives, they strive to combat counterfeiting, preserve customer trust,

Galaxy AI Features Come on Samsung Galaxy Buds

CHANDIGARH: Samsung, India's largest electronics brand, has announced the OTA (over-the-air) rollout of Galaxy AI features on Galaxy Buds2 Pro, Galaxy Buds2 and Galaxy Buds FE. Users will now be able to unlock the full potential of Galaxy AI features such as Live Translate on Galaxy Buds series through the 'Made in

India' Galaxy S24 series. With the help of Live Translate, users can see real-time call translation on the screen of Galaxy S24 series, while they are talking via Galaxy Buds. Additionally, the new AI-driven interpreter feature on Galaxy S24 series provides a seamless two-way, face-to-face interpretation through Galaxy Buds interface. Users can

directly speak into the Buds mic and their translated voice will now be available via the Galaxy S24 series enabling near-natural conversation between two individuals each holding Galaxy S24 series smartphone and Galaxy Buds respectively, eliminating the need to hand over the phone and manage translated talking.

Lords Mark Industries Ltd Files Patent for its biochemistry reagents

Shimla, LordsMed, the global healthcare division of Lord's Mark Industries Ltd, has launched a set of 10 world-class reagents for Triglycerides, Uric Acid, Alkaline Phosphatase, Bilirubin, Calcium (Arsenazo III), Creatinine, Glucose, Serum Glutamic Oxaloacetic Transaminase (SGOT) / Aspartate Aminotransferase, Serum Glutamic Pyruvic Transaminase (SGPT), Alanine Aminotransferase (ALT) and Total Protein. These reagents come with 99.7 percent accuracy, the highest level of sensitivity, a shelf life of 24 months, unique packaging and competitive price-points. The company has filed India patents for these reagents which will strengthen the preventive healthcare mechanism for critical diseases. LordsMed will manufacture these reagents at its manufacturing facility in Maharashtra and make these reagents available to pathological labs, hospitals and research institutes through its Pan-India distribution network of over 300 dealers. LordsMed will use these reagents in its chain of pathological labs as well. The company has plans to export the reagent in key global markets. LordsMed aims to generate revenue by supplying these reagents Pan India and within SAARC, African

and Eastern Europe countries in global markets within couple of years. Commenting on the launch, Sachidanand Upadhyay, MD & CEO, Lords Mark Industries Ltd, said, "The demand for affordable and quality reagent in India is growing steadily on the back of prevalence of chronic and infectious diseases, growing awareness of importance of diagnostic intervention and the benefits of preventive healthcare. Our reagent with unparalleled accuracy, sensitivity and shelf life will redefine the pre-emptive diagnostic interventions framework for critical diseases. As Indian patents are recognised globally,

FIITJEE students at National level, year after year, proves the superiority of the faculty and the unique time proven teaching methodologies of India's most trusted institute. This result is a product of our strict academic ecosystem which includes concept wise teaching followed by organized and disciplined testing and FIITJEE believes in optimized batch size which results in individual attention to the students for the overall growth of each and every student." Says Mr Rajpal Singh, Centre Coordinator, FIITJEE Chandigarh.

FIITJEE Chandigarh Centre students outshine in ranking

CHANDIGARH: Students from FIITJEE's Chandigarh Centre outshine in the JEE Main 2024 results declared today. Time and again, the results have proven and given the India's premier institute, FIITJEE a reason to rejoice its students' extraordinary accomplishments.

Vansh Goyal has scored 99.9758 percentile, Mehul Talwar scored 99.9702, Vipresh Gupta scored 99.80, Aditya Saroha scored 99.75, Anhadpal Singh scored 99.72 and Ritvik Suri scored 99.65 percentile.

Even students who do well at school often fail to do well in competitive examinations because they lack conceptual understanding despite having a good IQ. The success of our students at JEE each year bears testimony to the fact that our way of teaching has succeeded in bringing the best in students. We are very proud of the achievements of our students and teachers," says Mr Ananya Gangopadhyaya, Managing Partner, FIITJEE Chandigarh.

"This is not the first time that FIITJEE students have excelled at JEE. The success of

FIITJEE students at National level, year after year, proves the superiority of the faculty and the unique time proven teaching methodologies of India's most trusted institute. This result is a product of our strict academic ecosystem which includes concept wise teaching followed by organized and disciplined testing and FIITJEE believes in optimized batch size which results in individual attention to the students for the overall growth of each and every student." Says Mr Rajpal Singh, Centre Coordinator, FIITJEE Chandigarh.

Vedantu's Founders Return to Their Roots: Inaugurate New Learning Centre in Patiala

Patiala, India - February 13, 2024 - The Ed-tech pioneer Vedantu, founded by the revolutionary trio, Vamsi Krishna, Pulkit Jain, and Anand Prakash, has set its sights on Patiala with its next foray into the offline coaching space, Vedantu Learning Centres. Previously, having led the coaching space in Patiala for over a decade with Lakshya, their first brainchild, the founders have once again rightfully chosen Patiala as one of the very first locations to embrace innovative learning through launch of multiple Vedantu Learning Centres, with the first being in Chhoti Baradari. Inspired by their success with Lakshya, which reshaped the educational landscape of Patiala and nearby cities, Vamsi, Pulkit and Anand started Vedantu in 2014, driven by a shared vision to scale their impact and provide quality education to students across India. Through this initiative, Vedantu's founders aim to give back to Patiala by providing students with access to

personalized learning experiences tailored to their needs. With a focus on JEE, NEET, and Foundation courses, the new Learning Centre embodies Vedantu's dedication to empowering the youth of Patiala and beyond. The inauguration of the Chhoti Baradari Vedantu Learning Centre on February 11, 2024, represents a heartfelt homecoming for the founders—a testament to their enduring commitment to their roots and the city that laid the foundation for their educational journey. In the words of Vedantu's founders, "Establishing Vedantu Learning Centres in Patiala was our natural vision, for it was here that our journey commenced, igniting a flame of educational innovation. Patiala, the birthplace of our passion, where we reshaped the educational landscape and set unprecedented benchmarks, naturally holds a special significance. Now, as we embark on this endeavour, returning to our roots, establishing a Vedantu Learning Centre in Patiala.

Sri Chaitanya Institute Produces Stellar Results in JEE Mains Session 1

Chandigarh: In a remarkable display of academic excellence, Sri Chaitanya Institute has once again proven its mettle in the JEE Mains examination, with Ayush Gangal emerging as Chandigarh Topper with a staggering 99.999 percentile and securing a perfect 100 in Mathematics and 99.99 in Chemistry and Physics. His stellar achievement has not only brought immense pride to his family but has also set a benchmark for aspiring engineers nationwide. Following closely behind is Mayank Jain, from Panchkula centre of Sri Chaitanya Institute who achieved an impressive 99.98 percentile. With a perfect 100 percentile in Mathematics and commendable 99.85 percentile in Physics and 99.89 percentile in Chemistry, Mayank's achievement underscores Sri Chaitanya's commitment to nurturing academic excellence across all disciplines. Five students secured perfect 100 percentile where, Ayush, Mayank, and Aditya Garg showcased their mathematical prowess with perfect 100 percentile, Sidhant's impeccable command in physics earned him a flawless 100 percentile, while Rachit Ahuja's mastery in Chemistry culminated in a perfect 100 percentile.

HDFC Bank To Organize 'Mega Two Wheeler Loan Mela' in North India

SHIMLA: HDFC Bank, India's leading private sector bank, will be organizing a 'Mega Two Wheeler Loan Mela' across its branches in Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Chandigarh, Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh on 15th and 16th February 2024. Over 800 branches across these states will host the massive loan drive in partnership with leading two wheeler brands and regional dealerships which will be present at the branches to showcase vehicles to customers. For eligible customers, the bank will provide on-the-spot loan sanctions. HDFC Bank provides a host of loans to its customers at affordable interest rates. The 'Mega Two Wheeler Loan Mela' drive is envisioned to provide customers easy access to two wheeler finance especially in the SURU (semi-urban and rural) locations. The Bank will provide an end-to-end solution for processing loan requests with a variety of repayment configurations and minimal paperwork.

Lords Mark Industries Ltd Files Patent for its bio-chemistry reagents and targets a revenue of 200 crore

Chandigarh : LordsMed, the global healthcare division of Lord's Mark Industries Ltd, has launched a set of 10 world-class re-agent and diagnostic testing kits for Triglycerides, Uric Acid, Alkaline Phosphatase, Bilirubin, Calcium (Arsenazo III), Creatinine, Glucose, Serum Glutamic Oxaloacetic Transaminase (SGOT)/Aspartate Aminotransferase, Serum Glutamic Pyruvic Transaminase (SGPT), Alanine Aminotransferase (ALT) and Total Protein. These re-agent and diagnostic test kits come with 99.7 percent accuracy, the highest level of sensitivity, a shelf life of 24 months, unique packaging and competitive price-points. The company has filed India patents for these kits which will strengthen the preventive healthcare mechanism for critical diseases. LordsMed will manufacture these re-agent and



diagnostic testing kits at its manufacturing facility in Maharashtra and make these kits available to pathological labs, hospitals and research institutes through its Pan-India distribution network of over 300 dealers. LordsMed will use the kits in its chain of pathological labs

as well. The company has plans to export the re-agent and kits in key global markets. LordsMed aims to generate revenue worth Rs.200 crores by supplying these kits Pan India and within SAARC, African and Eastern Europe countries in global markets within couple of years. Commenting on the launch, Sachidanand Upadhyay, MD & CEO, Lord's Mark Industries Ltd, said, "The demand for affordable and quality re-agent and diagnostic kits in India is growing steadily on the back of prevalence of chronic and infectious diseases, growing awareness of importance of diagnostic intervention and the benefits of preventive healthcare. Our re-agent or diagnostic testing kits with unparalleled accuracy, sensitivity and shelf life will redefine the pre-emptive diagnostic interventions framework for critical diseases.

SARAS fair concludes in successful note, Registered overall Rs 72 lakhs sales



Chandigarh, The 12-day SARAS Mela being organized by the Rural Livelihood Mission under the aegis of Ministry of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Govt of HP at Exhibition Ground, Sector 34 ended in a successful note on Monday. The Ministry in endeavour to empower rural entrepreneurial women organised this fair every year. These enterprising women displayed their handmade

products at their nearly 100 stalls. According to the organisers, these entrepreneurs made sales worth approximately Rs 72 lakh at the fair. The participating exhibitors also expressed their satisfaction over the business done in the fair. The Food Festival was another attraction of the fair wherein the local people relished the traditional dishes of Himachal. Women from almost all the districts of the state served Dham and other dishes.

Ishaan Singla shines at JEE Mains exam with 99.43 percent marks

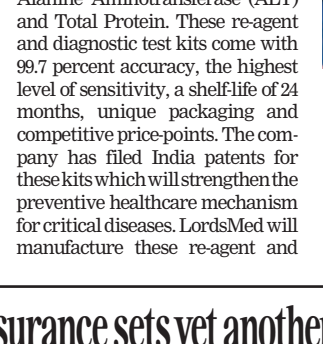
Patiala, Ishan Singla of Patiala had brought the laurel for his city with his excellent performance in the Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) Mains 2024 Session-1 results which declared on Tuesday. The student of Sri Chaitanya, Ishaan scored overall 99.43 percent marks. Other students of the center have also performed exceptionally well in this examination. These students include Kavya Bisht (98.72 per cent), Nitish Thulani (97.01 percent), Manav Banga (96.78 percent) and Parshan (91.14 percent). Ishaan has attributed his success to Sri Chaitanya's teachers who supported him in his studies with their utmost commitment. Ishaan said that he dedicated 12 hours of his studies every day.

Akums drugs and pharmaceuticals limited files DRHP with SEBI

GURUGRAM : Akums Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Limited ("The Company") has filed its Draft Red Herring Prospectus ("DRHP") with market regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI"). The Company is the largest India-focused Pharmaceutical contract development and manufacturing organization ("CDMO") in terms of revenue, production capacity and clients served during the Financial Year 2023 (among CDMOs assessed by F&S) according to F&S Report. The Company plans to raise funds through initial public offerings of Equity Shares (face value ₹ 2 each). The Issue Offer comprises of fresh issue of Equity Shares aggregating up to ₹ 680 crore (The "Fresh Issue") and offer for sale up to 18,598,365 Equity Share by Selling Shareholders (The "Offer for Sale"). The company proposes to utilize net proceeds from fresh issue towards – 1. Repayment / prepayment of indebtedness of our Company and its Subsidiaries; 2. Funding incremental working capital requirements of our Company; 3. Pursuing inorganic growth.

Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance sets yet another GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ title with its unique fitness initiative - Plankathon

Ludhiana: Bajaj Allianz Life, one of India's leading private life insurers, today, organized the fourth edition of #Plankathon in Bengaluru's Sri Kanteerava Outdoor Stadium to celebrate the Indian Space Research Organization's (ISRO) remarkable achievements with Chandrayaan and the Solar Mission, Aditya L1. The on-ground Plankathon event was a culmination of the Company's hugely popular campaign #PlankForAces that invited Indians to come together to thank the brilliant scientists at ISRO, by uploading their video of holding the abdominal plank.



Hindi movies under her belt including Mission Mangal and most recently Dunki championed the entire Plankathon event on ground. Mr. Chandramohan Mehra, Chief Marketing Officer, Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance, was also present along with Ms. Pannu, Guinness World Records adjudicator declared Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance as a new GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS

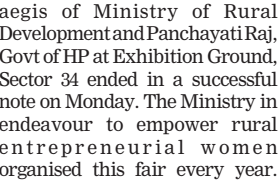
title holder for largest online video album of people holding the abdominal plank position. #PlankForAces saw 5,194 videos being uploaded by people from all segments.

Addressing those present at Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance's Plankathon 2024, Mr. N Sudheer Kumar, Director, Capacity Building & Public Outreach, Indian Space Research Organisation HQ, said, "This is indeed an extraordinary event that showcases the collective Indian spirit. With the initiative like #PlankForAces, Bajaj Allianz Life has brought together several thousands by igniting their passion for their country, as well as their motivation to stay fit and healthy. We appreciate and thank everyone who have participated for their efforts. Your wishes will further fuel our endeavor to make India proud, as we set our focus on the new frontiers within space research."

Aakash Institute's Hisar Flag Flies High in JEE (Main) 2024 Session 1 Results

Hisar : Aakash BYJU'S is proud to announce the remarkable achievement of 5 of its student from Hisar, who scored above 95 percentile in the first session of the Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) Main 2024. One other student secured 90 percentile and above. The notable achievers are RISHIT BARALA who secured

99.78, PRIYANSHI SEHRA 99.00, GURPREET 98.66, BALRAM



SINGH 97.23, KANAV 96.77 and RONIK 92.96 amongst others.

The top percentiles of the students showcases their unwavering commitment and academic excellence in one of India's most competitive exams. The National Testing Agency unveiled the results earlier today, marking the commencement of the first of the two scheduled Joint Entrance Examinations for Engineering.

Aakash Institute's Chandigarh and Panchkula Flag Flies High in JEE (Main)

Chandigarh: Aakash BYJU'S is proud to announce the remarkable achievement of 35 of its students from Chandigarh and Panchkula, who scored above 99 percentile in the first session of the Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) Main 2024. A whopping 153 students secured 90 percentile and above. 6 students secured 100 percentile in one of the subjects. The notable achievers are Mrudul Garg who secured 99.96, Raghav Agarwal 99.96, Bhavi Goyal 99.91, Vyom Dwivedi 99.86, Saksham Chhabra 99.82, Anshita Batra 99.81, Punya Bindlish 99.76, Mohd. Maazyiz Mattoo 99.74 and

Krish Singh 99.73 amongst others. The students Jashan Mittal and Vyom Dwivedi secured a perfect 100 percentile in Mathematics, Ujjwal, Arjun Gupta and Shubham Kapur secured 100 percentile in Physics.

The star performer of Aakash BYJU'S in JEE Mains session 1 is Rishi Shekhar Shukla from Hyderabad who has secured a perfect 100 percentile and is the Telangana State Topper.

Congratulating the students, Mr Parmeshwar Jha, Regional Director, Aakash BYJU'S, commented, "The students' remarkable performance exemplifies Aakash BYJU'S

commitment to empowering students with comprehensive coaching and innovative learning solutions, thereby enabling them to excel in competitive examinations. We wish them all the best for the next attempt as well as for their future endeavours." The top percentiles of the students showcase their unwavering commitment and academic excellence in one of India's most competitive exams. The National Testing Agency unveiled the results earlier today, marking the commencement of the first of the two scheduled Joint Entrance Examinations for Engineering.

Farewell party organized for 12th class students



KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA: A farewell party was organized for the students of Class 12th at Baba Gandhi Singh Public School Barnala. Sardar Satveer Singh (DSP Barnala) and Sardar Bajjit Singh (Inspector) graced the function as chief guests. School Principal Dr. Sandeep Kumar Lath welcomed the guests and said during his speech that only an educated person can serve the country by becoming a civilized citizen. There is a time for everything in life. If students work with determination towards their goal then they are sure to achieve success and if this time is wasted in fun then there is a loss which can never be recovered.

Prabhat Pheri organized in Jaydhari village

RK KASHYAP
CHHACHHRAULI: Prabhat Pheri was organized in Jaydhari village. Villagers Ashok Kumar, Aman Kumar, Vipin, Jot, Seva Nishan Sahib Rinku Choudhary, Sheeshpal, Karnail, Sushma, Pinky, Rekha, Shiksha and all the women, elders and children of the village joined in the Prabhat Pheri and during this they sang the bhajans in praise of Guru Ji. . Aman Kumar told that in the Prabhat Fero, which will last for several days, Guruj's bhajans will be and his teachings would be propagated. Prabhat Pheri was organized by all the people of the society.

Govt Sec school Kishanpura selected as best in CM school beautification competition



RK KASHYAP
CHHACHHRAULI: After Government Secondary School Kishanpura was selected as the best school of Yamunanagar district in the Chief Minister's School Beautification Competition, Jan Kalyan Samiti, a well-known organization of Pratapnagar area, reached the school on Tuesday and honored the headmaster, the entire staff and the village sarpanch. On this occasion, first of all the head of the organization Rajesh Kashyap, manager Madhukar Chauhan, cashier Pradeep Garg, secretaries Gagan Grover and Varun Gupta honored the headmaster Sandeep Gupta and sarpanch Bulbul Walia by wearing turban. Institution Manager Madhukar Chauhan said that Kishanpura Vidyalaya coming first at the district level was a proud moment not only for Kishanpura but for the entire Pratapnagar area. On behalf of the entire committee, he congratulated the school staff for achieving this achievement.

Sarpanch Bulbul Walia said that under the guidance of Headmaster Sandeep Gupta, Kishanpura Vidyalaya was progressing day and night. On this occasion, Headmaster Sandeep Gupta, while thanking the committee, said that the Public Welfare Committee has congratulated the Kishanpura Vidyalaya staff on this happy occasion.

Dr Rishi Pal delivers lecture on importance of sciene



MANISH KUMAR
AMBALA: Dr. Rishi Pal, Lecturer, Kalpana Chawla Government Women's Polytechnic, Ambala City, delivered a lecture on the importance of science in our daily life to the students of class 9th and 10th of Government Senior Secondary School, Rajokhedi, Block-Barara on Tuesday. Dr. Rishi Pal performed various science experiments based on different types of science phenomena. He told the children that science was taking information about anything and applying the information in the right way and observing and analyzing anything properly. 'Vi' means development and science means knowledge that developed. Education led to knowledge and knowledge led to science, then science led to development. The school principal and other staff members were present during this science activity.

GM reviews performance of Northern Railway, emphasises on better Crew Management

NEW DELHI: Shobhan Chaudhuri, General Manager Northern Railway held a review meeting with the departmental heads and DRMs of Northern Railway. Deliberations were held on keeping focus on passenger amenities at stations like extension of platforms, increase of level of platforms, washable aprons, provision of 2nd entry, foot over bridges,



Escalators, lifts facilities for Divyangjans, improvement of station building including façade etc. He also reviews the progress of mobility enhancement, developmental infrastructure works, Freight loading and safety on tracks. He emphasized on better crew management and utilization of man power. He instructed to maintained good record of punctuality of trains and expedites the works related with mobility enhancement and conducting drives to check the progress. He reviewed the work done over the zone in improving the maintenance standard of track, welds and removal of scrap lying near the tracks. The GM also took stock of the tree cutting activity and removal of vegetation alongside the tracks. Ch. Chaudhuri emphasized upon minimizing the human failure in train operation, extensive monitoring of rail fractures and rail welds and said no error should be left. He asked the officers should enhance their inspection to assess the progress of works as well as train operations. Northern Railway is committed to provide safe, smooth and efficient services to its customers.

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Jauramajra launches new website of Information and Public Relations Department

BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, FEB 13

Punjab Information & Public Relations Minister S. Chetan Singh Jauramajra, on Tuesday, launched the new website of Information and Public Relations Department at his office here at Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, which will further enhance the public engagement, streamline information dissemination and foster transparency in the state's communication efforts. Congratulating the officials and entire technical team, the Cabinet Minister expressed hope that newly designed mobile-friendly website <https://ipr.punjab.gov.in/en/> will empower journalists and general public with latest



information about the pro-people policies and achievements of Chief Minister S. Bhagwant Singh Mann led state government, and ensure the dissemination of right information amongst the masses as this website will support English, Punjabi and Hindi languages. Highlighting the key features of the website, S. Chetan Singh Jauramajra said that the website is designed with a focus on simplicity and ease of use, ensuring that citizens can navigate through information effortlessly. "Visitors can find a wide range of information, including government initiatives, press releases,

publications, and updates on various sectors", he added. The Public Relations Minister said that this website is optimized for mobile devices, ensuring that users can access information on the go. Developed in collaboration with the National Informatics Center Punjab (NIC Punjab) and the Department of Governance Reforms (DGR), this website has a user-friendly interface and intuitive navigation, providing citizens with easy access to the information related to the government policies, programs and announcements. Elaborating further, Director IPR Mr. Bhupinder Singh said that the website incorporates interactive features such as

Priyansh brings glory to his village by scoring 97.7 per cent marks in JEE

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
TARAWADI: Priyansh Khainchi Barani Khalsa Nilokheri has brought glory to his family and village by scoring 97.7 per cent marks in the national level joint entrance examination (JEE) organized by the National Examination Agency. Priyansh's

uncle Dr. Rishipal Babu is the principal of Anant Ram Janata College, Kaul Kaithal. He told that it was a matter of pride for their family that by working hard, Priyansh has secured his place for admission for further studies by scoring best marks in the said examination. He said that due to

Priyansh's regular, restrained and disciplined daily routine, he has scored best marks in the UP examination. Priyansh gave the credit of this achievement to his parents and teachers. He said that his main objective was to score good marks in the advanced examination in the coming days.



'LED lights will be installed on 'Phirnis' of all villages of Panchkula assembly constituency'

SD SHARMA
PANCHKULA, FEB 13

Haryana Vidhan Sabha Speaker, Gian Chand Gupta today directed to start the work of installing LED lights on the 'Phirnis' of all villages falling under Panchkula Assembly constituencies on priority basis. Apart from this, he directed to release pending payments under MNREGA within a week.

Gian Chand Gupta who was presiding over the meeting of Sarpanches of all Gram Panchayats of Panchkula Assembly Constituency at HSVP Field Hostel, Sector-6 here today sought detailed information about the problems being faced in the development works in villages and assured to get them resolved at the earliest. On the

demand to install LED lights on the village's 'Phirnis', Sh Gupta directed the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Zila Parishad on phone to start the work of installation of LED lights on 'Phirnis' of all villages on priority basis. Only after completing this work, the process to install LED lights in the villages be started, he added. The CEO Zila Parishad Sh Gagandeep Singh informed Sh Gupta that the work of installing LED lights on Phirnis in four villages has started and the work in the remaining 15 villages will be started soon. Sh Gupta also directed that the pending payment of the work done under MGNREGA in villages be released within a week time. On the demand of making Gohar in the villages pucca (concrete), Sh Gupta said that a request has been made

to Chief Minister, Sh Manohar Lal regarding making 25-kilometre-long Gohar in villages pucca and this work will start soon. Sh Gupta also assured that he would take up the matter with higher authorities on priority basis regarding increasing the labour rates under HSR and grants and funds available under PRI and HSFC for small villages.

While reviewing the development works, Sh Gupta asked each Sarpanch to give a list of two important works related to their village and said that after discussing with the Chief Minister, these works will be completed at the earliest. Sh Gupta said that his endeavor is to ensure all basic amenities in villages adding that villages in the State are being developed on the lines of cities.

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- नरेन्द्र मोदी

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Assembly wise programs will be organized on February 16

DR. ASHOK KUMAR KARNAL: Regarding the successful organization of the Vikas Bharat-Vikas Haryana program, Deputy Commissioner Anish Yadav held a meeting of district officers in the auditorium of the Mini Secretariat on Tuesday and gave them necessary guidelines. He said that as per the decision of the Haryana Government, programs are to be organized according to the assembly constituencies on February 16 under the Develop India-Developed Haryana resolution. Participation of public representatives should be ensured in these programs. In the program, pension certificates will be distributed to the beneficiaries of the new pension on behalf of the Social Welfare Department by the public representatives and the pension amount will be deposited in the accounts of the beneficiaries on the same day. Deputy Commissioner directed all the SDMs present in the meeting to make the best arrangements in their respective areas.

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA KARNAL, FEBRUARY 13

Farmers of Punjab are adamant on marching to Delhi. In Haryana, the administration is claiming to have made strong arrangements to stop the farmers at the Shambhu border. After Shambhu border, a permanent block has been set up by the police administration at Karna Lake in Karnal. If the farmers cross the Shambhu border and move towards Karnal, then police and paramilitary forces will work at Karna Lake to stop the farmers. The administration has made complete preparations for the blockade around Karnal. If they come from Ambala, they will be stopped at Karna Lake.



Farmers coming from Kaithal will be stopped by putting up a checkpoint at Chidhavan turn. Farmers coming from the Asandh side will be stopped at Safidon Road itself. The administration is talking about its complete arrangements, but

can the picture of 2020 be seen once again? Because last time the farmers had proved the strong arrangements of the administration dwarf.

Karnal Police Captain Shank Kumar Sawan has also claimed that law and order will

not be allowed to deteriorate under any circumstances. From the central government side, two contingents of paramilitary forces and one contingent of IRB have been provided. Four squads have been formed for law and order. Seven teams are deployed in Karnal and containers and big stones have also been placed on the highway to stop the farmers from moving forward. Apart from this, the traffic has been diverted so that the traffic system does not get disturbed. Drivers should also cooperate with the administration and avoid travelling unnecessarily. Blockade has also been imposed all around Karnal, so that if farmers come from any

AYUSH department organizes Surya Namaskar at Govt primary School

PARI BAJAJ KARNAL: On behalf of the AYUSH department under the chairmanship of Master Dharamraj Gandhi, volunteer Meenakshi inspired the students to practice Surya Namaskar at the Government Model Culture Primary School, Nanhera on Tuesday. Meenakshi, a volunteer of the AYUSH department, while address-

ing the children after practicing Surya Namaskar, said that Surya Namaskar was a traditional yoga sequence which included a series of 12 zodiac signs. She said that this was another effective way to start the day on a healthy note. She said that coordination of deep breaths was established in each asana and Surya Namaskar was a way of paying respect to

the Sun God, who was considered the source of energy and life force. She said that Surya Namaskar helped in improving automobile, strength and overall fitness. On this occasion, Master Dharamraj Gandhi said that Surya Namaskar reduced mental stress by increasing mental focus. Its regular practice helped in increasing physical and mental balance.

The fasting of retired employees continued for 2nd day

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA ROHTAK, FEBRUARY 13



On the second day of the continuous fast organised by Joint Action Committee Retired Employees Haryana at DC office Rohtak, 5 friends from Jind district sat on fast. Today's program was presided over by Dev Raj Nandal. Joint Action Committee Retired Employees Haryana Convenor Kulbhushan Sharma, Virendra Sharma, Babulal Yadav, Devraj Nandal, Jalkaran Balhara, Mehar Singh Nain, Bhale Ram Bura, made the prisoners of Jind district sit on fast by garlanding them with flowers. Today, colleagues from Jind district, Prem Singh Bangad, Arjun Saini, Zora Singh, Ajit Nehra, Khan Singh Khatkar sat on fast. In a gradual fast, pensioners

from all the districts of Haryana state reached the fast site. As soon as friends from any district reached the protest site, they were welcomed with slogans and applause at the protest site. Bhagat Singh Jan Adhikar Yatra and Roadways. A 15-member committee from the entire state was present in today's protest. All the members addressed their colleagues sitting on strike and informed about their de-

mands. The demands of the organization mainly include increase in basic pension of 5%, 10% and 15% after the age of 65, 70 and 75 years respectively.

Cashless medical facility should be implemented for all diseases and medical allowance should be reduced to Rs 3000/- per month instead of Rs 1000/- . Recovery period for commutation should be reduced from 15 years to 12 years as before.

Before Bhagwat Katha, a procession was taken out in the village

MEGH RAJ KACHHWA, FEB 13

A day before the weekly Bhagwat Katha to be held in the Shiva temple of the village from Wednesday, 51 women in the entire village took out Kalash Yatra wearing Pitambar and 150 devotees took the mark of Shyam Baba and circumambulated the entire village with the devotees. Mahant of Shiv Temple, Pritam Giri Ji Maharaj was leading this yatra. When this yatra passed through the streets of the entire village, the atmosphere of the village became full of devotion. Proper arrangements for the yatra were made by the young members of Shri Shyam Sava Mandal.



Executive President of the Mandal, Mukesh Sheri said that a place of five acres of Katha Sthal has been fixed in the Shiv temple, in which Vishnu Maha Yagya would be performed daily in 108 ponds in one acre. The pandal has been made on more than an acre of space. The remaining space has been left open for the devotees. Bhandara will serve every day. Devotees of Khatu Shyam Maharaj will come from Pehwa, Yamunanagar, Ambala, Nising Tarawari and other places to listen to the story.

Basant Panchami festival celebrated in Kidji, Kids Planet school

DALBIR MALIK KURUKSHETRA: Basant Panchami festival was celebrated with great pomp in Kidji, Kids Planet Prem Public School, Sector-3 Kurukshetra. School manager Parminder Singh Bath ji and staff members offered flowers to Goddess Saraswati, the goddess of knowledge, and lit the lamp. Academic Incharge Megha, PRO Kumari Ruchika, Coordinator Sunita Aroa, Jyoti Khaneja and other teachers participated on this occasion. On this occasion a special assembly was organised in the school. Children from Class Play Group to Class III mesmerised everyone by wearing attractive yellow coloured costumes. During this, teachers informed the children about Basant Panchami. Students presented various cultural programmes. The occasion was celebrated by flying colorful kites by the students of class VII and VIII. The students participated in dance, Saraswati Vandana, speech and recitation of Basant Mahotsav song and shloka. A written competition was also held for students of classes VI to VIII. In class VI, first place was won by Jeena, second place was given by UV and third place by Aarav. In class VII, first place was won by Vanshika, second place was given by Manvi and third place was given by Ginni. In class VIII, first place was won by Nidhi and Mannat and second place was secured by Sushil. School manager Parminder Singh Bath ji, while wishing everyone a happy Basant Panchami, said that today is considered to be the arrival of Rituraj Basant.



Sarv Karmachari Sangh Haryana Sub Unit Indri elections held, Manish Kamboj becomes head



INDRI (MAINPAL KASHYAP) : All employees union related to All Haryana Power Corporation Worker Union, triennial elections of sub unit of Haryana Indri were completed in which Rajeev Rathi, Secretary of Unit No. 1 of All Haryana Power Corporation Worker Union and Unit No. 1 were present as election observers. Head of No.1 (UHBVN) and Block Cashier of All Employees Union, Naresh Mahla was present. In the election meeting, for the next three years, Manish Kamboj was unanimously elected as the head, Balkishan UDC and Rahul Kamboj as vice-presidents, Praveen Sharma AFM and Sandeep JE as senior vice-presidents, Sanjeev Malika as secretary, Aman Kamboj and Sanjeev Kashyap Nanhera as co-secretaries, Vinod Hinari. has been made Cashier, Rajesh Kashyap has been made Auditor, Narendra ALDC has been made President. On this occasion, Prince Kamboj Garhi Birbal, Ankit Kamboj, Satyendra, Vijay Kumar, Vinod Ghazibirbal, Sukhbir Saini and Prince Kamboj Kalri have been made members. All the officials were also given an oath to strengthen the organization and participate honestly in the upcoming dhama, demonstration and strike. On this occasion, all the leaders who came as keynote speakers and election observers informed about the nationwide strike to be held in February (16-02-2024) and the main demand issues of the strike were confirmation of raw employees, timely increase in their salaries. Issues like cancellation of Skill Employment Corporation, filling of vacant posts, ban on privatization, restoration of old pension etc. were discussed.



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