



# Central Chronicle

## 'Judges are servants of the Constitution'

CJI for writing of judgments in a simple form, keeping in mind common

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**KOLKATA:** Maintaining that "constitutional morality" is a restraining factor on the state, Chief Justice of India D Y Chandrachud on Saturday said it allows for conditions that respect diversity, promote inclusion and pursue tolerance.

He said that India does not exist only in large cities, but it goes down to the smallest village and the smallest taluka across the nation, connected or not, accessible or otherwise.

CJI Chandrachud said "constitutional morality", unlike morality, which he said is a restraint on the rights of citizens, is a restraining factor on the state.

Constitutional morality addresses itself to every component of society and allows for conditions which "respect diversity, promote inclusion and pursue tolerance", he said, delivering the keynote address at the two-day East Zone II regional conference of the National Judicial Academy. The CJI said it also imposes a duty



WB CM Mamata Banerjee with CJI Chandrachud during National Judicial Academy's conference.

**HIGHLIGHT**

● **Constitutional morality is founded in the values which the Constitution's Preamble sets out.**

**Apex Court is experimenting with artificial intelligence**

**D Y Chandrachud**  
Chief Justice of India

on the state to facilitate the achievement of the kind of society that the Constitution envisages.

"The Constitution uses the expression morality, but it does not use the expression constitutional morality," he said.

CJI Chandrachud said the Constitution allows for restrictions to be imposed

by law on the right to freedom and expression on various grounds, including morality.

He said the Constitution also contemplates that restrictions can be imposed on the right to freedom of association on grounds of morality.

At one level, constitutional morality is founded

in the values which the Constitution's Preamble sets out, he said.

"Constitutional morality is an overarching principle which is derived from, but is not confined to, specific rights or values which are enshrined in the Constitution," CJI Chandrachud said.

According to him, it gives a unifying constitutional ethic so that every Indian citizen can think and speak as he wishes to, worship as they intend to, follow whoever they want to, eat what they want to and marry whoever he or she wants to or not marry at all.

### Children get stroke; although curable

**BENGALURU:** The lack of awareness when it comes to paediatric stroke is so low and people are often stunned to hear that children can get stroke. Actors like Amitabh Bachchan need to talk about it to create awareness, said Dr Nirmal Surya, president of Indian Stroke Association (ISA) on Saturday.

Speaking at a press conference after the inauguration of the second national paediatric stroke conclave, he said, "Stroke is preventable, but globally paediatric stroke is the sixth leading cause of death in children."

The two-day conclave, organised by ISA, was inaugurated by Dr Devi Prasad Shetty, chairman and founder of Narayana Health.

According to Dr Surya, lack of awareness is the biggest challenge that paediatric neurologists world over have to overcome.

"In India, the situation is even worse. When people are not made aware of the possibility of stroke in children, time is lost on misdiagnosis. Time is of essence because stroke can often be treated with injection if the patient is brought within four and half hours," he added.

### Canopy collapses at Rajkot airport

**RAJKOT:** A portion of a fabric canopy erected at the pick-up and drop area of the Rajkot International Airport collapsed on Saturday after heavy rains, officials said. Nobody was injured in the incident, they said. The accident, which comes days after similar incidents in Delhi and Jabalpur, gave the opposition Congress an opportunity to target the ruling BJP.

In a post on X, the Rajkot airport authorities said that water accumulation was observed on the city side of the canopy at the terminal building at 11.40 am due to heavy rains. "As we came to know about it we gave the information to the civil works department and the area beneath was cordoned off," said Rajkot International Airport in the post. The international airport is located at Hirasar, about 30 km from Rajkot city.

### Five soldiers swept away in flash floods

**NEW DELHI:** Five soldiers, including a junior commissioned officer (JCO), were killed during an exercise early Saturday as their Russian-origin T-72 tank was swept away following flash floods in the Shyok river near the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in eastern Ladakh, officials said. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh said he was deeply saddened by the unfortunate accident that occurred in the river near Saser Brangsa. Two T-72

tanks were trying to cross Shyok around 1 am and one of them got stuck in high currents in the river, the officials said, adding the melting of snow resulted in the increase in the water levels. The Army deployed rescue teams but the mission didn't succeed in view of the raging waters in the river. The deceased personnel are MRK Reddy, Subhan Khan, Bhupendra Negi, E Teibam and Sadar-bonia Nagaraju.

### Nitish Kumar renews Bihar special status demand

**NEW DELHI:** The Janata Dal (United) on Saturday appointed Rajya Sabha MP Sanjay Kumar Jha as its working president and urged the Centre to consider either special category status or special package for Bihar, underlining the party's important role in the formation of the Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led government. The party's national executive meeting chaired by its president and Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar flagged price rise and unemployment as "burning issues", as its political resolution expressed confidence that the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) government would take more effective steps to handle them.

**NEWSLINE**

**NEW DELHI**

**Over 20 flights cancelled**

More than 20 flights of IndiGo that were to operate from Terminal 1 of the Delhi airport were cancelled on Saturday. A source in the know said 23 flights of IndiGo and 2 flights of SpiceJet that were scheduled to operate from T1 were cancelled on Saturday. There was no immediate comment from IndiGo.

**SRINAGAR**

**Over 13,000 visit Amarnath shrine**

More than 13,000 pilgrims visited the holy cave shrine of Amarnath on Saturday, the first day of the annual pilgrimage in the south Kashmir Himalayas that is being conducted amid tight security. The first batch of pilgrims had left the twin base camps in Baltal and Nunwan to start their journey to the cave shrine located at an altitude of 3,880 metres.

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# Raipur



Congress a loser party, satisfied after losing 10 out of 11 seats in state.  
**Dharam Lal Kaushik**,  
Former Assembly speaker,  
senior BJP leader

## Rains bring respite to Raipurians



Rains lashed capital city since morning and it brought much required relief from scorching heat and humid weather.

# 'Data based decision making is impt skill'

The NSO, GoI, Raipur organized the 18th Statistics Day celebration at RSU.

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**RAIPUR:** The National Statistical Office (NSO), GoI, Raipur organized the 18th Statistics Day celebration on June 29 at C V RAMAN HALL, School of Studies in Science, Pt RSU, Raipur. The Chief Guest of the Statistics Day celebration was Prof. Sachchidanand Shukla, Vice Chancellor, Pt RSU. The programme was presided over by Altaf Hussain Haji, Dy DG NSO, Raipur. Prof. Vyas Dubey, Head of Department, SoS in Statistics, Pt RSU, Prof.

Ravindra Brahme, Head of Department, SoS in Economics and N. Buliwal, Jt. Director, Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Ch'garh were present in the program. The guests were welcomed by R.K. Srivastava, Senior Statistical Officer, National Statistical Office, Raipur.

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### HIGHLIGHT

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based decisions. The provision of reliable and high quality data and infor-

mation provided by the National Statistical Offices (NSO) and other sources of official data is extremely important and its need for economies and societies is constantly increasing. The chief guest of the programme, V-C Pt RSU, Raipur, Prof. Sachchidanand Shukla, in his address, stressed the importance of statistics and made the students aware of the techniques of statistics and its application because today statistics is used in some form or the other in every field.

## 75% have not received 4th installment

**RAIPUR:** In a recent statement, State Congress President Deepak Baij claimed that 75 percent of women beneficiaries have not yet received the fourth installment of the Mahtari Vandan Yojana. This comes despite the fifth installment being scheduled for distribution in July.

Baij pointed out that many women are still awaiting the payment for June, raising suspicions about the government's intentions. Baij accused the government of conspiring to remove a large number of women from the beneficiary list by declaring them ineligible.

He questioned the criteria used to determine eligibility, asking why women who had received the first three installments are now being considered ineligible for the fourth. "If they were ineligible, then why was the money for three months given?"

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The girl becomes an inspiration for other cancer patients.

**KORBA:** Central India's esteemed cancer and blood disease specialist, Dr. Ravi Jaiswal, has once again demonstrated his exceptional medical prowess by successfully treating a 15-year-old girl suffering from fourth-stage ovarian cancer. The young girl, who had lost all hope, is now completely healthy and has recently passed her high school board examinations with an impressive 80% marks, becoming an inspiration for other cancer patients.

The girl, a resident of Basna, initially complained of severe stomach pain, swelling, loss of appetite, and significant weight loss.

Despite seeking treatment from various doctors over 4-5 months, her condition did not improve, forcing her to stop attending school. She experienced breathing difficulties and lost 7 kg in just two months, leading her family to admit her to Ramakrishna Care Hospital in Raipur in November 2023. A CT scan revealed an 18 cm tumor with lymph node metastasis from her ovary,

### FACTFILE

● Passed high school board examinations with an impressive 80% marks,

diagnosing her with fourth-stage ovarian cancer. Dr. Ravi Jaiswal, along with his team, provided assurance and initiated a complex chemotherapy treatment under a five-day protocol. Despite the challenges, including the need to remove fluid



Dr. Ravi Jaiswal, Cancer and blood disease specialist

from her stomach and severe breathing difficulties, the girl's condition began to improve significantly after the first cycle of chemotherapy. She regained her appetite and strength, and after three cycles, her tumor was completely cured with no symptoms. Blood tumor marker tests and post-chemo CT scans showed excellent results, leading to a successful operation by a team of senior doctors, including Dr. Sandeep Dave, Dr. Siddharth Tamrakar, Dr.

## Heavy Rain forecast in Chhattisgarh

**RAIPUR:** The Meteorological Department has issued Orange and Yellow alerts for Chhattisgarh, forecasting heavy rain in the next 24 hours. The alert predicts significant rainfall in Surguja and adjoining divisions until June 30. Districts in the Raipur, Durg, Bilaspur, and Bastar divisions have been experiencing cloudy skies and light to moderate rain since morning. On Saturday, Bijapur recorded the highest rainfall in the state with 230 mm. Other notable recordings include 90 mm in Nagari, 80 mm in Bhatapara, 70 mm in Baloda Bazar, Jagdalpur, and Patan, and 60 mm in Dornapal, Tongpal, Bastar, and Chhindigarh. Ambikapur, Chhotodongar, Gangalore, Suhela, Jagargunda, Akaltara, Bhairamgarh, Manpur, and Bhopalpatnam saw rainfall ranging from 40 to 50 mm. So far, Chhattisgarh has received 110.2 mm of rain. While 10 districts have recorded normal rainfall, 19 districts have experienced below-average rainfall. The state should have received 172.5 mm of rain by now, indicating a 36 percent deficit. In the next 24 hours, heavy rain and moderate cloud cover are expected in Bilaspur, Gaurela Pendra Marwahi, Korba, Korea, Mandragarh Chirmiri Bharatpur, and Surajpur.

## Briefs

BEST OF THE REST

### ARREST

#### Young man, woman arrested with Ganja at the new bus terminal

**RAIPUR:** In a significant drug bust, police have apprehended a young man and a woman with ganja at the new bus terminal in the Tikrapara police station area of the capital. Tikrapara police station in-charge reported that they acted on a tip-off from informers who indicated the suspects would arrive in Raipur by bus via Odisha this afternoon. Upon receiving this information, the police team swiftly surrounded the location and arrested the suspects. However, one of the women managed to escape, evading capture. Unconfirmed sources suggest that there might be attempts to hush up the matter within the police station. In a related incident three days ago, police arrested an individual in Raipur for cultivating ganja plants at his residence. The accused, identified as Sunil Pandey, was apprehended after the Anti Crime Unit received information about cannabis cultivation in Deori village near Dharsiwa.

### NIA RAID

#### Two arrested in connection with BJP leader's murder in Kanker



**RAIPUR:** The National Investigation Agency (NIA), probing the murder case of BJP leader Ratan Dubey, conducted extensive raids across half a dozen villages in the Naxal-affected Kanker district. The raids, which took place late Friday night, resulted in the arrest of two individuals and the seizure of several items, including mobile phones, a printer, and cash amounting to Rs 39,100, along with objectionable documents.

The NIA carried out these operations in the remote villages of Mujalgondi, Kalmuche, Amabeda, and Jivalamari in Kanker district.

### New Industrial Policy for state

#### Urla Industries Association hosts meeting to shape Chhattisgarh's New Industrial Policy



**RAIPUR:** As the Chhattisgarh government works on formulating the Industrial Policy 2024-29, the Urla Industries Association organized a crucial meeting on June 28 with various industrial organizations across the state. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and gather meaningful suggestions to create a more effective and comprehensive industrial policy.

Ashwin Garg, President of Urla Industries Association, emphasized the importance of studying the industrial policies of neighboring states

such as Odisha, Maharashtra, and Rajasthan. By understanding their strategies and incorporating key elements, Chhattisgarh aims to enhance its own industrial policy.

The major industrial organizations of Chhattisgarh were invited to provide their insights and suggestions during the meeting.

Garg stated that a comprehensive suggestion letter, consolidating all the feedback from the participating organizations, would soon be presented to the state government.

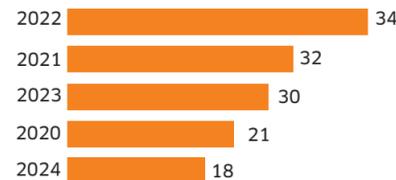
### EXCEPTIONAL MEDICAL PROWESS

# Dr. Ravi: A beacon of hope for a 15-year-old cancer survivor

### The Day's NUMBERS

#### Highest Pending cases in 2022

#### Pending cases for adoption year wise In Chhattisgarh



Source : Agencies

### RAIPUR CRIME

#### 10 Juvenile delinquents escape from Raipur Juvenile Home

**RAIPUR:** In a major security lapse, 10 juvenile delinquents have escaped from the Mana Juvenile Home in Raipur. These boys, who were held for various serious crimes, managed to flee by breaking old windows and jumping over the wall of the correctional facility early this morning. The incident has once again exposed significant flaws in the security measures of the juvenile home. The escape triggered immediate action from the authorities at Mana Juvenile Home, leading to a police search operation by the Mana police station team. Despite the police's efforts, the juvenile delinquents remain at large, raising concerns about the safety and security protocols at the correctional facility.

This is not an isolated incident; the Raipur Juvenile Home has seen similar security breaches in the past. Just five months ago, six juveniles escaped from the same facility, where they were held for crimes including murder and rape. These recurring incidents highlight ongoing negligence and inadequate security management at the Mana Juvenile Home.

### ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

#### CS given additional responsibility as V-P of State Planning Commission



**RAIPUR:** Chief Secretary Amitabh Jain has been assigned additional responsibilities as the Vice President of the State Planning Commission. This position became vacant after the former Vice President, Ajay Singh, was appointed as the State Election Commissioner a few days ago. With this new role, CS Amitabh Jain will now oversee the activities and directives of the State Policy Commission, ensuring the implementation and monitoring of various state policies. His dual role as Chief Secretary and Vice President of the State Policy Commission highlights his significant influence and responsibilities within the state administration.

### FREE COACHING

# Children of labourers to receive free coaching

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**RAIPUR:** In a special initiative spearheaded by Chief Minister Vishnudeo Sai and Labour Minister Lakhan Lal Devangan, the Chhattisgarh government is set to launch free coaching programs for the children of construction workers starting in July. This initiative aims to provide comprehensive coaching for competitive exams including PSC, Vyapam, and banking exams across 10 districts

in the state.

Labour Minister Devangan highlighted that the Free Coaching Assistance Scheme for the Children of Chief Minister Construction Workers is designed to benefit registered beneficiaries of the Chhattisgarh Bhawan and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board. The program aligns with Chief Minister Sai's vision of securing a better future for the children of labour families by offering enhanced facilities



for competitive exam preparation. Under this scheme, registered workers and their children will receive free coaching for 4 to 10 months.

The scheme is for securing a better future for children of labour families  
**Lakhan Lal Devangan**,  
State Labour Minister

The coaching will cover preparation for the Public Service Commission, Chhattisgarh Professional Examination Board, Staff Selection Commission, Banking, Railway, Police Recruitment, and other

competitive exams, based on their educational qualifications. Eligible beneficiaries can apply online through their preferred choice center or labour office. The scheme also extends eligibility to children of beneficiaries who passed away before June 9, 2020, as per the old notification. Additionally, beneficiaries under the Mukhyamantri Nirman Shramik Mrityu and Divyang Sahayata Yojana can apply to avail themselves of this scheme's benefits.

# Arang incident not mob lynching: Brijmohan

Raipur MP calls for strict action against cow smuggling.



BJP leader and Raipur MP Brijmohan Agrawal talking to reporters at Raipur Airport.

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## FASTFACTS

**RAIPUR:** 'If someone jumps into a pit and dies, how can it be called mob lynching? First of all, we have to understand the feelings of the majority community. People of the minority community should not hurt their feelings', Senior BJP leader and Raipur Lok Sabha MP Brijmohan Agrawal said. Talking to the reporters at Swami Vivekanand Airport here today he said Arang incident should not be given the form of mob lynching.

● **Congress was trying to spoil the law and order of the state, said Brijmohan blaming Congress for Balodabazar incident.**

● **Congress has only looted Chhattisgarh and exploited the fear of the people of state.**

istration by Bajrang Dal and Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP), Brijmohan Agrawal said that the government must take care of all the people. VHP is also right in its place, he said. According

## Congress most loser party: Koushik

Senior BJP legislator and former Speaker of Chhattisgarh Legislative Assembly Dharamlal Koushik said that nobody in Congress was ready to own responsibility for Congress defeat in Chhattisgarh. All Congress leaders are looking for scope to blame each other for Congress defeat, he Koushik said in his reaction to Congress review meeting over its election defeat.

to him people of a particular community are smuggling cows which is unfortunate. Earlier in Chhattisgarh, when the Bharatiya Janata Party was in power for 15 years, it was banned and a law was brought for this, he said. He said that strict action should be taken

against all the cow smugglers and people who take cows to the slaughterhouse. Commenting over review meeting of Congress after election defeat Agrawal said 'no matter how much review the Congress does, Chhattisgarh was, is and will remain with the BJP'.

## 10 minors escape by jumping over wall

**RAIPUR:** Ten juvenile delinquents escaped today by jumping over the wall of Mana juvenile home in Raipur. They were imprisoned in the juvenile home after they served sentence for serious crimes. Police have started searching for the absconding juvenile delinquents. On earlier occasion too juvenile delinquents had escaped from Mana juvenile home. Mana Camp TI Bhavesh Gautam said that 10 juvenile delinquents escaped in the morning. To escape from the juvenile home, the teenagers broke the grill on the wall in a planned manner and escaped one by one.

## Placement camp held at GGPGC

**RAIPUR:** The internal quality cell of Government Gajanand Agrawal PG College jointly under the aegis of Shankaracharya Vidyapeeth organized placement camp. A team of experts conducted interview of 35 students of the Institute on different subjects. It is under the guidance of the head of the Institute Principal Dr Poornima Sahu that this placement camp was organized. The lecturer in-charge Dr Preeti Soni conducted the programme.

## Congress lost elections due to corruption in five years: Arun Sao

**RAIPUR:** Taking a dig at the review meeting of Congress Deputy Chief Minister Arun Sao said that Congress leaders were fighting among themselves and were blaming each other for their party's election defeat. They are venting their anger on the defeat, Sao said while talking to the reporters here today. According to him infighting is brewing in Congress. Now it remains to be seen as to who will be blamed for the Lok Sabha defeat, he said. The Deputy Chief Minister said that Congress lost election due to corruption and atrocities in five years. Congress is a party of one family, he said,

## HIGHLIGHT

● **Congressmen are demanding to conduct elections through ballot paper to divert attention from the issue, Sao said.**

adding that Congress did not do politics for the people of the country and the state. On the question of Congress demand for conducting the municipal elections through ballot papers, Sao said that being in the power in the municipal corporation for five years, Congress neglected Raipur and made the city. Now that civic elections are round the corner they (Congressmen) are trying to hide their failure, he said.

## Guide team returns from 10th Yogotsav Festival

**RAIPUR:** Representing Chhattisgarh prominently at the Regional Yogotsav Festival and Health Hygiene in the State Training Center, Ambala Cantonment (Haryana) from June 19 to 23, 2024, the team of 8 Guide students from Shri Gujarati Higher Secondary School, Devendra Nagar, Raipur, under the leadership of Guide Incharge Mrs. Aarti Rajput, returned to Raipur

after successful participation. At the Ambala camp, students from Shri Gujarati School showcased impressive performances. They participated in Yogotsav Festival, where they distributed medicines to women and children under health awareness, provided tips for maintaining health, and also participated in tree plantation under environmental safety.

## NEWSLINE

### CHAMPIONSHIP

## Weightlifting Championship gets underway



**RAIPUR:** Vivan Dhiwar, Aryan Jangade, Sanika Chandel and Babli Vishwas impressed with their performances on the inaugural day of the Raipur District Sub Junior, Junior and Senior Weightlifting championship being organised at Kharun Rail Vihar Fafadih here. Raipur West MLA Rajesh Munat was chief guest of the inaugural ceremony.

Providing the above information, the Secretary of the Association Rustam Sarang said that nearly 100 players are participating in the above tournament.

### MONSOON LEAGUE

## RTTA to organize TT League from July 5

**RAIPUR:** Rajdhani Table Tennis Association (RTTA) is organising Monsoon League TT tournament from July 5 to 7 at Sapre School-based TT Hall. RTTA Secretary Vinay Baiswade informed that July 2 is the last date of registration for the above League. He added that Senior Women, Men, Youth Under 17, Under 13 categories for both boys and girls would be held under the above tournament. Similarly, the second round would be played from July 12 to 14 in separate categories. Selection of players for the 22nd Stag Chhattisgarh State TT Championship would be made on the basis of the above performances.

### BOOK RELEASE

## Revenue Minister releases two books



**RAIPUR:** The Revenue and Sports Minister Tankram Verma released a book 'Tehsildar' and 'Rajasv Pustak Paripatra (R.B.C.)' at his official residence here on Saturday. On this occasion former President District Panchayat Raipur and Apex Bank Ashok Bajaj was present. On this occasion the writers of the book viz. KK Vajpayee, former Joint Secy., and Umesh Kumar Patel, Jt. Collector; (SAS-2015); publisher of the Book - Proprietor Raj Law Publication Chandra Kumar Thakur and Avinash Agrawal were present. FORMER Jt. Secy. GAD KK Vajpayee in his book 'Tehsildar' has highlighted on the powers and the responsibilities bestowed on the shoulders of the Tehsildars and Nayab Tehsildar in the state. In this book, there are examples for the documents to be prepared in the office.

## Online certificate course on 'Applied Data Analytics' held

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National Institute of Technology Raipur's Continuing Education Cell conducted online certificate course on 'Applied Data Analytics: A Practical Approach'.

**RAIPUR:** More than 154 participants from all over India participated in this online certificate course. The valedictory ceremony was graced by the presence of Dr. NV Ramana Rao, Director, NIT Raipur as Chief Patron, Dr. Subhojit Ghosh, Chairman, CEC NIT Raipur, Dr. Sanjay Kumar, Head of Department, Information Technology (IT), Dr. Mridu Sahu and Dr. Govind P. Gupta, Assistant Professors, Information Technology (IT) as Program Coordinators.

Dr Mridu Sahu commenced the event with a detailed overview of the course, explaining its objectives, structure, and outcomes. Furthermore, she congratulated all the participants on their successful completion of the course, acknowledging their dedication and effort, and announced the awarding of e-certificates to all participants. Followingly, Dr. Sanjay Kumar offered insightful remarks on the necessity of a practical approach to learning.

Moreover, he discussed how hands-on experience and real-world applications are crucial for mastering any subject, urging participants to integrate practical methodologies into their study routines. Succeedingly, Dr. Subhojit Ghosh encouraged participants to pursue further education in related fields, such as cybersecurity.

## MD Smart city conducts inspection

**RAIPUR:** Municipal Commissioner RMC and MD Smart City Limited, Raipur Abinash Mishra conducted surprise inspection of Smart City Projects here on Friday. During this Asst. Collector Anupama Anand and technical officers of Smart City were present. During the inspection he took stock of the progress in beautification work of dharna venue at Budhatalab.

## Shopkeepers fined for lack of cleanliness

**RAIPUR:** It is as per instructions by the Commissioner Zone -8 Arun Dhruv based upon the public complaint, the health department of RMC took stock of cleanliness and hygiene in market area for the vendors, hand-cart operators, dhabha and restaurants. During this on finding lack of cleanliness and hygiene, a fine of Rs 10200 was imposed.

## Ahir praises Prayas School, UPSC coaching initiatives

| REVIEW MEETING |

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National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC) Chairman Hansraj Gangaram Ahir praised the Prayas Residential School and UPSC coaching programme run by the Chhattisgarh Government.



NCBC Chairman Hansraj Gangaram Ahir chaired a meeting here today.

**RAIPUR:** The NCBC Chairman chaired a meeting, attended by top officials from various departments, including Chief Secretary Amitabh Jain and Director General of Police Ashok Juneja here today. Ahir gathered detailed information on the implementation of state government schemes for backward classes in Chhattisgarh and commended the efforts. He stressed the need for proper implementation of both state

## EASTFACTS

● **NCBC Chairman stresses need for proper implementation of state and central govt schemes for backward classes.**

● **Out of 95 backward castes listed in the state, 67 castes are included in the central list.**

and central government schemes and programmes for backward

classes. People of backward classes should receive benefits under reservation in private institutions as well as government institutions, he stated. Praising the Commission for Backward Classes established in the state, Ahir noted that beneficiaries will be able to systematically access information about other income sources.

While reviewing the number of backward classes listed in Chhat-

tisgarh, Ahir pointed out that out of 95 backward castes listed in the state, 67 castes are included in the central list. He recommended that a proposal be sent to the National Commission for Backward Classes to include other castes of the state in the central list. The meeting was attended by National Commission for Backward Classes Secretary Ashish Upadhyay, and other senior departmental officials.

## WORKSHOP

## Workshop organized on National Education Policy

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**RAIPUR:** A one-day workshop was organized on the topic "Smooth implementation and sensitization of National Education Policy in Chhattisgarh" under the joint aegis of IQAC of Vipra Arts, Commerce and Physical Education College and Mahant Laxmi Narayan Das College.



Registrar, Pandit Ravi Shankar Shukla University said that the National Education Policy is based on the basic mantra of

all-round development of students along with continuous evaluation. A student can study the subject of other

**National Education Policy is based on basic mantra of all-round development of students along with continuous evaluation.**

Prof. Girish Kant Pandey  
Former Registrar Pt RSU

faculties according to interest along with his core subject.

Motivating students for self-employment through skill development along with moral and spiritual education is the main objective of the National Education Policy, said Prof Pandey, adding that professors will also have to prepare themselves to educate students according to the National Education Policy through such workshops.

## One day workshop for awareness of new law

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**RAIPUR:** A one-day workshop was organized in the Red Cross Hall located in the Collectorate premises for awareness of new criminal law being implemented in the country from July 1. Speakers in the workshop-Professor Abhinav K Shukla and Prof Hina Ilyas of Raipur Hidayatullah National Law University and Assistant District Prosecution Officer Shubham Tomar from the Home Dept

gave detailed information about the arrangements made towards the simplification of the process of presentation of evidence and recognition of digital evidence and punishment provisions under the new law. Employees of the district administration were present on this occasion. On the amendment of the new criminal law, Professor Abhinav Shukla said that extensive changes were made in the Bharatiya Nyay Sanhita- 2023.



“Public participation vital to fight vector borne and water borne diseases.”

Devesh Dhruv  
(Commissioner, BMC)

# BSP's Steel used in world's tallest bridge

SAIL produced and supplied desired grades of steel for construction.



Railway bridge being constructed 359 metres above the bed of Chenab in J&K.

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## FASTFACTS

**BHILAI:** Steel plants of SAIL including Bhilai Steel Plant have supplied 16,000 T of steel for construction of the world's tallest railway bridge, that soars 359 metres above the bed of Chenab river in Jammu and Kashmir. SAIL's steel plants have supplied 16,000 T of steel including 6690 Tonnes of TMT, 1793 Tonnes of Structural Steel and 7511 Tonnes of Steel Plates, Hot Strip Mill products and Chequered Plates for construction of this

● TMT has earthquake & corrosion resistant properties

● TMT Bars supplied for the upcoming bullet train project

bridge. BSP contributed supplies of 12,432 Tonnes of steel including 5922 Tonnes of TMT, 6454 Tonnes of plates and 56 Tonnes of structural steel. The bridge construction involved about 29,000 metric tonnes of steel, 10 lakh cubic metres

## Supplied steel for projects of national importance

BSP's Steel has been used in various strategic sectors and projects of national importance including defence, flyovers etc. structures in seismic and corrosion prone areas, oil & gas, space, atomic energy installations, etc. BSP supplied steel for Bandra-Worli Sea-Link and Atal Setu in Mumbai, Sela Tunnel in Arunachal Pradesh, Atal Tunnel and other projects of national importance.

earthwork, 66,000 cubic metres of concrete and 84 kms of rock bolts and cable anchors. The 1.3-kilometre-long bridge stands 35 metres higher than the iconic

Eiffel Tower in Paris. An engineering marvel, the bridge is designed to withstand high wind speeds of up to 266 kmph and earthquake forces of highest intensity.

## BMS takes disciplinary action against 3

**BHILAI:** The recognised trade union of BSP - Bhilai Ispat Mazdoor Sangh (BMS) took disciplinary action against three office bearers for demanding money (donations) from the contractors. Working President Ravishankar Singh, Vice President Indramani Mishra and Joint GS Harishankar Chaturvedi have been suspended. Vice President Sharda Gupta has tendered resignation.

## Visit BMC Livelihood Mission for PM Swanidhi

**BHILAI:** Prime Minister Swanidhi Yojana is very beneficial for small traders, those who do not have capital to expand their business. Initially the vendors are eligible for a loan of Rs 10,000. On repayment within one year, 7% interest subsidy is provided and the vendor becomes eligible for a loan of Rs 20,000. Interested people can contact the Livelihood Mission branch at Bhilai Municipal Corporation with necessary documents like Aadhar card, ration card, bank passbook, etc.

## Amit Jose's family found involved in organised crime

**BHILAI:** Police are making efforts to arrest the notorious offender Amit Jose and his accomplices who are absconding after firing gunshots on two youths in Bhilai. On Friday, a joint team of BSP, District Administration and Police bulldozed the illegal constructions and encroachments of Amit Jose and his brother-in-law in Sector 6 and Sector 5. While removing the belongings from the house of Amit's mother Biji Morris, Police found and seized 02 nos 8 mm empty cartridges and 04 live cartridges. On

## HIGHLIGHT

● Separate cases registered under Arms Act against Jose's mother and brother-in-law.

interrogation, Biji Morris disclosed that after her son Amit Jose had given her the empty cartridges and 04 live cartridges to hide at home. During action at the place of Jose's sister Priyanka George and brother-in-law B Lucky George, police recovered a pistol and 02 magazines and 05 live cartridges.

## 90 villagers avail free health services

**BHILAI:** BSP's Corporate Social Responsibility Department organized a one-day free Health Camp at village Parsahi on June 29. A total of 90 villagers including 36 men, 51 women, and 03 children from Parsahi, availed free health services at the day-long Health Camp. Free medicines were also distributed to villagers attending the camp. The Medical Team from the CSR department, comprising, Dr Mohanlal, Medical Consultant, Rekha Dev, Nursing

Staff, for Blood-Sugar and BP examination, Khilawan Kumbhkar, Pharmacist, and Shambhu Dayal, for registration, volunteered their services for the Medical Camp at Parsahi village. Budhe Lal from the CSR department was also present during the Health Camp. It is noteworthy that conducting Health Camps is one of the prime initiatives, through which BSP's CSR Department has contributed substantially towards Public Health and medicine.

## Mega Open Job Fair concludes at CSIT



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**BHILAI:** The Chhatrapati Shivaji Group of Institutions, Durg organized a highly successful Mega Open Job Fair from June 25 to 27. The job fair was meticulously planned and executed, offering a structured and efficient environment for recruitment. Thirty prominent companies from diverse sectors, including IT, engineering, finance, healthcare, and manufacturing, participated in the job fair. A total of 2500 students registered for the job fair, making it one of the largest student engagements in the region. The participants were primarily final-year students from various disciplines. The recruitment process

was comprehensive and designed to cater to both the companies' needs and the students' aspirations. The job fair concluded with remarkable success, with numerous students securing job offers and internships. Group Chairman Ajay Prakash Verma, Principal Dr Santosh Kumar Sharma, Registrar Rajesh Verma, CSIP Director Vinay Dwivedi, CSIP Principal Dr Amit Roy and faculties, staff congratulated the selected candidate. Chairman Ajay Prakash Verma said that in the coming year many more reputed national companies and multinational companies will be visiting the college campus for recruiting the students with good packages.

## Ceiling fan falls on student

**BHILAI:** A ceiling fan fell down in a classroom at Kendriya Vidyalaya Durg on Saturday. A student suffered minor injury in this incident. The child Shashank Soni of Section 9-D was rushed to hospital and discharged after treatment. On Collector's instruction, SDM Mukesh Raote reached the school to look into the matter.

## Eight arrested from

**BHILAI:** Police have arrested eight persons including a juvenile from Hyderabad. They were operating a panel of Mahadev Book online cricket betting at a flat in Hyderabad. During the raid, the prime accused tried to escape and jumped off the third floor of the building. After his treatment, police are bringing all the accused to Durg on transit remand.

## BMC-GBM fails to reach consensus on city sanitation

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First private hospital of Chhattisgarh and Central India to achieve this status.

**BHILAI:** Sparsh Multi-speciality Hospital Bhilai has been chosen for clinical trials to determine effectiveness of new medicines. FDAMap has provided the certificate of clinical trial center after thorough inspection. The new medicines have already been tested in three phases by American and Indian authorities.

Dr Mukesh Kumar of American Regulatory Agency said that clinical trials in Sparsh will begin with androgenic alopecia, i.e. baldness. Later, trials of medicines for sickle cell anaemia, renal failure, cancer, mul-



Doctors of Sparsh Hospital giving information about clinical trials.

## FASTFACTS

● Trail to begin with new medicine of baldness

● Only 77 trials held in India last year

ti-organ failure, etc will be done. Clinical Trial Team Head Dr Sanjay

Goyal said that trials are an option of free treatment. Patients who give consent will get all kinds of facilities including free medicines. Accommodation and food will be arranged for patients of other cities. These medicines are already declared safe and clinical trials will only determine the effectiveness.

Sparsh MD Dr Deepak Verma said that last year, clinical trials of 44000 medicines were conducted in America while only 77 medicines were tried in India. Sparsh will be the first institute in the state to conduct clinical trials. This status was given only after examining all the facilities and NABH recognition.

| T-20 WORLD CUP BETTING |

## Online cricket betting panels busted in Bihar

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**BHILAI:** Durg Police succeeded to bust tree panels of online cricket betting apps in Bihar. Ten accused were arrested for operating betting rackets through Reddy Anna-250, Laser-21 and Lotus 33 Apps. ASP Sukhnanandan Rathore informed that the prime accused of this gang had come to Bhilai to get a new ID and bank accounts from a person identified as Om Singh in Utai area.



Acting on a tip off, Police nabbed the accused Abhishek Singh and during interrogation, he confessed to operating three panels from a rented house in Arrah,

Bihar. A team of Durg Police moved to Bihar and raided a house in Arrah Bihar and nabbed nine youth red handed while operating an online betting racket. 20

“Bigger revelations are expected after detailed analysis of bank accounts and mobile numbers”

Sukhnanandan Rathore  
(ASP, Durg Police)

Android mobiles, 07 laptops, passbooks, cheque

books, ATM cards and registers were seized from them.

The accused are identified as Abhishek Kumar; Rajnesh Singh, Ravi Kumar Rai, Shishupal Singh, Shankar Yadav, Amit Kumar Singh, Avinash Kumar, Rishabh Kumar Singh, Prince Kumar Singh and Rishant Singh, all residents of Bhojpur, Bihar. Further action against the accused is being taken from Utai Police Station.

## 213 empl accorded a warm farewell

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**BHILAI:** As many as 213 BSP Employees, including 18 Executives, and 195 non-executives posted in various departments, including Mines, superannuated on June 30. The Farewell Ceremony for the Executives was organized at DIC Conference Hall, Ispat Bhawan. Anirban Dasgupta, Director I/c (BSP) and Pawan Kumar, ED (HR) handed over the Superannuation Orders and Service Certificates

to the Superannuating Officers. Anirban Dasgupta bid farewell to the departing members of the BSP Steel fraternity and wished them a healthy and happy life. He also appreciated the retiring employees for their commendable contributions in their respective fields. The retiring executives also shared their service experience and future plans. The Farewell Ceremony for the Non-executives was organized at Mahatma Gandhi Kala Mandir.

## NEWSLINE

### POLICE ACTION

2406 fined for no-parking violation



**BHILAI:** DSP (Traffic) informed that they are conducting a campaign against vehicles parked in no parking areas. In the last 6 months, action was taken against a total of 2406 drivers under Motor Vehicle Act. On Friday, Highway Patrolling Teams took action on heavy vehicles parked on National Highway and Canal Road and below the flyovers on charges of obstructing the public roads. Two wheelers parked in no parking area in the Surya Mall area were lifted by crane and brought to the traffic headquarters.

### PREVENTION

Efforts to prevent water-borne diseases

**BHILAI:** Bhilai Municipal Corporation is running a campaign to prevent water-borne diseases. Commissioner Devesh Kumar Dhruv has directed all the health officers, supervisors Mitamin, sanitation workers, malaria eradication department of the zone to conduct a door-to-door survey. Special dry day is being celebrated on Sunday.

### ARREST

Two held for helping absconders

**BHILAI:** During investigation of the gun firing case against notorious goon Amit Jose, Police found that he was helped by two persons. B Santosh Kumar and Shankar Bhat of Dhurandhar Ward, Bhatapara gave shelter and helped him in others to escape from being arrested. Police added the names of Santosh and Shankar in the FIR lodged under Section 212, Section 307, 34 of the Indian Penal Code.

### MEETING

BJP office bearers meet Home Minister



**BHILAI:** BJP office bearers led by District Secretary Ashish Nimje and Kisan Morcha Leader Bhaskar Tiwari met the Deputy Chief Minister and Home Minister Vijay Sharma and Cabinet Minister Kedar Kashyap on Saturday and appraised them about the frequent criminal incidents in the district. They also spoke about the ongoing development works. They demanded improved policing to eliminate the atmosphere of fear prevailing in the district.

# Chhattisgarh News

## Despite ban, sand excavation goes unabated

The illegal mining by sand mafias is going at a rampant pace, under the guise of new methods and rules.

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**FINGESHWAR:** Despite continuous action by the state government, mineral department and district administration on illegal sand excavation, transportation and storage, the illegal mining by sand mafias is going at a rampant pace, under the guise of new methods and rules. As per rules, only Hathkhohj mine was approved in Fingeshwar development block, and permission for storage was given by setting with the mineral department near the sand mine of Village Lachkera, which does not have the approval of mining.



Illegal mining by sand mafias in Gram Lachkera is going at a rampant pace, under the guise of new methods and rules.

### FASTFACTS

● Villagers of village Lachkera told that excavation and transportation from Lachkera sand mine has not stopped since October this year.

● The villagers have also highlighted the condition of roads going in all four directions from Lachkera going bad to worse.

sand from Lachkera sand mine does not seem to have happened anywhere else in the district.

The villagers have also highlighted the condition

### Resentment high among the villagers of Lachkera

According to the information received from the villagers, 4 days ago, the path of the sand mine was dug a little in the name of action on the continuous complaints by the Mineral Department, but the excavation process goes throughout the night, and action in the name of formality goes active during the day. There is resentment among the villagers and they have demanded action against the sand mining.

of roads going in all four directions from Lachkera going bad to worse due to arbitrary transportation of sand in big heavy trucks. At present, when the Mineral Department takes action in Raipur, Mahasamund and nearby

areas, the sand ghat in Lachkera is closed by the sand mafia during the day, but is active from 7 pm to 5 am and almost 100 to 125 Hywa trucks are loaded continuously with the support of the Mineral Department.

## Tree plantation drive in Bhairambaba temple

**BIJAPUR:** A massive tree plantation program was organized in the Bhairambaba temple premises located in ward number 12 of Nagar Panchayat Bhairamgarh, in which plantation of native plants like Amla, Lemon, Moringa, Mango, Cashew, Jackfruit etc. was done. In the program, people also took an oath to keep the environment balanced and to plant one plant in every house. Sub-Divisional Officer Bhairamgarh Vikas Surve, CMO, Tehsildar, CEO, BEO along with other officers and dignitaries were present in the program.

## SSM celebrates in school festival

**KHARORA:** Saraswati Shishu Mandir primary and secondary school jointly celebrated school admission festival with great pomp with newly admitted children. All the children were welcomed by applying tilak and sandalwood paste and a havan program was organized to make the newly admitted children well-educated, cultured and good citizens. Sharda Samiti Chairman Surendra Kashyap and treasurer Prafulla Giri Goswami and members attended this program and made the havan program successful.

## Divider cut in under-construction road disrupts traffic

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**DONGARGAON:** Due to a road divider under construction in the city's four-lane road traffic is getting disrupted and is becoming the cause of many accidents. The cuts left in the divider in a haphazard and arbitrary manner at various places have become a cause of trouble for the people, and where needed, the divider has not been cut. One such case is that the divider has not been cut for the access road to Dongargaon Community Health Center, Tehsil Office, Mongra Colony, Gas Godown, MLA Residence, BEO Office and other important work places, due to which many important movements like that of an ambulance recently has come to fore. The local BMO has also

written a letter to the Sub-Divisional Officer to give a cut in the divider, but the change is yet on hold and

### HIGHLIGHT

● The cuts left in the divider in a haphazard and arbitrary manner at various places have become a cause of trouble.

in the entire construction work, dividers have not been made at the main places within the city and where they have been made, people are facing problems. Road construction work is being done for the convenience of the common people but due to slow pace, the problem of dividers has also been added along with dust, mud, accidents.

## FLN training completed in four phases

**DONGARGAON:** Kharora: FLN training which is to be provided to all the teachers posted in primary schools to develop class-wise basic literacy and understanding of mathematical operations in the children is under way in the district and in this sequence, Tilda development block under Raipur district has been divided into 3 zones, in which 12 clusters have been named

Zone No. 02 Manth. The teachers coming under 12 clusters were provided training in 4 consecutive phases from June 10 and in this training it was told that FLN is to be implemented in the school as a mission so that all the children studying in the school can be successful in becoming proficient in all the subjects. Training was organized in Government New Primary School Manth.

### NEWSLINE

#### PLANTATION

#### Plantation drive done in Mura and Mohdi



**KHARORA:** Plantation drive was done in village panchayat Mura and Mohdi of district panchayat Tilda. It is known that under Jal Shakti Abhiyan from 22nd to 28th June, women group and other people planted trees at government places, schools, Anganwadis and other places in village panchayat Mura and Mohdi and in the said program, plantation was done by nodal officer, Sarpanch, Secretary, village employment assistant, women group and other people of the village. Also under Jal Shakti Abhiyan, villagers were given plantation and rain water conservation, absorption pit for water harvesting and dyke construction for underground water conservation.

#### ARREST

#### ACB arrests Patwari taking bribe



**KHAIKAR:** Anti Corruption Bureau (ACB) team arrested a Patwari red handed while taking bribe in Khairagarh district. According to the information, Patwari Vivek Parganiya posted in Patwari Halka number 11 of Khairagarh block was demanding Rs 4000 from farmer Kishore Das Sahu, resident of village Tolagaon under Parganiya Halka, in the name of correcting the farming papers.

#### PRAVESHOTSAV

#### School admission festival in Govt. School Bardih



**KHARORA:** School admission festival was organized in Government Pre-Secondary and Primary School Bardih and school Management and Development Committee Chairman Nitesh Chelak along with institution head Manharan Verma and Bhash Kumar Mahilang welcomed the school children by applying tilak and feeding them sweets. Congratulating and wishing the newly admitted students, they wished them a bright future and textbooks were also distributed to the school children. Along with this, information was given to the children about planting trees in the school premises to save the environment and cleanliness of the school premises.

## Schools open with lack of teachers and resources

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Schools in the region have opened, though with many reopening sans enough teachers and resources.



**MUNGELI:** Schools in the region have opened, though with many reopening sans enough teachers and resources. In the district many government schools reopened after summer vacations on 26th June, and the children were welcomed back with a traditional welcome, but most of the schools are lacking conjugation towards better education, due to lack of teachers.

Apart from the necessary resources in government schools, 05 schools in the district are without teachers, while 59 primary schools and 06 pre-secondary schools have single teachers.

Though in the private schools, cleaning and painting is being done on the holding, but there is nothing like this in government schools. Under the Mukhyamantri Shala Jatan Yojana, an amount of Rs 15 crore 63 lakh 48 thousand was sanctioned in the district, out of which 324 schools were repaired. There are still 207 accident prone schools in the district, most of which are dismantled and repairable and to ensure that students do not face any problem regarding books this year, the Textbook Corporation has already distributed books in the blocks. Students will be given free books from 1st to 10th.

## Public suggestions invited for ACV

**SUKMA:** On the call made by the Central Government on 15 August 2021 to make India a developed nation by the completion of 100 years (Amritkal) of India's independence in the year 2047 and to give concrete shape to the call of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the State Finance and Planning Minister OP Choudhary will prepare a framework in the form of a vision document to make Chhattisgarh a developed state by 2047 during the budget session of 2024-25 in the Assembly on 9 February 2024 and on the occasion of State Foundation Day on 1 November, the "Amritkal - Chhattisgarh Vision (ACV)/ 2047" vision document will be dedicated to the public. In order to make the document "Amritkal - Chhattisgarh Vision / 2047" all-inclusive, Niti Aayog has prepared a draft of "More Sapna More Vikas Chhattisgarh" on the citizen portal ijcheru// ekhechb.bah.hava.pad/apopjbah/ru/ivum.

## New laws will come into force from July 1, 2024

NEW LAWS

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Everyone needs to be informed about the implementation of the new law: ASP.

**SUKMA:** Regarding the new law to be implemented on 1 July 2024, information was given to citizens, journalists, Gram Panchayat Secretary-Sarpanch, police officers and employees. ASP Akash Rao Girpunje said that new laws are coming into force from 01 July 2024. All citizens including officials should be aware of this. Indian Justice Code 2023, Indian Civil Defense Code 2023, Indian Evidence Act 2023 will come into force from July 1.

ASP Akash Rao Girpunje, SDOP Amit Dewangan, TI Kanta Ajay Sonkar and Kanta



Information was given to citizens, journalists, Gram Panchayat Secretary-Sarpanch.

block CEO Narad Kumar

### FASTFACTS

● Common people should be made aware by giving information about the new justice code in all the haats and markets.

Manji informed about the Indian Justice Code 2023, Indian Civil Defense Code 2023, Indian Evidence Act. He said that this is a

comprehensive change in the direction of the Indian Penal Code and law. Officials and citizens should be aware of these laws. New provisions have been made for the accused in the new law. It is necessary for everyone to understand these laws themselves and also make others aware. He said that after the implementation of the law from July 1, 2024, if any crime is committed, the incident

or crime will be registered under the new law. Under the justice system for crimes, it has been arranged so that they can be resolved within the stipulated time. The police and the court and the post-mortem report, forensic report will have to be given on time, this will benefit the victim and the accused.

Using information technology, the entire process has been digitalized. The process of FIR, the decisions of FIR will all be in digital form. Emphasizing on the extensive publicity of the new justice code, ASP Akash Rao Girpunje said that the common people should be made aware by giving information about the new justice code in all the haats and markets including the urban bodies, gram panchayats of the district.

### COMMUTERS PROBLEMS

## Commuters face problems due to water clogging

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**RAJIM:** Water clogging in National Highway No. 130C which passes through the residential areas of the city, mainly from capital Raipur to Gariaband and Devbhog via Rajim, near the District Cooperative Bank of the city, is causing major problems to the commuters especially students. Along with water many places of the road are drenched with mud which makes sit difficult for two wheelers and pedestrians to com-



mute. While the demand for a bypass route has been gaining momentum for many years, but neither the officials pay attention or the responsible, as a result, small and big loading and unloading vehicles run fast through the

middle of the city. From morning to late evening, i.e. 24 hours a day, pedestrians keep coming and going through this route, even the students going to school reach their school and college through this road. Accidents have hap-

Accidents have happened many times but the concerned departments have not been alert yet.

Residents of Nearby areas

pened many times but the concerned departments have not been alert yet,

and as the city is connected to the capital Raipur, Dhamtari, Mahasamund and the district headquarters Gariaband, the road is of prime importance. Also through Gariaband district, via Chaubebandha bridge, Atal Chowk Sai Mandir, Rajim Bhaktin Mata Chowk, Mahamaya Chowk, which is one of the foremost reason of heavy vehicular movement and accidents getting frequent especially during the monsoon season.

## Essential meeting of UNBLP concludes

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**KOREA:** Under the guidance of Collector and Chairman Executive District Literacy Mission Authority and under the direction of Chief Executive Officer District Panchayat and Vice President District Literacy Mission Authority, a meeting of Ullas Nav Bharat Literacy Program was organized in the District Panchayat Manthan Room.

In the essential meeting of Ullas Nav Bharat

Literacy Program, District Education Officer Jitendra Gupta discussed the target of session 2024.25 and the survey and entry in the Ullas app were reviewed. Giving information about the Ullas program, the District Education Officer said that the education officer of the development block should complete the survey and data upload work within the stipulated date and mark the Ullas Literacy Center and inform the office.

Instructions to sell liquor only at the prescribed time of opening the shop, not to sell liquor more than the prescribed quantity.

Anurag Pandey  
Collector Bijapur



# Chhattisgarh



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## Orientation prog on new code of laws held

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**KHAIKARAGARH:** New Code of Justice orientation program was organized in the auditorium building of Indira Kala Sangeet Vishwavidyalaya regarding the new law to be implemented on 1 July. During this, the Commissioner, ADJ, Collector, Additional Collector and Additional SP and legal experts informed the public representatives, officers-employees, advocates, journalists, citizens and students about the new laws. Durg Commissioner and Vice Chan-

cellor in-charge of Indira Kala Sangeet Vishwavidyalaya, Satyanarayan Rathore said that 3 new laws are going to be implemented from 1 July and we all need to know this law. Generally, the one who knows about the law, reduces the violation of law even in normal life. Those who unintentionally break the law and unnecessarily visit the courts will waste their time and money. The three criminal laws in the country will now be replaced by the Indian Justice Code in place of IPC, the Indian Civil Protection

### HIGHLIGHT

● Experts gathered in the auditorium of Indira Kala Sangeet Vishwavidyalaya for the program.

● Commissioner, ADJ, Collector, Additional Collector and Additional SP gave information about the provisions of new laws in the new code of justice orientation program.

Code in place of CrPC and the Indian Evidence Code in place of the Indian Evi-

dence Act. These three laws have been made the Judicial Code so that everyone can get justice easily and we can move forward towards justice instead of punishment. Apart from this, District Sessions Judge Chandra Kumar Kashyap told that there will be a change in the legal rules from July 1 therefore it is important that everyone follows the new rules. He said that the rules are equal for everyone. Being a responsible citizen, everyone should have knowledge of this new law.

## Khairagarh College deciphers the new laws

**KHAIKARAGARH:** Orientation program on new judicial code was organized in Rani Rashmi Devi Singh Government College. This program was held in Khairagarh College on Wednesday in the presence of Additional Collector Prem Kumar Patel, Joint Collector Surendra Kumar Thakur, Prosecution Officer Devendra Dhruv and Principal in charge Dr. Jitendra Kumar Sakhare, Paralegal Volunteer Golu-das Sahu. After welcoming the guests, while conducting the program, Prof. Yashpal Janghel said that the tradition of judicial code has existed in ancient India. Chief Additional Collector Prem Kumar Patel gave detailed information about the Indian Judicial Code, Indian Civil Defense Code and provided information about the law rules to the students from the new legal things, in which attention was drawn towards Zero FIR, Forensic Investigation, Parole and the duty of public servants. Prosecution Officer Devendra Dhruv said that the old criminal code operating in the country emphasizes on penal law, while the new judicial code emphasizes on a just social system. After that, paralegal volunteer Golu-das Sahu provided information about old and new criminal laws.

## Briefs

BEST OF THE REST

### ADMISSION

#### Cluster holds school enrollment event at SAGES Bhakhara

**ANWARI:** Shala Praveshotsav was celebrated at SAGES Bhakhara at government level. The chief guest of the program was Ms. Roma Srivastava, Chief Executive Officer, District Panchayat Dhamtari. Special guests were Harakh Jain Pappu, former District President Ramgopal Devangan, Sushila Nirmalkar, former Head Teacher Hem Narayan Gaur, Dr. Mohan Hardel and school coordinators. The program was inaugurated by worshipping Goddess Saraswati. All the guests present in the program were welcomed. After that, the chief guest welcomed the newly admitted children by applying tilak and giving them sweets, books and uniforms. The message of the Education Minister was read out. Chief Guest Ms. Roma Srivastava motivated the students to study by staying disciplined.

### SHALA PRAVESHOTSAV

#### Govt Pre-Secondary School Kudkai celebrates shala praveshotsav



**GAURELLA-PENDRA:** As per the instructions of the School Education Department, shala praveshotsav was held in all the schools of the district on Wednesday. Block level school entrance celebration and invitation feast was organized in the Government Pre-Secondary School Kudkai under the chief hospitality of the Sarpanch and courtesy of him on the birthday of Mr. Madhu Kumar Chandra, Executive Engineer. Mr. K.P. Rao, Mrs. Rashmi Namdev, Mrs. Manjula Rao, Cluster Principal Mrs.

### Birthday among the elderly people Secretary CNDA celebrate B'day in Prashanti Old Age Home



**KORBA:** Chhattisgarh Newspaper Distributors Association (CNDA) Korba District Unit Secretary Jai Singh Netam celebrated his birthday among the elderly people in Prashanti Old Age Home located in the Sarvamangal temple of the city instead of celebrating it by cutting a cake. In front of Prashanti Old Age Home located in Sarvamangal temple of Korba city where women and men reside among the elderly people, Chhattisgarh Newspaper Distributors Association District Korba Unit celebrated the birthday of its officer secretary Jai Singh Netam

among the elderly people living in the old age home and instead of cutting the traditional cake, the birthday was celebrated by providing snacks to all the residents of the old age home which has become a topic of discussion. Chhattisgarh Newspaper Distributors Association is playing its role in social activities in all the districts of the state, whether it is election work, social activities or related to the problems of newspaper distributors, we are playing a leading role in all the areas and creating a respectable environment for newspaper distributors.

## Ensure the health services to rly empl

**BILASPUR:** To ensure the health of railway employees, the Bilaspur Divisional Railway Administration has organized health check-up camps not only in railway hospitals but also at employees' workplaces, providing them access to health benefits and facilities. Employees are also being counseled for health awareness at their workplaces. In this context, the Divisional Medical Department organized a health check-up camp in the Divisional Control Room of Bilaspur Division on June 28, 2024. Approximately 200 employees from various departments underwent health check-ups, including blood pressure, diabetes, height and weight measurements, and screening for various diseases. During this event, vaccination was also administered to 170 employees.

## Collector in-depth exploration of Bhopalpatnam block

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Collector took information about various basic facilities and gave necessary guidelines to bring progress in development works.

**BIJAPUR:** Collector Anurag Pandey conducted a surprise inspection of Bhopalpatnam block and took information about various basic facilities and gave necessary guidelines to bring progress in development works. During this, first of all, after doing a surprise inspection of the Indian and foreign liquor shops, he gave strict instructions to sell liquor only at the prescribed time of opening the shop, not to sell liquor more than the prescribed quantity and not to sell liquor at a price higher than the



Collector Anurag Pandey conducted a surprise inspection of Bhopalpatnam.

### FACTFILE

● Collector Anurag Pandey took stock of the various developmental tasks during his survey of Bhopalpatnam.

prescribed amount. During the inspection of the Community Health Center, necessary instructions were given regarding the facilities available to the

patients in the hospital, health services, cleanliness of the hospital premises.

At the same time, instructions were given to write off the old generators available in the hospital premises and install new generators.

During the visit, fertilizer and seeds were being distributed in the Cooperative Service Committee. The Collector directed to make the distribution

of fertilizer and seeds available to the farmers in appropriate quantity within the time limit.

Thereafter, he attended the cash payment program of remuneration to the tendu leaf collectors in Kottur Panchayat of Tarlaguda in Bhopalpatnam and while discussing with the collectors, he made them aware of the various schemes of the government and encouraged them to avail 100% benefits of the schemes. The usefulness of bank account, Aadhar card etc. for availing the benefits of the government schemes was explained in detail.

Instructions were given to complete the construction work of 133 KV substation in Bhadrakali within the time limit. Strict action will be taken against the contractor in case of unnecessary delay.

LIFELINE OF IR

## Railway tracks have story to tell, lifeline of IR

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**BILASPUR:** Yes, you heard it right, railway tracks also breathe. Rail tracks, known as 'rail' in English but commonly referred to as 'rail patari' in Hindi. Generally, the entire railway system and even trains are addressed as 'rail'. The main function of rail tracks is to provide a path for the wheels of trains. The length of rail tracks can be up to 260

meters, and they are loaded onto long trains for transportation to the rail line. Although railway tracks appear rigid, they are quite flexible. Railway tracks also expand and contract with changes in temperature. The expansion and contraction of tracks due to temperature changes are measured by 'S.E.J.' or Switch Joint. S.E.J. is a device installed on every joint of long rails (Long Welded Rail/L.W.R.)



that allows for the expansion and contraction of rails due to temperature changes. Rail tracks perform the task of carrying heavy passenger coaches and long freight trains. Due to being made of steel

**Bhilai Steel Plant is the largest supplier of Indian Railways' longest railway track (260 meters).**

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DRM office.

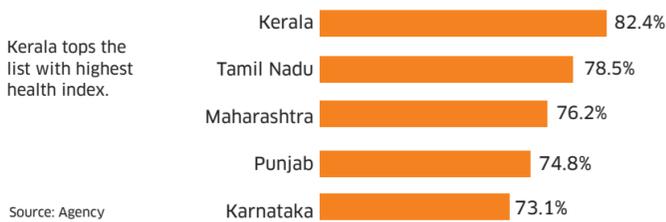
and exposed to the open environment, the average temperature of rail tracks is higher during hot days and lower during cold

days. During hot days, due to the increase in temperature and the load, stress is generated in rail tracks, causing them to lengthen. Conversely, during cold days, due to the decrease in temperature, the length of the tracks decreases. Therefore, to prevent tension or rail fracture, rail tracks are treated. This treatment involves relieving stress by loosening the pins between the tracks and the rails.

### The Day's NUMBERS

Kerala tops the list with highest health index.

### LEADING STATES IN TERMS OF HEALTH INDEX IN INDIA IN 2024



### WELCOME

#### Pt. Deendayal Chowk in Kharora to welcome massive tricolour

**KHARORA:** After the removal of the Lok Sabha Model Code of Conduct, the general meeting of the General Body of Nagar Panchayat was held on Wednesday under the chairmanship of Anil Soni, Chairman, Nagar Panchayat, in which the meeting was started by welcoming the newly appointed Chief Municipal Officer Hori Singh Thakur in the body. All the council officials praised the preparations made by the Chief Municipal Officer for the council meeting, after which decisions were taken on various subjects related to city development in which the decision to hoist the national flag of 100 feet height at the heart of the city, Pt. Deendayal Chowk has been passed. Also, the said meeting of the council was important for other issues of city development. The council took decisions on 23 important issues related to construction of Atal Chowk in the city, installation of high mask lights, installation of tubular poles, beautification of Pt. Deendayal Chowk, construction of Palika Bazaar, construction of Muktidham, sports ground upgradation and others.

### MEETING

#### Collectorate hosts coordination Committee meeting



**KHAIKARAGARH:** The first meeting of the District Level Coordination Committee (DLCC) constituted under Lakhpati Didi Pehal Yojana was held in the Collectorate hall under the chairmanship of Collector Chandrakant Verma. In the meeting, DPM of NRLM scheme Umesh Kumar Tiwari said that the main objective of Lakhpati Mahila Yojana is to increase the annual income of women of self-help groups to more than one lakh rupees by connecting them with various livelihood activities. Under the scheme, the income of women of self-help groups identified for Lakhpati Didi is to be increased by benefiting them from beneficiary-oriented schemes of departments such as agriculture, horticulture, fisheries, animal husbandry, women and child development etc. and also benefit them by providing financial assistance.

# Commemorating Veer Terriers of 107 Infantry Battalion (TA) 11 GR on 2nd **SHAHEED DIWAS**



**Lt. Col. Kapil Dev Pandey**  
( 01 Dec 1979 - 30 June 2022 )

## DECORATIONS

Special Service Medal (Operation Rhino)  
Special Service Medal (Operation Rakshak)  
Sainya Seva Medal (Bengal Assam)  
Sainya Seva Medal (Jammu and Kashmir)



Sub Umesh Lama



Sub Sajit Subba



Nb Sub Sitaram Rai



Hav Chandan Gurung



Hav Deepak Pradhan



Hav Milan Tamang



Hav Umesh Limbu



Hav Bedhyan Rai



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RFN Mahiuddin Ahmed



RFN Md Jairul Hoque



RFN Balam Sharma



RFN Sankar Chhetri



RFN Ladup Tamang



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RFN Sanjay Oraon



RFN Benjamin Rai



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RFN Tak Bahadur Thapa



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**Praying for the martyrs and their families**

**Smt. Kusum Pandey (Veer Mata)** Plot No 63/1, Nehru Nagar (East), Near Kalibari, Bhilai Nagar, Durg (CG)

Lt Col (Retd) Chhavi Pandey (Veer Patni), Bhavana Pandey (Veer Behan), Kanchan Agrawal (Veer Behan), Pradeep Agrawal (Jijaji), Abhiraj Dev Pandey (son), Abeer Dev Pandey (son), Himanshu Agrawal (Bhanja), Alisha Agrawal (Bhanja Bahu), Swastik Agrawal (Naati)



Govt approves 40 pc risk allowance for NDRF rescuers.

Amit Shah  
Union Minister

## Briefs

BEST OF THE REST

### ALERT ADMN

#### Mizoram taking steps for smooth implementation of new criminal laws

**AIZAWL:** The Mizoram government has launched a series of initiatives to ensure the smooth implementation of three new criminal laws that will come into force on July 1, a senior police officer said on Saturday. Talking to PTI, Mizoram Inspector General of Police (Law and Order) Lalbiakthanga Khiangte, however, said the three new laws are not being translated into Mizo language. The three new criminal laws – Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam – will replace the Indian Penal Code of 1860, the Code of Criminal Procedure Act of 1898, and the Indian Evidence Act of 1872, respectively. Highlighting the government's efforts to implement the new laws, Khiangte said training for 1,492 police personnel, which constitute 93 per cent of police station staff.

### PROMOTING HEALTH

#### Week-long yoga camp concluded at IndianOil Paradip Refinery



**PARADIP:** A seven-day Yoga Camp successfully concluded at IndianOil Paradip Refinery on 27th June 2024. The camp was inaugurated by Mr Kausik Basu, Executive Director & Refinery Head, Paradip Refinery on the auspicious occasion of International Day of Yoga on June 21, 2024. The event was held at Utsav Community Center of Paradip Refinery Township, the camp saw enthusiastic participation from employees and their family members. Renowned Yoga Guru, Taponidhi Maharaj from Bihar School of Yoga, Munger conducted the yoga camp.

### Bilateral Ties

#### Jaishankar to visit Qatar today; focus on boosting energy and trade ties



**NEW DELHI:** External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar will travel to Qatar on Sunday to hold talks with Prime Minister Mohammed bin Abdulrahman bin Jassim Al Thani with a focus on exploring ways to expand bilateral cooperation in areas of trade, investment and energy.

Jaishankar's visit comes four-and-a-half months after Qatar released eight former Indian Navy personnel, who were sentenced to death after being arrested in August 2022.

"During the visit, he will meet the Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Qatar Sheikh Mohammed bin Abdulrahman bin Jassim Al Thani," the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) said.

It said the visit would "enable both sides to review various aspects of

bilateral relations, including political, trade, investment, energy, security, cultural and people-to-people as well as the regional and international issues of mutual interest".

It is expected that Jaishankar and Al Thani would also deliberate on the overall situation in West Asia against the backdrop of Israel's continuing military offensives in Gaza. Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited Qatar from February 14 to 15 and held discussions with Qatar's Emir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani. "India and Qatar share historic and friendly relations which are marked by regular exchange of high-level visits," the MEA said in a statement. India and Qatar are looking at broadbasing trade basket with a view to link it to regional trade.

### The Day's NUMBERS

STATE WISE ROSE PRODUCTION (IN METRIC TONS)	
Maharashtra	3500
Karnataka	3000
Tamil Nadu	2800
Gujarat	2200
Andhra Pradesh	2500
Uttar Pradesh	2000

Source: Statista

### EXCISE 'SCAM'

#### Delhi court sends Kejriwal to judicial custody till July 12

**NEW DELHI:** A court here on Saturday sent Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal to judicial custody till July 12 in a corruption case related to the alleged excise scam.

Kejriwal was produced in the court by the CBI after the end of his three-day custodial interrogation.

The CBI sought 14 days jail for Kejriwal, saying his incarceration was required "in the interest of the investigation and justice".

Allowing the plea, Special Judge Sunena Sharma said that Kejriwal be produced in the court on July 12.

A detailed order from the court is awaited. Kejriwal was arrested by the CBI in connection with irregularities in his government's excise policy.

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## Heavy rains lash Delhi



Children play at the India Gate amid rains, in New Delhi, Saturday.

# ED attaches land, bank deposits of CPI(M)

Assets worth Rs 28.65 crore have also been attached by the ED after a provisional order under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) was issued.

Press Trust Of India

**KOCHI:** The Enforcement Directorate alleged Saturday that the CPI(M) in Kerala was holding proceeds of money laundering, as it attached a land parcel and bank deposits worth Rs 73 lakh of the political party in a probe linked to the Karuvannur Service Cooperative Bank "scam". Assets worth Rs 28.65 crore of various individuals and entities linked to the case have also been attached by the federal agency after a provisional order under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) was issued.

Official sources said

the party may be named as an accused in the next supplementary charge-sheet to be filed in this case. If so, it will be the second political party to be arraigned as accused in a money laundering investigation after the Aam Aadmi Party. AAP has recently been named by the ED in the Delhi excise policy case.

The CPI(M) vehemently denied the charges of wrongdoing and money laundering.

The attached assets include 18 immovable properties, valued at Rs 28.65 crore, consisting of lands and buildings in Kerala of the beneficiaries of the "scam",

### HIGHLIGHT

● 2nd political party named accused in a money laundering probe.

● ED filed a chargesheet in this case against 55 accused entities.

including an immovable property worth Rs 10 lakh registered in the name of a district secretary of the Communist Party of India (Marxist) for a party office, the ED said in a statement.

The attachment also includes eight movable properties, including a credit balance of Rs 63.62

lakh in eight "undisclosed" bank accounts of the CPI(M) local area committees in Thrissur, it added. The agency claimed that the CPI(M) received these funds from the beneficiaries as donations through the governing body and the party is "in possession of proceeds of crime" which has been invested in the purchase of immovable properties and credited to its five bank accounts in the Karuvannur Service Cooperative Bank Ltd. The bank is promoted by the party.

The CPI(M) rejected the ED charges, saying it would legally and politically fight any move by

the agency to arraign it in the case linked to the alleged multi-crore Karuvannur bank scam.

Party state secretary M V Govindan alleged that the ED was trying to make opposition parties and their leaders accused in various cases due to political reasons.

He also accused the central agency of attempting to create a smokescreen as it had failed to collect any evidence against the party.

The ED believes that the land parcel attached by it was meant for the CPI(M) party office and was purchased using alleged kickbacks from the loanees.

### LANDMARK EVENT

# Air India makes night landing at Port Blair Airport

Press Trust Of India

The aircraft left Kolkata around 5.40 pm and landed successfully in Port Blair at 7.34 pm.

**PORTBLAIR:** An Air India flight made a successful night landing at Port Blair Airport, an official statement said. The Air India Airbus A321 with 68 passengers on board landed at INS Utkrosh on Friday evening. INS Utkrosh is under Andaman and Nicobar Command (ANC) and it is located on the same premises of Veer Savarkar International Airport in Port Blair.

A statement issued by the Andaman and Nicobar Command said, "The aircraft left Kolk-



Representational picture.

### FACTFILE

● This landmark event was made possible through consistent efforts by the Indian Navy, ANC and the AAI over the past few years.

ata around 5.40 pm and landed successfully in Port Blair at 7.34 pm. The aircraft proceeded towards Veer Savarkar International Terminal to disembark passengers."

"This successful night landing marks a significant step towards enhancing air connectivity to And-

man and Nicobar Islands, benefiting islanders and boosting tourism. This landmark event was made possible through consistent efforts by the Indian Navy, Andaman and Nicobar Command (ANC) and the Airports Authority of India (AAI) over the past few years," it said.

### COLD WAR

# Universities overlook Kerala Governor orders

Press Trust Of India

**THIRUVANANTHAPURAM:** A day after constituting search committees for the selection of vice chancellors for six universities in the state, Kerala Governor Arif Mohammed Khan on Saturday said he was doing his duty, but there was a wilful omission on part of the university authorities

despite reminders from his office.

Khan, in his capacity as chancellor of the universities in the state, on Friday issued notifications for selecting Vice Chancellors for Kerala University, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies, APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, Kerala



**State Govt instructed the universities not to send their representatives for the search committees.**

Arif Mohammed Khan  
Kerala Governor



Agricultural University and Malayalam University.

Speaking to reporters here, Khan cited media reports and claimed that the state government had instructed the universities not to send their representatives for the search committees. "My duty is to ensure universities have regular vice chancellors," Khan said.

# NDPP sweeps civic polls, wins all 3 municipal councils

### Nearly 82 pc of the over 2.23 lakh voters exercised their franchise in the polls.

Press Trust Of India

**KOHIMA:** The ruling NDPP swept the civic body polls in Nagaland on Saturday, winning all three municipal councils and most of the town councils, officials said. The polling for the 24 urban local bodies -- three municipal councils and 21 town councils -- spread across 10 districts was held on Wednesday. Nearly 82 per cent of the over 2.23 lakh voters exercised their franchise in the elections, they said.

The counting began at 8 am in 16 centres, and has been slow since the elections were held on ballot papers, they added.

NDPP won all three municipal councils -- Kohima, Mokokchung and Dimapur. Of the 21 town councils, it secured a majority in all, except Wokha, Bhandari and Phek, officials said.

In the Wokha town council, the NDPP won



Representational image only

seven of the 15 seats, while the NCP won five and the BJP got three seats. The Naga Peoples' Front (NPF) secured a majority in both Bhandari and Phek town councils, they said.

In Bhandari town council, NPF won six of the nine wards, while BJP and JDU got one each, and an Independent candidate also won. In Phek Town Council, NPF won seven of the nine seats.

# Woman poisons 9-month-old son

**CHANDRAPUR:** A 27-year-old woman poisoned her 9-month-old son, who survived, before hanging herself in Maharashtra's Chandrapur district, an official said on Saturday.

The police have registered a case against the woman's husband and in-laws after her mother accused them of harassing her daughter. Pallavi Vinod Dhoke fed some insecticide to her baby and hanged herself at her matrimonial home in Shegaon (Bk) village, about 60 km from the district headquarters, on Friday evening when other family members were away.

After returning home, her family members called the police who rushed Pallavi and the baby to a hospital, where doctors declared her dead, the official said. The baby was then shifted to a private hospital in Chandrapur and he is said to be in a stable condition. However, Pallavi's mother accused her in-laws of torturing her daughter over money. On her complaint, police registered a case against Pallavi's husband and his parents, the official said.

**कार्यालय, प्राचार्य डॉ. मनराजन लाल साहू, शासकीय महाविद्यालय जामुल, भिलाई, जिला-दुर्ग**  
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Table with 2 columns: क्रमांक/1475/स्वा./2024, निविदा आमंत्रण/जामुल, दिनांक 29.06.2024. It lists details for a tender for construction work at the Government College, Jamul, Bilhail, Durg District.

Table with 2 columns: निविदा को प्रारंभ तिथि, निविदा को अंतिम तिथि, निविदा जमा करने की अंतिम तिथि, निविदा खोलने की तिथि. It lists the dates for the tender process.

**कार्यालय कार्यपालन अभियंता लो.नि.वि. सभाग बलौदा बाजार (छ.ग.)**

**प्रथम निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना**  
क्रमांक-2170/NIT-2/2024-2025/ व ले ल दिनांक : 26 / 06 / 2024

निविदा प्रपत्र क्रय करने हेतु आवेदन प्रस्तुत करने की अंतिम तिथि :- 10 / 07 / 2024 अपराह्न 5.30 बजे तक

निविदा खोलने की तिथि :- 16 / 07 / 2024 पूर्वाह्न 11.30 बजे तक

Table with 4 columns: क्र. निविदा क्र., कार्य का नाम/NoIFCalls, कार्य की अनुमानित लागत (लाख में), अमानत राशि (रु. में). It lists the details of the tender items.

शर्त - 100/- रु. स्टाम्प निश्चित शपथ पत्र नोडराइट प्रस्तुत करना अनिवार्य है. निविदा क्र. T0011, T0012 हेतु विगत वर्ष में कम से कम 20.00 लाख का सामान प्रकृति के किसी भी शासकीय विभाग में कार्य का कार्यदिश एवं सफलतापूर्वक कार्य संपादन का प्रमाण पत्र प्रस्तुत करना होगा...

**General Information**  
General Information Regarding the cancellation of the sale agreement dated 02-04-2022

The general public is informed that my party Mrs. Anarkali alias Ninder Kaur, father Late. Iwar Singh, W/O Guruvachan Singh owned and occupied by resident of village and post Bansra police station Raniganj district West Bardhaman (West Bengal); purchased and occupied agricultural land 549/2; 549/3; 549/4; 549/5 area respectively 0.086 hectare, 0.087 hectare, 0.087 hectare, 0.087 hectare and 0.058 hectare. Total Khassa 4 Total area 0.405 ha. The land is situated in Mauza, village Manth P.H.No. 32 R.N.M. And Tehsil Kharora District Raipur Chhattisgarh. An agreement for sale after obtaining due permission from Honorable Collector was executed on 02-04-2022 in favor of Mr. Buyer Naven Kumar Aggarwal father Mr. Jugal Kishore Aggarwal resident Ward No. 13 Agrasen Chowk Kharora Tehsil Kharora District Raipur Chhattisgarh. Since due permission could not be obtained from the Honorable Collector, the said agreement has been cancelled on 26-06-2024 and the advance amount paid by the buyer has been returned as per the satisfaction of the buyer. Now my party is free to sell the above mentioned property to any person or organization.

**कार्यालय अभियंता लो.नि.वि.सभाग, बलौदा बाजार (छ.ग.)**

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Branch: Baloda Bazar (C.G.)

**POSSESSION NOTICE [Appendix IV under the Act-Rule-8(1)]**  
Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised officer of the Canara Bank under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued a Demand Notice was issued on the dated in the given following table calling upon them to repay the amount within 60 days of receipt of said notice.

Table with 4 columns: S. No., Borrower/Branch Name, Detail of Possessed Property, Demand Notice Amount, Demand Notice Date. It lists the details of the secured assets.

**Authorised Officer, Canara Bank**

**STEEL AUTHORITY OF INDIA LIMITED**  
Bhilai Steel Plant  
Bhilai - Dist. Durg, Chhattisgarh, India, 490001

**EXTENSION OF DATE**  
Ref. Advt.No. BSP-04/24-25, Dt. 25/05/2024  
NIT No. - NIT no-CCNW/PR-1130023555/EP-2024300007

Name of the Work : TENDER/ AUCTION OF SHOPS/ PLOTS IN BSP TOWNSHIP FOR ALLOTMENT ON LICENCE BASIS.  
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Under Rule No. 8 (1) of Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the LIC Housing Finance Ltd. under the Securitization & Reconstruction of Assets and Enforcement of Security Act 2002 and exercise of power conferred Under Section 13 (12) read with rule (9) of the security interest (Enforcement) rules 2002. Issued a Demand Notice from LIC Housing Finance Ltd. Raipur within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice as mentioned below the borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described. Herein below in exercise of power conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said act read with rule 8 of the said Rule 8 for property given below.

The borrower and public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with property will be subject to the charge of LIC Housing Finance Ltd. Raipur

Table with 5 columns: S. No., Name of Borrower, DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY ON DEMAND NOTICE, DATE OF THE DEMAND/ POSSESSION NOTICE, AMOUNT IN DEMAND NOTICE. It lists the details of the secured assets.

**STATUTORY NOTICE:** The borrower / guarantor here by notice do pay the sum mentioned above within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which the aforesaid property will be auctioned and balance if any will recovered with interest and cost from you.  
Date: 30.06.2024, Place: Raipur Authorised Officer

# AAP workers detained in Jammu

**JAMMU:** Over 20 workers of the Aam Aadmi Party were detained on Saturday after they tried to hold a protest outside the BJP headquarters here against the arrest of party convenor and Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal, officials said.

A group of AAP activists led by party leader Om Prakash Khajuria assembled near Trikuta Nagar as part of the nationwide protest against the arrest of Kejriwal and tried to move towards the BJP office but were stopped by police, they said. The officials said over 20 workers were detained after they refused to disperse and tried to continue their march towards the BJP office.

**OFFICE OF THE ENGINEER IN CHIEF PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, NAVA RAIPUR, ATAL NAGAR**  
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S. No	System Tender No./ Date	Name of Work	PAC Amount (Rupees in lacs)
1	155294 First Call 24.06.2024	1) CONSTRUCTION OF HARRADAND CHOWK TO GORIYA APPROACH ROAD LENGTH 4.46 KM, DISTT- JASHPUR (Work code W27890), 2) CONSTRUCTION OF PHARSAKHANI TO THETHETANGAR APPROACH ROAD LENGTH 3.76 KM, DISTT- JASHPUR (Work code -W27887)	688.69
2	155310 First Call 24.06.2024	CONSTRUCTION OF 11 NOS "H" TYPE, 07 NOS "H" TYPE AND 07 NOS "I" TYPE QUARTER FOR JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT AT MANENDRAGARH, DISTT-KOREA (C.G.)	282.30
3	155312 First Call 24.06.2024	Construction of New District Court Building i/c Water supply, Sanitary Fittings, Rain water Harvesting, Boundary wall, Land Scaping, Septic Tank, Electrification Works & Approach Road AT BALOD (C.G.)	1436.00
4	155317 First Call 24.06.2024	CONSTRUCTION OF NEW DISTRICT COURT BUILDING I/c ELECTRIFICATION, WATER SUPPLY, SANITARY FITTING & APPROACH ROAD WORK AT KONDGAON Word Code :- W28617.	1170.00
5	155385 First Call 25.06.2024	1) CONSTRUCTION OF N.H.-43 TO MAHUATOLI-SHRITOLI- KAMARTOLI APPROACH ROAD LENGTH 2.68 KM, DISTT- JASHPUR, 2) CONSTRUCTION OF S.H.-17 TO PUTUKELA APPROACH ROAD LENGTH 2.14 KM, DISTT- JASHPUR 3) CONSTRUCTION OF S.H.-17 TO SARANGAND APPROACH ROAD LENGTH 2.88 KM, DISTT- JASHPUR.	687.60
6	155387 First Call 25.06.2024	CONSTRUCTION OF LARANGSAI CHOWK TO RING ROAD, POWER HOUSE TO JAISTAMB CHOWK, BHARAT MATA CHOWK TO REST HOUSE AND JAISTAMB CHOWK LENGTH 5.825 KM, DISTT- BALRAMPUR RAMANUJANG.	369.83

Last Date of Tender Downloading S.No. 01, S.No. 05 date 16.07.2024. Other Tenders Date are Schedule as date 18.07.2024. For more details on the tender and bidding process please visit the above mentioned portal.  
Chief Engineer (Central Tender Cell) Office Of Engineer In Chief P.W.D. Nava Raipur Atal Nagar  
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APPENDIX IV [Rule-8(1)] POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property)  
Whereas the Secured creditors of the below mentioned accounts have assigned the financial assets along with underlying security to Edelweiss Asset Reconstruction Company Limited (herein after referred as EARC) and EARC acting in its capacity as trustee of various trusts under Sec.5 of SARFAESI Act, 2002 has stepped into the shoes of the Secured Creditors and all the rights, title and interests of the Secured Creditor with respect to the financial assets along with underlying security interests, guarantees, pledges stands vested in EARC in respect of the financial assistance availed by the Borrowers and EARC is empowered to exercise all its rights as the secured creditor. Whereas the Authorized Officer of Edelweiss Asset Reconstruction Company Limited under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Act), 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with (Rule 3) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice as mentioned below calling upon the borrowers to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Edelweiss Asset Reconstruction Company Limited has taken Physical Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of the SARFAESI Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on the date mentioned against each property.

S/ No	Borrower and Co-Borrower / Loan Account Number	Trust Details	Demand Notice date and Amount	Date of Possession	Type of Possession
1.	M/S Om Sai Traders; Mr. Nirmal Lalwani And Mrs. Kanchan Lalwani, Loan Account No. FRV00265N and FRV00607N	EARC TRUST SC-420 and IndusInd Bank Ltd.	20.06.2022 & Rs. 56,55,751.12/-	25.06.2024	Physical Possession

DESCRIPTION OF SECURED ASSET:- All the part of property bearing Plot/ House No.-43, Part of Kharsa No-165/6 Area -1000 Sq.ft situated at Gilarjali Griha Nirman Sahkari Samiti Mayradil, Shahid Pankaj Vikram Ward No-50, Village Tikrapara Ph No-114, Tehsil And Dist-Raipur, butted and bounded as under (Boundaries As per Deed):- On The North : Land of other, On The South : Road, On The East : Part of Plot no-43, On The West : Plot No - 42

\*\*\*The details/Description of the property is more particularly mentioned in the Deed of Sale Registered as Serial No. 3652(k) dated 07/03/2005 which was registered in the Name of Mr. Nirmal Lalwani.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets. The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Edelweiss Asset Reconstruction Company Limited for the amount mentioned above and interest thereon.

Date: Raipur Date: 30.06.2024 Sd/- Authorized Officer Edelweiss Asset Reconstruction Company Limited

**सेंट्रल बैंक ऑफ़ इंडिया** Regional Office, Raipur (C.G.)

APPENDIX IV Rule-8(1) POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

Whereas The undersigned being the authorized officer of the Central Bank of India, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice as below mentioned date calling upon the borrower/s to repay the amount mentioned in the notice with interest and expenses thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules on the date mentioned below. The borrower, guarantor/s in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Central Bank of India for the due amount as mentioned below with subsequent interest and expenses there on.

The borrower's/guarantors attention is invited to provisions of sub-section 8 of section 13 of the act, in respect of time available redeem the secured assets.

S. N.	Name of Borrower/ Guarantor & Address/ Branch	Description of the Immovable property	Demand Notice Date/Amount
1.	Borrower:- (1) M/s Chhatisgarh Tyres, Prop. Mr. Janab Khan S/o Late Mr. Habib Khan, Address- H. No. 07, Ward No.11, in front of Masjid, Padampur Road, At+ PO Block- Saraipali, Admeasuring Area 2885 Sq.ft. Tehsil- Saraipali, Dist. Mahasamund (CG) 493558. (2) Mr. Janab Khan S/o Late Mr. Habib Khan, Address- H. No. 07, Ward No.11, in front of Masjid, Padampur Road, At+ PO & Tehsil- Saraipali, Dist. Mahasamund (CG) 493558. Guarantor:- Mr. Gulam Khan S/o Late Mr. Habib Khan, Address- H. No. 07, Ward No.11, in front of Masjid, Padampur Road, At, PO & Tehsil- Saraipali, Dist. Mahasamund (CG) 493558. Branch: Saraipali (C.G.)	All the Parts and Parcel of Residential Property Situated at KH No 777, 781/1 (Part), P.H.No-14, Ward No.-11, Padampur Road, RNM and Block- Saraipali, Admeasuring Area 2885 Sq.ft. Tehsil- Saraipali, Dist- Mahamund (C.G.) in the name of Mr. Janab Khan S/o. Habib Khan.	09.12.2022 ₹ 41,52,763.00 Plus subsequent interest and expenses there on.
2.	Borrower:- Mrs. Chhaya Devi Aditya W/ Ishwar Prasad Aditya Address:- (1) Village Mokhaputka, Bhowarpur Road, Post- Singhanpur, Tehsil- Saraipali Dist- Mahasamund (C.G.) C. Pin-493558. (2) 115, Sanjay Nagar, Saraipali, Dist- Mahasamund, C.G. Pin- 493558. Guarantor:- Shri Ishwar Prasad Aditya S/o Shri Bisahu Ram Aditya Address:- (1) Village Mokhaputka, Bhowarpur Road, Post- Singhanpur, Tehsil- Saraipali, Dist- Mahasamund (C.G.) C. Pin-493558. (2) 115, Sanjay Nagar, Saraipali, Dist- Mahasamund, C.G. Pin- 493558. Branch: Saraipali (C.G.)	(1) All the Part and Parcel of Residential Land and Building, situated at Kharsa No 2177/6, Area 0.03 Hectare, Village- Mokhaputka, P.C.No 17, RIC+Tehsil- Saraipali Dist- Mahasamund (C.G.) in the name of Shri Ishwar Prasad Aditya S/o- Shri Bisahu Ram Aditya. Boundaries: North- Road, South- Land of Dushyant, East- Land of Ishwar, West- Land of Dushyant, (2) All the Part and Parcel of Residential Land and Building, situated at Kharsa No 2177/3, Area 0.03 Hectare and New Kharsa No 2177/7, Area 0.03 Hectare, Village- Mokhaputka, P.C.No 17, RIC+Tehsil- Saraipali Dist- Mahasamund (C.G.) in the name of Shri Ishwar Prasad Aditya S/o- Shri Bisahu Ram Aditya. Boundaries: North- Bhowarpur Road, South- Land of Chamar Singh, East- Seller, West- Seller.	25.01.2024 ₹ 25,09,241.00 Plus subsequent interest and expenses there on. Date of Possession 26.06.2024

Date: 30.06.2024, Place : Raipur (C.G.) Authorised OFFICER, CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA

**केनरा बैंक Canara Bank**  
Branch: Baloda Bazar (C.G.)

**POSSESSION NOTICE [Appendix IV under the Act-Rule-8(1)]**  
Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised officer of the Canara Bank under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued a Demand Notice was issued on the dated in the given following table calling upon them to repay the amount within 60 days of receipt of said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property, described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the said Act on the dates mentioned against the account. The Borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the CANARA BANK (Below mentioned Branches) for the amount and interest mentioned thereon.

The Borrower's / Guarantors / Mortgagee's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

S. No.	Borrower/ Branch Name	Detail of Possessed Property	Demand Notice Amount	Demand Notice Date
1.	Shri Mohit Kumar	EMT of Land & Building situated at Old Sy. No. Part of 1240/1, 1240/2, New no. 1240/12 Located on Baloda Bazar, PH.No.-15, R.I.C. & Tah. Baloda Bazar Dist. Baloda Bazar - Bhatapara, Chhattisgarh. Owner : Smt. Pinki Devi w/o Mohit Kumar, Area: 0.012 Hect. or 122 Sq. Mtr. Boundaries: North: House of Patel, South: Road, East: House of Banjara, West: Road	₹ 40,73,542.89 with interest and applicable charges thereon.	02.04.2024 28.06.2024

Date: 29.06.2024 Place: Baloda Bazar (C.G.) Authorised Officer, Canara Bank

**बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ोदा Bank of Baroda**  
Regional Office - Bilaspur, 1st floor, TR Complex, Opposite SBI, RAJKISHORE NAGAR BRANCH, LINGIYADIH, BILASPUR - 495006 (C.G.), PH:07752-310229/ 310231, E-mail: recovery.bilaspur@bankofbaroda.com

**POSSESSION NOTICE**  
(As per Appendix IV read with rule 8(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002) Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Bank of Baroda under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act,2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice to the following borrowers / guarantors calling upon the Borrowers to repay the amount mentioned in the respective notices within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The under mentioned Borrower / Guarantor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers/Guarantors and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub- section (4) of section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 and under section 14 of the Act of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 .

S. Branch N.	Name/Ph.No.	Name of Borrower / Guarantor	Description of Property	Demand Notice Date, Amount & Symbolic / Physical Possession Date
01	Bhatapara Branch 9752410737	Mrs. Sarita Tharani & M/s. Tharani Tiffin Center and Srih Udoy (Proprietor, Mrs. Sarita Tharani) Address:- Kharsa No. 65/45, 70/68 Vill. Dhourabhata, Bhatapara, Dist.- Baloda Bazar, Chhattisgarh - 493118.	Equitable Mortgage of Land & Residential Building of Kharsa No- 65/45, 70/68, P.H. No.- 12, R.N.M. Bhatapara, admeasuring Plot Area 1184 Sq Ft situated at Vill.- Dhourabhata, Bhatapara, Tahsil-Bhatapara, Dist.-Baloda Bazar, C.G.- 493118 in the Name of Mrs. Sarita Tharani. Boundaries : North - Road, South - Land of Digar, East-Land of Puja Chandwani and West - Amar Lal Ahuja's Land.	18.01.2024 Rs. 21,07,107.55 + interest + other charges 29.06.2024 Symbolic Possession

The Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagees in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the above mentioned property and any dealings with the property/ies will be subject to the charge of Bank of Baroda for above mentioned amount interest and other charges thereon. The Borrower's attention is invited to provision of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.  
Date:30.06.2024, Place: Bilaspur (C.G.) Authorised Officer, Bank of Baroda



## QUOTE FROM THE QUOTABLE

Justice is the foundation of a civilized society; it is our duty to protect the rights of every individual, regardless of their social standing.

[Raja Ram Mohan Roy]

## Comment

## From Idealism to Scandal: Kejriwal's rise and fall in politics

## OUR VIEW |

## India's FATF success: Strengthening global financial integrity

India's achievement in the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) evaluation underscores a significant stride towards bolstering global financial integrity. The FATF's latest report not only commends India's robust measures against money laundering, terrorist financing, and proliferation financing but also positions the nation in the esteemed 'regular follow-up' category, a distinction shared by only a handful of G20 countries. The three-day final plenary session in Singapore concluded with India's removal from the increased monitoring list, marking a pivotal moment endorsed by the FATF's thorough on-site assessments. This recognition underscores India's commitment to adhering to international standards in combating financial crimes. According to the FATF statement, India demonstrated commendable technical compliance with FATF recommendations, affirming the effectiveness of its stringent regulatory framework. Key measures include enhanced risk assessment, robust international cooperation, and comprehensive access to ownership information, pivotal in curbing illicit financial activities. The Ministry of Finance hailed this achievement as a testament to India's proactive stance against financial malpractices. Beyond regulatory compliance, India's performance holds strategic implications for its economic landscape. Favorable ratings are anticipated to facilitate broader access to global financial markets, bolster investor confidence, and catalyze the international adoption of India's pioneering Unified Payments Interface (UPI). In essence, India's success at the FATF not only validates its concerted efforts but also reinforces its pivotal role in safeguarding global financial stability. This milestone underscores India's readiness to uphold international financial norms while fostering a secure and transparent financial ecosystem. As India continues to stride forward, such accolades serve as a beacon of assurance in its journey towards sustained economic growth and global leadership in financial governance. India's proactive engagement with the FATF sets a precedent for other nations, highlighting the benefits of rigorous regulatory frameworks in promoting a secure global financial environment.

## GUEST VIEW |

## Rahul Gandhi's new role strengthens democracy's backbone

June 26th marks a significant day for India's democracy as the Lok Sabha finally has a Leader of Opposition (LoP) after a decade. Rahul Gandhi's appointment to this role is crucial, especially given his past ridicule by the BJP. As the "shadow prime minister," Gandhi now has the power to check any unconstitutional policies of the current government. He follows in the footsteps of his parents, Sonia and Rajiv Gandhi, who previously held this position. Though not a constitutional post, the LoP role grants Gandhi influence, including participation in key bureaucratic appointments. In his inaugural speech as LoP, Gandhi congratulated Om Birla, the new Speaker, and emphasized the importance of trust and representation of opposition voices in the House. Critics continue to question Gandhi's capabilities, but his new position answers Prime Minister Modi's past jibe, "Who is Rahul?" clearly and emphatically. This appointment heralds a new era where the true essence of democracy can flourish. Rahul Gandhi's inclusive approach promises to take all communities, castes, and religions into account, reinforcing his role as a vital democratic leader.



Bidyut Kumar Chatterjee

The rise and fall of the empire of Kejriwal should be seen as a dramatic irony. There was a time when Kejriwal was considered as the most honest leader who had the power to sweep, with his Jhadu, all the evils of the country. Everyone looked at him optimistically. He had brought hopes in the minds of millions of Indians with his crusade against corruption.

The whole nation stood by him. It seemed as if the nation had found an angelic icon in the name of Kejriwal for whom we, the true citizens of India, were waiting for since independence. One can well remember the Anna Movement when all gave support to him. It was the time when people were tired of the corruption in almost all the fields of our society. There were scams everywhere.

At such a time the surfacing of the luminary in the name of Anna Hazare on the gloomy horizon of India was like a ray of hope. His Fast unto Death for the cause

of bringing Lokpal Bill and India Against Corruption is seen as a decree, drawing a line between honesty and dishonesty. At that time, if Anna Hazare was the soul of the movement and Mr. Kejriwal was the body of the movement.

All thought that if anyone can bring some changes, it was Kejriwal. The impact of the movement was so extensive that even dabbawalas of Mumbai city went on strike for the first time in their history. Well, the movement ended as almost all the movements ended.

It also came out after churning the issues of corruption that you cannot do anything if you do not have political authority. So Kejriwal took the signal and started his agitation. Everyone may recall how Kejriwal pounced upon the city of Delhi. His first prey was Sheela Dixit's Delhi Sultanate.

To cut the long story short Mr. Kejriwal won the election and assumed power after sweeping victory and became

the Chief Minister of Delhi. He got a big mandate in 2015 with 67 seats and second in 2020 with 62 seats. He promised all that was divine.

But as such Kejriwal should have kept his promise. Soon the true colours of Kejriwal began to surface. The least he could do was that he could have made Delhi corruption free and one of the best cities of India and might have set a good example for other politicians. But he did little as he pledged. After that he became just like any other politician. He grew wings of ambition. He thought that he had become the national leader and dreamt of becoming Prime Minister.

Not paying any attention to Delhi he reached to fight against Narendra Modi from Varanasi constituency.

As used to happen in the Middle Ages during autocracy he started burning bridges behind him. He got rid of all his friends back to back who had worked with him and supported him in his hay day so that he could keep complete hold on the party. He

kept the simpletons like Manish Sisodia with him who followed him blindly. As it happens, absolute power has corrupted him absolutely. He has no qualms in denying anything he has said. He is ready to get and give support to all those whom he had labeled as corrupt previously. He is even ready to join hands with anti-social elements.

All his promises of simplicity proved just the opposite as the reports of his luxurious living are coming out. The result is that he is no better politician than any politician, rather he is worse than others to say the least. He made his voyage from being an anti graft crusader to a kingpin of scams.

All know that in political life it is very difficult to remain Mr. Clean but his slogans of his self praise, die hard honesty and against corruption seem too hollow to listen and mockery of the words. As it was long anticipated his deeds proved just the opposite. No one knows whether it is an antithesis for the future of the politician or for the hopes of the public.



Prof. Anil Jain

## Heatwave havoc in India: Cooling down safely

As India faces a relentless heatwave, understanding effective cooling methods is crucial to protect vulnerable populations and reduce the risks of heat-related illnesses. By Manoj Kumar



Most parts of India experienced a water crisis during the months of May and June due to extreme heat. | Photo AP

As the world grapples with intense heatwaves, India has not been spared from the scorching temperatures. The persistent heatwave has claimed lives across the nation, and even as June draws to a close, the relentless heat continues in several regions. Understanding how to stay cool and prevent heat-related illnesses is crucial in these challenging times.

In India, the elderly, those with pre-existing health conditions, and young children are particularly vulnerable to heat stress. These groups have less efficient mechanisms to regulate body temperature. Elderly individuals, for instance, have diminished sweat gland function and less effective blood circulation, making it harder for them to dissipate heat.

Sweating is our body's primary method of cooling down. As sweat evaporates from the skin, it removes heat.

In extreme conditions, people can lose up to two liters of sweat per hour. However, when the air temperature exceeds body temperature, the body faces additional challenges in

shedding heat.

Another way the body cools down is through vasodilation, where blood vessels near the skin widen, allowing more blood flow and heat release. In extreme heat, up to eight liters of blood per minute can be directed to the skin.

Using cold water or a damp sponge on the skin is effective in lowering body temperature. This method is especially useful for those with limited mobility and older adults. Taking a cool shower or bath with

water around 26-27°C can significantly reduce body heat without causing shivering.

Applying ice packs to areas with numerous blood vessels, such as the groin, armpits, neck, and wrists, can help cool the blood returning to major organs. Ensure ice packs are wrapped in a cloth to prevent skin burns, and cycle them on and off every ten minutes to avoid injury.

Partially filling a hot water bottle and freezing it for use at bedtime, or chilling pillow-

cases, can provide relief during hot nights. While fans can help with sweat evaporation, their effectiveness diminishes when temperatures exceed 33°C. They are less effective for the elderly and those with impaired sweating abilities. Drinking chilled fluids is more effective in lowering core body temperature than neutral or warm liquids.

Hot beverages can activate cooling mechanisms but may lead to dehydration if adequate fluids are not consumed.

Staying in shaded areas

enhances the effectiveness of cooling techniques by increasing the temperature gradient between the body and the environment. Using these methods in the sun is less effective as the ambient temperature is higher. In India, traditional practices like using wet cloths, bathing frequently, and staying in shaded, ventilated areas are complemented by modern techniques such as air conditioning and electric fans. Water immersion, such as dipping feet or hands in cool water, remains one of the most effective methods to lower body temperature. This technique is common among animals in hot climates and works well for humans too.

With the heatwave persisting, it is essential to stay vigilant and adopt effective cooling strategies to protect oneself and loved ones. Whether through traditional methods or modern innovations, staying cool and hydrated can help mitigate the risks associated with extreme heat. In these trying times, awareness and proactive measures can make a significant difference in ensuring safety and well-being during the relentless heatwave.

## YOUR LETTERS

## India-China strategic engagement

India's economic rise presents an opportunity to strengthen its global influence. To do so, India must address recent controversies, such as allegations involving its agencies, to maintain strong Western ties. As the US and China move towards reconciliation, India's strategic engagement with China and Pakistan becomes crucial for regional stability. Balancing global ambitions with immediate regional concerns is essential. Diplomatic agility and proactive measures will help India navigate the complexities of international relations and secure its position on the global stage.

MK Nair, Raipur

## Reforming India's examination system

Irregularities and paper leaks have damaged the credibility of the National Testing Agency (NTA) and centralized exams. This led to the dismissal of the NTA chief. The controversy highlights flaws in the NTA's operations that require urgent attention. Addressing these issues is a critical task for the new NDA government. Past exams, like NEET 2022, also faced issues such as impersonation. Establishing a high-powered committee to review the NTA's functioning is a positive step toward reform.

Rakesh Gupta, Korba

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The letters can be edited or rewritten for clarity.

# Business



Akasa Air to start flying to Abu Dhabi from Jul 11  
**Praveen Iyer.**  
Akasa Air Co-Founder and Chief Commercial Officer.

## BizBriefs

BEST OF THE REST

### INTEREST RATES

#### Interest rates on small savings schemes remain unchanged for 2nd quarter

**NEW DELHI:** The government left the interest rates on various small savings schemes unchanged for the quarter beginning July 1, 2024. "The rates of interest on various small savings schemes for the second quarter of FY 2024-25, starting from July 1, 2024, and ending on September 30, 2024, shall remain unchanged from those notified for the first quarter (March 1, 2024, to June 30, 2024) of FY 2024-25," said a finance ministry notification. As per the notification, deposits under the Sukanya Samridhi scheme will attract an interest rate of 8.2 per cent, while the rate on a three-year term deposit remains at 7.1 per cent. The interest rates for popular PPF and post office savings deposits scheme too have been retained at 7.1 per cent and 4 per cent, respectively. The interest rate on the Kisan Vikas Patra will be 7.5 per cent, and the investments will mature in 115 months. **PTI**

### TARIFF HIKE

#### Vodafone Idea to raise mobile tariff by 11-24 pc from July 4

**NEW DELHI:** Loss-making telecom operator Vodafone Idea will raise mobile tariffs across the board by 11-24 per cent from July 4, according to a company statement. Vodafone Idea (Vi) follows the tariff hike stage set by Reliance Jio on Thursday. Reliance Jio and Bharti Airtel will roll out increased mobile service rates from July 3 onward. "In line with its commitment to provide its consumers with simple and comprehensive plans, Vi has curated an optimum range of feature-rich plans to meet the diverse needs of its consumers. Staying true to its philosophy of supporting entry-level users and progressively linking higher prices to increased usage, changes in entry-level plans are nominal," Vi said. The company has raised the entry-level plan, minimum recharge value for 28 days of mobile service, by about 11 per cent to Rs 199 from Rs 179. **PTI**

### Forex reserves this week

#### India's forex kitty jumps by USD 816 Million to USD 653.71 Billion

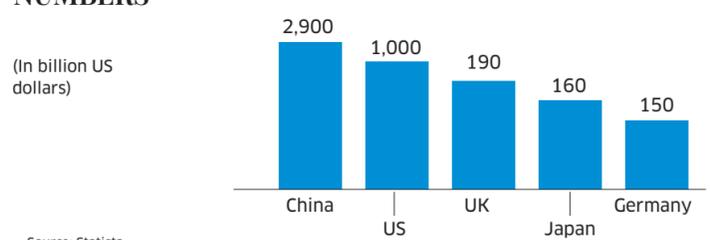


**MUMBAI:** India's forex reserves jumped by USD 816 million to USD 653.71 billion for the week ended June 21, the RBI said. In the previous reporting week, the overall reserves had dropped by USD 2.922 billion to USD 652.895 billion. The all-time high for the reserves is at USD 655.817 billion achieved on June 7. For the week ended June 21, foreign currency assets, a major component of the reserves, decreased by USD 106 million to USD 574.134 billion, the data released on Friday showed. Expressed in dollar terms,

the foreign currency assets include the effect of appreciation or depreciation of non-US units like the euro, pound and yen held in the foreign exchange reserves. Gold reserves increased by USD 988 million to USD 56.956 billion during the week, the RBI said. The Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) were down by USD 57 million to USD 18.049 billion, the apex bank said. India's reserve position with the IMF was down by USD 9 million to USD 4.572 billion in the reporting week, the apex bank data showed. **PTI**

### The Day's NUMBERS

#### TOP COUNTRIES BY E-COMMERCE REVENUE IN 2023-2024



### SERVICE CAMPAIGN

#### BMW Group India launches its Monsoon Service Campaign

**GURUGRAM:** BMW Group India has announced the launch of Monsoon Service campaign across its dealer network. This special initiative will be held across India and will ensure complete car readiness for the upcoming monsoon season. Mr. Daniel Lugonjic, Director - Customer Support, BMW India said, "BMW Group is committed to ensuring that our customers' vehicles are in peak condition to handle the unique weather challenges. Our Monsoon Service Campaign is tailored to provide thorough inspections, maintenance, and necessary upgrades to enhance the safety and performance of BMW and MINI cars. We understand the importance of reliability and peace of mind for our customers, and this campaign underscores our dedication to providing exceptional service and support. With a dedicated team of trained technicians, specialised workshop technologies and original BMW Parts, we ensure you can enjoy relaxing journeys." **PTI**

### PRODUCTION RISE

#### India's iron ore production rises 4 pc to 52 MMT in Apr-May



**NEW DELHI:** The country's iron ore production increased by four per cent to 52 million metric tonnes (MMT) in the April-May period of the ongoing fiscal. The country's iron ore output was at 50 MMT in the corresponding period of previous fiscal, according to provisional figures. The production of limestone increased to 79 MMT in the April-May period from 77 MMT in the year-ago period, the mines ministry said in a statement. "The production of manganese ore has jumped by 16.7 per cent over corresponding period previous year with a production of 0.7 MMT in FY 2024-25 (April-May)," the statement said. **PTI**

## Handloom workshop for weavers in Varanasi



An artisan weaves a Banarasi silk saree on a handloom at a workshop in Varanasi.

# 'Confident of over \$ 800 bn exports in goods, services'

We are confident that this year we will have over USD 800 billion exports and it will be a historic record," Piyush Goyal told reporters here.

### Press Trust Of India

**MUMBAI:** India's goods and services exports are expected to cross USD 800 billion this fiscal despite global challenges, Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal said on Saturday. In 2023-24, the shipments stood at USD 778.2 billion (goods USD 437.1 billion and services USD 341 billion). He said that the global situation is serious as war is still ongoing

between Ukraine-Russia and Israel-Hamas, and the Red sea crisis. The minister added that there are also elections in some of the major democracies like in Europe. "In such a situation it's a positive sign that our exports are growing (9 per cent growth in May) and this also reflects that the world wants to do trade and investments with India. We are confident that this year we will have over USD 800 bil-

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● World wants to do trade and investments with India.

● Global situation is serious as war is still ongoing.

lion exports and it will be a historic record," Goyal told reporters here. He

was here to participate in a programme of gems and jewellery exporters.

Goyal added that for the USD 800 billion exports, the ministry is working on specifics with Indian missions abroad and export promotion councils. He added that last year the current account deficit (CAD) has also reduced... our exports will increase, manufacturing will get a boost India recorded a current account surplus

of USD 5.7 billion or 0.6 per cent of GDP in the March quarter. This is the first time in ten quarters that the crucial metric of the country's external strength has turned into surplus mode. In the year-ago period, the current account deficit stood at USD 1.3 billion or 0.2 per cent of GDP, and the same was USD 8.7 billion or 1 per cent of GDP in the preceding quarter ending December 2023.

### ANNUAL REPORT

# 'Tech binds enterprise' work to future world; AI strengthens it'

### Press Trust Of India

IT services will play a pivotal role in enhancing Golden Thread by integrating AI seamlessly.

**NEW DELHI:** Technology is a golden thread binding an organisation's work to its future vision, and the power of artificial intelligence (AI) can strengthen this thread, said Tech Mahindra chairman Anand Mahindra.

Penning his thoughts in the annual report 2023-24 of IT services and consultation company Tech Mahindra, the billionaire businessman said it is impossible to talk about any business today without talking about technology.

"Technology is the Golden Thread that binds what an organisation is doing today with the



Tech Mahindra chairman Anand Mahindra.

### FACTFILE

● It is impossible to talk about any business today without talking about technology.

future world it is trying to create. Across multi-business organisations, it enables synergy and creates unexpected business connections.

Across industries, it creates collaboration and transformation," he

wrote. Mahindra, 69, said the future belongs to those who can creatively weave this Golden Thread into a value-enhancing business tapestry.

He said IT services will play a pivotal role in enhancing Golden Thread by integrating AI seamlessly into the core business functions.

"From extracting data-driven insights to solving industry-specific problems to revolutionising

customer engagement, the synergy between IT and AI will enable a new era of technological prowess. "The future undoubtedly belongs to IT services that can increase the value of that Golden Thread from 18 carat to 24 carat with the power of AI," he said.

He said the winners will be companies that are agile, well-prepared and can "Scale at Speed" (a promise that Tech Mahindra has positioned itself on time and again).

"Even without a crystal ball, I can venture to predict that Tech Mahindra, under its new leadership, is well-positioned to leap into this new orbit," Mahindra said, basing his optimism on three factors. He said tackling changes requires preparation, and both speed and scale. "Tech Mahindra has made Scale at Speed their promise and war cry.

### FROM JULY 1

# MNP after Sim replacement to face 7-day waiting period

### Press Trust Of India

**NEW DELHI:** There will be a seven-day waiting period after the SIM swap or replacement for a mobile number to become eligible for porting, telecom regulator Trai said. The step has been taken to curb fraud taking place by using mobile phone numbers. "The Telecom Regula-

tory Authority of India (Trai), on 14th March 2024, issued the Telecommunication Mobile Number Portability (Ninth Amendment) Regulations, 2024, which will come into force on July 1, 2024," the regulator said. Earlier, there was a waiting period of 10 days in case a sim is swapped but the regulator has now reduced it to 7 days in the



latest amendment. Trai said that the

amended regulations are aimed at curbing the porting of mobile numbers by way of fraudulent SIM swaps or replacement by unscrupulous elements.

"Through these amendment regulations, an additional criterion for the rejection of the request for allocation of a Unique Porting Code (UPC) has been intro-

duced. Specifically, a UPC shall not be allocated if the request for the UPC has been made before the expiry of seven days from the date of the SIM swap! replacement," the regulator said. Trai in an explanatory note said that few stakeholders were of the opinion that a wait period of 10 days after SIM swap or replacement is appropriate.

"I knew the sentiments around it and I personally felt that we didn't do anything to disrespect any religion or anyone. There was nothing like that in the film. People were assuming."

Shalini Pandey  
Actress



# Weekend



SUNDAY  
Raipur, June 30, 2024

CELEB TALK

## 'Ulajh' release date shifts: Janhvi Kapoor starrer gets new premiere

Janhvi's next film, 'Ulajh' has been shifted to August instead of its initial July release. It will now reach cinemas at 2nd August 2024.



'Ulajh' starring Janhvi Kapoor will now release in August instead of July

Janhvi Kapoor is gearing up for a transformative role as an Indian Foreign Services (IFS) officer in the upcoming film "Ulajh," alongside co-stars Roshan Mathew and Gulshan Devaiah. Directed by National Award winner Sudhanshu Saria and produced by Junglee Pictures, "Ulajh" has been postponed from its original release date of July 5, 2024, to August 2, 2024, allowing for meticulous post-production. The film delves deep into the life of a young diplomat, exploring the challenges she faces both professionally and personally. A gripping teaser has generated significant buzz, showcasing Kapoor's commitment to portraying a character of depth and complexity. In a state-

ment, Kapoor expressed her excitement about the project, stating, "The script instantly

**"The script instantly attracted me. As an actor, I'm always looking for roles that push me beyond my comfort zone, and playing an IFS officer was exactly that."**

Janhvi Kapoor  
Actress

attracted me. As an actor, I'm always looking for roles that push me beyond my comfort zone, and playing an IFS officer was exactly that." She praised director Sudhanshu

Saria's fresh approach and the film's multi-layered narrative, promising audiences an immersive cinematic experience.

Written by Parveez Shaikh and dialogues by Atika Chohan, "Ulajh" promises to be a modern thriller offering a unique perspective on the genre. Alongside Kapoor, the film features a talented ensemble including Rajesh Tailang, Meiyang Chang, Sachin Khedekar, Rajendra Gupta, and Jitendra Joshi, ensuring a rich tapestry of performances. With its rescheduled release date, "Ulajh" emerges as one of the most anticipated films of the year, poised to captivate audiences with its compelling storyline and stellar cast.

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#### A Family Affair

**Starring:** Nicole Kidman, Zac Efron, Joey King

**Where to watch:** Streaming on Netflix. Richard LaGravenese directed 'A Family Affair' is an upcoming American romantic comedy movie featuring Nicole Kidman, Zac Efron, Joey King,

Liza Koshy, and Kathy Bates in key roles. The movie revolves around a young woman, Zara, who works as personal assistant to self-absorbed Hollywood Star Chris Cole. She later discovers that he is having a romantic relationship with her widowed mother.



#### Rautu Ka Raaz

**Starring:** Nawazuddin Siddiqui, Rajesh Kumar, Atul Tiwari, Narayani Shastri

**Where to watch:** Nawazuddin Siddiqui-starrer Rautu Ka Raaz is a Hindi crime thriller movie directed by

Anand Surapur. The movie revolves around an inspector who is suffering from PTSD and is assigned to solve a high profile murder case of a school learner in a serene town; the town hasn't witnessed any murder in the last 15 years. Apart from Nawazuddin Siddiqui, the movie also features Rajesh Kumar, Atul Tiwari, and Narayani Shastri. Available on Zee5.



#### Sharma Ji Ki Beti

**Starring:** Sakshi Tanwar, Divya Dutta, Saiyami Kher

**Where to watch:** Sharma Ji Ki Beti is an upcoming Hindi drama movie directed by Tahira Kashyap and it features Sakshi Tanwar, Divya Dutta and Saiyami Kher in the pivotal roles. Sharma Ji Ki Beti is a movie revolving around three women. Jyoti who juggles her career and family.

Kiran rediscovers herself in the busy life of Mumbai, while Tanvi, a young cricketer, wants more from life than marriage. Streaming on Prime Video.



#### I Am; Celine Dion

**Starring:** Celine Dion

**Where to watch:** Streaming on Amazon Prime, I Am; Celine Dion is a 2024 American documentary movie revolving around Canadian singer Celine Dion and it is directed by Irene Taylor. The movie will dive deeper into the globally popular singer's life, career accomplishments and battle with stiff-person

syndrome. It premiered in New York on June 17, 2024, and was given a limited theatrical release on June 21, 2024, by Amazon MGM Studios through Metro through the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer banner.

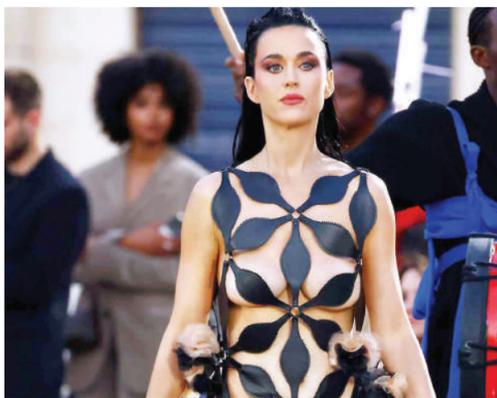
| HOLLYWOOD |

## Katy Perry makes Parisian power statement with 500-foot lyric train

Central Chronicle News

Paris' audience were star-struck as they saw a new avatar of Katy Perry wherein she wore a dress with a train longer than a football field.

Katy Perry made a spectacular entrance at Paris Fashion Week, dazzling onlookers with a bold and unforgettable fashion statement that instantly went viral across social media platforms. The pop icon arrived at Vendôme in a stunning red velvet mini dress designed by Balenciaga, featuring a mesmerizing 500-foot train adorned with lyrics from her upcoming single, "Woman's World." As she stepped out of her limousine, Katy Perry exuded confidence and grace, capturing the attention of photographers and fans alike. The Balenciaga creation boasted a



Katy Perry goes viral for her mind-blowing dress with 500-foot train.

striking one-shoulder neckline and a form-fitting silhouette, paired elegantly with sheer black stockings and classic black pumps. Perry accessorized with silver hoop earrings that added a touch of glamour to her ensemble. Her makeup was impeccably done, featuring defined eyes, nude pink lips, and a radiant flush of blush on

her cheeks, complementing her flawless complexion.

Prior to this eye-catching appearance, Katy Perry made waves at Vogue World in a daring archival Noir Kei Ninomiya black cut-out dress adorned with delicate peach-colored tulle floral embellishments. Her choice of goth-inspired makeup and sleek, loose hair perfectly complemented the avant-garde ensemble, showcasing her fearless approach to fashion experimentation. Katy Perry's presence at Paris Fashion Week continues to solidify her reputation as a style icon and musical powerhouse, captivating audiences with her fearless fashion choices and leaving a lasting impression wherever she goes. Her ability to seamlessly blend music and fashion has made her a standout figure in the entertainment industry, ensuring her influence reaches far beyond the runway.

### HIGHLIGHT

● The singer's jaw-dropping look came close on the heels of her debut at the Vogue World: Paris on June 23 when she wore a risky archival Noir Kei Ninomiya dress which featured cutouts and tulle floral embellishments.



#### Savage Beauty Season 2

**Starring:** Nambitha Ben-Mazwi, Rosemary Zimu, Nthati Moshesh, Dumisani Mbebe

**Where to watch:** Watch on

Netflix Savage Beauty: Season 2 delves into the captivating world of a prosperous patriarch burdened by a profound secret. This season's storyline revolves around the art of manipulation, concealed truths, and intense power dynamics. Viewers will be enthralled by the intricate story arcs of Eve Rasmieni, Angela Sithole, and Oros Mampofu as their journeys unfold.

I am thankful to ITM University for the knowledge and skills during my MBA-Finance (2020-22) and getting selected as Finance Associate Executive in Apply Legal Solution.

Puja Sahu- MBA-Finance  
ITM University



# Scholar

CAMPUS CALLING

## New Education Policy and Opportunities in Higher Education

**Campus Calling**  
THE FIRST LECTURE



An outer view ITM University Raipur.

The National Education Policy 2020 for higher education aims to transform the existing higher education system in India. NEP targets a 50% graduate enrollment ratio by 2035, with multiple exit options expected to reduce student dropout rates, this is incredibly significant figure to visualize the volume of opportunities in higher education system.

NEP accentuates on promoting interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary studies, introducing new subjects which can help the learners meeting the new age skills, learning innovative technologies, and linking to their application in day-to-day life. Higher educational institute have opportunities providing graded autonomy based on intensive quality parameters and research & innovation exertion. The policy

strongly promotes experiential learning, critical thinking, participative learning, solution-oriented approach. Reduced course content in curriculum and providing more opportunity for firsthand experience to acquire required skills. NEP encourages global collaborations, allowing institutions to form corporations with foreign universities and supporting quality improvement sharing. This prospect will help in the creation of well-informed, sustainable, and impactful culture of learning. Eventually it will be determining positive outcomes for communities and promoting long-term societal development.

With reference to statement of our education minister the size of economy of our country has become the 5th largest in the world, and a \$7 trillion economy by 2030.

By 2047, we will increase the size of our economy to \$30 trillion. There are enormous opportunities for everyone to contrib-



**The policy strongly promotes experiential learning, critical thinking, participative learning, solution-oriented approach.**

ute to Nation building through higher education. **Employment opportunity:** The NEP 2020 emphasizes key strengths

for a fulfilling career, highlighting the value of education in providing students with the necessary skills. Unemployment is the biggest challenge in India along with non-availability of skilled workers. Policy will serve as a modernization for changing the educational system to increase employability which is the gravest concern for the nation. New employment opportunity is expected in automobile, hospitality, health services, financial services, banking, educational sector, consumer retails services, rural marketing, renewable energy, E-Commerce.

Start-up ecosystems, digital technology, and allied services, creating a demand for skilled professionals in software engineering, data science. The digital economy can potentially create 60 to 65 million jobs by

2030 where India's expertise and workforce are serene to play a pivotal role in shaping the future of work.

**Edifying Infrastructure:** The Centre and State governments will collaborate to increase investment in education, aiming to reach 6% of GDP to enhance educational infrastructure.

This will bring opportunity for creating required infrastructure from metro-urban-rural areas in the form of increasing the capacity of existing higher educational institutions, allowing national and international university to establish their institutions in semi urban and rural areas.

Enhancing internet connectivity in rural areas will be the prominent requirement to meet the objective and bringing rural areas in to mainstream to explore.

LAST DATE EXTENDED

### Last date for admission in BASLP course extended till July 10

**RAIPUR:** The admission for Bachelor of Audiology and Pathology (B.A.S.L.P.) course 2024-25, run by the E.N.T. department of Pt. Jawarlal Nehru Memorial Medical College (Pt. JNMC) had started from 28 May 2024 through online. The last date for submission of applications was 27 June through speed-post or registered post and with late fee it was June 29. But as per departmental meeting held on June 27, it has been decided to extend the last date till 10 July 2024 and with late fees upto 12 July 2024. The list of selected candidates will be released on 18/7/2024 on the website raipurbaslp.org and the students can submit their claims and objections on the above list till July 25, 2024.

RESULT

### Results of re-totalling, revaluation of Class 10th declared

**RAIPUR:** The Chhattisgarh Board of Secondary Education (CGBSE) has declared the re-totalling and revaluation exam for High School main exam 2024 here on Friday. As per information from the Secretary CGBSE, a total of 709 applications for re-totalling and 5122 applications for revaluation were received, totaling it at 5831. In this way a total of 5831 applications were received. In the results declared by the Board, there is change in the marks of 125 candidates in the re-totalling and 2379 candidates in revaluation. The results of re-totalling and revaluation can be seen on CGBSE's website (www.cgbse.nic.in).

Event of the week

### Allons Public School leads the way in water conservation under Jal Shakti Abhiyan



**BEMETARA:** In a commendable initiative, the students of Allons Public School (New Sainik School) have taken a proactive step towards promoting water conservation as part of the Jal Shakti Abhiyan on 28th June 2024. They reached out to the community, educating them on the importance of saving water and discouraging its wastage.

Neetu Singh, the Principal of Allons Public School, delivered an inspiring public speech, motivating the people to

adopt water-saving practices. She also expressed her heartfelt appreciation for the dedicated efforts of the students and teachers in driving this important campaign.

The community responded positively, praising the students for their hard work and the staff for their commitment to such a crucial cause. Many people complimented the students and admired the principal and all staff members for their efforts.

## IIIT Naya Raipur celebrated 10th International Day of Yoga



**RAIPUR:** In association with the Student Activity Center (S.A.C.) of IIIT Naya Raipur, the N.S.S. Unit organized the 10th International Day of Yoga on 21st June 2024. The yoga day started at the Academic Premises with the active participation of Prof. Srinivasa K.G., Dean of Academics; Prof. Mithilesh Kumar Chaube, Dean R&I; faculty, staff, family members and the student fraternity.

Hitesh Kumar, gold medalist in M.A. (Applied Philosophy & Yoga), took the whole session on this occasion. In this

event, more than 30 participants took part. The SAC president Dr. Manoj Kumar Majumdar motivated all the participants with his wonderful talk about importance of yoga in day to day life. He also summarized the theme of this year i.e., "Yoga for Self and Society". Finally, the N.S.S. program officer, Dr. Lakhindar Murmu, expressed his gratitude to the yoga expert and sincerely thanked the official persons and staff for their active participation in making students more aware of the importance of yoga in daily life activities.

### COLLEGE GOSSIP: Sports facilities at ITM University, Raipur (C.G.)

Central Chronicle News

The ITM University emphasis on over all development of students, the four parameter's contributing to students are curricular, co-curricular, extra-curricular and extra-mural activities.

Among the four parameters, the extra-curricular activities are the one which helps a student to showcase its talent in the area of sports, cultural activities etc. The facilities available for indoor games are basically Carrom, Chess, Table Tennis etc. ITM has allotted a dedicated area for these games by having 5 carroms, 10 chess board and

2 Table Tennis court. ITM University has a spacious land area admeasuring 25.455 acres. The land is earmarked also for the sports facilities and the following sports activities are conducted during the Annual Event of ITM University. 1. Football league; 2. Volleyball league; 3. Cricket series; 4. Badminton competition; 5. Kho Kho; 6. Carrom Competition; 7. Chess Championship etc.

The University has relevant equipment and infrastructure in place for the said activities. Usually the sports competitions are held in the month of January/ February of each year.

PROFESSOR'S VIEW |

## Stay cool this season by choosing the right clothing to beat the heat

By Mr. Rajeev Kumar | Asst Prof. Amity School of Fashion Technology, Amity University Chhattisgarh.

To stay cool and sweat-free in the summer heat, it's important to choose your clothing carefully. Opt for loose-fitting, light-colored clothes made from natural fabrics like cotton or linen. These materials allow air to circulate around your body, keeping you comfortable and dry. Flowy dresses and lightweight, breezy tops not only look stylish but also help promote airflow, keeping you comfortable even in scorching temperatures. Making smart choices with your clothing can help you stay cool and prevent



excessive sweating during the summer months.

It's important to keep in mind the following clothing items for the summer: Cotton Dresses; Half Sleeve Shirts; T-Shirts.

Dealing with the summer heat can be challenging, and simply buying the right clothes isn't the only solution. It's crucial

to understand that in addition to purchasing summer clothing, knowing how to wear them correctly is equally important. Wearing these items properly is essential for staying cool, protected from the sun, and avoiding excessive sweating. Here, the expert provides a detailed discussion on dressing optimally for the



**In the summer season, along with the fabric, you must take care of the work.**

summer season. **Wear Loose Fit Dress** Loose-fit dresses should

be worn in the summer season. Many people wear very tight clothes due to which they sweat a lot. The reason for this is that the skin gets tightened by the clothes. After this, sweat starts coming out more. Therefore, tight clothes should not be worn.

This not only causes sweating but also causes skin peeling on armpits and other places. Therefore, never wear tight clothes in the summer season. Loose T-shirts, shirts, jeans, etc. will provide comfort. If you want comfort, then definitely remember this.

Shortake: Government School- Baronda

### 'Shala Praveshotsav' celebrated in Govt HS School, Baronda

**FINGESHWAR:** The state government has launched 'Shala Praveshotsav' 2024-25 with an objective to make the quality of education even better in the Schools. In this series, the same programme was held in Govt Middle School in Gram Panchayat Raveli and in Govt. HS School in Gram Panchayat Baronda. In this the chief guest inaugurated the programme by lighting traditional lamp and after which the guests were welcomed. The students Gigyasa Sahu presented the welcome song.



### School Buzz

#### Joratarai HS School holds traditional opening ceremony

**Anwari:** Shala Praveshotsav of the newly admitted students was held in Govt. Higher Secondary School Joratarai An. An aarti was performed for all class 9th students and they were given tilak, text books and pens. All the students were asked to come to school everyday and study, participate in sports and make their parents proud.



#### Children welcomed on first day with sweets and 'tilak'

**KHARORA:** The children in Government Middle School, Aalesur, under Sankul Kendra Pachari of Tilda block were welcomed on the first day in their school by applying 'tilak' and offering sweets to them. Along with this the senior teacher Rannath Sahu organised 'Nevata Bhoj' (lunch) as well and in this the children enjoyed the feast with varieties of cuisines and delicacies.

#### School entrance of newly admitted students held in Samoda

**ARANG:** The 'Praveshotsav' in Karma School, Samoda in Arang was celebrated with fervour. In this the chief guest was Sujal Sahu, Nayab Tehsildar, Smaoda. He started the programme by garlanding photo of Goddess Saraswati and offering prayers. Thereafter the children were offered sweets and welcomed into the School.



# Sports



Yoga becomes a competitive sport and is in the Asian Games

Mansukh Mandaviya  
Sports Minister

## Unstoppable Pahal storms to 400m gold at National

Haryana's Kiran Pahal found herself the winner of the Women's 400m race where she clinched a gold medal while clocking in 50.92 seconds.



Kiran Pahal in action.

### HIGHLIGHT

On Thursday, Kiran surprised everyone by her sheer pace as she gained the Olympics qualification for the women's 400m by clocking in 50.92 seconds.

men's 1500m gold with a time of 3 minute 42.95 seconds. The Olympics qualifying time of 3:33.50, though, was far away.

The 19-year-old Khan was behind one competitor at the bell for the last lap, but he sprinted his

way from the final bend and punched the air in celebration after crossing the finish line. Khan, who is currently studying at the University of Florida on scholarships, last competed in a domestic event at the 2023 National Inter-State Championships in Bhubaneswar in June.

Punjab's Gurindervir Singh became the fastest man of the championships as he won the 100m dash with a time of 10.32 seconds. Odisha's Animesh Kujur (10.46s) and Assam's Amaln Borgohain (10.49s) took the silver and bronze respectively in a

field which had almost all the top short-sprint runners of the country. The 23-year-old Gurindervir struggled the whole of last year as he could not come up with a podium finish in 2023. SS Sneha of Karnataka emerged as the fastest woman of the championships as she clocked 11.62 seconds to win the women's 100m final. However, national record holder in women's 1500m, KM Deeksha was pushed to the third spot with Lili Das of West Bengal winning the race in 4 minute 13.87 seconds while Delhi's Chanda was second

in 4:14.85. Deeksha, who set the national record of 4:02.50 last month in the USA, clocked a disappointing 4:18.38.

The men's 400m final saw a photo finish between Muhammed Anas and Muhammed Ajmal. But Anas, who holds the national record of 45.21 second, won in 45.926 seconds, while Ajmal clocked 45.929s. Abha Khatua of Maharashtra won gold in the women's shot put event with a mediocre throw of 17.63m to add to the Federation Cup title she had clinched last month.

## Sports Briefs

BEST OF THE REST

### SOCCER

England's Gordon in bike accident scare, cleared to play

**BLANKENHAIN:** It was supposed to be the perfect opportunity for a nice photograph to send back to the family.

Instead, it turned into what could have been a tournament-ending accident for England winger Anthony Gordon at the European Championship.

Gordon showed up for an England news conference on Friday sporting a big, nasty-looking graze on his chin and cuts on his nose, fingers and arms after falling off his bike during some downtime with other players from the England team on Wednesday.

"(It was) meant to be a recovery bike ride," the Newcastle player said, "and I was going down the hill and tried to take a picture for my family and before I knew it I was face first into the floor. It's only a few cuts, it's not anything painful." **PTI**

### US OPEN BADMINTON

Malvika shocks Kristy to enter semifinals of US Open



**FORT WORTH (US):** India's Malvika Bansod stunned Scotland's Kristy Gilmour in a thrilling three-game match to advance to the women's singles semifinals of the US Open Super 300 badminton tournament here.

The 22-year-old from Nagpur, ranked 49th, registered a 10-21 21-15 21-10 win over Kristy, a 2014 Commonwealth Games silver medallist.

Malvika had defeated Kristy at the Hylo Open in 2022 when the Scot shuttler had retired in the second game due to an injury. **PTI**

### Copa America 2024

Brazil downs Paraguay 4-1, Junior scores twice



**LAS VEGAS:** Vinicius Junior scored two first-half goals to lead Brazil to a 4-1 victory over Paraguay and put itself in position to advance out of Group D in the Copa America. Savinho also scored a first-half goal for Brazil and Lucas Paqueta scored on a penalty kick in the second half. Omar Alderete scored Paraguay's goal. The victory was quite a response for the Seleção Canarinho, who opened the tournament Tuesday with a scoreless draw

against Costa Rica despite outshooting their opponent 18-2. With four points, Brazil is two behind group leader Colombia, which defeated Costa Rica 3-0 earlier Friday. A victory or tie by Brazil against Colombia on Tuesday ensures one of the group's two spots in the knockout stage. Brazil also has a six-goal differential advantage over Costa Rica, so a loss likely won't keep out the nine-time Copa America champions. **PTI**

## Croatia hit with hefty fine by UEFA for fan misconduct

**FRANKFURT:** Croatia was fined 105,000 euros (\$112,500) by UEFA for fan misconduct at a European Championship elimination game against Italy, the federation said on Friday. The financial penalty is the biggest by UEFA announced at the tournament, and the second for Croatia. A separate investigation by UEFA is ongoing into alleged racism involving both sets of fans at Croatia's second Euro 2024 game, against Albania.

The separate fines for incidents at the Croatia-Italy game on Monday were 45,000 euros for throwing objects, including beer cups, 30,000 euros for lighting flares and fireworks, and 30,000 euros for "inappropriate behavior" that was not specified.

## T20 World Cup poised to become top ICC event

Press Trust Of India

A recent player survey conducted during the ongoing T20 World Cup has revealed a surprising fact which is that it's going to become the top tournament of the ICC this year.

**BRIDGETOWN:** A player survey has revealed that the T20 World Cup is closing the gap in the race to become the "most important" ICC event to players around the world, marking a shift from the dominance of the ODI World Cup.

According to a survey conducted by the World Cricketers Association (WCA), formerly FICA, an overwhelming 85 percent



Chris Gayle with the T20 World Cup trophy at Georgetown, Guyana.

### FACTFILE

This surprising revelation also hints at the fact that the dominance of the ODI World Cup is also decreasing in modern times.

of players viewed the 50-over World Cup as the most important in 2019, compared to 15 percent for the T20 World Cup.

In 2024 however, those figures have changed with 50 percent of the players considering the ODI showpiece as the

most important and 35 percent favouring its T20 equivalent. The ongoing edition of the T20 World Cup, jointly hosted by the USA and West Indies, will conclude with the title clash between India and South Africa in Barbados on Saturday.

### WOMEN CRICKET |

## Tucker praises 'phenomenal' Indian batters

Press Trust Of India

**CHENNAI:** South African spinner Delmi Tucker on Friday wholeheartedly praised the Indian batters for producing a stunning effort on the opening day of the one-off Test, but hoped that her side can turn the tide around from Day 2. Batting first, India posted a mammoth 525 for four with a record-breaking Sha-

fali Verma (205) and her opening partner Smriti Mandhana (149) doing the maximum damage.

Tucker was the most successful bowler for SA, grabbing two wickets but she gave away 141 runs. "We will look back and refresh today, sit down and have discussions about tomorrow. Nothing taking away from their (Indian) batters today; they were phenomenal," Tucker



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Delmi Tucker  
South Africa Women player

told reporters during the post-day press conference. Although the Proteas managed to keep Shafali silent during the preceding ODI series, as she managed only 52 runs in three outings, Tucker felt that the Test format gave the Indian ample time to settle down and find her range. "It's a different format, and obviously, she (Shafali) has more time (to settle down).

### The Day's NUMBERS

#### BEST BATTING AVERAGES IN T20 WORLD CUPS

Virat Kohli	86.33
Michael Hussey	54.62
Mahela Jayawardene	39.07
Kevin Pietersen	38.45
Kumar Sangakkara	37.20

Source: Wikipedia

### SOCCER

Colombia dominates Costa Rica 3-0 to book quarterfinal berth

**GLENDALE:** Davinson Sánchez and Jhon Córdoba scored three minutes apart in the second half, and Colombia advanced to the Copa America quarterfinals with a 3-0 win over Costa Rica. Colombia controlled possession (62%) for the second straight game and led 1-0 at halftime on Luis Díaz's penalty kick in the 31st minute. Los Cafeteros kept up the pressure in the second half and wrapped up Group D with a dominating performance in front of 27,386 pro-Colombian fans at State Farm Stadium. Colombia outshot Costa Rica 14-5 and faces Brazil on Tuesday in Santa Clara, California to close out the group stage. Colombia has won 10 straight and is unbeaten in 25 games (20-0-5) since losing at Argentina in a World Cup qualifier in 2022. Costa Rica did not have a shot on goal. Costa Rica had the first big surprise of the tournament, playing nine-time Copa America champion Brazil to a scoreless tie despite being outshot 18-2. **PTI**

### GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Aditi Ashok misses cut at Dow Championship golf



**MIDLAND:** India's Aditi Ashok and her Thai partner, Pajaree Anannarukarn missed the cut despite a good second round of 4-under 66 in the Dow Championship golf championship on the LPGA Tour here.

The Indo-Thai combination, which had finished in the Top-10 of this event before, shot 72 and 66 to be 2-under for T-59 position but missed the cut, which fell at 7-under.

There was plenty of action in the second round of the Dow Championship as five teams zoomed to the top of the leaderboard. **PTI**

Sports News

# India posts record-breaking total, SA fight back

The hosts resumed the day at the overnight score of 525 for four with skipper Harmanpreet Kaur and Richa Ghosh beginning the proceedings.

By Ayush Gupta

Rana was the star with the ball, with her figures reading three for 61.

**CHENNAI:** India posted the biggest ever total in the history of women's Test cricket by scoring a mammoth 603 for six declared before South Africa Women fought valiantly through Sune Luus and Marizanne Kapp on day two of the one-off Test, here Saturday.

The hosts resumed the day at the overnight score of 525 for four with skipper Harmanpreet Kaur and Richa Ghosh beginning the proceedings.

Playing her fifth Test, the India skipper raised her maiden half-century in the long format, scoring 69 of 115 balls while Richa (86) also got her career-best knock of 86 to extend India's domination.

They added 143 runs for the fifth wicket.

At 576, the Indians broke the record of the highest team total in the Women's Test cricket, bettering the previous



Sneh Rana celebrates the wicket of Anneke Bosch on the second day of test cricket match.

record held by Australia, who had posted 575 for nine declared against South Africa in Perth this February.

However, at 593, the stand was broken

after Harmanpreet was trapped leg-before by Tumi Sekhukhune.

Just 10 runs later, Richa departed too after being trapped leg-before

by Nonkululeko Mlaba,

and the Indian captain declared the innings.

South Africa put up a spirited fight with top-order batter Sune Luus (65) and Marizanne (69 not out) as they finished

**HIGHLIGHT**

● South Africa put up a spirited fight with top-order batter Sune Luus (65) and Marizanne (69 not out) as they finished the day at 236 for four.

the day at 236 for four, trailing by 367 runs.

Delmi Tucker remained the most successful South African bowler with figures of two for 141, while Masabata Klaas was the most economical of all.

The Proteas began on a convincing note with the bat and remained safe at 29 for no loss at the lunch break.

However, the hosts struck after the break, with Sneh Rana trapping the visiting captain leg-before for 20 with a delivery that surprisingly kept low, with the partnership lasting 33 runs.

In came Luss to join Bosch, and the pair made the most of the batting friendly wicket. The duo added 63 for the second wicket, but Rana broke the stand by removing Bosch for 39.

# Praggnanandhaa let's Gukesh off the hook

Press Trust Of India

All the five games in the ten-player double round-robin tournament ended in draws.

**BUCHAREST:** Grandmaster R Praggnanandhaa missed out on becoming a joint leader at the the Superbet Classic chess tournament after settling for a draw against compatriot D Gukesh in the third round here.

After losing to Gukesh in the last Candidates tournament in April earlier this year, Praggnanandhaa had a great opportunity to equalise the score this year but could not find a winning continuation after Gukesh spoiled a drawn endgame.

The Catalan opening saw Gukesh sacrificing a pawn early and Praggnanandhaa had his share of counterplay on the Queen side. As things unfolded, Gukesh recovered the pawn with an optical advantage with his Knight against a slightly bad Bishop of Praggnanandhaa.

With the intricacies of the middle game over, Gukesh decided to part with a pawn and reached a Queen and rook endgame that should have been an easy draw but a blunder on his 53rd move



Indian GM Praggnanandhaa R during his match.

saw a forced liquidation leading to a King and pawns endgame.

On another day, Praggnanandhaa may have found the winning continuation to become a joint leader but luck smiled on Gukesh and the game was drawn a few moves later.

For the first time in three days, all the five games in the ten-player double round-robin tournament ended in draws. The other player coming close to a win was Maxime Vachier-Lagrave who almost pulled it off against his French teammate Alireza Firouzja.

It was a Berlin defense game wherein Firouzja

won the opening battle for the third day running getting a balanced position easily as black.

However, a late error in the queen-less middle game, saw Vachier-Lagrave seize the initiative and it should have been a win that slipped out of hands for the older Frenchman.

With all games ending in draws, the lead positions remained unchanged and Gukesh continued to be at the top of the tables along with Fabiano Caruana of United States who drew a keenly contested game against Nodirbek Abdusattorov of Uzbekistan.

**OLYMPICS**

# Olympic hopeful Manu faces doping suspension

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Manu's finished second behind Olympic champion Neeraj Chopra in the Federation Cup with a throw of 82.06m.

**NEW DELHI:** Indian javelin thrower DP Manu, a rising star with his sights set on the Paris Olympics, has been provisionally suspended by the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) after a failed doping test. Sources confirmed that Manu's positive test occurred during the Indian Grand Prix back in April. This news comes after the Athletics Federation of India (AFI) previously barred him from competitions following NADA's instructions.

The 24-year-old athlete, who secured a sil-



**HIGHLIGHT**

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ver medal at the 2023 Asian Championships, was considered a strong contender to qualify for the Olympics through the world ranking quota. However, this recent

development throws his Olympic dreams into uncertainty. Manu's initial inclusion on the National Inter-State Championships entry list hinted at his potential participation. However, his name vanished from the updated roster, raising red flags. While AFI President Adille Sumariwalla confirmed NADA's request to halt Manu's participation, he refrained from explicitly confirming a doping offense.

# Akram led CSA given recognition

**RAIPUR:** With the objective to streamline the activities for the Volleyball players, the two Volleyball Associations have taken decision to settle the ongoing dispute. Chhattisgarh State Volleyball Association (CSVA) General Secretary Md Akram Khan and Sahiram Jakhar's Volleyball Association have joined end to resume the Volleyball activities. Both of them jointly issued a statement in which it has been made clear that the CSVA led by Md Akram and Chairman Rajesh Munat, would be the official representative of Volleyball in the Volleyball Federation with immediate effect. They said that the retired Justice P Krishna led committee of Indian Olympic Association (IOA) too has given the consent. With the above decision, the Md Akram Khan would have voting rights in the Apex Body elections in near future.

**EURO CHAMPIONSHIP**

# Frenchman Maignan emerges from Lloris's shadow

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His decisive dive in the first minute against the Netherlands stopped an effort from Jeremie Frimpong and ensured the French did not have to chase the game.

**DORTMUND:** Stepping out of the shadow of France's most capped international would not have been easy, but goalkeeper Mike Maignan has emerged as one of his country's leading performers at the European Championship in Germany. For more than a decade Hugo Lloris kept goal for France, playing more matches at a major tournament than any other Frenchman and going on to become the country's



Mike Maignan put in key saves along the way.

most capped footballer. For some of that time, Maignan deputised in the French side, including at the last Euros, but with Lloris's retirement from international football, the 28-year-old's opportunity has finally arrived and he has seized it. Clean sheets in France's opening two matches at Euro 2024 made for an impressive start. Maignan did concede in the third,

against Poland last Tuesday, but only from the penalty spot after saving Robert Lewandowski's first effort but being ruled to have moved too quickly off his line. There were key saves along the way, at crucial junctures of the group games, to contribute to France's progress into the last 16, where they face Belgium on Monday. Particularly impressive was his swiftly

coming off his line to stymie Christoph Baumgartner against Austria, allowing Les Bleus to go up the other end to score the game's only goal two minutes later.

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"He is strong, he feels strong, he is a leader for the defence; we will need him (to stay performing) at that level," said coach Didier Deschamps.

"He brings leadership above and beyond his qualities on the field. He has a lot of charisma and is a natural leader. When he speaks, everyone listens and his advice is always positive," added team mate Aurelien Tchouameni.

**ATHLETICS**

# 'I am struggling to improve myself'

By Philem Dipak Singh

**PANCHKULA:** Middle-distance runner Lili Das was seen as a big hope for Indian athletics when she burst onto the scene in 2016. But things panned out differently from there and eight years later, she is still seeking her first senior international medal.

Das, now 26, qualified for the 2016 World Junior Championships in Bydgoszcz, Poland, where Neeraj Chopra won a gold, and finished 10th in the 1500m final there.

"I have won international medals at junior level, but somehow, I am not winning international medals at senior



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Lili Das Middle-distance runner

had major injuries in my career and as long as I am fit, I will keep working hard and try to win international medals. My next target is the 2025 Asian Championships and then the 2026 Asian Games."

"Who does not struggle in India? Most of the athletes except a few are from poor families and they will struggle. I also faced the same but I am better off now

after getting a Railways job," she said.

"My mother is sports-minded, she used to compete at the local level when she was young. She encouraged me to do sports when I was in class 2 or 3. She used to take me to the playing ground, I chose athletics only because of her. Even now she would come to watch me on and off during championships.

Asked about her next competition, she said, "I will compete in the Inter Railways Meet in August and then the National Open. I won a gold here (Inter-State) and if I do well in the upcoming events, I am hoping to get promotion to chief OS (office superintendent).

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# World



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## Keir Starmer visits the Shree Swaminarayan Mandir



Labour Party leader Keir Starmer visits the Shree Swaminarayan Mandir Kingsbury while on the General Election campaign trail, in London.

# US looks to lock in defense partnerships with Asian allies

The exercise was intended to improve countries' abilities to share missile warnings.

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**SOUTH KOREA:** The United States wrapped up its first multidomain exercise with Japan and South Korea in the East China Sea on Saturday, a step forward in Washington's efforts to strengthen and lock in its security partnerships with key Asian allies in the face of growing threats from North Korea and China. The three-day Freedom Edge increased the sophistication of previous exercises

with simultaneous air and naval drills geared toward improving joint ballistic-missile defense, anti-submarine warfare, surveillance and other skills and capabilities. The exercise, which is expected to expand in years to come, was also intended to improve the countries' abilities to share missile warnings – increasingly important as North Korea tests ever-more sophisticated systems. Outside of Australia, Japan and South Korea are the only U.S. partners in the

### HIGHLIGHT

• Such exercises also carry the risk of increasing tensions, with China regularly denouncing drills in what it considers its sphere of influence

• The defense cooperation involving both Japan and South Korea is also politically complex for both Yoon and Japanese PM Fumio Kishida

region with militaries sophisticated enough

to integrate operations with the U.S. so that if, for example, South Korea were to detect a target, it could quickly relay details so Japanese or American counterparts could respond, said Ridwan Rahmat, a Singapore-based analyst with the defense intelligence company Janes.

“That’s the kind of interoperability that is involved in a typical war scenario,” Rahmat said. “For trilateral exercises like this the intention is to develop the interoperability between the three

armed forces so that they can fight better as a cohesive fighting force.”

Such exercises also carry the risk of increasing tensions, with China regularly denouncing drills in what it considers its sphere of influence, and North Korea already slamming the arrival of the USS Theodore Roosevelt carrier group in the port of Busan – home to South Korea’s navy headquarters and its Gimhae Air Base – in preparation for Freedom Edge as “provocative” and “dangerous.”

## Attacker wounds a police officer guarding Israel's embassy in Serbia

**BELGRADE(SERBIA):** An attacker with a crossbow wounded a Serbian police officer guarding the Israeli Embassy in Belgrade on Saturday, Serbia’s interior ministry said. The officer responded by fatally shooting the assailant. Interior Minister Ivica Dacic said in a statement that the attacker fired a bolt at the officer, hitting him in the neck. He said the officer than “used a weapon in self-defense to shoot the attacker, who died as a result of his injuries.” The policeman was conscious when he was transported to Belgrade’s main emergency hospital, where an operation to remove the bolt from his neck will be performed, it added.

# Five missiles land near ship in Red Sea

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A ship traveling through the Red Sea came under repeated missile fire Friday in an attack launched by Yemen’s Houthi rebels

**DUBAI:** Five missiles landed near the vessel as it traveled off the coast of the rebel-held port city of Hodeida in Yemen, the British military’s United Kingdom Maritime Trade Operations center said.

The missiles landed near the vessel, but caused no damage, the UKTMO added. Houthi military spokesman,



Smoke rises after an explosion on a ship, attacked by Houthis on MV Tutor in Red Sea.

Brig. Gen. Yahya Saree, claimed late Friday the group made two attacks on ships in the Red Sea, but it wasn’t immediately clear which ship was the one reported targeted by authorities. He also made other claims as well on attacks otherwise unreported on

vessels. The Houthis have exaggerated their claims in the past. The rebels have targeted more than 60 vessels by firing missiles and drones in their campaign that has killed a total of four sailors. They seized one vessel and sank two since November. A

### EASTFACTS

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U.S.-led airstrike campaign has targeted the Houthis since January, with a series of strikes on May 30 killing at least 16 people and wounding 42 others, the rebels say.

## Iran goes to a runoff election

**DUBAI:** Iran will hold a runoff presidential election to replace the late hard-line President Ebrahim Raisi, an official said Saturday, after an initial vote saw the top candidates not securing an outright win. The election this coming Friday will pit reformist candidate Masoud Pezeshkian against the hard-line former nuclear negotiator Saeed Jalili. Mohsen Eslami, an election spokesman, announced the result in a news conference carried by Iranian state television. He said of 24.5 million votes cast, Pezeshkian got 10.4 million while Jalili received 9.4 million. Parliament speaker Mohammad Bagher Qalibaf got 3.3 million.



## Eight homeless moms in San Francisco struggle for help

**SAN FRANCISCO:** They know chronic back pain from couch surfing while pregnant. They tuck their children in at bedtime in the backs of cars and under bridges. Once their kids are asleep, and only then, do they let themselves cry. Since January, a group of eight San Francisco mothers have met regularly as part of a local nonprofit’s pilot program to share their stories and learn to advocate for the needs of families like theirs experiencing homelessness. “I feel like I failed my kids,” says Teniah Tercero, breaking into tears as she talked about how she hates exposing her three young daughters to the open drug use of the city’s gritty Tenderloin neighborhood where they sleep at a shelter.

### RUSSIA DRONE STRIKE

## Ukrainian drone strike kills five in Russia's Kursk region

**KYIV:** A Ukrainian drone strike killed at least five people in Russia’s Kursk region, local officials said Saturday, while rescuers in the Ukrainian city of Dnipro dug through rubble after a Russian attack ripped through a nine-story residential building, leaving one dead.

Two children were among the victims of the Ukrainian attack in the village of Gorodishche on the Russian-Ukrainian border, Gov. Alexey Smirnov said on social media.

In Dnipro, at least one person died and 12 were injured, including a 7-month-old girl, after a Russian strike destroyed the top four floors of the apartment bloc Friday evening, regional head Serhii Lysak said.

The attacks came as Russia continues to stretch out Ukrainian forces in several areas along the 1,000-kilo-



meter (600-mile) front. Moscow has stepped up airstrikes in a bid to drain Ukraine’s resources, often targeting energy facilities and other vital infrastructure.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said the country had lost about 80% of its thermal power and one-third of its hydroelectric power in Russian strikes.

### NEPAL LANDSLIDE

## At least 9 dead when landslides hit Nepal villages

**KATHMANDU:** Landslides triggered by heavy rainfall on Saturday killed at least nine people including an entire family while they were sleeping in Nepal’s mountainous districts, officials said.

The landslides buried houses in three separate areas in the country’s mountainous region, about 250 kilometers (156 miles) west of the capital, Kathmandu, according to Nepal’s National Disaster Rescue and Reduction Management Authority.

Five members of the same family were killed



when their house was swallowed by a landslide while they were asleep at Malika village in Gulmi district. The victims included a couple, their daughter-in-law and two grandchildren including an 8-month-old girl.

## Pakistan seeks small arms from US for 'Operation Azm-i-Istehkam'

**ISLAMABAD:** Pakistan’s ambassador to the US has urged the US to provide small arms and modern equipment to his country to ensure the success of Operation Azm-i-Istehkam, Islamabad’s newly approved counter-terrorism initiative. The decision to launch the ‘Azm-e-Istehkam’ operation was taken on June 22 at the apex committee meeting of the National Action Plan, a strategy approved in 2014 to eliminate militancy from the country. The federal government

recently approved the reinigorated national counter-terrorism drive. “Pakistan has launched Azm-i-Istehkam (...) to oppose and dismantle terrorist networks. For that, we need sophisticated small arms and communication equipment,” Ambassador Masood Khan was quoted as saying by the Dawn newspaper. He made these remarks while addressing US policymakers, scholars, intelligentsia, and corporate leaders at a Washington think tank,

the Wilson Centre, earlier this week.

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