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PM motivates BJP women workers in Bihar via virtual meet, urges record turnout

PATNA/NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 4



In a rousing virtual address ahead of the Bihar Assembly elections, Prime Minister Narendra Modi connected with grassroots BJP workers, particularly women Panna Pramukhs, through a telephonic conference on Tuesday and urged for a record voter turnout.

The hour-long interaction, focused on women's empowerment and government schemes, saw PM Modi blessing workers and slamming the "Jungle Raj" era of past opposition rule, while emphasising the "transformative" impact of initiatives like 'Garib Kalyan Yojana'.

PM Modi highlighted the role of various government schemes in uplifting the poor, particularly women members of families.

"Garib Kalyan Yojana is benefiting the poor. Along with food and shelter, people are focusing on earning money, bringing prosperity to their homes. Domestic violence has decreased as a result," Panna Pramukh, Shalini, told PM Modi, adding a heartfelt blessing, "I bless you. May you have a long life."

PM Modi praised the workers as "truly grassroots activists," sharing a personal anecdote: "I visited Bharat Ratna Karpoori Thakur's house. That's when I learned that Karpoori ji was a great proponent of social justice. Another Panna Pramukh woman said that Karpoori Thakur's dream of social justice is being fulfilled.

"Earlier, this was a male-dominated country. We women are bridging the gap within society; I am myself an example," the Panna Pramukh said. PTI

I am always at your service: Modi to Syro-Malabar bishops

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 4

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday met a delegation of senior bishops from the Syro-Malabar Church who met him in the national capital to discuss issues concerning the Church and the Christian community in India.

"I am always at your service," the Prime Minister told the delegation.

The delegation, led by Major Archbishop Mar Raphael Thattil, included Archbishop Mar Kuriakose Bharanikulangara of the Faridabad Archdiocese and other senior bishops representing the Syro-Malabar Church. In Kerala, three Churches owe their allegiance to the Pope, and the Syro-Malabar Church is the most powerful. PTI

Daughters of Punjab brought pride for India: CM Mann

- CONGRATULATES INDIAN WOMEN CRICKET TEAM FOR LIFTING ICC WOMEN'S WORLD CUP

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4



Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann on Tuesday congratulated the Women Indian cricket team for lifting the ICC Women's World Cup cricket by defeating South Africa in a spectacular match.

Interacting with the members of the team through video conferencing, the Chief Minister said that the girls have not only won the world cup but they had created history by winning the globe. He said that these girls are the pride of the state and they will be accorded a rousing reception whenever they will come back to Punjab. Bhagwant Singh Mann said that these players are the brand ambassadors of the state as they have set a new example by their hard work.

The Chief Minister further said that it is a matter of great pride and satisfaction that this Indian cricket team has brought laurels for the country by lifting this Cup. Bhagwant Singh Mann said that the Indian cricket team has created history by winning this cup adding he lauded the entire team for making the country proud and extended best wishes to them for future.

He said that the state is scaling new heights of glory as these daughters of the state have brought this moment for Punjab adding that it is heartening that the teams of Indian Cricket, Hockey, Basketball and Football are leading by players of Punjab.

The Chief Minister said that the team of our daughters has created history adding that this will motivate the coming generations to perform well. Bhagwant Singh Mann said that the entire team has made the entire country feel proud by this marvelous victory. He said that it is a matter of immense pride and satisfaction for the state that these daughters of soil have carved a niche for themselves in the arena of international cricket.

President Murmu extends greetings on Guru Nanak Jayanti, emphasises equality and compassion

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 4

President Droupadi Murmu greeted the nation on the eve of Guru Nanak's birthday, saying that the founder of Sikhism taught the principles of equality and the oneness of God.

In a message, the President said, "On the auspicious occasion of Guru Nanak Jayanti, I extend my warm greetings and best wishes to all Indians living in India and abroad, especially our Sikh brothers and sisters. This occasion inspires us to adopt the ideals and values of Guru Nanak Dev Ji and guides us towards building a better society."

The President said that Guru Nanak's message teaches us that living a life based on truth, justice, and compassion is the true measure of success, and his teachings emphasise the oneness of God and human equality.

"He inspires us to live with honesty and to share resources with one another. On this occasion, let us imbibe the ideals of Guru Nanak Dev Ji in our lives and follow the path shown by him to build a more peaceful and prosperous nation," Murmu said. PTI

Light and sound shows illuminate supreme sacrifice and timeless philosophy of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji

- Light and sound shows held at Jalandhar, Fatehgarh Sahib, Patiala and Pathankot in the first phase

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4



The Punjab Government is organizing a series of events to commemorate the 350th martyrdom anniversary of the Ninth Guru, Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji. As part of these events, mesmerizing light and sound shows were organized on Tuesday at Jalandhar, Fatehgarh Sahib, Patiala, and Pathankot. The events witnessed a massive turnout of devotees along with the participation of Cabinet Ministers, MLAs, and local dignitaries.

A spokesperson of the government informed that Tourism and Cultural Affairs Minister Tarunpreet Singh Sond attended the show held at the Sports Stadium, Madhopur, Fatehgarh Sahib. Similarly, Defence Services Welfare, Freedom Fighters and Horticulture Minister Mohinder Bhagat, along with Advisor to the Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs Deepak Bali, attended the show at Guru Gobind Singh Stadium, Jalandhar.

At Pathankot's Lamini Stadium, Food and Civil Supplies Minister Lal Chand Kataruchakk graced the occasion, while Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr. Balbir Singh attended the show organized at Polo Ground, Patiala. At all venues, the devotees deeply appreciated the initiative and watched the shows with reverence and devotion.

The light and sound shows, using modern laser lights and 3D projection technology, vividly depicted the life, philosophy, teachings, and supreme martyrdom of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji, who sacrificed his life to uphold the right to freedom of faith. The Punjab Government is organizing these shows across all 23 districts, which will continue till November 20.

India to become world's 3rd largest economy soon, says FM Sitharaman



NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 4

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said on Tuesday that India will soon become the world's third-largest economy as the country is making rapid progress and stands tall today because of its economic strength.

Delivering the diamond jubilee valedictory lecture at the Delhi School of Economics, Sitharaman said, "We are at a time when India is moving fast on so many different parameters, largely they are all economic. Of course, India and its population, India and its location have strategic significance, but India stands together today and stands tall and stands distinctly on its feet, because of the economic strength of India."

"I am not saying we have become a developed country yet, because Viksit Bharat 2047 lies ahead of us. What is making us stand out is the rapid progress from being the 10th-largest economy in 2014 to the 5th, soon to become the 4th, and probably the 3rd before long," the Finance Minister said.

She highlighted that as many as 25 million people have been lifted out of multidimensional poverty, emphasising the need to strengthen India-centric research and policy engagement and develop models suited to emerging economies. PTI

7 dead, 14 injured as passenger train collides with goods train in Chhattisgarh's Bilaspur

BILASPUR, NOVEMBER 4



Seven people were killed and 14 injured as a passenger train collided with a goods train from behind near Bilaspur station in Chhattisgarh on Tuesday, officials said.

The incident took place around 4 pm when the MEMU (mainline electric multiple unit) passenger train was heading to Bilaspur from Gevra in neighbouring Korba district, they said.

The impact of the collision was so severe that a coach of the passenger train ended up on top of a wagon of the cargo train, the railway officials said, adding that two people are still trapped in the wreckage.

When the passenger train was between Gatora and Bilaspur railway stations on the Howrah-Mumbai rail route section, it rammed into a goods train from behind, according to them.

The spot is a few kilometres away from Bilaspur city, which houses the headquarters of South Eastern Central Railway zone.

"So far, seven deaths have been confirmed. Two others are still trapped inside the wreckage and efforts are on to evacuate them," Bilaspur Collector Sanjay Agrawal told PTI. PTI

Pakistan terrorists to get 'goli ka jawab goley se' if they attack India again: Amit Shah

DARBHANGA/MOTIHARI, NOVEMBER 4



Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Tuesday warned Pakistan-sponsored terrorists to refrain from further attacking India, asserting that if they repeat the mistake, "goli ka jawab goley se diya jayega" (they will face cannons for bullets).

Explosives manufactured in Bihar's proposed defence corridor will be used against these terrorists, he said. "Terrorists from Pakistan attacked our citizens in Pahalgam. They wiped off Sindoor from the foreheads of our mothers and sisters. Prime Minister Narendra Modi avenged it by launching Operation Sindoor within 20 days. The Indian Army neutralised the terrorists on Pakistani land," Shah said at a poll rally in Bihar.

He said, "The PM is setting up a Defence Corridor in Bihar. If Pakistan-sponsored terrorists repeat their mistake, 'goli ka jawab goley se diya jaega'." PTI

SC asks Centre to file 'comprehensive reply' to petition seeking ban on online gambling, betting platforms

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 4

The Supreme Court has issued notice to the Centre on a petition seeking a nationwide ban on online gambling and betting platforms allegedly operating under the guise of social and e-sports games.

Asking the Centre to file a "comprehensive reply" to the petition of Centre for Accountability Systemic Change (CASC) and another, a bench of Justice JB Pardiwala and Justice KV Viswanathan posted the matter for hearing on November 26.

Alleging that there was a large number of betting and gambling apps operating online, the petitioners' counsel Virag Gupta urged the top court to direct the Government to take immediate measures in larger public interest as the issue adversely affected the youth in particular. "We want the Additional Solicitor General appearing for the Union (of India) to file a comprehensive reply to the main petition itself," the bench said after it was informed that the Centre has already filed its reply to the interim prayer of the petitioners. PTI

19th PITEX to commence in Amritsar from December 4: Karan Gilhotra

N.P.S. CHAMAK
PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Amritsar, November 4



The 19th edition of the Punjab International Trade Expo (PITEX) will be organized from December 4 to 8, 2025, in Amritsar. The announcement was made by Karan Gilhotra, Chair, Punjab State Chapter, PHDCCI), during a press conference held at hotel HK Clarks Inn in the city.

Present at the press meet were Himani Arora, Chair, Regional Fashion Tex Tech Forum, PHDCCI; Jaideep Singh, Convener, Amritsar Zone, PHDCCI; and Nipun Aggarwal, Co-Convener, Amritsar Zone, PHDCCI; Bharti Sood, Senior Regional Director, PHDCCI who jointly unveiled the official PITEX 2025 brochure.

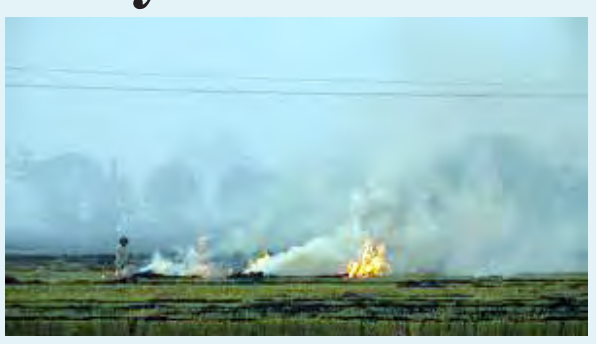
Karan Gilhotra informed that this year's expo will include several business seminars and is expected to feature participation from approximately 550 exhibitors representing various sectors from India and abroad. He added that delegations from three Indian states and four foreign countries are likely to take part in the event.

Highlighting tourism initiatives, he announced that the Punjab Tourism Recognition Awards, introduced last year in collaboration with the Government of Punjab, will once again be organized on December 6, 2025.

Himani Arora, Chair, Regional Fashion Tex Tech Forum, PHDCCI highlighted that the Punjab Heritage Show will celebrate Punjab's rich culture and craftsmanship, highlighting how tradition inspires modern couture and community growth. Through the PHDCCI Fashion Tex Tech Forum, we aim to empower artisans across all levels, particularly those engaged in Phulkari, blending heritage with innovation to showcase the true spirit of Punjab.

Farm fires cross 2,500, 62% cases in six days

PATIALA, NOVEMBER 4



The stubble-burning count in the state reached 2,518 on Monday with 256 fresh cases. Of the total, 1,585 cases (around 62%) have been reported over the past six days.

Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann's home district Sangrur reported the highest 61 case on Monday, followed by Tarn Taran and Ferozepur (27 each), Bathinda (22), Mansa and Moga (18 each).

Cumulatively, Tarn Taran (423), Sangrur (389), Amritsar (212), Ferozepur (207), Bathinda (134), and Patiala (130) account for the bulk of the season's total.

According to the Punjab Pollution Control Board, environmental compensation has been imposed in 917 cases, with fines amounting to over Rs 47 lakh, of which Rs 22 lakh has been recovered. The police have registered 590 FIRs while the Revenue Department has made 841 "red entries" against violators.

Major cities continued to report poor air quality, with AQI levels recorded at 161 in Amritsar, 166 in Jalandhar, 179 in Ludhiana, 181 in Khanna, 164 in Mandi Gobindgarh, 159 in Patiala, and 159 in Bathinda.Experts said elevated PM2.5 concentrations were causing respiratory discomfort, particularly among patients with lung ailments.Moreover, two men were killed after their motorcycle rammed into a roadside tree here, an incident allegedly took place as dense smog caused by farm fires reduced visibility.The victims were identified as Sat Pal Singh, a farmer from Rode village, and Bhagwan Deep, a migrant labourer from Uttar Pradesh. The accident took place on the Nagah road. AGENCIES

80 per cent of paddy produce arrived in state mandis



CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 4

Even as 80 per cent of the paddy produce has arrived in the state mandis, the Centre is yet to announce its decision on relaxing the specifications for procurement of the grains.

Besides the crop loss on nearly five lakh acres, farmers are also facing problem in selling their crop because of reduced quality due to higher moisture content.

Chief Secretary KAP Sinha has sent several reminders to the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution in this regard. Even Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann has written a DO letter to Union Food and Public Distribution Minister Pralhad Joshi, asking him to consider Punjab's request for relaxing specifications for paddy procurement.

The paddy crop this year has suffered damage because of the untimely post-monsoon showers and floods that ravaged the state in August-September.

Two teams of officials were sent by the Centre on October 13 to collect samples of the grains to assess the damage after Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann met Union Home Minister Amit Shah in Delhi on September 30, seeking relief.

A formal letter was also written by the Punjab Government to the Union Governemnt on October 12, seeking relaxations.

Government sources said that though the Central teams had collected crop samples from 19 districts of Punjab, to be tested in the laboratories of the Food Corporation of India, no decision on relaxation had been conveyed so far to the state.

"Though we have not been formally intimated about the extent of damage to grains, informally, we have been told that around 30 per cent grains had been discoloured in the rain-affected areas. We are hopeful that the decision on relaxations will be conveyed soon," said a senior state government official.

Around 127 lakh metric tonnes paddy has already arrived in the state mandis. The paddy procurement season is expected to end in another 10 days and the government expects to procure another 18-20 lakh metric tonnespaddy.

Though initially a target to procure 175 lakh metric tonnes paddy was set, the recent floods and rains have hit the production in the state. AGENCIES

PAU alumnus, Oz-based Alumni Association strengthen scholarship fund for students and donate for flood-affected Punjab farmers



PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Ludhiana, November 4

Dr Gurcharan Singh Dhillon, Former Regional Director, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), and an alumnus of the 1964 batch of B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture from Punjab Agricultural University (PAU), along with his wife Dr Nancy Dhillon, has donated a sum of Rs 12.5 lakh to augment their already donated scholarship fund of Rs 37.5 lakh. With this contribution, the seed money for the fund now stands at Rs 50 lakh. The interest from the fund will be sufficient to award six scholarships worth Rs 4,000 per month per student to meritorious rural students pursuing B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture. The scholarship, titled "Sardar Gajjan Singh and Mata Sant Kaur Dhillon Memorial Scholarship," was established by Dr Dhillon in loving memory of his parents in 2023.

Apart from this, in a heartwarming gesture of solidarity and support, Dr Dhillon along with his wife Dr Nancy Dhillon, and The PAU–Alumni Australia have contributed Rs 13 lakh and Rs 11.84 lakh, respectively, making a total contribution Rs 25 lakh, to the Alumni Association Fund of the College of Agriculture. The funds will be utilized to provide financial assistance to farming families affected by the recent floods in Punjab, helping them reclaim their land and purchase essential agricultural inputs needed to resume farming activities.A native of Kotkapura, district Faridkot, Dr Dhillon has consistently supported educational initiatives at PAU, reflecting his strong commitment to advancing agricultural education and students' welfare.

While expressing their sentiments, Dr Dhillon and the representatives of PAU–Alumni Australia Dr Dharampal Singh Garcha and Dr Sukhdev Singh Bhangu said that PAU alumni across the globe take immense pride in extending a helping hand to the flood-affected farmers of Punjab. "Our connection with PAU and our roots in Punjab inspire us to contribute towards the well-being of our farming community," they remarked.

Vet Varsity celebrates 'World One Health Day 2025'

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Ludhiana, November 4



Centre for One Health, Guru Angad Dev Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Ludhiana, celebrated World One Health Day to mark interconnectedness of human, animal and environmental health. The Centre organized an awareness workshop for senior secondary students of Shaheed- E-Azam Sukhdev Thapar Government Girls Senior Secondary Smart School, Model Gram, Ludhiana. Dr. Jasbir Singh Bedi, Director, Centre for One Health, welcomed the students and teachers and appraised them about the concept of One Health and its importance in preventing and controlling diseases that travel between animals, humans and the environment.Dr. Pankaj Dhaka conducted an interactive session underlining the role of One Health in today's world. He explained how diseases can transmit from animals to humans and discussed the growing threat of antimicrobial resistance (AMR). Dr. Deepthi Vijay created awareness about rabies. She informed students about the causes, symptoms and preventive strategies for this fatal zoonotic disease. Postgraduate students demonstrated laboratory procedures to give participants a glimpse into scientific research and diagnostics. Dr. Bedi also interacted with students, collected feedback and encouraged them to explore careers in veterinary and allied sciences.

In another series of events, Dr. Deepali Kalambhe, delivered a guest lecture on 'Beyond Boundaries: Collaborative research opportunities in One Health' at an event hosted by Amity University, Noida.

Flood-affected farmers get relief compensation

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Ferozepur, November 4



Under the campaign initiated by Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann to provide compensation to flood-affected families, SDM Ferozepur Gurdev Singh Dhamm distributed approval letters for compensation to the affected families at village Kutabdeen.

The SDM informed that, as per the directions of the Punjab Government, approval letters for compensation are being continuously issued to flood-affected families, and today, 95% of the families in the village have received their compensation approval letters.

He added that the government and district administration, with the support of social welfare organizations, had earlier ensured timely relief through the distribution of essential supplies, ration kits, cattle feed, and green fodder.

The compensation being distributed covers losses incurred by farmers, damaged houses, and livestock affected during the floods.

Tehsildar Ferozepur Harminder Singh, Patwari Raman Dhawan, Block President Pippal Singh, and Sarpanch Nishan Singh were also present during the event.

Defunct traffic lights lead to chaos at busy intersections in city

RAMAN CHAMAK
PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Amritsar, November 4

Daily commuters in the city continue to face long traffic jams at some of the busiest intersections as traffic lights have remained non-functional for years. The situation is worst at Putlighar Chowk, where lights have been out of order for a long time, creating daily chaos and posing a danger to road users.Local residents say the traffic police try their best to manage the flow of vehicles, but during rush hours the situation becomes unmanageable. With vehicles from all directions moving at once, the risk of accidents has increased sharply. Similar problems exist at Guru Nanak Dev University (GNDU) Chowk and Valmiki Chowk, where non-functional or broken lights have added to the traffic woes. During school and college hours, jams often stretch for long time as hundreds of vehicles struggle to pass through without traffic signals.At Hartej Hospital Chowk, a traffic light pole that fell three months ago has still not been repaired. The broken light lies on the ground, creating an additional hazard for both pedestrians and motorists. Residents have expressed strong resentment over the negligence of the authorities concerned. They say despite repeated complaints, no action has been taken to repair or replace the damaged lights. Many fear that the absence of traffic signals could lead to serious accidents, especially during the peak hours.Residents have appealed to the Municipal Corporation and the Traffic Department to immediately restore lights to ensure smooth vehicle movement. They have urged the administration to act quickly so that daily commuters, school buses and emergency vehicles do not remain stuck in long traffic jams.

Minor girl gives birth in ambulance; infant dies six days later, rape accused arrested

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Phillaur, November 4

In a deeply distressing case from Phillaur, a 14-year-old minor girl gave birth to a baby boy inside an ambulance en route to the civil hospital. Tragically, the newborn died six days later, prompting a police investigation that has led to the arrest of the alleged rapist.According to police sources, the minor had been experiencing severe abdominal pain when her maternal uncle rushed her to the hospital.

However, she delivered the child in the ambulance before reaching the facility. Due to her critical condition and young age, doctors referred her to a hospital in Jalandhar for further treatment.

The infant, reportedly in fragile health since birth, succumbed during treatment.

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Three-day Sri Akhand Path Sahib concluded



RAJESH DEHRA
PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Rajpura. November 4

With a dedicated effort from the entire management, staff, and students of the Patel Memorial National College, Rajpura, a three-day Sri Akhand Path Sahib was successfully organized and concluded on November 4, marking the auspicious Prakash Purab of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji. The event culminated in the Bhog of the Sri Akhand Path Sahib, where the assembled Sangat was spiritually uplifted.

The renowned Bhai Vishwadeep Singh performed a melodious Kirtan, while Bhai Lakhvir Singh Faridkot wale shared an enchanting Akath Katha on the secrets of Naam Simran, making the atmosphere deeply spiritual.

Armed assailants open fire at 3 friends in Samrala; 1 dead

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Ludhiana, November 4

Armed men on motorcycles opened fire at three friends in Manki village, Samrala, on Monday night, leaving two injured, one of whom later died during treatment in Chandigarh.

According to Khanna SP (D) Pawanjit, the incident occurred around 9 pm when Gurvinder Singh Ginda (21), Dharampal Singh Dharmu, and Lovepreet Singh were standing on a bridge in Manki village.

Administration & police inspect Phagwara De-Addiction Centre

ASHOK KAURA
PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Phagwara, November 4

On the eve of Guru Nanak Dev Ji's Parkash Purab, the district administration and police conducted a joint special visit to the Government De-addiction Centre at the Civil Hospital, Phagwara, with a focus on rehabilitation, social reintegration, and the growing concerns of drug misuse among local youth. The delegation was led by ADC Phagwara Dr Akshita Gupta along with Phagwara S.P. Madhvi Sharma, and officials from the office of the Additional Deputy Commissioner (General), Phagwara.

During the visit, the officers interacted directly with patients undergoing treatment and listened to the difficulties faced by them during the recovery process. In a gesture of goodwill and encouragement, sweets were distributed to the inmates of the centre. The officers assured them of full cooperation from the administration and motivated them to remain committed to de-addiction and return to normal life with a renewed sense of purpose.

The district administration also used the occasion to gather information from patients regarding drug suppliers and distribution networks active in the region. Officials stated that such inputs are vital for tracking drug peddling operations and dismantling supply chains that continue to target vulnerable youth.

Speaker extends greetings to people of Punjab on auspicious occasion of Gurpurab



PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4

Punjab Vidhan Sabha Speaker Kultar Singh Sandhwan extended heartfelt greetings to the people of Punjab on the auspicious occasion of Prakash Purab of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji.

Sandhwan said that Sri Guru Nanak Dev 's teachings of compassion, unity, equality, and selfless service will remain eternal. His message of "Ik Onkar" promotes harmony and kindness among all human beings.

Guru Sahib teachings guide us how to live life with humanity and compassion and always be kind towards the human beings. He taught us that we all are child of same God. We should follow the path as shown by Him in our life, he added.

Cabinet Minister Sond launches ₹1.13 cr sewerage project in Khanna; to be completed in four months

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Khanna (Ludhiana), November 4



In a bid to bolster the sewerage infrastructure, Cabinet Minister Tarunpreet Singh Sond on Tuesday inaugurated the laying of a one-kilometre sewerage pipeline from Greenland Hotel to Nirankari Bhawan at a cost of Rs 1.13 crore.

Addressing the gathering, the Minister highlighted that the absence of proper drainage in the area had long plagued residents, creating significant hardships. "This pipeline will resolve a persistent issue, benefiting thousands of families as well as two prominent religious sites — Ramgarhia Bhawan and Nirankari Bhawan," he said. The project, fully funded by the Khanna Municipal Council, is slated for completion within four months.

Sond underscored that numerous development initiatives in the Khanna constituency, including roads and sewerage upgrades, are either nearing completion or underway, with most targeted for finish within the next six months. He praised the Punjab government under Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann for its unwavering commitment to delivering basic amenities, backed by generous grants. "Every promise made to the people will be honoured, and the government's development wave is now reaching even the remotest rural pockets where progress had stalled for decades," he added.

On the occasion, Market Committee Khanna Chairman Jagtar Singh Gill Rattanheri and several local leaders and residents were present.

SC Commission summons District Election officer-cum-DC Tarn Taran in Raja Warring case

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4

The Punjab State Scheduled Castes Commission has summoned the District Election Officer-cum-Deputy Commissioner, Tarn Taran on November 6, 2025 after finding the report submitted in connection with the case regarding the remarks made by Punjab Pradesh Congress Committee President and Ludhiana MP Amarinder Singh Raja Warring about former Union Home Minister late Buta Singh to be unsatisfactory.

The Commission has also sought an explanation from the District Election Officer for not restricting Raja Warring's entry into the district in accordance with the Model Code of Conduct.

Dr Baljit Kaur kickstarts state-wide women's health & job camp drive from Malout



PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh/Malout/Sri Muktsar Sahib, November 4

Punjab Social Security, Women and Child Development Minister Baljit Kaur on Tuesday launched a state wide series of health checkup and employment camps for women here from KG Resorts by inaugurating a mega awareness camp. The cabinet minister said that started today from Malout, these camps will be organised across Punjab to make the women aware of the health, hygiene and employment opportunities.

Minister Dr. Baljit Kaur said that apart from women and child development and social security departments, the services of employment generation, skill development, health and family welfare, rural development and local government departments will also be offered to the needy at these camps. She added that the services will include free screening for medicine, ortho, gynaecology, eye, ENT, blood pressure checks, diabetes tests, anaemia assessments and distribution of medicines. The camps will also educate women on contraceptive methods, family planning, urinary tract infections (UTIs), menstrual hygiene and adolescent health apart from their legal rights.

Dr. Baljit Kaur said that these camps will also become a platform for the self help groups (SHGs) exclusively run by the females to showcase and sell their products. She added that every possible assistance will be provided to the women by the Punjab government to uplift their standard of living and provide better employment opportunities.

During the camp, around 500 girls registered themselves at the help desk of District Bureau of Employment and Enterprises out of which 295 got selected and more than 72 were handed over offer letters on the spot. Apart from this, meritorious girl students of Sri Muktsar Sahib district were also felicitated with cash prizes. On this occasion, SDM Malout Jagraj Singh Kahlon, DPO Ratandeep Kaur Sandhu, DEGTO Vaishali Wadhwa, CDPO Rajwant Kaur, DCPO Shivani Nagpal apart from other prominent personalities were also present on this occasion.

Two AK-series assault rifles, one sophisticated pistol recovered from near Indo-Pak border in Amritsar

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh/Amritsar, November 4

In a major breakthrough amidst the ongoing drive to make Punjab a safe and secure state as per directions of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, Amritsar Rural Police has busted a Cross-Border Arms Smuggling Module with links to Pakistan and recovered a cache of sophisticated weapons and huge quantity of ammunition from village Ghonewal, near the Ravi river close to the Indo-Pak border, said Director General of Police (DGP) Punjab Gaurav Yadav here on Tuesday.

The recovered arms and ammunition include two AK-series assault rifles along with eight magazines, one .30 bore pistol along with two magazines and 50 live cartridges of .30 bore and 245 live cartridges of 7.62 mm.

Cabinet Ministers extend greetings on Prakash Purab of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4

Punjab Cabinet Ministers Harpal Singh Cheema, Aman Arora, Dr. Baljit Kaur, Sanjeev Arora, Dr. Balbir Singh, Lal Chand Kataruchak, Laljit Singh Bhullar, Harjot Singh Bains, Harbhajan Singh, Gurmeet Singh Khudian, Dr. Ravjot Singh, Barinder Kumar Goyal, Hardeep Singh Mundian, Tarunpreet Singh Sond, and Mohinder Bhagat extended heartfelt greetings to the people of the Punjab on the auspicious occasion of the Prakash Purab of the founder of Sikhism, Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji.

In a joint statement issued here, the Ministers said that the sacred occasion, falling on November 5, 2025, reminds everyone of the eternal and universal teachings of Guru Nanak Dev Ji, which are based on the core principles of 'Naam Japo', 'Kirat Karo', and 'Vand Chakko'.

They appealed to the people to follow the path shown by the first Sikh Guru and imbibe his message of one God, equality for all, selfless service, and communal harmony in their lives. The Ministers noted that Guru Ji's philosophy of 'Sarbat Da Bhala' (welfare for all) is more relevant today than ever before.

On this occasion, the Ministers prayed for the prosperity, peace, and good health of all the citizens, and especially for the people of Punjab. They expressed hope that the holy day would inspire everyone to work towards building a society free from discrimination and filled with brotherhood.

The Ministers also highlighted the significance of 'Langar' and 'Sewa' (selfless service) as cornerstones of Sikhism established by Guru Nanak Dev Ji, urging people to contribute towards community welfare and help the underprivileged.

Raja Warring's remarks on late Buta Singh reflect his casteist mindset: Harbhajan Singh

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4



Punjab Cabinet Minister Harbhajan Singh today said that Punjab Congress President Amarinder Singh Raja Warring has revealed his casteist (manuwadi) mentality through his derogatory remarks against former Union Home Minister late Sardar Buta Singh.

In a statement issued here, the Cabinet Minister said that the person Raja Warring has mocked as Pathe Paun Wala in his video holds academic qualifications of B.A (Honours), M.A and Ph.D and had worked across various professional fields including journalism before becoming a Member of Parliament in 1962 at the young age of 25.

«Raja Warring's colour-based comments are a violation of the spirit of the Indian Constitution", said Harbhajan Singh, adding that such remarks expose Warring's mindset towards the Scheduled Castes of the country.

He further said that the Congress Party has always been anti-Dalit and has a long history of opposing Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. He reminded that even Congress leader and Leader of Opposition in Punjab Assembly Pratap Singh Bajwa had once made an insulting remark towards a Dalit legislator by questioning the kind of "material" being brought into the Assembly.

Harbhajan Singh said that the Scheduled Caste community of India will forever remain indebted to Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, who granted them the right to equality through the Constitution, otherwise leaders like Raja Warring would never have allowed Dalits to rise and progress.

Mohinder Bhagat leads protest against Raja Warring over remarks on late dalit leader Buta Singh

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh/ Jalandhar, November 4

Punjab Horticulture and Defence Welfare Services Minister Mohinder Bhagat today led a strong protest against Punjab Congress President Amrinder Singh Raja Warring for his alleged derogatory remarks against senior Dalit leader Late Buta Singh, a statement that has triggered widespread outrage across the nation.

The protest, held at Shri Ram Chowk in Jalandhar, witnessed the burning of Raja Warring's effigy amid slogans condemning his remarks. Hundreds of supporters and members of the Dalit community joined Minister Mohinder Bhagat in expressing anger over what they described as a "caste-based insult" to the late leader.

Addressing the gathering, Minister Bhagat denounced Warring's comments as reflective of the Congress party's anti-Dalit mindset, saying such statements expose the party's "true face" towards marginalized communities. He asserted that the Dalit community will never forgive the Congress for this insult and accused its leadership of promoting caste-based discrimination.

Bhagat further warned that the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) would intensify protests across Punjab unless Raja Warring and the Congress issue a public apology for hurting Dalit sentiments.

"The remarks have deeply pained the community and shattered public trust," he said, urging people to stand united against divisive politics and demand accountability from national leaders of Congress party.

YUDH NASHIAN VIRUDH

On day 248, Punjab Police nab 83 drug smugglers with 2kg heroin

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4

Continuing the war against drugs "Yudh Nashian Virudh" waged by Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann to eradicate drug menace from state consecutively for the 248th day, Punjab Police conducted raids at 253 locations on Tuesday leading to the arrest of 83 drug smugglers after registration of 66 first information reports (FIRs) across the state. With this, the number of total drug smugglers arrested has reached to 35,225 in 248 days.

The raids have resulted in recovery of 2.02 kg heroin, 2 quintals poppy husk, 1015 intoxicant pills and Rs 34,230 drug money from the possession of arrested drug smugglers.

Notably, CM Bhagwant Singh Mann has asked the Commissioners of Police, Deputy Commissioners and Senior Superintendent of Police to make Punjab drug free state. The Punjab government has also constituted a 5-member Cabinet Sub Committee led by Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema to monitor the war against drugs.

Over 100 Police teams, comprising over 800 police personnel, under the supervision of 50 gazetted officers have conducted 253 raids across the state. Police teams have also checked as many as 265 suspicious persons during the day-long operation.

First Sikh jatha crosses into Pakistan for Gurpurab after Operation Sindoor without NRI pilgrims

AMRITSAR, NOVEMBER 4

After Operation Sindoor, the first Sikh Jatha on Tuesday departed for Attari to cross into Pakistan for the celebrations of Parkash Purb of Guru Nanak Dev Ji at Gurdwara Janamsthan in Nankana Sahib.

The Gurpurb falls on November 5. This year, the Central government has permitted only Indian citizens to be part of the Jatha. Earlier, Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) were also allowed to join the pilgrimage.

Confirming the development, Palwinder Singh, in charge of the Yatra Vibhag of the SGPC, said he was unaware of the reasons behind the government's decision.

Over 2,000 members of the Sikh Jatha would cross the Attari border to pay obeisance at historic gurdwaras in Lahore and Nankana Sahib.

The pilgrims would return to India on November 13 after completing their spiritual journey.

The jatha also includes several first-time pilgrims who had long wished to visit gurdwara Janamsthan. Earlier, Centre had declined to send the jatha to Pakistan, citing security concerns following a limited drone exchange between the two countries. However, the decision was later reversed after appeals from Sikh organisations to allow at least a symbolic Jatha to uphold the long-standing tradition.

The Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (SGPC) arranged buses to transport 1,796 pilgrims from the Heritage Street near the Golden Temple to Attari, with services commencing at 8 a.m. The remaining members from other Sikh bodies will directly reach the border point. AGENCIES

Indian-origin truck driver who killed 3 in US was sober during crash: Officials

NEW YORK, NOVEMBER 04

An Indian-origin driver who crashed his semi-truck killing three people in California last month was not driving while intoxicated, contrary to initial reports, but the case remains a grossly negligent homicide, US authorities have said.

Jashanpreet Singh, 21, of Yuba City was arrested on October 21 under suspicion of 'driving under the influence' (DUI) and was charged with vehicular manslaughter with gross negligence as well as DUI causing injury in the multi-vehicle crash.

Three people were killed and several others seriously injured in the crash in Ontario, California.

An updated complaint, filed last week, said that toxicology reports confirmed that none of the substances tested were present in Singh's blood at the time the test was rendered. "However, the case remains a grossly negligent homicide," the San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office said. The updated complaint includes the three counts of vehicular manslaughter with gross negligence, as well as the new charge of 'reckless driving on a highway causing a specified injury'. AGENCIES

SUSPENDED DIG BHULLAR CASE

CBI raids Patiala property consultant's house

PATIALA, NOVEMBER 4

A CBI team today conducted a raid at the house of Bhupinder Singh, owner of BH Properties, in Patiala following some inputs in the case of suspended Ropar Range DIG Harcharan Singh Bhullar who has already been arrested.

The CBI team arrived at his house and carried out the search operation. The team did not allow anyone to enter or leave the house. Sources say that the name of BH Properties came up during sustained questioning of Bhullar and some documents found by the CBI, though officials remain tightlipped over the matter.

The CBI teams that reached Patiala Moti Bagh residence of Bhupinder in the morning around 7.30 am continued with the search operation till the filing or this report. AGENCIES

Minister Kaur strongly condemns Raja Warring's remarks on Late Buta Singh

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4

Punjab Cabinet Minister Dr. Baljit Kaur today issued a strong statement condemning the recent remarks made by Punjab Congress President Amrinder Singh Raja Warring about the late Congress stalwart and former Union Home Minister Buta Singh.

Kaur, who holds the portfolio of Social Justice, Empowerment and Minorities, expressed deep anguish over the incident. She said, "Buta Singh was not merely a towering figure in Indian politics, but a symbol of pride and empowerment for the Scheduled Castes community. To speak of him in such objectionable terms is an affront to his legacy and a betrayal of the values he upheld throughout his life."

She further stated, "I strongly condemn the derogatory and insensitive remarks made by Raja Warring. Such language, especially when directed at a revered Dalit leader, reflects a disturbing lack of respect and empathy. It is unacceptable in any civil discourse, let alone in the political domain."

Kaur appealed to all political leaders to uphold the dignity of public service and maintain respect and sensitivity in their speech. "We must remember that our words carry weight.

HC to Chandigarh: Why break 'no-flyover' rule for Tribune Chowk?

A.S. PRASHAR
PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4

The Punjab and Haryana High Court today verbally questioned the very basis of constructing the proposed Tribune flyover, while observing that the city's master plan apparently had no provisions for flyovers.

"The Master Plan is screaming no flyover. How are you going in for it?" the High Court Bench headed by Chief Justice Sheel Nagu asked the UT administration during the hearing on the project. The Bench also sought clarity on whether the Master Plan had been duly notified and whether due procedure had been followed for its amendment. In response, counsel assisting the Bench, advocate Tanu Bedi, submitted that the Chandigarh Master Plan was notified in 2015 following the High Court's intervention and "had never been amended".

Bedi stressed that Chandigarh was never conceptualised like any other metro city. "Chandigarh is not a city for luxury SUVs but meant for slow-moving vehicles, cycles and pedestrians," she said, asserting that the city's transport design prioritised public transportation, cycling, and pedestrian movement.

"Public transportation is to be predominant for longer routes, while pedestrian movement and cyclists are for shorter routes," she added.

Bedi added that the emphasis was on improvement in pedestrian infrastructure and promotion of cycling as a mode of daily transport rather than just a recreational activity. This, along with heritage concerns, was the reasons behind not going in for flyovers. The heritage consideration was for the entire city and not just phase one, as sought to be projected before the Bench.

The Bench was also informed that the road where the flyover was proposed was comparatively less congested than several other stretches in the city. Even underpasses, it was pointed out, were considered "the last resort" under the city's planning framework. The matter will now come up for further hearing on Thursday.

UT Chief Secretary interacts with participants of 17th Tribal Youth Exchange Programme





PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4

An interactive session between officials of the Chandigarh Administration and participants of the 17th Tribal Youth Exchange Programme was held on Tuesday at the U.T. Guest House, Sector 6, Chandigarh. The session was chaired by H. Rajesh Prasad, Chief Secretary, Chandigarh, who hosted the visiting youth from Jharkhand, Odisha, and Chhattisgarh for a high tea and open dialogue.

During the interaction, the Chief Secretary and senior officers of the Administration responded to questions raised by the tribal students and guided them on various aspects of personal growth and career opportunities. The discussions covered a range of topics including education, pollution control, fitness, and civil services preparation strategies.

The Chief Secretary was accompanied by Diprava Lakra, Secretary Finance; Prerna Puri, Secretary Education; Amit Kumar, IAS, Commissioner, Municipal Corporation Chandigarh; Swapnil M. Naik, Secretary Hospitality; Abhijit Vijay Chaudhari, Secretary Vigilance and Pardeep Kumar, Secretary Agriculture; and Hari Kallikkat, IAS, Secretary, I.T.

Responding to questions from participants, Chief Secretary, H. Rajesh Prasad, shared personal insights from his experiences across various regions of India, describing the unique beauty of places like Jammu & Kashmir and Chandigarh. He emphasized that every goal begins with a positive mindset and shared his approach to maintaining fitness through consistency and the "21-day rule." Encouraging the youth to stay motivated and disciplined, he advised them to cultivate curiosity, perseverance, and purpose in all pursuits.

Other officers also shared valuable perspectives during the session. Diprava Lakra advised the students to remain focused on their studies while staying aware of their surroundings and sensitive towards environmental issues. Pardeep Kumar highlighted Chandigarh's sustainability initiatives such as electric buses and green infrastructure, stressing the importance of public participation in environmental conservation. Prerna Puri underlined that while Chandigarh offers excellent educational opportunities, determination and self-discipline remain the true keys to success.

Punjab government to host light & sound show in Mohali on Nov 11 to commemorate supreme sacrifice of Shri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Mohali, November 4



As part of the series of events commemorating the 350th Martyrdom Anniversary of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji, the Punjab Government will organize a Light and Sound Show at Saras Mela Ground, Sector 88, Mohali, on November 11.

Chairing a preparatory meeting with officers from various departments, Deputy Commissioner Komal Mittal said that the event will begin at 5:30 PM. The programme will open with the Dhadi Jathas performing Bir Ras poetry, followed by a captivating Light and Sound Show portraying the unparalleled sacrifice of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji.

The Deputy Commissioner informed that no ticket or pass will be required to attend the event. "It is open to all devotees and the general public," she said, adding that adequate arrangements for seating, lighting, and parking have been made for the convenience of the attendees.

She further mentioned that Cabinet Minister for Technical Education, Industrial Training, School Education, Higher Education and Languages, Harjot Singh Bains, along with Member of Parliament (Sri Anandpur Sahib) Malvinder Singh Kang, will join the Sangat (Gathering) and pay homage to the revered Guru.

The Deputy Commissioner urged Commissioner, Municipal Corporation Parminder Pal Singh, and Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development) Anmol Singh Dhaliwal to coordinate with GMADA to ensure that the Saras Mela Ground is well-prepared to receive the gathering.

She added that duties have been assigned to different departments to ensure the smooth conduct of the event and to provide a comfortable and dignified experience to all devotees.

The meeting was attended by Additional Deputy Commissioners Geetika Singh and Sonam Chaudhary, SDM Mohali Damandeep Kaur, SP (Headquarters) Mohit Aggarwal, Assistant Commissioner (General) Dr. Ankita Kansal, along with representatives of various departments.

Homeopathy gains spotlight as Indian doctor presents osteomyelitis cure at International Seminar in London

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4



In a landmark moment for Indian homeopathy, Dr. Vikas Singhal, a Chandigarh-based Classical Homeopathic Physician, presented a fully cured case of chronic Osteomyelitis at the International Homeopathic Congress 2025 held in London. The prestigious seminar, organized by the Hahnemann College of Homeopathy (UK) at Slough, brought together leading practitioners, researchers, and educators from 24 countries.

The event was notably endorsed in writing by Charles Tankard Hahnemann, the seventh-generation descendant of Dr. Samuel Hahnemann, the founder of homeopathy. Also in attendance were Dr. Shashi Mohan Sharma, Director and Principal of the Hahnemann College of Homeopathy (UK), and Dr. Lora Georgieva, a renowned Bulgarian homeopath.

Dr. Singhal's presentation detailed the complete recovery of a 19-year-old male patient from Tinsukia, Assam, suffering from post-operative chronic Osteomyelitis of the femur — a severe and persistent bone infection that had defied years of conventional medical treatment. The patient had undergone multiple surgeries and antibiotic regimens before being advised amputation as a final option.

Seeking an alternative, the patient consulted Dr. Singhal at Dr. Singhal Homeo Clinic, Chandigarh, in late 2020. Over the course of three and a half years of personalized homeopathic treatment, ending in April 2024, the patient achieved full recovery. The case was supported by both clinical and radiological evidence, confirming the regeneration of bone tissue and complete healing of infection. The patient remained symptom-free for one year of follow-up without relapse.

11th Sardar Bhagwant Singh Memorial Basketball Trophy kicks off with an inaugural ceremony

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4

The 11th edition of the Sardar Bhagwant Singh Memorial Basketball Trophy kicked-off at the Sports Complex-42 here. The tournament which is the biggest inter-school basketball tourney of the Tricity, will witness seventy-three (73) teams from 21 schools across 8 age categories vying for honours.

The coveted basketball tourney which will be held from November 3 to 13, 2025, is being organised by Vivek High School,Mohali. Tejinderjit Singh Virk, Assistant Inspector General (AIG) Internal Security, Punjab Police –who has represented India in Asian Basketball Championship (South Korea) and Asian Basketball Cup (Malaysia) was the chief guest. Other distinguished persons present were, Mrs Jaswinder Gandhok, Principal,Vivek High School, Mohali; the school's HOD (Sports) Vishal Sharma and the school's Cultural Coordinator Jayata Chopra, among others.

Vikramjeet Singh Mamik, Administrator of Vivek High School, in a statement shared important details of the tournament. He said, "The trophy includes U 10, U 12, 14 & 17 categories for both Boys and Girls. The tourney is spreadover 9-days and a prize money of Rs 2,70,000 in the U12, 14 and 17 age categories makes the tournament one of the most rewarding school-level sports events in the region."

Jaswinder Gandhok, Principal, Vivek HighSchool, Mohali, said, "The tournament this year has been a pioneering one as it is for the first time that U 10 category has been introduced in any basketball tourney of Tricity."

DC reviews preparations for 2nd Punjab Equestrian Festival

- DEPARTMENTS DIRECTED TO ENSURE WHOLEHEARTED PREPARATIONS FOR THE STATE-LEVEL EVENT

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Mohali, November 4

Deputy Commissioner Komal Mittal on Tuesday held an inter-departmental meeting to review the preparations for the 2nd Punjab Equestrian Festival, which will be organized from November 14 to 16, 2025, at The Meadows, Village Pallanpur (Mohali).

The Deputy Commissioner informed that this three-day mega event is being organized by the Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs, Government of Punjab, in collaboration with the District Administration, Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar. The festival aims to showcase and promote Punjab's rich equestrian heritage.

During the meeting, the Deputy Commissioner directed ADC (Rural Development) Sonam Chaudhary and SDM Divya P. to supervise and finalize the overall event plan. She also announced the formation of various committees to oversee arrangements across different departments.

Calling it one of Punjab's most distinctive celebrations, DC Mittal said that the Equestrian Festival will not only highlight the sport of horse riding but will also reflect Punjab's vibrant culture and lifestyle, bringing together riders, enthusiasts, and breeders from across the country.

She further stated that an exhibition of horses belonging to different breeds from across India will be one of the major attractions of the festival, allowing visitors to witness the diversity and magnificence of India's equestrian heritage up close.

Apart from equestrian competitions, a "Lifestyle Fashion Show with Horses" will also be a special feature of the event, blending modern fashion with the elegance of horsemanship. The festival will also include shopping and food stalls, outdoor and equestrian brands, as well as Self-Help Group stalls, creating a vibrant and festive atmosphere for visitors.

PGIMER prof honoured with prestigious Subhash Mukherjee Oration

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Dr. Rama Walia, Additional Professor, Endocrinology Department was honoured with the prestigious Subhash Mukherjee Oration, named after the visionary Indian scientist who broke new ground in reproductive medicine and infertility treatment in India.

Dr. Rama Walia delivered a comprehensive and eye-opening lecture on Hypogonadotropic Hypogonadism. This oration provided a valuable platform to raise awareness about a lesser-known but important medical condition that can significantly impact children's growth, development, and overall quality of life. She has also contributed significantly to the scientific community by publishing several research articles on Hypogonadotropic Hypogonadism and related puberty disorders, further advancing knowledge and treatment approaches in this field.

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CHANGE OF NAME

I Gurmeet Singh Chuhan S/o Jagdish Singh R/o 202, Ranchi Colony, Sua Road, Threekey, Ludhiana have changed my name to Gurmeet Singh

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I Satvir Singh S/o Pritam Singh R/o Banganwali Distt Sangrur have changed my name to Satvir Singh Sohi

I Lajpat Rai Garg Son Of Kulwant Rai R/O Sunam (Sangrur) Have Changed My Name To Lajpat Rai

I Sarabjit Kaur Maan D/o Jagroop Singh R/o Bihla Khurd, Po Bihla (Barnala) have changed my name to Sarabjit Kaur

I Parminderpal Singh S/o Jasvir Singh R/o Gali No.3, Baba Deep Singh Nagar (Sangrur) have changed my name to Parminderpal Singh Sidhu

I Buta Singh Kheira S/O Bhag Singh R/O Village Mangewal Tehsil Mehal Kalan (Barnala) Have Changed My Name To Buta Singh

I, Ram Rahul S/o Ram Lal Jassi R/o H. No. B1-959, Ram Nagar, Grain Market, Jalandhar have changed my name to Given name as Ram Rahul & Surname as Jassi. All Please Note.

I Buta Singh S/O Bhag Singh R/O Village Mangewal Tehsil Mehal Kalan (Barnala) Have Changed Name My Minor Daughter Jaspreet Kaur Kheira To Jaspreet Kaur

I Surjit Dass and Surjit Singh S/o Ramlok R/o Village Gujran Distt Sangrur I have known as both names

I, Tarsem Singh Dhiman S/o Ranjeet Singh R/o Village Dialgarh Jejian, Teh. Sunam (Sangrur) have Changed my name to Tarsem Singh.

I hitherto known as HARPREET SINGH GABBI S/o NIRMAL SINGH residing at Ward No.2, Street Number 5, Guru Ram Dass Nagar, Moga, District Moga, Punjab-142001, India, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as HARPREET SINGH.

I hitherto known as HARVINDER SINGH S/o JANAK SINGH Residing at Village Bakhtarhi, Po Bhawanigarh, District Sangrur, Punjab-148026, India, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as HARWINDER SINGH

I, Ramandeep Singh Chahal S/o Gurmail Singh R/o Ferozepur Distt. Malerkotla changed my Name Ramandeep Singh Chahal to Ramandeep Singh.

I,Baldeep Kaur W/o Sukhbir Singh Wahla R/o H.no. 58, Phase 3, Urban Estate, Patiala have changed my name to Baldeep kaur Cheema.

I, hitherto known as Simar D/o Manjeet Singh residing at H.No. 119, New Geeta Colony Near Geeta Mandir, Kala Sangya Road, Jalandhar, Punjab-144002, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Simar Gandhi.

I, hitherto known as Udeek S/o Manjeet Singh residing at H.No. 119, New Geeta Colony, Kala Sangya Road Near Geeta Mandir, , Jalandhar, Punjab-144002, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Udeek Gandhi.

I, Rajinder Singh S/o Gurmeet Singh R/o H.No. 192, Ward No. 5, Dultta Wali Gali, Simbal Batala, Tehsil Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur, Punjab-143505 declare that Gurmeet Singh and Gurmit Singh is one and the same person i.e. my father. Concerned Note.

I, Kulwinder W/o Raman Kumar R/O Vill. Ghagon Guru, PO Gogon, Tehsil Garhshankar, Distt. Hoshiarpur, Punjab-144527 Have Changed My Name From Kulwinder to Kaur Kulwinder. That Given Name as Kulwinder & Surname as Kaur. All concerned please note.

I, Benny Thomas am father of Army No. 16117920L Rank: NK. Name: Sibin Joseph, Resident of Puthanveettil House, Vayattuparamba, Vellad, Kannur, Kerala 670582, Unit: 1 AER, C/O 56 APO, PATIALA, That, I have changed my name from Benny Joseph to Benny Thomas and date of birth from 13.04.1960 to 20.10.1960.

I, Sahib Singh S/o Kulwant Singh R/o Village Atta, P.O. Goraya, Tehsil Phillaur, Distt. Jalandhar, Punjab-144409, India declare that Sahib Singh & Sahib Singh Manku both names are one and the same person. All concerned please note.

I, Gurmit Kaur wife of Ram Rahul resident of H. No. B1-959, Ram Nagar, Jalandhar, Punjab, India have changed my name from Gurmit Kaur to Gurmeet Kaur. All Please note.

I, Subhash Chandar S/o Mahinga Ram R/o 370/3, Mohalla Kararkhan, Jalandhar-144008, Punjab have changed my name from Subhash Chandar to Subhash Chander. All concerned please note.

I, Army No. 6495068H Rank HAV/ASH Name: Rambol Yaday Unit: 501 ASC Battalion Pin- 905501 C/o 56 APO, have changed my son's name from PARTHEEK YADAV to PRATIK YADAV.

I, Rosamma Benny am mother of Army No. 16117920L Rank: NK. Name: Sibin Joseph, Resident of Puthanveettil House, Vayattuparamba, Vellad, Kannur, Kerala – 670582, Unit: 1 AER, C/O 56 APO, PATIALA, That, I have changed my name from Rosamma to Rosamma Benny and date of birth from 06.08.1971 to 02.02.1970.

I, Vishal son of Surinder Kumar R/o B 31/156, Moh. Neche Banda, Kapurthala, I have changed my name from Vishal to Vishal Kaushal. All concerned may note please.

I Jaswinder Kaur W/o Nirbhai Singh Chookar R/o Village Chhokran, PO Mandian, Tehsil and District Malerkotla have changed my name to Jaswinder Kaur Chhokar.

I Jaswinder Kaur Chhokar W/o Nirbhai Singh Chookar R/o Village Chhokran, PO Mandian, Tehsil and District Malerkotla have changed my name to Jaswinder Kaur.

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I,Balram Kumar Alias Balraj Kumar S/o Kapoor Chand R/o Ward 14, Brahman Majra Sirhind District Fatehgarh Sahib have changed my name from BALRAM KUMAR Alias BALRAJ KUMAR to BALRAM KUMAR.

I, Rajendar Singh S/o Avtar Singh R/o Shivalik Colony, Singh Pura, Ayali Khurd, Ludhiana, Punjab-142027, I changed my name from Rajendar Singh to Rajender Singh.

I,Raghu Nandan S/o Muni Lal Gupta R/o H.no:-1474/1,St.no:-5,Kirpal Nagar,Basti Jodhewal (Ludhiana) Have Changed My Name From Raghu Nandan to Raghu Nandan Gupta.

I, Manmeet Singh s/o Ranjit Singh R/O Ward no 5, VPO Begowal Tehsil Bholath district Kapurthala declare that have changed my name from Manmeet Singh to Singh Manmeet. Please note.

I, Hitesh Kumar s/o Harsh Kumar R/o H.No. 80, St. No. 10, Jodha Mal Road, Gautam Nagar, Hoshiarpur, Punjab, India, have changed my name from Hitesh Kumar to Hitesh Nahar.

I Amandeep Singh S/o Balwinder Singh Village Ralhan PO Khudda Tehsil Dasuya Distt Hoshiarpur have changed my name from Amandeeep Singh to Singh Amandeep. Concerned Note.

I, Simerjeet Kaur Brar W/o Harvinder Singh Sran R/o Vairoke (Moga) Have Changed My Name to Simerjeet Kaur Sran.

I, Harjinder Singh (Given Name) s/o Samsher Singh R/o Gangohar (Barnala) have changed my name to Harjinder (Given Name) Singh (Surname).

I,Deedar Singh S/O Piara Singh R/O 3, Link Road, Opposite Thakur Palace, Verka,Amritsar, Punjab have changed my name from Deedar Singh to Didar Singh.Concerned note.

I, Gurpreet Singh S/O Sukhdev Singh R/O V. Padde Bet, Padda P.O. Dhaliwal Bet, District Kapurthala. 144804, declares that Gurpreet is my given name and Singh is my surname. All concerned please note

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MC Chandigarh takes strict action against littering under SWM Rules



- CHALLANS ISSUED TO BANK OF INDIA SECTOR 47 AND NIZAM TAILOR BURAIL

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4

In a continued drive to ensure strict enforcement of cleanliness and solid waste management norms under the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016, the Municipal Corporation Chandigarh has taken stringent action against violators found indulging in littering and improper waste disposal practices.

During recent inspections, challans amounting to Rs. 13,401 were issued to each against Bank of India, Sector 47 Branch, and Nizam Tailor, Burail, for violations of the SWM Rules and Municipal Corporation Chandigarh Bye-laws. Both establishments were found responsible for littering in public areas and failing to maintain proper segregation and disposal of waste as mandated under the rules.

MC Commissioner Amit Kumar said that the Municipal Corporation reiterates its zero-tolerance policy towards any act of littering or non-compliance with SWM regulations. All commercial establishments, institutions, and residents are hereby reminded to adhere strictly to the provisions of the SWM Rules, including waste segregation at source, use of designated collection systems, and maintaining cleanliness in and around their premises.

He further said that failure to comply will invite strict penal action, including heavy fines and possible prosecution under relevant sections of the Municipal Act. He appealed to all citizens to cooperate in maintaining Chandigarh's reputation as a clean and green city.

MC cracks whip on open dumping of garbage; challans issued against over 50 violators

YOGESH KAPOOR
PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Ludhiana, November 4



A day after Municipal Corporation (MC) Commissioner Aaditya Dachalwal issued strict orders to ensure cleanliness, the civic body has intensified the drive against the violators for open dumping of garbage across the city.

The civic body teams issued challans against over 50 residents/shopkeepers for open dumping of garbage in different parts of the city. The teams are keeping strict vigil over the violators day and night. Apart from issuing challans, the violators are also being asked to pick up the waste thrown by them in the open areas/roadsides.

Meanwhile, Mayor Principal Inderjit Kaur and MC Commissioner Aaditya Dachalwal have appealed to the residents to support the civic body and stop dumping of garbage in the open to avoid action. The residents have been appealed to stop burning of waste too, otherwise hefty challans would be issued against the violators.

Over 50 challans have been issued in different areas including Pakhowal road, Tajpur road, Chandigarh road (backside Vardhman mill) Ferozepur road, Feroze Gandhi market, Ghumar Mandi, near Pavilion mall, College road, Gill road among other areas.

Earlier in the last week, the civic body had also issued 112 challans to the shopkeepers and street vendors in Ghumar mandi area over open dumping of garbage.

Appealing to the residents to do their bit in keeping the city clean, Mayor Principal Inderjit Kaur and MC Commissioner Aaditya Dachalwal stated that the civic body is forced to take strict action against the violators as residents/shopkeepers have been dumping waste in the open despite warnings. Mayor Inderjit Kaur and MC Commissioner Dachalwal stated that the drive to issue challans against the violators will continue in the coming days too and hefty challans would also be issued against those caught burning the garbage. Wherever required, strict legal action would also be taken against violators.

They further stated that the concerned officials of the health branch have been directed to ensure cleanliness in their respective areas. Strict departmental action will also be taken against them, if they failed to perform their duty at ground level.

Advocates continue work suspension over lawyer assault case

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Muktsar, November 4



The District Bar Association of Muktsar has continued its indefinite work suspension, which began on Saturday, and warned that if the issue regarding the registration of a case against an advocate is not resolved within two days, its members, along with other Bar Associations in Punjab and Haryana, will hold a protest in bypoll-bound Tarn Taran.

Notably, advocate Harmandeep Singh was booked in an alleged assault incident that took place on October 29.

The Bar Association has termed it a false case and demanded the registration of an FIR against the opposite faction, the transfer of both the SSP and SP (D) of Muktsar, and the cancellation of the existing FIR.

It claimed that Harman had suffered a head injury, while his cousin sustained severe injuries to his private parts.

The advocates had also staged a strong protest on Sunday during the Chief Minister's visit to the town by blocking a road but were not allowed to meet him.

Sources said some police personnel suffered injuries while trying to control the protesters. On the other hand, some advocates claimed that two of their colleagues also sustained injuries and the uniform of one was torn during the scuffle.

"We met the CM's OSD and the Deputy Commissioner on Sunday. However, our demands remain unmet. We will wait for two days and then stage a protest at Tarn Taran along with other Bar Associations," said Advocate Manjinder Brar, a senior member of the District Bar Association.

He further claimed that the Bar Associations of three other districts – Fazilka, Faridkot, and Bathinda – also suspended work on Monday in solidarity.

The Bar Council has already written to the DGP, Punjab, over the issue.

Meanwhile, SP (D) Manmeet Singh Dhillon had said, "In a clash between two groups led by Yadwinder Singh and Harmandeep Singh, both residents of Chak Attari village, at the Jawahrewala grain market on the evening of October 29, a case has been registered.

Further, a DDR entry based on Harman's statement has been made. The investigation is underway, and the accused will be arrested soon."

The SP on late Monday evening assured that further action would be taken as per the medico legal report and circumstances evidences.

On the other hand, Yadwinder's family termed the advocates' action unjustified, saying they were ready to face any inquiry.

MLA Sidhu attends blood donation camp as chief guest



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A blood donation and eye check-up camp was organised by MHM Sewa Society at Gali No 10, New Janta Nagar, under Ward No 42. The event witnessed the gracious presence of MLA Kulwant Singh Sidhu, who attended as the chief guest.

Addressing the gathering, MLA Sidhu lauded the efforts of the youth and honored them with appreciation certificates. He stated that such social initiatives and sports events not only keep young people away from drugs but also infuse them with new energy and enthusiasm. He emphasized that social organizations should continue organising such programmes that guide the youth toward positivity and community service.

Sidhu further remarked that he always supports the noble initiatives of young people and organizations working for social welfare. He added that blood donation not only strengthens physical health but also purifies the mind, encouraging more youth to actively participate in such humanitarian efforts.

A large number of young volunteers came forward to donate blood at the camp. The event was efficiently managed by Varinder Kumar and other members of the organizing committee. Expert medical teams conducted free eye check-ups and provided medicines to the needy.

Prominent guests present at the occasion included ADC Amarjit Bains, DSP Malerkotla Ranjit Singh, Pankaj Sharda (Chairman, Brahmin Welfare Board), Councillor Jagmeet Singh Noni, Surinder Kumar Sharma and Raj Kumar.

Recruitment rally for Territorial Army to be held in Ludhiana from Nov 17 to 30

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Ludhiana, November 4

The Territorial Army Group Headquarters, Western Command, has announced a recruitment rally for the Territorial Army, scheduled to be held in Ludhiana from November 17 to November 30.

The rally will be open to candidates from Punjab (excluding Pathankot and SAS Nagar), Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, the Union Territories of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, Chandigarh, and Delhi (NCT). The recruitment process will be conducted in a fair and transparent manner based strictly on merit.

The recruitment includes vacancies for Soldier (General Duty) – 716 posts, Clerk – 2 posts, Chef Community – 6 posts, ER – 2 posts, Artisan Metallurgy – 1 post, House Keeper – 1 post, Tailor – 2 posts, and Mess Keeper – 1 post.

The rally will commence on November 17 with candidates from Punjab, Haryana, and Ladakh (UT) for the posts of Clerks and Tradesmen of all Infantry Battalions under Zone-1 at 103 Infantry Battalion (TA) Sikh LI, Ludhiana.

Subsequent schedules are as follows:

- Nov 18: Jammu & Kashmir (UT) and Delhi (NCT)
- Nov 19: Himachal Pradesh and Chandigarh
- Nov 21: Amritsar, Fatehgarh Sahib, and Barnala
- Nov 22: Gurdaspur, Ropar, and Kapurthala
- Nov 23: Mansa, Ferozepur, and Malerkotla
- Nov 25: Bathinda, Hoshiarpur, and SBS Nagar
- Nov 26: Sangrur, Moga, and Faridkot
- Nov 28: Tarn Taran, Patiala, and Jalandhar
- Nov 29: Fazilka and Ludhiana
- Nov 30: Muktsar

Candidates must report by 2 am, as no entry will be allowed after 5 am.

Eligibility Criteria: Applicants must be between 18 and 42 years of age as of the recruitment date. The minimum height required is 160 cm, weight 50 kg, and chest measurement 77 cm with a 5 cm expansion.

MLA Bagga inaugurates new road construction at Lakkad Bridge

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MLA Chaudhary Madan Lal Bagga from Ludhiana North constituency inaugurated a new road construction work at the historic Lakkad Bridge connecting major parts of Ludhiana city. The ceremony was held with the blessings of Shri Raj Kumar Sharma of Shri Dandi Swami Mandir.

On this occasion, Municipal Corporation Commissioner Aditya Dachalwal, Mayor Principal Inderjit Kaur, Senior Deputy Mayor Rakesh Parashar, Deputy Mayor Prince Johar, and a large number of local residents were present to review the quality of the ongoing work.

Addressing the gathering, MLA Bagga reiterated that under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, the Punjab Government is fully committed to providing basic amenities to the people. He added that development projects across various constituencies are being actively implemented with adequate financial grants to ensure overall infrastructure improvement in the state.

Sham Lal Jain elected Senior Deputy Mayor of Bathinda MC

BATHINDA, NOVEMBER 4

The Bathinda Municipal Corporation has a new senior deputy mayor, with Sham Lal Jain winning the election with 30 councillors voting in his favour. Jain, a three-time councillor who defected from the Congress to the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP), was recently appointed as Advisor to the Mayor after the creation of a new post. The election was contested by Congress candidate Harvinder Singh Laddu, who received 12 votes.

Of the total 50-member House, 42 councillors were present during the election process, while eight remained absent. Laddu said, "After the counting of votes, we withdrew our form and congratulated the winner. I received 12 votes." AGENCIES

NRIs in Canada welcome move to issue life certificates at consulate camps

MANDI AHMEDGARH, NOVEMBER 4



NRI pensioner, settled in various provinces of Canada, are upbeat that Indian Consulates have started issuing life certificates at public utility camps that are being felicitated by Indian community groups.

However, authorities concerned at the paying branches of various commercial banks are yet to ascertain the proper procedure for uploading these certificates sent by pensioners through post, personally or online. Pensioners organisations, on the other hand, have urged Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, and Ministry of Finance to coordinate with each other on the subject and ensure that no inconvenience or harassment is caused to beneficiaries.

All Banks Retirees Forum president KK Bansal appreciated that the Union Government has initiated a process for issuing life certificates to NRIs settled abroad to enable them get their pension at the paying branch of the Bank in India. AGENCIES

Saavedra Trust donates essential items to Health Department



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In a generous initiative to support public healthcare facilities, Saavedra Trust on Tuesday donated 1,000 blankets, 1,500 bed sheets, 10 sweeper trolleys, and one water cooler to the Health Department, Ludhiana.

The donation was formally handed over to Civil Surgeon Dr Ramanpreet Kaur, who appreciated the Trust's contribution towards improving patient care and hygiene in government hospitals.

"These items will be distributed among various health institutions as per their specific requirements," said Dr Ramandeep Kaur. "We are thankful to Saavedra Trust for their generous support, which will help enhance facilities for patients and staff alike," she added.

Present on the occasion were Subhash Gupta, Hemant Sood (President and Chairman, Saavedra Trust), Vijay Dadu (Cashier), Ojasvi Arora (Vice President), Amit Miglani (Trustee), and Jajpreet Singh (Manager, Saavedra Trust).

Also present were Dr Rohit Rampal (SMO, MCH), Dr Dipika Goyal (SMO, ART), Dr Akhil Sarin (SMO Incharge, Civil Hospital Ludhiana), Jaskiran Kaur (Facility Manager, District Hospital Ludhiana), Gurpinderpal Singh Sandhu (SDO, PHSC), and Shweta (Representative, DC Office Ludhiana).

Property of notorious drug smuggler razed in Amritsar

AMRITSAR, NOVEMBER 4

The Amritsar police in coordination with district administration officials razed an alleged illegally constructed property of a known drug smuggler, identified as Rajinder Singh, alias Raju, at Thathi Mohalla, Ghanupur, in Chheharta here on Monday. The action was carried out under the ongoing anti-drug campaign launched by the Punjab Government.

Police Commissioner Gurpreet Singh Bhullar said the property belonged to Rajinder Singh and his wife Sunita, who have been repeatedly booked under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act. AGENCIES

Gurdaspur, Batala lawyers observe 'pen-down' strike

BATALA, NOVEMBER 4

Advocates of the Gurdaspur and Batala Bar Associations observed a two-day pen down strike in protest against the Punjab Government's proposed plan to set up Gram Nyayalayas Act-2008 at the tehsil level across the state. Work in the courts remained paralysed for the second successive day.

Gurdaspur district comprises the Gurdaspur and Batala Bar Associations (BBA). Batala Bar Association president Gurdeep Singh Randhawa claimed the two day strike was complete. The Gram Nyayalayas Act, 2008 is an Act of the Parliament enacted for the establishment of village courts for speedy and easy access to the justice system in the rural areas of India. The Act came into force on October 2, 2009. However, due to an assortment of reasons it was not implemented and is sought to be applied now.

The lawyers submitted a memorandum to the Deputy Commissioner (DC) and the Chief Justice of the Punjab and Haryana High Court. Randhawa said implementing the Act would create unnecessary confusion in the judicial system. "It will neither provide relief to the common man nor will it speed up the resolution of cases. Moreover, Punjab has an elaborate network of courts and most villages are within the range of sub-division or district courts. Hence, there is no need to duplicate the judicial system in the areas where it is already well-established," he said.

Lawyers contended that the much-hyped "justice at doorstep" concept was being misinterpreted. "The idea that courts should travel to villages is outdated and impractical. 'Justice at doorstep' should mean digital access to courts and simplified legal procedures and not physical mobility of courts. Asking judicial officers to hold courts in temporary village settings is not only inefficient, but also derogatory to the dignity of judges. It is totally irrelevant when regular courts are within reach. Actually, a well-orchestrated legal system will be disrupted," said Randhawa. AGENCIES

Attempts being made by BJP, RSS to 'finish' Panjab University, alleges Charanjit Channi

CHANDIGARH, NOVEMBER 4



Former Punjab chief minister Charanjit Channi on Tuesday slammed the BJP-led Centre over the issue of restructuring the Panjab University's Senate and Syndicate, alleging that attempts are being made to "finish this university in a systematic way by the BJP and the RSS".

Channi joined the ongoing protest by the PU students against the Centre's latest move of restructuring the Panjab University's governing bodies — Senate and Syndicate — via an October 28 notification.

The notification amends the Panjab University Act, 1947, reducing the size of the Senate to 31, doing away with elections for its executive body, the Syndicate, and abolishing the graduate constituency of the Senate.

The students are also demanding the withdrawal of the "no-protest" affidavit, introduced in June this year by the PU. The affidavit requires students to declare that they will not participate in protests or demonstrations on campus, protesting students have claimed while terming it "undemocratic". PTI

Jalandhar residents continue to reel under persistently poor air quality

JALANDHAR, NOVEMBER 4

Thirteen days after Diwali, Jalandhar residents continue to reel under persistently poor air quality. The city's AQI remains at 'very poor' levels, leaving citizens gasping for clean air, with some calling it a public health emergency.

Post-Diwali, air quality levels in Jalandhar continue to be extremely poor. While the maximum AQI levels touched 500 on Diwali night and a day after Diwali, despite marginal improvement in air quality levels – the maximum AQI levels remain at over 300 for the past 13 days.

Since October 23, the maximum AQI levels stay between 302 to 328, with only three days as exception. Jalandhar registered the maximum AQI of 318 today while the average AQI was 213. For the first three days in November too, the maximum AQI has been very poor. On November 1, the maximum AQI was 306 and average 194. On November 2, the maximum AQI was 319 and average 160. An AQI of over 300 is considered very poor and that over 400 severe.

For the past few days, the AQI in Jalandhar remain extremely poor as residents complain of watery eyes, cough, irritation in the throat. At dawn, Jalandhar remains enveloped in a thick layer of smog AGENCIES

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Scaling down

India has begun to scale down its crude imports from Russia following sanctions by the United State on two major Russian oil firms. Consequently, Russian oil export to India witnessed a sharp decline after the US sanctioned two of Moscow's biggest oil companies, Rosneft and Lukoil, last month over the Russia-Ukraine war. According to industry experts, it may be too early to gauge the impact and a clearer picture would emerge in a month or two, refiners have been wary of Washington's latest sanctions, which will take effect on November 21. The sanctions on the oil giants are the first imposed against Russia since Trump returned to the White House and aim to cut key revenues from oil sales for Russia.

In the week ending October 27, Russia's crude oil exports to India averaged 1.19 million barrels per day (bpd), a sharp drop from 1.95 million bpd recorded over the previous two weeks, according to provisional vessel-tracking data.

The decline was largely driven by lower shipments from Rosneft and Lukoil, which together account for more than half of Russia's oil output and exports, and previously supplied over two-thirds of India's Russian oil imports. Exports from Rosneft, Russia's largest oil producer, fell to 0.81 million bpd in the week to October 27, down from 1.41 million bpd the week before. Lukoil recorded no shipments to India during the same period, compared with 0.24 million bpd in the previous week.

The sanctions on Rosneft and Lukoil are likely to hit India's Russian oil imports, as Indian refiners like HPCL-Mittal Energy (HMEL) have already announced suspension in Russian oil imports, along with India's largest refiner, Indian Oil Corporation, saying that it will comply with US sanctions.

Research analysts say, following the sanctions, it was observed that many Indian refineries accelerated Russian crude arrivals ahead of the deadline, with no refiner except Nayara (which has Rosneft in its promoter group) expected to import from sanctioned suppliers thereafter. Russian crude flows are likely to remain around 1.6–1.8 million bpd until November 21, before tapering as refiners avoid potential OFAC-related exposure. While Indian refiners will continue sourcing Russian grades via unsanctioned intermediaries, they are expected to proceed with greater caution. December–January imports of Russian crude should see a notable dip as refiners assess the impact and rebuild supply chains. Despite the short-term turbulence, a complete halt in Russian imports remains unlikely, given attractive margins and India's geopolitical stance. Unless refiners themselves face direct sanctions or the Government of India imposes formal restrictions—both improbable scenarios—Russian barrels will continue flowing to India, though via more complex logistical, financial, and trading arrangements.

SPIRITUAL WORLD



Towards dignified work: Why India must implement its labour codes now



S.P. Tiwari

India's world of work stands at an inflection point. India's workforce must increasingly find a place in formal employment, supported by written contracts, adequate wages, and comprehensive social protection, so that the gains of growth translate into secure and dignified livelihoods for all. The persistence of older regulatory frameworks has, in part, limited the pace of formalisation and the ability of enterprises to generate secure and quality jobs. The four labour codes enacted by Parliament between 2019 and 2020, on Wages, Industrial Relations, Social Security, and Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions, represent the long-pending reform envisioned by the Second National Commission on Labour chaired by Ravindra Varma in 2002 with a mission to codify, simplify & modify then existing labour frame work. The Codes offer a comprehensive framework to modernise India's labour landscape and correct structural imbalances. Their uniform implementation across all States has now become an urgent national priority.

The new codes simplify and modernise 29 central labour laws, many dating back to the mid-twentieth century. They seek not merely to merge statutes but to make multiple definitions of workers/workmen employee into simple definition. Each code strengthens the rights and welfare of workers while providing clarity and predictability for employers.

Fair wages and dignity of labour

The Code on Wages, 2019 marks a historic step towards ensuring that every worker receives a wage that respects the dignity of labour. By introducing universal minimum wages and a national floor wage, it guarantees that no worker, regardless of occupation or location, is left without a basic standard of income. Elimination of schedule of industry pave the road for universal wages.

Timely payment provisions have been strengthened, eliminating delays that once pushed families into debt. Workers can now claim unpaid wages or bonuses more easily, and the burden of proof in such disputes rests with the employer, creating greater accountability.

At the same time, the Code streamlines compliance for enterprises. Electronic record-keeping, a single registration, and unified returns reduce paperwork, rationalise chances of manipulation.

Extending the social security net

The Code on Social Security, 2020 represents one of the most inclusive expansions of welfare in independent India. By consolidating nine major laws, including the Employees' Provident Fund Act, Employees' State Insurance Act, and Maternity Benefit Act, it establishes a unified system that covers both traditional and future of work.

For the first time, gig workers, platform workers, and those in the unorganised sector are explicitly recognised as part of the national workforce. Every worker is to be registered and issued a unique social security number through the e-Shram portal, enabling direct delivery of benefits such as health insurance, pensions, and maternity support. Central and State Social Security Funds will be created to ensure that workers like app-based delivery partners or construction labourers are no longer left outside the safety net and funds are managed in holistic manner.

The Code also introduces career centres, digital and physical platforms that will provide vocational guidance, counselling, and employment services. This institutional support links welfare with multiple employability, helping workers transition from insecurity to opportunity.

Safety, dignity, and equality at work

The Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, 2020 (OSH Code) is a statement of care and responsibility towards those who build the nation. By broadening the definition of "establishment," the Code extends protection to millions previously uncovered by safety legislation.

It mandates free annual health check-ups for workers and requires employers to maintain safe, hygienic workplaces without any financial burden on employees. The formation of a National Occupational Safety and Health Advisory Board ensures that safety standards evolve with changing industrial conditions.

The OSH Code makes important strides in gender equality. Women workers are permitted to work in all establishments and night shifts, provided adequate facilities and security arrangements exist, empowering more women to join and remain in the labour force. Migrant workers, too, gain recognition through a national registration system, enabling access to welfare schemes and mobility benefits and monitoring legal framework to ensure recent live and livelihood.

Facilities such as canteens and restrooms are now mandatory at lower thresholds, and contract workers are counted for determining such provisions. These measures reflect a shift from minimal compliance to genuine concern for worker welfare.

Dialogue and industrial harmony

The Industrial Relations Code, 2020 brings clarity to the relationship between employers and employees, replacing three earlier Acts with a unified framework. It requires establishments with twenty or more workers to set up Grievance Redressal Committees, ensuring that disputes are resolved promptly at the enterprise level rather than festering into strikes or litigation.

Trade unions gain recognition through the concept of a negotiating union or council, strengthening collective bargaining and giving workers an effective voice in shaping their workplace. Workers facing retrenchment are now entitled to 30 days' notice and adequate compensation, a humane reform that respects livelihood security. The establishment of a re-skilling fund for retrenched workers signals a forward-looking approach that values learning and adaptability in a changing economy. The provisions related to strike rights need to be revisited. Upgradation of workers limit for the industry upto 300 to get easier clearance for closure or lock outs should also be reconsidered.

Fixed-term employment, formally recognised by the Code, offers flexibility to industry while guaranteeing parity in wages and other social security provisions including gratuity in tandem with regular employees. It balances the needs of a modern economy with fairness and security for those who work within it.

Why implementation matters now

Evidence from several developing nations shows that labour reforms have played a key role in driving economic growth. In the face of a shifting global economy marked by rising tariffs and changing trade patterns, India must urgently implement its new labour codes. Simplified and transparent laws will attract investment, promote formal employment, and uphold worker dignity. Timely notification will pave the way towards India reaching developed nations tag.

In a time when automation and digitalisation threaten to displace traditional jobs, the codes provide a framework for balanced growth, one that preserves human dignity even as technology advances. Implementation across all States would create uniform standards, reduce ambiguity, and easy access to jobs.

The way forward

The four codes form the backbone of India's ambition for a Viksit Bharat, a developed, self-reliant nation that combines economic dynamism with social justice. They transform inspectors into facilitators, replace outdated and overlapping laws with clear, consistent ones, and place worker welfare at the centre of economic policy.

The spirit of these reforms with some riders lies not merely in consolidation but in compassion, ensuring that every worker, from the factory floor to the digital platform, enjoys dignity, safety, and security. For workers, they promise fairness and opportunity.Implementing these codes swiftly and uniformly is therefore not only a matter of administrative urgency but of national commitment, to build an economy where growth is shared, work is respected, and every hand that contributes to India's progress is protected and avail ease of living.

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8 in 10 Indians embrace return to office policy, flexibility, well-being major concern: Report

More than 8 in 10 Indians have expressed positive sentiment in returning to office (RTO), with flexibility, well-being a major concern, according to a report on Tuesday.



The JLL Workplace Preference Barometer 2025 report showed that 82 per cent of Indian employees are subject to work-from-office mandates, with the majority (8 in 10) expressing positive sentiment toward RTO policies.

The leading sectors driving RTO adoption are technology companies, BSFI, and the education sector.

Indian corporates have successfully cracked the code on workplace excellence, with 83 per cent of employees describing their work environment as close to ideal -- a figure that significantly outpaces the Asia-Pacific average of 64 per cent. "This is a pivotal moment for Indian organisations. As hybrid work matures, we see 83 per cent of employees expressing positive sentiment towards return-to-office policies, underscoring the need for workplaces to be high on human-centred design. Talent attraction is also being reshaped with six in 10 now citing flexibility as their top priority when choosing a new employer," said JipuJose James, Managing Director, Project & Development Service (PDS), India, JLL.

About 60 per cent of employees cited flexibility as the primary factor when selecting new employers, outperforming the APAC average of 54 per cent. Importantly, the research also highlighted a growing wellbeing challenge, with 54 per cent of employees experiencing moderate to elevated levels of burnout.

The statistic represents millions of workers whose productivity, engagement, and loyalty are compromised by unsustainable work pressures and inadequate support systems. These interconnected challenges -- burnout affecting more than half the workforce and flexibility driving 60 per cent of employment decisions -- create a perfect storm that threatens organisational performance and talent retention simultaneously.

"Employers that wish to attract and retain top performers must move beyond simply mandating office attendance. Instead, they should focus on creating workplaces that employees actively want to be part of, offering flexibility that genuinely improves quality of life, addressing burnout through sustainable work practices, and investing in inclusive, future-focused skills development," said Kamya Miglani, Head of Work Dynamics Research, Asia Pacific, JLL. IANS

Hydrogen may replace natural gas in India in 5 to 10 years: Top official

With hydrogen prices declining faster than anticipated, India could see hydrogen become a viable alternative to natural gas within the next five to ten years, making this route central to our decarbonisation and global competitiveness goals, a top Government official said on Tuesday.

Addressing the CII Steel Summit 2025 here, Union Steel Secretary Sandeep Poundrik said: "The DRI (Direct Reduced Iron) plus Hydrogen route offers a promising pathway for green steel production."

He highlighted that there are significant opportunities for investments in the steel industry, driven by growing needs from sectors such as defence, space, automotive and power – all of which are expanding rapidly and increasing demand for high-grade steel products.

Poundrik said that with consistent growth in consumption and capacity, along with rising opportunities from specialty steel and green steel, India is on its way to achieving the target of 500 million tonnes by 2047.

"Aligned with the vision of Viksit Bharat, our target is to reach 500 million tonnes steel-making capacity by 2047. At the current pace, we would be adding around 100 million tonnes every five to seven years, positioning India to not only meet domestic demand but also emerge as a global leader in sustainable steel production," he said.

The Steel Secretary pointed out that there is a misconception that India's steel industry is driven only by a few large producers. In fact, nearly 47 per cent of the steel in the country is produced by around 2,200 medium and small enterprises. These players form the backbone of India's distributed and resilient steel ecosystem, he noted.



"There is a strong need for India to achieve self-reliance in the steel sector, given its strategic significance. The Ministry of Steel is working closely with the Ministry of Coal to increase the share of domestic coking coal in steelmaking, ensuring greater self-reliance and security in raw material supply. The government is also taking proactive measures to ensure that cheap and substandard steel does not flood the Indian market," he added. He underlined that the government was creating a level playing field through Quality Control Orders (QCOs) to ensure that both domestic and foreign producers meet the same quality benchmarks.

Tata Steel Ltd Executive Director and CII National Committee on Steel Co-Chairman Koushik Chatterjee highlighted that steel forms the backbone of India's industrial transformation and national resilience. As the foundation for construction, transport, energy, and manufacturing, the sector will be pivotal in shaping world-class infrastructure, modern cities, and sustainable growth.

Emphasising India's demographic advantage and the structural reforms like GST 2.0 fueling new consumption opportunities, JSW Steel Ltd Joint Managing Director & CEO and CII National Committee on Steel Co-Chairman Jayant Acharya noted that rapid urbanisation, a growing middle class, and rising discretionary spending are creating strong demand prospects for the steel industry. IANS

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NEWSBRIEFS

Trinamool MLAs lodge complaints against threat from people posing as CBI, ED officials

KOLKATA: Three Trinamool Congress MLAs have alleged that they are being threatened with arrest in the name of the central investigation agencies. All three of them filed a complaint with the police on Tuesday, said sources in Trinamool Congress. It is alleged that three public representatives were tricked into extorting money by a call from Mumbai posing as Enforcement Directorate (ED) and Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) officials. They were allegedly threatened with arrest when they did not fall for the trap. The police have started an investigation into the matter based on their complaint and after registering an FIR. It is learnt that Gosaba MLA Subrata Mandal, Baruipur Purba MLA Bivas Sardar and Sonarpur Uttar MLA Firdousi Begum had received such threats over the phone from several places in Maharashtra, including Mumbai. **IANS**

Odisha govt seeks MEA's intervention to rescue Jagatsinghpur youth trapped in Sudan

BHUBANESWAR: Following Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi's direction, the Odisha government has written to the Union Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), seeking immediate intervention to rescue Adarsha Kumar Behera, a youth from Jagatsinghpur district who has reportedly gone missing in Sudan. According to a statement issued by the Chief Minister's Office (CMO), upon learning about the incident through media reports, CM Majhi instructed senior officials of the state government to take prompt action. Following the CM's directive, the Director General of Intelligence wrote to the MEA, urging it to take necessary steps to ensure Adarsha's safe return. **IANS**

Delhi assembly plans grand event on 150th anniversary of 'Vande Mataram' on Nov 7

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 4



The Delhi Legislative Assembly will organise a special programme on November 7 to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the iconic National Song "Vande Mataram", penned by Bankim Chandra Chatterjee in 1875.

On this historic occasion, Speaker Vijender Gupta will unveil a commemorative plaque celebrating the milestone, said an official statement.

The event will also feature a cultural programme by artists from the Sahitya Kala Parishad, highlighting the spirit of patriotism and unity inspired by "Vande Mataram". To mark the celebration, the Delhi Legislative Assembly building will be illuminated in the colours of the National Flag in the evening.

Gupta said, "Vande Mataram" is not merely a song — it is the soul of India's freedom movement and a timeless ode to our motherland."

"The Delhi Legislative Assembly is proud to honour 150 years of this national treasure, which continues to inspire unity, sacrifice, and patriotism among all Indians. By commemorating this historic milestone, we reaffirm our commitment to the ideals and spirit that shaped our nation," he said.

"Vande Mataram," meaning "I bow to thee, Mother", occupies an immortal place in India's cultural and historical journey, he said.

Penned during a period of national awakening, the song became the soul of India's freedom struggle, instilling a deep sense of pride, unity, and devotion to the motherland. Its words transcend time, reminding every Indian of the beauty, strength, and spiritual essence of the nation, he said.

This milestone marks not only the completion of 150 years since the song was written but also the enduring relevance of its message in modern India, said the statement.

By commemorating this anniversary, the Delhi Legislative Assembly pays tribute to the timeless legacy of the song and its role in shaping India's national identity.

The planned celebrations reflect the Delhi Legislative Assembly's resolve to uphold and promote the values of national pride, cultural heritage, and unity in diversity, said Gupta.

Through this programme, the Assembly pays tribute to the song that continues to inspire generations to serve and celebrate India with devotion and dignity, he said. **IANS**

40 Sri Lankan civil servants pick up tips on urban transformation at NDMC

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 4



A 40-member delegation of Sri Lankan civil servants visited the New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) on Tuesday for a knowledge-sharing interaction on the theme "Clean City – Better Future".

The visit was a part of the ongoing 13th Capacity Building Programme on urban transformation for Sri Lankan Civil Servants, being held in New Delhi from October 27 to November 7.

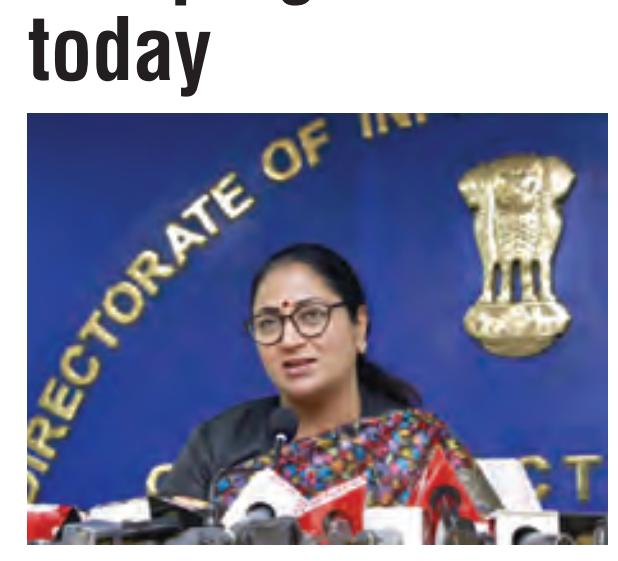
The programme was organised by NDMC in association with National Centre for Good Governance.

During the session, NDMC Chairperson Keshav Chandra delivered a presentation highlighting the civic agency's integrated approach to sustainable urban development and modern civic governance.

He showcased key initiatives that have made New Delhi one of the cleanest, greenest, and most citizen-friendly capital cities in the country.

Senior NDMC officials, including the Financial Advisor-cum-Secretary, Officer on Special Duty (Personal/Education), Chief Engineers (Civil and Electrical), Chief Architect, Medical Officer of Health, and Director (Horticulture) and Director (Training) were present during the interaction and shared insights on sector-specific initiatives and innovations. **IANS**

Delhi CM Rekha Gupta to begin 3-day Bihar poll campaign from today



NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 4

Delhi Chief Minister Rekha Gupta reached Patna to boost the NDA's campaign for Bihar Assembly elections with her more than a dozen public meetings lined up over the next three days, a BJP leader said.

The first phase of voting in Bihar is scheduled on November 6 and the second on November 11. The results will be declared on November 14.

A statement issued by the Chief Minister's Office said, "Over the next three days, the Chief Minister will campaign in support of NDA candidates across the state."

"She will be accompanied by senior leaders of the Bharatiya Janata Party, leaders of allied parties, as well as party candidates and workers. In addition to public meetings, the Chief Minister will also take part in roadshows," it added. **IANS**

SIR drive begins in MP, political parties keep a close watch on exercise

BHOPAL, NOVEMBER 4



The Special Intensive Revision (SIR), a much-debated exercise for the verification of electoral rolls being conducted by the Election Commission of India (ECI), officially began in Madhya Pradesh on Tuesday.

After getting training, over 65,000 BLOs (Booth Level Officers), who have been tasked with conducting a door-to-door visit for verification of voters, have started reaching their assigned booths.

Madhya Pradesh has a total of 230 Assembly seats and 29 Lok Sabha constituencies spread across the 55 districts, divided into six divisions such as Bhopal, Gwalior, Indore, Jabalpur, Chambal, Narmadapuram, Rewa, Sagar, Shahdol, and Ujjain.

The voter list in Madhya Pradesh was already frozen after the ECI on October 27 announced the SIR in the state, which means no new changes can be made without verification from the BLO appointed by the ECI.

Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) of Madhya Pradesh, Sanjeev Jha, has instructed district collectors, commissioner and other senior officials to monitor the SIR process closely and ensure that not a single eligible electorate is missed from verification.

Sanjeev Jha has shared that the BLOs will not seek any documents from eligible voters; they are supposed to just distribute forms and record the information received during door-to-door visits.

However, the CEO also clarified that BLOs will only collect documents in case the voter's record does not match the earlier database. In such cases, the Electoral Registration Officer (ERO) will issue a notice to seek documents separately. Meanwhile, the political parties, especially the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and the opposition Congress, have also set up their own teams to keep a close watch during the exercise in Madhya Pradesh. **IANS**

Rajasthan paper leak case: Gehlot PSO's bail rejected; relief to his son and eight others

JAIPUR, NOVEMBER 4

In the 2021 Sub-Inspector (SI) recruitment paper leak case, the Rajasthan High Court has rejected the bail pleas of five accused, including former Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot's personal security officer (PSO) Rajkumar Yadav, while granting bail to nine others, among them his son, Bharat Yadav.

A single bench of Justice Chandraprakash Shrimali pronounced the verdict on Tuesday after hearing bail petitions from 14 accused linked to the high-profile case.

Rajkumar Yadav was arrested by the Special Operations Group (SOG) on August 8 for allegedly purchasing the leaked exam paper for his son Bharat, who cleared the written test but failed in the physical exam.

The court rejected the bail pleas of paper leak gang members and key operatives, including Vijay Kumar Damor, identified as a gang member; Praveen Kumar Kharadi, accused of solving the leaked paper; Satyendra Yadav; trainee SI Sameeta Kumari; and Gehlot's former PSO Rajkumar Yadav, citing their active roles in the conspiracy.

The court granted bail to Rahul Katara, a relative of former Rajasthan Public Service Commission (RPSC) member Babulal Katara, mediator Ravindra Singh, unsuccessful candidates Neha, Naitik, and Riddhi Pandya, dummy candidates Ashok Singh and Radhika Singh, and Bharat Yadav, son of the former PSO. **IANS**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Original sale deed no. 1045 Dated 18-10-2018 executed by Narinder Kumar infavour of Mandeep Singh and Original sale deed no. 3006 Dated 28-10-2016 executed by Nachattar Singh infavour of Sunita Rani and Original sale deed no. 4528 Dated 27-3-2015 executed by Kulwinder Kaur infavour of Nachhatar Singh, regarding Immoveable property measuring 2 marlas 1 sarsai 19/828 share out of 4 kanal 12 marlas khewat number 541 khatauni No 831 Rect No 365 killa No 13/2 (4-12) vide jamabandi for the year 2020-21 situated in the area of Muktsar-2 is lost with present owner Ram Kali wife of Kishan Pal and the same is not mortgaged with any Bank or Financial Institution, in that regard DDR bearing No. 638825/2025 dated 14.10.2025 has been got registered if Anybody having objection regarding mortgage of property with Roha Housing Finance Pvt. Ltd., Bathinda, may respond or raise objection within 05 Days, to Sh. SAHIL BHATIA Advocate, Mob.No. 9142900002.

ਬਜਿੰਦਰ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਕਿਸਨ ਚੰਦ ਵਾਸੀ ਮਕਾਨ ਨੰਬਰ 58-ਏ, ਗਲੀ ਨੰਬਰ-1, ਜਗਤਾਰ ਨਗਰ, ਪਟਿਆਲਾ ਨੇ ਇੱਕ ਮਾਰੂਤੀ ਸਵਿਫਟ ਕਾਰ ਨੰਬਰ ਪੀ.ਬੀ.11.ਸੀ.ਈ- 8114, ਆਪਣੇ ਨਾਮ ਤੇ ਟਰਾਂਸਫਰ ਕਰਾਉਣ ਦੀ ਅਰਜੀ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਵਿਚ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕੀਤੀ ਹੈ ਜੋ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਿਤਾ ਕਿਸਨ ਚੰਦ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਚੀਰੂ ਰਾਮ ਵਾਸੀ ਮਕਾਨ ਨੰਬਰ 58-ਏ. ਗਲੀ ਨੰਬਰ-1, ਜਗਤਾਰ ਨਗਰ, ਪਟਿਆਲਾ ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਤੇ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਡ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਗੁਰਸਰਨ ਕੋਰ ਜੀ ਦੀ ਮੌਤ ਮਿਤੀ 09-02-2025 ਨੂੰ ਹੋ ਗਈ ਸੀ। ਜੇਕਰ ਕਿਸੇ ਨੂੰ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਹੋਵੇ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ 15 ਦਿਨ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਵਿਚ ਸੰਪਰਕ ਕਰੋ। ਰਜਿਸਟਿੰਗ ਅਥਾਰਟੀ, ਪਟਿਆਲਾ

LOST AND FOUND

I, Hardeep Singh S/o Munsha Singh, R/o Shadipur Momia, Patran, district Patiala, declare that one of my old Registry, bearing the deed number 1048, dated 26/08/2015, has gone missing from me on 04-08-2025 at village Shadipur Momia. A report of its loss has been filed at Police Station Patran, district Patiala on 04/11/2025. The DDR number of which is 644580/2025. If anyone finds this registry, please inform me on my above mobile number 9417123577.

PUBLIC NOTICE



Before Sh. Naveen, Danics, Asstt. Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh.

Subject :- Transfer of Lease Hold Rights in respect of Residential Site No. 60, MCD--, Chandigarh (RDP 60) to the extent of 100.00% share on the basis of Intestate Death of Late Smt. Pritam Kaur .

It is notified for the information of general public and all concerned that as per record of this office Smt. Pritam Kaur is the owner/lessee of Residential Site No. 60, MCD--, Chandigarh to the extent of 100.00% Share.

It has been informed by Jagmohan Singh, Raj Sandhu, Khushdev Singh, Jagsohan Singh, Baldev Singh that Smt. Pritam Kaur expired on 05.07.2021 and they have also intimated the following legal heirs of the deceased owner/lessee:- **(1) Jagmohan Singh - Son, (2) Baldev Singh- Son, (3) Khushdev Singh- Son , (4) Raj Sandhu - Daughter, (5) Jagsohan Singh- Son**

Now, Jagmohan Singh, Raj Sandhu, Khushdev Singh, Jagsohan Singh, Baldev Singh have applied for the Transfer of Lease Rights in respect of Residential Site No. 60, MCD--, Chandigarh to the extent of 100.00% Share held by Late Smt. Pritam Kaur in their favour, on the basis of Intestate Death. If anybody has any information about any other legal heir(s) of the deceased other than mentioned above ,the same may be intimated to the Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh, immediately.

If anybody has any objection upon the mutation of the said share in the said property, in favour of the above named applicants, he/she/they may furnish the same in writing (supported with affidavit duly attested by Magistrate/Notary) in the office of the undersigned within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which the said share in the said property will be mutated accordingly in the name of above said beneficiaries and no further claim whatsoever shall be entertained at any later stage.

Naveen, Danics, Assistant Estate Officer,
Exercising the powers of Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh

ਅਦਾਲਤੀ ਇਸਤਿਹਾਰ

ਦਫਤਰ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਧਰਮਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੁ:ਸਬ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਾਰ, ਚੀਮਾਂ,ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਸੰਗਰੂਰ।

ਇਸਤਿਹਾਰ ਜੇਰ ਆਰਡਰ 5 ਰੂਲਜ (20) ਜਾਬਤਾ ਦੀਵਾਨੀ ਬਰਾਏ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਡ ਕਰਨੇ ਵਸੀਅਤ ਮੁਤਵਫੀ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਇਕਬਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸਾਵਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਬੜੂ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਵਾਇਆ ਰਾਜਗੜ੍ਹ, ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਸਿਰਮੌਰ (ਹਿਮਾਚਲ ਪ੍ਰਦੇਸ), ਪ੍ਰਧਾਨ ਦੀ ਕਲਗੀਧਰ ਟਰੱਸਟ, ਬੜੂ ਸਾਹਿਬ (ਹਿਮਾਚਲ ਪ੍ਰਦੇਸ) ਨੇ ਆਪਣੀ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਇੱਕ ਵਸੀਅਤ ਖਾਨਗੀ ਮਿਤੀ 17/10/2020 ਨੂੰ ਜਿਸ ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਰਕਬਾ ਤਾਮਿਲਨਾਡੂ (ਰਾਜ) ਬਾਹੱਕ ਡਾ.ਦਵਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਜਸਵੰਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਸੀ-110, ਬੜੂ ਸਾਹਿਬ (ਹਿਮਾਚਲ ਪ੍ਰਦੇਸ) ਅਤੇ ਚੱਲ ਵਾ ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਸੰਗਰੂਰ (ਪੰਜਾਬ) ਦੇ ਅਧੀਨ ਬਾਹੱਕ ਦੀ ਕਲਗੀਧਰ ਟਰੱਸਟ, ਬੜੂ ਸਾਹਿਬ (ਹਿਮਾਚਲ ਪ੍ਰਦੇਸ) ਅਤੇ ਇਸਤੋ ਇਲਾਵਾ 315 ਬੋਰ ਰਾਇਫਲ ਬਾਹੱਕ ਪਰਮਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਗੁਰਦਿਆਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਸਿਆੜ, ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਲੁਧਿਆਣਾ (ਪੰਜਾਬ) ਦੇ ਹੱਕ ਵਿੱਚ ਲਿਖਵਾਈ ਹੋਈ ਹੈ।

ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਇੱਕ ਖਾਨਗੀ ਵਸੀਅਤ ਵੱਲੋ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਇਕਬਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸਾਵਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ ਨੇ ਕਰਵਾਈ ਹੋਈ ਹੈ, ਜਿਸਨੂੰ ਜਗਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਅਪਾਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਬੜੂ ਸਾਹਿਬ, ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਸਿਰਮੌਰ (ਹਿਮਾਚਲ ਪ੍ਰਦੇਸ), ਉਪ ਪ੍ਰਧਾਨ ਦੀ ਕਲਗੀਧਰ ਟਰੱਸਟ, ਬੜੂ ਸਾਹਿਬ (ਹਿਮਾਚਲ ਪ੍ਰਦੇਸ) ਨੇ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕੀਤਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਇਕਬਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸਾਵਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਬੜੂ ਸਾਹਿਬ, ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਸਿਰਮੌਰ (ਹਿਮਾਚਲ ਪ੍ਰਦੇਸ) ਦੀ ਮੌਤ 29/01/2022 ਨੂੰ ਹੋ ਗਈ ਹੈ, ਉਸਨੇ ਆਪਣੀ ਜਿੰਦਗੀ ਦੌਰਾਨ ਗਵਾਹਾ ਦੇ ਸਾਹਮਣੇ ਇੱਕ ਵਸੀਅਤ ਖਾਨਗੀ ਮਿਤੀ 17/10/2020 ਨੂੰ ਤਹਿਰੀਰ ਕਰਵਾਈ ਸੀ ਇਸ ਵਸੀਅਤ ਨੂੰ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਡ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ।

ਇਸ ਇਸਤਿਹਾਰ ਰਾਹੀ ਹਰ ਆਮ ਤੇ ਖਾਸ ਨੂੰ ਇਹ ਇਤਲਾਹ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਦੀ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਜੇਕਰ ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਵਸੀਅਤ ਦੇ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਡ ਕਰਨ ਵਿੱਚ ਕਿਸੇ ਨੂੰ ਕੋਈ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਹੈ ਤਾ ਉਹ ਅਸਾਲਤਨ ਜਾ ਵਕਾਲਤਨ ਰਾਹੀ ਮੇਰੇ ਦਫਤਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਇਸ਼ਤਿਹਾਰ ਜਾਰੀ ਹੋਣ ਤੇ 21 ਦਿਨਾ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ-2 ਆਪਣਾ ਉਜਰ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕਰ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ। ਬਾਅਦ ਗੁਜਰਨੇ ਮਿਆਦ ਕੋਈ ਉਜਰ ਕਾਬਲੇ ਸਮਾਇਤ ਨਾ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ ਅਤੇ ਵਸੀਅਤ ਰਜਿਸਟਰੇਸ਼ਨ ਐਕਟ ਦੀ ਧਾਰਾ (40) ਦੇ ਅਧੀਨ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਡ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਅਮਲ ਵਿੱਚ ਲਿਆਦੀ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ। ਅੱਜ ਮਿਤੀ 30/10/2025 ਨੂੰ ਇਹ ਇਤਿਹਾਰ ਮੇਰੇ ਦਸਤਖਤਾ ਅਤੇ ਮੋਹਰ ਦਫਤਰ ਨਾਲ ਜਾਰੀ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਦਾ ਹੈ।

ਜੁ:ਸਬ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਾਰ, ਚੀਮਾਂ।

Classifieds

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Harbajan Singh S/O Thakar Singh R/O H NO 10261 ST NO 8 CHANDER LOK COLONY RAHON ROAD LUDHIANA changed my name to HARBHAJAN SINGH .

I, Monika Garg W/O Yatin Garg R/O B-34-2560/48/B1 Street no 03 Near Chadha Departmental Store, Naseeb Enclave Haibowal Ludhiana changed my name to Monika.

I, Davinder Singh S/O Darshan Singh R/O H. No.98 Pakhowal Road Green Field Model Town Ludhiana changed my daughter's name from Divnoor Kaur Makkar to Divnoor Kaur.

I, Gurpreet Kaur W/O Lakhwinder Singh R/O H. No.857 Khushstashram , Islam Ganj Ludhiana changed my name to Balwinder Kaur.

I, Gurpreet Singh S/O Sukhdev Singh R/O V. Padde Bet, Padda P.O. Dhaliwal Bet, District Kapurthala. 144804, declares that Gurpreet is my given name and Singh is my surname. All concerned please note

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is certified that Varinder Singh S/o Ajaib Singh has Expired on 12-06-2019, he was the owner of Honda Activa Registration No.PB65AU9413, After death his wife Gurdev Kaur has applied for transfer of ownership of said vehicle so if any person has any objection to transfer of the said vehicle to approach the R.T.O. Mohali within 15 days. Regional Transport Office S.A.S.Nagar Mohali (Punjab)

I, Veena W/O Hargopal R/O H. No.272 Ward no 31 Near Ucha Vehra Moga declare that my son Vikas and his wife Shivani is out of my control so I disown them from my movable and immovable properties anybody deal with them at their own risk.

I, Gurdyal Singh S/O Baj Nath R/O H.no. 2352, St.no 4 Ward no 7 New Kuldeep Nagar Mangat Ludhiana declare that my son Naveen Kumar and his wife Jaspreet Kaur are out of my control so I disown them from my movable and immovable properties anybody deal with them at their own risk.

We, Jarnail Singh S/o Arjan Singh and Sarabjit Kaur W/o Jarnail Singh R/o VPO Dhandra Ludhiana declare that our son Harman Singh and his wife Tarunpreet Kaur are out of our control so we disown them from our movable and immovable properties anybody deal with them at their own risk.

I, Binder Singh S/o Ruldu Singh R/o Sahoke Tehsil and District Sangrur, declare that my son Kulwinder Singh is out of my control. I disown him from my movable and immovable property. Whoever deals with him will be held responsible. I and my family will not be held responsible.

We, Marghoob Khan S/o Abdul Bari Khan and Jubeda Khanam W/o Marghoob Khan R/o House No 335-A, Rishi Nagar, Near Kali Mata Mandir Ludhiana , declare that our son Shakir Choudhary, who are beyond our control, are disowned from our movable and immovable property. Anyone dealing with them will be responsible for their own actions.

ਮੈਂ, ਬਲਵੀਰ ਚੰਦ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਉਜਾਗਰ ਰਾਮ ਵਾਸੀ ਮਕਾਨ ਨੰਬਰ ਬੀ-25/70, ਫਤਿਹਗੜ੍ਹ ਰੋਡ, ਰਹੀਮਪੁਰ. ਹੁਸ਼ਿਆਰਪੁਰ, ਪੰਜਾਬ, ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰਾ ਲੜਕਾ 'ਜਤਿੰਦਰ ਕੁਮਾਰ' ਅਤੇ ਉਸਦੀ ਪਤਨੀ 'ਪੁਸ਼ਪਾ ਦੇਵੀ' ਦੋਵੇ ਹੀ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋ ਬਾਹਰ ਹੋਣ ਕਰਕੇ ਮੈਂ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਸਾਰੀ ਚੱਲ-ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ। ਹੁਣ ਮੇਰਾ ਤੇ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦਾ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਕੋਈ ਸਬੰਧ ਨਹੀਂ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ। ਜੇਕਰ ਕੋਈ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਕਿਸੇ ਕਿਸਮ ਦਾ ਤਾਲੁਕ ਵਾਸਤਾ ਰੱਖਦਾ ਹੈ, ਜਾਂ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੇ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ-ਦੇਣ ਕਰੇਗਾ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ ਖੁਦ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਸਾਰੇ ਸਬੰਧਤ ਨੋਟ ਕਰਨ।

ਮੈਂ, ਬਲਬੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਲਾਭ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਮਕਾਨ ਨੰ: 9, ਕੂਕੀਢਾਬ ਨੇੜੇ ਬੈਂਕ ਇਨਕਲੇਵ, ਜਲੰਧਰ, ਪੰਜਾਬ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰਾ ਲੜਕਾ ਮਨਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ, ਉਸਦੀ ਪਤਨੀ ਹਰਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਕੌਰ ਤੇ ਪੋਤਰਾ ਮਨਜੋਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹਨ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਮੈਂ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ ਵਾ ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ। ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਮੇਰੀ ਜਾਂ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦੀ ਕੋਈ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰੀ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ। ਸਬੰਧਿਤ ਨੋਟ ਕਰਨ।

ਮੈਂ, ਰੂਪ ਲਾਲ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਜਗਤ ਰਾਮ ਵਾਸੀ ਪਿੰਡ ਚੂਹੜਵਾਲੀ, ਡਾਕ: ਆਦਮਪੁਰ, ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਜਲੰਧਰ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੈਂ ਆਪਣੇ ਲੜਕੇ ਅਸ਼ੋਕ ਕੁਮਾਰ, ਮੇਰੀ ਨੂੰਹ ਦਵਿੰਦਰਜੀਤ ਕੌਰ ਤੇ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੇ ਬੱਚੇ ਭਵਿਸ਼ਿਆ ਤੇ ਅਰਪਿਤਾ ਨੂੰ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹੋਣ ਕਾਰਨ ਮਿਤੀ 29-06-2009 ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕੀਤਾ ਸੀ। ਹੁਣ ਇਹ ਸਾਰੇ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਵਿੱਚ ਹਨ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਮੈਂ ਆਪਣੀ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਹੋਈ ਬੇਦਖਲੀ ਵਾਪਸ ਲੈਂਦਾ ਹਾਂ। ਸਬੰਧਿਤ ਨੋਟ ਕਰਨ।

ਮੈਂ,ਜਸਵੰਤ ਰਾਏ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਰਾਮ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਚੰਨਣ ਰਾਮ ਵਾਸੀ ਪਿੰਡ ਸੱਪਾਂਵਾਲੀ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਅਬੋਹਰ ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਫਾਜ਼ਿਲਕਾ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰਾ ਲੜਕਾ ਰੋਹਤਾਸ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਉਸਦੀ ਪਤਨੀ ਪੂਨਮ ਰਾਣੀ ਮੇਰੇ ਅਤੇ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹਨ ਮੈਂ ਇਹਨਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ-ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਇਹਨਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ-ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ ਸੰਬੰਧਤ ਨੋਟ ਕਰਨ।

ਮੈਂ ਜਰਨੈਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਦੇਵਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਪਿੰਡ ਗੋਰਸੀਆਂ ਹਾਕਮ ਰਾਏ, ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਅਤੇ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਲੁਧਿਆਣਾ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਬੇਟੇ ਮਨਦੀਪ ਸਿੰਘ ਉਸ ਦੀ ਪਤਨੀ ਨਵਜੋਤ ਕੌਰ ਸਮੇਤ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਅਤੇ ਗੁਰਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਉਸਦੀ ਪਤਨੀ ਵੀਰਾਂ ਸਮੇਤ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹਨ। ਮੈਂ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ। ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁੱਦ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਮੇਰਾ ਅਤੇ ਮੇਰੀ ਪਤਨੀ ਦਾ ਹੁਣ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਕੋਈ ਵਾਸਤਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੈ।

ਮੋਟਰ ਵਹੀਕਲ ਸੂਚਨਾ

ਵਹੀਕਲ ਜਿਸ ਦਾ ਰਜਿਸਟਰੇਸ਼ਨ ਨੰਬਰ **PB11BN 2295** ਓਨਦ **PB11AU 0798** ਹੈ। ਜੋ ਕਿ **KARAM SINGH S/O AMAR SINGH R/O VILL Passiana Distt Patiala** ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਤੇ ਹੈ। ਜਿਹਨਾਂ ਦੀ ਮੌਤ ਮਿਤੀ 04-03-2023 ਨੂੰ ਹੋ ਚੁੱਕੀ ਹੈ। ਇਹਨਾਂ ਦੀ ਮੌਤ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਅਦ ਇਹ **Gurpreet Singh S/o Late Karam Singh R/o Pasiana Patiala,** ਆਪਣੇ ਨਾਮ ਪਰ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਕਰਵਾਉਣ ਲਈ ਅਪਲਾਈ ਕਰ ਰਿਹਾਂ ਹੈ। ਜੇਕਰ ਕਿਸੇ ਨੂੰ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਹੋਵੇ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ 15 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ **RTO Patiala, Mini Sectriate** ਦਫਤਰ ਦੇ ਵਿੱਚ ਆਕੇ ਮਿਲ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ। ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਦਰਾਂਸਪੋਰਟ ਅਫਸਰ, ਪਟਿਆਲਾ

ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਜਸਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਗਿੱਲ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਲੇਟ ਹਰਭਜਨ ਸਿੰਘ, ਦੀ ਮਿਤੀ 17/09/2025 ਨੂੰ ਮੌਤ ਹੋ ਗਈ ਹੈ। ਜਿਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਪਰ ਇੱਕ ਵਹੀਕਲ ਰਜਿਸਟਰੇਸ਼ਨ ਨੰਬਰ **PB65R3068** ਹੈ। ਹੁਣ ਇਸ ਵਹੀਕਲ ਦੀ ਮਾਲਕੀ ਤਬਦੀਲੀ ਲਈ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀ ਪਤਨੀ ਸ੍ਰੀਮਤੀ ਗੁਰਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਕੌਰ ਗਿੱਲ ਨੇ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਵਿਖੇ ਅਪਲਾਈ ਕੀਤਾ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਜੇਕਰ ਇਹ ਵਹੀਕਲ ਟਰਾਂਸਫਰ ਕਰਨ ਵਿੱਚ ਕਿਸੇ ਨੂੰ ਕੋਈ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਹੋਵੇ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ 15 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ-ਅੰਦਰ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਨੂੰ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ। ਸਟੇਟ ਟਰਾਂਸਪੋਰਟ ਅਥਾਰਟੀ, ਐਸ.ਏ.ਐਸ. ਨਗਰ, ਮੋਹਾਲੀ

ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਜਸਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਗਿੱਲ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਲੇਟ ਹਰਭਜਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਦੀ ਮਿਤੀ: 17/09/2025 ਨੂੰ ਮੌਤ ਹੋ ਗਈ ਹੈ। ਜਿਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਪਰ ਦੋ ਵਹੀਕਲ ਰਜਿਸਟਰੇਸ਼ਨ ਨੰਬਰ **PB01C6570** ਅਤੇ **PB01B8688** ਹਨ। ਹੁਣ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਵਹੀਕਲ ਦੀ ਮਾਲਕੀ ਤਬਦੀਲੀ ਲਈ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀ ਪਤਨੀ ਸ੍ਰੀਮਤੀ ਗੁਰਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਕੌਰ ਗਿੱਲ ਨੇ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਵਿਖੇ ਅਪਲਾਈ ਕੀਤਾ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਜੇਕਰ ਇਹ ਵਹੀਕਲ ਟਰਾਂਸਫਰ ਕਰਨ ਵਿੱਚ ਕਿਸੇ ਨੂੰ ਕੋਈ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਹੋਵੇ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ 15 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ-ਅੰਦਰ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਨੂੰ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ। ਸਟੇਟ ਟਰਾਂਸਪੋਰਟ ਅਥਾਰਟੀ, ਐਸ.ਏ.ਐਸ. ਨਗਰ, ਮੋਹਾਲੀ

PUBLIC NOTICE



Before Sh. Naveen, Danics, Asstt. Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh.

Subject :- Transfer of Ownership in respect of Residential Site No. 4, Sector 15-C, Chandigarh (RP 8460) to the extent of 100.00% share on the basis of Registered Will of Late Sh. Mohinder Raj Singh.

It is notified for the information of general public and all concerned that as per record of this office Sh. Mohinder Raj Singh is the owner of Residential Site No. 4, Sector 15-C, Chandigarh to the extent of 100.00% Share.

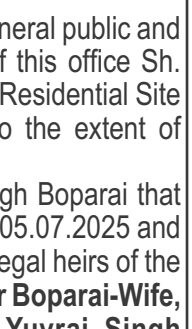
It has been informed by Yuvraj Singh Boparai that Sh. Mohinder Raj Singh expired on 05.07.2025 and he has also intimated the following legal heirs of the deceased owner :- **(1) Prabhjit Kaur Boparai-Wife, (2) Anuraj Kaur-Daughter, (3) Yuvraj Singh Boparai-Son**

Now, Yuvraj Singh Boparai has applied for the Transfer of Ownership in respect of Residential Site No. 4, Sector 15-C, Chandigarh to the extent of 100.00% Share held by Late Sh. Mohinder Raj Singh in his favour, on the basis of Registered Will dated 03.07.2013. If anybody has any information about any other legal heir(s) of the deceased other than mentioned above ,the same may be intimated to the Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh, immediately.

If anybody has any objection upon the mutation of the said share in the said property, in favour of the above named applicant, he/she/they may furnish the same in writing (supported with affidavit duly attested by Magistrate/Notary) in the office of the undersigned within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which the said share in the said property will be mutated accordingly in the name of above said beneficiary and no further claim whatsoever shall be entertained at any later stage.

Naveen, Danics, Assistant Estate Officer,
Exercising the powers of Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh

PUBLIC NOTICE



Before Sh. Naveen, Danics, Asstt. Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh.

Subject :- Transfer of Ownership in respect of Residential Site No. 3467, Sector 27-D, Chandigarh (RP 10565) to the extent of 50.00% share on the basis of Registered Will of Late Devinder Kaur.

It is notified for the information of general public and all concerned that as per record of this office Smt. Devinder Kaur is the owner of Residential Site No. 3467, Sector 27-D, Chandigarh to the extent of 100.00% Share.

It has been informed by Raminder Kaur Chauhan Through GPA/SPA Arvinder Kaur, Perminder Kaur Rana Through GPA/SPA Sunil Singh Gill that Smt. Devinder Kaur expired on 22.11.2024 and they have also intimated the following legal heirs of the deceased owner :- **(1) Raminder Kaur Chauhan- Daughter, (2) Inderjot Kaur Dhir - Daughter, (3) Perminder Kaur Rana - Daughter, (4) Arvinder Kaur - Daughter, (5) Harmohan Singh - Husband (Deceased) .**

Now, Raminder Kaur Chauhan Through GPA/SPA Arvinder Kaur, Perminder Kaur Rana Through GPA/SPA Sunil Singh Gill have applied for the Transfer of Ownership in respect of Residential Site No. 3467, Sector 27-D, Chandigarh to the extent of 50.00% Share held by Late Devinder Kaur in their favour, on the basis of Registered Will dated 31.03.2011. If anybody has any information about any other legal heir(s) of the deceased other than mentioned above ,the same may be intimated to the Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh, immediately.

If anybody has any objection upon the mutation of the said share in the said property, in favour of the above named applicants, he/she/they may furnish the same in writing (supported with affidavit duly attested by Magistrate/Notary) in the office of the undersigned within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which the said share in the said property will be mutated accordingly in the name of above said beneficiaries and no further claim whatsoever shall be entertained at any later stage.

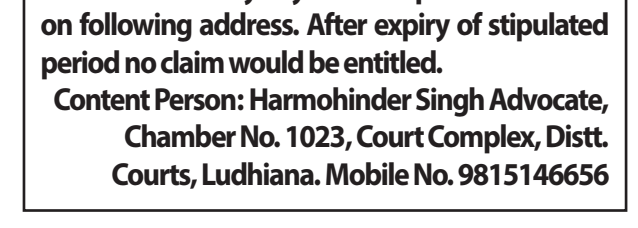
Naveen, Danics, Assistant Estate Officer,
Exercising the powers of Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that my client Manjeet Singh s/o Satpal Singh is owner in possession of property One house, measuring 100 sq.yds, Comprised in khasra no. 11//3, Khata No. 77/82 as per jamabandi for the year 2017-2018, Situated at Village Phamra H.B.No.79, Abadi New Inder Vihar, Tehsil and Distt. Ludhiana That my client misplaced original Sale deed bearing wasika bearing wasika no.23846 dated 26/02/2013 and bearing wasika no.672 dated 09/04/2018 and regarding which loss of said document Unique ID (DDR) bearing Unique no. 632798 dated 24/09/2025 and 632792 dated 24/09/2025 have also been lodged in PSOC Jodhewal Ludhiana City. Hence sale deed is not available. But, now my client mortgaged the said property to Aditya Birla Housing Finance Limited. So, Aditya Birla Housing Finance Limited required the previous sale deeds for creating of equitable mortgage but that sale deeds are not available. I am informing about the same to everyone via newspaper that If anybody have any objection regarding the same then please respond within 15 days or if the same are found by anyone then please inform us on following address. After expiry of stipulated period no claim would be entitled.

Content Person: Harmohinder Singh Advocate, Chamber No. 1023, Court Complex, Distt. Courts, Ludhiana. Mobile No. 9815146656

PUBLIC NOTICE



Before Sh. Naveen, Danics, Asstt. Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh.

Subject :- Transfer of Ownership in respect of Residential Site No. 783, Sector 43-A, Chandigarh (M9 783/43) to the extent of 100.00% share on the basis of Intestate Death of Late R L Mehndiratta.

It is notified for the information of general public and all concerned that as per record of this office Sh. R L Mehndiratta is the owner of Residential Site No. 783, Sector 43-A, Chandigarh to the extent of 100.00% Share.

It has been informed by Richa Mehndiratta, Nirmal Mehndiratta, Pooja Chaudhry, Pankaj Mehndiratta that Sh. R L Mehndiratta expired on 06.02.2025 and they have also intimated the following legal heirs of the deceased owner :- **(1) Pankaj Mehndiratta - Son, (2) Nirmal Mehndiratta - Wife, (3) Pooja Chaudhry - Daughter, (4) Richa Mehndiratta - Daughter**

Now, Richa Mehndiratta, Nirmal Mehndiratta, Pooja Chaudhry, Pankaj Mehndiratta have applied for the Transfer of Ownership in respect of Residential Site No. 783, Sector 43-A, Chandigarh to the extent of 100.00% Share held by Late R L Mehndiratta in their favour, on the basis of Intestate Death. If anybody has any information about any other legal heir(s) of the deceased other than mentioned above ,the same may be intimated to the Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh, immediately.

If anybody has any objection upon the mutation of the said share in the said property, in favour of the above named applicants, he/she/they may furnish the same in writing (supported with affidavit duly attested by Magistrate/Notary) in the office of the undersigned within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which the said share in the said property will be mutated accordingly in the name of above said beneficiaries and no further claim whatsoever shall be entertained at any later stage.

Naveen, Danics, Assistant Estate Officer,
Exercising the powers of Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh

ਪਟਿਆਲਾ ਸ਼ਹਿਰੀ ਯੋਜਨਾਬੰਦੀ ਅਤੇ ਵਿਕਾਸ ਅਥਾਰਿਟੀ (ਪੀ. ਡੀ.ਏ), ਪਟਿਆਲਾ

ਜਨਤਕ ਸੂਚਨਾ



ਅਲਾਟੀ - Smt. Maninder Kaur Kohli W/o Sh. Gurcharan Singh

ਲਾਭਪਾਤਰੀ Sh. Khushwant Singh S/o Sh. Gurcharan Singh Kohli

ਪਲਾਟ ਨੰ. 122, ਅਰਬਨ ਅਸਟੇਟ, ਫੇਜ਼ 1, ਪਟਿਆਲਾ ਦੀ ਮਲਕੀਅਤ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਦੇ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰਬਰ - 11272 ਮਿਤੀ 11.04.1984 ਰਾਹੀਂ **Smt. Maninder Kaur Kohli W/o Sh. Gurcharan Singh Kohli** ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਤੋਂ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਸੀ। **Additional District Registrar (SMO), PHC Kauli** ਵੱਲੋਂ ਜਾਰੀ ਮੌਤ ਸਰਟੀਫਿਕੇਟ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ **Smt. Maninder Kaur W/o Sh. Gurcharan Singh vwsl House No. 122,** ਅਰਬਨ ਅਸਟੇਟ, ਫੇਜ਼-1, ਪਟਿਆਲਾ ਦੀ ਮੌਤ ਮਿਤੀ 06.03.2025 ਨੂੰ ਹੋ ਗਈ ਸੀ।

ਉਕਤ ਅਲਾਟੀ ਦੀ ਮੌਤ ਉਪਰੰਤ ਉਸਦੇ ਕੁਦਰਤੀ ਵਾਰਸਾਂ ਦੇ ਤੌਰ ਤੇ ਉਕਤ ਸਾਈਟ ਦੀ ਮਲਕੀਅਤ ਆਪਣੇ ਨਾਮ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਕਰਵਾਉਣ ਲਈ **Sh. Khushwant Singh S/o Sh. Gurcharan Singh** (ਪੁੱਤਰ) ਵਾਸੀ ਮਕਾਨ ਨੰਬਰ 122, ਅਰਬਨ ਅਸਟੇਟ, ਫੇਜ਼-1, ਪਟਿਆਲਾ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਅਪਲਾਈ ਕੀਤਾ ਹੈ। ਉਕਤ ਦਰਸਾਏ ਕੁਦਰਤੀ ਵਾਰਸ ਦੀ ਤਸਦੀਕ **Dr. Bimaljot Singh S/o Sh. Devinder Singh, Medical Officer, Mata Kaushalya Hospital, Patiala** ਵੱਲੋਂ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ।

ਇਸ ਲਈ ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ਾਂ ਦੇ ਆਧਾਰ ਤੇ ਉਕਤ ਸਾਈਟ ਦੀ ਮਲਕੀਅਤ ਉਕਤ ਦਰਸਾਏ ਵਾਰਸ ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਕਰਨ ਤੋਂ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਆਮ ਜਨਤਾ ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਵਿਗਿਆਪਨ ਰਾਹੀ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਇਸ ਬਾਰੇ ਕਿਸੇ ਨੂੰ ਕੋਈ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਹੋਵੇ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ ਇਸ ਵਿਗਿਆਪਨ ਦੀ ਮਿਤੀ ਤੋਂ 15 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ-ਅੰਦਰ ਆਪਣਾ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਨਿਮਨ-ਹਸਤਾਖਰ ਪਾਸ ਲਿਖਤੀ ਰੂਪ ਵਿੱਚ ਦੇ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ। ਨਿਸ਼ਚਿਤ ਮਿਤੀ ਅਤੇ ਸਮੇਂ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਅਦ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਤੇ ਕੋਈ ਵਿਚਾਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇਗਾ ਅਤੇ ਉਕਤ ਪਲਾਟ ਦੀ **Smt. Maninder Kaur W/o Sh. Gurcharan Singh** ਦੀ ਮਲਕੀਅਤ ਬਿਨੈਕਾਰਾਂ ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਤੇ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਕਰ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ।

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Sukhwinder Kaur C/o Amandeep Singh s/o Sher Singh (w/o Satinderpal Singh) (d/o Kashmira Singh) r/o Village Kauri, Tehsil Khanna, Distt. Ludhiana. 141401. Sukhwinder Kaur w/o Satinderpal Singh (d/o Kashmira Singh) r/o Village Begowal, Tehsil and Distt. Kapurthala through attorney Kashmira Singh S/o Dalip Singh r/o ward no.2, village Begowal, Sarupwali, tehsil Bholath Distt. Kapurthala,

Subject: Notice for Dissolution of Partnership firms/deeds dated 24/02/2022 and 08/03/2022 in the name and style of "M/s Dasmesh filling Station, Bholath, Kapurthala".

That I had applied for dealership of MS/HSD B Site retail outlet dealership at location bholath District Kapurthala State Punjab category, OBC vide application form no. 15454702039628 as per advertisement dated 25/11/2018. That IOCL issued me a letter of intent dated 29/11/2019 and offered a retail outlet dealership of Indian oil corporation limited to me at the above said location on the terms and conditions mentioned therein. That I deposited the amounts from my own pocket as demanded in the above said letter of intent. That as per terms and condition no.15 of the letter of intent of Indian Oil corporation Limited you my wife Sukhwinder kaur was inducted being spouse as co-Partner in the dealership, though the whole amount spent on the project was born by me and you was made partner in the dealership which is in the name and style of "M/s Dasmesh filling station, Bholath, Kapurthala" as per term and condition no.15 of the letter of intent issued by 1.O.C.L and the partnership are at will. That on 19/05/2023 you left my house with one Amandeep Singh and you took along with you Rs.3,50,000/- gold ornaments which includes two rings, one set, two earnings, Two Topas and one attaché full of clothes which was stolen by you and deceived me and till date you are living there with Amandeep Singh in adultery and has not come home till today. That I had informed the police who is conducting the enquiry. That you have filed vague and false suits for the reasons best known' to you. . That U.C.O bank Bholath is calling both the Partners to renew the documents and accounts as well KYC as per requirement of Bank as well as required in the partnership deed but you are not coming to the bank for the said purposes, So you are making hindrance in the working of the firm and due to your above behaviour the firm / dealership of MS/ HSD B retail outlet known as M/S Dasmesh Filing Station Bholath had stopped functioning. This all happened due to your misdeeds, misconduct, misbehaviour which is against the terms and conduct of partnerships, You have done all the acts against the business as well as partnership, Hence you have no right to remain as partner of the firm, I have spent my whole amount earned in my life moreover I got loan also to carry on this business, So I hereby dissolve the partnership firm known as "M/s Dasmesh filling Station, Bholath, Kapurthala" from 20/10/2025.

Dated: 20/10/2025

Sd/-of Satinder Pal Singh
Satinderpal Singh Partner M/s Dasmesh Filling Station Bholath, Distt. Kapurthala

PM Modi to attend 350th Shahidi Diwas programme of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Singh Ji on Nov 25: CM Saini

RAJENDRA KHATYRY
PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4



Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi will participate in the state-level event being organised in Kurukshetra on November 25 to commemorate the 350th Shahidi Diwas of Hind Ki Chadar Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Singh Ji. The PM will also take part in the International Gita Mahotsav. The 10th edition of the International Gita Mahotsav will be held in Dharmakshetra–Kurukshetra from November 15 to December 5. For the first time, the festival will span 21 days.Addressing a press conference here on Monday, the CM virtually also inaugurated state-level essay writing and story narration competitions titled "Suno Kahani Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji Ki" from the Haryana Secretariat on the occasion of the 350th Shaheedi Diwas of Shri Guru Tegh Bahadur Singh Ji.Paying tribute to the unmatched courage, sacrifice, and supreme martyrdom of Guru Sahib, the Chief Minister said that the life of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Singh Ji stands as an eternal example of truth, courage, and humanity. ring the interaction, the Chief Minister listened to the thoughts of students and encouraged them to draw inspiration from the life and teachings of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Singh Ji. On this occasion, four students presented Saakhi Vachan—narrating inspirational episodes from the life of Guru Sahib.Congratulating all participating students, teachers, and parents, the Chief Minister said that the objective of these competitions is to inspire the younger generation to follow the path shown by our Gurus and national heroes.

He said that from Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji to Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji, all Gurus have sanctified the land of Haryana with their presence, and their teachings remain deeply rooted in the hearts of the people.He further informed that more than three and a half lakh students from schools across the state are participating in this initiative, which reflects the growing inspiration the new generation draws from the ideals and sacrifices of the Gurus. He urged students to participate wholeheartedly and imbibe the values of sacrifice, tolerance, equality, and justice propagated by Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Singh Ji. The Chief Minister said that today's tech-savvy generation should use social media and other platforms to spread messages of humanity, compassion, and brotherhood — this would be the truest tribute to Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Singh Ji. He called upon all students, teachers, and citizens to strengthen the nation through their actions and thoughts, as that is the true purpose of this competition.An all-party meeting was also held today to plan a grand celebration marking the 350th Shahidi Diwas of the ninth Sikh Guru Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Singh Ji. Present on the occasion were Chief Principal Secretary to Chief Minister Rajesh Khullar, Additional Chief Secretary of Home Department Dr. Sumita Misra, Additional Chief Secretary of Higher Education Department Vineet Garg, Director General of Information, Public Relations and Languages Department K.M. Pandurang.

State govt committed to providing better healthcare services: Arti Singh Rao

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4

Haryana Health Minister, Arti Singh Rao on Tuesday heard the grievances of people from across the state at her office, Haryana Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh. The Minister listened to each individual and directed officers of the concerned departments to take immediate necessary action. She said that timely redressal of public grievances is the top priority of the state government.

While addressing the officers, the Minister issued clear directions that no delay in resolving complaints will be tolerated. She also directed them to regularly share progress reports on each case and ensure that every grievance is resolved in a transparent and effective manner. Health Minister, Arti Singh Rao further said that the state government is continuously working to provide better healthcare facilities to citizens and to make the administration more accountable.

State issues new directions on financial assistance of ₹51,000 for marriage of daughters and grand-daughters of freedom fighters

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4

The Haryana Government has issued fresh directions to ensure smooth implementation of the financial assistance scheme for the marriage of daughters, dependent sisters, and grand-daughters of State Freedom Fighters and INA personnel. According to a letter issued by Chief Secretary Anurag Rastogi, the State Government has clarified that in the event of the death of a Haryana State Freedom Fighter/ INA personnel or their widow, the son or daughter-in-law of the deceased freedom fighter will also be eligible to apply for financial assistance of ₹51,000 for the marriage of his or her daughter(s), who are the grand-daughters of the freedom fighter.The decision aims to remove procedural ambiguity and address the difficulties faced by families in availing this assistance due to unclear provisions in earlier instructions.

According to the new clarification, claims for financial assistance must be submitted within six months of the date of marriage and not later than 12 months, except in special cases with valid reasons, through the concerned Deputy Commissioner. After verification, the Deputy Commissioner will forward the claim to the Chief Secretary, Haryana, for sanction. The Administrator General and Official Trustee-cum-Treasurer, Charitable Endowments Haryana, will make arrangements for payment.

It has also been made mandatory that the financial assistance be disbursed only through Aadhaar-linked bank accounts to ensure transparency and direct benefit transfer.

Elderly cancer patient jumps to death in Gurugram

GURUGRAM, NOVEMBER 4

A 62-year-old woman suffering from cancer allegedly committed suicide by jumping from the third floor of her house in the Sector 56 area here early Tuesday morning, police said.

The incident took place around 6 am when the rest of the family was sleeping, they said. According to police, Jyoti Wadhwa had been suffering from cancer for several years and despite treatment had reached an advanced stage, causing her severe mental distress.

Family members said she couldn't sleep even after taking painkillers at night. Around 5.45 am on Tuesday, she left her bedroom and went to the terrace on the third floor and allegedly committed suicide by jumping from the terrace. Family members rushed her to a nearby private hospital where doctors declared her dead, police said.

A police team reached the hospital and took the body into custody.

A senior police officer said that statements are being recorded from all family members, including her husband, two sons, and daughter-in-law. Police said they were asleep at the time of the incident and were unaware of anything and CCTV confirms her going alone. Wadhwa, a native of Delhi, had been living with her family in Sector 56 for several years. "...it appears to be a case of suicide.

The woman had been suffering from cancer for a long time and was under mental stress, " said Inspector Manoj Kumar, SHO of Sector 65 police stationNo suicide note has been found, but statements from the family confirm that she was deeply distressed. IANS

SC sets aside order directing removal of illegal constructions in Gurugram's DLF City

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 4



The Supreme Court has set aside an order of the Punjab and Haryana High Court directing the removal of unauthorised and illegal constructions in Gurugram's DLF City. A bench of Justices J K Maheshwari and Vijay Bishnoi passed the order after noting that the direction was issued without giving an opportunity of hearing to the owners who were not impleaded in the suits.

The apex court said in the present case, the direction issued by the high court, either with respect to the jurisdiction of the civil court or for removal of the constructions, appears to be without joining the appellants as party in the writ petition.

"It goes without saying that opportunity of hearing is a sine qua non for fair administration of justice and the observations of the Court should not adjudicate the rights of any parties unheard," the bench said.

The top court, however, said that unauthorised or illegal construction for commercial use on residential property contrary to the norms, rules and regulations cannot be protected. "We make it clear that if any person who is going to be affected applies to the High Court within the time as specified, they would also be permitted to join.

The authorities of the State are at liberty to give wide publicity to this order for joining of the affected persons in the PIL," the bench said in October 28 order.

The apex court said in case the affected persons do not apply to join in two weeks, the high court may examine the issue and is at liberty to take decision in this regard.

The high court had directed the authorities to take action within two months under Section 15 of the Haryana Development and Regulation of Urban Areas Act, 1975. The state government had filed detailed synopsis before the high court indicating several violations in construction by various inhabitants of the area in Gurugram.

It was informed that in residential areas, commercial use is being done and that construction was made beyond the permissible FAR / additional floors and commercial use in residential areas. PTI

HIMACHAL/J&K

Himachal CM asks Technical Education dept to devise utilisation plan for vacant buildings

SHIMLA, NOVEMBER 4

Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu on Tuesday expressed concern over some buildings under the Technical Education department lying vacant and exhorted the officials to find a solution for their optimum utilisation.

Reviewing the functioning of the department here, the CM said that as many as seven structures under the department built for Rs 126.45 crore between 2018 and 2023 were lying vacant, and stressed that wastage of public funds in the name of mere construction was unacceptable.

He directed the department to formulate a plan for the optimum utilisation of these buildings in the public interest, he said in a statement issued here. The CM also instructed the department to grade the industrial training institutes and polytechnic colleges in the state as per the enrolment of the students, overall performance and other facilities available in these institutions.

He also stressed introducing new-age courses in the technical education institutions to ensure that youths were trained for emerging employment sectors and expressed satisfaction over the introduction of the M. Tech (EV-Tech) course at Hydro Engineering College in Bilaspur district.

The CM said that the state government was promoting innovation, and 'State Innovation and Start-Up Policy-2025' was underway to encourage entrepreneurship. PTI

J&K LG Sinha inaugurates Jhiri Mela, urges people to follow Baba Jittos path of selfless service

JAMMU, NOVEMBER 4



Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Tuesday inaugurated the 10-day annual Jhiri Mela on the outskirts of Jammu city.

Every year around 10-12 lakh devotees, mainly from Jammu region, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh and Haryana, visit the fair to commemorate the sacrifice of Baba Jittoo, who gave up his life in protest against the oppressive demands of a landlord about 500 years ago.

The LG urged people to take a pledge to embrace the path of selfless service and work towards building a just and equal society as envisioned by the 16th-century farmer-saint Baba Jittoo.

"Today, I inaugurated the annual Jhiri Mela at Marh sub-division in Jammu. Paid obeisance to Baba Jittoo and Bua Kouri. Dedicated a pilgrim community hall and four modular bus stops, and laid the foundation stone for the first indoor sports complex under CSR at Marh," the LG said in a post on X.

He called upon the people to follow Baba Jittoo's ideals of equality and service.

"Together, we can build a strong, secure, prosperous and self-reliant Jammu and Kashmir," he added.

Hundreds of farmers and pilgrims from Jammu region, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh and Haryana have already arrived to participate in the fair, which is being jointly organised by the Directorate of Tourism in collaboration with the district administration from November 4 to 13.

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The Departments of Agriculture and Horticulture, along with the Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC), have extended full support to ensure sanitation, health facilities, parking, power, and water supply arrangements, the officials said.

The agriculture department's participation also serves as a vital platform to enhance farmers' knowledge, exposure and engagement with new technologies and government schemes, while paying tribute to Baba Jittoo's enduring legacy.

Security has been tightened with the deployment of police and paramilitary forces, they added.

According to legend, Baba Jittoo, a humble farmer, sacrificed his life in defiance of an unjust landlord's exploitation. His daughter, Bua Kouri, later immolated herself on his funeral pyre in an act of devotion and grief. Devotees also take a customary dip in Baba-da-Talab, a natural pond located about four kilometres from the temple, which is believed to possess curative powers, the officials said. IANS

Shoolini University develops breakthrough method to turn brewery waste into diabetic-friendly sweetener

PUNJAB EXPRESS BUREAU
Chandigarh, November 4



Marking a significant step toward healthier and more sustainable food solutions, a scientist at Shoolini University, Dr Srishti Mathur, has developed the first biotechnological method to produce xylitol—a natural, low-calorie sweetener with a glycemic index of just 7, compared to sugar's 68.

This diabetic-friendly alternative is created by converting brewer's spent grain (BSG), the primary by-product of beer production, into a high-value, eco-friendly sugar substitute. The innovation not only transforms industrial waste into a valuable resource but also helps address the growing challenge of diabetes while advancing environmental sustainability. The research was conducted under the supervision of Prof. Dinesh Kumar, Head, School of Bioengineering and Food Technology, Shoolini University, and Dr Vinod Kumar, Professor, Shoolini University, ensuring rigorous scientific oversight throughout the process.

The process has resulted in four patents and represents a major advancement over conventional xylitol production, which relies on chemical-heavy, energy-intensive hydrogenation of xylose.

Revenue official arrested for graft in Samba, ₹35 lakh seized

JAMMU, NOVEMBER 4

The Jammu and Kashmir Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) has arrested a revenue official for graft and seized Rs 35 lakh in cash from his private vehicle in Samba district, an official said on Tuesday.

The ACB received a complaint against Sunil Kumar, posted as Patwari in Dadui Block, alleging that he had demanded a bribe of Rs 1 lakh for making corrections in a Girdawari or revenue record, he said.After negotiations, Kumar agreed to settle for Rs 80,000.

"A discreet verification was conducted, which corroborated the demand for a bribe by the patwari and accordingly, a case under relevant sections of the Prevention of Corruption Act was registered and investigation taken up," the official said. A trap team was laid, and the accused was caught red-handed while accepting the bribe from the complainant in the presence of independent witnesses.

The accused was arrested on the spot by the ACB team. The bribe money was seized from his possession, and a search of his personal vehicle led to the seizure of more than Rs 35 lakh in cash, the official said. PTI

Minor held for attacking woman who resisted attempts to sexually assault her in HP

HAMIRPUR NOVEMBER 4

A minor school-going boy has been held for attacking a 40-year-old married woman with a sharp-edged weapon and a stick after she resisted his attempts to allegedly sexually assault her in Himachal's Hamirpur district, police said on Tuesday. The incident took place on Monday evening when the woman had gone to the nearby fields to cut the grass. The 14-year-old boy, a Class 9 student, allegedly forcibly grabbed her and tried to sexually assault her.

When the woman refused, he allegedly attacked her with a stick and a sickle, inflicting serious injuries, the police said.

The local villagers spotted the woman lying on the ground, bleeding profusely. They immediately informed the police and rushed her to Hamirpur Medical College, which referred her to PGI, Chandigarh. The boy has been taken into custody. PTI

Mini bus overturns in Rajouri; many students among 28 injured

RAJOURI/JAMMU, NOVEMBER 4



At least 28 persons, mostly students, were injured when a mini bus overturned on a highway in Rajouri district of Jammu and Kashmir on Tuesday, officials said.

The bus was on its way to Rajouri town when the driver lost control resulting in the accident near Thandikassi, the officials said. Rescuers immediately swung into action and shifted 28 injured persons, including 26 students to the Government Medical College (GMC) Associated Hospital, Rajouri. Two of the critically injured students -- 15-year-old Aliza and 11-year-old Saqib -- were later referred to the GMC Hospital Jammu, the officials said. PTI

NEWSBRIEFS

18 arrested after almost 270 kg of illicit drugs seized by Australian Police

SYDNEY: Australian police have arrested 18 people after seizing almost 270 kg of illicit drugs during an investigation into an organised crime syndicate operating across the country. The police forces in the states of New South Wales (NSW) and Western Australia (WA), as well as the Australian Federal Police (AFP), said in a statement on Tuesday that the arrests were made by a joint strike force that was established earlier in 2025 to investigate the large-scale supply of illicit drugs by an organised syndicate. Strike force detectives executed 30 search warrants across NSW and WA between May and October, during which they located and seized 150 kg of pseudoephedrine, 95 kg of methamphetamine, 21 kg of ketamine, 2 kg of cocaine, 14 firearms, almost 2.4 million Australian dollars ($1.5 million) in cash and lab equipment. **IANS**

Japan confirms season's third bird flu outbreak

TOKYO: An outbreak of Highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) has been confirmed at a poultry farm in the central Japanese prefecture of Niigata, local authorities said on Tuesday. The prefectural government said it has confirmed the outbreak at the farm in the city of Tainai, with a total of 630,000 egg-laying chickens to be culled. Officials said that the Niigata farm reported abnormalities on Monday morning, including an increase in the number of chicken deaths. A preliminary virus test returned positive results, while a detailed genetic analysis was conducted. The latest case marks the third bird flu outbreak confirmed at a poultry farm in Japan this season, Xinhua news agency reported. The country's first case was confirmed in the town of Shiraoi in the northernmost prefecture of Hokkaido on October 22, followed by the second case in the city of Eniwa, also in Hokkaido, on Sunday. **IANS**

Bangladesh records 1,147 new dengue cases in 24 hours

DHAKA: Bangladesh reported 1,147 new dengue cases and five new deaths in the past 24 hours, the Ministry of Health said. According to the data, 2,960 dengue cases were recorded so far in November, taking the tally to 72,822 and the death toll to 288 so far this year. Dengue fever, typically a monsoon-season illness in Bangladesh, is now spreading beyond its usual June-September period, Xinhua news agency reported. According to the World Health Organization (WHO), Dengue is a viral infection transmitted to humans through the bite of infected mosquitoes and is found in tropical and sub-tropical climates worldwide, mostly in urban and semi-urban areas. The primary vectors that transmit the disease are Aedes aegypti mosquitoes and, to a lesser extent, Aedes albopictus. There is no specific treatment for dengue; however, the timely detection of cases, identifying any warning signs of severe dengue infection, and appropriate case management are key elements of care to lower case fatality rates to less than 1 per cent. **IANS**

South Korea says retaking wartime operational control from US would upgrade alliance

SEOUL, NOVEMBER 4



South Korea's President Lee Jae Myung said Tuesday that South Korea's retaking of its wartime Operational Control (OPCON) from the United States within his term would serve as a major opportunity to upgrade the bilateral alliance. Lee made the remarks during a meeting with US Defence Secretary Pete Hegseth at his office, presidential spokesperson Kang Yu-jung said in a written briefing, as Seoul and Washington held annual security talks to discuss ways to modernise the alliance.

"The early recovery of wartime operational control within my term would serve as an important opportunity to further deepen and develop the alliance between the Republic of Korea and the US," Lee was quoted as saying, Yonhap News Agency reported. His five-year term ends in 2030. "If the Korean military's capabilities are significantly strengthened and the Republic of Korea takes a leading role in defending the Korean Peninsula, the US defence burden in the Indo-Pacific region will also be reduced," he added.

Seoul's push for the transfer comes as the South Korean military has stepped up efforts to advance its independent defence capabilities, with Washington calling on Seoul to undertake greater security responsibilities. The two countries have been working on the conditions-based OPCON transition. South Korea handed over operational control of its troops during the 1950-53 Korean War. It retook peacetime OPCON in 1994, but wartime OPCON still remains in US hands. Lee also expressed gratitude over US President Donald Trump's decision to allow South Korea to secure nuclear-fuel submarines, saying it would "significantly upgrade the Korean military's capabilities and development of the bilateral alliance."

Hegseth welcomed South Korea's decision to increase its defence spending and bolster defence capabilities through the advanced conventional weapons and the pursuit of nuclear-powered submarines, according to Kang. The Pentagon chief also expected increased cooperation in the shipbuilding industry, including joint production of naval vessels, would contribute to the defence capabilities of both nations, the spokesperson noted. During his talks with Defence Minister Ahn Gyu-back earlier in the day, Hegseth said Washington would make efforts to help implement Trump's pledge to allow South Korea to build nuclear-powered submarines in a US shipyard.

The approval came after Lee asked Trump during their summit on the sidelines of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit in the southeastern city of Gyeongju last Wednesday to allow Seoul to secure nuclear fuel for the nuclear-powered submarine. **IANS**

Trump endorses Cuomo against Mamdani in New York mayoral race, threatens to cut funds

NEW YORK, NOVEMBER 4



US President Donald Trump has warned on the eve of Tuesday's election that if Zohair Mamdani, the toxically divisive Democratic Party candidate, becomes the city's mayor, he will cut funds to it.

Mamdani, a radical member of the Democratic Socialists, is running on the Democratic Party ticket, having won the party nomination in June, defeating former Governor Andrew Cuomo and sitting Mayor Eric Adams.

"If Communist Candidate Zohran Mamdani wins the Election for Mayor of New York City, it is highly unlikely that I will be contributing Federal Funds, other than the very minimum as required, to my beloved first home", Trump wrote Monday on Truth Social. This is because with a "Communist" as mayor, "this once great City has ZERO chance of success, or even survival! It can only get worse with a Communist at the helm, and I don't want to send, as President, good money after bad", he said.

Crossing party lines as a realist, Trump endorsed Cuomo, a Democrat who is running as an independent, rather than the Republican Party's candidate Curtis Sliwa, the controversial founder of a vigilante group to patrol the city's transit system. A vote for Sliwa, Trump wrote, "is a vote for Mamdani". "Whether you personally like Andrew Cuomo or not, you really have no choice. You must vote for him, and hope he does a fantastic job. He is capable of it, Mamdani is not", he added. Mamdani bristled at being called a "communist" during the campaign, and his supporters and media sympathisers vehemently deny it, but he has advocated a distinctly communist line and strategy. In an interaction with his group, the Democratic Socialists of America, he said, "Our end goal, seizing the means of production".

That – government takeover of industries and businesses – is a cornerstone of communism, and a classic Marxian strategy is to publicly play it down while running for elections, hoping to ultimately capture national power. **IANS**

Afghanistan earthquake survivors spend night in open; quake damaged historical sites

KABUL, NOVEMBER 4



Survivors of a powerful earthquake in northern Afghanistan that killed more than 20 people and injured hundreds were digging through the rubble of their homes Tuesday, trying to salvage what belongings they could after spending the night outside in the bitter cold. Rain was forecast for the region, further compounding the misery for survivors.

The 6.3 magnitude quake struck just before 1 am local time Monday, with an epicentre 22 kilometres (14 miles) west-southwest of the town of Khulm in Samangan province. Afghanistan's national disaster management authority said that by Tuesday morning, the death toll stood at 21, while a further 819 people had been injured, 25 of them seriously.

The temblor also damaged historical sites, including Afghanistan's famed blue mosque in the northern city of Mazar-e-Sharif, which is one of Afghanistan's most revered religious landmarks, and the Bagh-e-Jahan Nama palace in Khulm. The blue mosque's minaret was badly damaged, while some bricks and tiles had fallen from some of the mosque's walls, and cracks appeared in other parts of the centuries-old site, said Mahmoodullah Zarar, head of information and culture of Balkh province.

"The holy shrine is a valuable monument of Islamic values and the history of the Islamic era, (and) is in dire need of repair and restoration," he said, adding that information on the damage had been shared with the Ministry of Art and Culture. The mosque is a major gathering place during Islamic and cultural festivals.

The most severely damaged historical monument in the province was the 19th-century Bagh-e Jehan Nama palace, said Firozuddin Munib, Samangan province's head of information and culture. The palace, built in 1890-1892, and its adjoining gardens are a popular site for visitors.

"The restoration of this palace is very important because winter is coming and the area is cold, and it is raining, which may cause further damage," Munib said, adding that the quake caused a surrounding wall and one tower to collapse and also led to cracks in the palace and other towers. In Khulm, aftershocks rattled survivors, who spent the night out in the open. **IANS**

Six months after alleged attack in UK, Sikh man accuses police of inaction

LONDON, NOVEMBER 4

Six months after allegedly being assaulted by a group of British-Pakistani men, a Sikh man, Harman Singh Kapoor, has accused the UK Metropolitan Police of failing to take appropriate action against the attackers, claiming that despite providing evidence and repeated appeals, authorities have shown "complete indifference" to the incident.

Six months after the assault, Kapoor once again took to his social media platform to voice disappointment over what he described as continued police inaction, accusing the Metropolitan Police and London Mayor Sadiq Khan of overlooking his case and failing to hold the attackers accountable.

"Remember, Metropolitan Police, you arrested me for defending myself against a gang of 1nbred Pakistanis. You locked me up in a cell for 20 hours, treated me like a criminal, took my DNA, fingerprints, phone IMEI, and even the reference number of my Rolex, desperate to pin something on me. But you found NOTHING. You failed to protect me, then tried to destroy me. SHAME ON YOU. Now tell me, where's the update on my case? And are you still holding my DNA and fingerprints like I'm the criminal here?," Kapoor posted on X.

"It's been 6 months since I was attacked by a Pakistani gang. My wife had to call 999, and instead of protecting me, the police arrested me for defending myself for calling them 'Bloody Pakistanis'. **IANS**

Lebanese president calls for diplomacy with Israel amid border tensions

BEIRUT, NOVEMBER 4



Lebanon has no choice but to negotiate with Israel, President Joseph Aoun said, stressing that diplomacy should take precedence over war, according to a statement from the presidency.

"In politics, there are three tools: diplomacy, economy, and war. When war leads nowhere, what else can we do? Every war in the world eventually ends with negotiations, and negotiation is never with a friend or ally, but with an enemy," Aoun said on Monday, during a meeting with officials at Baabda Palace.

He added that "the language of negotiation is more important than the language of war, which we have seen only brings destruction," and praised the diplomatic efforts of Lebanon's leadership, including Speaker of Parliament Nabih Berri and Prime Minister Nawaf Salam.

Aoun emphasised that Lebanon's national interest must take precedence over political, religious, and sectarian considerations. He urged politicians to prioritize national unity over electoral ambitions and to move beyond sectarian divisions that have long undermined the country's stability, Xinhua news agency reported.

In late October, Aoun ordered the Lebanese army to respond to any Israeli incursions in the south following a deadly raid on the border village of Blida, a move welcomed by Hezbollah leader Naim Qassem. **IANS**

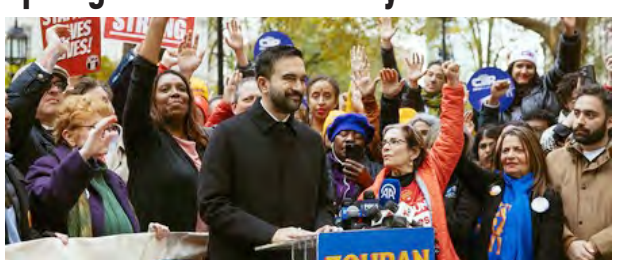
Former US Vice President Dick Cheney passes away at 84

WASHINGTON, NOVEMBER 4

Former US Vice President Dick Cheney passed away at the age of 84 years on Monday due to complications of pneumonia, cardiac and vascular disease, according to a statement released by his family. "Richard B Cheney, the 46th Vice President of the United States, died last night, November 3, 2025. He was 84 years old," The Hill reported quoting a statement issued by Cheney's family.

"His beloved wife of 61 years, Lynne, his daughters, Liz and Mary, and other family members were with him as he passed. The former Vice President died due to complications of pneumonia and cardiac and vascular disease," it added. Dick Cheney served as the US Vice President during former President George W Bush's administration from 2001-2009. He is regarded as one of the most influential Vice Presidents in modern US history, having helped lead the country's "war on terror" after the terror attacks on September 11, 2001, The Hill reported. Born in Lincoln, Nebraska, on January 30, 1941, Cheney grew up in Casper, Wyoming. **IANS**

US voters head to state, local polls with spotlight on New York mayoral race



NEW YORK, NOVEMBER 4

Elections across several parts of the United States on Tuesday will choose state and local officials, decide key local issues, and put the spotlight on Zohair Mamdani, a controversial progressive running on the Democratic Party ticket in New York City, the nation's largest metropolis.

US President Donald Trump's looming presence animating the polls either way, although the scattered polls can't quite be a referendum on him.

But some of the elections can give a hint of next year's midterm elections' outcomes, where Congress is at play, and these include the governorships of New Jersey and Virginia.

A referendum to redraw Congressional constituencies in California to elect more Democrats and balance the Republicans, altering them to their advantage in Texas and elsewhere, is also on the ballot. Congressional constituency delimitation is done by the states, and California's Democrat-heavy electorate is expected to go for it.

Citizens registering to vote in the US election system opt to sign up to a party or to be independent, and New York is overwhelmingly Democrats, with 56 per cent of the voters to 26 per cent for Republicans and 18 per cent Independent. **IANS**

Iraqi PM says 'national consensus' reached to bring weapons under state control

BAGHDAD, NOVEMBER 4



Iraqi Prime Minister Mohammed Shia' al-Sudani said that Iraqi political parties have reached a "unified national consensus" to end the presence of all weapons operating outside the authority of the state.

According to a statement by his media office, al-Sudani made the remarks during an interview on Monday.

According to local media reports, al-Sudani said in the interview that "there will be a clear program to end any arms outside of state institutions. This is the demand of all."

He questioned the need for the continued presence of foreign forces, noting that the Islamic State (IS) no longer poses a threat. He also emphasised that armed factions should either integrate into the official security forces or lay down their weapons and engage in politics, the reports added.

During the interview, al-Sudani talked about Iraq's relationship with the United States. "Iraq pursues a balanced relationship with the United States, one that serves mutual interests and affirms Iraq's independent role as a partner, not a sphere of influence," the media office statement quoted al-Sudani as saying. **IANS**

Summary executions, sexual violence in Sudan's El Fasher continue: UN

UNITED NATIONS, NOVEMBER 4



Over one week after the takeover of Sudan's El Fasher city by the Rapid Support Forces (RSF), summary executions and sexual violence against civilians reportedly continue, UN humanitarians said.

The UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) said the United Nations received credible reports of the crimes against civilians, including women and children, from within the barricaded North Darfur state's capital, Xinhua news agency reported. "Hundreds of civilians, including humanitarian workers, have reportedly been killed, while large numbers remain trapped inside the city with little or no communication to the outside world," OCHA said. "The delivery of life-saving assistance remains blocked by the RSF, contrary to its obligation under international humanitarian law to facilitate the rapid and unimpeded passage of such relief."

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) reported that nearly 71,000 people have fled El Fasher and surrounding areas since the city's fall on October 26, most to overcrowded camps in the town of Tawila, 40 kilometers away, while many new arrivals have reported killings, abductions and sexual violence along the way.

Conditions in Tawila are dire, with families living in the open or in makeshift shelters, food stocks running out and clean water scarce, said OCHA. **IANS**

lifestyle

Yami

says God is the enabler of art, humans are just instruments



Actress Yami Gautam, who is gearing up for the release of her upcoming film 'Haq', has said that she believes that while human beings create art, it's the hand of God that enables us to make art. The actress spoke with IANS at a 5-star property in the Juhu area of Mumbai during the promotional tour of her film.

She told IANS, "We are all creations of some higher power, and some really special beings, I believe. If we come to realise our true strength and our true potential, which I don't know if we've done it yet, we as human beings can really turn around this world". She further mentioned, "Each one of us, I believe, has been sent here for some purpose and some art in different forms. Art is, I don't think it's only painting, I think it's a blessing and now it's up to us how we keep, how we, how much we respect that. It's like I'm a writer, I know how sacred is that pen or the thoughts. It's all about that belief, what do you believe, what is your belief system, if you think that deeply then yes, literally you can see God in it. We are creations of God's, we are his illustration and his expression which is special, and we are just the medium through which art flows".

Meanwhile, her upcoming film is inspired from the landmark case of Mohd. Ahmed Khan v. Shah Bano Begum. Shah Bano, a 62-year-old Muslim woman, sought maintenance from her husband after being divorced through triple talaq. The Supreme Court ruled in her favor under Section 125 of the Criminal Procedure Code, stating that maintenance applies to all citizens irrespective of religion.

The verdict sparked outrage among conservative Muslim groups, who argued that it interfered with Muslim Personal Law. Facing political pressure, Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi's Congress (INC) government passed the Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Divorce) Act, 1986, effectively nullifying the judgment and restoring the community's personal law autonomy.

This move was seen as an attempt to appease conservative Muslim leaders but drew widespread criticism for undermining women's rights and judicial independence. The case ignited national debate on secularism, minority rights, and the need for a uniform civil code. **IANS**

Huma Qureshi:

I'm very much a humanist



Huma Qureshi, who is set to reprise her iconic character of Rani Bharti in the season four of "Maharani", has said that her journey as an actor has strengthened her connection with humanity rather than altering her political outlook. Having played diverse roles in women's leadership, how has this evolution shaped her own understanding and has she developed any curiosity about leadership, politics, or governance in real life, Huma told IANS: "No, my political views have not changed."

She added: "I think I'm very much a humanist, and I think humanity is above all. In fact, doing the show has made me connect with my humanity on a much deeper level."

With the industry changing dramatically in terms of storytelling and representation of women, the actress says that she always wants to play real and three dimensional strong women on screen.

"I always want to play real, living, breathing, three-dimensional, strong women, and I think my career is a testimony to that," she said. "I want to continue doing that in all the subsequent films and roles that I'm doing — whether it's Rani Bharti in Maharani, Meena in Delhi Crime, or Single Salma. I think, for me, being strong and being a woman are synonymous," she added.Huma will be seen in the fourth season of "Maharani".

The new season has brought in two new names Rajeshwari Sachdev and Darsheel Safary. Directed by Puneet Prakash, produced by Kangra Talkies Pvt. Ltd., and created by Subhash Kapoor, Maharani 4, stars Huma Qureshi, Shweta Basu Prasad, Vipin Sharma, Amit Sial, Vineet Kumar, Shardul Bhardwaj, Kani Kusruti, and Pramod Pathak.

"Maharani 4" will stream from November 7 on Sony LIV. Huma had earlier wrote about 'Single Salma', and how "the struggle is real". She highlighted how smaller, content-driven projects often face challenges in securing adequate theatrical showcasing amidst big-budget and franchise-led releases. **IANS**

Shehnaaz Gill

on love, finding the right partner: Nothing is perfect



Actress Shehnaaz Gill, whose latest release "Ikk Kudi" is about finding the right partner, feels that perfection in relationships is a myth and talks about what really matters is the effort one puts in. Asked what she feels is the mantra to a perfect marriage, relationship and a perfect partner, Shehnaaz shared her two cents and said that investing in a relationship is essential, even though the future remains uncertain.

Shehnaaz, whose chemistry with late star Sidharth Shukla in "Bigg Boss 13" was loved by all, told IANS: "Nothing is perfect; it's not perfect. But I think the more perfect you can be in things, the better." Nurturing the relationship is essential, feels Shehnaaz, who has stepped into producing films with her latest release. "Invest in your relationship... It's very important. I think the most important thing is to search for things. Do as much as you can.

A relationship you don't know how it will be in the future; maybe he may show his true self once the marriage is done... That is also possible. But you should be as safe as you can... it's your fate. If you are unlucky, you will meet a bad person; if you are lucky, you will meet a good person," Shehnaaz expressed.

"Ikk Kudi" follows a woman from a family of broken hearts who starts doubting her arranged marriage match and embarks on a quest to uncover her fiance's mysterious past. Shehnaaz gained stardom after her stint in "Bigg Boss 13". It was in 2015, when Shehnaaz began her modelling career with a music video titled 'Shiv Di Kitaab'. In 2017, she marked her debut in Punjabi film 'Sat Shri Akaal England'. The actress' filmography also includes names such as 'Kala Shah Kala', 'Daaka', 'Honsla Rakh', 'Kisi Ka Bhai Kisi Ki Jaan', and 'Thank You for Coming' to her credit.Shehnaaz has appeared in several music videos titled-- 'Maar Kar Gayi', 'Pindaan Diyaan Kudiyaan', 'Je Haan Ni Karni', 'Putt Sardaran De', 'Lakh Laanhta', 'Viah Da Chaa', 'Jatt Jaan Vaarda', 'Gusse Ho Ke Nahiyo Sarna', 'Jatti Hadd Sekhdi', 'Gunday Ik Vaar Fer', 'Peg Paun Wele', 'Gedi Route', 'Shona Shona', and 'Habit'. She also has 'Sab First Class' in the pipeline. **IANS**



Mrunal Thakur showcases hilarious post eye make-up struggles

Bollywood actress Mrunal Thakur showcased a very relatable make-up struggle and added a sprinkle of humour to it. Mrunal took to Instagram, where she shared a video of herself standing in front of a mirror after doing her make-up for a shot. As she's called to set, the actress absentmindedly rubs her eye, only to realise the grave mistake she's made. She quickly tries to fix her eye make-up, but all in vain.

Mrunal wrote as the caption: "Eye tried my best!" The actress is gearing up for the release of her upcoming film 'Hai Jawani Toh Ishq Hona Hai', which is now set to release on June 5, 2026. The film also stars Varun Dhawan and Pooja Hegde in pivotal roles.

For those who do not know, 'Hai Jawani Toh Pyaar Hona Hai' is a hit song from David Dhawan's film "Biwi No 1", featuring Salman Khan, Karisma Kapoor, and Sushmita Sen. The name of the forthcoming drama is believed to have been inspired from this popular track. Touted to be a blend of a lighthearted narrative with romantic elements, "Hai Jawani Toh Ishq Hona Hai" reportedly shares a tale of a guy who was rejected by several women, but ends up getting help from God. **IANS**

Shilpa Shetty reveals Tabu's adorable nickname in heartfelt birthday post

Actress Shilpa Shetty took to social media to extend her heartfelt wishes to Tabu on her birthday. The 'Dhadkan' actress not only showered love on her longtime friend but also revealed the adorable nickname she fondly calls her by. On Tuesday, Shilpa took to her Instagram handle and shared a video which shows her candid and goofy moments with Tabu. The sweet clip showcases both the actress smiling while striking poses together. Alongside it, Shilpa wrote, "Dearest Timpoo, Happy Happy birthday @tabutiful Here's to great health, happiness and miles of smiles.Yours, always and forever, Silipoo."

Notably, the 'Hungama 2' actress also added Viral Dhol's trending song Sare Bolo Happy Birthday as background score for the video. Needless to say, Shilpa's post beautifully reflects the warmth and affection that define her bond with Tabu, giving a glimpse of their enduring friendship. The duo previously shared screen space in the 1996 action thriller "Himmat," which starred Sunny Deol in the lead role. While Tabu played the lead character, Anju, Shilpa Shetty appeared in an extended special cameo. Directed by directed by Sunil Sharma, the actioner also starred Naseeruddin Shah, Sudesh Berry, Mukesh Khanna, Mohan Joshi, Gulshan Grover and Kiran Kumar.

Shilpa and Tabu also appeared together in the 2000 crime drama Tarkieb, which was directed by Esmayeel Shroff. The film had Nana Patekar, Aditya Pancholi, Milind Soman and Ashutosh Rana in the prominent roles. Meanwhile, Tabu turned a year older on November 4 and received heartfelt wishes from her close ones on social media. Work-wise, Tabu was last seen on the big screen in two 2024 releases"Crew" and "Auron Mein Kahan Dum Tha," both of which earned her praise for her versatile performances. Speaking of Shilpa Shetty, she made her comeback to films after 14 years, with the 2021 film "Hungama 2." She was last seen as a judge on the reality show "Super Dancer Chapter 5." **IANS**



NEWSBRIEFS

FAI Board elects S Sankarasubramanian as Coromandel International Chairman

CHANDIGARH: The Board of Directors of the Fertiliser Association of India (FAI), in its meeting held on October 31, 2025, elected S. Sankarasubramanian, Managing Director and CEO of Coromandel International Limited, as Chairman of FAI. Dr. Siba Prasad Mohanty, Managing Director of Hindustan Urvarak & Rasayan Ltd., formerly one of the two Co-Chairmen, will now be the sole Co-Chairman of FAI. Mr. Sankarasubramanian, who is currently Co-Chairman of the FAI Board and Chairman of FAI's Southern Region, brings over three decades of diverse experience in the fertiliser industry, particularly in the Phosphatic and Potassic (P&K) sector. **BPE**

UMPESL and InfraDeep Consortium Poland forge strategic partnership at IME 2025

CHANDIGARH: Universal MEP Projects & Engineering Services Limited (UMPESL), a wholly owned subsidiary of Voltas Limited, a TATA Enterprise, has signed a strategic Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with InfraDeep Consortium, Poland at the International Mining Exhibition 2025 (IME 2025). Through technology transfer, joint projects, and solution development, this partnership aims to advance India's underground mining capabilities, with a special emphasis on safety and sustainability. "This strategic collaboration with InfraDeep Consortium, Poland reflects our unwavering commitment to engineering excellence and global integration. By combining European technological prowess with India's dynamic mining landscape, we are setting the stage for transformative underground mining solutions that are smart, safe, and sustainable," said Mukundan Menon C P, Managing Director, Voltas Limited. **BPE**

When cricket paused, the music played, Coca-Cola India refreshes

CHANDIGAR: Bringing a wave of refreshment and rhythm to the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup Semi-Final in Navi Mumbai, Coca-Cola's Halftime campaign made an exciting return, turning the match break into a celebration of the season's spirit. As the stands erupted with song and cheer, the pause became a moment to refresh, rejoice, and reconnect. With Coke Studio Bharat's music and the unmistakable fizz of a chilled Coca-Cola, the halftime came alive with the same thrill as the game itself. Aditya Gadhvi said, "It's not every day you get to perform on a stage like the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup, with the whole country watching and cheering. **BPE**

Franklin Templeton launches Franklin India Multi-Factor Fund

CHANDIGAR: Franklin Templeton (India) today announced the launch of Franklin India Multi-Factor Fund (FIMF), it's open-ended equity scheme following a Multi-Factor based Quantitative investment strategy. FIMF uses a data-driven, systematic approach to select stocks based on factors such as Quality, Value, Sentiment, and Alternatives (QVSA). The investment universe consists of the top 500 listed companies in India by market capitalization. The fund aims to deliver risk-adjusted returns by combining a disciplined, model-driven process with the fund manager's insights. **BPE**

Samsung India introduces breakthrough features

CHANDIGARH: Samsung, India's largest consumer electronics brand, today announced significant innovations to Samsung Wallet - a versatile platform that allows Galaxy users to organize digital keys, payment methods, identification cards and more in one secure application. The breakthrough features are designed to transform how millions of Galaxy users can set up new devices, manage payments and transact digitally. With seamless UPI onboarding as part of device setup, PIN-free biometric authentication, and enhanced Tap & Pay support — including FOREX cards and online card payments — Samsung Wallet is accelerating its mission to become the universal and secure gateway to your digital life. **BPE**

District by Zomato Launches curated culinary experiences with exclusive first access

CHANDIGARH: District by Zomato, the going-out platform, in collaboration with Kotak Mahindra Bank, introduces a new chapter in luxury dining—crafted for India's most discerning patrons and made exclusively accessible to Kotak Solitaire Credit Card customers. Curated by the country's most celebrated culinary minds and hosted at coveted dining destinations, these rare, refined, and deeply personal experiences are designed to elevate the way privileged guests engage with food and culture. From intimate chef's tables with Michelin-starred legends to immersive evenings curated by global mixology icons, the Kotak Solitaire Credit Card offers privileged access to gastronomic moments that are extraordinary. **BPE**

Honda Motorcycle & Scooter India posts strong growth with 6.50 lakh unit sales in Oct 2025

GURUGRAM: Honda Motorcycle & Scooter India (HMSI) reported total sales of 6,50,596 units in October 2025. This includes 5,98,952 units in domestic sales and 51,644 units in exports. HMSI registered a 9% year-on-year (YOY) growth compared to October 2024 and 15% month-on-month (MOM) growth in total sales compared to September 2025. For the Year-to-Date (YTD) period of FY26 (April–October 2025), HMSI recorded total sales of 36,41,612 units, comprising 32,78,451 units sold domestically and 3,63,161 units exported. **BPE**

Dharan Infra-EPC Limited signs ₹215 crore supply agreement

CHANDIGARH: Dharan Infra-EPC Limited announced that its wholly owned subsidiary Dharan Infra Solar Pvt. Ltd. has recently executed a supply agreement with Skymax Infrapower Limited, Uttar Pradesh. The contract value is approximately 215 crore rupees. The agreement mainly covers the design, engineering, procurement, supply, installation, testing and commissioning of a 75 MW Alley Solar Project. The project will be developed across nine sites in the Nanded district of Maharashtra. It is expected to be completed during FY 2025-26 to FY 2026-27. This is a non-related party transaction carried out in the ordinary course of business. **BPE**

Saint Soldier International School celebrates Gurpurab

CHANDIGARH: Saint Soldier International School, Sector 28-B, Chandigarh, celebrated the pious occasion of Gurpurab with great reverence and devotion. The special morning presentation by Class IV began in a serene and spiritual atmosphere, beautifully anchored by Rudra and Diksha who set the tone for the event with their heartfelt words and devotion. The program was attended by the school management, teachers and students. Speeches by Aryan and Aahana enlightened the audience about the noble life and principles of Guru Nanak Dev Ji. The highlight was a spiritual skit depicting Guru Nanak's teachings, emphasizing the importance of humanity and kindness. **BPE**

Integrative space-based oceanography key to unlocking blue economy: Former ISRO chief

KOCHI, NOVEMBER 4



Former ISRO Chairman Dr S. Somanath has called for embedding space-based oceanography into India's marine research framework to unlock the full potential of the blue economy and enhance the welfare of coastal communities.

He said India must "conquer the oceans through technology, innovation, and coordinated research," much like it did in space exploration. Inaugurating the fourth edition of the International Symposium on Marine Ecosystems (MECOS-4) at the ICAR–Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) here on Tuesday, Dr Somanath said the time was ripe for India to develop an integrated ocean observation programme using advanced satellites, sensors, and artificial intelligence. "A series of ocean observation satellites is under consideration, which will usher in a new era in marine ecosystem monitoring," he said. The former ISRO chief noted that the absence of hyperspectral sensors limits India's ability to monitor ocean health and resource distribution effectively.

"We need more deep-sea sensors, buoys, and unmanned aerial vehicles to improve real-time data coverage," he said, adding that advanced data integration and analytics are crucial for sustainable ocean governance.

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Dr Somanath emphasised that merging ocean science with digital tools such as AI and machine learning would strengthen predictive models, enabling better management of marine resources.

He urged for a national framework to link research institutions, startups, and technology firms under a unified ocean mission. Presiding over the event, ICAR Deputy Director-General Dr J. K. Jena said ocean research would be a vital driver of India's long-term food and economic security.

C. S. R. Ram, Joint Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, said that maritime cooperation was among India's top strategic priorities for ensuring trade, connectivity, and security across the Indo-Pacific. Meanwhile, the Marine Biological Association of India conferred the Dr S. Jones Memorial Award on noted marine scientist Dr G. Gopakumar for his pioneering work in mariculture, including breakthroughs in cobia and silver pompano breeding that helped popularise cage fish farming and improve coastal livelihoods. **IANS**

Oil and gas hunt stepped up in 7 sedimentary basins across India: Hardeep Puri

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 4



Union Petroleum Minister Hardeep Singh Puri said on Tuesday that India's energy journey is entering a new era as seven sedimentary basins are under study with advanced technology for the exploration of oil and gas across the country.

"Mission Anveshan, one of the largest seismic mapping programmes for oil and gas in India's history, has been launched under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision. The Rs 792 crore programme launched in Oct 2024 is targeting 20,000 ground line kilometres (GLK) of seismic surveys of which over 8,000 GLK has already been surveyed," the minister said.

"From the sands of Rajasthan to the sea depths of the KG Basin -- Bharat is mapping its own energy future," the minister remarked.

While 1 million square km offshore area is now open for oilfield exploration, 99 per cent of 'No-Go' areas have been cleared, he said.

The oil and gas blocks being offered under the Open Acreage Licensing Programme (OALP) have already garnered attention from global and domestic energy players, and Round X is expected to set new benchmarks for participation and investment.

He earlier highlighted that "25 blocks have been marked under OALP-X; 154 exploration blocks are active; 14 new oil and gas discoveries; ONGC producing 34,000 BOPD oil and 3 MMSCMD gas."The Petroleum Ministry recently invited feedback and suggestions on Draft Petroleum and Natural Gas Rules, Model Revenue Sharing Contract (MRSC) and Petroleum Lease as part of the country's focus to accelerate oil and gas.

These are a series of path-breaking policy reforms that are being implemented to promote exploration and production in the oil and gas sector.The Oilfields (Regulation and Development) Act, 1948, was amended in March 2025, and new PNG rules have come within three months in the run-up to OALP Round X, which is the largest such exploration and production bidding round globally. **IANS**

RDI fund marks landmark step in boosting India's research and development ecosystem: Govt

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 4



The newly launched Research Development and Innovation (RDI) fund of Rs 1 lakh crore marks a landmark step in strengthening India's research and development ecosystem, said the government on Tuesday.

The scheme was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the Emerging Science, Technology and Innovation Conclave (ESTIC) 2025, on Monday.

The RDI scheme "aims to build a private sector–driven innovation environment that can accelerate the nation's scientific and technological progress," the government said.

It recognises the critical role of the private sector in driving innovation and commercialising research, and provides long-term financing or refinancing support with extended tenors at low or nil interest rates.

The initiative aims to encourage greater private investment in RDI, particularly in sunrise and strategic sectors, the government noted.

The scheme also addresses existing challenges in funding private research by offering growth and risk capital. It focuses on facilitating innovation, promoting technology adoption, and improving competitiveness across emerging areas.

The key objectives of the RDI Scheme include encouraging private sector participation; financing transformative projects, supporting acquisition of critical technologies; and facilitating a deep-tech fund of funds, the government said.

In addition to RDI, the government has launched several initiatives to make India a global hub for research, innovation, and entrepreneurship across emerging sectors. This includes the Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF) and the building up of Digital Public Infrastructure. The synergy between initiatives such as ANRF, the RDI Scheme, and key national missions demonstrates a unified vision to advance frontier technologies while strengthening academia-industry collaboration.

Digital Public Infrastructure has further amplified India's innovation capacity by making governance and data systems more accessible and efficient," the government said.

"Together, these efforts are transforming India's R&D landscape into one that is inclusive, future-ready, and globally competitive, driving sustainable growth and positioning India as a leading force in science, technology, and innovation," he added. **IANS**

DRDO made significant strides in semiconductor technology: Govt

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 4

The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has made significant strides in semiconductor technology, said the Ministry of Defence on Tuesday. The ministry noted that using semiconductor technologies, DRDO developed indigenous methods."Semiconductors play a major role in modern technology ecosystems, powering critical systems in healthcare, comunications, transport, defence, and space," the Ministry said."DRDO has made significant strides in semiconductor technology by developing indigenous methods for producing 4-inch Silicon Carbide wafers and fabricating Gallium Nitride High Electron Mobility Transistors up to 150W," it added.DRDO will participate in the Emerging Science, Technology, and Innovation Conclave (ESTIC) 2025, being held at Bharat andapam in New Delhi from November 3-5.As one of the key organisers, DRDO will also lead the thematic ssion on 'Electronics & Semiconductor Manufacturing', while Chairman Dr Samir V Kamat will chair a Technical Session on Electronics and Semiconductor Manufacturing on November 5.

The conclave, on the theme 'Viksit Bharat 2047 - Pioneering Sustainable Innovation, Technological Advancement, and Empowerment', was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on November 3. **IANS**

Centre launches 3rd round of PLI scheme for specialty steel

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 4



Union Steel and Heavy Industries Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy on Tuesday launched the third round of the production-linked incentive (PLI) scheme for specialty steel, according to an official statement issued on Tuesday.

The Steel Ministry's PLI scheme has so far attracted a commitment for investment of Rs 43,874 crore, which is expected to create direct employment for 30,760 people and an estimated production of 14.3 million tonnes of specialty steel. As of September 2025, participating companies in the first two rounds of the PLI scheme have invested Rs 22,973 crore and generated 13,284 jobs, the statement said.

The PLI Scheme for Specialty Steel, approved by the Cabinet in July 2021, is a key initiative under the Atmanirbhar Bharat vision to make India a global hub for steel production. The third round (PLI 1.2) aims to attract new investments in emerging and advanced steel products, such as super alloys, CRGO, stainless steel long and flat products, titanium alloys, and coated steels. This is expected to generate significant employment, expand high-end steel capacity, and position India as a preferred supplier in the global value chain for specialty steels, the statement said.

Applications in the third round of the PLI scheme for speciality steel are invited through the online portal https://plimos.mecon.co.in for a period of 30 days from the date of launch. **IANS**

India market eyes rebound, 50 pc chance of Sensex hitting 89,000 by June 2026: Report

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 4

Indian equities look poised to recover from a steep relative correction as key drivers of underperformance begin to reverse due to front loading of capex and GST rate cuts, a report said on Tuesday.

US-based investment banking firm Morgan Stanley projected a 50 per cent probability that the BSE Sensex will reach a target of 89,000, indicating an upside potential of 6 per cent by June 2026.

A positive growth surprise is likely in the months ahead as India's growth cycle is set to accelerate, backed by the reflation effort of the RBI and the government via rate cuts and cash reserve ratio (CRR) cut, the report said. Policy measures cited as catalysts include Reserve Bank of bank deregulation and liquidity infusion, front loading of capex and a near Rs 1.5 trillion in GST rate cuts, Morgan Stanley said The thawing of relations with China and the China's anti-involution were also highlighted by the investment banking firm.

"A likely India US trade deal should further boost sentiment. Thus, India's hawkish macro set-up post-Covid is now unwinding. Relative valuations have corrected and likely made a trough in October," it added.

The slowdown that began in the second half of 2024, rich relative valuations, and absence of explicit AI-related trades had weighed on India, while delays in a US trade deal and India's low beta in a global bull market added pressure, analysts said. **IANS**

Air India to send relief flight to ferry passengers stuck in Mongolia

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 4

Air India on Tuesday said it will operate a relief flight to ferry the passengers of San Francisco-Delhi flight which was diverted to Mongolia due to a suspected technical issue. Air India flight AI174, operating from San Francisco to Delhi via Kolkata on November 2, made a precautionary landing at Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, after the flight crew suspected a technical issue en route.

"Air India will be operating a relief flight to ferry the passengers of flight AI174 (San Francisco-Delhi of 02 November), which was diverted to Ulaanbaatar on Monday.

The ferry flight AI183 is scheduled to depart Delhi this afternoon and return with the affected passengers on Wednesday morning," the airline said in a latest statement. **IANS**

SPORTS

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Never stop...: Harman's precious advice to youngsters

MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 4



Still quite overwhelmed by emotions, India's World Cup-winning captain Harmanpreet Kaur has recalled how picking up her father's "big" cricket bat as a kid ignited the dream that is now a reality.

After leading India to a 52-run win over South Africa in the women's World Cup summit clash in Navi Mumbai on Sunday, November 2, 2025, Harmanpreet, in a video posted by the BCCI, recalled her childhood and also had one advice for aspiring young players: "Never stop dreaming. You never know where your destiny will take you."

"Ever since, I was a kid, I've always had a bat in my hand. I still remember we used to play with a bat from my dad's kit bag. The bat was very big. One day, my dad carved a small bat for me out of one of his old bats. We used to play with it.

"Whenever we used to watch a match on TV, or watch India play, or watch the World Cup, I used to think, I need an opportunity like this. At that time, I didn't even know about women's cricket."

Harmanpreet's father Harmandar Singh Bhullar dabbled in cricket and football before settling for a clerk's job at a local judicial court in Punjab's Moga, the city where she was born and brought up.

With the firm support of her father, the journey which began as a child culminated into a World Cup trophy for Harmanpreet. None of it came easy but Harmanpreet said she wasn't the one to get bogged down by the challenges that were integral to women's cricket.

"I was dreaming, when will I wear this blue jersey? So I think this means a lot to me, a young girl who didn't know about women's cricket, but still dreamt, that one day, I want to bring that change.

"And I think, it all shows that you should never stop dreaming. You never know where your destiny will take you. You never think, when will it happen, how will it happen. You only think, this will happen.

"So, I think, that was my self-belief, that this can be possible. And that is exactly what happened."

The 36-year-old stalwart said she is feeling relaxed and humbled after realising her childhood dream.

"Personally, it's a very emotional moment. Because, it was my dream since childhood. Ever since I started playing, it was my dream to win the World Cup one day. If I get an opportunity to lead my team, I don't want to miss this opportunity," she said, emotions still heavy in her voice.

"So, I said all these things from the bottom of my heart. And God heard everything one by one. It's like magic. I don't understand how come suddenly everything is falling in place. Everything kept happening one by one.

"Finally, we are world champions. I'm feeling very relaxed, very humble, so grateful to God, for giving this team, which we have been dreaming of for so many years, and we are living this moment."

Harmanpreet also recalled the grand reception that the Indian team came back to after losing the 2017 women's World Cup final to England in London.

"...we were so heartbroken. We lost the game by nine runs. We didn't understand how that happened because that game was also fully in our control," she said of the 2017 final where India were all out for 219 in 48.4 overs while chasing 229.

"But after coming back, the kind of welcome and motivation we got from Indian fans, that showed that not only us, the entire country was waiting for women's cricket to do something special for them and for the country."

That team, led by Mithali Raj, had the current team's senior players like Harmanpreet, Smriti Mandhana and Deepti Sharma.

"Everybody was waiting for this moment. And I think it's because of everyone's blessings and prayers that we were able to cross that line. I don't think we were alone playing in the stadium.

"Everybody, the entire stadium, people who were watching us on TV, everybody came together to win this. Because it wasn't possible alone." **PTI**

Abhishek a serious batting talent, aim should be to get him out cheaply: Kuhnemann

CARRARA (AUSTRALIA), NOVEMBER 4



Australia spinner Matt Kuhnemann termed India opener Abhishek Sharma a serious batting talent and hoped the home team bowlers would get him out cheaply to thwart the visitors' chances of clinching the T20I series.

Following his exploits in the Asia Cup in the UAE, where he emerged player of the tournament, Abhishek showed true grit in the second game at Melbourne where he crafted a 37-ball 68 at a time when Indian wickets fell like ninepins.

The five-match series is keenly poised at 1-1 with a lot hinging on Abhishek in the remaining two games.

"Well, hopefully Xavier Bartlett or one of the quicks, Benny (Benjamin) Dwarshuis can take his (Abhishek's) wicket in the first couple of overs. He's a serious talent and just goes so hard from ball one. It's going to be a great spectacle on Thursday, but hopefully the boys can get him cheaply," left-arm spinner Kuhnemann, who could get to play his fifth T20I on Thursday, told cricket.com.au.

Kuhnemann, 29, said he found a remarkable similarity in how Australia and India play their cricket.

"Yeah, I think the way they're playing is sort of similar to how we're playing as well. So yeah, very explosive. I think from ball one now, the game's changing rapidly.

"It just goes hard from ball one... I think taking wickets is crucial for both teams in the middle order."

Kuhnemann opined that more cricket should be played in Gold Coast given that the place was producing some great talent and was fast becoming the new hub of cricket.

"Yes, I definitely think Gold Coast is definitely a hotspot and the population is growing rapidly and we're producing some good cricketers here, so I think the more games the better." Kuhnemann believes the Carrara Oval could buck the trend of low-scoring games in the series.

"The wicket (here) gets better and better every year, so I'm expecting a nice wicket and a high-scoring game."

On whether a good performance from him in the next two games could open the IPL door for him, Kuhnemann said getting a good contract for a slow left-arm bowler is a bit difficult. **PTI**

Ashwin ruled out of BBL15 due to knee injury

CHENNAI, NOVEMBER 4



Former India cricketer Ravichandran Ashwin's much-anticipated foray into Australian Big Bash League has been stalled by a knee injury with the off-spinner ruled out of the entire season with Sydney Thunder.

Ashwin had retired from international cricket late last year and from the IPL in August 2025 to focus on playing in T20 leagues across the world, including BBL, The Hundred and SA20.

"While training in Chennai to prepare for the upcoming season, I hurt my knee. I've had a procedure, and the outcome means I'll miss BBL15. That is tough to say. I was genuinely excited to be part of this group," wrote Ashwin on Instagram.

BBL 15 will commence on December 14.

The injury means the legendary cricketer will also miss the Hong Kong Sixes from November 7-9. He has been replaced by Robin Uthappa in HK Sixes. Ashwin said that following the medical procedure, he will now focus on rehabilitation.

"For now it is rehab, recovery and doing the work to come back stronger. From my first chat with the club, I have felt only warmth. Trent (Copeland, the Thunder general manager), the staff, the players and so many of you who have already reached out. Thank you for making me feel at home before a ball has been bowled," he wrote for Sydney Thunder fans.

Earlier this year, Ashwin had confirmed his full availability for Thunder's BBL15 campaign, including the finals.

The legend said that if the injury heals, he would like to be with the Thunder sometime later in the season to cheer the team.

"If rehab and travel line up, and only if the doctors are happy, I would love to be round later in the season and say hello in person. No promises. That is the intent," he wrote.

Thunder GM Copeland said his side was "devastated" by the news.

"Everyone at Sydney Thunder was devastated to learn of Ash's knee injury... and we wish him well in his recovery.

"From the moment we first spoke with Ash, his commitment to Thunder was clear. We are hopeful of welcoming him into our dugout for part of BBL15, introducing him to our fans at events and building a long-term relationship.

"While disappointing for the club, we have built two championship-contending squads and expect to continue the progress of recent seasons in WBBL11 and BBL15. We can't wait to get back in front of our fans in Western Sydney for two massive campaigns," added Copeland.

Sydney Thunder has the likes of David Warner, Cameron Bancroft, Sam Billings, Lockie Ferguson, Sam Konstas, and Tanveer Sangha in its lineup. **PTI**

Mandhana concedes top spot to Wolvaardt; Jemimah in top-10

DUBAI, NOVEMBER 4





Smriti Mandhana dropped a rung to second but Jemimah Rodrigues scaled nine positions to be 10th in the latest ICC women's ODI rankings after India's title-winning World Cup performance.

South Africa captain Laura Wolvaardt has moved up two positions to the No.1 spot in the latest list. Wolvaardt overtook Mandhana after her incredible effort of striking hundreds in both the semifinal and final. The two innings took Wolvaardt to 571 runs, the most in a single edition of the tournament, and the run was rewarded with a career-high rating of 814.

Mandhana, who held the top spot for the entirety of the World Cup, was named in the Team of the Tournament alongside Wolvaardt. India defeated South Africa by 52 runs in the final on Sunday.

Rodrigues' match-winning hundred against the Australians in the semifinal in Navi Mumbai meant the 25-year-old entered the top-10, while Phoebe Litchfield made a 13-spot jump to a career-high 13th (637) thanks to a century in the same match.

Australia's Ellyse Perry moved to seventh, sharing the spot with New Zealand's Sophie Devine, who has announced her retirement from the format. India captain Harmanpreet Kaur also rose four spots to 14th in the updated list.

There was marked movement in the bowling rankings, with South Africa's Marizanne Kapp now the closest to knock Sophie Ecclestone off the top spot thanks to her 5/20 against England in the other World Cup semifinal. Kapp moved two spots to a rating of 712, with Australians Annabel Sutherland (sixth) and Kim Garth (seventh) making one-spot moves in the top 10. **PTI**

My job was to apply the finishing touches: Richa Ghosh



MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 4

India's World Cup-winning team was built on trust and role clarity, feels dashing keeper-batter Richa Ghosh, who was assigned the finisher's role by head coach Amol Muzumdar.

Having missed at the final hurdle twice, India finally won their maiden World Cup title, defeating Laura Wolvaardt's South Africa by 52 runs in front of a sea of crowd in Navi Mumbai.

"My main job was to finish innings strongly by scoring quickly in the final overs," the 22-year-old said on JioStar's Follow The Blues.

"Whenever I got the chance to bat, my focus was on applying the finishing touches. I aimed to maintain a high strike-rate and put pressure on the opposition bowlers.

"Scoring those extra runs reduces the pressure on our team and gives us a better chance to win," added Richa who played a blistering 34 off 24 balls in the final batting at No 7 to lift India to 298/7. In reply, South Africa folded for 246.

She further credited head coach Amol Muzumdar for creating an environment where every player knew exactly what was expected of them.

"Amol sir made everyone's role in the team very clear."

"For me, it was to play fearless cricket, look for the big shots and finish the innings strongly," she said, adding that Muzumdar's reassurance to "take time to settle in" gave her the confidence to back her strengths under pressure. **PTI**

Spirited West Ham rally to beat Newcastle United

LONDON, NOVEMBER 4





West Ham United bounced back from conceding an early goal to beat Newcastle United 3-1 on Sunday to claim their first home victory in the English Premier League since beating Leicester City back in February.

Newcastle took the lead in the fourth minute, Jacob Murphy scoring to finish off a counter-attack after West Ham's Jarrod Bowen hit the woodwork at the other end, but that was as good as it got for the listless Magpies.

Strikes from Lucas Paqueta, Tomas Soucek either side of an own goal by Sven Botman secured West Ham a 3-1 win and finally gave the club's long-suffering fans at the London Stadium something to cheer about with a display full of verve and creativity.

The result left them in 18th place in the table on seven points, five behind Newcastle in 13th. Bowen looked like he had won a penalty in the 11th minute but a lengthy VAR review showed that Mailck Thiaw got a touch on the ball and the decision was overturned.

Undeterred, Paqueta levelled for the home side with a dipping drive in the 35th minute, and Nuno Espirito Santo saw his side take a rare lead into the break after Newcastle defender Botman turned the ball into his own net in first-half stoppage time.

Without an away win all season, Newcastle boss Eddie Howe made a triple change at the break, replacing attackers Nick Woltemade and Anthony Gordon and defender Emil Krafth with Jacob Ramsey, William Osula and Fabian Schaer, but it made little difference.

West Ham midfielder Freddie Potts had a goal ruled out for a marginal offside in the build-up but with Newcastle offering so little in attack, it proved not to be costly.

Instead it fell to Soucek to wrap up the three points, bundling the ball home deep into second-half stoppage time to secure West Ham's first win under Espirito Santo and only their second victory of the season. **AGENCIES**

No word on Ronaldo's availability as FC Goa face Al Nassr in Riyadh

RIYADH, NOVEMBER 4



Indian club FC Goa will have their task cut out as they look to carry their domestic form into the international arena when they face Saudi giants Al Nassr in a vital AFC Champions League Two Group D fixture here on Wednesday.

Group D toppers Al Nassr, however, are yet to confirm the availability of their marquee player Cristiano Ronaldo for the game, having won the first leg in Goa 2-1 last month without the Portuguese superstar, who was "rested" by the team management.

Football fans in India were left disappointed after Ronaldo decided not to travel with Al Nassr for their game in FC Goa on October 22 thanks to a clause that allows him to opt out of away matches at his discretion.

Ronaldo has not featured in any of the three matches Al Nassr have played so far in the group stage of the AFC Champions League Two, including the home match against FC Istiklol of Tajikistan on September 17.

The Portuguese superstar has, however, been playing and scoring for Al Nassr in the Saudi Pro League. On Saturday, he scored a brace, including a penalty goal, against Al Fayha in a 2-1 win for his side.

The Gaurs, meanwhile, enter this contest brimming with confidence after a strong run in the Super Cup 2025, where they have won two of their last three games.

A convincing 2–0 victory over Jamshedpur FC followed by a dominant 3–0 win against Inter Kashi have not only propelled them into the Super Cup semi-finals but also underscored the team's sharpness and cohesion across all competitions. **PTI**

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