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# '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 Saturdav 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 twoday 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

**Apex Court is** 

experimenting

with artificial

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**D** Y Chandrachud

Chief Justice of India

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#### **HIGHLIGHT**

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

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.

CII Chandrachud said the Constitution allows for restrictions to be imposed 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

#### Five soldiers swept collapses at away in flash floods **Rajkot airport**

**NEW DELHI:** Five soldiers,

**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 BIP.

Canopy

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.

including a junior com-Shyok around 1 am and missioned officer (JCO), one of them got stuck in were killed during an high currents in the river, exercise early Saturday as the officials said, adding the melting of snow their Russian-origin T-72 tank was swept away folresulted in the increase in the water levels. The lowing flash floods in the Shyok river near the Line Army deployed rescue of Actual Control (LAC) in teams but the mission eastern Ladakh, officials didn't succeed in view of said. Defence Minister the raging waters in the river. The deceased per-Rajnath Singh said he was deeply saddened by the sonnel are MRK Reddy, Subhan Khan, Bhupendra unfortunate accident that Negi, E Teibam and Sadaroccurred in the river near

Saser Brangsa. Two T-72

## 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.



### **NEW DELHI**

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### **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.

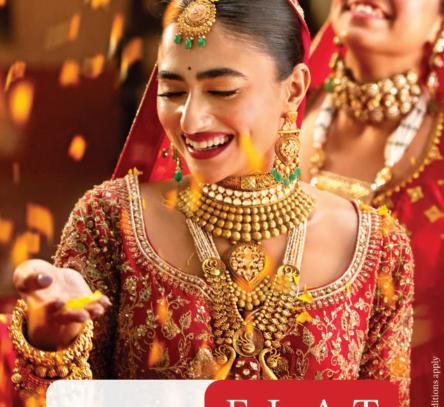
#### SRINAGAR

#### 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.









Sadar Bazar, Raipur © 91470 75332

## 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.

Add flavor and health with Patanjali Cow Ghee to enhance the taste of both traditional and modern dishes.



# Raipur

Rains bring respite to Raipurians



# 'Data based decision making is impt skill'

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

#### **Central Chronicle News**

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 **HIGHLIGHT** Department, SoS in Eco-

nomics and N. Buliwal, Jt. Dy. DG said that data Director, Directorate of based decision making is Economics and Statistics, an important and most Ch'garh were present in essential skill to better the program. The guests understand the statistical were welcomed by R.K. information obtained Srivastava, Senior Statistifrom official statistics cal Officer, National Statis-

> V-C Pt RSU, Raipur, Prof. Sachchidanand Shukla, in his address, stressed the importance of statistics.

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.

forecast in Chhattisgarh RAIPUR: The Meteorological Department has issued Orange and Yellow alerts

**Heavy Rain** 

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 Chhindgarh. Ambikapur, Chhotedongar, Gangalore, Suhela, Akaltara, Jagargunda, 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, Manendragarh Chirmiri Bharatpur, and Surajpur.

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

## 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 objection able documents.

The NIA carried out these operations in the remote villages of Mujalgondi, Kalmuche, Amabeda, and Jiva lamari 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.

## 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 Mantari 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?"

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

EXCEPTIONAL MEDICAL PROWESS

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tical Office, Raipur.

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from official statistics and

to help in making evidence

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 excep-

tional 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

Despite seeking treatment from various doctors over 4-5 months, her condition ald not improve, forcing her to stop attending school. She experienced breathing difficulties and lost 7 kg in just two months, leading



Saurabh Jain, and Dr. Vikram Sharma, who ensured the preservation of her fertility. Dr. Kavi jaiswai emphasized that fourth-stage cancer is no longer a death sentence, thanks to advancements in treatments such as targeted therapy and immunotherapy. He noted that germ cell tumors, commonly found in ovarian and testicular cancers in young children and adults, are highly treatable. Dr. Jaiswal has successfully treated thousands of cancer patients, including over 60 germ cell tumor cases in the

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,

high school board examinations with an impressive diagnosing her with fourth-80% marks, becoming an stage ovarian cancer. Dr. Ravi Jaiswal, along with his inspiration for other cancer team, provided assurance The girl, a resident of and initiated a complex che-Basna, initially complained motherapy treatment under of severe stomach pain, a five-day protocol. Despite swelling, loss of appetite, the challenges, including and significant weight loss. the need to remove fluid

Dr Ravi Jaiswal Cancer and blood disease specialist

her stomach and from 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 postchemo CT scans showed excellent results, leading to a successful operation by a team of senior doctors, including Dr. Sandeep Dave, Dr. Siddharth Tamrakar, Dr.

percent success rate. Dr. Jaiswal believes in the power of positive thinking, stating that a cancer patient's determination to fight and defeat cancer significantly aids in their treatment. He reiterated that cancer is no longer incurable and can be completely defeated with appropriate treatment.

last five years, achieving a 90

# Children of labourers to receive free coaching

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FREE COACHING

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

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#### in the state.

patients.

Labour Minister highlighted Devangan 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.

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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.

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Highest Pending cases in 2022

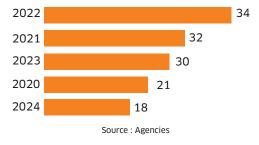


**RAIPUR:** In a major security lapse, 10 juvenile delinquents have escaped from the Mana Juvenile Home in Raipur. These boys, who were held for various serious crimes, managed to flee by breaking old windows and jumping over the wall of the correctional facility early this morning. The incident has 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.

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Pending cases for adoption year wise In Chhattisgarh



### **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.

# **Raipur** News

# Arang incident not mob lynching: Brijmohan

Raipur MP calls for strict action against cow smuggling.



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the minority community

should not hurt their feel-

ings', Senior BJP leader

and Raipur Lok Sabha MP

mob lynching.

#### FASTFACTS

**RAIPUR:** 'If someone Congress was jumps into a pit and dies, trying to spoil the how can it be called mob law and order of the lynching? First of all, we state, said Brijmohan have to understand the blaming Congress for feelings of the majority Balodabazar incident. community. People of

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

Brijmohan Agrawal said. Talking to the reporters istration by Bajrang Dal at Swami Vivekanand Airand Vishwa Hindu Pariport here today he said shad (VHP), Brijmohan Agrawal said that the Arang incident should government must take not be given the form of care of all the people. Regarding the pro-VHP is also right in its test against the adminplace, he said. According

## BJP leader and Raipur MP Brijmohan Agrawal talking to reporters at Raipur Airport 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 escaped delinquents 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

10th Yogotsav Festival **RAIPUR:** The internal quality cell of Government Gajanand Agrawal PG College jointly under **RAIPUR:** Chhattisgarh the aegis of Shankaracharya Vidyapeeth organized placement camp. A team of experts conducted interview of 35 Ambala 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

#### **Central Chronicle News**

**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.

ipation. At the Ambala promicamp, students from nently at the Regional Yogotsav Festival and Shri Gujarati School Health Hygiene in the showcased impressive State Training Center, They performances. Cantonment participated in Yogot-(Haryana) from June 19 sav Festival, where they to 23, 2024, the team of distributed medicines 8 Guide students from to women and children Shri Gujarati Higher Secunder health awareness, ondary School, Devenprovided tips for maindra Nagar, Raipur, under taining health, and also the leadership of Guide participated in tree plan-Incharge Mrs. Aarti Rajtation under environput, returned to Raipur mental safety.

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Guide team returns from

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## **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

# **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'.

menced the event with a detailed overview of the course, explaining its objectives, structure, and outcomes. Furthermore, she congratulated

## **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 offi-

# REVIEW MEETING Ahir praises Prayas School, **UPSC coaching initiatives**

**Central Chronicle News** 

National Commission for Backward Classes



NEWSLINE

**CHAMPIONSHIP** 

*Weightlifting* 

RAIPUR: Vivan

Aryan Jangade, Sanika

Chandel and Babli Vish-

was impressed with

their performances on

the inaugural day of

the Raipur District Sub

Junior, Junior and Senior

Weightlifting champion-

ship being organised at

Kharun Rail Vihar Faf-

adih here. Raipur West

MLA Rajesh Munat was

chief guest of the inaugu-

Providing the above

information, the Secre-

tary of the Association

Rustam Sarang said that

nearly 100 players are

participating in the above

ral ceremony.

tournament.

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**Championship** gets underway

**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 com-

sue

all the participants on cers of Smart City were their successful compresent. During the pletion of the course, inspection he took stock acknowledging their dedof the progress in beautification work of dharna ication and effort, and venue at Budhatalab. announced the award-

ing of e-certificates to all **Shopkeepers** participants. Followingly, Dr. Sanjay Kumar offered fined for lack insightful remarks on the of cleanliness necessity of a practical approach to learning.

Moreover, he dis-RAIPUR: It is as per instructions by the the cussed how hands-on experience and real-Commissioner Zone -8 world applications are Arun Dhruv based upon crucial for mastering the public complaint, any subject, urging parthe health department of ticipants to integrate RMC took stock of cleanlipractical methodologies ness and hygiene in marinto their study routines. ket area for the vendors, Succeedingly, Dr. Subhand-cart operators, hojit Ghosh encouraged dhabha and restaurants. During this on finding participants to purfurther education lack of cleanliness and in related fields, such hygiene, a fine of Rs as cybersecurity. 10200 was imposed.

NGBG) Ghairman Hansraj Gangaram Ahir praised the **Prayas Residential** School and UPSC coaching programme run by the Chhattisgarh Government.

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 NCBC Chairman Hansraj Gangaram Ahir chaired a meeting here today.

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 depart-

mental officials.



Minister releases

**BOOK RELEASE** 

Revenue

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 bestwoed on the shoulders of the Tehsidars and Nayab Tehsildar in the state. In this book, there are examples for the documents to be prepared in the office.

# Workshop organized on National Education Policy

other

#### **Central Chronicle News**

| WORKSHOP |

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 Vipra of Arts, Commerce and Physical Education College and Mahant Laxmi Narayan Das College.

Chief guest in the workshop Prof. Girish Kant Pandey, former on the basic mantra of



Registrar, Pandit Ravi all-round development Shankar Shukla Univerof students along with sity said that the National continuous evaluation. Education Policy is based A student can study the subject of

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.

**FASTFACTS** 

NCBC Chairman

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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

#### **Central Chronicle News**

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.

Bhilai

# **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

#### **Central Chronicle News**

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

#### **FASTFACTS**

 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 verv 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

"Public participation vital to fight vector

borne and water borne diseases." **Devesh Dhruv** (Commissioner, BMC)

#### **Central Chronicle News**

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

# 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

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

HIGHLIGHT

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-inlaw B Lucky George, police recovered a pistol and 02 magazines and 05 live cartridges.

BP examination, Khilawan Kumbhkar, Pharmacist, and Shambhu Dayal, for volunteered registration, 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.

Staff, for Blood-Sugar and

BHILAI: DSP 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

**NEWSLINE** 

**POLICE ACTION** 

no-parking violation

2406 fined for

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 Mitanin, sanitation work ers, malaria eradica tion 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 Shan kar 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.

#### Mega Open Job Fair **Ceiling fan** falls on concludes at CSIT 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 hospi-

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

**Central Chronicle News** 

First private hospital of Chhattisgarh

#### Central Chronicle News

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

tai and discharged after was comprehensive and treatment. On Collector's designed to cater to both instruction, SDM Mukesh Raote reached the school the companies' needs and the students' aspirations. job fair concluded remarkable success, with numerous students securing job offers and internships. Group Chairman Ajay Prakash

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with good packages.

Police

to look into the matter. **Eight** arrested from Verma, Principal Dr Santosh Kumar Sharma, Reg-

istrar Rajesh Verma, CSIP BHILAI: Police have Director Vinay Dwivedi, arrested eight persons CSIP Principal Dr Amit including a juvenile from Hyderabad. They were Roy and faculties, staff congratulated the selected operating a panel of Mahacandidate. Chairman Ajay dev Book online cricket betting at a flat in Hydera-Prakash Verma said that in the coming year many bad. During the raid, the more reputed national prime accused tried to companies and multinaescape and jumped off the third floor of the building. tional companies will be After his treatment, police visiting the college campus for recruiting the students are bringing all the accused to Durg on transit remand.

and Central India to achieve this status.

BHILAI: Sparsh Multispeciality 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 trias

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.

#### MEETING

**BJP** office bearers meet Home Minister



BHILAI: BJP office bear ers 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.

#### T-20 WORLD CUP BETTING

Online cricket betting panels busted in Bihar

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#### **Central Chronicle News**

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 Sukhnandan 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.

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Bihar. A team of Durg Acting on a tip off, nabbed the Police moved to Bihar accused Abhishek Singh and raided a house in and during interrogation, Arrah Bihar and nabbed he confessed to operatnine youth red handed ing three panels from a while operating an rented house in Arrah, online betting racket. 20



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

Sukhnandan 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.

FASTFACTS

Trail to begin with

Only 77 trials held in

ti-organ failure, etc will

be done. Clinical Trial

Team Head Dr Sanjay

new medicine of

India last year

baldness

# 213 empl accorded a warm farewell

#### **Central Chronicle News**

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.

# **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.

#### Central Chronicle News

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 Hathkhoj 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.

Villagers of village Lachkera have complained that the sand mining with the help of Chain Mountains goes 24 hours a day, which that allege is due to the cooperation meted by the Gram Panchayat Secretary who is a resident of village Lachkera. Villagers of village Lachkera told that excavation and transportation from Lachkera sand mine has not stopped since October this year and whenever action is taken in other sand mines, excavation is stopped for 2-4 days and in this season, the amount of illegal mining and arbitrary transportation of



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

## Tree plantation drive in Bhairambaba temple

**BIJAPUR:** А massive tree plantation program organized in the was 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 tehprogram, 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 pres ent 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 underconstruction road disrupts traffic

written a letter to the Sub-

Divisional Officer to give a

cut in the divider, but the

change is yet on hold and

The cuts left in the

divider in a haphazard

and arbitrary manner

at various places have

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 construc-

tion 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,

Zone No. 02 Manth. The

mud, accidents.

become a cause of

trouble.

**HIGHLIGHT** 

#### **Central Chronicle News**

DONGARGAON: Due to a road divider under construction in the city's fourlane 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 movements important like that of a ambulance recently has come to fore. The local BMO has also

# 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

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.

ARREST ACB arrests ACB arrests Patwari taking bribe



KHAIRAGARH: Anti Cor ruption Bureau (ACB) team arrested a Patwari red handed while taking bribe in Khairagarh dis trict. According to the information, Patwari Vivek Parganiya posted in Patwari Halka number II OF Knairagarn Diock was demanding Rs 4000 from farmer Kishore Das Sahu, resident of village Tolagaon under Parghaniya Halka, in the name of correcting the farming papers.

# Schools open with lack of teachers and resources

#### Central Chronicle News

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



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





### NEWSLINE

#### PLANTATION

Plantation drive done in Mura and Mohdi



drive was done in village panchayat Mura and Mohdi of district panchayat Tilda.It is known that under Jal Shakti Abhi yan 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.

#### and resources.

MUNGELI: Schools in the region have opened, with though 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 welcome, traditional but most of the schools are lacking conjugation towards better education, due to lack if 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 ister Narendra Modi, the schools, cleaning and State Finance and Planning painting is being done on Minister OP Choudhary will the holding, but there is prepare a framework in nothing like this in govthe form of a vision docuernment schools. Under ment to make Chhattisgarh the Mukhyamantri Shala a developed state by 2047 during the budget session Jatan Yojana, an amount of Rs 15 crore 63 lakh of 2024-25 in the Assembly 48 thousand was sancon 9 February 2024 and on tioned in the district, the occasion of State Foundation Day on 1 November, out of which 324 schools were repaired. There are the "Amritkal - Chhattisgarh still 207 accident prone Vision (ACV)/ 2047" vision schools in the district, document will be dedicated most of which are dismanto the public. In order to tled and repairable and make the document "Amritto ensure that students kal - Chhattisgarh Vision / 2047" all-inclusive, Niti do not face any problem regarding books this year, Aayog has prepared a draft the Textbook Corporation of "More Sapna More Vikasit Chhattisgarh" on the has already distributed books in the blocks. Stucitizen portal ijjcheru// dents will be given free ekhechb.bah.hava.pad/ books from 1st to 10th. apopjbah/ru/ ivum.

and to give concrete shape to the call of Prime Minictor Norendro Modi the new law: ASP.

**Central Chronicle News** 

Everyone needs to be

informed about the

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SUKMA: Regarding the new law to be implemented on 1 July 2024, information was given to citizens, journalists, Gram Panchayat Secrepolice tary-Sarpanch, 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 Konta Ajay Sonkar and Konta 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 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

or crime will be regis-

tered under the new law.

Under the justice system

for crimes, it has been

Using technology, the entire process has been digicomprehensive change talized. The process of in the direction of the Indian Penal Code and FIR, the decisions of law. Officials and citizens FIR will all be in digital should be aware of these form. Emphasizing on the extensive publicity of laws. New provisions have been made for the the new justice code, ASP accused in the new law. It Akash Rao Girpunje said is necessary for everyone that the common people should be made aware by to understand these laws themselves and also make giving information about the new justice code in others aware. He said that after the implemenall the haats and martation of the law from July kets including the urban 1, 2024, if any crime is bodies, gram panchayats of the district. committed, the incident

PRAVESHOTSAV

School admission festival in Govt. School Bardih



**KHARORA:** School admis

sion festival was orga nized in Government Pre-Secondary and Primary School Bardih and school Management and Development Committee Chairman Nitesh Chelak along with institution head Manharan Verma and Bhesh 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.

#### | COMMUTERS PROBLEMS |

# *Commuters face problems due to water clogging*

#### Central Chronicle News

**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-

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mute. While the demand middle of the city. From for a bypass route has been morning to late evening, gaining momentum for i.e. 24 hours a day, pedestrians keep coming and many years, but neither the officials pay attention going through this route, or the responsible, as a even the students going to result, small and big loadschool reach their school ing and unloading vehiand college through this cles run fast through the 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 mon-

soon season.

# Essential meeting of UNBLP concludes

#### **Central Chronicle News**

**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

trict 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.

Literacy Program, Dis-

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 Bijapu

Chhattisgarh

Khairagarh

deciphers

the new laws

KHAIRAGARH: Orientation

program on new judicial code was organized in Rani Rashmi Devi Singh

Government College. This

program was held in Khai-

ragarh College on Wednes-

day in the presence of

Additional Collector Prem

Kumar Patel, Joint Col-

lector Surendra Kumar

Thakur, Prosecution Offi-

cer Devendra Dhruv and

Principal in charge Dr.

Jitendra Kumar Sakhare,

Paralegal Volunteer Golu-

das Sahu. After welcoming

the guests, while conduct-

College



New Code of Justice orientation program was organized in the auditorium building of Indira Kala Sangeet University.

# **Orientation prog on** new code of laws held

New Code of Justice orientation program was organized in the auditorium building of Indira Kala Sangeet Vishwavidyalaya.

#### **Central Chronicle News**

KHAIRAGARH: New Code of Justice orientation program was organized in the auditorium building of Indira Kala Sangeet University 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-

Sangeet University, Kala 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

cellor in-charge of Indira

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 University 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 Iudicial Code from the Penal 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.

ing 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 infor-

mation about old and new

criminal laws.

## Briefs **BEST OF THE REST**

**ADMISSION** 

**Cluster holds school** 

at SAGES Bhakhara

ANWARI: Shala Praveshotsav was cel-

ebrated at SAGES Bhakhara at govern-

ment level. The chief guest of the pro-

gram 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 inaugu-

rated by worshiping 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 Shrivas-

tava motivated the students to study by

staying disciplined.

enrollment event

#### SHALA PRAVESHOTSAV

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



GAURELLA-PENDRA: As per 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

The Day's

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, includblood pressure, ing 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

SURPRISE INSPECTION

**Central Chronicle News** 

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of fertilizer and seeds

LEADING STATES IN TERMS OF HEALTH

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



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. Durof opening the shop, not ing the inspection of the to sell liquor more than Community Health Centhe prescribed quantity ter, necessary instructions and not to sell liquor at were given regarding the a price higher than the facilities available to the

ises 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

patients in the hospital,

health services, cleanli-

ness of the hospital prem-

distributed in the Cooperative Service Committee. The Collector directed to make the distribution

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.

# Railway tracks have story to tell, lifeline of IR

#### Central Chronicle News

| LIFELINE OF IR |

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

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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).

> SECR 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.

#### NUMBERS

Kerala tops the list with highest health index

Source: Agency

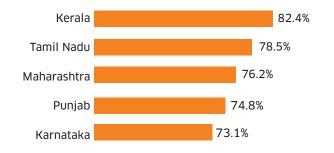
#### **WELCOME**

## **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.

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#### INDEX IN INDIA IN 2024



#### MEETING

**Collectorate hosts** coordination **Committee meeting** 



KHAIRAGARH: The first meeting of the District Level Coordination Committee (DLCC) constituted under Lakhpati Didi Pehal Yojana was held in the Collectorate hall under the chairman ship 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.



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

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





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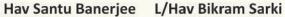
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**LNK Bhupen Rai** 



**LNK Bishal Chhetri** 

**RFN Prasanta Deb** 





**RFN Sanjoy Debnath** 

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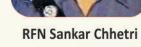
**RFN Tak Bahadur Thapa** 



# 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)



Nation

Govt approves 40 pc risk allowance for NDRF rescuers. Amit Shah Union Minister

# Heavy rains lash Delhi



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

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

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Aam Aadmi Party. AAP

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by the ED in the Delhi

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charges of wrongdoing

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include 18 immovable

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# 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

## Four workers killed in explosion

VIRUDHUNAGAR: Four

#### the party may be named **HIGHLIGHT** as an accused in the next

• 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**

## 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 IndianOi 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-andhalf months after Qatar released eight former Indian Navy personnel, who were sentenced to death after being arrested in August 2022.

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 Oatar from February 14 to 15 and held discussions with Qatar's Emir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani. "India and Qatai 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.

workers were killed and another person was injured on Saturday following an explosion at a firecracker manufacturing unit near here, police said. The workers were killed on the spot and the cause for the explosion and blaze is suspected to be mishandling the chemical ingredients, the raw materials, that go into the making of firecrackers, a senior district police official said. Another person who was in the vicinity was injured and buildings rooms earmarked for specific tasks involved in manufacturing processes have suffered damage, he added. CM M K Stalin, expressing anguish and conveying his condolences to the kin of the deceased, announced a solatium of Rs 3 lakh to each of the families of the four dead workers.

# 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 the Andaman and by Nicobar Command said, "The aircraft left Kolk-



## FACTFILE

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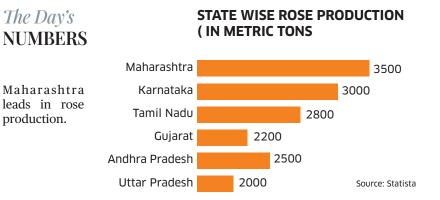
ata around 5.40 pm and landed successfully in Port Blair at 7.34 pm. The aircraft proceeded towards Veer Savarkar International Terminal to disembark passengers."

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

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.

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



#### **EXCISE 'SCAM'**

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

urday sent Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal to judicial custody till July 12 in a corruption case related to the alleged excise scam.

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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# Universities overlook Kerala Governor orders

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#### 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 Governoi



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.

NEW DELHI: A court here on Sat-

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

# Nation News

# 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 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.

NDPP, which had already won five of the 19 seats in the Kohima Municipal Council unopposed, added eight more after the final declaration of result, securing a majority. In Mokokchung Munic-

ipal Council, NDPP won 15 of the total 18 seats. Earlier, it had won six seats uncontested.

Governor Gulab Chand Kataria has

urged technical institutes to encourage enrolment of more female students as the number of females taking admissions in such courses is fewer than males. Speaking at the 6th convocation of the Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT), Guwahati, on Friday, he pointed out that techni-

Woman

poisons

9-month-old

Assam

## **HIGHLIGHT**

 Guv appealed graduates to utilise their expertise properly.

Enrol more female students in

technical education: Governor

• 227 students were awarded graduate and post-graduate degrees.

cal educational institutes have a lower girls' enrol-

ment rate than that of conventional studies.

He asked the authorities of these institutes to find ways to encourage more girls to join the technical courses.

strated their capability in every field, and providing them with proper opportunities would be the right way to empower them, Kataria said.

# Heavy rainfall in NW and NE India for next Five days

June 29-30, and Bihar

dicted very heavy rain-

fall in isolated areas in

Uttarakhand, Himachal

Pradesh, Punjab, Hary-

ana, Chandigarh, Uttar

Pradesh, east Rajasthan,

and west Madhya Pradesh

during this period.

**FASTFACTS** 

Isolated heavy

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Heavy rainfall is

on June 29-30.

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In the northeast, a

cyclonic circulation over

northeast Assam will

bring light to moderate

rainfall, thunderstorms,

lightning, and isolated

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van West Bengal, Sik-

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rainfall for Saurashtra,

Kutch, Kerala, Tamil

Nadu, and coastal and

south interior Karnataka

from June 29 to July 1.

The Met office also

over the next five days.

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Manipur,

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Assam,

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from June 30 to July 2. The IMD has also pre-

#### Press Trust Of India

A low-pressure area is currently situated over the northwest Bay of Bengal, adjoining the north **Odisha-Gangetic** West Bengal coasts.

NEW DELHI: The India Meteorological Department (IMD) on Saturday predicted heavy to very heavy rainfall in northwest and northeast India over the next four to five days. A low-pressure area is currently situated over the northwest Bay of Bengal, adjoining the north Odisha-Gangetic West Bengal coasts, the weather office said.

Cyclonic circulations have formed over northeast Rajasthan, east Uttar Pradesh bordering Bihar, and northwest Uttar Pradesh at lower tropospheric levels, it added.

An east-west trough extends from northwest Uttar Pradesh to the lowpressure area.

Due to these weather systems, isolated heavy rainfall is expected in Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, and Rajasthan from June 29 to July 3, the IMD said.

Chhattisgarh, Gangetic West Bengal, Jharkhand, and Odisha will likely receive heavy rainfall on

#### **NEWSLINE**

#### MUMBAI

### **GR** without approval breach of privilege



Issuing a governmen resolution (GR) for a budgetary proposal without approval of the assembly is breach of privilege, Leader of Opposition and senior Congress leader Vijay Wadettiwar said on Saturday. Speaking in the assembly, he objected to Chief Minister Eknath Shinde tabling a GR on the 'Mukhyamantri Majhi Ladki Bahin' scheme in which women in the 21-60 age group will get Rs 1,500. "The budget proposal was tabled yesterday and it has to be approved by the legisla ture. The appropriation bill is approved by the governor following which a GR is issued. But the chief minister sidestepped the procedure. This is breach of privilege of the legislature," Wadettiwar asserted.

### JAMMU

## AAP workers detained in 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 activ ists led by 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.

# Birla's comments don't suit stature of LS Speaker: Pawar

Press Trust Of India

Sops announced in the budget presented by Ajit Pawar on Friday, was just

sition of Emergency as an attack on the Constitution by the then prime minister Indira Gandhi. Referring to it, Pawar

son CHANDRAPUR: A 27-year-

old woman poisoned her 9-month-old son, who survived, before hanging herself in Maharashtra's Chandrapur district, an said, "The speaker's refofficial 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.

# HOLY PILGRIMAGE **'Committed to ensure safe,** smooth Amarnath Yatra'

Press Trust Of India

Amarnath Yatra began on SaturGirls have demon-



an effort ahead of the state assembly polls to project that they are doing something massive.

KOLHAPUR: NCP (SP) president Sharad Pawar on Saturday said the reference to Emergency made by Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla in his speech was not apt and did not suit the stature of his post.

Addressing reporters here, Pawar also said the sops announced in the budget presented by his estranged nephew and Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar on Friday, was just an effort ahead of the state assembly polls to project that they are doing something massive.

Soon after his election as Lok Sabha Speaker, Om Birla on Wednesday set off a firestorm by reading out a resolution condemning the impoerence to the Emergency in his address did not suit the stature of the post. It has been 50 years since the Emergency, Indira Gandhi is no longer alive.

So why is the speaker bringing up this issue now?" "Is it the role of the speaker to make a political statement? We think his statement was not apt. The President's speech

also had a brief mention of this issue. That was also not necessary," he said.

On Rahul Gandhi taking the Leader of Opposition's post, Pawar said the party with the most number of MPs in the Opposition gets to decide the Leader of Opposition. "The MPs of the Con-

gress decided to make Rahul Gandhi their leader. In one way, this is a representation from new generation the with a background in pol-

The baby was then shifted to a private hospital in Chandrapur and he is said to be in a stable condition.

day as the first batch of pilgrims left the twin base camps.

NEW DELHI: The Modi government is committed to ensuring a safe, smooth and pleasant pilgrimage to the cave shrine of Amarnath and is making all possible arrangements to ensure that devotees do not face any inconvenience, Union Home Minister Amit Shah said on Saturday.

The annual Amarnath Yatra began on Saturday as the first batch of pilgrims left the twin base camps in Baltal and Nunwan to start their journey to the 3,880-metre-high cave shrine in the south Kashmir Himalayas.

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OUR VIEW

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

r ndia's achievement in the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) evaluation underscores a significant L 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.

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

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 cor-

ruption. The whole nation stood by him. It seemed as if the nation had found an angelic icon in the name of Kejariwal 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



Prof. Anil Jain

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 Sisodiya 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.

# 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



**GUEST VIEW** 

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

une 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



**Bidyut Kumar** Chatterjee

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.

the world grapples with intense heatvaves, 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, pre-existthose with ing 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

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

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

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#### 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.

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 pillowcases, 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 con-

sumed. Staying in shaded areas

**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.

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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.

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# 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 ongo-

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ing 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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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 yearago 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.



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#### **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 Samriddhi 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. Reli ance 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 653.711 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 alltime 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

the end of March 2024 from Rs 166.14 lakh crore at December-end, the finance ministry has said. This represented quarter-on-quarter increase of 3.4 per cent in the fourth quarter of 2023-24, said the public debt management quarterly report (January-March, 2024). Public debt accounted for 90.2 per cent of total gross liabilities during the quarter, it said. "During the quarter, the yield on Indian domestic bond softened on account of lower than anticipated borrowing plan announced in interim budget, adjustment of the fiscal deficit to 5.1 per cent of the GDP for FY25, a targeted reduction of the fiscal deficit at or below 4.5 per cent by FY26, FPI inflows and steady inflation,"

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 FACTFILE Anand Mahindra.

Penning his thoughts t is impossible to in the annual report 2023talk about any business 24 of IT services and contoday without talking sultation company Tech about technology. Mahindra, the billionaire businessman said it is future world it is trying impossible to talk about to create. Across multi any business today with--business organisations, it out talking about technolenables synergy and creates unexpected business connections.

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



Tech Mahindra chairman Anand Mahindra

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 dataindustries, it driven insights to solving collaboration industry-specific proband transformation," he lems to revolutionising

ess. "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. said tackling He

changes requires preparation, and both speed and scale. "Tech Mahindra has made Scale at Speed their promise and war cry.

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

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it said.

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 Regulatory 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

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

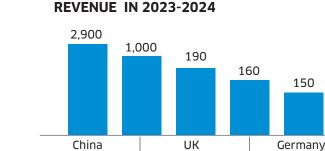
"Through these amendment regulations, an additional criterion for the rejection of the request for allocation of a Unique Porting Code

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.

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**NUMBERS** 

(In billion US dollars)



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**TOP COUNTRIES BY E-COMMERCE** 

Source: Statista

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#### **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

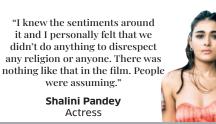
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NEW DELHI: The country's iron ore production increased by four per cent to 52 million metric tonnes (MMT) in the April-May period of the ongoing fiscal. The country's iron ore output was at 50 MMT in the corresponding period of previous fiscal, according 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

(UPC) has been introthe 







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

**CELEB TALK** 

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.





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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

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 Siddigui-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

anhvi 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 Gulshan Devaiah. and 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

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

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

Written by Parveez Shaikh and Sudhanshu Saria, with 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,

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

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-

#### 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

#### 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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than marriage. Streaming on Prime Video.



### Starring: Celine Dion Where to watch: Streaming on Amazon

I Am; Celine Dion

career and family

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

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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.

Kiran rediscovers herself in the busy life of Mumbai,

while Tanvi, a young cricketer, wants more from life



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 Rasmeni, Angela Sithole, and Oros Mampofu as their journeys unfold.

# | 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.

**∕** aty 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

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#### **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.

Katy Perry goes viral for her mindblowing dress with 500-foot train

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der 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-catch-

ing appearance, Katy Perry made waves at Vogue World in a daring archival Noir Kei Ninomiya black cut-out dress adorned with delicate peachcolored 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.

By Prof.

Dr. Yasin Sheikh

HoD School of

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*Campus* Calling THE FIRST LECTURE

he National Education Policy 2020 for education higher 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



#### An outer view ITM University Raipur for a fulfilling career, By 2047, we will increase the size of our economy highlighting the value of

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

#### **Central Chronicle News**

University The ITM emphasis on over all development of students, the four parameter's contributing to students are curricular,

2Table Tennis court. University ITM spacious land has a

area admeasuring 25.455 acres. The land is earmarked also for the sports facilities and the following sports activi-

## *Zero*Period THE WORLD OF SCHOOL EDUCATION

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

LAST DATE EXTENDED

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 extended 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 retotalling and 2379 candidates in reval uation. 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 speech, motivating the people to

Shortake: Government School- Baronda 'Shala Praveshotsav' celebrated in Govt HS School, Baronda

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.







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RAIPUR: In association with the Student Activity Center (S.A.C.) of IIIT Nava Raipur, the N.S.S. Unit organized the 10thInternational 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.

co-curricular, extra-curricular and extra-mural activities.

Among the four parameters, the activiextra-curricular ties 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 5carroms, 10chess board and

ties are conducted dur ing 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 vear.

## | PROFESSOR'S VIEW |

Asst Prof. Amity School of Fashion Technology, Amity University Chhattisgarh.

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

By Mr. Rajeev Kumar

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

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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 challeng-

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. ing, and simply buying

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.

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 Panchavat 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.



SchoolBuzz

#### 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 Ramnath 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.

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# Sports

Yoga becomes a competitive sport and is in the Asian Games Mansukh Mandaviya

# **Unstoppable Pahal storms** to 400m gold at National

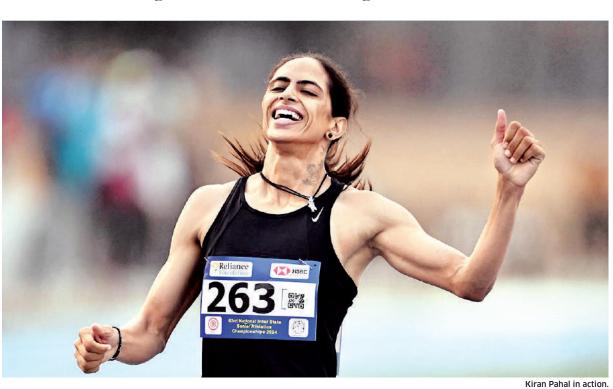
Haryana's Kiran Pahal found herself the winner of the Women's 400m race where she clinched a gold medal while clocking in 50.92 seconds.

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**PANCHKULA:** Olympic-bound Kiran Pahal of Haryana once again stole the limelight with her sheer pace as she won the women's 400m race gold in 50.92 seconds -the same time with which she had qualified for the Paris Games in the semifinals -- on the second day of the National Inter-State Athletics Championships here on Friday.

The 23-year-old Kiran had surprised one and all as she breached the Olympics qualifying time of 50.95 seconds, clocking 50.92 seconds during the semifinals on Thursday. On Friday, she led throughout the race and left second-placed Deepanshi (52.01), also from Haryana, at least five metres behind.

Andhra Pradesh's Jyothika Sri Danda, a key member of the women's 4x400m relay team that booked a Paris Games berth last month, was third in 52.11. Promising middle-distance runner Parvej Khan of Haryana, who earlier this year became the first Indian to qualify for the final of a track event in the NCAA Championships of the United States, also lived up to the expectations as he won the



#### **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. Bhubaneswar in June.

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 field which had almost all and punched the air in the top short-sprint runcelebration after crossing ners of the country. The 23-year-old Gurindervir the finish line. Khan, who is currently studying at struggled the whole of last vear as he could not come the University of Florida on scholarships, last comup with a podium finish in peted in a domestic event 2023. SS Sneha of Karnaat the 2023 National Intertaka emerged as the fastest State Championships in woman of the championships as she clocked 11.62 Punjab's Gurindervir seconds to win the wom-Singh became the fastest en's 100m final. However, man of the championships national record holder as he won the 100m dash in women's 1500m, KM with a time of 10.32 sec-Deeksha was pushed to onds. Odisha's Animesh the third spot with Lili Das of West Bengal win-Kujur (10.46s) and Assam's Amaln Borgohain ning the race in 4 minute 13.87 seconds while Del-(10.49s) took the silver and bronze respectively in a hi'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 disappoint-

ing 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.



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

Sports Minister

Sports Briefs BEST OF THE REST

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: Vinícius 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 Canar-

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 inho, who opened the tournament the nine-time Copa America cham-

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

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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.

# become top ICC event

PLAYER SURVEY

**T20 World Cup poised to** 

#### 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



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

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

# Tucker praises 'phenomenal' Indian batters

FACTFILE

World Cup is

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**WOMEN CRICKET** 

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-

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

phenomenal,"

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 Tucker



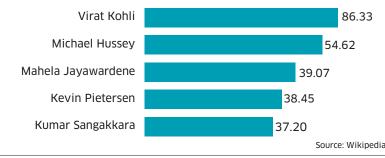
South Africa Women player

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).

Tuesday with a scoreless draw pions. PTI

## The Day's **NUMBERS**

#### **BEST BATTING AVERAGES IN T20 WORLD CUPS**



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### **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 Praggnan and haa let's Gukesh off the hook 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 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



runs record held by Australia, who had posted 575 for nine declared against South Africa in Perth this February. at 593, However,

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 toporder batter Sune Luus (65) and Marizanne (69 not out) as they finished

## **HIGHLIGHT**

South Africa put up a spirited fight with toporder 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.

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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

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However, a late error

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.

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 Abdu-

It was a Berlin defense game wherein Firouzja sattorov of Uzbekistan.

# | OLYMPICS | **Olympic hopeful Manu** faces doping suspension

#### Press Trust Of India

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.



## Akram led **CSVA** 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 Vollevball Association have joined end to resume the Volleyball activities. Both of them jointly issued a

# | EURO CHAMPIONSHIP | **Frenchman Maignan emerges** from Lloris's shadow

#### Press Trust Of India

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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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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 silManu's initial inclusion on the National Inter-State Championships entry list hinted at his

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

#### HIGHLIGHT

potential participation.

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 Pres-

ident Adille Sumariwalla confirmed NADA's request to halt Manu's participation, he refrained from explicitly confirming a doping offense.

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 Krisha led committee of Indian

DORTMUND: 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 Olympic Association (IOA) than a decade Hugo Llotoo has given the conris kept goal for France, sent. With the above deciplaying more matches sion, the Md Akram Khan at a major tournament than any other Frenchwould have voting rights in the Apex Body elections man and going on to become the country's

Stepping



Mike Maignan put in key saves along the way

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

"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: Middledistance 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 Champion-Iunior Bydgoszcz, ships in 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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level. I missed a medal at 2017 Asian Championships and I missed out on taking part in the 2018 and 2022 Asian Games. That is the sad part," Das, who has been in the national circuit for

more than 10 years, told PTI on Saturday.

"But I am not giving up just yet. I am 26 now, but luckily, I have not

after getting a Railways job," she said.

in near future.

I have no sponsors and that is why I am struggling to improve myself. 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."

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"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

"My mother is sportsminded, 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).



World

Our failure to secure peace, to confront climate change, and to boost international finance is undermining development

> Antonio Guterres U.N. Secretary-General

## 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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KOREA: The SOUTH 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

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 Ridzwan 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 region with militaries 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."

#### 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 FRANCISO: 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 ninestory residential building, leaving one dead.

Two children were among the victims of the Ukranian 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

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

# MIDEAST TENSIONS **Five missiles land near**

BELGRADE(SERBIA):Anattacker 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.

ship in Red Sea

#### **Press Trust Of India**

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 rebelheld 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,



attacked by Houthis on MV Tutor in Red Sea

Brig. Gen. Yahya Saree,

vessels. The Houthis have claimed late Friday the group made two attacks on exaggerated their claims in ships in the Red Sea, but it the past. The rebels have tarwasn't immediately clear geted more than 60 vessels which ship was the one by firing missiles and drones reported targeted by authorin their campaign that has ities. He also made other killed a total of four sailors. claims as well on attacks They seized one vessel and otherwise unreported on sank two since November. A

#### **FASTFACTS**

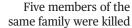
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• The rebels have targeted more than 60 vessels by firing missiles and drones in their campaign that has killed a total of four sailors

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.

KATHMANDU: Land slides 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 Reduc-Management tion Authority.



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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-inlaw and two grandchildren including an 8-month-old girl.



#### MIDEAST TENSIONS

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

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's ambassador to the US has reinvigorated urged the US to provide counter-terrorism drive. "Pakistan has launched small arms and modern Azm-i-Istehkam (...) to equipment to his country oppose and dismantle terto ensure the success of Operation Azm-i-Istehrorist networks. For that, kam, Islamabad's newly we need sophisticated approved counter-terrorsmall arms and commuism initiative. The decinication sion to launch the 'Azm-e-Ambassador Istehkam' operation was Khan was quoted as saying by the Dawn newstaken on June 22 at the apex committee meeting paper. He made these of the National Action remarks while addressing Plan, a strategy approved US policymakers, scholin 2014 to eliminate milars, intelligentsia, and corporate leaders at a itancy from the country. Washington think tank, The federal government

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recently approved the national this week.



